



NEWSLETTER

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RECYCLING FACTS



Did you know...the gray (or green) container from Gilton is used for recycling? Recycling in Escalon consists of yard waste AND paper items. This is a mandatory program...even if you may not have any yard waste, you can still recycle by putting paper items in the gray container. Or, you may have an extra large yard...if so, you may request an additional gray container.

Place the gray container out along with your black container every week on your garbage collection day. The following items may go in the gray container:

- Yard waste—grass, leaves, clippings.
- Brush and tree limbs—less than 4 feet long and 6 inches in diameter.

- Paper products—newspapers, white paper, paper bags, magazines, catalogs, cardboard. **DO NOT** place in the gray container: toxic materials, paints, TV's, computer monitors, dead animals, tires, batteries or hot ashes.

Other great services provided by Gilton:

- Twice a year curbside collection of large bulky items (refrigerators, furniture, appliances, etc.). Call Gilton to schedule an appointment.
- Free disposal of two CRTs per year (televisions and computer monitors). Call Gilton to have a recycling voucher mailed to you. Gilton can be reached at **527-3781**. ■

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

NOVEMBER

- 2** 7:30pm City Council
- 4** 5:30pm Recreation Commission
- 10** 7:30pm Planning Commission
- 11** *Veteran's Day-City Hall closed*
- 16** 7:30pm City Council
- 26-27** *Thanksgiving-City Hall closed*

DECEMBER

- 7** 7:30pm City Council
- 15** 7:30pm Planning Commission
- 21** 7:30pm City Council
- 24-25** *Christmas Holiday-City Hall closed*
- 31** *City Hall closed*

All meetings are open to the public and are held in the Escalon Branch Library at 1540 Second Street. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in a public meeting, please contact the City Clerk at (209) 838-4105. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility. ■

The Escalon Chamber of Commerce
Presents

Christmas on Main

While thoughts of sugar plums are barely present, the Escalon Chamber of Commerce is preparing for the annual Christmas on Main. This event encompasses the annual tradition of roasting marshmallows by a campfire, the Parade of Lights and the long-awaited arrival of Santa Claus to Escalon.

Come join us on Main Street to celebrate the season and enjoy a pleasant event that highlights the benefits of small-town living.

December 5th

Parade of Lights 5:30pm

Booths Open 3:30-8:00pm

FALL CLEAN-UP TIPS

With Fall in full swing and Winter on the way, the City of Escalon will increase its street sweeping efforts in order to keep up with the falling leaves. You too can help by observing a few simple guidelines:

- **Deposit leaves and clippings in your green waste can and not in the street.**
- If your can is full, you may rake leaves only - **no trash, limbs or rocks** - away from the gutter in piles four feet wide and about six inches deep. You can call the Public Works Dept. to have the leaves picked up by the street sweeper before they spread.
- Sweep fallen leaves away from storm drain inlets to prevent

neighborhood street flooding.

Remember, branches, wood and other material **CANNOT** be picked up by the street sweeper. This type of debris can damage the sweeping machinery which could result in delays and costly repairs. For more information, you may call the Public Works Department at 838-4139.

Seven Easy Winter Preparation Tips:

Valley residents know that rain, fog and frost are not far behind the falling leaves that we see now. Winter is on the way and it's time to prepare for it. Residents can protect themselves, their belongings and their budgets

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by following a few easy steps:

1. Replace the batteries in your smoke detectors now.
2. Have your chimney inspected by a professional chimney sweep.
3. Conduct a safety check of your vehicle.
4. Secure your home and your vehicle against theft.
5. Assemble an emergency kit.
6. Save money on your water bills by cutting back on sprinkler use.
7. Insulate exterior water pipes vulnerable to freezing. ■

SPRING TRAINING BASEBALL CLINIC

This half-day instructional program for the beginner and advanced ballplayer, ages 7-14, focuses on team and individual fundamental drills of hitting, bunting, pitching, defense, base running and proper throwing techniques. Participants will learn team and individual skills needed to build a solid foundation for their baseball future in a fun and encouraging way. The instructors include the current EHS Baseball staff, visiting coaches, and current and former members of the Escalon Cougar Baseball Team.

Sat. Feb. 27th, 9am-12pm, EHS Bob Loureiro Field. Register

COUGAR BASKETBALL SKILLS CAMP

Improve your basketball skills by attending an intensive fundamental skill development camp being offered by EHS Basketball staff and members of Escalon Cougar Basketball Program! We will stress individual fundamental skills necessary to build a solid foundation for your child's future play. The following areas will be taught: *Footwork–jump stops, pivots and slides • Defensive techniques-stance and*

closeouts • Ball handling • Passing and receiving • Shooting instruction • Individual ball moves and lay-ups.

Campers will receive a T-shirt and a great day of fun. Jan. 9th, 9am-Noon for ages 7-10; 1-4pm for ages 11-14 (please arrive at camp 15 minutes early to check in) El Portal School Gym. \$40 per player. Register at City Hall, 1854 Main Street. Deadline to register is Jan. 4th. For more information call or email Coach Martin Louro at 505-4537, icoachhoop@hotmail.com. ■

at City Hall until February 19th. Cost is \$40 per player, includes T-shirt and lunch provided by EHS baseball. ■



Kids Christmas Craft Day!

Monday, December 7th
3:30-5:00 pm
Escalon Community Center
\$20 per child

Arts, Crafts, Cooking & More!
Encourage your child's creativity and make this holiday season special!
Each participant will bring home 10 amazing, hand-made projects.
Parent involvement is encouraged.
All ages welcome and space is unlimited!
Sign up at Escalon City Hall today!

ESCALON BABE RUTH

Registration has started for Escalon Babe Ruth. Forms are available at City Hall or at www.cityofescalon.org. Deadline for signing up is Thursday, January 28th.

NEW participants must have an ORIGINAL certified copy of their Birth Certificate with them at time of registration. Divisions and fees are as follows. Players are not permitted to move up, there will be no exceptions.

Fees are as follows:

COED T-BALL

Age as of April 30, 2010

5-6 \$30

BOYS BASEBALL

Age as of April 30, 2010

7-8 Rookie \$35

9-10 Minor \$40

11-12 Major \$45

13-15 13-15 Division \$50

GIRLS SOFTBALL

Age as of December 31, 2009

7-8 Rookie \$35

9-10 Minor \$40

11-12 Major \$45

13-15 16U \$50

OPEN GYM BASKETBALL

For ages 16 and up, the EHS gym is available for an evening of basketball. Entry fee is just \$3 per evening and basketballs will be available (note: ages under 18 requires a parent's signature). Tuesdays, Jan. 12 thru Feb. 16. Check our website for times at www.cityofescalon.org. ■

RECREATION REFUND POLICY

The City of Escalon Recreation Department has a no-refund policy. Full refund will be given if the department cancels the program, the participant is cut from the program, or cannot participate due to medical reasons. No refund after the class/program/league has had its second meeting. All refunds will be given by check only through the City of Escalon. The Recreation Director reserves the right to adjust the policy depending on the circumstances and severity of the situation. ■