

## Upcoming Events:

### Children's Team Meeting

Wednesday, June 5  
9:00am, Health and  
Human Services Building,  
Sutter Creek

### Creekside Day Camp

Youth 5th-7th grade  
June 10-21 &  
June 24-July 12  
Call ACRA for more info.  
223-6349

### Amador CAPC Meeting

June 24, 2013, 10:30am  
975 Broadway, Jackson.

### Amador Farmers Market

Jackson, Sutter Creek,  
Pine Grove, Plymouth  
209-418-7591

**Congratulations to all  
our Grads!**

**Father's Day  
Sunday, June 16th**

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## NOT EVEN FOR A MINUTE!

# NEVER Leave a Child Alone in a Car

Last year there were at least thirty-two deaths of children due to hyperthermia heatstroke after being left in or having gained access to hot cars, trucks, vans and SUV's. Studies show that these incidents can occur on days with relatively mild (i.e., ~ 70 degrees F) temperatures and that vehicles can reach life-threatening temperatures very rapidly.

### Top Tips for Preventing Hyperthermia (Heat Stroke)

- Dial 911 immediately if you see a child left alone in a car.
- Never leave a child unattended in a vehicle, even with the windows open.
- Place a cell phone, PDA, purse, briefcase, gym bag or whatever is to be carried from the car, on the floor in front of a child in a backseat. This triggers adults to see children when they open the rear door and reach for their belongings.
- Make a plan with your child care provider that if your child is late that you will be called within a few minutes. Be especially careful if you change your routine for dropping off young children at child care.
- Teach children not to play in any vehicle. Cars are not playgrounds or babysitters.
- Lock all vehicle doors and trunk after everyone has exited the vehicle – especially at home. Keep keys out of children's reach.

**Check vehicles, trunks, (and pools) FIRST if a child goes missing.**

### Take the Pledge

#### I pledge to:

- Never leave a child alone in the car, not even for a minute.
- To check the backseat of my car every time I exit the car (if I ever transport young children).
- To call 911 if I see children unattended in a car.



**California law:** Children under age 7 are not be left alone in a motor vehicle. The child is not considered unattended if they are accompanied by someone age 12 or older.

**Penalty:** \$100 fine if the child is unharmed. If the child is harmed, the parent or guardian may face criminal charges.

*Did you know that a child's body heats up 3 to 5 times faster than an adult's? It only takes a few short minutes for a child to become dangerously overheated.*

*In just 10 minutes a car's temperature can increase by 19 degrees – and it continues to rise.*

For more information, please visit the Safe Kids USA website at [www.safekids.org](http://www.safekids.org).