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PEACH FESTIVAL TO CLOSE D STREET IN DOWNTOWN MARYSVILLE JULY 14TH & 15TH

Mark your calendars because the Marysville Peach Festival in Historic Downtown Marysville is on the way! This free annual two day festival will be on Friday, July 14th and Saturday, July 15th this year. Festival hours are 4:00 to 10:00 p.m. on Friday and 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Saturday. D Street will be closed to vehicle traffic both days from First through Seventh Streets.

Because Yuba-Sutter Transit will not be able to serve the major stop at D and Second Streets, westbound Route 1 buses coming off the E Street Bridge from Linda will turn left at Third Street. Eastbound Route 1 buses will turn right on F Street from Third Street and use the on-ramp to the E Street Bridge to Linda and Yuba College.

Route 4A buses traveling south on B Street will use First Street to resume the route on F Street. Route 4B buses returning from Linda will turn left on Third Street and left on F Street to resume the route on First Street.

As a result of these route changes, the nearest bus stops to downtown Marysville during the event will be as follows: Third Street at Rideout Hospital for Route 1 westbound; Third & F Streets for Route 1 eastbound; B & Third Streets and F & Second Streets for Route 4A; and, B & Third for Route 4B.

Call (530) 742-2877 for more detour information and check www.marysvillepeachfest.com for more festival information.

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER

If you aren't already, would you like to receive this newsletter electronically? Never miss an issue, save the agency some money and save the environment as well! It's EASY!

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FREED SENIOR VOUCHER PROGRAM EXTENDED FOR ANOTHER YEAR

The FREED Center for Independent Living has provided free transportation vouchers for qualified area seniors for use on Yuba-Sutter Transit's Dial-A-Ride service for many years. This annually authorized program has been extended for another year and was reset July 1st. Previous vouchers with expiration dates of June 30, 2017 or earlier are no longer valid and will not be accepted. New vouchers are printed on blue or yellow paper with an expiration date of June 30, 2018.

The FREED program provides Senior Transportation Vouchers that can be redeemed on any Dial-A-Ride bus for up to the \$2.00 face value. These vouchers are funded through the Area Agency on Aging and provide assistance to adults aged 60 or older though all Dial-A-Ride age limits and service policies still apply.

FREED vouchers can be used for transportation to health care appointments, shopping or other essential services. Please contact the FREED Senior Transportation Program Coordinator at (530) 742-4474 to sign up for the program and for instructions on how to use the vouchers.

Call (530) 742-2877 for Dial-A-Ride service information.



DEBIT & CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED

Debit and most major credit cards are accepted by Yuba-Sutter Transit for all financial transactions that occur at the counter in the Administrative Office. Call (530) 634-6880 for more information.



DISCOUNT PHOTO ID CARDS FOR YOUTH ARE NOW BEING ISSUED ON CONNECT CARDS

Full implementation of the new Connect Card electronic fare card system is now complete as discount photo ID cards are now being issued for youth ages 5 through 18. This step completes the transition of all discount fare categories (senior, disabled and youth) to the Connect Card as new or renewed senior and disabled discount photo ID cards have been issued on a Connect Card since January.

While paper monthly passes will continue to be sold and accepted at least through December 2017, discount photo ID Connect Cards will be required for monthly senior, disabled and youth passes when paper monthly passes are no longer sold or accepted. In addition to a discount fare eligibility card, the Connect Card also allows passengers to take advantage of the many features of the new system. These include the on-line loading of monthly passes and cash value; balance protection for lost or stolen cards; daily cap provision on the local fixed route system (no charge after three taps); faster boarding; and, much more.

For all of these reasons, every passenger should be making plans to get a Connect Card, but the summer break is an excellent opportunity for youth to do so since all will soon be required to have one for use of a discount monthly youth bus pass. To create an account and walk out with a new discount photo ID Connect Card, youth must bring a parent or guardian along with official proof of age and photo identification to the Yuba-Sutter Transit office at 2100 B Street in Marysville during normal business hours.

General public (non-photo) Connect Cards can be requested on line at www.ConnectTransitCard.com, but discount photo ID Connect Cards must be requested in person at the Yuba-Sutter Transit office due to the need for a picture. There is currently no charge for a new general public Connect Card when at least \$5 in fare product (cash or pass) is loaded on the new card, and the regular \$5 fee for processing a new discount eligibility card application is also being waived during this transition period. There is still a \$5 fee to replace lost or stolen cards and we continue to accept other forms of discount fare eligibility verification.

For general information or answers to frequently asked Connect Card questions, visit www.ConnectTransitCard.com or call the Connect Card Customer Service line at (916) 321-2877, Monday – Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. For specific Yuba-Sutter Transit fare questions or for more information on the discount photo ID cards, call (530) 634-6880 or send an email to info@yubasuttertransit.com.

TRANSIT STAFF CHANGES

Please join us in welcoming two new members as of June 1st to our small administrative team; Planning Program Manager Adam Hansen and Program Analyst Isabelle Markoe. Adam is primarily responsible for planning, project management and community outreach while Isabelle will be performing a wide variety of critical staff support functions.

Adam comes to us from a brief stint as a Transportation Planner at Caltrans in Marysville. Before that he was a planner for eight years at the Tehama County Transportation Commission. Isabelle has four years of transit experience as a bus driver, trainer and planner with Unitrans at UC Davis.

Matt Mauk, our former Planning Program Manager, left us in March to become the Transit Chief for the City of Folsom. We wish Matt well and are pleased that he is still in the greater Sacramento area where we continue to interact.

PASS & TICKET OUTLETS

All fare media is available throughout the month during normal business hours in the Yuba-Sutter Transit office in Marysville. Paper passes and ticket sheets are also available by mail from the same office.

- **Yuba-Sutter Transit Administration Office – Marysville**
Connect Card Fare Media / All Paper Monthly Passes / \$10 Ticket Sheets [Cash, Check, Credit or Debit]

Paper fare media is also available in limited quantities at the following locations. Monthly passes are available in these outlets from the 24th of the month until the 7th of the following month. Ticket sheets are available all month at these same outlets while supplies last. Check with each location for current business hours as they may change without notice.

- **Sutter County Library – Yuba City – (530) 822-7137**
All Paper Monthly Passes / \$10 Ticket Sheets [Cash or Check Only]
- **Yuba County Library – Marysville – (530) 749-7380**
All Paper Monthly Passes / \$10 Ticket Sheets [Cash, Check, Credit (fee applied) or Debit (fee applied)]
- **Yuba College Bookstore – Linda – (530) 741-6998**
All Paper Monthly Passes / \$10 Ticket Sheets [Cash, Check, Credit or Debit]

Call (530) 634-6880 for more information.

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