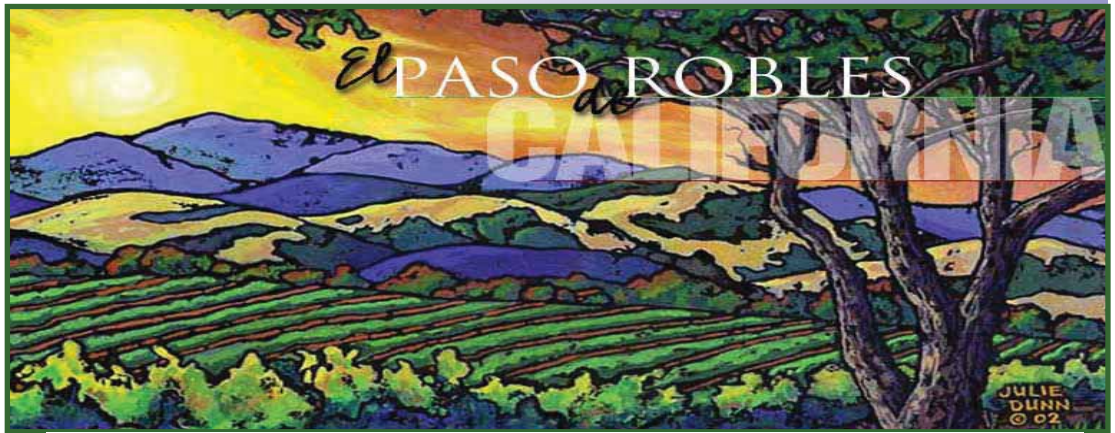


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Paso Robles City Library and Senior Center Offer Tax Assistance

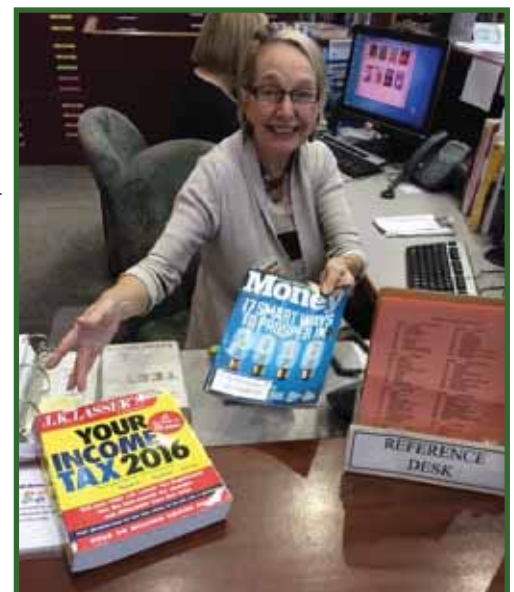
With tax season upon us, the Paso Robles City Library will offer residents free tax-preparation assistance through Saturday, April 9, 2016. One-hour appointments with AARP Tax Aide representatives will take place in the Library conference room on Saturdays between 10:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Appointments must be made in advance by visiting the Library circulation desk or by calling 237-3870.

“The Paso Robles City Library is pleased to partner with the AARP for the fourth year in a row to offer this important community service to our residents,” commented Julie Dahlen, Director of Library and Recreation Services for the City of Paso Robles. “Although the AARP advocates for people over 50, their relaxed tax aide restrictions allow them to provide this invaluable tax support to community members of all ages from college students to seniors.”

The Library reference desk will also provide many of the most commonly used state and federal tax forms as well as accompanying instruction booklets in English and Spanish during this tax season. A limited number of the 1040, 1040 A and 1040 EZ federal tax forms, as well as California tax booklets containing all of the forms that residents need to complete their state taxes, are available free of charge at the Library reference desk while supplies last. Reference desk staff is available to

assist with accessing and printing other forms not available in the Library from the IRS website. Copies of these tax forms may be printed for the Library's standard document printing charge of 20 cents per page. The Paso Robles Senior Center will also offer tax assistance through the AARP on Tuesdays and Wednesdays until Wednesday, April 13, 2016. Appointment times range from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and are held at the Veteran's building at 240 Scott Street, next to the Senior Center. All returns are completed here electronically with participants receiving a printed copy of their return upon completion of their appointment.

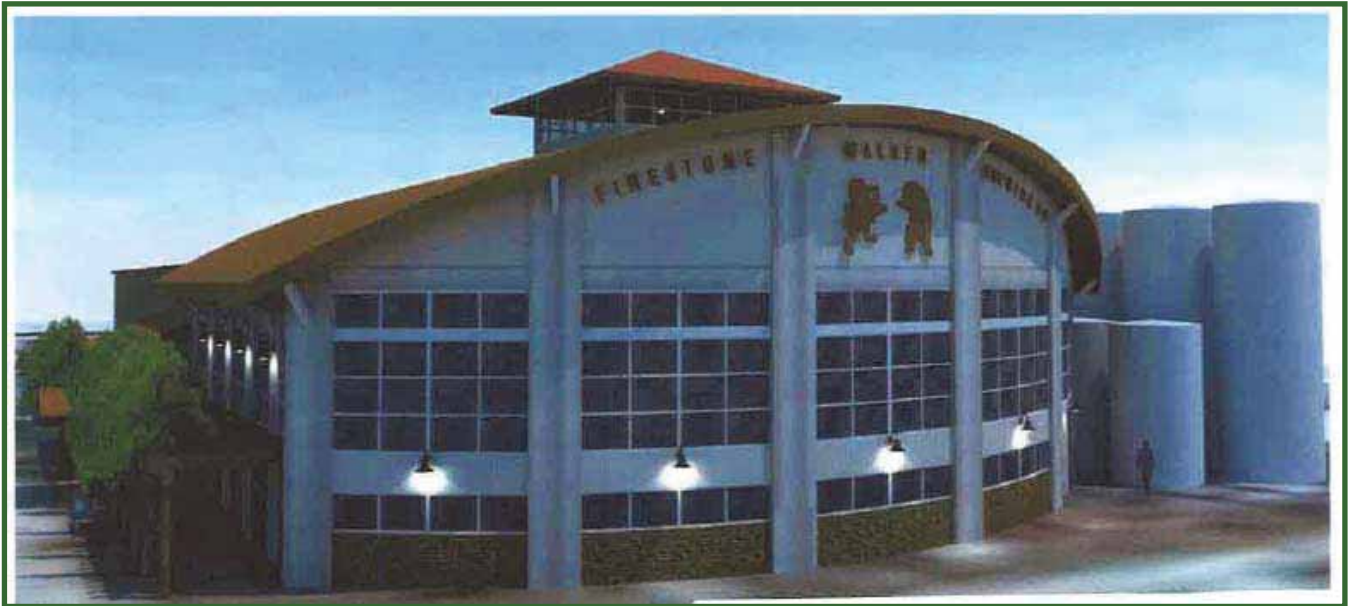
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Volunteer Jennifer Carey is ready to assist!

Planning Commission Approves Firestone Brewery Expansion

On Tuesday, the Planning Commission unanimously approved an expansion to the Firestone Walker Brewery at 1400 Ramada Drive. Firestone is proposing a 9,100 square foot expansion to the brew house portion of the brewery. The brew house is located at the front of the brewery facing Ramada Drive and will allow the brewery to increase production. Firestone is proposing a new glass front façade with a barrel-vaulted roof that will showcase the brewing equipment. The project also includes a new permanent parking lot for cars and large trucks, south of 101 Ministorage.



Grading Ordinance Advisory Committee Recommends Update to City Council

Last year the City Council established an advisory committee to review the City's grading ordinance and make recommendations for updates and improvements. The current grading ordinance prohibits pad grading of single-family residential tracts, making some sites difficult to develop. The Committee has a broad range of members, including, councilmembers, Planning Commissioners, Civil Engineers, Landscape Architects, Architects and City staff. Over the past few months the committee met five times to discuss grading issues, explore best practices, review 3D modeling techniques and develop options for revision of the ordinance. At Wednesday's meeting, the Committee made final changes to the draft ordinance and then unanimously recommended the changes to the City Council. The next step will be for the City Council to review the Committee's recommendation at a future meeting and then to forward the item to the Planning Commission for review.



Grading Ordinance Advisory Committee members:
Kristy Gabler, Brandon Madeiros, Steve Gregory, Doug Barth, John Falkenstien, Nick Gilman, Joe Chouinard, and John Hamon.

Paso Robles Water Future is Bright

The City of Paso Robles, and our partners in the Lake Nacimiento water project, are in the final stages of completing the "full subscription" process. This is a very important step in realizing the full value of the investment in this major water supply. Currently, Paso Robles partners with the City of San Luis Obispo, Templeton CSD, Atascadero Mutual Water Company, and CSA 10a (Cayucos via SLO County) on this water project. As part of the full subscription action, two new partners are joining. The Bella Vista MHP and the Santa Margarita Mutual Water Company were originally part of the project planning, were included in the original environmental analysis, and are now becoming official partners. Bella Vista will be using 10 acre feet per year, and the Santa Margarita Mutual Water Company will be using 80 acre feet per year. An acre foot is a formula used to measure large quantities of water, and represent one acre of area with water one foot deep, or about 325,800 gallons of water.

The City of Paso Robles currently has an allocation of 4,000 acre feet per year, and will increase that allocation to 6,488 acre feet per year with full subscription. That will provide a supply that averages about 5.8 million gallons of water per day. An additional benefit of full subscription is that if there



is surplus water available (which would happen if the partners didn't use their full allocation) then that surplus water could be sold to other parties, including for irrigation or possible infiltration into the Paso Robles Basin aquifer.

Paso Robles currently has three water supplies - most cities have one or two - which includes our deep aquifer wells, our Salinas River underflow wells, and the Lake Nacimiento water. The City is currently working on the design for our fourth supply - recycled water from the new wastewater treatment plant. When the City adds the tertiary treatment the wastewater output from the plant can be used for irrigation of parks, golf courses and agriculture. The recycled water will meet all health standards for everything except drinking. Having the fourth supply could help reduce well pumping from agriculture and recreation users, and help the Paso Robles Basin aquifer to be more sustainable. Currently, more water is pumped from the aquifer than is naturally replenished each year. Recently, the Basin was declared to be in critical overdraft.

With four water supplies, the City of Paso Robles will be well situated for the future, and will be able to meet our forecasted growth projections, as well as be a solid regional player in helping to address the overdraft of the Basin.

Termites in the City Gazebo!

As part of the City Park Rehabilitation project, the Gazebo was inspected. Termites were found! Not work we expected to have to address.

Beginning Monday, February 29, the Gazebo will be boarded up and an orange safety fence will be installed around the perimeter. On Tuesday, Key Termite will tent the structure and pump in the pesticide as well as tear gas to dissuade those who might want to get through the barriers.

The project should be complete and all barriers removed on Thursday.



Paso Robles City Library and Senior Center Offer Tax Assistance

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Appointments can be made by calling the Senior Center at 237-3880. Pre-printed tax forms are not available at this site.

Those attending the tax aide appointments at either the Library or Senior Center locations should plan bring the following documents (if applicable): a government issued form of photo identification, last year's tax return, all W2, 1099 and 1099-R forms, a social security annual report or social security card, a 1095 form for proof of health insurance, all property tax bills, any itemized deductions, as well as a summary of all medical, donation, vehicle registration and other deductions that may apply.

Participants need not be a senior to use the service provided at the Library or the Senior Center. The AARP Tax Aide program is for

most taxpayers who would like assistance in preparing their tax returns, although certain exceptions do apply. IRS-certified volunteers provide free basic income tax return preparation to taxpayers, assisting with various tax credits such as the earned income tax credit, child tax credit, and education credits.

The Paso Robles City Library is located at 1000 Spring Street and is open Monday – Friday 10-8, and Saturday 10-5. For more information on additional library programs, please visit:

www.prcity.com/library.

The Paso Robles Senior Center is located at 270 Scott Street and is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For more information please call 237-3880.



The Library reference desk provides many of the most commonly used state and federal tax forms and accompanying instruction booklets in English and Spanish.



Paso Robles resident Diane Burkhart (L) meets with AARP Tax Aide volunteer Mike Cussen (R) at a Saturday tax assistance appointment offered at the Paso Robles City Library until April 9, 2016.



Volunteer Nan Madding searches the Zinio database, which provides online access to a wide variety of popular magazines. Check out all library Zinio magazines at: <https://www.rbdigital.com/blackgoldca/service/zinio/landing>

The Paso Robles City Library reference desk staff and volunteers are happy to direct Library patrons toward the best resources for their financial research during tax time or any time of year.

Police Department Teaches Students about 9-1-1



Starting this week, Paso Robles Police Dispatchers are heading back to school; local elementary schools that is, to teach the students about 9-1-1. Second graders at Pat Butler, Kermit King, Winifred Pifer, Georgia Brown, Bauer-Speck & Virginia Peterson will be visited by Dispatchers Rebecca Scott and Donna King to learn important information about when and how to call 9-1-1.

By educating children at an early age how to use 9-1-1 correctly, youngsters can act quickly and confidently to obtain the necessary public safety or medical assistance they need to save lives and property, as well as teaching their siblings, family members, friends and neighbors.

This 9-1-1 education was developed by 9-1-1 for Kids. 9-1-1 for Kids is the official emergency caller training program created by US 9-1-1 communication center officials; emergency medical, fire and law enforcement professionals who were charged with the task of developing educational tools to help reduce the alarmingly high numbers of non-emergency calls made to 9-1-1.

9-1-1 for Kids has proactively worked to decrease the incidence of accidental and prank 9-1-1 calls since its inception. The reduction not only has saved our government millions of dollars but has also helped to maintain the integrity of our 9-1-1 emergency network.



Dispatcher Donna King



Dispatcher Rebecca Scott

9-1-1 WHAT TO SAY

1. Explain emergency
2. Know your location & address
3. Give your name and phone number
4. Answer questions calmly
5. Follow instructions

DON'T HANG UP UNTIL TOLD TO DO SO

REMEMBER: 9-1-1 IS NOT FOR INFORMATION CALL ONLY FOR EMERGENCIES!

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NORTH COUNTY TECHNICAL RESCUE TEAM TRAINING

Emergency Services and Atascadero Fire Department joined forces some years ago to create the North County Technical Rescue Team. The team is made up of eight firefighters from each agency trained to handle complex heavy rescue, confined space rescue, elevated rope rescue, trench rescue and swift water rescue. Each agency cross staffs rescue units that can be requested to the scene of these types of incidents.

The NCTRT conducts unique and complex training every other month, in preparation for unusual rescue incidents both agencies can encounter. This month the team was invited to the Paso Robles Airport to be briefed by CHP Sergeant/Paramedic John Ontiveros on their newest Helicopter, H-70. Sergeant Ontiveros reviewed the features of the new A-Star Jet Helicopter. This included an updated FLIR system, new heavier capacity rescue hoist and a much more modern mapping and guidance system.

The Helicopter Crew's (H-70) primary mission is to support law enforcement agencies on the Central Coast and has a secondary mission to provide air ambulance and rescue services over a wider area to fire agencies and medical services. The NCTRT has trained extensively over the years with the H-70 crew, conducting pick-off rescues from the riverbed area. We are very thankful to have this exceptional resource available to our community.



CARBON MONOXIDE

What is carbon monoxide? Carbon monoxide (CO) is a poisonous, colorless, odorless, and tasteless gas. Although it has no detectable odor, CO is often mixed with other gases that do have an odor. You can inhale carbon monoxide along with gases that you can smell and not even know that CO is present.

Where does carbon monoxide come from? CO gas can come from several sources: gas-fired appliances, charcoal grills, wood-burning furnaces or fireplaces and motor vehicles.

How does CO harm you? CO is harmful when breathed because it displaces oxygen in the blood and deprives the heart, brain, and other vital organs of oxygen. Large amounts of CO can overcome you in minutes without warning—causing you to lose consciousness and suffocate. Besides tightness across the chest, symptoms of CO poisoning may include headache, fatigue, dizziness, drowsiness, or nausea.

What do I do if my CO detector alarm goes off? What you need to do if your carbon monoxide alarm goes off depends on whether anyone is feeling ill or not.

If no one is feeling ill:

1. Silence the alarm
2. Turn off all appliances and sources of combustion (i.e. furnace and fireplace)
3. Ventilate the house with fresh air by opening doors and windows
4. Call Emergency Services to investigate the source of the possible CO buildup

If illness is a factor:

1. Evacuate all occupants immediately outside to fresh air
2. Determine how many occupants are ill and determine their symptoms
3. Call 911 and relay information to the dispatcher, such as the number of ill people
4. Do not re-enter the home without the approval of a fire department representative
5. Call a qualified professional to repair the source of the CO



Island Party at Centennial Pool

CENTENNIAL POOL & PARK FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

EVERYONE IN THE POOL

ISLAND PARTY AT CENTENNIAL POOL
APRIL 30TH - 5-9PM

APPETIZERS
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 LIVE & SILENT AUCTIONS

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Dear Sponsor,
 The Paso Robles community came together with our "can do attitude" and collected the funding to build our family-oriented Centennial Park in the mid-1980's. The park has provided a swimming venue to over 20,000 swims every summer for children and families, not to mention all of the uses by Daniel Lewis Middle School and the community at large for aqua aerobics and swimming. In 2008 a recession, like we have never seen before, began and we had to make a tough decisions: we closed Centennial Pool to save costs and it has been closed for five years.

Today, our dream is alive again. The Paso Robles City Council voted to spend more than \$250,000 to bring the facility into compliance with current ADA requirements and re-open the pool this coming summer. Once again the spirit of Paso Robles' "can do attitude" is back and the City's doers and dreamers have the opportunity to help make the re-opening of Centennial Pool a great success for our children and swimmers.

On Saturday, April 30, 2016, the fundraiser event will be staged at Centennial Park to offset the costs of reopening the pool. "Everyone in the Pool" is a friendly and fun island-theme evening event with food, beverages, entertainment and silent auctions. Everyone will have the opportunity to contribute to the pool fund, from the most modest individual donation to the larger corporate sponsors. Major sponsors will be commemorated with special "lifesaver" signage that will remain on display every summer.

Please join us in the dream of re-opening Centennial Pool in the summer of 2016 and you, one of the dreamers and doers of Paso Robles, can help make it happen.

Thank you,

The Centennial Pool Fundraising Committee

LEVELS OF SPONSORSHIP FOR

EVERYONE IN THE POOL

- BIG KAHUNA** \$5000+
- HIGH DIVER** \$2500+
- CANNONBALL** \$1000+
- BUTTERFLY** \$500+
- FREESTYLER** \$100+

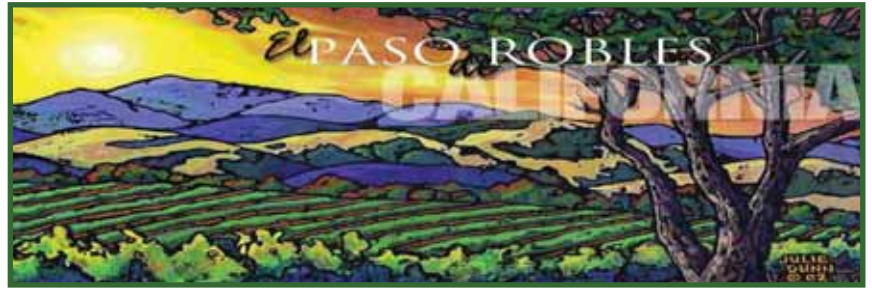
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PASO ROBLES CHILDREN'S MUSEUM AT THE VOLUNTEER FIREHOUSE

"The Paso Robles Children's Museum engages children in a joyful learn-through-play environment to inspire educational curiosity while honoring the heritage of our volunteer firefighters."

- In 2003, with the help of the community and countless volunteers, the Children's Museum at the Paso Robles Volunteer Firehouse was established as a public charity. The purpose of a children's museum is to inspire children to learn and grow through play and to provide a safe environment where learners of all abilities can do so at their own pace.
- In 2015, the Museum welcomed 19,992 guests, of those 1,268 were elementary students.
- The Museum supports other non-profits and schools by donating Family Memberships and Free Play passes.
- 1,268 Children participated in school group field trips, 255 families became Museum Members, 101 children celebrated their birthdays and the museum graciously donated 695 Free Child Admit passes in 2015.
- The Museum partners with the Autism Spectrum Center to provide children with autism, and their families, free private play time in the Museum. These free family evenings are sponsored by Central Coast Funds for Children.
- The Children's Museum does not receive any government subsidies and our admissions and membership sales only cover about one half of the cost to operate the Museum.
- In 2015, the Museum received \$20,000 in grant funds including \$2,500 from Central Coast funds for Children, \$13,500 from the Florence MacFarlane Martin Memorial Foundation, \$2,500 from The Paso Robles Rotary and \$1,500 from the San Luis County Board of Supervisors. These funds were allocated to support our Community Partner Program, School Field Trips, the development of Hero's Park and the Museum's daily operating expenses.

February 2016						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Heart Collage	2 CLOSED	3 CLOSED	4 Leadbale Ladybug	5 Elasticity	6 Heart Collage	7 PAINT WALL
8 Heart Collage	9 CLOSED	10 CLOSED	11 Elasticity	12 Elasticity	13 PAINT WALL	14 Elasticity
15 Leadbale Ladybug	16 CLOSED	17 CLOSED	18 Heart Collage	19 PAINT WALL	20 Elasticity	21 Heart Collage
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29 PAINT WALL	30 CLOSED	EVENTS THIS MONTH 23th Merry Science, KVPF 24th Coffee & Cocoa Fun 25th Coffee & Cocoa Fun 26th Lego Club, KVPF 27th Art Expressions, KVPF				



Children's Museum Hero's Park Exhibit

Hero's Park

Dedicated to Museum Founder, Tom Martin, Hero's Park was completed in the Fall of 2015. With aggressive fundraising, the Museum raised over \$60,000 to complete the project. Another \$50,000 of in-kind donations were received from various local companies and craftsman to help make the vision of Hero's Park a reality for the children and families who play here.