

## Recreation, Parks by the Numbers

Ever wondered how many trees shade the City's parks or how many seniors are enrolled in the bocce league? How about swimmers signed up and participating in swim lessons?

Well, the City's Recreation Department kept track of these numbers and a lot more during fiscal year 2003/04 in an effort to determine the popularity and effectiveness of its many programs.

The department's findings were compiled by Recreation Coordinator Kristin Mingst.

As compiled by Mingst during fiscal year 2003/04, here is a peek at Brentwood by the numbers based on individual patron experiences:

- 43,190 - The number of individual admissions for Recreation Swim.
- 39,501 - Total patrons who attended private rental events at the Community Center.
- 8,550 - The number of times senior diners ate at CoCo Café.
- 6,260 - Skaters using the Brentwood Skate Park.
- 3,900 - The number of patrons who attended events at the City Park Gazebo.
- 3,839 - Children signed up for City of Brentwood Youth Sports programs.
- 3,719 - Lap Swimmers.
- 2,478 - Number of trees in City parks.
- 1,586 - Adults in Sports Leagues.
- 1,464 - Swimmers in Swim Lessons program.
- 442 - Recreation Swim Passes sold.
- 194 - Lap Swim Passes sold.
- 190 - Seniors participating in the Bocce League.
- 138 - Students in the Police Activities League "After the Bell" after school program.
- 26 - Number of parks in the City.
- 11 - Concerts offered in City Park.
- 6 - The number of Bocce Courts in Brentwood.



*Youngsters have fun with "snow" at last year's Snow Park in Brentwood*

## City to Set Up 'Snow Park' in December

Brentwood's annual and "ever-expanding" snow park will be back this winter, City Parks and Recreation officials say.

The attraction will feature more than 40 tons of man-made snow and 240 bales of hay combined to create a sledding area.

"It's called ever-expanding because it keeps getting bigger every year," says Park and Recreation staff member Rob Shatting.

"An ice company delivers the snow to us. It delivers ice on trucks, shreds it and we have snow," Shatting adds.

The snow park will be open December 17 through 23 at City Park, Oak and Second Streets, in Downtown Brentwood and is free to all residents. It will operate from noon to about 7 p.m. daily.

For more information call the Parks and Recreation Department at (925) 516-5444.

## First Public Artwork on Police Building

Two concrete ovals depicting police officers in community service adorn the exterior of Brentwood's new police facility, the first pieces of public art installed under the City's new art ordinance.

The panels are the first of several public art elements to be installed around the City this year, says Arts Manager Rebekah Burr-Siegel. Future pieces will be installed in residential areas along sound walls or in neighborhood parks.

"Public art in Brentwood is linked to public or residential development and by ordinance will represent about one percent of the construction cost," Burr-Siegel says.

(See ARTWORK, Page 6)



*Two concrete ovals high outside the new police headquarters are the City's first pieces of public art under the City's new art ordinance.*