



**SHASTA COUNTY
INDEPENDENT
LIVING PROGRAM**

**PROGRAM BULLETIN
May 2008**

ILP Graduation BBQ: It's amazing that another year has gone by. It's time for our ILP Graduation BBQ. Get set for good food, tie dying, and raffle prizes, and hanging out with friends, possibly another football game challenge. **Everyone is invited.**

May 15th, 4:30-7:30pm, at Anderson River Park. YOU MUST RSVP OR YOU WILL NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE LIST. THE BBQ TAKES A LOT OF PLANNING DUE TO THE LARGE AMOUNT OF PEOPLE WE HAVE TO COOK FOR AND MAKING SURE WE HAVE ENOUGH SUPPLIES. PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN CHAIR TO SIT IN. PLEASE MAKE SURE TO RSVP BY MAY 12TH, TO SCOTTIE SEWART AT 365-9260 EXT 112.

Foster Youth Garden: OH THE GARDEN!!!! Well the youth survived the deer disaster better than I did. The frost disaster followed the deer. We have regrouped and have rearranged our priorities for this summer. The corn, strawberries, peas, potatoes, garlic and artichokes survived the attack.

- 1) We have had a generous donation of organic plants to replace the plants that we lost. We will try to replant next week. However, we do not want to replant before we are safe from the deer using the garden as a drive through at night.
- 2) We are still looking for donations or a source to help us fence in the garden. This is going to be a huge cost for us but it is the only way to guarantee that the plants are safe from the deer. We need to get the fence up in the next couple of weeks to make sure we continue on track with our planting. If you know anyone who has fencing experience or the ability to donate some of the supplies please let us know.
- 3) After talking with the youth and ILP staff we have decided not to tackle the Farmer's Market this year. First, the economy is hitting our aftercare youth pretty hard and we want to focus on feeding them this summer. Secondly, we need to focus on getting the fence up to protect the plants. We will be donating all of the extra vegetables to People of Progress (POP) as our youth are able to go there and pick up other food staples. We will be helping POP who also helps our youth.

We will continue with Wednesday for the garden as everyone seems to like it better than Tuesdays. The garden will be open on Wednesdays from 4pm – 6pm. If it rains on a Wednesday we will not be working in the garden that day.

*** Please note that in June we will be going to Tuesday and Thursday mornings for the summer. We will be out at the garden from 9am – 11:30am.**

CONGRATULATIONS TO JEN AND CURTIS ON THE BIRTH OF BABY BIANCA. WE HAVE ALL BEEN AWAITING HER ARRIVAL AND SHE FINALLY ARRIVED ON APRIL 20TH. SHE LOOKS JUST LIKE HER MOMMIE.

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