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## First Swim in Nehalem Pool – 1932!



Cliff Scovel is a current member of NCRD's AM Aqua-fit class. He has been attending the 8:00 am water exercise class at NCRD's Nehalem Pool since the Recreation District was formed in 1997. However, he began swimming in the pool back in 1932 when he was in first grade, right here in our building.

Cliff is celebrating his 93rd birthday this June. His class was one of the very first classes to receive weekly swim instruction as part of

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## Nehalem Winterfest 2020 Features Eagle Eyes

Eagle Eyes is a tribute band to the legendary music of the 'EAGLES'. Eagle Eyes has taken great care and dedication recreating the harmonies and capturing the LIVE true magic within the harmonies that the Eagles were renowned for. Hailing from Southern Vancouver Island, BC, the four

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the school curriculum. The Nehalem Pool was built in 1930 at the request of the community as an addition to the existing school building after the tragic drowning of two local boys. Since then, all the children in Nehalem have had swim lessons as part of their regular PE classes.

Cliff's family was one of the eleven original pioneer families to settle in the Nehalem valley. They lived alongside the Nehalem Indians. One of the Scovel ancestors married a woman from the tribe. Some of the last remaining survivors of the Nehalem Indians today are now part of Cliff's family.

Cliff's children and grandchildren have also learned to swim in the Nehalem Pool. His daughter Marie was very afraid of the water as a child because of a bad experience she had while playing in the river. She was able to overcome her fear of the water because she had to take swim class to get a passing grade in school. If it weren't for those swim classes, she would have avoided swimming altogether. Instead she went on to become a lifeguard as a teenager. Those swim classes instilled a lifelong love of the water which she enjoys to this day.

Marie tells of the history in Nehalem and how quite a few people drowned back in the 1800's. Learning to swim back in those days was not very common. Later on, in the early 1900's, people were discouraged from swimming in the river because of the pollution at that time and diseases that they contracted from the water. These factors also contributed to the need for a pool back in 1929, when it was authorized by the school board. The pool was constructed in 1930, during the Great Depression, and has operated continuously ever since.

The pool is now almost 89 years old and is well beyond its useful life. NCRD began saving for a replacement some years ago and now has almost \$1.8 million reserved for the new pool. A capital campaign continues to receive donations while a variety of funding sources are pursued. For more information about the new pool, please contact Barbara McCann or David Wiegand at 855.444.6273. ♦

## New Youth Staff Welcomed



NCRD is pleased to introduce the newest members of the Youth staff:

Patty Rykowski (photo, right) is our newest Youth Assistant. She is an experienced teacher and world traveler who enjoys spending time with children. Some of the kids in program already recognize her as a substitute from their school classes.

Jenni Stinnett (photo, left) is also a new Youth Assistant. She has worked with kids her entire life and has 4 years of special needs experience. She is an active participant in Youth and Family Sports and is looking forward to a great adventure this summer in the Youth Room.

Leslie Vipond (photo, center) is our new Youth Director. She can solve a Rubik's cube and loves to garden, craft, and cook. She is a mom to one tiny human, named Thor, and is very excited to have the opportunity to work with other children and families within our community. ♦

# Nehalem Winterfest 2020

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members of Eagle Eyes have over 120 years of combined experience as professional touring musicians honing their musical and vocal skills. Eagle Eyes audiences are being captivated by the band's live performances and natural vocal harmonies, not to mention the music. This band's love for the Eagles songs helps them construct and finesse their ongoing sold-out performances! Crossing over from classic rock to country rock with an extensive repertoire of Eagles hits, Eagle Eyes is a 'must see' for all Eagles fans!

Eagle Eyes is scheduled to perform the weekend of Nehalem Winterfest 2020, March 7. Also scheduled to perform at Nehalem Winterfest 2020 are the Marlin James Band on March 6 and the Mel Brown Quartet on March 8.



Marlin James Band

The Marlin James Band is one of the Northwest's most requested Country/Rock bands! They have been recognized as Band Of The Year (8 Seconds Saloon-Indianapolis, IN) and recorded a hit song 'That Old Familiar Pain' on the hit TV Show 'Supernatural' - Season 8, episode 9. As well as performing original music, they are influenced by Zack Brown, George Strait, Keith Urban, Charlie Daniels, Joe Keffer, Mom, Dad, Darren Wayne and Eddie Van Halen!

The Mel Brown Quartet came together in the fall of 2002 at Jimmy Mak's, a popular jazz club in Portland, Oregon. All seasoned jazzmen, the group has become a mainstay in the Portland jazz scene playing to enthusiastic, full capacity crowds at every appearance.

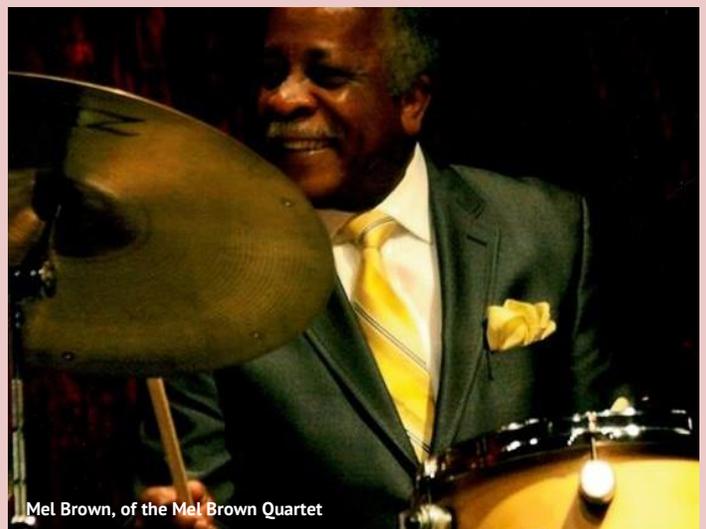
Guitarist Dan Balmer is considered the finest jazz guitarist in Oregon. He was the first guitarist and youngest individual to be inducted into the Jazz Society of Oregon's Hall of Fame. As a popular bandleader and sideman, Dan's unique guitar sound graces over 70 recordings.

Bassist Ed Bennett is long considered one of the West Coast's premiere string bass players. Ed has worked, toured and recorded with numerous legendary jazz figures and has been featured on two Grammy nominated recordings.

The jazz piano artistry of Tony Pacini has been enthusiastically enjoyed by nightclub and festival audiences throughout the West Coast as well as in his hometown of Portland, Oregon. An arranger and composer, Tony is the musical director of the Mel Brown Quartet.

Drummer Mel Brown performed with Motown legends Diana Ross, The Temptations, Martha and the Vandellas, Stevie Wonder and Marvin Gaye. In addition to leading several high profile combos, Mel's rock-solid time and high-energy solos have made him the drummer of choice for jazz superstars Leroy Vinnegar, Monty Alexander, Teddy Edwards, Lou Donaldson and Joey DeFrancesco.

In 1999, Brown was inducted into the Jazz Society of Oregon Hall of Fame. Throughout his career he also played and performed with the Oregon Symphony. ♦



Mel Brown, of the Mel Brown Quartet

# Tae Kwon Do



Master Shawna Secord has been teaching tae kwon do at NCRD for over a year and has developed a solid core of students. It is exciting to watch the students' progress, not only in their martial arts skills, but in confidence, coordination, and self-discipline. Tae kwon do has elements of both cardio and strength training without feeling like exercise. New students are welcome anytime. ♦

July 13, 2019



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## Youth Softball

Our first season of competitive youth softball is complete. The girls played hard and made great improvements. Thank you to all the sponsors. The Rebels, pictured above with the Waverunners, took 3rd place at the end-of-season tournament in Newport. ♦

# Youth Basketball

This year we had 110 participants for basketball, ranging from Pre-K to 8th grade. We had twelve amazing coaches with nine wonderful assistant coaches. This season was the best basketball season yet. Competitive skills improved significantly. We had four teams (one at each level) from within Garibaldi school boundary lines. We have three great high school referees and two 8<sup>th</sup> grade refs in training. “It has been wonderful to watch these kids develop athletically on the court”, said Crystal Dietrich, Youth Sports Coordinator, “and can’t wait to see them continue to grow and eventually play at the high school level.” ♦





## Nike Celebrity Items Raffle

As part of the NCRD Beach Run/Walk, we have four great items to raffle off. Thanks to Nike and a Fitness Center member for providing the following:

1. Russell Wilson, Seattle Seahawks quarterback, autographed jersey
2. Odell Beckham, Cleveland Browns wide receiver, autographed jersey
3. Demar Derozan, 4-time NBA All-Star, autographed basketball
4. Paul George, 6-time NBA All-Star, autographed basketball

Questions? Contact 855.444.6273. ♦

## Watercolor Raffle

Doreen Lindstedt, a well-known local artist and watercolor instructor, has donated three of her lovely paintings to benefit the pool. Two of them sold during the April "YELLOW" show. The third is to be raffled during the summer. The painting will be on display in the foyer at NCRD. Tickets may be purchased at the Welcome Center, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 5:30 pm until August 31. Tickets are \$5.00 for a single, 5 for \$20. Cash, check or charge accepted. The painting must be picked up in person by the winner. Questions? Contact the Welcome Center at 855.444.6273. ♦



# New Entryway

The main entrance to NCRD is getting a complete renovation. Back when the building was constructed as a school in 1920 and 1921, the main entrance was actually on the opposite side of the building. At some point these were reversed, and the old back door became the main entrance. It had no roof and it featured a rather unattractive old steel door. Working with our architect, Jim Fanjoy, a design was developed that brings in some of the design features from the original entrance while also adding a cover. The interior renovation was mostly completed by our maintenance director, Bruce Townsend, and the exterior work is being done by Pfeiffer Construction of Nehalem. ♦



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## Heat Pump Project

We are in the process of completing a total conversion from steam heat to modern heat pumps. The original steam heat system was installed almost 100 years ago and the plumbing was corroded and failing more and more often. Between Thanksgiving and the end of January, we had a series of breakdowns which also caused the pool to be closed. In each case, we had to call in a specialized boiler repair company from the valley at great expense. We began researching other options and ultimately decided to convert to heat pumps. There are thirteen heat pumps between the two buildings. Gitchell Heating/AC of Tillamook installed the units.

An immediate benefit is that our boiler is now dedicated solely to heating the pool, and all the connections to the old heating system have been decommissioned. This allows the boiler to operate more efficiently. Secondly, the heat pumps are individually controlled for the various rooms and operate very efficiently. They also allow for air conditioning, which will be a wonderful addition during warmer weather.

Finally, they are under warranty for five years and when they eventually need service we can get a technician locally, rather than having someone come all the way from Portland. ♦



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