

The Cerritos News

CCPA's October lineup packed with colorful acts

The October schedule at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA) is filled with exciting acts.

Get ready for a night of sheer "Solid Soul" when Grammy winner Mavis Staples teams up with multi-Platinum singer-songwriter Joan Osborne on Saturday, October 3 at 8 p.m. Staples is known for the No. One hit "I'll Take You There." Grammy nominee Osborne ruled the music charts with the iconic song "One of Us."

In a lively musical journey from Rajasthan to Mumbai, the Bollywood Masala Orchestra and Dancers of India take audiences inside the dynamic world of Indian music, dance and spirituality on Sunday, October 4 at 3 p.m. It's a vibrant feast of Indian sounds, featuring a mix of Indian and Western instruments such as bass drums, side drums, trombone, tabla, dholak, harmonium and clarinet.

The legendary voice of UB40, Ali Campbell unites with founding members Astro and keyboard player Mickey Virtue to present the Reggae troupe's top hits on Saturday, October 10 at 8 p.m. The Grammy-nominated band topped the music charts with the hits "Red Red Wine," "Can't Help Falling in Love," "Rat in Mi Kitchen" and "Cherry Oh Baby."

Embraced worldwide for its exciting blend of Classical and Contemporary Pop music, The Tenors has performed at the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, the Emmy Awards and the Olympics. The Canadian quartet topped the No. One spot on "Billboard's" Classic music charts with its album "The Perfect Gift." The group, which won a JUNO Award (the Canadian equivalent of a Grammy), comes to the CCPA on Friday, October 16 at 8 p.m.

Calling all animal lovers! Join the fun with "America's Got Talent" champ the Olate Dogs in Amazing Animals on Saturday, October 17 at 3 p.m. The show also includes a San Diego Zoo Animal presentation featuring Dr. Zoolittle and a zoo educator. Ventriloquist Kevin Johnson and acclaimed magician Dan Birch provide added amazement and laughs.

"The Folk Reunion" with The Brothers Four and The Kingston Trio will be presented Sunday, October 18 at 3 p.m. Currently celebrating its Golden Anniversary, The Brothers Four invigorated the Folk revival movement with the hits

"Greenfields," "Yellow Bird," "Across the Wide Missouri" and the Oscar-nominated "The Green Leaves of Summer." Grammy winner The Kingston Trio entertains with "Where Have All the Flowers Gone" and the No. One "Billboard" hit "Tom Dooley." The groups will share the stage to perform a two-song finale.

Rob Kapilow's 2015-2016 "What Makes It Great?" series kicks off with "DVOŘÁK – Symphony No. 8" with the Cal State Fullerton University Symphony Orchestra on Wednesday, October 21 at 7:30 p.m. In a three-part format, Kapilow dissects the musical composition. The pieces are performed, and a lively Q&A concludes the evening.

Enjoy an evening of hits with two of Pop Rock's biggest icons on Friday, October 23 at 8 p.m. Tommy Roe, who toured with The Beatles, lit up music charts with "Sheila," "Dizzy" and "Everybody." Vocal Group Hall of Fame band Jay & The Americans stormed the "Billboard" charts with "She Cried," "Cara Mia," "Only in America," "Come a Little Bit Closer" and "This Magic Moment."

With a vibrant blend of South Pacific traditional rhythms, indigenous instruments and globally influenced contemporary sounds, Te Vaka has been described as one of the most original World music acts on the international scene. The award-winning musicians and dancers from Tokelau, Tuvalu, Samoa, Cook Islands and New Zealand deliver a kaleidoscopic array of Pacific flavors in a genre that is uniquely its own on Saturday, October 24 at 8 p.m.

An international sensation, the Libera boys choir has topped mainstream and Classical music charts in several countries. The group performs on Sunday, October 25 at 3 p.m. With boys ages 7 to 16, Libera has performed at the Kennedy Center Honors and Yankee Stadium and on the "Today" show. Libera recently released a DVD and CD, "Angels Sing Libera in America," featuring the ensemble's special PBS concert. Songs from the concert include "Amazing Grace," "What a Wonderful World" and "Ave Maria."

It's a celebration of Frank Sinatra as Steve Lippia takes audiences on a musical journey of Ol' Blue Eyes' life in "Centennial Sinatra." The performance, on Friday, October 30 at 8 p.m.,



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covers Sinatra's early crooning days to the Sands in Las Vegas and his epic concert at Madison Square Garden. Lippia performs the legend's biggest hits, including "I've Got You Under My Skin," "The Lady Is a Tramp," "My Way" and "The Best Is Yet to Come."

Melissa Etheridge has been added to the 2015-2016 Season lineup. The Oscar and Grammy winner presents her "This Is M.E. Solo" show on Sunday, November 8 at 7 p.m., sharing personal stories about her life and the inspiration behind her hits, which include "Come to My Window," "I'm the Only One" and "I Want to Come Over." She will also perform songs from her new album, "This Is M.E."

Check out the CCPA's subscription series – Broadway, Memory Lane and Rob Kapilow's "What Makes It Great?" series provide discount packages with significant savings off the regular ticket price.

Tickets for all performances are on sale now. For tickets or more information, call the CCPA Ticket Office at (562) 916-8500 or visit cerritoscenter.com. ■

City's tree-removal policy modified

The Cerritos City Council recently approved changes to the City's tree-removal policy.

Property owners may qualify for residential parkway tree removal if the owner received financial reimbursement from the City for property damage caused by the City's tree. To qualify, the reimbursement amount must be greater than the cost for tree removal and replacement. If a property owner has property damage believed to be caused by the City's parkway tree and has not received such reimbursement, the modified policy now allows the resident to pay for the tree to be trimmed or removed. A resident can also pay to have a parkway tree trimmed or removed if the tree is causing excessive maintenance for the homeowner.

Residents may obtain a no-fee City tree trimming permit from the Public Works Department, which allows them to have their parkway tree(s) trimmed by a pre-qualified, licensed tree-trimming contractor. Companies set their own pricing. The homeowner is responsible for the cost to replace the tree(s), if applicable. Replacement trees are specified by the City.

Residents who participate in the pay-to-trim/remove program are also financially responsible for any necessary repairs to the public right-of-way that result from the trimming or replacement of trees.

For more information, call the Public Works Department at (562) 916-1220. ■

City water conservation regulations in effect

In response to California Governor Jerry Brown's mandate calling for a statewide reduction in water usage, the Cerritos City Council recently adopted a resolution requiring water conservation measures to reduce water usage by 28 percent in Cerritos. These measures expand upon the water conservation measures required in a resolution that was adopted in August 2014.

Except when necessary to address an immediate health or safety need or to comply with a term or condition in a permit issued by a state or federal agency, the resolution prohibits the following:

- The application of potable water to outdoor landscapes in a manner that causes runoff such that water flows onto adjacent property, non-irrigated areas,

private and public walkways, roadways, parking lots or structures. Water runoff is defined as water accumulation sufficient to cause a flow of water off of landscaped areas;

- Use of potable water for irrigation during and 48 hours following measurable precipitation;
- The use of a hose that dispenses potable water to wash a motor vehicle, except when the hose is equipped with a shut-off nozzle;
- The application of potable water to driveways and sidewalks; and

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Attend Veterans Day Ceremony

The community is invited to attend the City of Cerritos Veterans Day Ceremony on Wednesday, November 11 near the Cerritos Veterans Memorial in the Cerritos Civic Center. The program begins at 9:45 a.m. with prelude music and the ceremony is scheduled to start at 10 a.m. The event is being held in honor of those who have defended our nation's freedom by serving in the United States Armed Forces.

Refreshments will be served and there will be information booths featuring veteran services and patriotic crafts for kids.

For more information about the Veterans Day Ceremony, contact the Community Participation Division at (562) 865-8101. ■

Register for Cerritos bike ride

Registration is underway for the Cerritos on Two Wheels inaugural community bike ride, scheduled for Saturday, October 3. The event takes place at the Cerritos Sports Complex at 19900 Bloomfield Avenue.

Ride times start at 7 a.m. for the Half Century riders; 8 a.m. for the 30-mile riders; 9:30 a.m. for the 15-mile riders; and 11 a.m. for the Family Ride riders. The ride routes were designed by professional racer Tony Cruz.

Through Friday, October 2, the registration fee is \$60 for the Half Century riders; \$40 for the 30-mile riders; and \$20 for the 15-mile riders. On the day of the event, the fee is \$65 for Half Century riders; \$45 for the 30-mile riders; and \$25 for 15-mile riders. There is no fee for Family Ride participants. Registration fees include a T-shirt and medal. Meals are included for Half Century and 30-mile riders. ■

City Council Recap

City Council/Successor Agency meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Thursday of every month at City Hall. For details, call the City Clerk's Office from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday at (562) 916-1248.

July 23, 2015

- Approved appointments to the Let Freedom Ring Committee for two-year terms to expire on March 31, 2017.
- Approved the project proposal by the ABC Unified School District to modify parking lot traffic circulation and the drop off zone for Mary Bragg Elementary School.
- Adopted Resolution No. 2015-20 adopting an updated Renewable Energy Resources Procurement Plan for the City of Cerritos Electric Utility.
- Authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute North American Energy Standards Board (NAESB) agreements with qualified suppliers to acquire natural gas for the purpose of providing fuel to generate electricity at the Magnolia Power Plant; and
- Authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute confirmations under the NAESB agreements for natural gas transactions.
- Approved the following modifications to the 2016 City Council/Successor Agency meeting calendar:

Regular Meeting Dates	Approved Meeting Date Changes
Budget Study Session	Monday, May 2, 2016
Thursday, May 12, 2016	Monday, May 9, 2016
Thursday, June 23, 2016	Monday, June 20, 2016
Thursday, October 13, 2016	Monday, October 10, 2016
Thursday, November 24, 2016	Monday, November 21, 2016
Thursday, December 22, 2016	Canceled

City water conservation regulations in effect

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- The use of potable water in a fountain or other decorative water feature, unless the water is part of a recirculating system.

Residential and commercial landscape areas are to be watered between 5 p.m. and 9 a.m. for no more than 10 minutes per station. Watering is limited to two times per week during the months of June through September, and one time per week during the months of October through May.

Landscape irrigation for commercial nurseries and growers, fire and erosion protection, the protection of endangered species, environmental mitigation projects and properties using reclaimed water are exempt from this provision. Also exempt are watering using a handheld container or a hose equipped with a shut-off nozzle, and the use of an irrigation system for short durations to make repairs. Use of a drip irrigation system is permissible.

Violation of the regulations is subject to a fine of up to \$500 per day. The emergency water conservation regulations will remain in effect until the state mandated restrictions expire, at which time the Cerritos City Council will review the water supply conditions to determine the need for continued mandatory conservation measures.

Additional water conservation tips follow:

- Fix broken sprinklers immediately.
- Landscape with drought-tolerant plants.
- Put a layer of mulch around trees to retain moisture.
- Take shorter showers.
- Run only full loads in clothes washers and dishwashers.
- Install an aerator on the kitchen faucet to reduce flow.
- Don't use running water to thaw food. Defrost food in the refrigerator.
- Don't leave the water running when washing dishes, brushing your teeth or shaving.
- Fix leaking faucets and save 20 gallons of water per day.
- Wash your produce in the sink or a pan that is partially filled with water instead of running water from the tap.
- Avoid flushing toilets unnecessarily; dispose of tissues, insects and other similar waste in the trash instead.
- For fish owners, when you clean your fish tank, use the water you've drained on your plants. The water is rich in nitrogen and phosphorus, providing you with a free and effective fertilizer.

For information on California's drought and more tips on how to save water, visit ca.gov/drought. ■

Cerritos Celebrates the Arts in October

Cerritos Celebrates the Arts, a month of art-themed activities, will be offered by the City of Cerritos throughout October. The Americans for the Arts has designated the month of October as National Arts and Humanities Month.

The City's Recreation Services Division will hold art-themed children's activities throughout October. In addition to a variety of art classes, events such as "Cultural Kiddies – Arctic Adventure" focus on the visual and performing arts. "Activity Night" includes "A Galaxy Far, Far Away," "Mystery Mayhem" and "Walk Like an Egyptian."

A children's poster contest with a theme of "Believe What You Can Achieve Through Art" will also take place in October. The contest is free and open to Cerritos residents and students ages 5 to 14 who are attending the ABC Unified School District and Valley Christian Schools.

Entrants may submit one poster, no larger than 17 inches wide and 11 inches high. Any drawing or painting materials may be used, such as pencils, chalks, pastels, crayons, watercolors or acrylics.

Do not mat, mount or frame the poster. Include name, age, address and phone number on the back of the poster (or attach an official entry form). Entries must be delivered to the Recreation Services Division at the Cerritos Civic Center no later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday, October 21.

The winning posters and a selection from each age group will be displayed at the Cerritos Halloween Festival on Saturday, October 31 at Cerritos Regional Park. First-place winning entries will be on display at Cerritos City Hall through Monday, November 30 and may be picked up on Tuesday, December 1. All other entries may be picked up between Monday, November 2 and Friday, November 6. Unclaimed posters will be discarded after Friday, November 6.

An excursion to Segerstrom Center for the Arts in Costa Mesa to see the Tony-winning musical "The Lion King" is scheduled for Saturday, October 17. For more information, call the Recreation Services Division at (562) 916-1254.

The Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park will feature art and dance classes in October. Arts and crafts from Senior Center classes also will be on display in the World Hall area. For more information, see the enclosed "Lifelong Enrichment" newsletter or call the Cerritos Senior Center at (562) 916-8550.

Cerritos Library's October schedule highlights numerous art-themed events, including arts and crafts for kids; the Young Rembrandts art class; an art contest featuring the theme "My Very Own Circus"; and a "The Day I Lost My Superpowers" short story contest. For more information about the Cerritos Library's programs, see the enclosed "Cerritos Library News" or call (562) 916-1388. ■

Free bulky item and electronic waste pickup available for residents

The City's trash hauler, CalMet Services, Inc., offers free bulky item and electronic waste pickups.

Bulky items are large items that will not fit into the trash and recycling containers. These include household appliances, mattresses, furniture and miscellaneous bulky items such as metal pipes, wood and carpet. Miscellaneous bulky items must be cut to four feet in length and bundled with string, and may not exceed a weight of 50 pounds. Pickup is also available for additional bagged or bundled waste and green waste that will not fit into the trash or recycling containers.

Electronic waste, such as computers, monitors, televisions and cell phones, can also be scheduled for curbside pickup. (Cell phones should be placed in a box on the curb.)

To schedule a bulky item or electronic waste pickup, call CalMet's Customer Services Department at (562) 259-1239 at least 24 hours prior to your regular trash service day. Specify what types of items are to be removed. CalMet requests that each bulky item or electronic waste pickup not exceed five items. Residents who schedule a bulky item or electronic waste pickup should place the items at the curb no earlier than sunset the night prior to the regular trash collection day and no later than 7 a.m. on the morning of the scheduled pickup.

Items not eligible for bulky item pickup include construction material, tires, car and boat parts and other hazardous waste. Hazardous waste can be dropped off at a household hazardous waste roundup. To find an upcoming household hazardous waste roundup event, call (888) CLEAN-LA or visit cleanla.com.

Before scheduling a bulky-item or electronic waste pickup, consider donating usable goods to charity. Call Goodwill industries at (800) GOODWILL or the Salvation Army at (800) 95-TRUCK to donate items. ■

Free emergency response training offered

The Cerritos Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is offering disaster and emergency training on three consecutive Saturdays from October 3 through 17. The class times are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Cerritos Sheriff's Station/Community Safety Center at 18135 Bloomfield Avenue.

The CERT program is designed to help residents in the event of a disaster or other emergency. Participants receive training in first aid and basic disaster medical operations, light search and rescue, fire safety, and disaster and terrorism management. When emergencies occur, CERT members are able to provide critical support to first responders, give immediate assistance to victims and organize volunteers at a disaster site.

To register for the course or for more information, call the Community Safety Office (562) 916-1252. ■

Senior Health and Wellness Fair set

The Cerritos Senior Center's annual Health and Wellness Fair will be held on Friday, October 2 from 8:30 a.m. to noon for Cerritos residents and 9 a.m. to noon for non-residents at the Cerritos Senior Center.

The fair, for seniors age 50 and older, will feature free health screenings and a variety of information booths.

The Cerritos Senior Center is located at 12340 South Street in Cerritos. For more information, call the Cerritos Senior Center at (562) 916-8550. ■

Resources sought for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Ceremony

Planning is under way for the City's annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Ceremony to be held at the Cerritos Civic Center on Monday, January 18, 2016.

The Community Participation Division is seeking resources from the public for the event. Members of the community are invited to suggest speakers, inspirational text, quotations or other resources by calling (562) 865-8101 or submitting suggestions to the Community Participation Division, P.O. Box 3130, Cerritos, CA 90703. Suggestions may also be submitted by e-mail to webmaster@cerritos.us. ■

Tips to stay safe on Halloween

For a safe and fun Halloween, follow these tips:

- If you forgo door-to-door trick-or-treating, consider other alternatives such as planning a party or attending the City's Halloween festivities on Saturday, October 31 at Cerritos Regional Park.
- Pay attention to your children's costumes, which should be fire-retardant and non-restrictive to allow free movement and uninhibited vision. Ensure that masks do not hinder a child's breathing.
- If a youngster is going to be outside, provide adequate warm clothing under the costume to protect against cold weather.
- Always remain in familiar territory.
- When going door-to-door, travel in groups with at least one responsible adult.
- Use flashlights, "Glo-sticks" or lighted wands to help you see and be seen.
- If a home does not have a porch light turned on, the residents are indicating that they do not want to be disturbed.
- Use discretion in determining which homes children should approach.
- Exercise caution and obey all pedestrian traffic laws. Cross at intersections and consider the existing street lighting. Keep your group together, and remember that children can get caught up in the excitement of the evening and may run ahead of the group.
- Carefully inspect all items received before anything is eaten. Throw away treats that are not securely wrapped by the manufacturer.
- Consider only eating candied apples or other home-made treats if you know the person who prepared them.
- If you will be passing out candy, secure your pets, remove all obstructions from the path to your porch and avoid using any open flame near the door. ■

Scare up some fun at the City's Halloween Festival

The City's Halloween Festival offers family fun at Cerritos Regional Park on Saturday, October 31 from 5 to 10 p.m. Costume parades, entertainment, rides, special games and carnival booths will be featured.

There is no fee to attend the festival, although a nominal fee will be charged for food and rides. Individual ride tickets are \$2 each. Each ride requires one ticket per rider. All-night ride wristbands are available for \$7.

For the enjoyment of all and pursuant to the Cerritos Municipal Ordinance 9.48.030(p), dogs, cats or pets are not allowed in the park during special events and concerts. Smoking is prohibited within the boundaries of all City of Cerritos public park facilities, pursuant to the Cerritos Municipal Ordinance 9.49.020.

Haunted House

Explore a maze of wicked ghouls and ugly monsters at the haunted house, held from 6 to 10 p.m. Children younger than 8 will not be admitted without an adult. Cost is \$2 per person.

Happy Haunt Fun Zone

Children ages 5 years and younger are invited to enjoy a safe night of Halloween fun from 5 to 9 p.m. Games, crafts and entertainment will be provided.

Stage Activities

From 5 to 10 p.m., families are invited to participate in stage activities and costume parades. All stage activities are free.

Volunteers

Individuals, 13 and older, and community organizations that are interested in volunteering at the Halloween Festival should call Heritage Park at (562) 916-8570, before Tuesday, October 13. A mandatory orientation for interested volunteers, specifically for the haunted house, will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 21 at Cerritos Park East. All volunteers must have an application/waiver on file, be fingerprinted and attend a general volunteer orientation prior to Wednesday, October 21.

For more information about the Halloween events, please call the City's Recreation Services Division at (562) 916-1254. ■



The City's Halloween Festival takes place on Saturday, October 31.

Haunted jail offers spooky fun for the family

Residents are invited to the Cerritos Sheriff's Station for a family-friendly Haunted Jail event on Saturday, October 24 from 3 to 10 p.m. The jail is at 18135 Bloomfield Avenue. There is a \$3 suggested donation for entry.

The spooky event features music, jumpers, candy, opportunity drawings, a free kids' zone and Scott's Live Snake Habitat. Food, face-painting, drinks and creepy desserts are offered for a fee. There will also be a costume contest, starting at 5 p.m., for children ages 10 and younger.

The sponsors for the Haunted Jail include Neutral Grounds Jiu Jitsu, Mi Burrito, Vernolas Towing, Branson's Tow and Apollo Printing & Graphics.

For more information, call the Cerritos Sheriff's Station at (562) 467-6842. ■

Holiday donation programs offered

This holiday season, residents are invited to donate to local community programs, including "Toys for Tots," the Salvation Army Angel Giving Tree Program and the Artesia-Cerritos Community Christmas Program sponsored by community volunteers.

The annual "Toys for Tots" program sponsored by the United States Marine Corps in cooperation with the City of Cerritos provides gifts to local underprivileged children. Clubs, families and individuals are encouraged to donate dolls, crafts, toy cars, building blocks, books and other items for infants and children. Possible teen items include notebooks, games, curling irons, blow dryers, books or CDs. New, unwrapped items are requested to help make sorting and delivery more efficient.

Toys for Tots donations can be dropped off Wednesday, November 18 through Wednesday, December 16 in one of the Toys for Tots bins at Cerritos City Hall, Cerritos Library, Heritage Park, Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park, Liberty Park, Cerritos Park East, Cerritos Olympic Swim Center and Cerritos Sheriff's Station. Marines stationed in Seal Beach will deliver the toys to several agencies serving local children. For more information, call (562) 865-8101.

The Salvation Army Angel Giving Tree Program helps brighten Christmas for children of needy families. To participate, pick out one or more tags between Thursday, November 19 and Friday, December 11 from the Angel Tree located in the Cerritos Senior Center. Each tag (for infants through 12-year-olds) will list the child's age, gender, clothing size and toy request. New clothing and/or a new, unwrapped toy for the child, along with the original tag, should be brought to the Cerritos Senior Center on or before Wednesday, December 16.

Monetary donations and grocery store gift cards are also being sought for the annual Artesia-Cerritos Community Christmas Program (ACCCP), to help provide a brighter holiday season for hundreds of local disadvantaged families. Donations for this year's program will be accepted through Tuesday, December 8 at the Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park and Holy Family Catholic Church in Artesia (18708 S. Clarkdale Avenue). Donations of checks or money orders can be mailed to the Artesia-Cerritos Community Christmas Program (ACCCP), P.O. Box 4803, Cerritos, CA 90703. ■

West Nile virus activity confirmed in Cerritos

The Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District (GLACVCD) has confirmed West Nile virus activity in a mosquito sample collected from Cerritos on July 28. The mosquitoes were collected near the intersection of Briarwood Street and Kay Avenue (in the southeastern area of Cerritos). GLACVCD staff have surveyed the area and posted signs in nearby public areas.

GLACVCD has identified West Nile virus activity in multiple communities in Los Angeles County. So far this year, GLACVCD confirmed West Nile virus-positive test results for 105 mosquito samples, four chickens and five dead birds.

West Nile virus is a mosquito-transmitted disease that can cause debilitating illness and death to humans as well as birds, horses and other wildlife. Twenty percent of infected people will exhibit flu-like symptoms, and one in 150 people infected will require hospitalization. There is currently no cure or vaccine for the virus.

GLACVCD recommends that residents follow the "Three D's" of West Nile virus prevention to protect themselves and their families:

- **Dump/Drain** – Eliminate or report standing water on your property because that is where mosquitoes breed.
- **Dusk/Dawn** – Avoid outdoor activities when mosquitoes are most active.
- **Defend** – If you are outdoors when mosquitoes are biting, wear long pants and long-sleeved shirts and apply insect repellent containing EPA-registered active ingredients such as DEET, Picaridin, IR3535 and oil of lemon eucalyptus.

To help West Nile Virus surveillance and control efforts, report dead birds by contacting the California Department of Public Health at (877) WNV-BIRD or visit westnile.ca.gov.

For more information, call GLACVCD at (562) 944-9656 or visit glacvcd.org. ■

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say something.**

(562) 860-0044



TV3 Schedule: October

City Council and Commission Meetings

Cerritos City Council Meetings

7 p.m. on Thursday, October 8 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Friday, October 9 and 9 a.m. on Monday, October 12

7 p.m. on Thursday, October 22 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Friday, October 23 and 9 a.m. on Monday, October 26

Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Thursday, October 1 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Monday, October 5 and 9 a.m. on Tuesday, October 6

Planning Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Wednesday, October 7 (live), rebroadcasts: 10 a.m. on Friday, October 9 and 7 p.m. on Wednesday, October 14

Property Preservation Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 27 (live), rebroadcasts: 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 29 and 7 p.m. on Tuesday, November 3

Program Highlights

The Art of the Cerritos Library

5 p.m. on Sunday, October 4 and 8 p.m. on Sunday, October 11

Cerritos Library Book Art Collection

5:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 4 and 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 17

Surf Tunes in Concert

6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 20 and 8:30 p.m. on Friday, October 30

El Greco: An Artist's Odyssey

7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 13, 7 p.m. on Thursday, October 15 and 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 18

Cerritos Water Recycling

5:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 8

AXIS Dance Company at the CCPA

7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 21

For Cerritos TV3 schedule and streaming video, visit: cerritos.us/RESIDENTS/tv3.php

Calendar of Events

- September 25 • **Filipino Seniors of Cerritos**, 1 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on October 9, 16, 23 and 30. Contact Mayette Centeno at (562) 860-6802.
- September 26 • **Cerritos Certified Farmers' Market**, 8 a.m.-noon, northwest parking lot of the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts. Also on October 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31.
- **Cerritos Tennis Club**, 7 a.m.-noon, Cerritos High School tennis courts, members only. Also on September 27, October 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 25 and 31. Contact Allen at (562) 926-9551.
- September 28 • **Cerritos Gadabouts**, 9 a.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on October 12, 19 and 26. Contact Josie Garcia at (562) 926-1225.
- **Rotary Club of Cerritos**, noon, HomeTown Buffet, 11471 South Street, Cerritos. Also on October 5, 12, 19 and 26. Contact Sharun Carlson at (562) 404-1993.
- September 29 • **Property Preservation Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers. Also on October 27.
- **Iron-Wood Women's Golf Club** plays, 7:30 a.m., Cerritos Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course. Also on October 6, 13, 20 and 27. Contact Sharon Hamel at (562) 598-6165.
- **Cerritos Chinese-American Senior Citizens Association**, 2-5 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on October 6, 13, 20 and 27. Contact Janet Liang at (562) 331-1028.
- **Classic Estates Toastmaster Club**, 6 p.m., Century 21 Classic Estates, 13217 South Street. Also on October 6, 13, 20 and 27. The public is invited to attend. Contact Soledad Almarinez at (562) 865-2922 for more information.
- **The "Original" Happy Seniors of Cerritos**, 6:30-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on October 6, 13, 20 and 27. Contact Victoria Ilano at (562) 862-2842.
- September 30 • **Cerritos Cheerful Chatters Toastmasters Club**, noon, SELACO Workforce Investment Board, 10900 E. 183rd Street, 3rd Floor, Cerritos. Visitors welcome. Also on October 7, 14, 21 and 28. Contact Larry Lee at (562) 402-9336.
- **Cerritos Tennis Club**, 6-10 p.m., Cerritos High School tennis courts, members only. Also on October 7, 14, 21 and 28. Contact Allen at (562) 926-9551.
- **Toastmasters International Club 3828: Eclectic Dialectics**, 7:30 p.m., Vintage Cerritos, 11000 New Falcon Way, Cerritos. Also on October 7, 14, 21 and 28. Contact Pat Lozano or Nick Kim at (562) 281-7332.
- October 1 • **Parks and Recreation Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Cerritos Optimist Club**, 7 a.m., Off Street Café, 11020 Artesia Blvd. Also on October 8 and 22. Contact Richard Alegria at (310) 714-3852.
- **Happy Seniors of Cerritos Association**, 2-5 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on October 15. Contact Emma Chupinghong at (562) 400-1075.
- **Cerritos Indo-American Seniors**, 3:30-5:30 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on October 8, 15, 22 and 29. Contact Jashbhai Patel at (562) 382-7611.
- October 2 • **Annual Health and Wellness Fair**, 8:30-11:30 a.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park.
- **Southern California Philippine U.S. Veterans Association**, 7:30 p.m., Liberty Park. Contact Pedro Dionisio at (562) 881-3480.
- October 6 • **Soulful Seniors of Cerritos**, 6-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Contact Louida Shaw at (562) 412-7448.
- **ABC School District Board** meeting, 7 p.m., 16700 Norwalk Blvd., Cerritos. Also on October 20.
- October 7 • **Planning Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Friends of the 1st CEB**, 6 p.m., Liberty Park. Also on October 24 at 10 a.m. Contact Dorothy Owen at (562) 926-1092.
- October 8 • **City Council** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Woman's Club of Artesia-Cerritos**, 11 a.m., Cerritos Park Easet. Contact Marilyn McGorman at (562) 860-8944.
- **Cerritos Senior Dance Club**, 6-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on October 22. Contact Juanita Cantano at (562) 926-2912.
- **Formosa Senior Association**, 6:30-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on October 15, 22 and 29. Contact Chai Tsuan Liang at (562) 382-7769.
- October 11 • **'Ahahui 'O Lili'uokalani Hawaiian Civic Club of Southern California**, 10 a.m., John Jensen residence. Contact John Jensen at (562) 926-2286 for more information.
- October 12 • **Columbus Day**
- October 13 • **Cerritos-Artesia Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1846**, 6:30 p.m., Heritage Park. Also on October 27. Contact Jeffrey Enomoto at (714) 292-2985.
- **Cerritos Republican Club**, 7 p.m., Cerritos Library Skyline Room. Contact Matt Kauble at (562) 743-1855, or visit the website at cerritos-republican.org.
- **Volunteer attorneys** provide free basic legal advice and referrals for Cerritos residents, 7-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on October 27. Call (562) 916-8101 for an appointment.
- October 14 • **Soroptimist International of Artesia-Cerritos**, 6 p.m., Coco's, 11510 E. South Street, Cerritos. Also on October 28. Contact Pat Law at (562) 924-6222.
- **Cerritos Rod & Gun Club**, 7 p.m., Heritage Park. Contact Mike Van Scoy at (562) 926-4392.
- October 15 • **Fil-AM Seniors of Cerritos**, 6-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Contact Flor Carlos at (562) 879-9880.
- **American Association of University Women**, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Cerritos Park East. Contact Mary Ann Quinn at (562) 924-1888.
- **Cerritos Optimist Club**, 7 p.m., Café n' Stuff, 9306 E. Firestone Blvd, Downey. Contact Richard Alegria at (310) 714-3852.
- October 16 • **Friends of the Library pre-sale for members**, 6-8 p.m., Library Skyline Room.
- **Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.**, Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter. Please call Chapter voicemail at (714) 517-7909 for meeting time and location.
- October 17 • **Friends of the Library book sale**, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Library Skyline Room.
- October 18 • **Friends of the Library \$3-a-bag sale**, 1:30-3 p.m., Library Skyline Room.
- October 19 • **Hubert Humphrey Democratic Club**, 7 p.m., Coco's, 11510 E. South Street, Cerritos. Contact Tina Cho at (562) 822-5950 or hhdemocrat@gmail.com.
- October 21 • **Veterans Workshop Seminars**, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., SELACO Workforce Investment Board, 10900 E. 183rd Street, #392 (3rd Floor), Cerritos. Also on October 27 at the Employment Development Department, 12715 S. Pioneer Blvd., Norwalk. For more information, please call (562) 929-9107.
- October 22 • **City Council** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Philippine Society of Southeast Los Angeles** meeting, 7 p.m., Liberty Park. Contact Nimfa Castro at (562) 822-3633.
- October 31 • **Halloween**
- **Halloween Festival**, 5-10 p.m., Cerritos Regional Park.

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It's the law: Clean up after pets

Residents are reminded that it is the law to clean up after your pets, whether they are on sidewalks, private front yards, school fields or parks. Title 10 of the Los Angeles County Code prohibits residents from leaving pet waste on any public or private property that does not belong to the resident.

It is important to keep our City and the environment clean, and animal waste can get into City storm drains and flow into the ocean. To assist pet owners with clean-up, some City parks are equipped with special refuse bags.

Residents must also abide by the City's leash law, which requires all dogs to be on a leash while in public. A leashed dog protects the pet as well as residents, guests and City workers.

To complain about a barking dog, contact the City's Community Safety Division at (562) 916-1266. ■

Follow traffic safety tips as children head back to school

The greatest threat to Los Angeles County residents, both personally and financially, isn't violent or property crime. In Cerritos, and perhaps also in the other 88 cities within the county, the most significant personal risk tends to occur while driving on local streets and highways. For most residents, the most common public safety-related incident is a car accident involving other cars, bicyclists or pedestrians.

Cerritos averages about 200 residential burglaries annually, but between 800 to more than 1,000 reported traffic collisions. Living defensively is important in reducing our crime risk, but driving defensively is even more important in reducing risk of personal injury and death.

With thousands of children now back to school, it is particularly important to heed school-related traffic safety tips. Below are some school safety tips provided by the National Safe Routes to School Program and the City of Cerritos Community Safety Division staff.

- Slow down and obey all traffic laws and speed limits. This may be the most important safety tip to observe around schools.
- Comply with school drop-off and pick-up procedures. Many schools in Cerritos have student valet or parking lot transition programs and should be used if possible.
- Avoid double parking and stopping in crosswalks or in people's driveways to let children out of the car. Do not allow children to cross the street mid-block, and teach them to use crosswalks. Cerritos Sheriff's deputies have been directed to issue citations for these violations.
- Stop for a school bus when red overhead lights are flashing or a stop sign has been activated on the street side of the bus. Violating this law may result in a very expensive citation.
- Watch for children crossing streets near schools or at nearby corners. Pedestrians have the right-of-way when in marked or unmarked crosswalks. (Any intersection has an unmarked crosswalk unless a posted sign says otherwise.)
- Watch for children on sidewalks when backing out or entering a driveway.
- Pay attention to the directions of crossing guards, and take the time to thank them once in a while. There are 23 guards in Cerritos who put themselves at risk every day to protect the kids.
- Heed these safety tips to help keep the children in Cerritos safe. ■

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