

Getting out

Concord Historical Society

The Historical Society Resource Center is open on Tuesdays from 1 – 4 p.m. and by appointment for groups of 5-15. Walking tours also by appointment. Concord Historical society is located at 1601 Sutter Street, Suite E, F, Concord, 827-3380. www.conhistsoc.org.

Diablo Valley Democratic Club

June 18. The club meets the third Wednesday of each month from 7 – 9 p.m. Pat Snyder, chair of Health Care for All – Contra Costa, will discuss Health Care Reform in California. Health Care for All is the sponsor of the OneCareNow campaign for universal healthcare. Sally Sweetser, (925) 335-2647, sally.sweetser@sbcglobal.net. Meeting are at the Mt. Diablo Unitarian Universalist Church, 55 Eckley Lane, Walnut, Creek.

League of Women Voters

June 12. The meeting starts at 9:45 am. The speaker will be from "Next Ten," an independent, nonpartisan organization that educates, engages and empowers Californians so that together we can improve our future economy and quality of life. Rossmoor, Vista Room, Hillside Clubhouse, 1001 Golden Rain Road, Walnut Creek.

Gallery Concord

11 a.m. to 4 p.m., every Wednesday through Sunday, (925) 691-6140. Gallery Concord is a nonprofit, educational gallery managed and staffed by artists from the California Watercolor Association. Showcasing a wide variety of water-media paintings, the gallery also features the work of a different sculptor each month. Gallery Concord promotes the visual arts within the great Concord community by staging regular showings, periodically furnishing educational programs to schools and the public,

and providing an opportunity for local artists to display art in juried shows and network with gallery visitors. Free visits by school children to the gallery are encouraged. The Gallery is housed in the former Masonic Temple at 1765 Galindo Street, one block south of Willow Pass Rd. Parking is available in the back of the building.

GOVERNMENT MEETINGS

City Council Meetings

June 2, 9, 23, July 7, 14, 28. The City Council meets the first, second and fourth Monday of the month in the City Council Chamber at 6:30 p.m. The Meetings are televised live on Concord cable TV channels 28 (Comcast) and 29 (Astound). A calendar of all City meetings with a link to meeting agendas is available on the home page of the City's Web site, www.cityofconcord.org. Civic Center, 1950 Parkside Drive. For more information, contact City Clerk Mary Rae Lehman, (925) 671-3495.

Mayor's Open Office

June 3, July 2 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mayor Bill Shinn will hold office hours at Concord Civic Center, 1950 Parkside Drive. Mayor Shinn is looking forward to talking to residents about any issues they wish to address. Reservations for 20-minute appointments are now being taken. Residents are asked to make an appointment by calling City Council Assistant Mary Nakamura at (925) 671-3158 during business hours.

Planning Commission

June 4, 18, July 2, 16. The Commission meets the first and third Wednesday of the month. Most meetings are held in the City Council Chamber at 7 p.m. The Commission develops and maintains the General Plan of the Concord planning area. Develops specific plans as necessary, making recommendations to the City Council regarding proposed General Plan amendments, and reviews planned district developments, tentative subdivision maps, and use permit applications. Civic Center, 1950 Parkside Drive. Call 671-3152 to confirm meeting dates and times.

Human Relations Commission

June 10. The Commission meets the second Tuesday of the month. Most meetings are held in the City Council Chamber at 7 p.m. The

Commission fosters positive human relations through education, cultural exchange and community outreach. There will be no meeting in July. Civic Center, 1950 Parkside Drive. Call 671-3327 to confirm meeting dates and times.

Parks, Recreation and Open Space Commission

June 11. The Commission meets the second Wednesday of the month. Most meetings are held in the Council Chambers at 7 p.m. The Commission reviews and recommends Council action to develop, modify, and/or improve City parks, assists in the promotion of recreational and parks programs, assess parks and recreation needs, and recommend capital improvement projects and fees related to parks and recreation. 1950 Parkside Drive. Call 671-3440 to confirm meeting dates and times.

Design Review Board

June 12, 26. The Board meets the second and fourth Thursday of the month in the Permit Center Conference Room at 5:30 p.m. The Board reviews the design for each improvement for which a building permit, certificate or other approval is required; the Board also reviews any matter referred to the board by the Planning Commission, Zoning Administrator or Planning Manager, excluding detached single-family residences, interior work, and certain minor building exceptions. Permit Center Conference Room, Wing D, 1950 Parkside Drive. Call 671-3152 to confirm meeting dates and times.

Community Advisory Committee

June 17. The Committee meets the third Tuesday of the month at the Senior Center at 6:30 p.m. The Community Advisory Committee for the Concord Community Reuse Project provides input on planning for the civilian reuse of the Concord Naval Weapon Station and continued community outreach efforts. Concord Senior Center, Wisteria Room, 2727 Parkside Circle. Call 671-3019 to confirm meeting dates and times.

Community Services Commission

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