



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### April 2006

- Wednesday, April 5  
County-Wide PC Executive Board Meeting
- **April 2—8**  
**Week of The Young Child**
- **Saturday, April 8**  
**Sunshine Day Sponsored By Children's Services Network**
- Monday, April 10  
EOC New Hire Orientation
- **April 10-April 17**  
**Spring Break**
- Tuesday, April 11  
Team 21 Meeting
- Wednesday, April 19  
EOC Leadership Forum  
County-Wide Policy Council Meeting
- Thursday, April 20  
EOC Management Training Session
- Monday, April 22  
EOC New Hire Orientation
- Tuesday, April 25  
HS/EHS Job Fair Franklin
- **Friday, April 28**  
**County-Wide Staff In-Service**

*"O, how this spring of love  
resembleth,  
The uncertain glory of an  
April day!"*

William Shakespeare



# Being Safe Is Smart!

## Helping Head Start Employees Reduce Injuries—Part I

Slips and falls are a leading cause of workplace injuries. Important steps that you can take in preventing slips and falls are keep floors clean, dry, and free of obstruction. When you walk through a work area, look for spills, grease spots or dust. Water spilled by drinking fountains, or tracked in on wet days can create a major hazard.

Some simple things you can do to minimize your chance of slipping and falling would be to wear appropriate footwear with solid support; watch where you are stepping; take slow, short steps where slip potential is high; and use hand holds/rails where possible.



Look around and be aware of potential hazards on the floor. When you find a safety hazard, lead through example by taking the time to do something about it. Either eliminate the hazard yourself or notify your supervisor of the hazard.

When you share the responsibility for safety in the workplace, everyone wins!!



## EOC's Annual Family Fun Day At Grizzlies Stadium

Come join the fun! Fresno County EOC is hosting our Annual Family Fun Day at Grizzlies Stadium on **Saturday, May 6th.**

**Ticket Price: \$11.00 Each**

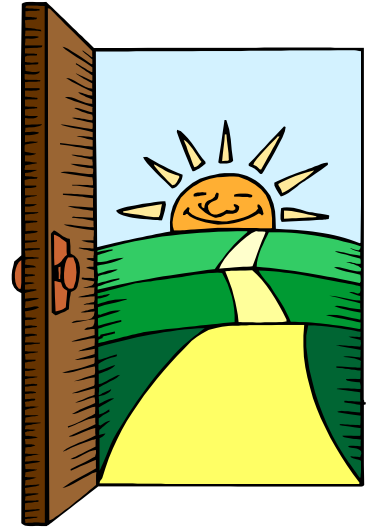
Tailgate Party at the Executive Plaza begins at 5:00 pm. Game starts at 7:05 pm. Free Wobble Head give-a-ways at stadium for first 2,500 fans. FREE Parking in designated areas! Checks and payroll deduction forms only—no refunds are allowed. For more information on how to get your tickets please contact: Michael Garcia in the Head Start HR Office at 263-1224.

*(Grizzlies Stadium opening night crowd 2005)*



## 10 Ways To Get Along With People Better

1. Before you say anything to anyone, ask yourself 3 things:
  1. Is it true?
  2. Is it kind?
  3. Is it necessary?
2. Make promises sparingly and keep them faithful.
3. Never miss the opportunity to compliment or to say something encouraging to or about someone.
4. Refuse to talk negatively about others. Don't gossip and don't listen to gossip.
5. Have a forgiving view of people. Believe that most people are doing the best that they can.
6. Keep an open mind, discuss, but don't argue. It is possible to disagree without being disagreeable.
7. Forget about counting to 10. Count to 1,000 before doing or saying anything that could make matters worse.
8. Let your virtues speak for themselves.
9. If someone criticizes you, see if there is any truth to what he is saying, if so, make changes. If there is no truth to the criticism, ignore it and live so that no one will believe the negative remarks.
10. Cultivate your sense of humor; laughter is the shortest distance between two people.



### Head Start Leadership

US Health & Human Services Secretary, Michael Leavitt has announced plans for a significant reorganization of the Administration for Children and Families. When completed, the Head Start Bureau will report directly to the Assistant Secretary for Children and Families. In addition, Secretary Leavitt has appointed Channell Wilkins of New Jersey to lead the Head Start Bureau at the Administration for Children and Families (ACF).

Dr. Wade Horn stated that Mr. Wilkins has had a distinguished career in both the public and private sectors, where he has worked extensively in human services and helped underserved populations. Most immediately, Mr. Wilkins served as the Executive Director of the New Jersey Community Action Association. Mr. Wilkins is also the past president of the board of Trenton Head Start, and has served as Executive Director of New Jersey's Department of Human Services, where he worked on new initiatives of child support programs. Wilkins is a graduate of Bucknell University in Pennsylvania and Rutgers University in New Jersey. Mr. Wilkins will be joining the HSB sometime in April.

### Welcome New Employees

March 2006

Lee Vang

Carrie Elizabeth Moe

Coco B. Read

Teacher Assistant I

Nurse

School Readiness

Coordinator

Head Start

Head Start

Family Connections

Please take time out of your busy schedule to welcome our new employees to the Head Start/Early Head Start family.



If you would like to contribute articles to Head Start HeadsUp, contact Mike Garcia in the Head Start Human Resources Office 263-1224 , 263-1287 fax, [mike.garcia@fresnoeoc.org](mailto:mike.garcia@fresnoeoc.org)