# REKA CITY NEWSLETTER

## BUILDING CODE UPDATES

The new 2010 California Residential Building Code became effective on January 1, 2011. The Code is a combination of the 2009 International Residential Code published by ICC (International Code Council) and California amendments written by various state agencies. Several changes to note are:

- An automatic fire sprinkler system is required in all new one and two family dwellings.
- Carbon monoxide detectors are required in all new construction that has fuel burning appliances or an attached garage. Detectors shall also be installed in existing dwellings where the value of work requiring a building permit exceeds \$1,000.
- Detached decks that are less than 200 square feet, less than 30" from the ground to the deck surface, and not a part of the building egress system are exempt from a building permit. These structures are still required to meet City setback requirements.

### 2010 California Electrical Code highlights (eff. 1/1/11):

- All 15 and 20 amp receptacles installed in a residence shall be tamper resistant receptacles. These will prevent injuries to children by preventing an object being inserted into only one hole of the receptacle.
- All 15 and 20 amp branch circuits shall be protected by a listed combination type arc-fault circuit interrupter (AFCI). Arc-fault protection is not required in kitchens, bathrooms, garages, and unfinished basements.



#### 2010 California Plumbing and Mechanical codes highlight (eff. 1/1/11):

New and existing water heaters will require seismic strapping or anchoring in the event of an earthquake.

If you have any questions regarding any of the 2010 codes, please feel free to call the City of Yreka Building Department at (530) 841-2322.

#### The 2010 California Green Building Standards Code - referred to as CALGreen (new 1/1/11):

There's also a new building code in town. The 2010 California Green Building Standards Code referred to as CALGreen (adopted by the state of California) went into effect on January 1, 2011. Local jurisdictions are required to enforce CALGreen. All plans submitted on or after 1/1/11 will be required to meet the requirements of the new CALGreen code. In addition, there are indoor water use reduction requirements that will be in effect on July 1, 2011. A few highlights of the code are:

#### For New Residential Construction

- Effective July 1, 2011, a 20% savings is required on indoor water use.
- Water flow rates will be reduced to 2 gallons per minute (gpm) for showerheads, 1.5 gpm on lavatories, 1.8 gpm on kitchen sinks and 1.28 gpm on toilets.
- Multiple shower heads serving one shower are limited to 2 gpm total combined flow, or that shower must be designed to only allow one showerhead to operate at a time or, when a calculation demonstrating a 20% savings throughout the entire dwelling is provided the combined flow may be increased to 2.5 gpm.
- Irrigation controllers provided by the builder and installed at the time of final inspection must be weather or soil moisture based.
  - Woodstoves must be EPA phase II. Look for the label before you buy. (continued on page 2)

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#### **Important** Numbers

City Hall/ Water Division (530) 841-2386

Fire Dept (530) 841-2383

Police Dept (530) 841-2300

**Public Works** (530) 841-2370

Senior Program (530) 841-2365

> **Elected Officials**

Rory McNeil Mayor

**David Simmen Mayor Pro Tempore** 

Robert Bicego Councilmember

**Bryan Foster** Councilmember

John Mercier Councilmember

> Liz Casson City Clerk

Rhetta Hogan City Treasurer

## **BUILDING CODE UPDATES**

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- A minimum of 50% of nonhazardous construction waste must be recycled and/or salvaged for reuse.
- A vapor barrier must be provided over a 4" thick base of ½" or larger clean aggregate and must be in direct contact with concrete in new construction of habitable buildings with a slab floor.
- Building materials may not be enclosed when moisture content exceeds 19%.
- Bathroom fans must be energy star compliant and must be controlled by a humidistat.

#### For New Commercial Construction

- Short-term bicycle parking is required on all projects.
- Long-term bicycle parking is required on projects with 10 tenant occupants or more.
- Designated specially-marked parking stalls are required for low-emitting, fuel-efficient and carpool/van pool vehicles.
- Separate water metering is required for tenant spaces projected to consume more than 100 gal/day or certain uses projected to consume more than 100 gal/day.
- New water services for landscaped areas between 1,000-5,000 sq. ft. must be provided with separate water meters.

Do you need more information regarding CALGreen? The CALGreen code and guide are available online at <a href="www.bsc.ca.gov">www.bsc.ca.gov</a>. You may also send questions via email to <a href="mailto:cbsctraining@dgs.ca.gov">cbsctraining@dgs.ca.gov</a> or call the CBSC office at (916) 263-0916.

## **SPORTS CONTACTS**

Little League Baseball Allison Giannini	905-1213
Chargers Youth Football Kelly Albers	351-8030
Soccer (Youth) Jamie Kimball	842-4772
Soccer (Adult) Miguel Galvan	949-3503
Softball (Ponytail) Ron Budesilich	340-2421
Softball (Adult) Tom Powers/COS	938-5307
Babe Ruth Baseball Laura Healy	598-2755

## **FREE Tax Preparation**

For taxpayers with annual incomes of \$49,000 or less

Wednesday, March 17, 2011 • 10 am to 4 pm

Yreka Community Resource Center • 201 S Broadway St • Yreka • CA • 96097

#### TAXPAYERS WILL NEED TO BRING:

- Valid Photo ID
- Social Security Card or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number for all family members
- All W-2's and 1099's (if any)
- Copy of your Prior-Year Tax Return
- Bank Account and Routing Number for Direct Deposit of your refund or Direct Debit of your balance due
- Any other income/expense information
- Total Tuition Fees & Expenses
- Total Expenses Paid for Child/Daycare & Daycare Provider's Identifying Number

Please make an appointment by calling

Jenny Payton at (530) 926-6640 Ext. 10

# SUZANNE VINNIK PERFORMS IN YREKA ON APRIL 3, 2011

The Red Scarf Society for the Performing Arts presents Suzanne Vinnik on April 3, 2011, at 3:00 pm at the Yreka Community Theater. Suzanne can best be remembered in Yreka as the young soprano from New York who "saved the day" when Timothy Blevins did not arrive back in October 2009. She and local pianist Carol Houston put together an exceptional concert in just one day before performance time. Since that time she has studied in Rome with Renata Scotto and won numerous competitions. She will sing in Carnegie Hall this month and debut with the Pittsburgh Opera during their upcoming season. This summer, she will be singing under the baton of legendary conductor Lorin Maazel in La Boheme at the Castleton Festival. At her recital in Yreka, she will perform famous opera arias and songs from the American Musical Theatre. She promises an exciting performance.

