

**Remember, Knowledge is Power.  
Test Your Recycling Knowledge Today**

1. **How many times can an aluminum can be recycled?**
  - a. 3 times
  - b. 10 times
  - c. 5 times
  - d. Indefinitely
2. **The energy saved by recycling one ton of aluminum is equal to about the amount of electricity your house uses over how many years?**
  - a. 10 years
  - b. 3 years
  - c. 5 years
  - d. 1 year
3. **How quickly can a soda can make it from your recycling bin back onto the store shelf?**
  - a. 1 week
  - b. 60 days
  - c. 1 year
4. **If the average United States resident recycled just one more aluminum can each week it would provide enough energy and money to \_\_\_\_\_!**
  - a. Provide all the electricity needs for Alaska for 1 year
  - b. Provide all the electricity needs for Alaska for 6 months
  - c. Provide all the electricity needs for Alaska for 2 and a half years
5. **What percent of the average American's trash can be recycled?**
  - a. 10%
  - b. 50%
  - c. 75%
  - d. 90%

Answers: 1)d 2)a 3)b 4)c 5)c

**Earth Day Winners!**

Thousands of people came out for Modesto's 18th Annual Earth Day in the Park Festival on April 21. Families learned about ways they can improve the environment by making small changes in their everyday lives. Kids played the Clue Card game for a chance to win a new bike and adults tested their knowledge about recycling for a chance to win a new electric lawn mower. The winners of each contest are pictured below.



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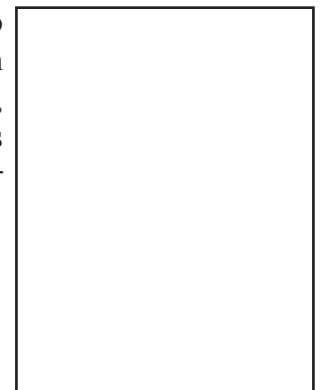


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**Summer 2007 Activity Guide Now Available!**

Get your ultimate guide to Summer fun in Modesto with the City of Modesto Parks, Recreation and Neighborhoods Department's 2007 Summer Activity Guide.

Download the guide at: [www.modestogov.com/prnd/activityguide](http://www.modestogov.com/prnd/activityguide) or request that a guide be mailed to you by e-mailing: [recreation@modestogov.com](mailto:recreation@modestogov.com).



You can also pick up a FREE copy of the guide at:  
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 Tenth Street Place, 1010 Tenth Street, Suite 4400  
 ROGOOZIE□ 720 Coldwell Avenue  
 Senior Citizens Center, 211 Bodem Street  
 King-Kennedy Memorial Center, 601 S. Martin Luther King Dr.  
 Maddux Youth Center, 615 Sierra Drive  
 Stanislaus County Library, 1500 I Street

\* Due to the cyclic nature of mailing the City Beat with the utility water bills, some of the events/programs may have already occurred.

## Warmer Summer Months Mean Increased Water Use.

Warmer summer months mean increased water use. During a typical summer, Modesto residents use three times more water than they do in the winter! Much of this is directly related to outdoor water use.

The following are some ways that you can help ensure we all have enough water pressure this summer:

- Consider putting your landscape irrigation on a timer. The best ones allow you to select specific days of the week for watering and have a battery backup in case of power failure. They can also be programmed to run more than once a day. Purchasing this type of timer will also help you comply with the City of Modesto Year-Round Outdoor Watering Schedule.
- Be sure to water early in the morning or in the evening after 7 p.m. This will keep the hot sun from evaporating the water and results in more efficient watering.
- Find out what type of soil you have at your home. If you have very hard soil, it is better to water two to three times on your scheduled watering days for five

minutes at a time rather than once a day for a longer period. By watering wisely you will experience less runoff and most of the water will stay where it should. Remember, you must keep water on your property when watering outdoors. Flooding gutters is not using water wisely and is a violation of city restrictions.

- Buy drought-tolerant plants and shrubs. If you are not sure which plants are drought-tolerant, ask at your local nursery for great landscaping ideas.
- Check sprinklers once a month to make sure they are not broken. Make sure sprinklers are not spraying onto streets, sidewalks or driveways.
- Turn off the sprinklers on windy days.
- Use a shut-off nozzle whenever you use a hose. Also, consider using a broom to clean sidewalks, patios etc.

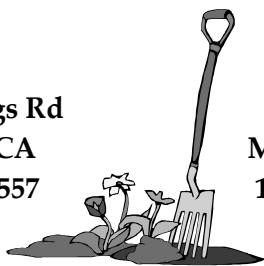
**Remember, with water, there is never enough to waste!**

To learn more about saving water or if you need help setting automatic sprinkler timers, call (209) 342-4580 or visit [www.modestogov.com](http://www.modestogov.com).

### City of Modesto – Compost Facility

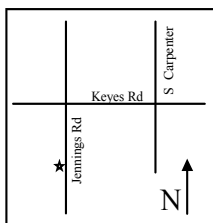
BUY ONE YARD...  
GET THE SECOND **FREE**

7007 Jennings Rd  
Modesto, CA  
(209) 538-2557



Hours:  
Monday – Friday  
12:30 – 3:30 p.m.

- An open bed pickup or trailer is needed to purchase compost
- Please bring this coupon with you to receive this free offer
- Bulk sales only
- One (1) free yard per paying customer
- Coupon Expires 8/30/2007



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Year-round watering schedule for City of Modesto customers.

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
If Your Address Is...	ODD	<b>DO NOT WATER</b>	EVEN	ODD	EVEN	ODD	EVEN
Midnight to Noon	WATER	<b>DO NOT WATER</b>	WATER	WATER	WATER	WATER	WATER
Noon to 7 PM	<b><u>DO NOT WATER DURING THESE HOURS!</u></b>						
7 PM to Midnight	WATER	<b>DO NOT WATER</b>	WATER	WATER	WATER	WATER	WATER

Odd numbered addresses end in 1,3,5,7,9  
Even numbered addresses end in 0,2,4,6,8

For more information regarding water conservation, or to report water waste, call (209) 342-4580.

