

15th Annual Kids Safety & Health Carnival

Gold Country Kiwanis will be hosting the **15th Annual Kids Safety & Health Carnival** on Saturday, May 5, 2018, from Noon to 4 p.m. This free event, supported by the Law Enforcement & Fire Protection Council, local Masonic Lodges, Welz Foundation, Child Abuse Prevention Council, B&C Ace Hardware, and several businesses, will introduce children and young families to our First Responders.

Families will meet our Fire Fighters, CHP, Sheriff, Police Officers, and Rescue, Ambulance and Helicopter personnel, plus representatives of 3 dozen local child-oriented organizations and agencies. On site will be emergency and rescue equipment and many demonstrations to acquaint the community with safety procedures and examples of healthy living.

Additionally, the Fire Safe Council will be hosting their **Annual Community Wildfire Preparedness Day.** There will be live burn demonstrations, Smokey Bear (the fire prevention icon!), Firewise Community exhibits, vegetation management contractors, the American Red Cross, free pet micro-chipping sponsored by Gary & Sherry Mason with ReMax Real Estate, free BBQ lunch by Suburban Propane and most importantly lots of resources to make your home and property safer from wildfire.

Our goal is to help children and their parents feel comfortable in emergency situations. The CHP will provide child safety seat inspections, giving out new seats if required, the GVPD will host a bicycle rodeo with new bike helmets if needed, plus New York Life Insurance will provide personal Child Identification Folders.

In addition, the children will be entertained by Clowns providing balloon animals, a jump house and giant slide, contests and entertainment, as well as a BBQ lunch, salads by SPD Market, fresh fruit & juices by Coop Market, chips, popcorn and snow-cones. Photo Ops with "Sparky", Smokey" and "McGruff" and an antique fire engine will be available. Four new bicycles will be presented to participants.

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