

Clayton Community Calendar

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR CLAYTON COMMUNITY CALENDAR EVENTS BY 5 P.M. JAN. 2 FOR THE JAN. 11 ISSUE. FAX TO 672-6580 OR E-MAIL calendar@claytonpioneer.com

EVENTS & ENTERTAINMENT

DEC. 31

Clayton Counts Down @ Clayton Community Gym

5 - 10:30 p.m. Annual Clayton Counts Down New Year's Eve party for families in an alcohol-free environment with food, games and prizes. Clayton Community Gym, 700 gym Court. For information call YMCA at 889-1600.

JAN. 6

Annual Curbside Christmas Tree Recycling

Clayton residents, have your tree curbside by 8 a.m. for recycling of your Christmas tree. Keep your tree out of landfill and help support Boy Scout Troop 484. Donations accepted, checks made to Troop 484 and attach to tree inside a bag or send to BSA Troop 484, c/o 709Tally Ho Court, Clayton 94517. No flocked or artificial trees. Questions? Call Ken Frey at 925-323-1524 or kjfrey1701@yahoo.com.

JAN. 15

Queen of All Saints School 60th Anniversary Alumni Planning Meeting @ QAS School Hall

7 p.m. We welcome alumni who attended Queen of All Saints School to a pizza planning meeting in preparation for the school's 60th anniversary. Our hope is to grow the alumni committee to ensure a successful celebration. For information call Mary at (925)685-8700 or email mgatz@csdo.org or maw4@sbcglobal.net. Queen of All Saints School, 2391 Grant Street, Concord.

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

DEC. 22, JAN. 12, 26

Scrabble Club @ Carl's Jr.

11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Club meets the second and fourth Saturday of the month. All ages and skill levels. Prizes and contests. We have grown from six players to a roster of sixty in a year's time. Just \$2 to play for the day. Carl's Jr., 1530 Kirker Pass Road, Clayton.

DEC. 23, 30, JAN. 6, 13

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting @ Clayton Community Church

7-8 p.m. AA Big Book Study every Sunday night. 673-9060. Clayton Community Church, 6055 Main St., Clayton.

DEC. 27, JAN. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Rotary Club of Clayton Valley Concord Sunrise @ Oakhurst

7 a.m. every Thursday. Meeting includes breakfast and usually features a speaker. Visit www.claytonvalleyrotary.org or call Chuck Graham at 689-7640. Oakhurst Country Club, 1001 Peacock Creek Dr., Clayton.

DEC. 27, JAN. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Weights Watchers Meeting @ Contra Costa Farm Bureau Building

10 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Thursdays. Weekly Weight Watchers weigh-in and meetings. Call 800-326-8450, x 2023. Contra Costa Farm Bureau, 5554 Clayton Rd., Concord.

JAN. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Kiwanis Club of Walnut Creek

12-1:30 p.m. every Tuesday. All are invited to check us out and be our guest for lunch. Call Sam Totah at 941-1536. Massimo's Ristorante, 1604 Locust St., Walnut Creek.

JAN. 3

Sons in Retirement (SIRS) @ Oakhurst Country Club

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Meetings are the first Thursday of the month. SIRS is dedicated to promoting the independence and dignity of retired men and has no initiation fees or dues. The only requirement, other than being a man who is retired from his primary employment or career, is attendance at the monthly luncheons. Oakhurst Country Club, 1001 Peacock Creek Dr., Clayton. For more information, call Carl Sisson, 672-6418.

DEC. 27, JAN. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Contra Costa Chess Club @ Starbucks, Clayton

7:30 - 10:30 p.m. every Thursday. The Contra Costa Chess Club welcomes chess players of all ages and skill levels, and we provide instruction and materials for beginners. We are governed by the USCF Rules of Chess, and it's coffeehouse chess at its best. There is no cost to playing in or joining the club. Contra Costs Chess Club meeting at Starbucks, 1536 Kirker Pass Rd., Clayton.

JAN. 6

Knitting Club @ Concord Library

2-4 p.m. the first Sunday of the month. Have you noticed that knitting is all the rage? Join the group and get creative. 646-5455. Concord Library, 2900 Salvio St.

JAN. 7

Clayton Valley 4-H Club @ Farm Bureau Hall, Concord

7 p.m. Open to boys and girls ages 5 - 19, and adults. Many projects, community service and leadership opportunities. Conferences, 4-H Camp and scholarships. For information contact Candy Hogan 925 969-1325. Farm Bureau Hall, 5554 Clayton Rd. Concord 94521.

JAN. 8

Knights of Columbus @ St. Agnes Church Hall

7:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month. We look forward to seeing our brother Knights at the general membership meeting of the Knights of Columbus Concord Council 6038 of Concord and Clayton. St. Agnes Church, 3478 Chestnut St., Concord.

JAN. 8, 22

Clayton Valley Woman's Club @ Holy Cross Lutheran Church

9:30 a.m. coffee; 10 a.m. meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Call Joyce at 672-3850 or Sheila at 672-7947. Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1092 Alberta Way, Concord.

JAN. 9

Creekside Artists Guild - General Meeting @ Clayton Community Library

7p.m. Come hear the exciting plans for the 2008 New Year! All levels and all art forms are welcome! Join this unique group of eclectic artists that meet the 2nd Wednesday of each month. S-T-R-E-T-C-H your artistic boundaries and bring artwork to the meeting that creatively expresses this month's theme, "WINTER CHEER" if you wish." We provide an environment for all artists to inspire, create, educate and prosper"...Questions? Arlene Kikkawa-Nielsen (925) 673-9777, email: nielsenjanc@aol.com or visit our website: www.creeksideartists.org

JAN. 13

Concord Mystery Book Club @ Concord Library

2:30-4 p.m. All mystery readers are invited to participate and explore a different genre each month. Group meets the second Sunday of the month. Concord Library, 2900 Salvio Street, Concord, 646-5455.

JAN. 13

VFW Breakfast @ Concord Veterans Memorial Hall

8 - 11 a.m. Breakfast is held on the second Sunday of each month. The menu includes eggs, pancakes, sausages, coffee, tea and orange juice. \$4/adults and \$2/children under 12. Concord Veterans Memorial Hall located at 2290 Willow Pass Road, Concord.

JAN. 16

Ygnacio Valley Republican Women @ Oakhurst Country Club.

10 a.m. Lunch is \$20. Installation of new officers. Please phone Barbara Allen at 672-5061. YVRW meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Oakhurst Country Club, 1001 Peacock Creek Drive, Clayton.

JAN. 17

Veterans of Foreign Wars Meeting @ Concord Veterans Hall

6 p.m., meeting begins at 7 p.m. the third Thursday of the month. All veterans of foreign wars are invited to attend. The VFW is here to support eligible veterans and their families. Wives and daughters of eligible veterans are invited to join the Ladies Auxiliary. Veterans Memorial Hall, corner of Colfax and Willow Pass Road, Concord.

JAN. 23

Blue Star Mom Meeting in Concord

6:30 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of each month. Blue Star Moms is a support and service group for those serving in all branches of the Armed Forces. 1792 Elmhurst Lane, Concord, 676-3654.

JAN. 31

Clayton Business & Community Association @ Oakhurst Country Club

6:30 p.m. Monthly dinner meeting the last non-holiday Thursday of the month. This is a great place to meet fellow Claytonites and become involved in some of the ongoing events that CBCA sponsors. Cost of the dinner is \$24. Reservations due by Tuesday noon prior, 672-2272. Mike Fossan, President. Oakhurst Country Club, 1001 Peacock Creek Dr., Clayton.

BUSINESS & GOVERNMENT

JAN. 8, 22

Clayton Planning Commission @ Clayton Community Library

7 p.m. The commission meets the second and fourth Tuesday of the month. www.ci.clayton.ca.us or 673-7304. Clayton Library Meeting Room, 6125 Clayton Road.

JAN. 8, 15, 22, 29

County Board of Supervisors @ County Administration Building

9 a.m. Tuesday mornings. www.co.contra-costa.ca.us or 335-1900. County Administration Building, 651 Pine St., Room 107, Martinez.

JAN. 10

Clayton Community Services Commission @ Clayton City Hall

7 p.m. The commission meets the second Thursday of the month. Clayton City Hall, 6000 Heritage Trail.

JAN. 14

Clayton Trails and Landscape Committee @ Clayton Library

7 p.m. The committee meets the second Monday of the month. Residents are invited to attend to hear what is being proposed and to provide input and get answers to questions. Clayton Community Library Meeting Room, 6125 Clayton Road.

JAN. 1, 15

Clayton City Council @ Clayton Community Library

6 p.m. The council meets the first and third Tuesday of the month. Agendas posted at City Hall, 6000 Heritage Trail. Clayton Community Library Meeting Room, 6125 Clayton Road.

SCHOOLS AND EDUCATION

JAN. 9

Parent Faculty Club Meeting @ Diablo View Middle School

7 p.m. Meetings held in the school library. All parents welcome. Dates, times and places are subject to change. Diablo View Middle School, 300 Diablo View Lane, Clayton.

JAN. 10

Parent Faculty Club (PFC) @ Clayton Valley High School (CVHS)

7 p.m. Club meets in the school's library. All parents/guardians in the school community are welcome and encouraged to attend. If you are interested in placing an item on the agenda, please contact either of the Co-Presidents: Dianna Sutherland: 672-9392, dandb200@pacbell.net or Carolyn Hartnell 672-4146, crhartnell@earthlink.net. CVHS, 1101 Alberta Way, Concord.

JAN. 15

Parent Faculty Club Meeting @ Mt. Diablo Elementary

7 p.m., Club meets in the library. Make a difference in your child's education. For items to be included on the agenda, contact PFC co-presidents Kristy Smith 673-1795, kristinsmith@yahoo.com or Susan Sovik, 673-5094, jsovik@earthlink.net. Childcare is available. Watch website for details. <http://www.mdusd.k12.ca.us/mountdiabloelementary/>.



The Clayton YMCA offers a variety of classes and activities for all ages. From Pilates to ornament decorating, from Kids' Nights Out to Lego Camp, try the Y for fun things to do.

DEC. 26-28

BASKETBALL CAMP AT

9 a.m. -12 p.m., Grades 1-5. Score a slam dunk! You'll have a blast at this camp designed for basketball players of all levels. Drills, games and fun are the highlights for this camp so sign up and start dribbling.

JAN. 2-4

LEGO CAMP: PRE-ENGINEERING

9 a.m. -12 p.m. Grades K-2. Create, play and learn. Instructors from Play-Well TEKologies, a company specializing in teaching engineering to kids, will help campers build a town, city or star base with houses, buildings, pyramids, bridges,

tunnels, towers, and more. Campers will build motorized cars, trains, buses, and trucks and then race, crash and repair them. Explore the many possibilities of LEGO building systems while learning useful construction techniques and having a ton of fun!

JAN. 2-4

LEGO CAMP: ENGINEERING FUNDAMENTALS

1-4 pm, Grades 3-5. Led by instructors from Play-Well TEKologies, campers will get to design and build motorized machines, catapults, pyramids, demolition derby cars, truss and suspension bridges, buildings, and other constructions. Explore concepts in physics, mechanical engineering, structural engineering, and architecture while playing with your favorite creations. This is a hands-on and minds-on class suitable for LEGO novices to "maniacs."

JAN. 6-MAR. 16

ADULT BASKETBALL: MEN'S 5 ON 5 AT THE CLAYTON COMMUNITY GYM

Sunday evenings from 5-9 p.m., age eighteen and up. Show off your skills in the YMCA Men's 5 on 5 Basketball league. This is an eight week season that meets once a week for a game. At the end of the sea-

son a playoff will be held to find the winner of the league. League winners will receive championship jerseys. Contact Jacob Duncan at 925.889.1600 or cypprograms@mdrymca.org for more information.

JAN. 8-29

VOLLEYBALL OPEN GYM AT THE CLAYTON COMMUNITY GYM

Tuesday evenings from 7-10 p.m. Call 925.889.1600 for more information or visit mdrymca.org to register.

JAN. 9-30

PILATES AT THE CLAYTON COMMUNITY GYM

Wednesday evenings from 6:45-7:45 p.m., age twelve and up. All levels welcome. This class benefits all body systems and contributes to overall wellness. This ongoing class is an ideal complement to any exercise program and great for stress relief. Call 925.889.1600 for more information or visit mdrymca.org to register.

JAN. 10-MAR. 13

ADULT VOLLEYBALL AT THE CLAYTON COMMUNITY GYM

Thursday evenings from 7:30-10 p.m., age eighteen and up. If you like to pass, set and spike the YMCA Co-ed Adult Volleyball league is for you. This is an eight week season that meets once a week

for a game. At the end of the season a playoff will be held to find the winner of the league. League winners will receive championship t-shirts. Contact Jacob Duncan at 925.889.1600 or cypprograms@mdrymca.org for more information.

JAN. 10-31

TUMBLING TOTS AT ENDEAVOR HALL

Thursdays from 1:30-2:30 p.m., age three through five. Tumbling Tots is a structured playgroup that emphasizes developmentally appropriate activities that encourage coordination, memorization and motor skills. Call 925.889.1600 for more information or visit mdrymca.org to register.

JAN. 19

KIDS NIGHT OUT AT THE CLAYTON COMMUNITY GYM

6-11 p.m., age three through twelve. Bring the kids down to the Clayton Community Gym for an evening of fun while you have a night out on the town. Children will enjoy crafts, games, movies, and dinner while you are worry-free knowing they are in a safe and friendly environment. Dinner and snacks are provided. Kids Night Out is offered the third Saturday each month from 6:00-11:00 pm. Call 925.889.1600 for more information or visit

mdrymca.org to register.

JAN. 25

MOVIE NIGHT AT THE CLAYTON COMMUNITY GYM - SHREK THE THIRD

6-8 p.m. FREE EVENT! Join the YMCA on Fri., Jan. 25 from 6-8 p.m. for an evening filled with movies and popcorn at the Clayton Community Gym! Grab your blanket, pillows, and bean bag chairs and bring your entire family to enjoy our feature for the evening, Shrek the Third. It'll be sure to keep the whole family entertained! Call 925.889.1600 for more information or visit mdrymca.org to register.

JAN. 26-MAR. 15

BASKETBALL

9 a.m. Grades Pre K-8. Dribble, pass and shoot your way into the YMCA's basketball league. The games are coached by parent volunteers and are refereed by YMCA staff. All practices and games are played for one hour on Saturdays and game times are scheduled by the YMCA at the Clayton Community Gym. Register by December 26 and receive special early bird pricing.

For more information or to register for any of these classes, call (925) 889-1600, or register online at mdrymca.org.