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EARTH DAY EVENTS IN PLEASANTON *Earth Day Still Going Strong 46 Years Later*

PLEASANTON, *Calif.* — The first Earth Day occurred in 1970, and 22 million Americans gathered all over the globe to celebrate clean air, land and water. 46 years later, Earth Day is still going strong with people working in their communities to recognize the importance and practice of environmentally-sustainable efforts.

This year in Pleasanton, there will be a number of events in support of Earth Day:

PLEASANTON COMMUNITY GARDEN

Currently there are 7 large (approximately 225 square feet) patches available for rent and 2 small (approximately 11 square feet) patches available for rent in the Community Garden, located at Val Vista Community Park. Applications are accepted on a first come, first serve basis from Pleasanton Residents only. All gardeners are required to complete a Patch License Agreement and pay an annual non-refundable fee of \$110 for the large patch and \$55 for the small patch. For more information or if you are interested in renting a patch contact Patti Joki, Community Garden Coordinator at pjoki@cityofpleasantonca.gov

PLANT AND SEED SWAP AT THE PLEASANTON LIBRARY

Join us on Saturday, April 16 between 2 and 4 p.m. at the Pleasanton Library, located at 400 Old Bernal Ave. for the Plant and Seed Swap, sponsored by the Pleasanton Friends of the Library. The initial plants will be donated by Livermore Amador Valley Garden Club. Mr. Jim O'Laughlin, an urban farmer and former principal of Sunol School, will speak on composting, and 20 Countertop Compost bins will be raffled off to the participants. Everyone is encouraged to bring your own plant/s and/or seeds to exchange with others.

EARTH DAY CLEAN UP

Earth Day may be celebrated on April 22, but every day is Earth Day, so join us and the Alviso Adobe staff at Bernal Community Park on Friday, April 29, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. to help us remove trash and improve habitat in our local creek.

Be sure to wear old sneakers as we make a splash to support wildlife. Be sure to bring a bucket and gloves if you have them, we will supply materials for those who don't.

To volunteer or for more information contact Natalie Croak at 925-931-3485 or ncroak@cityofpleasantonca.gov

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