

# Colfax Connections

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## City Council Approves \$6,500 For WinterFest Celebration

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The rising costs of fireworks displays and event insurance brought Colfax Area Chamber of Commerce president Tim Ryan to the city council on November 9 requesting \$6,500 to help fund this year's WinterFest on Saturday, December 10. Ryan said those costs were up 25% and that the Chamber would be spending \$10,000 on the event.

After city manager Wes Heathcock confirmed the money was in the city's budget, the council voted 4-0 in favor with no discussion. Mayor pro tem Mendoza was absent from the meeting.

The council also heard a presentation from the Placer County Transportation Planning Agency (PCTPA) regarding the annual Unmet Transit Needs Assessment (UTN) and adoption of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) as required every five years.

The Colfax Roundabout and its new westbound on-ramp were funded via the last RTP.

The RTP is a long-range transportation-funding plan. It identifies the priorities for addressing existing and future traffic congestion, mobility needs, and maintenance of the transportation

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## Placer Supervisors Approve Bear River Campground Agreement

On Tuesday, November 29, the Placer County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to approve a memorandum of understanding (MOU) for a one-year agreement for management of the Bear River Campground as an exclusive day-use area.

In preparation for the transition to day use only, the county has removed picnic tables, fire pits, barbecues and campground signs. The county will have the option of extending the MOU for a second year.

While the MOU is in force, rest room cleaning, trash pickup, and the ranger patrol service will continue, as will patrols by the Placer County Sheriff's Office. California Fish and Wildlife will take responsibility for land and vegetation management. Trails and mining in the Bear River will continue under the same day-use rules as before.

## Free Chipping Through December



Photo courtesy of Placer County

If you still have piles that need chipping, Placer County has announced that its chipper program will be free through the end of December.

The county chipping service is a cost-share program, funded by Placer County and CAL FIRE, that provides low-cost residential chipper service for Placer County residents, incentivizes fuels reduction, and promotes defensible space adherence and fire prevention activities.

The usual fee for chipping is \$80/hour.

To request service, call (530) 889-0111, Ext. 3 and leave a message with your name, site address, phone number, and location of the brush pile to be chipped.



# 12-15-2022

## AMERICAN LEGION POST 192 COLFAX

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month veterans fundraising dinner at the Colfax Memorial hall.

Prime rib au jus with mashed Potatoes and gravy, green beans, rolls and dessert:

Nonalcoholic beverages served with dinner.



**Special Christmas  
dinner (Prime Rib)  
\$30.00 per  
person.**

**Bring a gift of  
\$10.00 or less to  
swap with other  
guests. Ticket  
draw throughout  
the evening. It  
will be a fun night.**

**Adult Social hour  
at 5PM, dinner  
served at 6PM**

**Please call ahead  
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916 216-8254  
Lorrie's cell # 916  
202-2851**

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22 Sunset Circle,  
Colfax 95713**

[post192colfaxca.com](http://post192colfaxca.com)

**New menu every  
month**

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infrastructure. Also priorities for services located in the incorporated cities of Roseville, Rocklin, Lincoln, Auburn, and Colfax, the town of Loomis, and unincorporated areas of Placer County (excluding the Lake Tahoe basin).

The next Regional Transportation Plan extends the Placer region’s planning expectations for transportation investments to 2050. The 2050 RTP planning effort will re-examine and update the prior RTP’s goals and policies as needed, will also address any new state and/or federal planning requirements and/or funding sources adopted since 2019. Completion of the 2050 RTP should occur by December 2024. The Unmet Transit Needs Assessment will be adopted at the PCTPA’s February 2023 meeting.

Those wishing to make comments and provide local input on the process can take the survey available at [pctpa.net/utn](http://pctpa.net/utn) or submit written comments to the agency using the form available at [www.pctpa.net](http://www.pctpa.net).

***Due to the Christmas holiday, there will only be one meeting this month on Dec 14.***

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## Business Briefs with LindaLou Haines

### SHOPPING FOR GIFTS IN COLFAX

Can you really shop for Christmas gifts in Colfax? Colfax doesn't have any big box stores, so where are these gift shops I'm talking about?

I hope this list of Colfax businesses will give you some ideas for your holiday gift giving and sharing.

**Calico Palace Gifts at Mane Tamer Salon**, 129 Railroad St., 346-2041; international & local gifts and practical gifts for everyone.

**Colfax Area Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center gift shop**, 99 Railroad St., 346-8888; train toys, locally made earrings, travel accessories and more.

**Creative Corner / Connie's Decors**, 55 S. Main St., 346-8250; locally made one-of-a-kind Arts and Crafts and fine art.

**ART: Cat Raymond**, 530-906-7682; acrylic art, charcoal drawings and posters.

**ART: Foxey McCleary**, 530-320-0433; a variety of creative art modalities.

**Colfax Farm & Country Store**, 140 N Main St., 346-2600; pet toys & treats, locally crafted jewelry and specialty items for farm & country.

**Lumenaris**, 50-54 N. Main St., 408-591-4034; wooden puzzles and toys.

**Created For U By Us**, 5 W. Depot St., #1, 530-798-6949; unique jewelry, ladies clothes & accessories and lots of surprises too numerous to mention.

**Wandering Wardrobe Reloved Women's Clothing**, Freight Depot on N. Main, 916-716-3604; ladies clothing & accessories.



## Support Local Merchants, Shop Colfax This Year

**Hill's Flat Lumber**, 1000 S. Canyon Way, 346-8685; tools, sleds, work boots, household accessories & appliances and lots more.

**Gift Cards:** The following are just some of the Colfax businesses that sell gift cards.

**Dine n Dash Pub & Grill**, 1516 S. Canyon Way, 346-1000.

**TJ'S Roadhouse**, 520 S. Auburn St., 346-1040.

**Basement on Main Street (Pizza & more)**, 46 N. Main St., 346-8200.

**Grandma C's Kitchen**, 38 N. Main St., 530-512-5047.

**Starbucks Coffee Company**, 424 S. Auburn St., 346-6536.

**Subway Sandwiches**, 350 S. Canyon Way, 346-6133.

These listings only scratch the surface of Colfax city businesses where you can find items for gift giving and gift cards. Colfax has many hidden treasures in these shops and in others.

So, think outside the (big) box (stores) and try your local stores and thus help the local economy.

Remember: Shop Colfax first, then try Placer County stores. Then, if you must, go wider into the internet world and beyond. But, start with Colfax. You might be surprised by what you can find in our town.

As always, email me at [lindalouhaines14@gmail.com](mailto:lindalouhaines14@gmail.com) with your business news in Colfax.

# Join Us For **STORYTIMES** at the Colfax Library



## TODDLER TIME

Thursdays  
10:30am

Movement, songs, and books to develop First 5 skills for children ages 18-36 months

## PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Fridays  
9:30am

Stories, songs, and activities for children ages 3-5



**#ColfaxHolidayWindows**

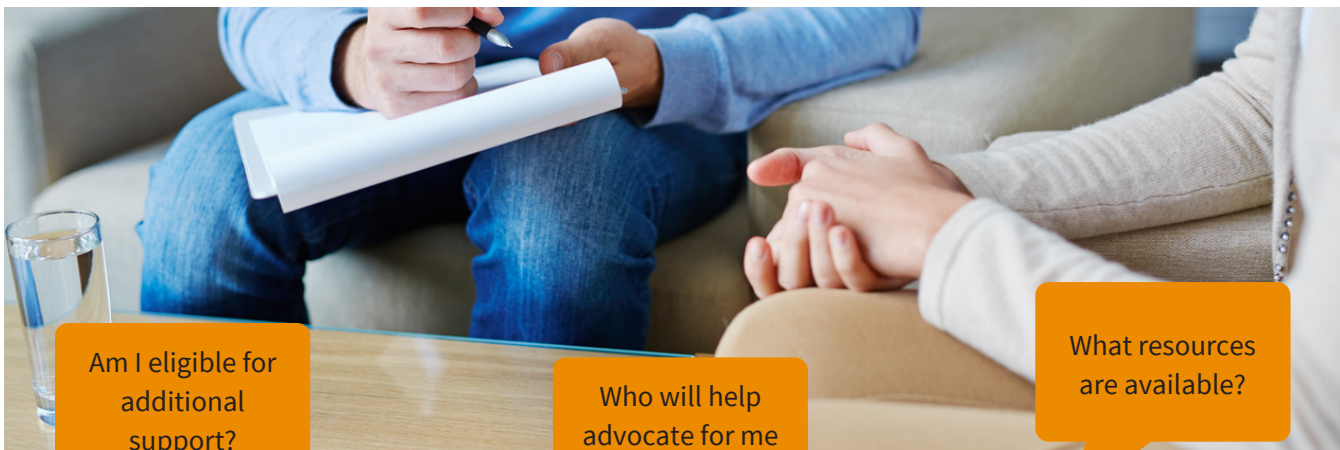
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- \*Our paint
- \*Your Businesses Windows

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To sign up your Business  
or Kids, contact  
Caroline McCully  
530-400-1728



Am I eligible for additional support?

Who will help advocate for me and my family?

What resources are available?

## If you were affected by the River Fire ... Connect with a Disaster Case Manager!



Connecting Point of Nevada and Placer County now provides Disaster Case Management to any survivor of the River Fire. The goal of this program is to help disaster survivors and their families return to safe, sanitary, and secure housing.

### Disaster Case Managers:

- Connect survivors to available community financial resources
- Identify household needs and program eligibility
- Assist with advocacy and appeals
- Create attainable recovery plans
- Advocate for additional home repair and rebuild resources



**For more  
information  
dial 2-1-1**



## Chamber of Commerce Notes and Events

Your Colfax Area Chamber of Commerce strives to fulfill its Vision and Mission every day. The vision of the Chamber is to improve the quality of life in the greater Colfax community by supporting local



**CACC President Tim Ryan** businesses to thrive economically. The mission of the Chamber is involvement in the production of local community events; support the cooperation of community business services; promote area resources such as recreation, tourism, historical and local railroad past. In addition we promote local businesses and organizations by encouraging good business. We cannot do this without your help.

We would like you, our businesses, non-profits, and individual associate members to contact us and let us know how we are doing. Our Colfax area is constantly growing and changing. We value your input to help us grow.

Mixers, grand openings, ribbon cuttings, coffee and conversations, and Winterfest are just some of the events we put on to help bring together our community, businesses, non profit organizations, and individuals together. We try our best to inform our community of all the events, meetings, and functions by email blasts, flyers, mailers and phone calls. And, our Website calendar is always being updated as we receive information from our members.

Our Chamber office and Visitor Center is open Tuesday through Saturday, 9:00AM to 2:00PM to answer your questions or concerns. Our shelves are full of information on our member businesses. Many maps and destination pamphlets are there for the taking. We also have a great gift selection throughout the year. If you just want a soda, candy bar, or chips we have that too. We will continue improving our Vision and Mission with your ideas, suggestions, and help.

Saturday, November 5 we were very pleased to have had a ribbon cutting for our new members,

Amanda Palmquist with EXP Realty and Mar Soto with Precision Loans. Being held rain or shine at the Colfax Chamber office/Visitor Center we had a very fun turnout with pies from Grandma C's Kitchen (38 North Main St.), Starbucks coffee and shortcake provided by Amanda's mom. No leftovers from this crowd!

Your Colfax Area Chamber of Commerce shares a building with the Colfax Heritage Museum and at times we even share volunteers. Tim Scott has been a volunteer with the Heritage Museum for the last 5 years. He has also been a volunteer in the Historic Downtown Caboose during many events, and he now will be a docent at the Nevada County Narrow Gauge Museum.

Tim's knowledge of trains and the railroad system are unmatched. We always relied on him for the history of our railways. Showing up to volunteer with his train hat and railroad music was always entertaining. Customers, young and old, were always intrigued and amazed with his insight and knowledge of the trains and railways that travel across our country.

Tim also explained the great history of our area with its lakes, rivers, and scenic roadways. He never did tell us where his favorite gold panning spot was. We'll just have to keep looking. We thank him for donating his time, knowledge, and great information to all of us.

Please check our Website for more information and contacts at [www.colfaxchamber.com](http://www.colfaxchamber.com)

We welcome you to stop by our Chamber Office/ Visitor Center and the Colfax Heritage Museum, 99 South Railroad St. in Colfax Tuesday through Saturday 9:00-2:00.

**Winterfest will be hosted by your Colfax Area Chamber of Commerce on December 10th, 12:00PM to 8:00PM in historic downtown Colfax. Photos with Santa, Light Parade, Blitzen's Tavern, Live Music, Food Vendors, Craft Vendors, Fireworks, and much more. All happening rain or shine! For more information and vendor applications to join in contact us at [ColfaxWinterfest@gmail.com](mailto:ColfaxWinterfest@gmail.com) or call 530-346-8888.**





Winterfest 2021 – Main St., Colfax

Photo by Alan Shuttleworth



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SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2023

MORE DETAILS EXPECTED SOON



# COLFAX LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

WEDNESDAY DEC 14 | 2PM



## Churches

Colfax Assembly of  
God Community  
Fellowship  
252 Culver St., Col-  
fax, CA 95713  
Email: colfaxesag@  
gmail.com  
Website: <http://www.colfaxagca.org/>



Colfax Baptist Church  
24850 Ben Taylor Rd., Colfax, CA 95713  
530-346-8110  
Email: pastorgaryhoward@yahoo.com  
Website: <http://colfaxbaptist.com/>

Colfax United Methodist Church  
59 W. Church St., Colfax, CA 95713  
530-346-2267  
Website: <https://www.colfaxumc.org/>

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah Witnesses  
944 Canyon Way, Colfax, CA 95713  
530-346-2525  
Website: <https://www.jw.org/en/>

St. Dominic's Catholic Church  
589 E. Oak St., Colfax, CA 95713  
530-346-2286  
Website: [https://www.scd.org/parish/  
st-dominic-parish-colfax](https://www.scd.org/parish/st-dominic-parish-colfax)

Seventh Day Adventist  
454 Scholtz Ave., Colfax, CA 95713  
530-346-8844  
Website: <https://www.colfaxsdachurch.com>

The Church of Jesus Christ of  
Latter-Day Saints  
1875 S. Auburn St., Colfax, CA 95713  
530-346-7702  
Website: <https://www.lds.org/>

## Social Organizations

American Legion Post 192  
22 Sunset Dr., Colfax, CA 95713  
530-346-9433  
Website: <http://norwellpost192.org>

Colfax Area Chamber of Commerce  
99 S. Railroad St., Colfax, CA 95713  
530-346-8888  
Website: <http://colfaxchamber.com>

Colfax Area Historical Society  
Archives: PO Box 185, Colfax, CA 95713  
Museum 99 Railroad St., Colfax, CA 95713  
530-346-8599  
Website: <https://colfaxhistory.org>

Colfax Garden Club  
PO Box 1801, Colfax, CA 95713  
530-346-7474  
Website: [http://californiagardenclubs.com/  
content/colfax-garden-club](http://californiagardenclubs.com/content/colfax-garden-club)

Colfax Lions Club  
PO Box 664, Colfax, CA 95713  
530-477-2533  
Website: [https://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/  
colfaxca](https://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/colfaxca)

Sierra Vista Artists  
55 School St., Rm. C-4, Colfax, CA 95713  
530-320-0433

Sierra Vista Community Center  
55 School St., Colfax, CA 95713  
530-346-8726 Website:  
<https://sierravistacolfax.wordpress.com>

Soroptimist International of Colfax  
PO Box 475, Colfax, CA 95713  
530-637-4878

VFW Post 2003  
22 Sunset Dr., Colfax, CA 95713  
530-346-7768  
<https://www.colfaxveterans.org/vfw.html>



SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF COLFAX

**33<sup>RD</sup>**

Old Fashioned  
**SOUP  
KITCHEN**



**SATURDAY**

**December 10th**

**4:00 - 6:30 P.M.**

**Sierra Vista  
Community Center**

**TICKETS AT THE DOOR:**

Adults - \$10 • Children: 6-17- \$8 • 5 & under Free  
[SALES TAX INCLUDED]

For more information please call (530) 637-4878

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