



NEWSLETTER

Community Center Grand Opening

Please join us for the Grand Opening of the newly renovated Escalon Community Center Saturday, November 15th from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Following the ribbon cutting ceremony at 11:00 a.m., tours of the facility and food will be provided by the City of Escalon.

We are now accepting rental applications for the use of the Community Center. The new Fees Schedule and Rental Agreement can be found on our website at www.cityofescalon.org.

The Senior Lunch program will also resume at the Community Center on December 2, 2008. ■



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Animal Services.....	838-7093
Community Center Rentals.....	838-4122
Library.....	1-866-805-7323
Police Non-Emergency.....	838-7093
Public Works.....	838-4139
Public Works After Hours.....	838-7093
Recreation Department.....	838-4134
SJRTD Escalon Dial-A-Ride.....	541-6645
Street Light Problems.....	838-4106
Water, Sewer, Garbage Service....	838-4106

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

NOVEMBER

- 3 7:30pm City Council
- 5 5:30pm Recreation Commission
- 11 *Veteran's Day-City Hall closed*
- 12 7:30pm Planning Commission
- 17 7:30pm City Council

DECEMBER

- 1 7:30pm City Council
- 9 7:30pm Planning Commission
- 15 7:30pm City Council
- 24-25 *Christmas Holiday-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. ■

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.
- Sweep fallen leaves away from storm drain inlets to prevent neighborhood street flooding.

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



- #### Six Easy Winter Preparation Tips:
1. 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 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. ■



Recreation Programs Found On Page 2...

COUGAR BASKETBALL SKILLS CAMP

Improve your basketball skills by attending this two-day, 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

In addition, campers will receive a camp T-shirt and two days of fun. Camp times are Saturdays, Dec.

27th and Jan. 3rd; 9am-Noon for ages 7-10 and 1- 4pm for ages 11-14 (please arrive at camp 15 minutes early to check in). Camp location: Escalon High School Gym. Camp Cost: \$40 per player. Register at City Hall, 1854 Main Street. Deadline to register is Dec. 19th. For more info call Coach Martin Louro at 505-4537, or email him at icoachhoop@hotmail.com.

REMINDER

Deadline
to sign up for
YOUTH
BASKETBALL
is Thursday
November 20th

OPEN GYM BASKETBALL

For ages 16 and up, stop by the EHS gym 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). Open gym dates and times are:

7:30-8:30pm

January 13, 20, 17

February 2, 9 and 17

6:30-7:30pm

February 24

March 3 ■

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. ■

SPRING TRAINING BASEBALL CLINIC

Announcing the 2nd Annual Spring Training Baseball Clinic. Instructed by staff and members of Escalon Cougar Baseball, this is a half-day program for the beginner and advanced ballplayer.

Instructors will focus teaching the fundamental drills of hitting, bunting, pitching, defense, base running and proper throwing techniques. Players will learn team and individual skills needed to build a solid foundation for their baseball future in a fun and

encouraging way. The instructors will include the current EHS Baseball staff, visiting coaches, current and former members of the Escalon Cougar Baseball Team. This great event will take place Saturday, February 28th.

Registration will be November 3, 2008 through February 20, 2009. Please register and pay at City Hall, 1854 Main Street. Cost is \$40 per player and includes a T-shirt and lunch provided by EHS baseball. ■

Escalon Babe Ruth

Starting on **November 3, 2008** you may register for Escalon Babe Ruth. Come down to City Hall to fill in your registration forms. The deadline for registering will be Thursday, January 29, 2009.

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, 2009

5-6.....\$30

BOYS BASEBALL

Age as of April 30, 2009

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, 2008

7-8.....Rookie\$35

9-10.....Minor\$40

11-12.....Major\$45

13-15.....16U.....\$50