

The Cerritos News

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
- 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 aerators 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. ■

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 in the past month. So far this year, GLACVCD confirmed West Nile virus-positive test results for 31 mosquito samples, one chicken and one dead bird.

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. ■

City facilities observe Labor Day

Cerritos City Hall, the Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park, Cerritos Library, the Community Gymnasiums and the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts Ticket Office will be closed on Monday, September 7 in observance of Labor Day.

On Monday, September 7, Cerritos Park East, Heritage Park and Liberty Park are open from 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. The Cerritos Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course is open from 6 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. The Cerritos Sports Complex will be open from 2 to 8 p.m. and the Cerritos Olympic Swim and Fitness Center is open from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. for adult lap swim and from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. for recreational swim.

There will be no street sweeping and trash pick-up on Labor Day. Schedules will be delayed by one day for the remainder of the week through Saturday. The COW and Dial-A-Ride transit services will not operate on Labor Day. ■

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. An excursion to Segerstrom Center for the Arts in Costa Mesa to



Neil Sedaka opens the 2015-2016 Season at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts on Sunday, September 20.

Legend Neil Sedaka kicks off CCPA's new season

The Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts' (CCPA) 2015-2016 Season opens with a performance by Grammy-nominated singer-songwriter Neil Sedaka at 3 p.m. on Sunday, September 20. The Songwriters' Hall of Famer is known for the hits "Breaking Up Is Hard to Do," "Laughter in the Rain" and "Bad Blood."

A musical institution, the Isley Brothers shook up multiple musical genres from funk to soul and R&B to rock with a broad spectrum of hits: "Love the One You're With," "This Old Heart of Mine," the Grammy-winning "It's Your Thing" and "Shout." The group, a member of the Vocal Group Hall of Fame and Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, shakes things up at 8 p.m. on Saturday, September 26.

In the brand-new "Strings of Passion," Emmy winner Benise delivers an electrifying musical journey of Spanish flamenco, Cuban salsa and Brazilian samba fused with classic rock anthems from Led Zeppelin, The Rolling Stones, AC/DC and The Eagles. Featuring dancers and colorful choreography, the world music showcase takes place at 7 p.m. on Sunday, September 27.

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. ■

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, 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, call (562) 916-1388. ■

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.

June 22, 2015

- Awarded a contract for mechanical equipment maintenance services, Bid No. 1209-15, to F.M. Thomas Air Conditioning, Inc. in the amount of \$52,668.00, and authorized the City Manager or his designee to execute any change orders related to this maintenance work.
- Received and filed the Planning Commission resolution finding the Capital Improvement Plan for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 in conformance with the General Plan for the City.
- Approved the inclusion of the 2016 Community Calendar to the 2015-2016 annual budget at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.00.
- Adopted Joint Resolution No. 2015-17 approving and adopting the annual budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016, appropriating the funds necessary to meet the expenditures set forth therein and approving the investment policy for Fiscal Year 2015-2016, subject to the following amendments:
 - WHEREAS, the City Manager of the City of Cerritos, in accordance with Article IX of the Municipal Charter, has submitted to the City Council of the City of Cerritos a 2015-2016 Fiscal Year combined Operating and Capital Improvement Budget in the amount of \$92,923,792.00 in proposed expenditures for general and special City purposes and reflecting funds available in the total amount of \$91,249,565.00.
 - SECTION 1. The City Manager's proposed 2015-2016 Fiscal Year Budget for general and special City purposes is approved and adopted in the amount of \$92,923,792.00 for expenditures and \$91,249,565.00 in revenue. The referenced approved expenditure amount is inclusive of a request authorized by the City Council at the June 22, 2015 City Council meeting to include an allocation not to exceed \$50,000.00 for the production and distribution of the 2016 Community Calendar.
- Adopted Resolution 2015-18 approving and adopting the annual appropriation limit for Fiscal Year 2015-2016.
- Approved the art piece "Quadras" by Cliff Garten Studio, submitted by Macerich Cerritos, LLC, for the major renovation project at the Los Cerritos Center, in accordance with Chapter 22.94 of the Cerritos Municipal Code as it relates to the Art in Public Places Program. The project is generally located at 239 Los Cerritos Mall (APN Nos. 7038-014-017 and 7038-014-022).
- Approved and authorized the City Manager to execute the cost sharing agreement between the City of Cerritos and the Gateway Water Management Authority for the installation of monitoring equipment and monitoring pursuant to the Harbor Toxic Pollutants Total Maximum Daily Load.
- Approved an enhanced Community Spring Festival in celebration of the City's 60th anniversary, in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00.
- Approved and authorized the City Manager to execute the maintenance agreement with the City of Cypress outlining the terms and conditions related to the maintenance of the water line and related infrastructure, subject to final approval by the City Attorney; and

- Approved and authorized the City Manager or his designee to execute the amendment to the agreement with MCM Management Company in the amount of \$48,600.00 under Project No. 17198, and authorized the City Manager or his designee to execute any additional project-related contract amendments; and
- Approved and authorized the City Manager or his designee to execute the amendment to the agreement with VA Consulting in the amount of \$35,333.00 under Project No. 17198, and authorized the City Manager or his designee to execute any additional project-related contract amendments.
- Rejected all proposals received for the Citywide Water Feature Maintenance and Repair and granted permission to re-advertise for the project.

July 9, 2015

- Adopted Ordinance No. 995 amending Chapter 22.22, Single-Family Residential Zones of the Cerritos Municipal Code, adding regulations for the installation and use of drought-tolerant landscape plant material in residential front yards, herein referenced as Development Code Amendment 2015-1.
- Approved and authorized the City Manager to execute the first amendments to agreements for cost sharing to prepare and implement Watershed Management Programs and Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Programs for the Los Cerritos Channel and lower San Gabriel River watersheds.
- Adopted Resolution No. 2015-19 adopting the Greater Los Angeles County Integrated Regional Water Management Plan.
- Approved the artwork by Kathleen Caricof of the National Sculptor's Guild, submitted by The Picerme Group, for the Aria luxury apartment homes, in accordance with Chapter 22.94 of the Cerritos Municipal Code as it relates to the Art in Public Places Program. The project is located at 12601, 12607, 12611 and 12615 Artesia Boulevard, generally located at the northeast corner of Bloomfield Avenue and Artesia Boulevard (APN Nos. 7030-001-044, 7030-001-045 and 7030-001-046).
- Directed staff to prepare a letter of opposition for Assembly Bill 254 (AB 254) to Assemblymember Hernandez, Senate Appropriations Committee, Senator Mendoza, Assemblymember Garcia, League of California Cities (Sacramento and Los Angeles Division), City Clerks Association of California, Gateway Cities Council of Governments, California Contract Cities, Independent Cities Association and Gonsalves and Son, and that an additional letter be sent to Governor Brown to request a veto of AB 254, should the legislation reach his desk.
- Directed staff to prepare a letter of opposition for Senate Bill 415 (SB415) (Hueso) to Senator Hueso, members of the Assembly, Senator Mendoza, Assemblymember Garcia, League of California Cities (Sacramento and Los Angeles Division), City Clerks Association of California, Gateway Cities Council of Governments, California Contract Cities, Independent Cities Association and Gonsalves and Son, and that an additional letter be sent to Governor Brown to request a veto of SB 415, should the legislation reach his desk.
- Adjourned in memory of former City employee Michael Wolf.

City ordinance regulates use of leaf blowers

The City would like to remind residents that the use of leaf blowers in any residential area and in commercial areas within 400 feet of any residential area in the City is restricted to the hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays and legal holidays. The City ordinance regulating these hours was designed to protect residents from excessive noise caused by such equipment.

Residents and businesses should also be aware that leaf blowers should not direct debris onto adjacent parcels or lots. Such debris should be removed and disposed of to prevent dispersion by wind, vandalism or other similar means. Piles of leaves left in the gutters can clog storm drains and cause flooding. In addition, leaves in storm drains decompose and grow bacteria that can travel into the ocean. ■

"Taste of the Region & Business Expo" planned

The Cerritos Regional Chamber of Commerce, in conjunction with the Los Cerritos Foundation, will hold the "Taste of the Region & Business Expo" on Tuesday, September 15 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts. The one-day event showcases the best of the region's food, music, restaurants and local businesses.

Admission is \$10 and includes a wristband for all-access tastings from more than 20 local restaurants and caterers. Children under 5 years old get in free with a paying adult. The event features more than 80 exhibitor booths, live music, raffle prizes, auto displays and more. Parking is free. Booth spaces and sponsorship opportunities are available.

For more information, contact the Cerritos Regional Chamber of Commerce at (562) 467-0800 or email chamber@cerritos.org. ■

Patriot Day Concert set for September 11

Cerritos residents and community members are invited to attend a special Patriot Day Concert on Friday, September 11 at 6:30 p.m. at Heritage Park.

Honoring the victims and heroes affected by the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, the event includes a brief ceremony with the Cerritos City Council, a moment of silence and a concert of patriotic and Americana music by the Cerritos College Band. A patriotic craft will be available for children ages 6 to 11.

Snacks will be available for a nominal fee. Dogs, cats and other pets are not allowed in the park during special events and concerts. Smoking is prohibited within the boundaries of all City public park facilities.

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

New artwork approved

The Cerritos City Council recently approved two sculptures proposed for the Aria Luxury Apartment Homes and Los Cerritos Center. The pieces are part of the City's Art in Public Places program.

The "Aria" creation, by Kathleen Caricof of the National Sculptor's Guild, will include a sculpture evoking a musical figure standing amid the flowing waters in a two-tiered fountain. Elevated on a black granite platform, the sculpture will feature two dark curved stone pieces separated by a panel of corten steel and complemented with bold-colored steel accents.

Approximately 8 feet tall and 3.5 feet wide, the piece will stand at the corner of Artesia Boulevard and Bloomfield Avenue, in front of the Aria Luxury Apartment Homes complex. The artwork is expected to be dedicated in the fall.

"Quadras," a new contemporary sculpture by Venice-based artist Cliff Garten, will soon grace the Los Cerritos Center. The piece will feature four cylindrical pockets housing a system of color-changing LED fixtures that light up the sculpture in a haze of brilliant colors at night.

The twisted column structure will be composed of more than 90 stainless steel rods that reflect and refract sunlight, giving off a gold or silver hue. At sunset, the lights at the base of the pedestal will turn on, kicking off a colorful light show. The total height of the artwork is 17 feet tall and 3 feet wide. The sculpture will be installed on the east side of the mall facing Gridley Road, adjacent to Macy's.

The City's Art in Public Places program requires property owners/developers to provide a piece of artwork or donate 1 percent of the building permit valuation to a trust fund dedicated to art work and its maintenance when constructing developments with a value of \$250,000 or more. The Picerme Group is purchasing the sculpture for "Aria" and Macerich is purchasing "Quadras." ■

Liberty Park improvements completed

Several improvement projects at Liberty Park have been completed.

The finished projects include a new 50-foot-by-90-foot picnic shelter, which can accommodate approximately 250 people. The shelter is now open and available for reservations.

Liberty Park's walking/running track, tennis courts and playground were also resurfaced and rehabilitated and are available for use. ■

City approves drought-tolerant landscape

In response to California's severe drought conditions, the Cerritos City Council has approved a new ordinance that permits drought-tolerant landscaping for the front yards of single-family residences.

Drought-tolerant organic plant matter should comprise a minimum of 80 percent of the front-yard landscaped area. Non-organic material — which includes decomposed aggregate, gravel and/or rock — is permitted up to a maximum of 20 percent of the front-yard landscaped area.

For more information or ideas, residents can access the "Drought-Tolerant Front Yard Landscape Design Manual" and "Plant Color Reference Guide" on the city's website, cerritos.us, or pick up copies at the Community Development counter in City Hall. ■

Seventy Cerritos residences win City Wide Pride awards

Seventy Cerritos residences were awarded the Cerritos City Wide Pride distinction, which recognizes properties that are beautifully maintained and landscaped. The grand prize winners were honored at the July 23 Cerritos City Council meeting.

There were 14 grand prize winners and 56 winners selected this year from 115 nominations. The City was divided into seven areas for judging.

Grand Prize

Grand prize winners include, in no particular order, Victor and Iris Ruiz; Raul Cerda; Miguel and Maria Franco; Jose and Judite Mendes; Ravinder Asija; Malythong Kamtan; Jose and Lucianne Borges; Joseph and Mary La Riccia; Darlene Harrison; Venkatachalam and Prabha Parameswaran; Pankaj and Anupama Sharma; Leon and Mary Ebrahim; David and Cheryl Driscoll; and Hong Mou and Li Fung Chen.

Winners

Winners are, in no particular order, Jorge and Sonia Espinoza; Stanley and Judy Henderson; Herminio and Aurora Mangune; Christopher and Kerry Fernando; Thomas and Bonnie Booth; William and Martha Bejarano; Simon Gonzalez and Mirtha De Cruz; William and Rita Parker; Frank and Ruth Rollema; Jason Hsu and Hsing Chiang; Stanley and Nancy Winters; Sook Ja Choi; Andre Durity, II and Jamie Durity; Yuan Chang and Arlene Chung; Johnny Siem; John and Christine Maramba; Girish and Gita Patel; Michael and Judy Negrete; Judy O'Leary; Kye and Jae Hwang Sugino; Harvey and Ruby Kong; Haniffa and Feroza Maznavi; Angie Begin; Donny and Kerry Kawano; Stephen and Joyce Seyler; Grace and Vincent Chen; Parimal and Kalpana Shah; Hermy and Lisa Alonzo; Arvind and Jayshria Mehta; Dar Biau and Hung Ching Liu; Allen and Linh To; Mansour and Zahra Meisami; Charles and Barbara Murphy; Mythrayee Reddivari and Venkat Mythri; Sean and Amy Lou; Keith Aulick and Mary Sapper; Larry and Sharon Stallings; Bunly Ny and Bach Nga Pham;

Alisa Morgan; Jerome and Elayne Shiohama; John Varghese and Annamma John; Dennis and Linda Seki; Hornghsi Ju and Lilian Lai; Gerald and Julie Khau; Leslie Burke; Rinaldo and Gayle Cebrian; Jerry Yuchen and Leigh Chang; Christopher and Agnes Lobo; John and Kathy Craddick; Jose and Doris Iglesias; Paulus and Winnie Choy; Alan and Shelley Pesanti; Kenneth and Jennifer Hopper; Lee Kull and Aida Torres; Kee Won Chung; and Melvin and Betty Bernstein.

Winning Addresses

Area 1

Grand Prize Winners: 19032 Allingham Avenue and 19215 Crossdale Avenue. Winners: 11267 Jerry Place; 11261 Jerry Place; 18608 Kings Row Avenue; 18511 Deloise Avenue; 19624 Wiersma Avenue; 11274 Bertha Street; 18337 Deloise Avenue; and 11260 Park Street.

Area 2

Grand Prize Winners: 20132 Cassia Court and 19322 Revere Avenue. Winners: 11542 Christy Street; 11719 Buford Street; 19403 Chamblee Avenue; 11703 Gonsalves Street; 12540 Kenobi Court; 12126 Wendy Street; 19729 Jacob Avenue; and 11602 Bingham Street.

Area 3

Grand Prize Winners: 19215 Bechard Avenue and 4461 Vail Street. Winners: 18759 Jeffrey Avenue; 18729 Sabrina Avenue; 18329 Noran Avenue; 19209 Chelsea Avenue; 19409 Leal Circle; 18760 Jeffrey Avenue; 13545 Droxford Street; and 4441 Snowbird Circle.

Area 4

Grand Prize Winners: 17813 Sybrandy Avenue and 18709 De Voss Avenue. Winners: 12053 Eastman Street; 18809 Stefani Avenue; 12510 Yosemite Street; 12553 Destino Street; 12409 Carnaby Street; 12512 Semora Street; 12355 Charwood Street; and 19135 Demeter Avenue.



The owner of this beautifully maintained home was honored with a City Wide Pride award.

Area 5

Grand Prize Winners: 13614 Destino Place and 13604 Destino Place. Winners: 18406 Betty Way; 13040 Destino Lane; 13540 Semora Place; 18306 Laurelbrook Circle; 13541 Acoro Place; 17615 Linda Way; 17503 Leslie Avenue; and 13544 Semora Place.

Area 6

Grand Prize Winners: 13427 Aclare Street and 13440 Aclare Street. Winners: 13017 Hart Place; 17209 Pires Avenue; 17802 Vierra Avenue; 13730 Alderton Lane; 13433 Aclare Street; 13837 Reva Street; 13321 Fern Pine Circle; and 16818 Alexander Avenue.

Area 7

Grand Prize Winners: 17319 De Groot Place and 17219 Alfred Avenue. Winners: 12646 Lucas Street; 12419 Cedarcreek Lane; 17203 Maria Avenue; 17315 Maurice Avenue; 17326 Maurice Avenue; 12614 Beach Street; 18916 Indian Creek Road; and 12651 Palm Street.

Judges

Twenty-eight community members volunteered as judges to select this year's winners. The judges were Lewie and Clareece Woodson, Lydia Roblow, Sam Serrano, Michael Baran, Raimonda Scime, Terry and Suzanne Andrews, Gita Patel, Julietta Williams, Dean and Karen Fisher, Janice Hextell, Richard and Mae Ma, Liang-An Chen, Ngar Chan, Morris Satki, Howard and Carmela Remsen, Monica Arrey, Linda Ebacher, Handy Su, Ingrid Strange, Jim McMahon, Richard and Joan Redmayne, and Maria Buchanan. ■

Be cautious of coyotes in Cerritos

There has been a recent increase in sightings of coyotes throughout Cerritos and nearby communities. Residents should take the following precautions to avoid encounters with the wild animals:

- Feed pets indoors.
- Eliminate potential food and water sources, such as fallen fruit or standing water.
- Keep yards free of thick brush and weeds.
- Enclose the bottoms of porches and decks.
- Keep dogs on a leash at all times when outdoors.
- Keep small animals inside or supervised when outdoors. A fenced yard will not protect small animals because coyotes can easily scale residential fences.

Domestic dogs are especially vulnerable to coyote attacks. Adult coyotes are mainly active at night or in the early morning hours, while young coyotes are often active during the day. California coyotes have adapted to residential neighborhoods, parks and open spaces in urban and suburban areas. They are especially prevalent in areas bordering a flood channel.

Residents who see a coyote in their neighborhood should try to scare it away by shouting, throwing rocks, blowing portable air horns or acting in other aggressive ways in order

to reinforce the coyote's fear of people. Motion-sensitive lights on houses or outbuildings may also deter coyotes from approaching.

If an aggressive or fearless coyote approaches you or your pet, consider the following tips:

- Shout in a deep voice.
- Wave your arms.
- Throw objects at the animal.
- Look the coyote directly in the eyes.
- Stand up if you are seated.
- If you are wearing a coat or vest, spread it open like a cape so that you appear larger.
- Retreat from the situation by walking backward slowly. Do not turn your back on the coyote.

The City contracts with Long Beach Animal Care Services for all animal control matters. If you see a coyote, fill out an online "Wildlife Incident Report" on the Long Beach Animal Care Services website, longbeach.gov/acs. From the homepage, click "Wildlife," then "Living with Urban Coyote" and "Report a Coyote Sighting." The website has additional information about coyotes. ■

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH WORKS

**If you see something,
say something.**

(562) 860-0044



TV3 Schedule: September

City Council and Commission Meetings

Cerritos City Council Meetings

7 p.m. on Thursday, September 10 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Friday, September 11 and 9 a.m. on Monday, September 14

7 p.m. on Monday, September 21 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Friday, September 25 and 9 a.m. on Monday, September 28

Planning Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Wednesday, September 2 (live), rebroadcasts: 10 a.m. on Friday, September 4 and 7 p.m. on Wednesday, September 9

Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Thursday, September 3 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Monday, September 7 and 9 a.m. on Tuesday, September 8

Fine Arts and Historical Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Thursday, September 17 (live), rebroadcasts: 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 22 and 9 a.m. on Thursday, September 24

Property Preservation Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Tuesday, September 29 (live), rebroadcasts: 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 1 and 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 6

Program Highlights

Cerritos Recycled Water System

5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 2 and 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 16

Concerts Under the Stars: Surf Tunes

7 p.m. on Wednesday, September 16; 7:30 p.m. on Friday, September 18; and 7 p.m. on Sunday, September 20

Cerritos Library Author Showcase: Jennifer Gray Olson "Ninja Bunny"

9 a.m. on Thursday, September 10; 7:30 p.m. on Monday, September 14; and 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, September 19

CCPA 2015-2016 Season Highlights

7 p.m. on Monday, September 14; 7 p.m. on Tuesday, September 15; and 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, September 19

The Ultimate Elvis Bash at the CCPA

6 p.m. on Sunday, September 27

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

Calendar of Events

- August 28 • **Filipino Seniors of Cerritos**, 1 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on September 4, 11, 18 and 25. Contact Mayette Centeno at (562) 860-6802.
- August 29 • **Recreation Services Youth Flag Football** registration, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Sports Complex.
- **Cerritos Certified Farmers' Market**, 8 a.m.-noon, northwest parking lot of the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts. Also on September 6, 12, 19 and 26.
- **Cerritos Tennis Club**, 7 a.m.-noon, Cerritos High School tennis courts, members only. Also on August 30, September 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26 and 27. Contact Allen at (562) 926-9551.
- August 31 • **Rotary Club of Cerritos**, noon, HomeTown Buffet, 11471 South Street, Cerritos. Also on September 14, 21 and 28. Contact Sharon Carlson at (562) 404-1993.
- September 1 • **Iron-Wood Women's Golf Club** plays, 7:30 a.m., Cerritos Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course. Also on September 8, 15, 22 and 29. 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 September 8, 15, 22 and 29. Contact Janet Liang at (562) 331-1028.
- **Classic Estates Toastmaster Club**, 6 p.m., Century 21 Classic Estates, 13217 South Street. Also on September 8, 15, 22 and 29. The public is invited to attend. Contact Soledad Almarinez at (562) 865-2922 for more information.
- **Soulful Seniors of Cerritos**, 6-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Contact Louida Shaw at (562) 412-7448.
- **The "Original" Happy Seniors of Cerritos**, 6:30-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on September 8, 15, 22 and 29. Contact Victoria Ilano at (562) 862-2842.
- September 2 • **Planning Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Cerritos Cheerful Chatters Toastmasters Club**, noon, SELACO Workforce Investment Board, 10900 E. 183rd Street, 3rd Floor, Cerritos. Visitors welcome. Also on September 9, 16, 23 and 30. Contact Larry Lee at (562) 402-9336.
- **Friends of the 1st CEB**, 6 p.m., Liberty Park. Also on September 19 at 10 a.m. Contact Dorothy Owen at (562) 926-1092.
- **Cerritos Tennis Club**, 6-10 p.m., Cerritos High School tennis courts, members only. Also on September 9, 16, 23 and 30. 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 September 9, 16, 23 and 30. Contact Pat Lozano or Nick Kim at (562) 281-7332.
- September 3 • **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 September 10 and 24. 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 September 17. 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 September 10, 17 and 24. Contact Jashbhai Patel at (562) 382-7611.
- **Fil-AM Seniors of Cerritos**, 6-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on September 17. Contact Flor Carlos at (562) 879-9880.
- **Formosa Senior Association**, 6:30-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on September 10, 17 and 24. Contact Chai Tsuan Liang at (562) 382-7769.
- September 4 • **Southern California Philippine U.S. Veterans Association**, 7:30 p.m., Liberty Park. Contact Pedro Dionisio at (562) 881-3480.
- September 7 • **Labor Day**
- **City Hall, Library, Senior Center and CCPA Ticket Office closed**
- September 8 • **Cerritos-Artesia Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1846**, 6:30 p.m., Heritage Park. Also on September 22. 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 September 22. Call (562) 916-8550 for an appointment.
- September 9 • **Soroptimist International of Artesia-Cerritos**, 6 p.m., Coco's, 11510 E. South Street, Cerritos. Also on September 23 at noon. Contact Lola Rizkallah at lolarizkallah@msn.com.
- **Cerritos Rod & Gun Club**, 7 p.m., Heritage Park. Contact Mike Van Scoy at (562) 926-4392.
- September 10 • **City Council** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Cerritos Senior Dance Club**, 6-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on September 24. Contact Juanita Cantano at (562) 926-2912.
- September 11 • **Patriot Day**
- **Patriot Day Concert**, 6:30 p.m., Heritage Park.
- September 13 • **Rosh Hashanah**
- **'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.
- September 14 • **Cerritos Gadabouts**, 9 a.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on September 21 and 28. Contact Josie Garcia at (562) 926-1225.
- September 15 • **ABC School District Board** meeting, 7 p.m., 16700 Norwalk Blvd., Cerritos.
- September 16 • **Community Safety Committee** meeting, 7 p.m., Cerritos Sheriff's Station/Community Safety Center.
- **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 September 22 at the Employment Development Department, 12715 S. Pioneer Blvd., Norwalk. For more information, please call (562) 929-9107.
- September 17 • **Fine Arts and Historical Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **American Association of University Women**, 6:30 p.m., Cerritos Library Skyline Room. Contact Mary Ann Quinn at (562) 924-1888 or Nancy Kawamura at (714) 901-7688.
- **Cerritos Optimist Club**, 7 p.m., Café n' Stuff, 9306 E. Firestone Blvd, Downey. Contact Richard Alegria at (310) 714-3852.
- September 18 • **Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.**, Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter. Please call Chapter voicemail at (714) 517-7909 for meeting time and location.
- September 21 • **City Council** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **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.
- September 22 • **Yom Kippur**
- September 24 • **Philippine Society of Southeast Los Angeles** meeting, 7 p.m., Liberty Park. Contact Nimfa Castro at (562) 822-3633.
- September 29 • **Property Preservation Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.

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Follow pool regulations to protect storm drain systems

An estimated 2,700 swimming pools and spas can be found in backyards throughout Cerritos. When cleaning your swimming pool, it is important to follow the proper procedures to dispose of swimming pool water and pool filter material in order to prevent storm water and ocean pollution.

Owners planning to drain their pool can drain it to the sewer through the pool's P-trap. The P-trap should have been installed when the pool was first constructed. For help in locating the P-trap, contact a pool cleaning or equipment service.

For pools without a P-trap, dechlorinated pool water can be drained to the gutter. Before draining your pool, use a pool test kit to check the chlorine level of the water. The chlorine content needs to be 0 before draining it to the gutter. If the chlorine level exceeds 0, it must be reduced before draining. This can be done by waiting several days for the chlorine to dissipate. However, care must be taken not to wait so long as to allow algae to build up in the pool, as it is also illegal to discharge pool water containing algae into the gutter.

When cleaning pool filters, don't clean them into the storm drain system. Pool filters contain a powdery sediment called diatomaceous earth, which is not allowed to be placed in the street, gutter or storm drain system. Diatomaceous earth filter waste can be placed in the trash or applied to your garden as a soil supplement.

For safety purposes, Cerritos pool owners are required to maintain a 6-foot fence around the perimeter of the pool or backyard. Any gates leading to the pool must also be at least 6 feet tall, and must be self-closing and self-latching.

A City permit and approval from the Planning Division is required before installing or modifying a swimming pool, spa or pool fencing.

For more information about swimming pool water regulations, contact the Environmental Services Division at (562) 916-1220. For information on swimming pool safety regulations, call the City's Code Enforcement Division at (562) 916-1203. To obtain approval and a permit for pool installation and modifications, visit the Planning counter at City Hall or call (562) 916-1201. ■

Senior health fair vendors sought

Vendors are currently being sought for the 2015 Senior Health and Wellness Fair on Friday, October 2 from 8:30 to noon at the Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park.

The non-refundable vendor registration fee for a for-profit agency is \$100. For-profit agencies providing a free health screening for the fair attendees will not be required to pay the \$100 fee. Non-profit agencies and local, state or federal agencies may register for free. Each vendor will receive an eight-foot square space.

Vendors may register until Friday, September 18 or as space is available. For more information and to download a vendor application, visit the City's website, cerritos.us, and click the "Vendor registration" link under Top Stories. ■

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