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New Hourglass Park Field House opens at Miramar College

32-acre fitness complex a joint-use project with City of San Diego;

High-performance building design will result in water and energy savings

What: The Grand Opening will be held for the new Hourglass Park Field House, a \$26M, fully-equipped state-of-the-art facility that includes a gymnasium, fitness center, classrooms, dance rooms, lecture rooms, multipurpose areas, faculty and staff office areas, and a concession stand. The Field House completes the third and final phase of the Hourglass Athletics Complex, which also includes the Ned Baumer Miramar College Aquatic Center. The shared-use facilities serve college students through athletics and instructional program offerings and area residents through Park & Recreation activities.



When: Friday, March 27, 11 a.m.

Where: 10440 Black Mountain Rd., San Diego, CA 92126 (see campus map and parking on last page)

Who: (order of speakers)

Patricia Hsieh, President, San Diego Miramar College

Peter Zschiesche, Board of Trustees, SDCCD

Constance M. Carroll, Chancellor, SDCCD

Carl DeMaio, San Diego City Councilmember, District 5

Stacy LoMedico, Director, City of San Diego Park and Recreation

Joe Frichtel, Chairperson, Mira Mesa Recreation Council

Kevin Krumdieck, Principal, Carrier Johnson + CULTURE

Lianna Rios, Supervisor of New Construction Programs, San Diego Gas and Electric

Joe Grosshart, Vice President, C.W. Driver

Rod Porter, Chair, Exercise Science & Nutrition, San Diego Miramar College
Brittany Forester, President, AS, San Diego Miramar College
Nicolas Gehler, Athletics Director, San Diego Miramar College

Other: San Diego Gas & Electric will present check for participation in Savings by Design energy efficiency program
Official ribbon cutting
Miramar Jets Men's Basketball demonstration
Tailgate party

Background:

In the early 1980's, the "idea" for the Hourglass Park Athletics Complex came from area residential developer David Poole with Pardee Construction, who proposed to the college a joint use facility with the City of San Diego Park & Recreation Department. Now, more than 20 years later, and with funding provided by Propositions S & N and Mira Mesa Facilities Benefit Assessment funds, we celebrate completion of the three-phase complex.

Phase one opened in 1994 with multi-use ball fields, volleyball courts, a snack bar, children's play areas and open park space. The second phase, the \$4 million, three-pool Ned Baumer Miramar College Aquatic Center, opened in 1999. Working with college, Park and Recreation and community representatives for more than eight years, an architecture team from Carrier Johnson + CULTURE designed this high performance "green" facility, located on a 1.5 acre site, to bridge the existing campus with Hourglass Park Field and the Aquatic Center.

Miramar sits on land that was once an auxiliary military landing field in the shape of an hourglass. The hourglass runway became a race track, and then finally it became Miramar College. That history was honored by naming new joint use complex Hourglass Park.

Sustainable Features:

All construction and major renovations by the San Diego Community College District are designed and built to obtain the highest possible certification from the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) program. Sustainable features of the Hourglass Park Field House include:

- Using reclaimed water to irrigate water-efficient landscaping
- Non-heat absorbing roofing materials to mitigate "heat islands"
- Water-conserving plumbing fixtures, including waterless urinals, reducing water consumption by 30% compared to typically-constructed building
- High energy performance by adding additional insulation at roofs and walls, adding lighting occupancy sensors, and air handlers for HVAC units that utilize cool morning/evening outside air.
- Extensive (20%) use of recycled materials, including high content of post-consumer materials in steel elements, and recycled tires in rubber gym flooring.
- Over 50% of wood used is certified by the Forestry Steward Council as responsibly harvested.
- Indoor air quality maximized by the use of materials with low chemical content, and increased outside air ventilation.

Visuals

- Official ribbon-cutting with giant scissors
- Presentation of oversized check for Savings By Design participation
- Demonstration by Miramar Jets Men's Basketball
- Self-guided tours and "tailgate" party with concession stand specialties

