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Air quality event in Bakersfield June 23

Free Healthy Air Living Chat includes drawing for lawn mower!

One lucky attendee at the free June 23 Healthy Air Living Chat in Bakersfield will walk away with a brand new electric lawn mower.

The family-friendly event will be held Tuesday from 6-8 p.m. at California State University, Bakersfield in the multipurpose room of the Student Union. It's an opportunity to hear about new developments in the ongoing mission to clean up the Valley's air. Admission is free, light refreshments will be served, and a drawing will be held for a Neuton electric lawn mower, the same model that is being offered in the Air District's Clean Green Yard Machines lawn mower trade-in program.

The Bakersfield event is one of 15 Healthy Air Living Chats scheduled throughout the eight-county air basin this summer.

"Come to this event and you'll learn about easy ways to make big improvements in air quality," said Jaime Holt, the District's chief communications officer. "Just by making one small change, we can see big improvements."

The focus of the event is offering tools and tips for Valley residents to make small changes in their everyday activities that can lead to better air quality. Healthy Air Living is a year-round program aimed at reducing emissions by making air quality a factor in daily decision-making by Valley residents, businesses and organizations. The District sponsors a variety of events and activities to support Healthy Air Living.

California State University, Bakersfield is at 9001 Stockdale Highway. For more information about this event, call the Air District at 661-392-5500. More information is also available at www.healthyairliving.com.

The Valley Air District covers eight counties including San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Merced, Madera, Fresno, Kings, Tulare and the Valley air basin portion of Kern. Visit www.valleyair.org to learn more.