

Prospect Newsletter

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PROSPECT RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT

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Mission Statement of Prospect Recreation & Park District

*As steward of
public lands and
recreational
development,
Prospect
Recreation &
Park District is
dedicated to
protect, manage,
and expand its
parkland, and
promote
opportunities for
citizens to
pursue sports,
historic, cultural,
and leisure-time
activities.*

Prospect Recreation & Park District (PRPD) 2009 Recap

Prospect Recreation & Park District (PRPD) was able to complete a number of projects and park improvements in 2009. A new 6' fence was installed on the west side of Arapahoe Park along Indiana Street. Two new soccer goals were installed at Fairmount Park. Numerous sprinkler heads were replaced at Maple Grove Park, realizing more uniform spray head distribution patterns as well as water savings. Both parking lots at Maple Grove Park were resurfaced. The Arbor House at Maple Grove Park now has a complete gutter system. Adjustments and fine tuning were performed to irrigation systems throughout the PRPD park system. At Crestview Park, the native area on the north end of the park was aerated and over seeded. Extensive tree pruning was performed throughout the entire district. Work was done on the Alford Selman Lateral that runs through Prospect Arena, including placement of a new culvert and improving the elevation of the lateral.

PRPD fared relatively well in the July 20, 2009 hailstorm. The roofs at the Arbor House and Kendrick Cottage have both been replaced. The largest amount of damage incurred by PRPD in the hailstorm was at the District office location in Wheat Ridge. Siding, window, roof, and vehicle damage all took place at this location; all these items have been addressed.

The District Manager would like to extend a huge Thank You to the PRPD Board of Directors for their continued stewardship and guidance. PRPD is fortunate to have these dedicated community members as a vital part of our organization. A special note of appreciation goes out to Linda Greco-Sanders. Linda's term on the PRPD Board will expire in May- all of us at PRPD sincerely thank her for her contributions and wish her well in the future.

Another large and heartfelt Thank You to the staff at PRPD, who all do so much to keep everything organized and the parks looking so wonderful.

Prospect Recreation & Park District (PRPD) 2010 Park Projects Update



Applewood Park

Work is almost complete at Applewood Park on PRPD's Great Outdoor Colorado \$100,000.00 Local Parks and Outdoor Recreation Grant. The fence bordering the Agricultural Ditch has been replaced, new play equipment has been installed at the large playground, a trellis has been erected immediately adjacent to the picnic pavilion, and new picnic tables and benches have been installed. The last remaining item is the renovation of the parking lot, which is scheduled to take place this spring.

Prospect Recreation & Park District would like to thank Great Outdoors Colorado and the Colorado Lottery for their continued support.



Update on Grants

2009 Joint Venture Grant - Strippgen Property re-seeding: Work is continuing on this project, with seeding hopefully taking place in spring of 2010. A new fence will be installed along Indiana Street, on the west side of the Strippgen Property.

2010 Joint Venture Grant - Fairmount Park Restroom conversion: Through Jefferson County's Joint Venture grant program, Prospect Recreation & Park District was awarded a \$50,000 grant to connect the restroom at Fairmount Park to domestic sewer. This amount, combined with PRPD's grant match of \$15,000 will facilitate this long desired improvement to Fairmount Park. The restrooms will be renovated and re-plumbed as part of this project, with new fixtures, valves, and plumbing.

2010 Conservation Trust Fund Grant - Maple Grove Park/Arbor House improvements - A Conservation Trust Fund (Lottery) grant in the amount of \$10,000 plus a PRPD grant match of \$5,000 will be used to fund a number of improvements to this heavily used park. Repairs will be made to the concrete sidewalks around the playground and the Arbor House, the tile floor in the Arbor House will be repaired

where necessary, and a cultured stone will be installed to the lower exterior area of the Arbor House.

Thanks to the Jefferson County Commissioners and to the Jefferson County Open Space Advisory Committee for their approval of the above grants. Prospect Recreation & Park District is appreciative of the continued support shown by Jefferson County!

Projects for 2010

PRPD has a number of projects and park improvements planned for 2010. Below is a list of some of the plans for this year:

Applewood Park - Edge baseball field, addition of crusher fines to the loop trail.

Arapahoe Park - Tree planting in SW corner of park, pending grant approval.

Fairmount Park - Addition of arena mix to equestrian arena.

Maple Grove Park/Arbor House - Edge baseball field, edge sand volleyball court.

Tanglewood Sports Park - Addition of rock to east fence line.



Summer Concert Series 2010

Prospect Recreation & Park District is once again a proud sponsor of the APEX Park and Recreation District's Summer Concert Series.

Family Concert Series, all are Thursdays, 7-8:30 pm,
McIlvoy Park, 5750 Upham Street

June 24 - *Brothers of the Son - Country*

July 1 - *Jeffco Brass Ensemble - Brass Double Quintet*

July 8 - *Groovin' On - 50's - 60's - 70's*

July 29 - *The Champions - 80's*

Children's Friday morning series, 9:30 – 10:15 am,
North Jeffco Park, 9101 Ralston Road

June 18 - *Sue Schnitzer - Interactive music for kids*

July 23 - *Wayne & Wingnut - Life size puppet and music*

Please remember... alcoholic beverages are not permitted in the City of Arvada parks. In case of inclement weather, performances move to the Community Recreation Center, 6842 Wadsworth Blvd.

For further information please contact (303) 425-9583

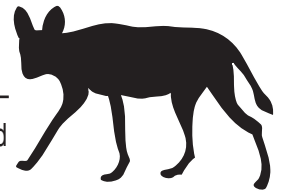
25% Off Coupon

*for Prospect Residents at the
Kendrick Cottage, 5414 Kendrick Ct.*

**Good for Rentals in September,
October, and November 2010**

**Call PRPD to make your reservation: 303.424.2346
Coupon Must Be Redeemed Prior to Payment for Event**

Avoiding Coyote Conflicts



Coyotes are extremely adaptable and can thrive in urban areas. They can and will be found in any neighborhood that provides their basic needs -- food, water, shelter and space. Residential areas provide habitat for coyotes.

Plentiful food sources exist, such as mice, rabbits and voles. These small animals feed on birdseed, berries and garbage, which are commonly found and easily accessible. Shelter and water can be found in landscaped parks and yards. Space is plentiful throughout parks, trails, and natural areas. As coyotes have adapted to the presence of humans, they have lost their natural fear of us.

Coyotes may view domestic pets as a food source, and large dogs as a threat or possible mate. Coyotes have taken pets from backyards, open spaces and even right off the leash. Keep your pet current on vaccinations. Reduce the risk to your pet by following these guidelines:

Cat Owners:

The only way to guarantee your cat's safety is to keep it indoors. Outdoor cats also face potential death from cars, diseases, foxes, parasites, raccoons, dogs and birds of prey such as owls.

Dog Owners:

- Always supervise your pet outside, especially at dawn and dusk.
- Keep your dog on a short leash while recreating -- avoid retractable leashes.
- Do not allow your dog off leash.
- Do not allow your dog to play or interact with a coyote.
- If possible, pick up your dog when coyotes are visible.
- Avoid known or potential den sites and thick vegetation. Like domestic dogs, coyotes will defend their territory and their young.
- If you must leave your dog outside, secure it in a fully enclosed kennel.

To read the complete article from the Jefferson County Sheriff please visit:

http://www.co.jefferson.co.us/sheriff/sheriff_T62_R260.htm

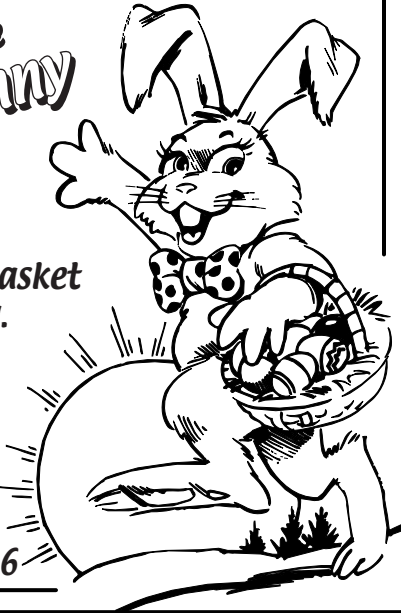
PROSPECT'S ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, April 3rd 2010 at 10am SHARP
Maple Grove Park, 14600 W. 32nd Ave.

come meet the
Easter Bunny

Bring your own basket
and camera.

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& Park District
Info: 303-424-2346



Prospect Recreation & Park District 2010 Calendar of Events

<i>Easter Egg Hunt</i> (Maple Grove Park)	Saturday, April 3
<i>Pumpkin Fest</i> (Fairmount Park)	Saturday, October 2
<i>Holiday Teas</i>	To be determined

Other Events Around The Area

<i>Fairmount 5000</i> (www.active.com) (Enter Fairmount 5000 in the search box.)	Sun., May 2, Fairmount Park
<i>APEX Concert Series</i>	See Page 3
<i>FIA Annual Pancake Breakfast</i>	Sat., June 5
	Fairmount Park, 8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

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