



City Newsletter January 2, 2013

Sign-up for cell phone Reverse 911 contact

Recent tragedies underscore the wisdom of signing up to receive emergency news bulletins from local law enforcement. Register your cell phone number and wireless devices with Folsom Police today.

“Reverse 911 is a great way to stay connected with the Police Department and receive timely information about emergency events as they occur,” says Police Chief Cynthia Renaud. “The Police Department will push out information via recorded voice message to registered cell phones and wireless devices as needed.”

Every hard-wired telephone in Folsom is already listed in the Reverse 911 data base. Those who voluntarily register will also receive the emergency information on wireless devices. The recorded messages will share important information and tell residents what action to take, depending on the type of emergency.

Registration is easy! Just click on the **Self Registration Portal** found on this link -- http://www.folsom.ca.us/depts/police/stay_informed/reverse_911.asp.

“Active participation in Reverse 911 allows you to become part of the solution and part of the response to potential natural disaster events or other occurrences within the City,” says Chief Renaud.

Support Scouts – Recycle Trees!

Local Boy Scouts help recycle 3,500 Christmas trees each year, raising funds while providing an environmentally friendly service for Folsom residents. Don't miss the **Jan. 5 – 6 recycling event**.

Rick Shaw, Folsom's Recycling Supervisor, says about 200 scouts and family members assist with the annual tree recycling event. This year nine troops will participate. He notes that "we accumulate about 40 tons of tree chips that are used in local parks and around City buildings."

Tree Recycling Event

10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Saturday & Sunday, Jan. 5 & 6

Rodeo Park (end of Stafford Street)

Watch for fliers about Scout pick-ups in your neighborhood

Jonathan Walburger, Troop 445 Scoutmaster, says, "We pick up trees in the neighborhood we live in and it's nice to meet neighbors and help out Folsom. It's our central fundraiser. The boys learn we are here to do a service – we pick up every tree regardless of whether we receive a donation – and that physical labor can be fun."

He says 75 percent of the donations collected help pay for Scout Summer Camp. A week of camp is \$325 per boy and the troop covers about a third of that cost through tree donations. The rest of the money received replenishes troop equipment and pays camp ground fees.

Committee Chair Melanie Jacobs says, "Troop 134 participates as a means of teaching our scouts about service to their community. The boys print fliers and deliver them to every house in the neighborhoods assigned to us. Then we collect the trees on the designated days."

Donations collected by Troop 134 support scouting activities such as camping trips, summer camp and Eagle projects. Troop 134 includes 30 boys from 10 to 17 years.

Sports Complex a hit with all ages

When the weather outside is frightful, head inside to the Folsom Sports Complex. The City-run facility provides an indoor alternative for soccer, basketball, volleyball, softball and baseball enthusiasts of all ages.

"The Sports Complex is a great community resource for youth and adult sports leagues," says Chuck Harrison, Recreation Supervisor. "It's open seven days a week and is always busy after school, and during evening and weekend hours."

"We offer a great location for competitive club basketball, volleyball and soccer teams. And, we recently introduced an indoor Lacrosse program that has been very successful."

The Folsom Sports Complex, which has served Folsom families for 10 years, features:

- One indoor soccer field
- Two indoor basketball courts that can be converted to three volleyball courts
- Four indoor batting cages for softball and baseball
- One pitching/batting tunnel for baseball
- Full locker rooms with shower facilities
- Timeout Cafe with family oriented menu
- Meeting rooms for special events, team building exercises and birthday parties
- Arcade games and air hockey and ping pong tables

Folsom Sports Complex

66 Clarksville Road (at East Bidwell), (916) 984-2850

Monday – Friday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. -- Saturday & Sunday, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.

What's happening in January?

Learn How to Download Free eBooks 10 a.m. – noon Friday, Jan. 4, Folsom Public Library Meeting Room, 411 Stafford St. Bring your e-reader and learn how to download free library books and audio books. No registration required. (916) 355-7357

Christmas Tree Recycling Event, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 5 – 6, Rodeo Park at end of Stafford Street. Local Boy Scouts will help unload trees (donations accepted).

Historic Folsom Ice Skating Rink open 10 a.m. – 10 p.m. daily, rain or shine, through Jan. 21. Bring the family for some old-fashioned winter fun. www.historicfolsom.org

SCORE Small Business Workshop, 9 a.m. – noon Jan. 12, Folsom Public Library, 411 Stafford St. SCORE instructors will help small business owners develop advertising strategies. (916) 355-7357

Cityscapes & Alleyways Exhibit opening reception 6 – 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 25, Gallery at 48 Natoma. Open to public; refreshments and live music. Exhibit features oil paintings by Anthony Montanino and photography by Keith Burger, and continues through March 7. (916) 355-7285

Coming in February

Folsom Quilt & Fiber Show, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Feb. 8 – 10, Folsom Community Center. More than 200 entries on display including quilts, wearable art and fiber items. www.folsomquilt.org

