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Press Release

Today's Date: February 22, 2012
Date & Time of event: February 26, 2012
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Type of Event Vacaville Police Activities League Judo Tournament
Location: Vacaville High School – 100 West Monte Vista Ave., Vacaville

VACAVILLE PAL TO HOST FOURTH “BATTLE FOR THE STAR” JUDO TOURNAMENT

The Vacaville Police Activities League – Makimoto Judo Club will hold the fourth “Battle for the Star” Judo Tournament on Sunday, February 26, 2012.

The tournament will be held at the Vacaville High School, 100 West Monte Vista Ave. The event is expected to draw over 200 competitors from around the Bay Area.

Opening ceremonies will begin at 10 a.m. and competition will follow immediately after. The initial competitors will be youth, with black belts competing around 1 p.m. The competition will be “pool” style, with contestants divided into groups by age, weight and belt level. Medals will be awarded to the top three winners in each pool.

The Vacaville Police Honor Guard will present the colors during opening ceremonies, and McGruff the Crime Dog will also make an appearance. Admission is free and the public is invited to attend.

This event is also a fundraiser for the Vacaville PAL - Makimoto Judo Club. Funds from this event will help sponsor Vacaville PAL judo youth in local, State and National level tournaments.

The Vacaville Police Activities League Judo Club is coached by Officers Gordon and Lucy Makimoto of the Vacaville Police Department. For questions about the Vacaville PAL program, please contact Officer Gordon Makimoto at 449-5200 or Carolyn Corsi at 469-4005. You can also visit the Vacaville PAL judo website on Facebook.

The Police Activities League program is one of the oldest citizen-building youth programs in the nation. It builds friendships between law enforcement and children within the community. By helping our youth we help the future of our community. The Vacaville Police Activities League is a non-profit organization, and 100 percent of all contributions stay in the City of Vacaville.

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