The Sutter Creek Current



City Manager's Message by Tom DuBois

There's nothing like a cool dip in the pool during the hot days of summer. We are blessed to have our Sutter Creek pool at Amador High School. For many years, the city has leased the pool. We managed operations, pool cleaning, and minor maintenance. ACRA hires and manages the lifeguards. And the school district can use the pool when needed.



This spring we discovered a huge crack running across the entire width of the pool. The pool was last lined about 20 years ago and the fiberglass coating cracked. The cost estimate for repairs was \$50,000 and we were facing with closing the pool for the summer in order to raise funds and get the repairs done.

Thanks to the willingness of three Amador agencies to work together, I think we found a solution to get the pool back operating in short order! Let me caution that this is still a work in progress, requiring approval by the boards of each agency, but the Amador Unified School District, the Amador County Recreation Agency (ACRA), and the City have agreed in principle to split the costs three ways. We are working through the details, but it looks like we will be able to get the pool open this summer. I'll have an update next month.

If the pool is open, the City is hosting a family event on July 4th this year, a **Surf Sutter Creek Pool Party**, a day of fun and sun. Details and information on tickets will be coming soon.

On the business front, there are several exciting things developing. The Sutter Creek Visitor Center has been bustling, staffed by a dedicated group of volunteers. A big thank you to everyone donating time to make the visitor center a success!

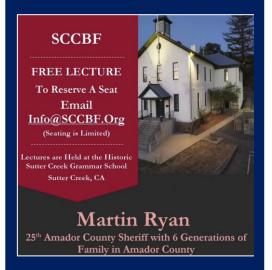
There are also two special business districts being formed. A special district is formed when a group of businesses decide to tax themselves for a specific purpose. If most of the businesses involved support it, it goes into effect. The Amador Vintners Association and the Amador Hotels are both considering forming districts to market the area. If successful, it will raise funds to promote Amador more widely as a tourist destination, letting us compete with other counties and cities that formed these districts several years ago. Finally, the Amador Council of Tourism has also been making great strides, actively marketing businesses and experiences throughout Amador County.

As always, feel free to reach out to me at tdubois@cityofsuttercreek.org.

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Upcoming Meeting Dates/Events

April 2nd City Council
April 7th Wildflowers & Wine
April 8th DRC
April 8th Planning Commission
April 13th Knight Foundry Tour Day
April 15th City Council
April 18th ARSA
April 19 Spring Fling
April 20th Earth Day 5K Walk / Run
April 27th Knight Foundry Tour Day



Finance Department News

Pay Your Sewer Bill Online

Have you been telling yourself you should pay your sewer bill online? Why not save the time it takes to open your bill, fill out a check and drive it down to City Hall? Sure, the drive through drop box is convenient, but wouldn't you prefer to spend less than 5 minutes, one time, setting up sewer online payments so that the thought of your sewer service is no more than to flush? As long as you're coming down to drop off your sewer service payment, why not stop in at City Hall with your checkbook? City Hall hours are Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. City staff will welcome you and provide help to set up your account. Save twice the time by signing up for e-bills and autopay. Imagine, no paper cuts and no writing checks.

Stop by City Hall with your checkbook on Wednesday, April 17th between 10 am to 3 pm for an Enrollment Open House.

Enjoy complimentary light refreshments and a free gift!

No appointment necessary.

Facility Rentals

Are you planning a wedding, party, bridal shower, or family reunion? Maybe you need a location for a meeting, class, or conference? Look no further. Sutter Creek offers affordable facilities to rent. The Community Center, Auditorium and Sutter Creek Historic Grammar School include tables and chairs and optional kitchen use. www.cityofsuttercreek.org/how-do-i/page/how-do-i-rent-city-facility You'll find availability, rates, pictures, and the convenience of reserving online.

Building Projects

Are you considering a remodel, re-roof or other building project? Visit www.cityofsuttercreek.org/planning-building -Building Permit Application Process. Find guidelines and answers to questions about applications, plans, and inspections.

Congratulations!! Amador High School student Chyenne Vaith for creating the best entry for a new city logo design!

The City is working on an update using elements of this design