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Lafayette Safety Fair and CERT Exercise on Saturday

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Fire, police, Emergency Management Services, the Red Cross, the East Bay Regional Park District, and CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) will be at Stanley Middle School from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 12 as part of a free Lafayette Safety Fair and CERT Exercise. Helicopters will be landing on the field. A bike rodeo with an obstacle course to teach kids how to ride safely to school will be offered by police. Child car seat installation check will be offered by police. There will also be hands-on fire extinguisher training with fire department personnel, and the Red Cross will be there to demonstrate a simulated sheltering of residents and pets during a large emergency. CERT members will show how to secure items in your home for earthquake resistance, and demonstrate disaster medical operations and radio communications. Psychologists will talk with parents about disaster psychology and how to deal with children following an earthquake or wildfire. Medical triage, moulage, and treatment stations will be demonstrating CERT skills. A sample of Personal/Family Cache and a Neighborhood Cache display will available for viewing. Come early and enjoy free donuts and coffee between 8 and 9 a.m.

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