






November 2017 State of the District


 This year started off a little rocky as we searched for a new Aquatics Manager. The search was long as we searched for the perfect candidate. The wait was worth the reward. We hired Michelle Simpson in March of 2017, who has made a huge impact in our swim lessons and staff morale. Michelle was promoted to Director of Aquatic Operations in August and continues to serve our community by offering Red Cross Certified Swim Lessons and lifeguard training.


 Swim lessons between Jan – October of this year is a total of 1442 participants. We awarded 201 scholarships and overall general admission saw 11,438 patrons enjoying our facility.


 One of our exciting accomplishment in 2017 was assisting Girl Scout Beth Tuschoff to help her earn her Girl Scout Gold Award. The Gold Award is the highest reward you can achieve in the Girl Scout organization. Beth accomplished this goal in June of 2017. Beth and a staff of volunteers painted the new mural you now see as you enter the Tukwila Pool. Beth also worked with the City of Tukwila to implement additional signage in various areas of Tukwila for better pool exposure to all Tukwila Residents.


 Our continued partnership with the Tukwila School District also grew stronger this year, by the implementation of the ILA between the TSD and the Tukwila Pool. Foster High School continues to offer swimming for the school year for 2017-18 in their curriculum along with the Foster Swim Team continuing to use the Tukwila Pool for swim meets and practice.

 The Tukwila Pool also in September received a \$20,000 Grant from Kaiser Foundation Hospitals for scholarships to offer children swim lessons. This falls in to our values, educating all ages of our community in the lifelong skills of swimming and water safety. This grant will also help implement a Jr Lifeguard program in 2018.

 The TPMPD next biggest challenge was restructuring the organization by eliminating the Executive Director position in May 2017 and creating a District Administrator position. This also was a long search to find the right candidate to fill this position. July of 2017 the board hired Richard Rabe as our District Administrator. Richard has already been hard at work reviewing policies with recommendations to the board.

 We have faced various mechanical issues in 2017, with the construction of new street light installation on 144th and various power outages that has required the pool to close on a couple of Sundays. These continued power outages have also played havoc with our boiler and our Director of Aquatic Operations has overcome various challenges to be sure that the Tukwila Pool is up and operational on Monday mornings.

 The District's financial health continues to be strong with 2017 projected to come in under budget.

 Our volunteers continue to grow and help and assist with promoting the Tukwila Pool within our community. TPAC is currently seeking a member and a student position. Third Saturday events have grown since the implementation in 2015. Citizens are starting to spread the word. The third Saturday events continue to see continued participants that have attended other events.

******* I do wish to thank my fellow commissioners for assisting me thru this year, we have had our bumps in the road, but we couldn't have made it without being a team.

We are all in!!!

We thank the Tukwila Community for their continuing support to provide a welcoming public aquatics facility.

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TPMPD President - 2017