



The Amador County Recreation Agency News

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Holiday Thanks

The holiday spirit is in the air as we find ourselves already in December. The weather is getting chilly as we try to find all those layers that will keep us bundled from cold. Already the festive music is playing as we find ourselves thinking "I still have so much to do." Where did the time go?

Not too long ago it felt like January as we cleaned up from the 2011 festivities trying to get ready for our next round of fun.

Now it is December. Wow, time has flown by in a blink of an eye. Now we are barely a month away from the 2012 kick off. But all of the time spent this year was well worth it. Time passed as we spent it with family and friends, going through the ups and downs of life as we come to the very moment in which we stand. Time went to the activities that we love to do and will hold next year like the

49er Bypass, the Duck Race, and the Haunted House. We hope that you enjoy your month of December. As a holiday treat the ACRA office will be closed from 12/16-1/2 so that we can recharge our batteries and get ready for the 2012 year with a bang. We hope to bring in new activities and too see many of you there. Happy Holidays!!

Thanks,
The ACRA Staff



It's Movie Time!!

WHAT MOVIES DO YOU WANT TO SEE ON THE **BIG SCREEN**??

ACRA wants to know... Is there a movie or movies you want to see on the big screen again?

Let us know. The more suggestions we get the better the variety will be.

We look forward to bringing in a huge crowd.



To place a suggestion:

Call: 209-223-6349

Email:

Ktraverso@amadorgov.org

Visit:

[facebook.com/goacra](https://www.facebook.com/goacra)

Look Out for These 2012 ACRA Events

- 25th Annual Duck Race
- 6th Annual 49er Bypass Run
- 6th Kennedy Mine BBQ
- After School Program
- Beginners Guitar Lessons
- Challenger Soccer Camp
- Men's Basketball
- Men's Softball
- Open Gym Badminton
- Photography Classes
- Recreation Equipment Swap Meet
- Sewing Class
- Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser
- Swimming Lessons
- Taste Cooking Classes
- Women's Softball

Spaghetti Dinner

Location- Civic Center in Jackson

Date- January 26th

Cost- \$10 presale, \$15 @ the door,
\$25 per couple @ the door

Dinner ♦ Raffle ♦ No Host Bar ♦
Wine ♦ Beer

Dinner will be benefiting
ACRA
&
The Amador County Cemetery Board

Menu

- Red Sauce & Pesto
- Salad
- Garlic Bread
- Dessert
- Coffee



Call ACRA @ (209) 223-6349



"Our mission is to maximize recreation opportunities for all the people in all the areas of Amador County by working collaboratively and thinking regionally."

ACRA's Dissemination Program

Our Information Dissemination Program delivers your Business or Community Program Announcements to nearly 100 stops in Amador County. Let us do the driving while you get all the benefits of great community advertising though-out Amador County! Your flyers will be displayed on bulletin boards, in doctors offices, tire shops or any of the other stops you choose off of our estab-

lished list. Sue Sparks is our Disseminator! She distributes on the **1st and 3rd Monday of each month.** Your flyers will need to be in our office by the 2nd or 4th Thursday for timely distribution. This is a great way to save time, less stress, postage and self distribution while still getting your program information posted from River Pines to Pioneer, from Plymouth

to Ione, from Jackson to Sutter Creek and all the places in-between. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity!

Fee for this program is on \$75.00 per flyer for using the services

Contact: Rocky Tuell @ rtuell@amadorgov.org or 223-6349

Having an event you want publicized?

ACRA can get the word out by distributing your flyer to more than 100 locations in the county for just \$75!

Call 223-6349

Recreation Briefs

☞ Rethink Your Drink



Do you know the amount of sugar that you consume with each drink?

Here are a few sugar facts for your drinks. In a 44 oz Fountain Drink (Pepsi) there are 38 teaspoons of sugar. With each Juice Drink 6 oz there are 4 teaspoons of sugar. In Energy Drinks 16 oz there are 13 teaspoons of sugar. With a 20 oz Sports Drink there are 8 teaspoons of sugar. And in a 12 oz Orange Soda there are 12 teaspoons of sugar.



Mom, It's 4U



Text **BABY** to **511411** to get **FREE** tips on your cell phone to help you through your pregnancy and your

baby's first year.



10th Annual Children's Holiday Festival

Activities, Music, Snacks, Santa Claus, Holiday Entertainment, Community Resources, Bring the whole family! Margaret Dalton Children's Center 975 Broadway, Jackson. Friday, December 9, 2011 from 5:30 - 8:00p.m. Food



donations for the Interfaith Food Bank are encouraged. This free event is sponsored by First 5 Amador.



Grandparents Raising Grandchildren

Special Guest Speaker John Adams on "Staying Healthy". John Adams is a retired professor, author, consultant and seminar leader living in Murphys. He was instrumental in launching the "wellness in the workplace" movement in the early 1970's with his writing, research, speaking and workshops on "Health, Stress and Your Lifestyle" for a wide variety of corporations and government agencies. He continued to develop this work over the years and offers a comprehensive, research-based range of ideas about Staying Healthy.

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Recreation Briefs (continued)

Tuesday November 15, 2011 6:30p.m. to 8:00p.m. Health & Human Services Building 10877 Conductor Blvd, Sutter Creek CA 95685. Everyone is welcomed. This event is free. Child Care Available for Grandparents (Please RSVP). RSVP to The Resource Connection 223-1624. The Resource Connection is part of the Amador Behavioral Health Prevention and Early Intervention Program (PEI Plan). This funding is available through the Amador County Behavioral Health PEI plan.



A Christmas to Remember

Put a smile on a child's face with a complete new outfit for Christmas. Now in our second decade of community service, your monetary donation buys NEW clothing for local children in need identified through Amador Co. schools. Wednesday, December 7th and Thursday, December 8th locations: Jackson Creek Plaza, Jackson-near Cost-Less Foods, Amador Plaza, Martell-near Strings, Sutter Creek City Hall, Sutter Creek, Pine Grove Market, Pine Grove, Payless Market, Buckhorn, Pokerville Market, Plymouth, Plaza Foods, Ione, By Credit card, call KVGC-AM Radio at 223-0241, By mail, P.O. Box 1167, Jackson, Ca, 95642. This year, warm your hearts with a gift for those a little less fortunate in Amador County.



Sutter Creek's Old Fashioned Christmas Open House December 2nd & 3rd

The first Friday & Saturday in December. The Downtown Sutter Creek Merchants open their doors to bring you a warm and welcome Open House. **Friday Festivities** 5:00p.m.- Shops start the festivities

with Holiday Cheer & Treats and stay open until 9:00p.m. 6:00p.m.- Santa arrives on Main Street to light the Community Tree. Pictures with Santa and Arts & Crafts at the Sutter Creek Methodist church. Father Christmas and Charles Dickens Characters stroll through town. Many wonderful Performances on Main Street. **Saturday Festivities** Father Christmas and Charles Dickens Characters stroll through town. Enjoy shopping at your Unique Stores in Sutter Creek. Find great gift ideas! Las Posadas Candlelight Walk. Anyone can join in! Meet at the Immaculate Conception Church on Spanish Street at 7:00p.m. For more information call (209) 267-1344 or visit www.suttercreek.org.



Six Flag CPRS Coupon

November 25, 2011-January 1, 2012. Six Flags Holiday in the Park Tickets as low as \$25.56 when purchased online. \$2 of every ticket purchased is given back to CPRS. Two ways to save: Purchase online at www.sixflags.com/discoverykingdom for **\$25.56** each. Type in promo code **CPRS** in the upper right hand corner. Purchase and print your tickets at home and take them right to the front gate for entry and regular operating day November 25, 2011 through January 1, 2012. No minimum purchase required. Or present the CPRS Coupon at any Six Flags Discovery Kingdom ticket booth any regular operating day November 25, 2011 through January 1, 2012 to purchase admission tickets for **27.61** each. The coupon is valid for up to six discounted admissions once. Coupon cannot be sold or combined with any other discount admission offer. This coupon has no cash value. Not for resale.



Arts Networking Open House

Thursday, December 1, 2011 Holiday Inn Express-Jackson. 6:00p.m. to 8:00p.m. No Host Wine Bar. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres provided by Thomi's Free for members or \$5.00 donation at the door. Featuring the Amador Choraliers performing a variety of holiday music and a photography show by Kam Merzlake. Through these quarterly open houses. Amador Arts is connecting the local arts scene with the rest of the community. Everyone is welcome, whether you're in the arts, business, education, history, or retired! The goal is to make connections and to have an ongoing, vibrant arts presence for all to enjoy. Help the Interfaith Food Bank and bring a donation with you! Thank you to: Holiday Inn Express for providing the venue, the Amador Choraliers and to Thomi's for providing the hors d'oeuvres and the no-host wine bar.



Drive-Thru Food Drive

Sunday, December 11, 2011 8a.m. to 12 noon. Sterling Auto Repair-Parking Lot 11400 Highway 49, Jackson. Drive-Thru and drop of non-perishable food items and/or turkeys. Free coffee and donuts!! All proceeds to benefit the Interfaith Food Bank. Event sponsored by Steve Hermanson for judge 2012.



AAA

Purchase a AAA Gift Membership-get \$17 off and a FREE Roadside Companion Kit. Convenient, Savings, exclusive AAA Travel benefits, and great rates and discounts. 11992 State Hwy 88, Suite 2048 Jackson, CA 95642 (209) 223-6940. Hurry! Offer ends December 31, 2011. Visit Local AAA Branch.

Free Green Waste Recycling Program:



Two Convenient Locations:

West County

Up Country

Vicini Brothers Green Waste
Recycling Facility
15850 Willow Creek Road
Plymouth, CA 95669
(209) 245-3850

ACES Waste Services Inc.
Pine Grove Transfer Station
19801 Berry Street
Pine Grove, CA 95665
(209) 296-2237

- ◆ Don't Burn it, Recycle it!
- ◆ No Commercial/Business Allowed
- ◆ No Trash or Debris Accepted
- ◆ Get your "Green Back" Voucher
- ◆ Must Have Voucher in Advance
- ◆ Spring/Fall Clean Ups
- ◆ Pine Needles

- ◆ Free to Amador Residents
- ◆ Standard "Pickup Size" Load
- ◆ Clean Green Waste Only
- ◆ Help reduce Landfill Space
- ◆ Yard Clean Ups
- ◆ Defensible Space for Fire Protection
- ◆ Trees, Brush, Weeds etc...

Follow these 3 easy steps

Get: Get "Green Back" Recycling Voucher by calling or visiting these locations:

*Waste Mgmt. Dept. (209) 223-6429 *Air District (209) 257-0112

*ACES Waste Svcs. (209) 274-2237 *Vicini Bros. (209) 245-3850

Going: Go to Vicini Bros. [Sat. 8am-4pm or call (209) 245-3850]

-or-

Go to ACES: [Tue.-Sat. 9am-12, 1-4pm (no appointment needed)]

& Recycle: Bring your standard "pickup size" load in for recycling at no cost

(MUST HAVE VOUCHER BEFORE VISITING FACILITY)



Visit ACRA at:

- ◆ www.goacra.org
 - ◆ www.myspace.com/goacra
- ◆ www.facebook.com/goacra
 - ◆ YouTube: AmadorCountyRec

For Those Who Would Like to Further Support Recreation in Amador County:

Just like public television and radio, this newsletter is *free*. No obligation, honest. But if you would like to make a donation for the newsletter it would be appreciated.

Please check one:

- I'd like to "subscribe" to this newsletter for \$10/yr.
- I'd love to "subscribe" for \$20/yr.
- I have too much money and need to unburden myself.

Please let me donate to ACRA the following amount:

\$ _____

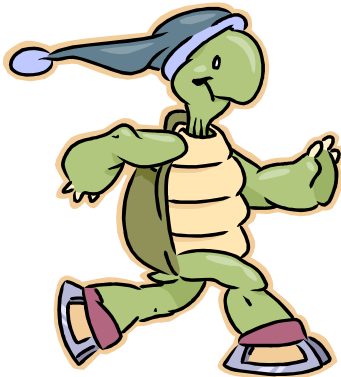
All donations made to ACRA are tax deductible.

- Send me more information about donating to ACRA

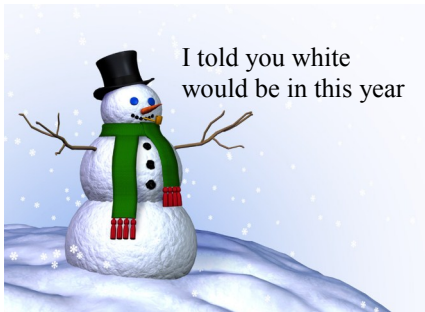
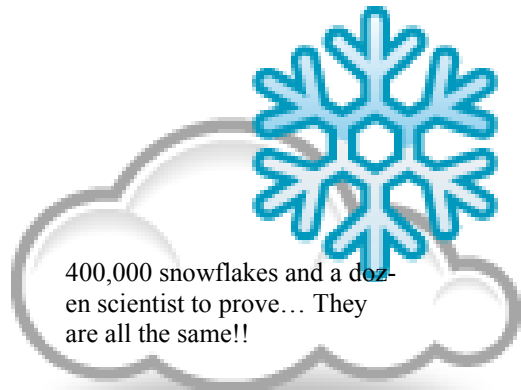
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Winter Fun



Why is music like slippery ice? If you don't C sharp you will B flat.



Gingerbread Man Decorating

Sutter Creek
Open House December 2nd & 3rd
5:30p.m. - 9p.m.
Sutter Creek Visitor Center

Build your Own Gingerbread House

**Build and Decorate
your own
GINGERBREAD HOUSE**

*Monday, December 19th
4:00-7:00pm
Kitchen at St. Sava Mission*

\$10 pre-registration or \$15 at the door
(price is per gingerbread house)

*Get into the holiday spirit with family & friends while
you decorate your own gingerbread dream house!*

Call ACRA to register: (209) 223-6349



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ACRA Closed 12/16-1/2

January

26th Spaghetti Dinner
Sundays- Men's Basketball

February

Sundays- Men's Basketball & Basketball Playoffs

March

(T.B.A.)

April

7th 49er Bypass
28th Duck Race

Upcoming Events