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**Foothills Park & Recreation District events**

**Thursday, July 16, 7 - 8:30 p.m. - Foothills Park & Recreation District Free Summer Entertainment Series.** Join Bill George & Flywheel for a concert of eclectic classic rock music. Bring the family, enjoy a picnic and watch the sunset over beautiful Johnston Reservoir. Clement Park, 7306 W. Bowles Ave. 303.409.2626; [www.ifoohills.org](http://www.ifoohills.org).

**Saturday, July 18, 6 - 9 p.m. - Foothills Park & Recreation District Free Summer Entertainment Series.** Clement Park, 7306 W. Bowles Ave. 303.409.2626; [www.ifoohills.org](http://www.ifoohills.org).

Foothills Park & Recreation District offers a unique opportunity each summer to hear Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture played by the Denver Municipal Band and accompanied by real cannon fire at Clement Park. The Denver Municipal Band's Wind Festival provides an outstanding concert pairing band music with historical education. The Denver Municipal Band is the oldest professional concert band in the continental United States and is directed by Conductor Gerald Ensley.

Mr. Norman Hughes, commander of the artillery battery brings two original Civil War cannons to the concert – a special and rare occasion to see and hear original 1840's to 1860's cannons in action. Mr. Hughes along with his two original cannons performed in the two movies "Gettysburg" and "Glory." Other local cannons, including a Foothills employee, will provide reproduction model cannons for the concert dated from the revolutionary period to the mid 20<sup>th</sup> century.

After the Overture has concluded and darkness has arrived, the battery will demonstrate selective fire by firing one cannon at a time and then a simultaneous volley of all cannons. Bring the family, enjoy a picnic and watch the sunset and cannons over beautiful Johnston Reservoir.

**Weaver Hollow Pool Party, July 18**

Join Foothills Park & Recreation District at the Weaver Hollow Pool Party on Saturday, July 18. Admission is only \$2 for all day open swim. Organized games, activities, food and prizes will be happening from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Weaver Hollow Pool is located at 12750 W. Stanford Ave. For more information call 303.409.2508 or visit [www.ifoohills.org](http://www.ifoohills.org).

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*In 2009, Foothills Park & Recreation District is proudly celebrating 50 years of excellence and service!*

*Foothills Park & Recreation District, founded in 1959, serves a community of 90,000 residents in a 28 square mile area of unincorporated Jefferson County generally bounded by Hampden Avenue south to C-470 from Sheridan Boulevard west to the Dakota Hogback. The District operates the Ridge Recreation Center, Edge Ice Arena, Lilley Gulch Recreation Center, Peak Community and Wellness Center, four outdoor swimming pools, Indoor Sports Arena, Foothills Golf Course complex, Meadows Golf Course, and 70 park sites totaling more than 2,400 acres and including four regional parks, 42 neighborhood and community parks and 24 greenbelts. In addition Foothills manages six regional trail corridors for public use, which, combined with park trails, total more than 31 miles. For more information visit [www.ifoohills.org](http://www.ifoohills.org) , or call 303.409.2100.*