



FAA / Adopt Meeting

February 20, 2024

Reception at 6 p.m. – Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Andy Morin Sports Complex

66 Clarksville Road in Folsom

Agenda

Open meeting and introductions Michael Raffetto

Welcome: Folsom City Council, City of Folsom, Parks and Recreation

Commission, Park and Recreation Michael Raffetto

Board Election Rich Francis

Year in Review Michael Raffetto, Rich Francis

Folsom Takes Action Dean Williams

Updates Rich Francis

- Folsom Parks and Recreation
- Folsom Cordova Unified School District
- Community Youth Sports Leagues
- Folsom Athletic Association Board

Closing / Thank You!

Next FAA / Adopt Meeting – March 19, 2024

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2024



February 20, 2024



LEADERSHIP & DEDICATION 2023

Executive Directors

Michael Raffetto – 14 years of service
6 years as President, 4 years as Vice
President, 4 years with Folsom Soccer Club

Rich Francis – 10 years of service
7 years Vice President, 2 years Secretary, 5
years FJB Executive Board, Co-founder & VP
Folsom Fusion Girls Basketball, Co-founder &
1st President of “That Dam Brew Club”

Dean Williams – 6 years of service as Secretary
Overall 28 years with youth leagues

Rose Benevento – 34 years of service as
Treasurer

Directors

Dave Benevento – 40 years of service
8 years as President

Tom Handy – 35 years of service
4 years as President, 5 years as Snack Bar
Manager

Will Kempton – 4 years of service

Tim Kuntz – 7 years of service

Lynn Lepage – 41 years of service

Kindra Miller – 1 year of service
7 years Past President Vista Jr. Eagles

Jen Salazar – 5 years of service

Kyle Woody – 4 years of service



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PARTNERSHIPS

Community Youth Sports Leagues

Folsom Parks and Recreation

Folsom Cordova Unified School District

Local & Regional Businesses

Community Members

Volunteers

SUPPORTS

Folsom Takes Action

Residents Supporting Public Safety
and Quality of Life.

MEMBERSHIP

Nineteen Community Youth

Sports Leagues

Two Athletic Boosters



COMMUNITY YOUTH SPORTS LEAGUES AND ATHLETIC BOOSTERS



Folsom American Little League

Folsom Aspire Volleyball

Folsom Baseball Club

Folsom Cricket Club

Folsom Elite AAU Basketball
Academy

Folsom Freedom Softball
Club

Folsom Fusion Girls
Basketball

Folsom Jr. Bulldogs Youth
Football & Cheer

Folsom Lacrosse Association

Folsom Lake Surf Soccer
Club

Folsom National Little League

Folsom Sea Otters Club

Folsom Softball Club

Folsom Youth Basketball
Association

Folsom Wrestling Academy

Mad Dawg Wrestling Club

Sierra Marlins Swim Team

Vista Jr. Eagles Youth Football & Cheer

Vista Lady Talons AAU
Basketball

Vista Talons AAU Basketball

Folsom High Athletic Booster

Vista Athletic Booster

ADOPT A FACILITY

YOUTH PARTICIPATION

	2022	2023	
Folsom American Little League	595	618	
Folsom Aspire Volleyball	259	338	
Folsom Baseball Club	48	48	
Folsom Elite Basketball Association	90	134	
Folsom Freedom Softball	--	51	
Folsom Fusion Girls Basketball	24	24	
Folsom Jr. Bulldogs & Cheer	213	251	
Folsom Lacross Association	140	158	
Folsom Lake Surf Soccer	2412	3130	
Folsom National Little League	330	320	
Folsom Softball Club	300	305	
Folsom Vista Eagles & Cheer	177	176	
Folsom Wrestling (formally Norcal Wrestling)	25	32	
Folsom Youth Basketball Association	1492	1762	
Mad Dawg Wrestling	104	110	
Vista Talons Basketball	61	68	Growth

6270

7525

12%



ADOPT A FACILITY

PROJECTS 2022

- Aspire Volleyball Club: fencing at Livermore Community Park near sand courts
- Folsom Lake Surf Soccer Club: six storage containers located at Folsom Hills, Ed Mitchell, Handy Family, John Kemp, Livermore parks, and Mangini Ranch Elementary School
- Folsom American Little League: infield renovation at Hazel McFarland Park
- Folsom Jr. Bulldogs & Cheer: PA system for Livermore Community Park field

A few projects in 2022 – valued at \$43,500



PROJECTS 2023

- Folsom National Little League: one storage container at Rodeo Park \$3,500
- Folsom Youth Basketball: repair broken backboards at Folsom Middle School \$2,450
- Folsom Lake Surf Soccer Club: four goals for Kemp and four at Econome fields \$13,211
- Folsom Youth Basketball: audio-visual equipment for Edge Room Renovation at Sports Complex \$17,000
- City of Folsom: Econome grass field renovation \$1,695
- FCUSD: fieldwork and Sutter gym resurfacing \$6,960
- Mad Dawg Wrestling: new pads for FHS wrestling room \$2,900

A few projects in 2023 – valued at \$47,716

Folsom High School
Folsom Lake High School
Vista del Lago



SENIOR SCHOLARSHIPS	2022	2023
Lois B. Young Scholarship	\$9,000	\$10,000
Ernie Sheldon Memorial Scholarship and Spirit Award	\$4,300	\$4,300
Race Salazar Memorial Scholarship	\$1,500	\$1,000
Summer Kempton Memorial Scholarship	\$2,000	\$2,000
Chuck Harrison "PACE" Scholarship	\$3,000	\$3,000
Maria Totushek Memorial Scholarship	\$5,000	
For the Good of the Game		\$750
Total	29 Scholarships \$24,800	23 Scholarships \$20,950

YOUTH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

2022 – 16 applications providing \$2,970 in financial aid

Folsom Sea Otters
Folsom Youth Basketball
Vista Jr. Eagles & Cheer

2023 – 45 applications providing \$8,340 in financial aid

Folsom American Little League
Folsom Jr. Bulldogs & Cheer
Folsom Lacrosse
Folsom Lake Surf Soccer
Folsom Sea Otters
Folsom Softball
Folsom Youth Basketball
Vista Jr. Eagles & Cheer



EVENTS AND SPONSORSHIPS

- Soccer and Lacrosse Crosstown Cups
- Sober Grad Night
- Folsom American Little League First Pitch
- Festival of Eggs (Spring Eggstravaganza): raffled Easter baskets and Golden Egg tickets
- FUNdraiser: Vista Jr. Eagles “Soaring Under the Star”
- Turkey Trot
- Senior Holiday Gift Bags: 185 gift bags delivered Vintage Willow Creek Apts
- Stan Harms Basketball Tournament: volunteers for the event
- Lembi Park Snack Bar operations

FUNdraiser: Vista Jr. Eagles “Soaring Under the Star” Bartenders
Dave Benevento, Rich Francis, Michael Raffetto, and Dean Williams



FIREWORKS

2022

Four fireworks booths

13 booth managers and overnight security

12 youth groups plus the FAA

1,000+ volunteer hours, 270+ volunteers

Total gross sales \$331,275

Net Profit \$92,914

Hourly rate per group \$88

Youth groups earned btwn \$1,055 to \$15,290

2023

Five fireworks booths

18 booth managers and overnight security

12 youth groups and the FAA

1,055+ volunteer hours, 254+ volunteers

Total gross sales \$320,409

Net Profit \$83,555

Hourly rate per group \$74

Youth groups earned btwn \$1,113 to \$11,130



COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY

- Lembi Park: removing the bollards and painting the parking posts at Lembi Park
- Ernie Sheldon Park: painting the ball field backstops and shed at Ernie Sheldon Youth Sports Park
- Natoma Station Viewing Platform: painting the pond viewing station at Natoma Station



VETERANS DAY PARADE

Honoring Colonel Nathan L. Taylor

As founding members of the Veterans Day Parade this year, the committee honored all branches of the military services with a special tribute to U.S. Air Force Flight Surgeon and Chief Colonel Nathan L. Taylor.

- "Big Nate" Taylor played basketball, ran track and cross country at Folsom High School. He graduated in 1983.
- Was sworn into the U.S. Air Force in 1992 where he became a Flight Surgeon and Chief and was an Orthopaedic Hand Surgeon and Flight Commander.
- Last served for the 60th Surgical Operations Squadron and Medical Group, David Grant Medical Center, Travis Air Force Base in California.
- Dr. Taylor served 20 years in the U.S. Air Force. He retired in 2016.



The FAA participates each year with a float.

PARKS & RECREATION RENOVATION

Lead – Kyle Woody and Will Kempton



New trash cans for Ernie Sheldon Youth Sports Park

ON THE HORIZON 2024

- New leadership
- Two new member organizations: Folsom Disc Golf Club and Folsom Pickleball Club
- Continue the renovation committee with Folsom Parks & Recreation (Board Members Kyle Woody and Will Kempton)
- Explore a new Adopt a Park concept (Board Member Michael Raffetto)
- Collaborate with Folsom Parks & Recreation on the development of Benevento Family Park (Board Member Tom Handy)
- Development of the national and collegiate level cross country course in the Folsom Ranch, Oak Grove / Open Space area (Board Member Lynn LePage)
- Opening of Prospector Park / Folsom Ranch (Folsom Little Leagues, Folsom Surf Soccer, Folsom Softball)
- River District Master Plan opportunities (Board Member Will Kempton)
- Central Business Master Planning opportunities (Board Member Tim Kuntz)
- Folsom Takes Action (Board Member Dean Williams)



THANK YOU

THANK YOU, MICHAEL!

FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AS THE FAA
PRESIDENT FOR THE PAST 6 YEARS.

