



# NEWSLETTER

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## AVOID DRAIN PAIN



The City sewer system is not designed for disposing of many modern products...it's designed to dispose of very specific things. The word "flushable" as seen on many product packages doesn't mean it's true. Many items marketed as disposable and/or flushable do not degrade like toilet paper, and they wind up clogging pipes, pumps and/or causing other sewer infrastructure problems.

Using your toilet for disposal of many modern products will often result in blockages. The sewer system connecting your home to the City's main sewer system, often no wider than 3 inches - is only designed to carry water, toilet paper, and human waste.

### WHAT NOT TO FLUSH:

- Diapers (cloth, disposable, "flushable")
- Baby wipes, disinfectant wipes, moist wipes, etc.
- Toilet bowl scrub pads
- Swiffers
- Napkins/Paper towels
- Dental floss

- Egg shells, nut shells, coffee grounds
- Fats, oils or grease
- Food items containing seeds and peelings
- Hair
- Sanitary napkins, personal hygiene products
- Vitamins, medicines or other pharmaceuticals
- Wash cloths, towels, rags (any cloth item)
- Clothing
- Sheet plastic or plastic of any kind ■

### SENIOR/DISABLED PERSONS GARBAGE RATE

Beginning January 1, 2022 you must be at least 67 years old or who has been identified as permanently disabled to qualify for the Senior/Disabled Garbage Rate. This rate will apply to **only 60 gallon trash cans**. You may sign up at City Hall, we will need a copy of your drivers license or disability award letter for verification purposes. ■

## FALL CLEAN UP TIPS



The State Water Resources Control Board requires the City to evaluate current practices and implement processes that protect storm water runoff. Leaves and plant debris are an unexpected source of stormwater pollution where they, like fertilizer, contribute excess nitrogen to local waterways. As the leaves decompose, the water quality decreases. In an effort to meet the stormwater requirements, residents need to keep grass clippings and leaves away from storm drains and out of the street.

### A few simple guidelines:

- ◇ Deposit leaves and clippings in your green waste can and not in the street.
- ◇ Additional Green Waste containers can be ordered from City Hall and cost less than \$3.50 a month!
- ◇ Sweep fallen leaves away from storm drain inlets to prevent neighborhood street flooding.

For more information, contact the Public Works Department at 691-7470. ■

### CITY HALL CLOSED

**November 11**

Veterans Day

**November 25 & 26**

Thanksgiving Holiday

**December 23 & 24**

Christmas Holiday

**December 31**

New Year's Day Observance

### COMMUNITY MEETINGS

#### NOVEMBER

- 1 7:00pm City Council
- 3 6:30pm Recreation Commission
- 9 7:00pm Planning Commission
- 15 7:00pm City Council

#### DECEMBER

- 1 6:30pm Recreation Commission
- 6 7:00pm City Council
- 14 7:00pm Planning Commission
- 20 7:00pm City Council

All meetings are open to the public and are held in the Escalon City Council Chambers at 2060 McHenry Avenue. 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) 691-7400. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility.

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## BUSINESS LICENSE RENEWAL DUE!

Don't forget to renew your business license.

**ALL** business licenses expire December 31, 2021....

Renew by January 30, 2022 to avoid penalties!

For information regarding business licenses call (209)691-7422.

### RECREATION PROGRAMS

**PLEASE NOTE:** Registration for sports may close early & without notice if low on coaches. Signup to coach today!

## YOUTH BASKETBALL

Register now for Youth Basketball! The season is tentatively scheduled to begin mid-January. Fees are based on child's age/grade as September 1, 2021.

### EUSD Residents/Non-EUSD Residents

Pre-K (3&4,coed) .....	\$35/\$45
K-1 (5&6,coed) .....	\$40/\$50
2nd & 3rd (7&8,coed) .....	\$65/\$75
4th-6th (9-11) .....	\$65/\$75
4th-6th division may be combined to be coed if registration is low.	
Sponsor .....	\$75

Deadline to register is  
November 23rd

(a \$20 late fee applies 11/24/21)

For more program information visit [www.cityofescalon.org](http://www.cityofescalon.org) or call 691-7372. ■



## HOSPICE OF SAN JOAQUIN'S TREE OF LIGHTS



Tree of Lights offers the community an opportunity to memorialize a loved one no longer with us, or to honor a person who holds a special place in your heart. "Light up a Light...Light up a Life!" The tree lighting ceremony is hosted by the City of Escalon and the Escalon Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, November 30th in Main Street Park. The tree is decorated by PG&E employee volunteers. To dedicate a light in memory of a loved one, or for more information, call (209)957-3888 or visit

<https://www.hospicesj.org/events/tree-of-lights>. ■



Need a Ride in Escalon or to Modesto?



Call eTrans at 209.541.6645 for a reservation and more information. You can also obtain information online at [www.cityofescalon.org](http://www.cityofescalon.org). Buses operate Monday-Friday. A service of the City of Escalon.

## ESCALON BABE RUTH

Registration opens November 1st. Players must reside or attend school within the EUSD boundaries or Valley Home Joint School District boundaries. NEW participants must provide a **Birth Certificate at time of registration**. Players wanting to move up a division MUST make a request to the Recreation Commission at the regularly scheduled meeting on January 5, 2022.

Divisions and fees are as follows:

### COED T-BALL

Age as of April 30, 2022  
4-5-6 .....

### BASEBALL

Age as of April 30, 2022  
6-7-8.....Rookie .....

(6yr old Rookies must have played 1 year of T-Ball with Escalon Recreation)  
9-10.....Minor .....

### SOFTBALL

Age as of December 31, 2021  
7-8..... 8U .....

### Evaluation date TBD ■



## COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER

The Escalon Ministerial Association is offering a free Thanksgiving meal to anyone interested or in need.

Dinner will be served 11:30am - 1:30 pm at the Escalon Community Center (1055 Escalon Ave). For those who are physically unable to attend, a delivery service is available. Monetary donations are appreciated & can be made to the EMA-Thanksgiving Dinner, P.O. Box 1, Escalon CA 95320. For more info contact DeAnna Jackson at 209-838-6808 ■



## GILTON SOLID WASTE HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Gilton will be closed on Thanksgiving Day. If your normal collection day falls on that holiday, your collection will be done the following day. For more info contact Gilton at 527-3781 ■

### 8 WINTER PREPARADNESS TIPS:

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.
8. Trim large tree branches away from house and vehicles to prevent damage. ■

## STORM WATER CORNER

Do Your Doody!  
We need your help to promote proper pick-up and disposal of pet waste! While many dog owners are responsible, it's time to make sure that pet waste is properly managed for the good health and benefit of everyone. Rain can carry pet waste directly into waterways or storm drains, which usually empty without any treatment into a stream, river, or ocean. Untreated fecal matter can be a source of harmful bacteria (such as Giardia and Salmonella) and nutrients. Just as we don't want human sewage in our water, it is important to prevent pet waste from being carried into our waterways. Leaving pet waste on the ground, especially in public areas like parks or playing fields may pose a risk to children, adults, and even pets. Scooping your pooch's poop isn't just a courtesy for those walking behind you; it's the healthy and environmentally sound thing to do. ■