



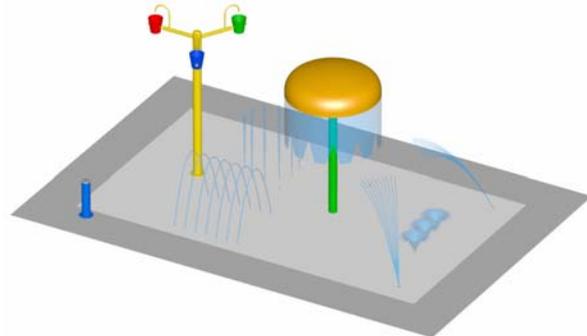
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PARKS & RECREATION PARTNERING WITH KIWANIS CLUB TO RAISE FUNDS FOR SPRAYGROUND

WAKE FOREST, NC – May 15, 2012 – The Wake Forest Parks & Recreation Department and the Wake Forest Kiwanis Club are teaming up to raise funds to build the Town’s first sprayground at Holding Park.

The fundraising effort will get underway with a community cookout on Saturday, May 26, from noon to 3 p.m., at Holding Park, 133 W. Owen Ave. Plates cost \$3 each and include a hot dog or hamburger, a bag of chips, and a soft drink. All proceeds from the event will go towards constructing the sprayground.



Holding Park Pool will open for the season on May 26 at 1 p.m. All area residents are invited to take part in the cookout before visiting the pool.

A sprayground is a playground that utilizes water and electronic controls to create an invigorating and entertaining aquatics experience. Push buttons positioned throughout the sprayground allow users to activate an assortment of fountains that squirt cool, refreshing water that is especially enjoyable during hot summer months. One of the benefits of spraygrounds is they allow for creative water play yet require less supervision than a typical swimming pool.

Parks & Recreation Department Ruben Wall says a sprayground would also allow the Town to expand its aquatics programming.

“In our efforts to enhance our facilities and services we are partnering with the Kiwanis Club to build the Town’s first sprayground,” said Wall. “Currently Holding Park Pool is open

from Memorial Day until late August. By adding the sprayground we can provide some aquatics programming possibly as early as April through early September.”

In order to achieve its fundraising goal of \$50,000, the Kiwanis Club is also accepting monetary contributions. All donations are tax-deductible and can be mailed to Wake Forest Kiwanis Club, PO Box 927, Wake Forest, NC 27588. Donations will also be accepted at Town Hall, 301 S. Brooks St. Checks should be made out to the Wake Forest Kiwanis Foundation – Sprayground Project.

For more information, contact Kiwanis Club member Tom Dimmock at (919) 622-5401 or Ruben Wall at (919) 435-9561 or rwall@wakeforestnc.gov.

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