

City Gold



March – April 2009

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Calendar of Events

MONTHLY, Third Saturday
Placerville Art Walk
6pm - 9pm, Historic
Downtown Placerville. For
info call PDA at 530.672.3436

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APRIL 18, Placerville
Community Clean-Up Day,
Please see article on Page 2 for
details.

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APRIL 18, 22nd Annual Spring
Fishing Derby and Casting
Contest, See article on this
page.

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MAY 1, Rhythm & Blooms May
Day Party, 6pm -10pm,
Location TBD. Music, food,
no-host bar, celebrity
bartenders, prizes and more.
For info call PDA at
530.672.3436

City Council Meetings
2nd and 4th Tuesdays at
7pm, Town Hall, 549 Main St.
Planning Commission Meetings
1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7pm,
Town Hall, 549 Main St.

Highway 50 Update

Completion of the Bedford pedestrian overcrossing is expected between mid-March and late April, as well as the reopening of the westbound left turn lane into town. The remaining work, which involves paving and striping, will likely occur in May, when temperatures reach the necessary level of at least 50°. After completion of minor drainage work in the median, the project will be completed.

Please note the change in the northbound lanes on the Spring St. bridge at Hwy. 50. Previously, there were only two lanes northbound and both could be used to turn left onto westbound Hwy. 50. Now with the new bridge there are four lanes, of which the two farthest to the driver's left are for turning left onto westbound Hwy. 50. The old lanes are now a through-lane to the north on Hwy. 49 and a right turn lane. For more information and updates on the Hwy. 50 project, go to:
www.cityofplacerville.org

Help Make Placerville Fire Safe

YOU CAN:

- Know your neighbors and their needs;
- Have a neighborhood Fire Safe presentation;
- Make your yard lean, clean and green;
- Establish 100 feet of defensible space.

WE CAN:

- Organize neighborhood clean-up days;
- Have a chipper/dumpster day;
- Arrange a senior yard clean-up.

- ALL FREE -

Online: www.edcfiresafe.org or call
Linda at 530.620.5550.
DON'T HESITATE - FIRE SEASON
IS NOT FAR OFF!

Spring Fishing Derby and Casting Contest



"I once caught a fish THIS BIG!" Perhaps your children won't believe you, but soon, they may have a fish story of their own to tell. Get the kids hooked on fishing at the 22nd Annual Spring Fishing Derby and Casting Contest.

Thanks to the El Dorado County Fish and Game Commission, Lumsden Pond will be full of rainbow trout just in time for the festivities. The Fishing Derby takes place at Lumsden Park on Saturday, April 18. Toddlers through second graders fish from 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Third through eighth grade participants fish from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Awards for the longest fish are given to each age group. Just bring your own pole and some bait. Fishing licenses are not required for children participating in the Fishing Derby.

Children can also show their skills in the Casting Contest, sponsored by the Placerville Lions Club. When the fish have stopped biting for the day, the kids can grab a bite. The Placerville Kiwanis Club supplies each child with a free hot dog and soft drink.

The entire event is free and no advance registration is required. Rain or shine, don't let this great family event be the one that got away! For more information about the Spring Fishing Derby and Casting Contest, please visit our website at www.cityofplacerville.org or call the Placerville Recreation Department at 530.642.5232.

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Placerville City Council
Patty Borelli, Mayor
Pierre Rivas, Vice-Mayor
Mark Acuna, Carl Hagen, Dave Machado

Police Beat

Police SHIELD Program Informational Meeting

The Placerville Police Department will be holding an informational meeting for the SHIELD (Seniors Helping In Enforcement Like Duties) program.

Assignments include, but are not limited to: Vehicle Patrol, Walking Trail Patrol, Traffic Control, Vacation House Checks, Graffiti Patrol, Records Support, Office Support, Word Processing, Desktop Publishing, Auto Maintenance, Inmate Worker Supervision, Radio Maintenance, Vehicle Abatement Assistance, Crime Analysis, Neighborhood Watch, National Night Out and special event support.

To qualify to become a SHIELD volunteer, you must be 50 years of age or older, with no criminal record and a good driving record. You must be able to volunteer at least 16 hours per month and attend a monthly mandatory meeting. Volunteers are required to purchase and wear the approved SHIELD uniform while on duty. You must pass a background check and oral interview. Recruits are required to attend SHIELD Training and the Law Enforcement Citizens Academy.

The meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 18, 2009, 1:00 p.m., at Town Hall, 549 Main Street, Placerville, in the upstairs conference room.

For more information, contact Cynthia Estes at 530.642.5272, or cestes@cityofplacerville.org.

Sign Up Now for National Night Out 2009

The Placerville Police Department invites your neighborhood to have a FREE Block Party on Tues., August 4, 2009, in celebration of the 26th Anniversary of National Night Out, the nationwide crime and drug prevention event.

Come out and meet your neighbors, your area police officers, Placerville City Council members and agencies like El Dorado County Search and Rescue, and the Fire Protection District. Registration ends June 1, 2009.

DUE TO HIGH DEMAND, WE ARE ONLY ACCEPTING THE FIRST 30 NEIGHBORHOODS. Contact Cynthia Estes at 530-642-5272, or email at cestes@cityofplacerville.org.

Placerville Community Clean-Up Day

On Saturday, April 18, 2009, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., there will be a Spring City-wide Community Clean-Up Day. You can bring your recyclables, yard waste, trash and e-waste to the drop-off area behind the El Dorado County Library at 345 Fair Lane, Placerville. Snowline Hospice will be onsite to accept tax-deductible donations of gently used items. **Please note that the following items will NOT be accepted: tires, paint, household hazardous waste, household or car batteries, refrigerators or freezers, and smoke detectors.** The event is being sponsored by the City of Placerville, El Dorado County Environmental Management, Snowline Hospice and Waste Connections. For more information, call 530.642.5524. **Please do not call the Library for information.**

City Building Division Launches Pilot Program

Property owners, homeowners and the Placerville business community can now take advantage of a pilot program offered by the City Building Division. Those contemplating a home improvement such as a remodel, addition, new deck or similar activity can now receive a complimentary "walk-through" by a Building Division representative. The purpose of this service is for an individual to ask questions about their project and for the inspector to identify potential issues that may need to be addressed prior to proceeding with their project. This complimentary service is also available for commercial property and/or business owners. A Building Division representative may review a commercial property with an individual in advance of undertaking a tenant improvement project, for example. The goal of this program is to assist community members in understanding what types of issues may need to be addressed early in their project planning and development, and minimize "surprises" that may arise.

To take advantage of this service, please contact the City of Placerville Building Division at (530) 642-5240 for an appointment. The Division is located on the 2nd floor of City Hall at 3101 Center Street, Placerville, CA.

A Bit of History on Main Street

A look into Placerville's exciting and unique history can be seen at the Placerville Historical Museum, 524 Main St. Open Weds. through Sun., 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. The Museum is housed in the El Dorado County Historical Society's 1852 Fountain & Tallman Soda Works Building. The public is invited to visit the museum and step back into the Hangtown of 1849. Exhibits range from the gold rush days to the early 1900s, featuring the social and cultural activities of the families who laid the foundation of present day Placerville. For more information, call 530.626.0773.



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