

DISTRICT 2

Fall Newsletter 2022

A Message from our President Mark Brunner

Parks and Recreation is back in full swing and it was great to see all of the summer programs and events return to our Districts throughout our region. This Fall, the District 2 Board is going to be hosting a full schedule of events and educational opportunities for our membership. This year we will be hosting meetings throughout the district including meetings outside the greater Sacramento region in Chico and Yuba City. Our goal is to connect with as many board members as we possibly can.

Our annual Equipment Expo this year will have a new home. This year's event will be held in Roseville at the Maidu Community Center on September 30. Like many years before this fun event will be highlighted with a large amount of park focused vendors, the rodeo, free lunch, and an incredible raffle. This event helps fundraise two scholarships for the Jerry Fox Maintenance Management School in Lake Arrowhead.

We are proud to offer additional events including the Region 1 Fall Forum in Elk Grove on November 3 and the General Membership on December 9. In addition, we are pleased to offer a great Lunch N Learn series brought to you by of our Director of Education, Miranda Ellis. All of our events can be found online at www.cprsd2.org.

Scholarships and Grants will still be available for the D2 membership via the District 2 website, www.cprsd2.org. The Jerry Fox Maintenance Management School Scholarship is currently open to members of the Development & Operations section, or employees of member agencies, that live and work within the boundaries of District 2.

Elections will kick-off in September with the initial outreach efforts to recruit the next District 2 Board of leaders. Positions opening up include: Vice President, Secretary, Director of Public Relations, Administrator's Section Representative, Development & Operations Section Representative, Advocacy Representative, and Student Section Representative. For more information on the open positions, contact your current President-Elect, Ashika Lal at alal@southgaterecandpark.net.



Fall Lunch N Learns

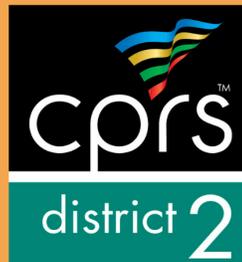
CPRS District 2 Lunch n' Learn

Date & Time

Wednesday,
September 21st
11am-1pm

Topic

Recreation
Coordinator
Career
Development



Location

Mission Oaks Recreation and Park District
Swanston Community Center
2350 Northrop Ave. Sacramento, CA 95825

Description

Calling all Recreation Coordinators, Recreation Specialists, and Lead Rec Leaders! This Lunch n' Learn is designed for YOU! Wondering how to make your next career move in parks and rec? Meet current professionals in the industry speed-dating style and pick their brains on their career path, gain career advice, and make connections!

[September 21st RSVP LINK](#)

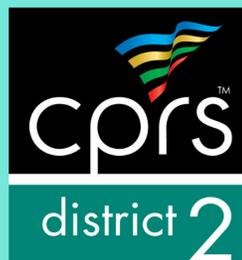
CPRS District 2 Lunch n' Learn

Date & Time

Wednesday,
November 9th
11am-1pm

Topic

Active
Shooter
Training in
Parks & Rec



Location

Cordova Recreation & Park District
Hagan Community Center
2197 Chase Dr, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Description

Led by Sergeant Nate Grgich from the Sacramento County Sheriff's Office, Security Services Division, parks and rec professionals will learn about general safety skills regarding active shooters in neighborhood parks and in larger regional parks. We will discuss what to do if an active shooting occurs during large special events as well as during recreational programs like summer camp.

[November 9th RSVP LINK](#)

northern california

Youth and Teen

RECREATION

Services

We are gearing up for fall programming and are looking forward to a great new year with YTRS. We have some new and creative ideas to get back up and running shortly. We appreciate your participation and support. We are looking to have YTRS meet the third Thursday of every month starting September 15th, location to be announced. This will be a planning meeting where we can figure out dates, topics and locations for the remainder of the year. With this new year, Riva has been elected to serve as YTRS President. There are other positions on the Board we are looking to fill, so if you have been interested in taking on more of a leadership role in YTRS but don't know where to start, here is a great opportunity for you!

We are looking to fill the following positions:

President Elect
Vice President of Communications
Events Coordinator
Teen Services Representative
Youth Services Representative
Preschool Representative

Should you be interested in any of the following positions, please email rballis@morpd.com.

Awards Program



The California Park & Recreation Society (CPRS) District 2 Awards Program recognizes excellence of those agencies and individuals that publicize develop and manage programs, parks and facilities that align with the Parks Make Life Better™ brand message of:

- Building loyalty for parks and recreation services, heightening the profession's bargaining power and independence, stimulating growth, attracting talented people to the profession, involving the public and gaining greater resources and support.
- Raising awareness of the benefits of parks and recreation throughout California and raise the status of parks and recreation as an essential community service.
- Demonstrate the six main message concepts of Gathering Places, Play, Nature, Exercise, Positive Spaces, & forever, all which are valued today & always.

PROGRAM DETAILS:

- **Eligibility:** All District 2 Parks and Recreation agencies (cities, counties & districts) and individual CPRS members are eligible to submit entries to the CPRS District 2 Awards Program. All programs and projects must have been completed in 2022.
- **Application Notification:** All applicants will receive a notification email announcing the decision of the judging in late February. Entry materials will not be returned.
- **CPRS District 2 Awards & Installation Banquet:** Recipients will receive recognition at the CPRS District 2 Awards & Installation Banquet on March 1, 2023.
- **Multiple Entries:** Agencies may submit more than one entry per category. Award entry fee applies to each award entry.
- **Entry Deadline:** 5:00pm on Thursday, February 22, 2023.

AWARD OPTIONS:

- J.R. Needy Professional Award
- Facility Design & Parks Planning Award
- Agency Showcase Marketing Award, Digital & Print
- Recreation & Community Program Award
- Champion on the Community Award

APPLICATION SUBMISSION PROCESS NOW OPEN!

Submit entries in pdf form to:
Kate Miller, CPRS District 2 Vice President
El Dorado Hills Community Services District
kmiller@edhcsd.org | (916)643-4360

Scholarships Program

District 2 is proud to offer its membership the following scholarship and grant opportunities to help offset costs and assist members in reaching their professional development goals.

2022 Jerry Fox Maintenance Management School Scholarship- APPLICATIONS DUE ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

Application Requirements:

1. Applicants must be members of the Development and Operations Section or employees of member agencies.
2. Applicants must live and work within the boundaries of District 2.
3. Recipients will be responsible for their round trip transportation to and from Ontario Airport.

Questions? Contact Dan Williams at dwilliams@fecrpd.com or (916) 579 - 1320



Jane H. Adams Professional Development Grant- APPLICATIONS DUE ON DECEMBER 15, 2022

Application Requirements:

1. Applicants must be employed by a CPRS D2 agency.
2. Applicants must demonstrate a dedication to the profession through current and past professional affiliations and involvement.
3. Applicants must explain how they have contributed and or plan to contribute to CPRS D2.
4. Applicants must complete and submit the D2 Jane H. Adams Professional Development Application form, and requested attachments by the posted deadline.

2022/2023 Student Scholarship Program – APPLICATIONS DUE ON DECEMBER 15, 2022

- Arvid Pauly Award
- Edwin L Z'berg Award
- Park Maintenance & Operations Award

Application Requirements:

1. Must live, work, or attend school within District 2 boundaries.
2. Separate complete applications must be submitted for each type of scholarship for which you are applying.
3. Please complete and submit the following items:
 - a. Application form (one per type of scholarship).
 - b. Proof of enrollment.
 - c. Copy of unofficial transcripts.
 - d. Narrative which includes why you should receive an award, a brief description of your financial need, your professional accomplishments, and your professional goals (2 page maximum).
 - e. Head-shot photo (for award presentation, if selected).

Questions? Contact Kate Miller at kmiller@edhcsd.org or (916) 643 - 4360



A Farewell to Katy Coss

Many of you in District 2 and statewide have probably worked with or came in contact with Katy Coss. Sadly, Katy is leaving California to pursue a new opportunity in Recreation in the sunshine state of Florida. District 2 wishes Katy the best of luck on her new adventure and we have faith that she will excel and do amazing things in Florida. We wanted to highlight Katy in this issue of the newsletter and talk to her about everything she has learned and gained during her time with CPRS and the District 2 Board.

Q. How many years have you been a CPRS member, how many years have you served on the District 2 Board and in what positions?

A. I became a CPRS member in 2006, so 16 years as a member. I've been on the board since 2016. I am currently serving as the Sponsorships & Partnerships Representative. I have previously served as Secretary from 2016-2018, Vice President 2018-19, President Elect 2019-2020 and President in 2020-2021.

Q. You served as District 2 President for the 2020-2021 year, the time of COVID. What was your biggest takeaway from that experience?

A. My biggest takeaway was to just learn how to go with the flow. Covid was so new then, so it wasn't something we could really change or work around too much at the time. Instead, the board came together via zoom and found ways to just enjoy what we each bring to the table as professionals and leaders. We spent more time that year brainstorming for the future and talking about creative ways to increase professional involvement and get people engaged once Covid subsided a bit. We also laughed a lot, which was great! It was a good year for me because it encouraged me to work on being a better listener so I could truly hear what others were saying when it came to COVID challenges and feeling isolated at times. I feel like that year as President helped me to form some really strong relationships with fellow leaders, which I will always be extremely thankful for.



District 2 Member Highlight

Q. What made you decide to leave California?

A. I have been looking for a new adventure that would encourage and almost force growth both professionally and personally. I think that when we step outside our comfort zone and choose to meet new people, learn new skills, and expand ourselves, we truly grow mentally, physically, etc. Florida is so beautiful and there are so many places to explore. Most of my family is in Northern Illinois, where I grew up until I was 20, so it will be a much shorter flight to see family. Although I have a feeling, I won't have to convince them to come down and visit me. My aunt also lives in Florida near where I'm moving to so that was a definite plus as well.

Q. What do you think you will miss the most about California?

A. Well, I'll miss my mom the most, but she plans to follow me to Florida a year or two later so I suppose what I'll miss the most is the friendships and partnerships I've had the pleasure of making in Fair Oaks and CPRS. They have made California such an amazing place to live, work and play!

Q. What are you most excited about in your new position?

A. I am going to be working for Sarasota County Parks, Recreation & Natural Resources. I'm really excited to learn more about NRPA's Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA) and grant opportunities in the state of Florida that can help better serve the Sarasota community. I'm also excited to explore the parks, beaches and meet the team.

Q. For all the years you were involved on the District 2 board, what do you think were some of the biggest benefits?

A. Oh wow, this is such a tough question to answer. There have been so many benefits being on the board and volunteering with CPRS. The biggest benefit is definitely the relationships I've built with other professionals. I have friendships now that I know will stand the test of time and 3,000 miles, which has been so amazing during this transition. Additionally, the work we have done as a D2 board to engage students in CPRS has been so great to be a part of. The student mentoring events we held at Sac State, Chico State and Sierra College were so inspiring. It was great to see the light bulb go off once students realized there was a professional network and support system within CPRS that they could tap into during their education and after graduation.

Q. What would be your advice to anyone who is looking to get involved on the District 2 board?

A. DO IT!!!! You won't regret it! The key is to always show up when you say you are going to show up and just get involved. The rest happens naturally if you just show up and do the work. You will get way more back than you put in, I promise. Getting involved with CPRS & D2 was one of the best decisions I've made in life.

Best of luck Katy! You will be missed!

Elections



District 2 wants you! Join the D2 Board of Directors

What does the D2 board do?

Get involved with CPRS District 2 by becoming a Board Member! The CPRS District 2 Board of Directors is a group of dedicated professionals who are committed to uniting members and creating a network across disciplines and agency boundaries. The D2 Board helps promote the resources, tools, advocacy, education opportunities and events of the California Recreation and Park Society. The Directors meet monthly on the first Wednesday of each month.

The following positions will be open for the 2022/2023 D2 Board:

Positions available for election:

Vice President – 3 year term – Presidential Series

Secretary – 2 year term

Director of Public Relations – 2 year term

Positions available for APPOINTMENT:

Administrator & Sponsorship Representative – 1 year term

Development & Operations Representative – 2 year term

Student Representative- 2 year term

Advocacy Representative – 2 year term

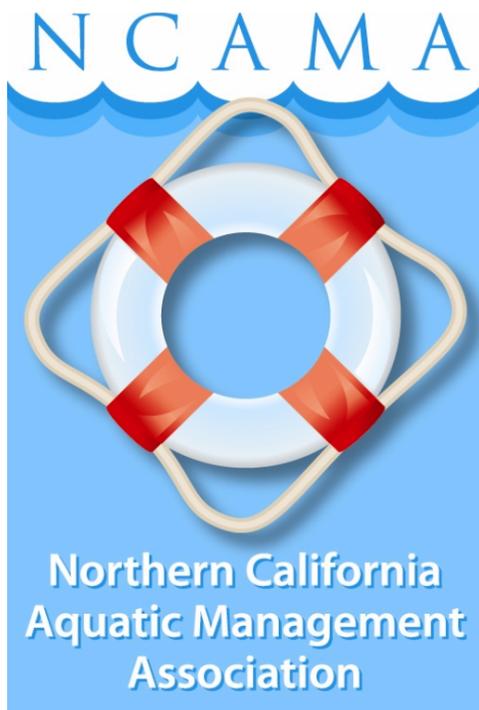
Want to learn more? Nomination forms will be available soon. To learn more about D2's open positions contact Ashika Lal, alal@southgaterecandpark.net or (916) 428-1171 ext. 27

Northern California Aquatic Management Association Updates

NCAMA was able to host all in-person events this summer! These events include- 46 participants attending the TOTAL Guard on Friday, June 10th at the West Sacramento Rec Center, three agencies attending the 5th annual Water Polo Tournament on Sunday, June 26th at the Cordova RPD and five agencies bringing a total of nine teams attending the 19th annual Lifeguard Palooza on Sunday, July 31st at the Natomas Community Center and Aquatic Complex in Sacramento. NCAMA General Meetings take place every other month (starting in September) on the second Thursday of the month from 10am - 12pm with a "no-host" lunch to follow. The next meeting will take place at Hagan Community Center on Thursday, November 10.

If you're interested in joining or attending these meetings, please reach out to the current NCAMA Chair Susie Patterson at spatterson@crpd.com. During meetings, Steering Committee Members provide updates on their areas of oversight, host roundtable discussions on any topic requested and provide American Red Cross and Aquatic Section updates from our Professional Representatives. The Steering Committee is also looking for feedback from the community to help the committee produce goals that help serve our members. We have a survey here if you are interested in providing feedback.

Meet the 2022-23 Steering Committee



Chair: Susie Patterson, Cordova Recreation & Park District

Co-Chair: Will Neville, Cosumnes Community Services District

District 2 Rep/Treasurer: Susie Patterson, Cordova Recreation & Park District

Events & Trainings Chair: Will Neville, Cosumnes Community Service District

Events & Trainings Co-Chair: Kevin DeFranco, City of Patterson

Surveys Chair: Hollay Shayegi, City of Davis

Surveys Co-Chair: Scott Seeba, City of Folsom

Facilities Chair: Patrick Maridon, City of Sacramento

Social Media Chair: Cody Helmer, City of Sacramento

Social Media Co-Chair: Brittney Teems, Southgate Recreation & Park District

Members at Large: Chanise Harrison, City of Fairfield
Alisha Moyer, City of Roseville

2022 Equipment Expo



The 2022 annual CPRS District 2 Equipment Expo is just around the corner-September 30th. The Expo will be held at a new location this year -Maidu Park in Roseville. The event will feature vendors and sponsors for all things Parks & Recreation with lunch provided by Roundhouse Deli and the highly contested Rodeo featuring staff from many of the Districts. If you are not already signed up-go to the D2 website and get registered!

<https://www.cprsd2.org/2022-09-30-equipment-expo-2022>

List of Sponsors:

- KYA
- Turfstar
- RainBird
- Greenfields
- USA Shade
- EnPro
- Folsom Lock and Security/
ASSA ABLOY
- Tailored Tree

Registered Vendors:

- Park Planet
- Precision Concrete Cutting
- Central Control Systems Ltd.
- The KYA Group
- Kompman Inc
- Miracle Play Systems Inc
- Flexground
- Imperial Sprinkler Supply
- All About Play
- Folsom Lock & Security
- ASSA ABLOY Door Security Systems
- Infaco USA
- USA Shade
- Toro
- Site One
- Dave Bang
- EnPro Services

Save the Date



REGION 1 PRESENTS

FALL FORUM 2022

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3 | 8AM- 4PM

ALL DAY EDUCATIONAL MINI-CONFERENCE

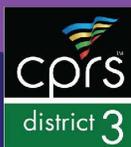
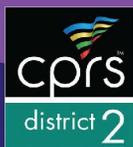
**FOUR EDUCATIONAL PERIODS
CEU'S AVAILABLE
LUNCH PROVIDED
SOCIAL TO FOLLOW**

**BEFORE OCT. 14
AFTER OCT. 14**

**\$55 MEMBER/\$65 NONMEMBER
\$75 MEMBER/\$85 NONMEMBER**

REGISTER AT CPRSD2.ORG

Barbara Morse Wackford Community & Aquatic Complex
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