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Voting in Sacramento County is Changing

The Voter's Choice Act, signed by Governor Brown in 2016, allows select counties to conduct elections by all vote-by-mail ballots while also providing new regional Vote Centers. In June 2017, the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors approved this new voting model, which will change how all residents of Sacramento County—including City of Folsom residents—will vote. Beginning with the June 2018 Primary Election, every registered voter in Sacramento County will receive a vote-by-mail ballot in the mail, and traditional assigned polling places will be replaced with regional Vote Centers. At a Vote Center, voting is more convenient; a person can go to any center to drop off their ballot, vote in person, request a replacement ballot, vote using an accessible ballot marking device, receive voting assistance in multiple languages, and register to vote or update their registration. Learn more and share feedback about the Voter's Choice Act and Vote Centers at www.elections.saccounty.net.



EXPLORE FOLSOM'S JOHNNY CASH TRAIL

If you haven't yet had the chance to visit the newest addition to Folsom's recreational trail system, add it to your walk, run or ride destination list soon! The 2.5-mile trail was completed this past fall and fund-raising efforts are now underway to complete the eight public works of art that will be installed along the trail as part of the Johnny Cash Trail Art Experience; learn more at www.FolsomCashArtTrail.com. There are three ways to access the trail:

From Digger and Sharon Williams Rodeo Park, 200 Stafford Street

Abundant free parking is available, and the marked trail head is at the end of the parking lot parallel to the rodeo arena fencing. From this

direction you'll almost immediately cross the stunning wood arched Robber's Ravine Bridge.

From Folsom's Historic District

Signs near the intersection of Riley and Scott streets direct you to the start of the Johnny Cash Trail. The Historic District offers an abundance of dining options and shopping to round out your day!

From the Folsom Lake Trail

Access the Johnny Cash Trail near the intersection of Folsom Lake Crossing and Natoma Street. The iconic Johnny Cash Bridge soars high above the lanes of traffic and leads you to the section of trail that passes the Donor Wall and site of the future Johnny Cash Legacy Park.

Note that there is no vehicle access or parking available at this end of the trail; access is only available on foot or bicycle.

Folsom's recreational trail system provides more than 50 miles of beautiful paved trails for cyclists and pedestrians. We encourage all trail users to be good stewards of the trails, remembering to pick up after dogs, to preserve the environment by remaining on the developed trails or decomposed granite borders; and to be courteous and aware of other trail users.



Preschool Open Houses

PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

Thursday, March 7, 4–6 p.m.

LOCATIONS

Fun Factory Folsom Community Center

52 Natoma Street

Fun Factory Folsom Sports Complex

66 Clarksville Road

Kindergarten Readiness at the

Hinkle Creek Nature Center

7000 Baldwin Dam Road

Folsom Parks & Recreation's Fun Factory Preschool and Kindergarten Readiness classrooms are hosting an open house for parents to meet our wonderful teachers, ask questions, and determine which program and location best suits your child.

In-person registration for the 2018–19 school year takes place Wednesday, March 14 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Folsom Sports Complex.

For more information about these programs, visit www.folsom.ca.us or email Preschool Coordinator Matt Zimmerling at mzimmerling@folsom.ca.us.



EXPLORE VIRTUAL REALITY AT THE FOLSOM PUBLIC LIBRARY

Visit international art museums, explore 3D simulations of DNA, or fly over the wonders of the world when you experience virtual reality at the Folsom Public Library! Virtual reality (VR) is a technology that allows people to experience places, events, and games through 360-degree video and sound.

The new VR Lab is open every second and fourth Sunday of the month in the Library Meeting Room from noon to 4 p.m. The lab features an Oculus Rift System and Google Cardboard headsets received through grants from the California State Library. The grants also funded a high-quality 3D printer and tools to create 3D scanning and 360-degree media in the library's 3D Printing Lab, open every Sunday from noon to 4 p.m.

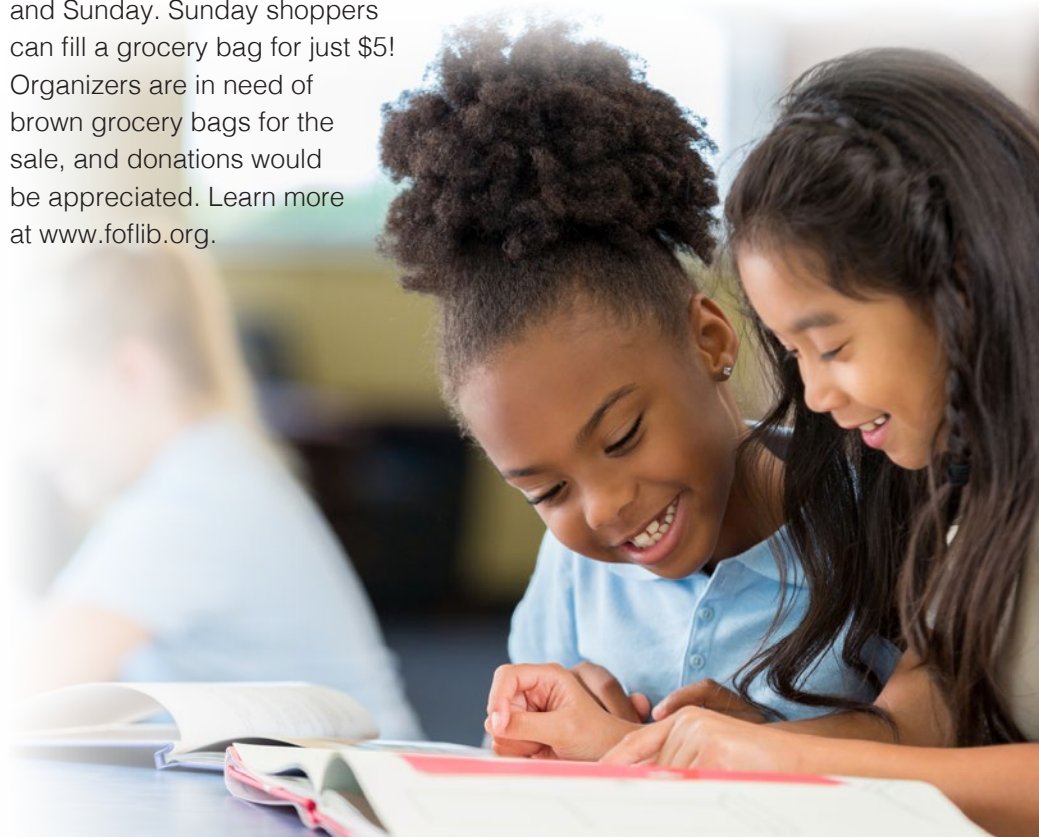
If you are interested in being a volunteer docent with the Folsom Public Library's VR Lab or 3D Printing Lab, contact Volunteer Coordinator JoAnne Ament at jament@folsom.ca.us or 916-461-6138.

FRIENDS OF THE FOLSOM LIBRARY BOOK SALE

The Friends of the Folsom Library will host the popular bi-annual book sale March 9 through 11, featuring thousands of books of every genre at deeply discounted prices. Shop Friday from 4 to 7 p.m. for the best selection; \$5 admission on Friday only (military with ID and Friends of the Folsom Library members are free). Admission is free on Saturday and Sunday. Sunday shoppers can fill a grocery bag for just \$5! Organizers are in need of brown grocery bags for the sale, and donations would be appreciated. Learn more at www.foflib.org.

BORROW A BOARD GAME WITH YOUR BOOKS AT THE FOLSOM PUBLIC LIBRARY

Start a new tradition of family game nights with classics like Connect Four and Uno, plus newer games like Blokus and Qwirkle. The Folsom Public Library offers a collection of family board games for free one-week checkouts! Visit the library information desk for more details.



Doggie Doo Dos and Don'ts



Please remember to always “scoop the poop” and dispose of pet waste properly.

Dog and cat waste left on the ground washes into local waterways and causes problems with:

HUMAN AND PET HEALTH

- Giardia
- Roundworms
- Salmonella
- Other viruses and parasites

GALLERY AT 48 NATOMA HOSTS RECEPTION FOR NEW EXHIBIT



The gallery addresses the timeless conundrum, “What came first, the chicken or the egg?” with a new exhibit featuring chicken—and egg—themed works of art.

The show includes oil paintings by Loretta Armstrong; mixed media by Karen Hunziker; and Pysanky-painted eggs by Teresa Mihalko Harbert. The free public reception from 6 to 8 p.m., Friday, March 16 includes music and light refreshments. The exhibit continues through May 3; the gallery’s regular hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, with extended hours from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The gallery is located at 48 Natoma Street; admission is free.

WATER QUALITY

- Algae and aquatic weeds
- Reduced oxygen for fish
- Unsafe recreational areas for fishing or enjoying

WHAT CAN I DO?

- 1. Bring It!** Carry a biodegradable plastic or paper bag when you walk your dog.
- 2. Scoop It!** Use the baggie like a glove, scoop the poop, invert and seal the bag tightly.
- 3. Toss It!** Place pet waste in your garbage can. Don’t put pet waste in your green waste cart, blue recycling carts or compost bins.

NEW AREA CODE INTRODUCED

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) approved an overlay that will add the new area code 279 to the 916 area code region. Under the overlay plan, current 916 area code customers can keep their numbers, but as of February 10, all calls made from the 916 area code will have to be dialed using 1 + area code + 7-digit telephone number. Calls to 911, as well as 211, 311, 411, 511, 611, 711 and 811 will not be affected, and will continue to be dialed with 3 digits. The overlay will primarily affect the greater Sacramento area, which includes parts of El Dorado, Solano, Sutter, Yolo, Placer, and Sacramento Counties. Learn more at www.cpuc.ca.gov.



NEW HORSE ON THE FORCE

The Folsom Police Department welcomed a new horse to its mounted unit in December. Denny, a 12-year-old American Paint Horse, was acquired from a trainer/veterinarian in Sparks, Nevada thanks to funds raised by the Folsom Police Foundation. Denny will replace 19-year-old Hardy, who will retire soon. The Folsom Police Mounted Unit represents the department as ambassadors of goodwill, builds community partnerships, educates youth, and helps to reduce crime by providing high-visibility patrol. The unit is also active in basic patrol duties such as retail parking enforcement, focused enforcement on property crimes, and outside agency assistance for crowd control and search and rescue operations.

COMMUNITY WORKSHOP FOR THE HUMBUG-WILLOW CREEK TRAIL CROSSING AT FOLSOM BOULEVARD

Thursday, March 22, 6:30-8 p.m.

The Folsom Parks & Recreation department is hosting a community workshop for Folsom residents to provide input about the proposed bike/pedestrian trail crossing at Folsom Boulevard. This new trail crossing would provide a safe and convenient way for trail users to bypass vehicle traffic and cross Folsom Boulevard, and would also fill an existing gap in the City’s Humbug-Willow Creek Trail. Call 916-461-6601 or visit www.folsom.ca.us for more details and the meeting location.



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Change Your Clock, Change Your Battery

Working smoke alarms can help you and your family safely escape a home fire. When you change your clocks for Daylight Saving Time, make sure to change your batteries in your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms.

The National Fire Protection Association reports that 71 percent of smoke alarms which failed to operate had missing, disconnected or dead batteries. And about three out of five home fire deaths occurred where there were either no smoke alarms or they were not properly working.

There should be one smoke alarm in every bedroom, along with an alarm outside each sleeping area, on each story of the home. A carbon monoxide alarm should be installed on each floor, outside of each separate sleeping area. All alarms should have a California State Fire Marshal seal. In addition to changing the batteries twice a year, it is also important to check smoke and carbon monoxide alarms monthly by pressing the test button. Replace the entire alarm if it's more than 10 years old or doesn't work properly when tested. For more information, call the City of Folsom Fire Department at 916-984-2280.



SPRING EGGSTRAVAGANZA

SATURDAY, MARCH 31 FROM 8-11 A.M.
LEMBI PARK, 1328 RILEY STREET

This fun annual event includes a pancake breakfast (purchase on site); free kiddie carnival games, entertainment, vendor displays and activities; and the big egg hunt featuring more than 25,000 eggs filled with candy and prize slips! The egg hunt takes place on four sports fields that are divided by age—and there's even a special egg hunt available for the parents and grandparents!

DIG INTO COMPOSTING

Learn how to turn yard waste into garden treasure at the City of Folsom's composting and grasscycling one-hour workshop Saturday, March 10 or on June 9, both starting at 9 a.m. Composting—nature's own recycling system—can produce essential soil conditioner that helps plants grow and also reduces garbage in landfills. The workshops take place at Lew Howard Park, 7100 Baldwin Dam Road. At the end of each workshop, participants receive their choice of a compost bin at a discounted rate or a mulching lawnmower rebate offer of \$25. Pre-registration is required. To register, call 916-355-8359 or visit <http://webtrac.folsom.ca.us>.



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