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Spring Training Fans to Enjoy Major Upgrades

Fans will see big changes this Spring Training season at the Peoria Sports Complex. Approximately 1,000 seats were added, making the new capacity 12,339. Several seating improvements were also done, including new fixed seats with cup holders throughout the stadium. Seats along the first and third baselines were redirected toward home plate. Field level seating was added behind home plate and down the lines. A new



4,900-square-foot building was constructed on the third base concourse with an expanded new team store. The second level of the building includes an open terrace for group functions, new concessions stand, bar and restrooms. There also was an expansion of the ticket office, including a remodeling of the main lobby, which will include city offices, Peoria Diamond Club offices and a multi-use conference room.

In the outfield areas, a new 2,400-square-foot group event pavilion was added in left field. With two tiers of space, this area can accommodate up to 300 people. This pavilion includes a bar area for both private events and general public service during games. The pedestrian walkway around the outfield was widened and drink rails added in multiple areas. Accessible seating platforms were added as well as an ADA accessible ramp to the main stadium field.

PARTY FOR THE PLANET

RIVER & TRAIL CLEAN UP & OTHER ACTIVITIES

April 18, 7-10 a.m.

For more information, call 623.773.7137 or visit peoriaaz.gov/specialevents



Put the "Chair" In Charity—Literally!

The city of Peoria is calling all artists to paint and create a chair to auction off to benefit the Peoria Education Foundation. Chairs may be entered on April 11 between 7 to 8 a.m. at Theater Works at Peoria Center for the Performing Arts, located at 8355 W. Peoria Avenue. The chairs will be on display at the Peoria Arts & Cultural Festival in Old Town Peoria on April 11 from 9 a.m. to noon. The silent auction will occur between noon and 4 p.m., starting with a minimum bid of \$25. For more information, contact Tonia Edmundson at tonia.edmundson@peoriaaz.gov or call 623-773-7764.

FAN APPRECIATION DAYS

On April 1 and 2, to thank our fans for the 2015 season we offer buy one get one free Outfield Box, Bleacher and Lawn tickets as well as a value food menu of 16 oz sodas, hot dogs, popcorn and pretzels for \$2 each item. Ticket discount available at Ticket Office windows only.

KIDS DAYS

Every Sunday, kids 12 and under get the chance to do PA announcements, stand with a player during the national anthem, run the bases after the game and enjoy inflatable rides and fun activities.

MILITARY DISCOUNT

For every game, all active duty, retired and civilian personnel can receive \$2 off each ticket with a valid military ID (limit 4). Discount available at the Ticket Office windows only.

ALL YOU CAN EAT DECK

Every game, upgrade your experience with the shaded All You Can Eat Deck located on the right field concourse. Fare includes hot dogs, hamburgers, peanuts, chips, sodas and waters. Seating and shade is limited and is on a first come first served basis. AYCE ticket upgrades can be purchased for \$20.

Fans can purchase tickets for Seattle Mariners and San Diego Padres games in person at the Peoria Sports Complex ticket office at 16101 N. 83rd Ave. The ticket office is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday. For more information, visit www.springtrainingpeoria.com.

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Peoria to Celebrate Annual Arts & Cultural Festival

The city and Peoria Unified School District have once again teamed up to honor the community's past and celebrate the future through the Peoria Arts & Cultural Festival Saturday, April 11 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Old Town Peoria at Peoria and Grand Ave. Students will exhibit their artwork and perform dance routines, theater acts, choir and band concerts. Guests can also attend workshops, watch pottery being made, participate in a 5K run, family bike ride, wagon rides, and a kid's zone. Some activities may require a small fee. For more information, visit www.peoriaaz.gov/specialevents.

Weekly Passes Enable Visitors to Work Out at Rio Vista



Short-term visitors to Peoria can take advantage of a one-week pass to the city's Rio Vista Recreation Center. Whether in town for Spring Training, to visit family or for another reason, people can maintain their fitness regimens at the city's state-of-the-art facility. Passes include access to fitness classes and equipment, racquetball courts, the gymnasium, the indoor track, the climbing wall and a game room. A weekly pass is \$15 for adults and \$10 for youths. The center is located at 8866 W. Thunderbird Road in Rio Vista Community Park, just around the corner from the Peoria Sports Complex and the city's P83 Entertainment District. The park houses an urban fishing lake, skate park, sand volleyball courts, picnic ramadas, a large playground and more. For information, call **623-773-8600** or visit www.peoriaaz.gov/riovista.

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