Recreation Division Highlights

Thursday, November 5, 2026

Thousand Oaks Community Center

Wicked awesome movie night in the park

On September 25, approximately 100 community members gathered at the Thousand Oaks Community Center for a family movie night featuring Wicked: For Good. Families were able to picnic together, sing along to Defying Gravity, spend quality time outdoors, and enjoy a shared movie experience.

On September 26, the Rec Van visited Adelante Marketplace at Conejo Academy and approximately 15 participants joined and enthusiastically took part in the activities, creating a fun and welcoming space for everyone to get creative. The event highlighted Rec Van's impact in bringing accessible and engaging recreation experiences directly to the community.

Borchard Community Center

Movies Under the Moon & Farms Under the Sun

On September 25, Borchard Center held a Family Movie Night at Conejo Creek. Over 50 friends and families were in attendance to watch the movie Trolls, enjoy popcorn, and experience the outdoor cinema from their very own community.

On October 2nd staff from Borchard, Thousand Oaks Center and Conejo Center brought kids from our safe passage program to Underwood Family Farms where they enjoyed a hayride, the pumpkin patch where every child got their own pumpkin, feeding the animals and more.

Thousand Oaks Teen Center

Middle School Backyard Block Party

September 26, the Teen Center welcomed close to 200 middle school students for an evening of fun and games at the Teen Center. Participants enjoyed immersive dance games, a wrecking ball inflatable, and a jam-packed game room, creating an exciting night filled with energy, laughter, and opportunities to connect with friends.

Therapeutic Recreation/Old Meadows

Volunteering for the community

On Sunday October 18th, the Thousand Oaks Police Service Unit spent their morning volunteering at the Thousand Oaks Street Fair by helping the Thousand Oaks Rotary Club by recognizing vendors, and greeting people.

Friday Night on The Town!

The Therapeutic Recreation Unit has been busy this Fall session with our Friday night Community Outings! Each event hosts approximately 25-45 people and is 2.5-3 hours in duration. Our participants have had the opportunity to enjoy a BBQ and Social at Old Meadows (9/11), Dinner and Movie at Janss Regal (9/18), Karaoke Night (9/25), Dinner and Game Night (10/2), Dinner and Bingo Night (10/9), and Bowling Night (10/16)! The group enjoys time to socialize with peers, enjoy a meal together, engage in a variety of diverse experiences, and most of all have fun in a safe environment.

Preschool Enrichment

The Therapeutic Recreation Unit has started facilitating preschool enrichment classes across four Conejo Valley Unified School District school sites and nine different classrooms, three days a week, Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday. We are in Be Me preschool classes (Special Education) and State Funded preschool classes (inclusion). Classes officially started on October 6th! October is Messy Art month, which includes fun curriculum activities such as noodle art, haunted houses, pumpkin designing, and lots of stories, music, and dancing along with it. Our Recreation Specialist, Jennifer Hill, is communicating, planning, and facilitating all classroom experiences.

Goebel Adult Community Center

Oktoberfest

On Friday, October 9th Goebel Center hosted our annual Brats & Beers Party (an Oktoberfest experience). Over 160 patrons, staff, volunteers, and Commissioners enjoyed a live band, dancing, photo booth, and of course an Oktoberfest inspired meal, all for $20 per person. The night featured some amazing costumes as this continues being one of the Goebel centers most popular event of the year.

Hillcrest Center for the Arts

"Art in the Park"

The Cultural Unit partnered with the Westlake Village Art Guild on Saturday, October 3rd, to present the first "Art in the Park" event, where artists gather to paint at a specific location. HCFA staff brought out the Rec Van and provided fun fall arts projects for about 40 participants. The Art Guild had over 30 artists signed up. Six of the talented artists submitted their artwork, which is currently hanging in the lobby of the Hillcrest Center.

Curtain Call!

The weekend of October 16 - 18th marked the closing of the fall Hillcrest Player's Original H.M.S. Calamity, the show was well received and attended.

October 24 and 25 is a special Fundraisers for YAE presenting YAE alumni. 50% of the proceeds go towards YAE The performance is entitled "Title of Show" and is about a person attempting to write and produce a play on their own. Upcoming performances "Matilda Jr." November 6 through the 22.

Dos Vientos Community Center

Parents Night Out

Girls Night Out held on September 26, a night full of coziness, laughter, dance parties, nail painting and so much more! This was created and run by one of our staff who came to a similar event at the Dos Vientos Center when she was a young girl. We are so proud of her for bringing this full circle moment here! We had a full roster with 30 participants.

Friday Fun Night was held on October 16 and is one of our ongoing Parents Night Out events and is usually a hit! This month was Halloween theme! We had 26 kids come by for activities in the gym, a small hike, crafts and of course Trick-or-Treating!

Conejo Community Center

Thousand Oaks Street Fair

October 18th Sr. Recreation Leaders Megan Davy and Katherine Hernandez at the Thousand Oaks Street Fair. They shared information on our programs and special events as well as giving out CRPD swag and a craft project for kids. They estimate over 500 people visited our booth.

Plant Palooza

On Saturday, October 10th, Plant Palooza welcomed approximately 50 participants for a fun, nature-inspired community event. Participants created pinecone bird feeders as the main craft and enjoyed an additional leaf-painting activity.

Aquatics Unit

Pumpkin Splash

On Saturday October 10th, The Aquatics Unit put on the annual Pumpkin Patch and Splash event. Even in gloomy weather, over 145 people enjoyed Halloween themed games, crafts, trick or treat street, and recreational swim with over 85 floating pumpkins.