

# Big Brothers Big Sisters Makes a Difference for Kids

Big Brothers Big Sisters recognizes that it is the simple things in life that make a big difference, and those little moments that make memories. By matching at-risk children with caring adult mentors, they are helping to create little moments and big memories to help a child live a better life, and to impact the whole community.

Mentoring reduces the risk of violence, school truancy, and drug and alcohol use for our youth. These kids have improved academic attendance and performance, improved relationships among family members and their peers, and they are better prepared to

make good choices about their future.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Sacramento has partnered with the City of Elk Grove to recruit new mentors in our community. An informal presentation this month will help educate adults about the many mentoring opportunities available.

For more information, contact Big Brothers Big Sisters at 646-9300, or visit the website at [www.bbbs-sac.org](http://www.bbbs-sac.org).

**Informational Presentation on Mentoring**  
**Saturday, May 12**  
**11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**  
**Elk Grove City Council Chambers**  
**8400 Laguna Palms Way**

## Don't Forget to Register that Alarm

Registering house and business alarms helps prevent false alarm calls that waste valuable time and resources for the Police Department. In September 2006, the Elk Grove Police Department mailed out letters to Alarm Permit holders who currently hold a permit with the Sacramento Sheriff's Department. To date, there are still a large number of alarm users who have yet to fill out the Alarm Registration Form with Elk Grove Police Department to transfer their permit to our agency.

Individuals who have not completed an Alarm Registration Form to transfer their permit from the Sheriff's Department to the Elk Grove Police Department should have received a letter and application in the mail last month. If an application was not received, please call (916) 478-8155 to request an application. There will be \$50 "re-application fee" as the accounts would now be considered delinquent.

If you turn your alarm system on daily or periodically, whether monitored or not by an alarm company, you are required to obtain an alarm permit. To view the City's Alarm Ordinance and other information regarding the Alarm Unit; please visit our website at [www.elkgrovepd.org](http://www.elkgrovepd.org) or visit us at 8400 Laguna Palms Way.

## Relay for Life Raises Funds for Cure

The annual American Cancer Society's Relay For Life of Elk Grove event raises much needed funding for cancer research while helping bring Elk Grove together as a community. Funds raised goes to the American Cancer Society for research, support and services for people in our own area, as well as, nationwide. It's a great way to give back and have a great time doing it! For more information, contact Gaylene Hall at 685-3520.

Sat, May 19, 10:00 a.m. to Sun, May 20—10:00 a.m.  
Monterey Trail High School

## Take a Walk on the Wild Side

Join the fun on May 12 for the Walk on the Wildside! as we celebrate International Migratory Bird Day. This free, family-oriented day of exploration and discovery at the Stone Lakes National Wildlife Refuge Beach Lake Preserve welcomes people of all ages and abilities for guided van tours of the egret and heron rookery at SRCSD Bufferlands, or self-guided tours through woodland forest and wetlands. There will be plenty of kid's activities, including a duckling petting pond, adventure maze, wild animal presentations, puppet shows, and hands-

on exhibits. Great music, food, photography, art, and wood works too!

For more information call 875-WILD or visit [www.fws.gov/stonelakes](http://www.fws.gov/stonelakes) or [www.bufferlands.com](http://www.bufferlands.com).

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