

# Connecting Tempe

THROUGH PEOPLE, PARKS AND PROGRAMS



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## Register Today!!

The city of Tempe's full lineup of fall 2008 classes is now online at [tempe.gov/brochure](http://tempe.gov/brochure). Registration for the fall season begins Monday, August 11 at 9am for Tempe residents and Monday, August 18 at 9am for non-residents. You can register online with any major credit card from any computer 24 hours a day, seven days a week. You can also register via mail, fax or in person, [click here](#) for more details. General information is available by phone at 480.350.5200.



Tempe Parks and Recreation is proud to offer a variety of classes and programs that are led by experienced and enthusiastic instructors. Classes are available at many locations throughout Tempe at convenient times and affordable prices. Some of the new offerings include:

**Laser Tag** – Learn and play! Participants will learn life skills such as camaraderie, leadership and effective communication, while they experience state-of-the-art technology up close. There are 3 offerings for the class - [Activities for Youth #13416 and #13418](#) and [Activities for Adults #13421](#).

**Turbo Kick** – Looking for a great workout? Well look no further. This class combines shadow boxing, kickboxing, sports drills, dancing, yoga and more in a party atmosphere. This interval class allows all fitness types to participate. Class is offered Tuesday evenings from 6:30 - 7:15pm. [Activities for Adults #13554](#).

**Basic Etiquette** – This class teaches children how to properly set a table, answer the telephone and more. Thursday, Sept. 25. [Activities for Youth \(ages 6 - 12yrs.\) #13203](#).

**Wood Carving** – Learn basic wood carving skills using a carving knife, along with the cuts and techniques needed for more advanced carving projects. Class is offered Thursday evenings from 6:30 - 8pm. [Activities for Retirees #13435](#).

So whether you are looking to learn a new skill, help your child improve their athletic ability or lose that infamous "last 10 pounds", Parks and Recreation has a program to get you there faster. [Register today!](#)

## Local Track Star Competes at National Meet

Earlier this summer, Tempe Parks and Recreation and the Tempe School District were given the opportunity to be a part of the Hershey's Track and Field local meet. Many of the Valley's best young athletes came out and showed what they were made of. Although they all performed brilliantly, only a few could advance to the East Valley district meet. One of those athletes was Paul Astrain of Connolly Middle School.

Paul participated in the softball throw at the district meet and threw 73.8 meters (242 ft.), which was more than enough to take first and advance him to the Arizona State meet. There, Paul again took first with a throw of 209 ft., soundly beating the second place throw of 188 ft. Paul advanced to the [Hershey's National Track and Field Final Meet](#) that took place July 31 - August 3, 2008 in Hershey, Pennsylvania. At the final meet, Paul threw 200 ft., placing 5th. Congratulations Paul! Way to represent Tempe!



## Splash Playgrounds are Fun, Free & Safe!



Tempe has three great ways to keep you and your family cool this summer. And they are free! Join the fun at one of our [Splash Playgrounds](#) located at Jaycee, Esquer and Tempe Beach Parks. Playgrounds are open daily.

In an effort to maintain the highest degree of health and safety for our residents, Tempe Parks and Recreation exceeded the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) guidelines for maintaining a healthy swimming environment by installing an Ultraviolet (UV) disinfection system at Splash Playground at Tempe Beach Park. UV, coupled with the current bromine disinfectant and the hyperchlorination process used by the city, is 99.9 percent effective in eradicating bacteria and parasites, according to the CDC. Tempe is one of the first municipalities to install this system at a splash playground in Arizona. The city will continue to test the water on a monthly basis to ensure a safe experience for our residents.

The community also plays a vital role in maintaining a safe and healthy swimming environment. It is important for all Splash Playground and public pool visitors to practice good hygiene. Adults and children that are sick or have recently been ill should avoid public pool facilities. According to the CDC, this is especially true if illness involved a diarrheal outbreak. In addition, children not yet potty trained should wear plastic pants or swim diapers, and all children should receive several restroom breaks throughout the visit.

## Driving Range Hours Extended at Ken McDonald

Looking to improve your golf swing? Then check out the driving range at [Ken McDonald Golf Course](#). Our range lights are lit until 9pm, seven days a week, giving you extra time to perfect your stroke.

Purchase a large bucket of range balls after 7pm and receive a small bucket of range balls FREE. That's over 100 range balls for \$6. Offer does not include range tokens and is valid through August 31, 2008.

