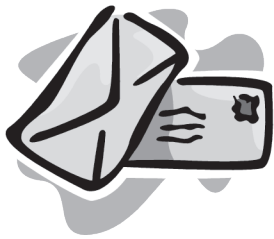




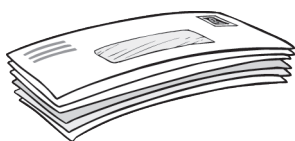
## Reduce Junk Mail!!

Four million tons of junk mail is sent out each year across America and nearly half is never opened!



Even if recycled, there are plenty of environmental costs to pay, including the loss of trees and wasted energy. Here are a few things you can do to reduce the amount of junk mail you receive:

- **First Class Mail:** cross out your address and the bar code and write: "Refused: Return to Sender" and then drop it in any US mailbox.
- **Bulk Mail:** if it says "Address Correction Requested," treat it like first class mail. If not, recycle it.



- **Credit Offers:** call 1-888-5-OPT-OUT (or 1-800-567-8688) to stop mail offers for 5 years. Help keep your identity safe and eliminate those endless credit offers!

- **Catalogs:** call the company's 800 number and request your name be deleted from their list. Have the catalog label handy.



- **Local Businesses:** locate the address card in the group of loose-leaf fliers and call them directly. The address card usually features pictures of lost children.

### Remember to Reduce, Reuse and Recycle!

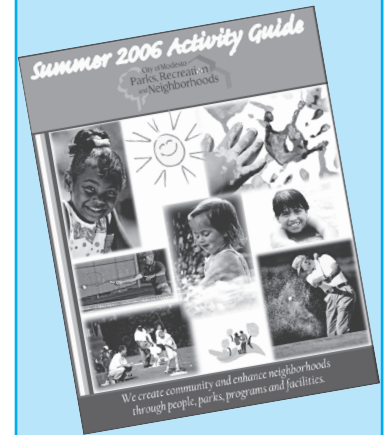
Reducing the amount of garbage we generate is one of the best ways to care for our environment!

## Cell Phone Recycling

Beginning July 1, 2006, California's new [Cell Phone Recycling Act](#) requires every cell phone retailer to also collect used phones for reuse, recycling or environmentally sound disposal. All sales channels, including catalog and internet sales, are impacted by this new law.

California is the first state to impose such a requirement. Californians dispose of approximately 45,000 cell phones every day. Cell phones and other electronic devices contain heavy metals and cannot be thrown in the trash.

Please recycle your old phone when you purchase a new one. Modesto residents have several recycling options: leave them with your retailer, donate them to local seniors by taking them to any Modesto Save Mart store or take them to the Household Hazardous Waste Facility at 1716 Morgan Road, Friday or Saturday from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.. Questions? Call the Solid Waste Office at 577-5494.



## Summer 2006 Activity Guide!

The Summer 2006 Activity Guide is now available!

Pick up your copy at:  
 City of Modesto Parks, Recreation and Neighborhoods Department  
 1010 Tenth Street  
 Suite 4400

or log onto:  
[www.modestogov.com/prnd/activityguide](http://www.modestogov.com/prnd/activityguide)

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## GARBAGE ROUTE HOLIDAY

Due to the 4th of July holiday, the Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday routes will run one day late during the week of July 3rd.

Please note that local garbage companies take only four holidays per year: New Year's Day, 4th of July, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Thus, garbage collection will run one day late when applicable.



## Fire Safety Tips from the Fire Department

As Americans, we have used fireworks to celebrate our nation's birthday since July 4, 1777, just one year after the signing of the Declaration of Independence. While fireworks are commonly thought to be patriotic and fun, they can also be dangerous if used improperly. To assist you in using fireworks safely, here are some recommendations.

- Have an adult supervise all fireworks activities.
- Never give fireworks to young children.
- Light fireworks outdoors on a smooth, flat surface away from houses, dry leaves, and flammable

materials. Never shoot fireworks in metal or glass containers.

- Treat fireworks carefully. Never carry them in your pocket. Don't throw or point fireworks at other people or pets.
- Never try to relight fireworks that have not fully functioned.
- Have water handy (a garden hose and a bucket).
- The person igniting fireworks should never have any part of their body over the firework.
- Homemade fireworks are deadly. Don't attempt to make your own or to alter any devices. Never

purchase or use illegal fireworks.

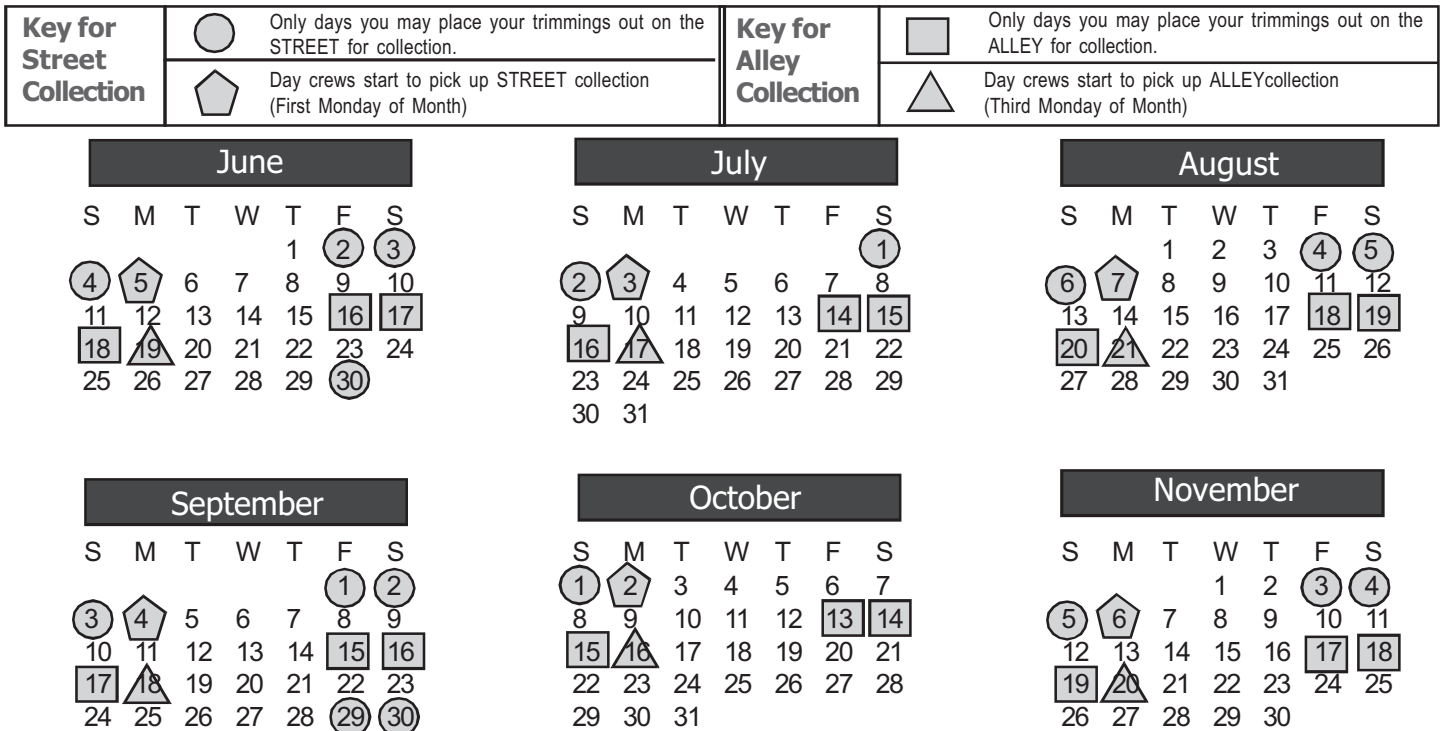
- The Office of the State Fire Marshal is the only fireworks classification authority in California. Only buy fireworks from a vendor that has a California State Fire Marshal license.

PLEASE NOTE: ONLY SAFE-N-SANE FIREWORKS ARE LEGAL FOR USE IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

*Tracie Dutter*  
Fire Inspector

## 2006 YARD TRIMMINGS COLLECTION SCHEDULE

The calendar below provides you with specific information about when yard trimmings should be placed out for collection. Trimmings are only collected once a month. Remember, it takes approximately two weeks for crews to pick up your collection area.



December 2006. Leaves picked up only. No yard trimmings.

Leaves will be collected from STREETS only. No plastic bags, boxes, etc.

For further information or questions regarding this schedule, please call the Community Forestry Division at 342-2249.

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# Waste Disposal Options

Ever wonder where to dispose of your construction debris, broken concrete, scrap wood or old magazine collection? Stop wondering! The chart below shows various disposal options for common materials. Best of all, everything gets recycled!

*Please note that some local businesses accept materials at no charge, some pay cash for certain materials and others charge a disposal fee for some items. Please call each business for details before taking your materials to their site.*

S=CASH VALUE PAID  NC=NO CHARGE  \$\$=DISPOSAL FEE CHARGED	CALL FOR DISPOSAL DETAILS	APPLIANCES	ASPHALT	AUTO BATTERIES	BOOKS & MAGAZINES	CARBOARD	COMPUTER PAPER	CONCRETE & ROCKS	CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS	CRV - BOTTLES & CANS	DIRT	E WASTE	GREEN WASTE	MOTOR OIL	NEWSPAPER	PAINT & SOLVENTS	PROPANE TANKS	ROOFING	SAND & GRAVEL	SCRAP METAL	SHEETROCK	SOD	TIRES	TOXINS	WOOD		
		A & S METALS 1616 Angelo Way	537-4766	\$				NC				\$							\$								
		BERTOLOTTI DISPOSAL 321 Flamingo Road	537-8000	\$\$	\$\$		\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$
BONZI RECYCLING 2070 Morgan Road	537-4410				NC	\$	\$								\$												
CENTRAL VALLEY RECYCLING 524 S. 9th St.	544-1578			\$						\$											\$						
GILTON SOLID WASTE 800 S. McClure Rd.	527-3781	\$\$	\$\$		\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$		
HFH RESTORE 417 7th St.	575-4585	NC*							NC*									NC*							NC*		
JS WEST & COMPANY 9th & H Sts.	577-3221															\$\$											
MODESTO JUNK COMPANY 1421 9th St.	522-1435	\$		\$		\$				\$							\$			\$							
MODESTO SAND & GRAVEL 6137 Hammett Road	545-1325		NC					NC			NC									NC							
STANISLAUS COUNTY HHW 1716 Morgan Road	525-4123											NC		NC		NC									NC		
WASTE MANAGEMENT 2769 W. Hatch Road	538-2210	\$\$			\$\$	NC	NC	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$		\$\$	NC	NC			\$\$		\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$		\$\$		

\* HFH RESTORE: Takes new or gently used materials only

## Summer Watering Tips

Warmer summer months mean increased water use. During a typical summer, Modesto residents use three times more water than they do in the wintertime! Much of this is directly related to outdoor water use.

The following are some ways that you can help ensure we all have enough water pressure this summer:

- Consider putting your landscape irrigation on a timer. The best timers allow you to select specific days of the week for watering and have a battery backup in case of power failure. They can also be programmed to turn on more than once a day. Purchasing this type of timer will also help you comply with the City of Modesto outdoor year-round watering schedule.
- Water early morning or early evening when the temperature is cooler. This will keep the hot sun from evaporating the water used outdoors and is a more efficient way of watering.
- Think about the type of soil you have at home. If you have hard soil, it is better to water two to three times per day on your water days for five minutes each time as opposed to 10 to 15 minutes once a day. As a result of watering wisely, you will experience less runoff meaning the water stays where it should. Remember - you must keep water on your property when watering outdoors. Flooding gutters is against City policy and is not using water wisely.
- Buy drought-tolerant plants and shrub. If you are unsure of which plants are drought-tolerant, call your local nursery.
- Check sprinklers to make sure they are not broken and that they are watering the proper areas instead of watering streets, sidewalks and/or driveways.
- Use a shut-off nozzle whenever you use a hose. Also, consider using a broom to clean sidewalks, patios, etc.

**Remember - with water, there is never enough to waste!**

*Important Number: (209) 571-5103 for any of the following: watering permits, water conservation tips, assistance with setting automatic sprinkler timers.*

**be a  
WISER WATER MISER  
CITY OF MODESTO**

Year-round watering schedule for City of Modesto customers.

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
If Your Address Is...	ODD	<b>DO NOT WATER</b>	EVEN	ODD	EVEN	ODD	EVEN
Midnight to Noon	WATER	<b>DO NOT WATER</b>	WATER	WATER	WATER	WATER	WATER
Noon to 7 PM	<b><i>DO NOT WATER DURING THESE HOURS!</i></b>						
7 PM to Midnight	WATER	<b>DO NOT WATER</b>	WATER	WATER	WATER	WATER	WATER

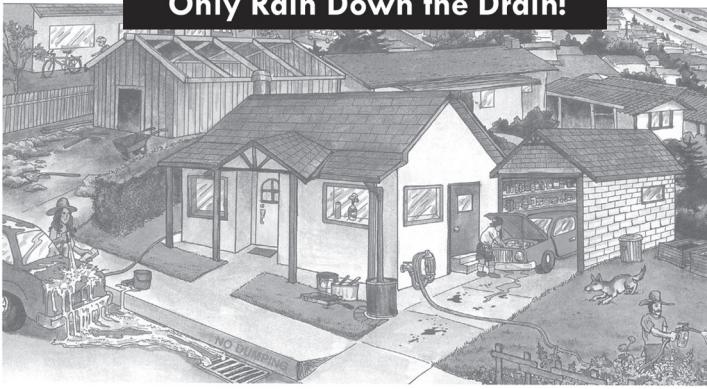
Odd numbered addresses end in 1,3,5,7,9  
Even numbered addresses end in 0,2,4,6,8

For more information regarding water conservation, call (209) 342-4580.

To report water waste, call (209) 571-5103.

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**Only Rain Down the Drain!**



**PLEASE KEEP OUR WATER CLEAN!**

**Never pour used oil, paint, gasoline or chemicals down storm drains!**

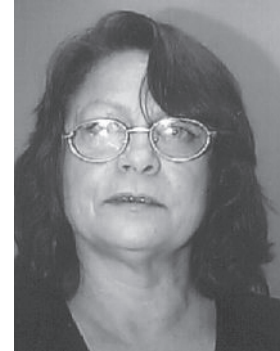
**Report Pollution: (209) 577-6200 Recycle Used Oil & Filters: (209) 577-5493**

Funded by a grant from the California Integrated Waste Management Board



**Call 521-4636 (521-INFO)**

*If you know the whereabouts of the person below, call Crime Stoppers. All calls are anonymous. Rewards up to \$1,000.*



**CLAUDIA LAVERNE BESWICK**

**WANTED for:**

**FAILURE TO REGISTER AS A SEX OFFENDER**

5 foot 3 inches tall

brown hair, green eyes

130 lbs.

Date of Birth: 06/13/1946

Whereabouts: unknown

### Stanislaus County Auto Theft Task Force (StanCATT)



**(209) 545-7316**

**WORKING WITH YOU  
TO PROTECT  
YOUR COMMUNITY**

Tips for preventing your car from becoming a stolen car statistic:

*Don't leave your keys in the car.*

*Approximately 10% of cars stolen have the keys left in the ignition.*

*Don't leave your car unattended with the motor running.*

*This includes warming your car up in the morning or leaving the car running for a quick errand.*

*Don't leave valuables/packages in view.*

*Cover them or place them in the trunk.*

*Don't leave your vehicle's title (pink slip) in the vehicle.*

*Possession of this will more easily allow a thief to sell your vehicle.*

## BAY AREA COMMUTERS!

**... Let MAX get you to BART or the ACE train.**



**MAX**  
MODESTO AREA EXPRESS

**For bus information  
209.521.1274  
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- Non-stop commuter service
- Connects with all ACE trains at Manteca/Lathrop ACE Station
- Two AM and two PM weekday round trips to Dublin/Pleasanton BART Station during commuter hours



### *Need Home Repairs?*

Low interest loans and grants are available for low-income households.

**STRAIGHT FORWARD QUALIFYING**

**LOW FEES**

*Must live within Modesto City limits*

For more information,

call (209) 577-5245

TDD: (209) 526-9211



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