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2018

SPRING EDUCATION AND TRAINING SYMPOSIUM



April 9-12, 2018 • Humboldt, Saskatchewan

Registration deadline: March 29, 2018



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ADDITIONAL SPONSORS:



Three Reasons to Attend

- Professional development opportunities taught by certified instructors
- Opportunities to connect with colleagues and experts from across Saskatchewan
- Courses on topics that matter most to practitioners and volunteers

Location

The Symposium will be held April 9 -12, 2018 at the Humboldt Uniplex – the main recreation facility in Humboldt – located on Highway #5 West.

Social Events

Join SPRA and 1 Stop Playgrounds Ltd. on Monday, April 9 (6:30pm), at the Bella Vista Inn, for a Meet and Greet Social. Prepare for an evening of fun and networking. A hospitality room will also be available in the Bella Vista Inn each evening of the Symposium.

Accommodations

MAIN HOST HOTEL

Bella Vista Inn (Highway #5 West)

Phone: 1-800-667-0790

Website: www.bellavistainn.ca

Book by March 25, 2018 for discounted rates

Reference SPRA 2018 for block rates

Canalta Hotel

Phone: 1-888-831-1331

Website: www.canaltahotels.com

Book by March 7, 2018 for discounted rates

Reference SPRA for block rates

** Unless specified in course description, all courses will run from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm daily.*

Session Descriptions

Janitorial and WHMIS

April 9, 2018

Instructor: Joel Friesen, J.F. Occupational Health and Safety Assist

Participants will learn the basics of proper janitorial maintenance and the importance of a clean facility. Topics include: Workplace Hazardous Material Information System Training (WHMIS), restroom cleaning procedures, disinfecting vs sanitizing, hard floor care, carpet care, cleaning using biologicals and “green” cleaning. Participants will receive WHMIS Certification.

Asset Management and Preventative Maintenance for Recreation Facilities

April 10-11, 2018

Instructor: Joel Friesen, J.F. Occupational Health and Safety Assist

Participants will learn proper ways and best practices on how to utilize and develop a preventative maintenance plan for their facility and how proper maintenance and planning is related to lifecycle planning and asset management.

Employee Training and Safety Awareness

April 12, 2018

Instructor: Joel Friesen, J.F. Occupational Health and Safety Assist

The course will assist supervisors, managers and workers identify and control work place OH&S concerns and hazards.

- Understand and meet provincial legislation
- Identify and deal with hazards faced daily by workers including: slip and falls, chemical safety, safe lifting, ladders, sprains and strains, weather, fatigue and dehydration
- Confined Space Awareness Training
- Facility Chemical and Fossil Fuel Audit
- Patron Accident/Incident reporting

Tree Pruning (Certification)

April 9-11, 2018 | 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Instructor: Saskatchewan Polytechnic and Carlton Trail College

Participants will gain the basic skills and knowledge needed to understand how pruning affects the development and survival of trees. You will also learn how pruning is used for disease prevention. The course consists of classroom instruction and practical application that will require travel within Humboldt. You will practice pruning under the instructor's guidance. This course meets the requirements for elm tree pruners in Saskatchewan under Dutch Elm Disease regulations. Students are required to dress for the weather and bring a set of handheld pruning shears and safety glasses. Following successful completion of written and practical exam components a “Statement of Achievement” will be issued by Saskatchewan Polytechnic.

Fundraising and Sponsorship

April 9, 2018 | 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Instructor: DCG Philanthropic Services Inc.

This course will focus on structuring a fundraising and sponsorship program for your community. Participants will be provided with tools and resources such as: Feasibility studies, writing and testing a case for support, proposal development and training volunteers. DCG will share best practices from numerous projects (large and small) that have been successful in Saskatchewan.

Building Maintenance Level 1

April 10-11, 2018

Instructor: Stuart Ray, Alberta Association of Recreation Facility Personnel

This course will cover all areas of facility operation including mechanical and structural maintenance, preventative maintenance, risk management and boiler operation, HVAC maintenance, energy efficiency and custodial care. Participants will receive the Building Maintenance Level 1 certificate upon completion of the course.

Arena Operator Level 2 Refrigeration (Certification)

April 9-12, 2018 | 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Instructor: Bill Cote

This intensive course will provide participants with an overview of modern industrial refrigeration systems. Topics will include: Thermodynamics, operation and maintenance of refrigeration plants, refrigeration components, equipment and controls and refrigerants and brines. Participants will have the opportunity to test their knowledge and receive their Arena Operator Level 2 Certificate as well as write the Provincial Refrigeration Operators Exam to become a Licensed Arena Operator in the province, qualified to run a refrigeration unit 100 tonnes and under.

The Refrigeration Operators Exam: Friday, April 13, 2018 at 9:00 am

Saskatchewan Parks Worker Course (Certification)

April 9-12, 2018 | 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Instructor: Patricia Hanbidge, Saskatoon School of Horticulture

The Saskatchewan Parks Worker Course provides an overview of a typical parks system and its maintenance practices. The course will discuss plant physiology, soil health and best practices for park landscapes in Saskatchewan, including design, construction and maintenance of parks and park features. Focused on the Horticultural requirements for a successful park system, this course is specifically designed for SPRA Members, municipalities in Saskatchewan and park operators. The Saskatchewan Parks Worker Course was developed by SPRA in partnership with the Saskatoon School of Horticulture in response to SPRA Member needs for a single course that would provide municipal and park staff with the understanding of best practices related to parks. Successful completion of the course exam provides participants with a Certificate of Completion issued by SPRA.

Best Practices for Spectator Arena Operations

April 12, 2018

Instructor: Andrew Higgins

This course will assist supervisors, managers and facility workers to learn industry best practices for Field of Play and Conversions for facilities with a high level of hockey. Discussion of best practices for Field of Play components will include: Ice, Boards, Shielding (Glass), Netting, Goal Netting and Benches.

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Testimonials

“The Spring Symposium offers many opportunities to develop relationships with like-minded professionals. I appreciate these connections and will see long term benefits that cannot be measured.”

– Spring Symposium Participant

“After attending the Parks Stream Courses at the SPRA Spring Symposium I feel confident in my abilities to identify, maintain and treat different trees in our community and provide comfortable parks and green spaces for my community.”

– Spring Symposium Participant

“The Supervisory Stream provided me with valuable information which can be implemented at our facilities and with our staff to improve staff relations, safety in the workplace, program planning and general knowledge regarding janitorial procedures and facility care.”

– Spring Symposium Participant

Symposium Streams at a Glance

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Parks Stream	Saskatchewan Parks Worker Course			
Arena Stream	Arena Operator Level 2 Refrigeration			
Parks and Recreation Stream	Tree Pruning			Employee Training and Safety Awareness Or Best Practices for Spectator Arena Operations
Supervisory Stream	Janitorial and WHMIS Or Fundraising and Sponsorship	Asset Management and Preventative Maintenance for Recreation Facilities		Employee Training and Safety Awareness Or Best Practices for Spectator Arena Operations
Facilities Stream	Janitorial and WHMIS Or Fundraising and Sponsorship	Building Maintenance Level 1		Employee Training and Safety Awareness Or Best Practices for Spectator Arena Operations



Funding

Looking for assistance to attend the 2018 SPRA Spring Education and Training Symposium? The Saskatchewan Association of Recreation Professionals offers an Education Assistance Grant. See the Grants and Funding section of their website at www.sarponline.ca.

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