



Updates from Supervisor Mitch Mashburn - December 2023

Dear Neighbor,

With Holiday Happenings throughout our communities, there are plenty of ways to celebrate this festive and faith-filled season. From Tree and Menorah Lightings, visits with Santa, Wreaths at the National Cemetery, Kwanzaa, Craft Fairs and more, you won't run out of things to do right here at home.

In addition to sharing the latest news about important policy and problem solving we're doing at the Board of Supervisors, I love sharing what's happening in our communities. If you like the information you get in these newsletters, I hope you'll [click and follow](#) my new, official Facebook page to get more frequent updates.

As always, thanks for allowing me into your email inbox to keep you up to date on what's happening here in the Fifth District of Solano County. Please don't hesitate to reach out with questions, comments or concerns, or to share your neighborhood's good news or problems that need attention.

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2023 Wreath Project at Sacramento Valley National Cemetery



Photo by Tech Sgt. Daniel Peterson, 349th AMW PA

When the Sacramento Valley National Cemetery was first opened in 2006, it became a holiday tradition to place fresh wreaths at each gravesite by local volunteers.

Every year since, the tradition has grown from just 300 in 2006 to 32,500+ this year. Thankfully, the number of volunteers and generous donations to provide and place the wreaths or boughs has also grown over time. The mission, championed by Curtis & Susie Stocking, is to continue to ensure that every year each gravesite at the cemetery is recognized and honored during the holiday season.

Solano County is home to thousands of veterans who have served our nation so honorably and fought to preserve the freedoms we enjoy today. Remembering those we have lost during the holiday season is a small act of appreciation for a debt we can never repay. Don't miss your chance to be a part of this wonderful holiday tradition:

**2023 Wreath Project
Sacramento Valley National Cemetery
5810 Midway Road, Dixon
Saturday, December 16th**

7:30am Bough Placement by volunteers
9:00am Wreaths Across America program

Private placement for family & friends
Saturday & Sunday, December 9th & 10th
10:00am – 1:00pm Drive-thru pick up

For other early pick up and volunteer opportunities, program details, and/or to donate, visit wreathproject.org

Many thanks to the Stocking family and the many volunteers who continue to make this program possible, and to the 32,500+ heroes who have made Solano County their final resting place.



There are a lot of fun ways to celebrate the holiday season in Solano County in the coming weeks! Check out a few of the fun opportunities available:

 **Downtown Fairfield Tree Lighting**

Friday, December 1st from 6:00-8:30pm

At Texas Street between Union Ave & Madison St


Festivities following the ceremony at 6:30pm include musical performances, fun activities, a trackless train, hot cocoa, photos with Santa, and the Grinch who DJ'd Christmas!


 **Santa Trains at Western Railway Museum**


December 1st-17th from 11:30am-6:30pm


Tickets on sale now at wrm.org


Enjoy a magical train ride followed by a visit with Santa where he will give each kid a festive golden bell to signify the first gift of the Christmas season!


 Breakfast with Santa
Saturday, December 2nd from 8:00-11:30am
DH White Elementary, Rio Vista
Enjoy a pancake breakfast and pictures with Santa!
Hosted by the Rio Vista Lions Club
\$5 for kids, \$8 for adults


 Pancakes with Santa in Dixon
Saturday, December 2nd from 8:00-9:30am
At Dixon High School Multipurpose Room
555 College Way, Dixon
Sponsored by Rotary Club of Dixon
\$5 for Breakfast at the door


 Celebrate the Holidays in Rio Vista
Saturday, December 2nd from 10:00am-7:00pm
In Downtown Rio Vista
Join in the fun of the Christmas Tree Lighting, Boat Parade and Santa's Arrival! Plus, Music, Caroling, Toy Drive, Vendors & Crafts too!


 Breakfast with Santa in Vacaville
Saturday, December 2nd from 10:00-11:30am
At the McBride Community Center
Must pre-register with Vacaville Parks and Recreation; no on-site registration the morning of the event. [REGISTER HERE.](#)

 Suisun City's Christmas on the Waterfront
Saturday, December 2nd from 2:00-8:00pm
Full afternoon and evening of fun!
Holiday Market & Live Music at 2:00pm
Lighted Boat Parade at 5:30pm
Santa's Arrival at 6:15pm
Tree Lighting and Fireworks at 6:30pm
Pictures with Santa from 6:30-8:00pm

 Winters Holiday Tractor Parade
Saturday, December 2nd at 6:00pm
Rotary Park, 201 Main Street, Winters
Enjoy this unique holiday parade with tractors lit in Christmas lights!

 Photos with Santa & Vacaville PAL
Sunday, December 3rd from 12:00-2:00pm
At Journey Downtown, Vacaville
Get a Free Santa Photo for the Holidays by Meilene Photography in exchange for donations to help fund their upcoming Shop with a Cop event!

 Santa at the Sanctuary
Sunday, December 3rd from 12:00-3:00pm
At the Funky Chicken Sanctuary
Santa, Animals, Music, Kids Crafts, Silent Auction and more! Get your tickets [HERE.](#)


 Snow Day & Tree Lighting

Sunday, December 3rd from 4:00-7:00pm

At Valley Church, 5063 Maple Road, Vacaville

Free family event with 40 TONS of real snow and sledding and play area, vendors, games, food trucks, tree lighting and a visit from Santa Claus!

\$5 parking donation encouraged.


 Winter Wonderland at SCC

Wednesday, December 6th from 12:30-2:00pm

Solano Community College, Room 1421

Free hot cocoa, snacks & desserts, photo booth, games & prizes, and a visit from Santa, his elves, and the Grinch!

Brought to you by the Associated Students of Solano Community College.

 Downtown Dixon Christmas Tree Lighting Festival

December 7th from 4:00-8:00pm

Tree Lighting at 7:00pm


Enjoy the Craft Fair, visit from Santa Claus, Train Rides, Juggling Show, Pony Rides, Petting Zoo, Photo Booth, Kids Crafts, Storytime, and Stage Performances!

 Santa Splash with Parks & Recreation

Saturday, December 9th from 12:00-3:00pm


Aquatics Center, Fairfield

Swim in warm waters, play games, win prizes, plus a visit from Santa in the Natorium turned into a Winter Wonderland! \$10 per person. Preregistration is encouraged. [REGISTER HERE.](#)

 Rio Vista's 1st Annual Menorah Lighting & Chanukah Celebration

Saturday, December 9th at 6:30pm

In front of City Hall overlooking the Sacramento River, 1 Main Street, Rio Vista

 Fairfield's 3rd Annual Menorah Lighting

Monday, December 11th from 5:30-7:30pm

On the County Lawn in Downtown Fairfield at the corner of Texas and Jefferson Streets

Festivities following the lighting ceremony include family entertainment, hot latkes, donuts, and Chanukah cookies.

 3rd Annual Neighborhood Santa in Vacaville

December 11th, 13th and 15th from 6:00-8:15pm

Free parade that passes by 15 neighborhood parks

Learn more [HERE.](#)


 Vacaville Holiday Home Tours

Saturday, December 16th from 10:00am-3:00pm

Get your tickets at the Vacaville Museum

213 Buck Avenue

Enjoy some beautiful homes in Vacaville decked out for the holidays!

 Suisun City's 1st Annual Kwanzaa Celebration

Thursday, December 28th at 6:30pm

At the Joseph Nelson Community Center

611 Village Drive, Suisun City
Join in the celebration, music, and cultural activities!

Is your event missing? Do you have an event coming up that you'd like to share? Email adsharp@solanocounty.com the details and we will do our best to include it on the Facebook page and possibly in a future newsletter.

Craft Fairs - Shop Small and Support Local Artists & Crafters

Solano County is blessed with so many creative and talented crafters and entrepreneurs! Check out some of the upcoming opportunities to see their work for sale at these wonderful craft fairs:

Holiday Plant Sale

Friday, December 1st from 10:00am-2:00pm
At Solano Community College, Horticulture Building 1000
Holiday plant themed gifts - succulents, bulbs, plants, poinsettias and more!

Holiday Pop Up Shop

Friday, December 1st -AND-
Saturday, December 2nd from 10:00am-4:00pm
At Solano Community College, 1400 Building
Find gifts & more while supporting young entrepreneurs and small businesses!

Holiday Craft & Gift Fair

Saturday, December 2nd from 10:00am-3:00pm
At the Fairfield Adult Recreation Center
Handcrafted items, candles, fashion, accessories, toys, games and more! Lunch will be available for \$10 too!
Hosted by Parks & Recreation of Fairfield

Youth Entrepreneurs Craft Fair

Saturday, December 2nd from 11:00am-2:00pm
At Oh Shirt Yeah, 897 Cotting Lane, Vacaville
Come see our young entrepreneurs in action!

Suisun Wildlife Center Open House & Art Sale

Saturday, December 2nd from 11:00am-4:00pm
1171 Kellogg Street, Suisun City
Wildlife and holiday shopping in one stop!

Christmas Foto Fun

Saturday, December 2nd from 11:00am-2:00pm
At the Vacaville Moose Lodge
Bring your camera or phone and have fun getting great pictures with the fun holiday sets! Popcorn, hot cocoa, holiday shopping and Santa photos too!
Benefiting Pink Lemonade

🎁 Rockville Terrace Holiday Boutique
Saturday, December 2nd from 1:00-3:30pm
4625 Mangels Blvd, Fairfield
Crafts, Food, Jewelry, Home Decor and much more!

🏠 Olde Tyme Christmas Faire
Saturday, December 2nd from 10:00am-6:00pm AND
Sunday, December 3rd from 11:00am-4:30pm
At the Rio Vista Museum, 16 North First Street, Rio Vista
Wide variety of handcrafted items, and their very popular raffle and baked goods!

🏠 Sweet Pea's Winter Wonderland Market
Saturday, December 9th from 10:00am-2:00pm
891 Alamo Drive, Vacaville
Santa, Holiday Merchants and Elves!

❄️ The Wildcats' Winter Craft Fair
Sunday, December 10th from 10:00am-3:00pm
Will C Wood, 998 Marshall Road, Vacaville
Crafts & Gifts, Food & Drinks, Door Prizes and Santa's Village!
All profits benefit the low-income student scholarship and Winter Wishes programs at Wood.

🎄 Christmas Vendor Fair
Sunday, December 17th from 11:00am-3:00pm
At the Creative Space, 160 W. A Street, Dixon
Music, local vendors, festive food & crafts!

🎄 Merry Makers Sip n' Holiday Shop
Sunday, December 17th from 12:00-5:00pm
At Village 360, 4949 Suisun Valley Road, Fairfield
Holiday Craft Show and wine tasting

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About Me

I'm honored to serve as your representative on the Solano County Board of Supervisors since taking office in January 2021. As you may know, I spent 10 years on the Vacaville City Council and retired from the Solano County Sheriff's Office – I've spent my entire adult life in public service, and I'm pleased to be able to continue in this new role. My wife, Tonya, and I were both raised here, and are raising our girls here. I'm committed not just to strengthening our communities today, but to ensuring the next generation has the opportunity to thrive.

About the 5th District

The 5th District is a beautiful little slice of Solano County – including the City of Rio Vista, Elmira, portions of the Cities of Fairfield, Suisun City and Vacaville, as well as the beautiful rolling hills of Eastern Solano County. The 5th District is the proud home of thousands of airmen and civilian employees at Travis Air Force Base, hundreds of small farms, orchards and ranches, and a portion of the San Francisco Bay Delta – the largest estuary on the west coast of North and South America, and the world’s only inland Delta.

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