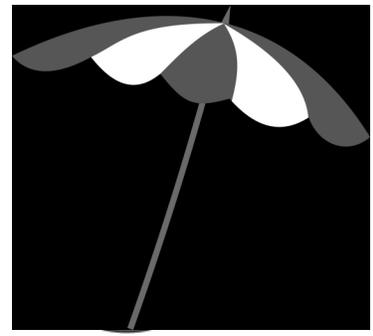




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Recreation Commission to Hold Fundraiser Car Wash

The Mendota Recreation Commission will hold a fundraiser car wash on Sunday, June 25th from 8am to 2pm at City Hall, 643 Quince Street. The suggested donation is \$5 for a car and \$10 for a van, truck or SUV, but people are encouraged to give more.

The fundraiser would support the future activities of the Recreation Commission, such as providing programs for youth and adults.



Challenge the City of Mendota Softball Team for Charity!

Are you interested in good causes and unbridled fun? The City of Mendota is accepting all challengers for an exhibition softball game.



Each player must pay a donation to participate and the money raised goes to the Mendota Community Corporation, a 501(c)3 organization that raises money to help the youth of Mendota.

If you or your organization are interested in accepting the challenge, contact Matt at (559) 655-3291.

Harvest Fiesta is Coming Up

Remember that the summer Harvest Fiesta will be Thursday, July 13th through Sunday, July 17th. There will be the usual rides, food, music, family, friends, and fun! Tickets for rides are available from Mendota Youth Recreation. They can be contacted at (559) 655-4590.

Please Continue to Conserve Water

Even though certain people have said that the drought in California is over, we will still feel its effects in future years. This is because the City of Mendota gets its water from aquifers deep in the ground, so when we have a heavy year of rain, it takes an average of 5 to 7 years, maybe even longer, to get to the aquifer that we pump water from. So please continue to conserve water as much as possible. It is our most precious resource.

A Message from the Friendly Front Office Staff at City Hall

There is nothing more enjoyable to us than serving the citizens of Mendota! One issue we have noticed is that even though we can answer any questions you have related to payments, applications, and other processes, we cannot write or fill anything out for you, including applications, checks, letters, etc. Also, please make sure checks are filled out completely or they will be delayed for processing. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding!

<p><u>Mendota Police Department's Reporting Numbers</u></p> <p>Emergency 911 Non-Emergency 655-4294 Business Office Number 655-9120 Fax 655-7173</p> <p><u>Other Important Phone Numbers</u></p> <p>Mendota Unified School District 655-4942 MUSD Homeless Liaison 655-2503 Mendota Public Library 655-3391 Mendota Youth Recreation 655-4590 Westside Youth 655-4808 Rape Crisis Hotline 659-0232 Code Enforcement Anonymous Tips 517-6340</p>	<p><i>Riding ATV's and Other Off-Road Vehicles in Mendota is Illegal</i></p> <p>If you are caught riding an All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV), such as a four-wheeler, three-wheeler, dirt bike, or other off-road vehicle that is not street-legal, you will suffer serious consequences.</p> <p>Apart from the health risk of riding ATV's in areas not made for them, you will get fined large amounts of money, have the vehicle towed, and if an underage person is riding the vehicle illegally, the parents can be arrested and fined also.</p> <p>It's not worth it, so take your ATV's and other off-road vehicles to recreation areas specifically designated for them. If you want to find such places, you can look on State and Federal Government websites dedicated to recreation or look on a private site like www.trails.com.</p>	<p><i>Don't Be Afraid to Call the Police</i></p> <p>The Mendota Police Department needs the help of every citizen in order to best fight crime. If you witness suspicious activity, call the dispatch center <u>immediately</u> at (559) 655-4294. <u>Do not wait for someone else to call for you.</u> We all want a safe, clean community. You don't have to provide your information, but get as much details as you can such as their weight, height, skin tone, gender, and the color, fit, and style of their clothing. Thank you for your help and cooperation!</p>
<p><i>Upcoming Events</i></p> <p>July 4th—City Hall Closed in honor of Independence Day.</p>	<p><i>Put Food in Green Trash Bin</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Now we are required to put all food matter in the green trash bin. • Do not contaminate the recycling bin with prohibited items such as clothing, styrofoam, diapers, construction materials and other hazardous wastes. <p>If you have questions about what to recycle or in what bin to throw things, call Mid Valley Disposal at (559) 237-9425.</p>	<p><i>Be Fireworks Smart and Stay Safe!</i></p> <p>With warm weather and family events, the Fourth of July can be a fun time to create great memories. It can also be a tragic time for fires and critical burn injuries. Fresno County Fire would like to remind you that before your family celebrates, make sure everyone knows about fireworks safety:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check that fireworks are allowed in the area you want to use them; • Make sure fireworks have the State Fire Marshal "Safe and Sane" seal; • Purchase only from a legitimate fireworks stand authorized to sell "Safe and Sane" fireworks; • Have a bucket of water, sand, shovel, fire extinguisher or garden hose available when using fireworks; • Dispose of used fireworks in water; • Never alter, modify or enhance them; • Make sure fireworks have proper clearance from flammable materials including dry grass, dry brush and structures; • Use fireworks outdoors only. • Adults should always supervise fireworks activities. Never allow children to play with or ignite fireworks. • Never carry them in a pocket or shoot them off in metal or glass containers. <p>Think about your pet. Animals have sensitive ears and can be extremely frightened or stressed on the 4th of July. Keep pets indoors to reduce the risk that they will run loose or get injured.</p>
<p><i>Consumer Confidence Report</i></p> <p>Included in this month's utility bill is the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR). The CCR is required by the state and gives you info on your drinking water. Due to cost restrictions, we were only able to include the report in English but if you would like a copy of the CCR in Spanish, contact City Hall and we will provide you with a free copy.</p>	<p><i>COG to Hold Workshop in Mendota</i></p> <p>The Fresno Council of Governments (COG) is holding a community workshop in Mendota on Monday, June 12th, 6pm at Westside Youth Center. The topic to be discussed centers around what new projects and changes can be made to improve transportation and quality of life for Mendota residents. Dinner will be provided as well as childcare and all are invited to attend. For more info, call Nayamin at (559) 351-6398.</p>	
<p><i>Call 8-1-1 Before You Dig</i></p> <p>Before you dig in your yard or in someone else's, call 8-1-1 to have your utilities marked for free. Pipes and cables may not be as deep as you think due to ground erosion or subsidence. Better to be safe than sorry!</p>		