



The Amador County Recreation Agency News

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Kennedy Mind BBQ (review)

May 19th was an amazing evening to hold the Kennedy Mine BBQ. The weather was not too hot and the smell of freshly cooked steaks filled the entire area. Around 5:15 people

began arriving, getting their raffle tickets and drink tickets. The raffle tickets were as hot as the freshly baked rolls. There were also an assortment of different drinks to choose from.

The music was rocking, the people were laughing and the party stayed young through the night. ACRA looks forward to the next BBQ.

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Digital Photography - Introduction



Are you trying to figure out which digital camera to purchase? Do you want to feel comfortable using the digital camera that you have? This is the class for you!

Local photographer Laura Faye Mah will help you master the basics of digital cam-

era use, storing photographs and the options of printing photographs. This is the first step to making your digital camera your friend. If you have a digital camera, bring it and its manual to class.

2 day class
Intro Digital Photography
Monday June 20th and
27th 6:00 -8:30pm
\$39.00

Now that you are comfortable with the bells and whistles of your digital camera, learn how composi-

tion guide lines can help create more interesting images.
2 day class
Digital Camera
Techniques
Thursday June 23rd,
30th, 6:00 -
8:30pm \$39.00



Paint the Outdoors

"Artists are just as important as doctors and nurses. People need nourishing of their souls as well as their bodies; in Navajo culture the 'medicine man' and artist are one and the same." - Marni California

Get the Passion... The passion-to-paint!

Like the 3-R's, "the arts ... are vital for critical-thinking skills, extrapolation of meaning, and problem-solving." - Dr. Betty Edwards

"I paint for my mental health. It is a lot cheaper than seeing a therapist, and a lot more fun." - Sarah Jane Conklin

"Everybody needs beauty as well as bread..." ~ John Muir

Paint the Outdoors
With Leslie Vasquez*

Paint Amador's outdoor scenery even if you've never painted before. Course introduces composition, perspective (both scientific and non), light, colors, and you take home a finished oil painting. All skill levels.

\$75 for 4-hour-course for children.
\$124 for 8-hour-course for adults.
Materials not included. List provided.

Leslie Vasquez has worked for Charles Wysocki Fine Art, CA Arts Council, and promoted an artist now at Disney.

Student Examples

6-yr-old	6-yr-old
4-yr-old	Resistant adult

Ask about other age groups & family discounts. This class is a prerequisite for "Paint in the outdoors - a hike & paint adventure" ... coming soon.

"Art washes from the soul the dust of everyday life." ~ Pablo Picasso

Space limited. Call ACRA today 209-223-6349 or email acra@amadorgov.org

* Photo of Leslie by Bill Lavallic

Paint the Outdoors

Upcoming Classes:

Plymouth: June: 6, 8, 13 & 14

Ione: July: 11,13,18 & 20



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

- Visit ACRA at:**
- ◆ www.goacra.org
 - ◆ www.myspace.com/goacra
 - ◆ www.facebook.com/goacra
 - ◆ www.coamador.ca.us/depts/acra
 - ◆ YouTube: AmadorCountyRec

Have a Laser Tag party with ACRA!!

Only \$75/hour for up to 15 people a game

Birthdays of all Ages Private Parties and More

To book a party or Information:
call: (209) 223-6349
e-mail: ktraverso@amadorgov.org

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 throughout 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

established 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 Ply-

mouth 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



Kids Bowl Free

Register your child for a summer fun bowling pass. Two free games of bowling a day all Summer! Bowling is America's #1 way of fitness and keeps everyone active in a fun way. It is free to sign up at Gold Country Lanes Sutter Creek, CA- Phone 209-223-3334 or go to www.KidsBowlFree.com/GCL. This is easy to do and there are no strings attached. After registering each child you will receive the free bowling passes every week by email. After that all you have to do is enjoy the rest of your summer as your child has some bowling fun.



Fourth Annual 2nd Generation Dinner

Saturday, June 25th at the Amador county Fairgrounds there will be an auction and dinner to benefit the

Amador County Jr. Livestock Auction. Dinner tickets in advance are \$25/person and \$40/couple, dinner tickets at the door are \$30/person and \$50/couple and children (12 and younger) are \$10. Raffle tickets are \$20 each or 6 for \$100. Enter a chance to win a vacation cruise for 2, choice of one of the following: Mossberg 300 Win Mag, Heritage Arms 22/22mag Combo pistol, Tikka 223 and Tristar Semi Auto 12g. Tickets, donations or other information please contact: Seth Seever at (209)223-2140 or info@2ndgenerationdinner.com



Domestic Violence Support Group for Women Survivors

Operation Care is offering a 10-week support group designed for women survivors of domestic violence. This group allows a confidential setting where you will learn skills to help

cope with past experiences while building healthy friendships and relationships as you connect with other women who have experienced relationship abuse. Beginning June 7th Tuesday Evenings 5:30 to 6:30. 10 Weekly sessions at Operation Care 619 New York Ranch Road Jackson, CA. To reserve your space or for more information call Denise at 209-223-2897



Amador Farmers Market-Weekly Local Markets

Sutter Creek-Saturdays 8a.m.-11a.m. June 11 - October, Eureka Street Parking Lot.

Jackson-Sundays 10a.m.-1p.m. May 22 - October, Busi Municipal Parking Lot

Pine Grove-Wednesdays 3p.m.-6p.m. June 15- October, Pine Grove Community Park

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Recreation Briefs (continued)

Plymouth— Thursdays 4p.m.-7p.m.
August 4 - September 29, McGee
Park-Main Street Plymouth.



ATCAA Amador Tutoring Program

This program is looking for dedicated volunteers to tutor 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade students. Volunteer

tutors will tutor at least one student two times per week for at least six months and must be trained in Barton's System of Reading & Spelling. The next volunteer reading tutor training is Thursday, June 23rd, 4 p.m. at Upcountry Community Center 19386 Hwy 88 Pine Grove, CA 95665. All tutors must pass a back-

ground check. For more information call (209) 296-2785.

Plymouth Pool

2011 Pool Hours Plymouth

Weekend Recreation Swimming Season

Opens:

Beginning: Saturday, May 28th
1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The pool will be OPEN Memorial Day
Monday, May 30th and
Labor Day Monday, September 5th

Weekday Recreation Swimming Season

Opens:

Beginning: Monday, June 6th
1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

**Pool will be open during the
Amador County Fair**

Lap Swim

(must swim laps)

Beginning: Monday, June 6th
Monday through Friday
7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Lap swim will be closed:

July 11th through 15th and 18th through 22nd

Party Rental

\$50.00 - two hours

Plus the cost of lifeguards

Plus \$1.00/head

Party times offered after regular swim hours
(Insurance Required)

Swimming Lessons

Two Week Session \$40.00

Session 1: June 6th - 10th and 13th - 17th
11:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. or 12 p.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Level 1-6

Registration Deadline: June 2nd for session 1

Session 2: July 11th-15th and 18th - 22nd
7 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. or 7:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Level 1-6

Registration Deadline: July 7th for session 2

Session 3: Aug. 1st - 5th and 7th - 12th
11:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. or 12 p.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Level 1-6

Registration Deadline: July 28th for session 3

Level 1= Non Swimmer: Introduction to
Water Skills

Level 2= Beginner: Fundamental Water Skills

Level 3= Intermediate: Stroke Development

Level 4= Swimmer: Stroke Improvement Aquatic
Skills

Level 5= Advanced: Stroke Refinement with leg
Coordination

Level 6= Proficiency: Swimming and skill Profi-
ciency

Private Lessons: Call ACRA \$30.00/half hour

Parent/Child Lessons: \$18.00/week

Summer Day Camp

The “traveling” 2 week, Summer Day Camp for kids 6-12 years of age, is an all day-fun in the sun: games, crafts, exploring, building, swimming extravaganza! The cost of the program is \$125 per week. The camp will run from 8am – 5pm. Each camper should bring a bag

lunch, personal sunscreen, swim suit and towel. The fee provides each camper with a t-shirt, water, pool entry and a daily snack, plus an opportunity to explore new things, meet new friends, learn new games, and find new confidence in a positive environ-

ment. Needs minimum attendance of 8 campers or may be canceled.



2011 Schedule

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
8-9	Make Camp Flag	Kid’s Choice	Laser Tag	Melt Down	Bocce Ball
9-10	Medic Ball	Recycled Art	Water Balloon Launch	Tie Dye Bring a Shirt!	Build Solar Oven
10-11	Lego Creations	Field Hockey	Crab soccer	Relay Games	Human Battleship
11-12	Crab Soccer	Homerun Kick-ball	BLOB!	Parachute Games	Make S’mores in Solar Oven
12-1	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1-2	Special Guest	Special Guest	Special Guest	Special Guest	Special Guest
2-3	Mad Scientist Slime	Water Balloon Toss	Melon Seed Launch	Kids Choice	Egg Drop
3-4	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming
4-5	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming

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 Svrs. (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)



Jokes

- ◆ Son: Dad, What is the secret of a happy married life?
Dad replied: It is still a secret!!
- ◆ Insanity is Hereditary. You get it from your Kids.
- ◆ Broken Guitar for sale– no strings attached.
- ◆ Skydivers: Good to the last drop
- ◆ Sarcasm is just one more service we offer
- ◆ Nobody notices what I do, until I don't do it

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

Send to: ACRA
10877 Conductor Blvd., Ste. 100 Sutter Creek, CA 95685

Thank You !!!

Summer Series Disc Golf Tournaments 2011



Dates: June 5th, July 10th, August 7th, Sundays
Where: Mollie Joyce Disc Golf Course
Registration: 8a.m., Players meeting at 8:30
Time: All tee offs at 9a.m.
Each date is a 2 Round 36 hole tournament

Buy in for each tournament

\$15-Pro, Am., Women's and Rec. Division
\$5 - Jr. Division

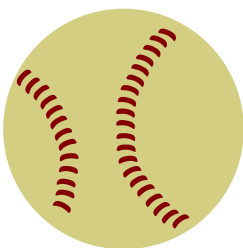
25% pay back for each division except Jr. Division

This event is a fund raiser for the Course!
Snack bar and beverages available



For information call
The Amador County Recreation Agency 223-6349
www.goacra.org
ktraverso@amadorgov.org
Find Mollie Joyce Disc Golf Course on Facebook.com

Co-ed Softball



Co-ed Softball is a fun and laidback league where anyone can come and play. You do not need to have experience to come and join this league. It is \$350 per team to join the league. Also it is necessary to call ACRA at 223-6349 for more information or to set up teams.

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Upcoming Events

June

- 5th Disc Golf Tournament
- 5th Co-Ed softball
- 6th Men's Softball Begins Games (Monday, Wednesday and Thursday)
- 6th-10th Swimming Lessons
- 13th-17th Swimming Lessons

July

- 4th-8th Summer Day Camp-Detert Park
- 10th Disc Golf Tournament
- 11th-15th Summer Day Camp- Howard Park
- 11th-15th Swimming Lessons
- 18th-22th Swimming Lessons

August

- 1st-5th Swimming Lessons
- 7th Disc Golf Tournament
- 7th-12th Swimming Lessons