



Meet New Mayor, Vice Mayor

At the Dec. 3 City Council meeting, Mayor Dan Helix passed the gavel to Tim Grayson (pictured at right), who will serve a two-year term as mayor in 2014 and 2015. Councilmember Ron Leone was selected to serve as vice mayor for a one-year term. Grayson is a critical response chaplain with the Concord Police Department and owner of Grayson Construction.

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[View a video of the meeting](#)



Mayor's Sing Along and Tree Lighting



Downtown Concord kicks off the holiday season at Todos Santos Plaza on Saturday, Dec. 7. Santa will hear children's holiday wishes from 4 to 6 p.m. Performances by numerous community and school choirs begin on the Todos Santos stage at 5 p.m., followed by the Mayor's Sing-Along and Concord's Official Tree Lighting. Free holiday buttons while supplies last.

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Senior Center has holiday fun for all ages

The Concord Senior Center presents a Holiday Gift and Craft fair on Friday, Dec. 6, featuring unique hand-crafted items, followed by a visit from Santa on Saturday, Dec. 14. Families need to pre-register for Santa's visit (\$9 for those over age 3). Bring the camera to take photos with the jolly old elf, enjoy entertainment, refreshments, and holiday crafts and games.

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Be a Santa to a Senior



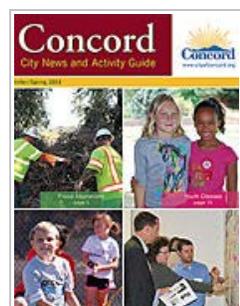
Share the holiday spirit and take part in the Be A Santa To A Senior (BASTAS) service program. The program provides gifts to senior citizens who are least likely to receive a present this holiday season, and who are often lonely and financially needy. Select a gift tag from a special tree, fill the senior's gift wish and return the gift and tag. Monetary donations are also accepted.

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City News & Activity Guide in your mailbox

The Winter/Spring Concord City News and Activity Guide should be hitting your mailbox any day now. This marks the one-year anniversary of the combined publication that is distributed to all residents three times a year. Look for the latest news about City projects and programs, and lots of holiday gift ideas amongst the trips and classes.

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Affordable Care Act enrollment assistance



The local Covered California Community Outreach Network Team will host Saturday education and enrollment sessions Dec. 7 and Dec. 14 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Concord Library, 2900 Salvio St. The sessions will include information and assistance with registering for healthcare insurance through Covered CA, the new healthcare exchange marketplace.

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Concord Community Pool closures

Concord Community Pool will be closed for maintenance from Dec. 16 through Dec. 18. The pool will reopen Thursday, Dec. 19, for normal lap swim hours, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The pool will also be closed Dec. 25 and Jan. 1 for the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

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City offices closed for holidays



Concord offices will be closed from Tuesday, Dec. 24 through Wednesday, Jan. 1 for the Christmas and New Year's holidays. Offices will reopen Jan. 2. Police patrol and dispatch operations will not be affected by the closures. A minimum number of non-sworn staff will continue on duty in an on-call capacity to provide essential building inspection and maintenance services.

Library hosts book sale

The Concord Public Library at 2900 Salvio St. will host a winter book sale from Dec. 6 through Dec. 8. Hours are 1 to 5 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 6, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 7, and 1 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 8. Funds go to support programs at the library.

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