



# Tumwater Parks & Recreation

*Quarterly Report: January, February & March—2005*

## Meeting community needs



## Tumwater Community and Aquatics Center

Tumwater's Public Facilities District (PFD) project has generated more positive public support than any City related project in recent history. City staff continue to receive daily phone calls about when it will be built and what residents can do to assist in the process. Nearly 600 people have signed up at the Tumwater Library alone—requesting more information and support for the Community and Aquatics Center.

Meeting needs in aquatics, gym space, indoor sports and recreation, meeting space, banquet/rental and convention space, fitness and health as well as creating a regional destination facility near Tumwater's Town Center—this facility serves every person, every age and will do it every day.

While the building design has met with unprecedented community support for a public facility, the PFD funding process has not been as positive. During the first quarter of 2005, Tumwater City staff and elected officials were nearing an agreement to split the PFD money with the City of Lacey. However, Lacey officials changed their position on the funding of their project and are no longer willing to consider any sharing of the PFD funds. They have requested a county wide vote in the fall of 2005 to determine one winner of all the PFD funds. This decision has led to uncertainty regarding the viability of a county-wide, winner take all vote. The State's Attorney General has been asked to render an opinion of the vote and the possible outcomes.

Staff continues to work on refining Tumwater's project and potential partnerships for building construction and operations. This includes a potential split of PFD funds with Olympia's project, the Hands On Children's Museum.



# OLD TOWN CENTER TEENS AND SENIORS

Dates	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Total Youth
1/3 - 1/7	21	22	24	17		84
1/10 - 1/14	18	28	21	25		92
1/18 - 1/21		27	27	22	26	102
1/24 - 1/28	25	24	14	21		84
1/31 - 2/4	30	26	29	21	15	121
2/7 - 2/11	21	26	24	25		96
2/14 - 2/18	11	28	23	27	27	116
2/22 - 2/25		15	23	11	32	81
2/28 - 3/4	30	13	22	12		77
3/6 - 3/11	20	20	21	13		74
3/14 - 3/18	19	16	21	15	26	97
3/21 - 3/25	26	23	26	19	16	110
3/28 - 3/31	26	17	25	20	April 1st	88



1,222 youth participated in activities at the Old Town Center in the first quarter of 2005.



Old Town Center continues to be a popular destination for youth and seniors alike. Senior activities, choir, band and social time are drawing record numbers and our teen program, trips, activities and social interaction are a very positive element in our community.



## SENIOR PROGRAMS AT OLD TOWN CENTER

Dates	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Total Meals	Revenue
1/3 - 1/7	34	37	24	27	26	148	\$152
1/10 - 1/14	57	43	28	19	33	180	\$144
1/18 - 1/21		34	37	38	37	146	\$140
1/24 - 1/28	47	50	35	27	55	214	\$202
1/31 - 2/4	54	38	31	34	43	200	\$217
2/7 - 2/11	58	41	28	44	51	222	\$227
2/14 - 2/18	48	35	38	35	25	181	\$139
2/22 - 2/25		41	30	43	23	137	\$109
2/28 - 3/4	51	39	40	33	33	145	\$224
3/6 - 3/11	42	48	32	36	33	191	\$192
3/14 - 3/18	39	45	42	38	41	205	\$179
3/21 - 3/25	42	47	46	27	51	213	\$200
3/28 - 3/31	52	52	40	43	April 1st	187	\$224

## RECREATION/SPORTS/CAMPS/EVENTS

**\*TUMWATER BASEBALL**—The Little Baseball Association has merged with PONY Baseball to create South Sound Baseball. The Tumwater District of South Sound Baseball has 309 Tumwater Youth, ages 5 to 12, participating in the league this year. Total revenue for the program has generated over \$20,500. Expenditures will not be available until the end of July.

**\*COACHES TRAINING—BASEBALL.** As with all youth sports, the key to success begins with the coach. Tumwater Parks and Recreation is proud to host clinics for our coaches. With assistance from Tim Graham, this year's clinic was a great success with over 65 coaches attending.

**\*ELKS HOOP SHOOT**—A program that we do annual in cooperation with the local Elks Club, this event was a great success. For the second consecutive year, Ashley Wirtzberger of Lacey won the District, state and Regional competitions to qualify for the National Finals.

**\*SPORT FIELD ALLOCATIONS**—Over 35 associations, leagues, camps and/or teams have requested time on Tumwater sports fields. Tumwater Parks and Recreation is allocating all fields at Pioneer Park, Tumwater Hill Park and all of the Tumwater School District facilities.

**\*2005 HOTSPOT COMPETITION**—112 girls and boys from throughout Thurston County. Sponsored by the Washington Recreation and Parks Association, HOTSPOT is a state-wide basketball skills competition for youngsters ages 7 to 14. In cooperation with Olympia, Lacey and Thurston County Parks and Recreation Departments, this event is hosted by a different City each year.

**\*EASTER EGG DASH**—This year's Easter Egg Dash took place on March 26th and will be recorded as the wettest Easter event we've ever done. Over 8,000 eggs filled with prizes and candy were quickly scooped up by eager hunters. This event is possible thanks to the efforts of KGY and the American Legion Post #166 and auxiliary.

**CAMPS**—Spring Break Day Camp is already underway and filled to capacity. Upcoming camps include the annual Summer Day Camp (June 20th through August 19th) and the annual Summer Food Service Program (also June 20 through August 19).

**\*CLASSES**—The Spring Parks and Recreation Program Brochure was distributed to the citizens of Tumwater on February 18th. The program featured many new classes and a continued effort to diversify our program offerings and produce a professional brochure.



### ON GOING DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY:

- \*Planning/planting improvements to Overlook Park
- \*Finalizing construction plans for the NE Neighborhood Park
- \*Continued work on the updated Tumwater Trails Plan
  - \*Began update for the Tumwater Parks Plan
  - \*Preparations for the annual parade
  - \*Preparations for the 2005 Tumwater Fireworks Show
- \*Continuing cooperative efforts with the Tumwater Downtown Assn.
  - \*Continued work on Pioneer Park Phase III Permitting/Design
  - \*Staff support of Parks Board, City Council, T.U.F.F.
    - \*Canada Goose Control
- \*Cooperative projects w/Public Works staff for wetland/riparian plantings
  - \*Research/planning for possible Pioneer Park Fish Rearing Facility
  - \*Continued work on the SW Neighborhood Park/Access Easement
  - \*Working with Tum. School Dist. for athletic field improvements
- \*Continued development and planning of Community and Aquatics Center/PFD issues
  - \*Continued work with WDFW on the Pioneer Park/Deschutes Watershed Center
- \*Planning golf course improvement: Drainage, plantings, bunkers, turf conditions and driving range
  - \*Final Design work for trail connection from Historical to Tumwater Falls Park



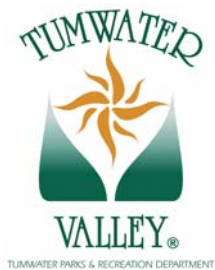
**TUMWATER VALLEY MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE**

**Warm weather, great conditions and staff make the first quarter our best ever!**

January	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Pro Shop	\$2,901	\$2,764	\$3,375	\$3,926	\$4,398	\$3,744	\$2,608	\$2,711	<b>\$8,256</b>
Green Fees	\$5,572	\$9,499	\$16,486	\$7,548	\$17,916	\$6,850	\$9,874	\$4,962	<b>\$14,916</b>
Driving Range	\$1,389	\$2,522	\$948	\$1,119	\$2,552	\$955	\$1,783	\$1,388	<b>\$2,089</b>
Cart Rentals	\$61	\$31	\$59	\$127	\$26	\$696	\$1,245	\$796	<b>\$1,346</b>
GPS Rentals	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$14	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Club Rentals	\$9	\$17	\$48	\$44	\$116	\$24	\$95	\$74	<b>\$186</b>
Cash Over/Short	\$65	\$10	-\$41	-\$12	\$79	\$47	\$7	\$92	<b>\$33</b>
Total	\$9,997	\$14,843	\$20,875	\$12,752	\$25,086	\$12,317	\$15,625	\$10,023	<b>\$26,825</b>
February	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Pro Shop	\$4,477	\$2,825	\$3,003	\$2,953	\$3,530	\$6,063	\$2,871	\$9,390	<b>\$9,630</b>
Green Fees	\$16,432	\$9,682	\$4,938	\$18,623	\$14,145	\$12,988	\$15,859	\$18,557	<b>\$31,703</b>
Driving Range	\$3,054	\$2,418	\$1,392	\$3,527	\$3,410	\$1,963	\$3,044	\$4,963	<b>\$5,525</b>
Cart Rentals	\$388	\$61	\$61	\$282	\$0	\$1,788	\$2,365	\$2,314	<b>\$4,134</b>
GPS Rentals	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$42	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Club Rentals	\$131	\$6	\$39	\$105	\$242	\$132	\$253	\$313	<b>\$350</b>
Cash Over/Short	-\$8	\$26	\$1	-\$55	\$46	\$11	-\$3	-\$15	<b>\$823</b>
Total	\$24,474	\$15,018	\$9,434	\$25,434	\$21,373	\$22,945	\$24,430	\$35,522	<b>\$52,164</b>
March	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Pro Shop	\$6,300	\$7,958	\$7,435	\$6,940	\$10,962	\$7,167	\$8,926	\$11,637	<b>\$15,396</b>
Green Fees	\$16,920	\$26,938	\$28,058	\$21,827	\$27,144	\$22,029	\$20,841	\$26,036	<b>\$29,603</b>
Driving Range	\$3,475	\$5,642	\$4,157	\$5,298	\$5,486	\$4,372	\$3,857	\$6,537	<b>\$6,767</b>
Cart Rentals	\$235	\$536	\$194	\$379	\$656	\$2,616	\$3,503	\$5,223	<b>\$5,954</b>
GPS Rentals	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9	\$0	<b>\$5</b>
Club Rentals	\$100	\$124	\$122	\$133	\$614	\$257	\$285	\$394	<b>\$558</b>
Cash Over/Short	-\$22	\$64	\$20	\$46	-\$12	\$9	-\$60	\$33	<b>\$56</b>
Total	\$27,008	\$41,262	\$39,986	\$34,622	\$44,849	\$36,449	\$37,361	\$49,860	<b>\$58,338</b>

**PROJECTS/EVENTS FOR THE FIRST QUARTER:**

- \*Spring time aerification of the greens was completed early due to weather conditions and staff preparation.
- \*Computerized irrigation system brought on-line
- \*Began hiring of seasonal employees
- \*Began recruiting for a new Assistant Superintendent
- \*Improvements made to Driving Range
- \*Working with Kathy O’Kelly (Golf For Women Magazine’s top 50 LPGA instructor) to teach at Tumwater Valley.



High winds damaged 5 trees

\*Began preparing the course for spring and summer play-Training Staff, installing markers, pressure washing, painting, installing benches, ball washers and club washers, verti-cutting greens, sanding, replacing signs and lights, preparing equipment and mowers, receiving pro-shop inventory, and many other tasks to prepare for a busy 2005.



Asst. Golf Pro, Tim McElhinny works with a junior golfer.