



Renovated GCCC Lap Pool Reopening Monday

Leisure Pool to Reopen Dec. 27

December 9, 2021 -- The Genoveva Chavez Community Center (GCCC) Lap Swimming Pool will reopen Monday, December 13, 2021, at 6:30 a.m., after a closure for renovations.

Renovations that were completed in the Natatorium enclosure include: new, required plaster of the Leisure Pool; sandblasting of the tile surrounding the Leisure Pool; repair of the expansion gap on the floor of the Lap Pool; replacement of several large electric motors that feed the pools' recirculation systems; preventative maintenance on boiler systems; and installation of energy-efficient underwater LED lighting.

GCCC Natatorium Manager Matt Cottle says: "The Chavez Community Center and Natatorium staff are excited to welcome back our swimming community, after much needed work in our venue. We are pleased to offer to our community members a wholesome, attractive recreational area. The increased sustainability and longevity of our facility is of great importance to all. Please plan to get your feet wet and join us at the pool next week!"

The newly plastered Leisure Pool -- with amenities of warm water, zero-depth entry, lazy river, bubble ring, vortex, three-loop water slide, and frog slide -- is set to reopen December 27, 2021, after a lengthy closure due to the pandemic. Covid-safe practices, including masking within the facility, social distancing, and limited swimmer capacities are in place to minimize risk of transmission. "We look forward to offering this pool back to the community for our youngsters and the young at heart," says Cottle.

The Therapy Pool remained open during this project and was made available for GCCC members with an extended schedule. During this project, GCCC Natatorium staff were shifted to other City sites to accommodate swimmers, NMAA High School Swimming Athletics, and youth/adult club teams.

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