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Notes

to Neighborhood Leaders

NEIGHBORHOOD CONNECTIONS

HAVE A GLORIOUS HOLIDAY SEASON



AND A HAPPY, HEALTHY NEW YEAR!

NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCES



PWP Has Expanded Customer Rebate Program

Pasadena Water and Power (PWP) is offering an extra rebate – up to \$50 – for purchasing an energy-efficient appliance from a Pasadena retailer.

The new “Pasadena Connection” program provides an extra 10% rebate on top of existing incentives for EnergyStar®-labeled products, meaning those that exceed federal energy efficiency standards. Eligible products and appliances include televisions, VCRs, sound systems, computers, refrigerators etc.. By using energy-efficient appliances, customers also will reap long-term savings on their

electric bills and help the environment by consuming less energy.

Under the existing EnergyStar® program, PWP customers receive a \$50 rebate for buying an eligible product that costs from \$250 to \$500; \$100 for a product that costs from \$501 to \$1,000; and another \$100 for every additional \$1,000 a product costs, up to a \$500 rebate maximum. Customers can combine EnergyStar® purchases to increase their rebate amount.

On top of receiving an EnergyStar® rebate, customers who purchase a new refrigerator will receive \$25 from PWP to recycle their old, energy-guzzling model. PWP will also pick up and recycle the old refrigerator for free (a \$35 value), which improves the environment by removing an ozone-depleting chemical called CFC-II as well as other hazardous substances.

To obtain the simple EnergyStar® rebate application or schedule removal of a used refrigerator, please call the PWP AnswerLine at 626-744-6970. The rebate application is also available online: www.ci.pasadena.ca.us/waterandpower/.



No Waste Holiday Tips

With the holiday season in full swing, take a few minutes to think over your holiday gift giving and travel options. The following gift

suggestions from the California Integrated Waste Management Board can help save paper, and therefore trees and landfill space.

1. Wrap a gift in a drawstring bag and use an inexpensive luggage tag as the gift tag. Put games in a backpack or a kid’s design pillowcase.
2. Any kitchen gift can be wrapped in a colorful dishtowel; kitchen utensils can pop out of an oven mitt.
3. Use a tablecloth to wrap dishes or dining room gifts.
4. For readers, wrap a book in a reusable canvas shopping sack.
5. Hang earrings, brackets or necklaces right on the Christmas tree, or put them inside or around an ornament.
6. Give a gift that keeps on giving: museum or public or private garden memberships; a trip to a day spa; tickets to a special event; a service for the recipient such as child care, catering, garden design and planting, depending on your area of expertise.

Let your imagination be an inspiration. Recipients will be delighted and surprised and you can save yourself stress and exhaustion by bypassing the usual mall madness.

Remember, if you shop by catalog or online you can help reduce traffic congestion and air pollution.



Mobile Technology is Here!

The Foothill Employment & Training Connection (FETC) One-

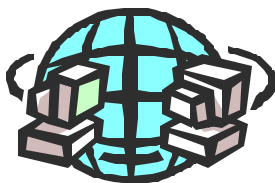
Stop Career Center located at 1207 E. Green Street Pasadena recently purchased a 37 foot modified recreational vehicle, which has been turned into a mobile employment center. The MTU is to be used to provide Workforce Investment Act (WIA) employment and training services, community resources and other support services information on a mobile basis.

The MTU is prepared to bring multiple services. The unit's interior has 10 high-tech computer workstations loaded with a variety of self-directed job search software, software tutorial programs, community resources information, skills assessment software and the Internet for web-based learning. The unit is equipped with a satellite for distance learning. The MTU will also assist employers by providing immediate re-employment resources for laid off employees.

There is no need to set up a temporary re-employment center - the MTU can be driven and parked at the employer's location for easy access. Other benefits include the availability of the unit for on-site employee recruitment and computer-based skills analysis and training for existing employees.

FETC can be contacted at (626) 796-5627 and on the Internet www.foothilletc.org.

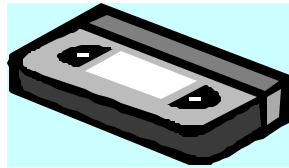
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Information Kiosk

The Information Kiosk at Neighborhood Connections is now fully functional for Internet use. This will enable neighbors to utilize the kiosk to search for job openings, social services etc. The

information is also periodically updated to provide the most current listings for users of the system.



Council Meeting Videos

The weekly Monday night City Council meetings are now available on video tape for loan here at Neighborhood Connections. They may be borrowed for up to 3-days.



Telephone Change

Neighborhood Connections will be changing its telephone numbers to be better aligned with the City's phone system. This improvement will go into effect a week before the Christmas holiday; Monday, December 18th 2000. The new numbers will be as follows:

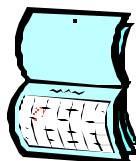
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626-744-7290

Safe Streets Now!
626-744-7293

Brian Biery (Coordinator)
626-744-7295

Fax
626-577-2060

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS



Dec. 9 – Monk's Hill N.H. Assoc. Holiday Party @ The Castle – 10am

Dec. 10 – Latino History Parade Fundraiser (Dinner) – La Casita del Arroyo @ 5:30p.m. – 8:30p.m. (\$25 donation)

Dec. 20 – Neighborhood Connections Open House from 4:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Upcoming Council Meetings



Monday, December 11:

*Council Chambers, City Hall
Session 5:00 p.m.*

Public Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Public Hearing to Gather Community Input on Potential Cable TV Franchises

Monday, December 18:

*Council Chambers, City Hall
Session 5:00 p.m.*

Public Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Disestablishment of the Old Pasadena Business Improv. Dist.

Complete agendas of all City meetings as well as other important documents are available at the Pasadena Central and Branch Libraries. In addition, City Council Agendas can be found on the City's World Wide Web Page <http://www.ci.pasadena.ca.us> and on the Community Bulletin Board broadcast on KPAS Channel 55.

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Estimados Vecinos

Si alguien necesita que esta información esté presentada en español, por favor llame a la oficina de Neighborhood Connections al 626-744-7290 para pedir una interpretación.