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Staying Connected: Virtually

With social distancing being the temporary new norm, many people are finding themselves less connected to family, friends, and their community. However, connection is precisely what is needed to keep strong during difficult times, to uplift spirits and relieve stress. The City of Woodland has developed many ways to support community connection all while supporting the Stay-at-Home Order and social distancing.

If going to the library was your jam, you can still participate in many regular library activities online. The Library hosts 3 online storytimes a week in English and 1 weekly Spanish storytime. Storytimes can be found on the library's Instagram and Facebook accounts, and linked into the website. Teens can participate in the "Quaranteen Reading Program" and get new books sent to their homes. Many easy at-home activities are promoted through the library's online presence; easy crafts, "paint-nites," family coding, and maker activities. Connecting with the library is easy through the website: woodlandpubliclibrary.com or find them on social media. Checking out e-books is simple through the Libby app. If you don't have a library card, you can get immediate access to e-books and more by e-mailing library@cityofwoodland.org to get a virtual library card.

Staying Connected: Social Distancing Style

Getting outside for a walk is a great essential activity for body and spirit. People throughout town have been drawing chalk art on driveways and sidewalks to cheer up their neighbors.

Woodland Community Services kicked off a chalk art contest earlier this week and that idea has taken off into an even larger contest with more time for art and more prizes.

#CHALKWOODLAND

Seen any chalk art on driveways and sidewalks lately? Have you been perfecting your chalk art skills for your neighbors to enjoy as they are (keeping their 6 feet of distance and) walking by?

Are you ready for your artwork to be the "Chalk of the Town?" We see you and we want to recognize you!! Starting next Monday, April 20th, and running through the entire week, we want you to decorate

your driveway or the sidewalk with your beautiful chalk art and positive messages. Snap a picture and post to Facebook or Instagram with the hashtag #chalkWoodland. Everyone who participates will be entered in a raffle to win gift cards to local businesses. The drawing will take place at 3pm, on Friday April 24th. Hope to “see” you all at #chalkWoodland!

Landfill and Expanded Personal Trash Service

Yolo County will reopen the landfill to all self-haulers starting Saturday, April 18. Their hours of operation will be Monday through Saturday from 6:30 am to 4:00 pm, closed on Sundays. Only credit cards and checks are accepted form of payment (no cash or EBT). Customers will be required to wear a face mask or covering while using landfill services. Waste Management continues regular weekly service. Waste Management will now service personal trash containers for free. Place personal trash containers on the street next to your trash cart on your normal service day. Containers must be made of durable plastic or metal that can be grabbed by the mechanical arm on the truck

Visit www.cityofwoodland.org/WasteWizard to find out when your next cart collection or street pile pickup will occur.

Next City Council Meeting

The next regularly scheduled council meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 21 at 6:00 pm. The public is encouraged to listen to the City Council meeting live on Woodland TV Channel 20 or by visiting www.cityofwoodland.org. If you wish to make a comment during general public comment or on a specific agenda item, there are two ways to do so. You may leave a voice mail message at (530) 661-5900. All voice mail messages received by 6:00 p.m. will be played during the City Council meeting and read into the record at the appropriate time. Any member of the public watching the live stream who wishes to make a comment on an item as it is being heard may submit an email to the City Clerk at CouncilMeetings@cityofwoodland.org prior to Public Comment on that item. Email comments submitted to be read into the record shall be no more than three (3) minutes when read aloud. Please include the agenda item in the subject line.

Coronavirus in Woodland and Yolo County

The City of Woodland continues to closely monitor the impacts of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) and provide information to assist residents and businesses to respond to the emergency as it evolves.

The number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Woodland is 61 (as of 5 pm on April 16, 2020). Stay up to date by visiting the [Yolo County Novel Coronavirus website](#).

Additional information can also be found at www.cityofwoodland.org. To receive email alerts from the City of Woodland visit www.cityofwoodland/notifyme. To receive email alerts from the County visit www.yolocounty.org.

