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## Enjoy the Summer Fun

# Fiesta & Street Fair

Old Town Camarillo - Along Ventura Boulevard



Mexican Folkloric Dancers.

The annual Camarillo Fiesta and Street Fair returns to Old Town Camarillo July 13-15. The multi-day festival will feature a carnival, food booths, craft vendors, car show, wine and beer garden and free entertainment for all ages. As a special attraction, the carnival will be open for the 18 and under set from 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 12, with all rides priced at 50 cents. The main festivities will begin on July 13, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Fiesta goers are encouraged to dance – or listen – the evening away to the blues sounds of the Preacher Blues Band and the cool Latin Jazz of the Estrada Brothers at Dizdar Park, 20 South Glenn Drive.

Don't forget about the Street Fair, carnival and live entertainment featuring the nationally-renowned Benise and local favorites Acadiana and Soul City Survivors on Saturday, July 14, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and July 15, from noon to 7 p.m. Ventura Boulevard will be closed to traffic from Oak Street to Glenn Drive, and the Arneill Road bridge southbound lanes will be closed to traffic July 14-15, as the street fair gets into full swing. Free shuttle service will operate on Saturday and Sunday. For more information, including a full entertainment lineup, please visit [www.camarillofiesta.com](http://www.camarillofiesta.com).

## July 4th Fireworks Spectacular



**Adolfo Camarillo High School Stadium Gates Open at 3 p.m. ~ Fireworks at 9 p.m.**

**Admission - \$2 for Adults, \$1 for kids under 12 (proceeds to Camarillo High School)**

**Seating in the home stands and football field**

**Lion Burgers, hot dogs, sweet corn, sodas, coffee, snacks and glow-sticks  
(or bring your own food/drinks - no alcohol permitted)**

**Live entertainment, Jolly Jumps, and other kids' attractions**

**Free parking and shuttles ~ Please call 805. 388-5396 for more information**

Presented by the City of Camarillo, the Camarillo-Somis Pleasant Valley Lions Club, and the Pleasant Valley Recreation and Park District

# Music. Art. Camarillo. Together Again!



**August 10-12, 2007**  
[camarilloartandjazz.com](http://camarilloartandjazz.com)



Join us for 3 days of  
**Art & Jazz**  
throughout Camarillo  
featuring:

### **Opening Night Concert, Friday, August 10**

Location: Camarillo Arts Council Pavilion,  
Constitution Park, 601 Carmen Dr.  
Time: 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.  
Jazz: Keyboardist **Gregg Karukas**  
featuring vocalist Ron Boustead

### **All Day Art & Jazz, Saturday, August 11**

Location: Old Town Camarillo,  
Ventura Boulevard/Dizdar Park  
Time: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Art: Artist marketplace and juried art walk  
Jazz: Dixieland, smooth, Latin, swing & traditional jazz

### **Gala Evening under the Stars\*, Saturday, August 11**

Location: Studio Channel Islands Art Center, CSUCI Campus  
Time: 4 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.  
Art: Gallery exhibits, open studios and silent auction  
Jazz: Contemporary jazz saxophonist **Eric Marienthal**

### **Art & Jazz at the Ranch\*, Sunday, August 12**

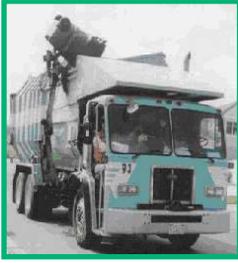
Location: Camarillo Ranch, 201 Camarillo Ranch Rd.  
Time: 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
Art: Art show and marketplace  
Jazz: Songstress **Christine Day** with surprise guest

**Advance tickets available online through [Ticketmaster.com](http://Ticketmaster.com)**



For further information, call the  
Camarillo Chamber of Commerce at 805.484.4383  
[camarilloartandjazz.com](http://camarilloartandjazz.com)

## Residential Refuse Rate Increase



Weekly Refuse Service.

After a May 23, 2007 public hearing to consider Harrison's proposed residential refuse rate increase, the Camarillo City Council confirmed the rate increase for single family homes and multi-family units of four or less to pay for the increase in landfill tipping fees, recycling fees and the cost of living.

The rate increase of 3.4% will become effective July 1, 2007 and will be prorated on your August 2007 bill. For example, the monthly fee will change by \$0.83 from \$24.48 to \$25.31 for standard service pick-up per week for one 101-gallon green refuse barrel, one 101-gallon tan yard debris barrel, and one 96-gallon blue recycle barrel.

The increased residential refuse rates are shown below. For additional information, call the City's Customer Services Division at (805) 388-5325.

Service Levels	Old Rate (monthly)	New Rate (monthly)
Minimum Service	\$21.30	\$22.02
Standard Service	\$24.48	\$25.31
High Volume Service	\$30.73	\$31.77

## No Drugs Down the Drain!

Once upon a time it was common practice to dispose of unwanted old medication by flushing them down the toilet. The California Pharmacists Association and California Poison Control System reports that this was the recommended disposal methodology as directed by doctors and pharmacists. Unfortunately, we have since learned substances can pollute our environment including the soil, water, and air around us.

### So, what should you do?

Take them to the City's Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection events the second Friday and Saturday of every month (no controlled substances allowed) or put in a sturdy, securely sealed container, and for privacy, if desired, remove patient's name, drug name, prescription number, and other personal information from the container before disposal.



No drugs down the drain!

HHW drop off is by appointment only. To schedule an appointment, please call (805) 987-0717 or if you have any questions, please call the City's Recycling Coordinator at (805) 388-5392.

## Fireworks Safety Tips

Fireworks are illegal in the City of Camarillo and the unincorporated areas of Ventura County. Use or possession of fireworks could result in a fine and or jail term. (Ventura County Fire Protection District Ordinance 25 & Uniform Fire Code Section 7802). The Fire District endorses public demonstrations of fireworks as the safest method to celebrate the Fourth of July holiday.

Fireworks can contribute to the threat of wildfires and structure fires. In 2006, two homes sustained major damage due to illegal fireworks. Current wildland fuel conditions in Ventura County are at an extreme danger level due to the lack of rainfall. Volatile fuels, coupled with an ignition source such as illegal use of fireworks, can create a dangerous and destructive fire condition. Fire suppression costs and property damage costs resulting from the use of fireworks can be levied upon those responsible.

Ventura County Fire Prevention Officers, Fire Cause Investigators, Law Enforcement personnel and local Citizen Patrols will be patrolling the City of Camarillo and County areas during the fourth of July holiday week enforcing the fireworks ordinance.

For more information, please contact Ventura County Fire Department (805) 389-9710.



### Be Safe and Remember:

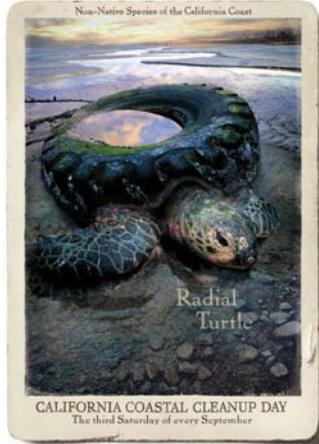
- \* Fireworks are illegal in areas served by the Ventura County Fire Department.
- \* Best to attend a professional fireworks display.
- \* Never give fireworks to children.
- \* Teach children that fireworks are explosive devices.
- \* Remember to STOP, DROP & ROLL if your clothes catch on fire.

## 2007 Coastal Cleanup Day

**Save the Date!**

**California Coastal/Inland Waterways Cleanup Day**  
**Saturday, September 15, 2007, 9 a.m. to noon**  
**(Always the 3rd Saturday each September)**

During last year's Cleanup, 2000 volunteers removed over 20,000 pounds of trash and recyclables from 47 miles of Ventura County beaches and inland waterways. In Camarillo, 383 volunteers collected 2,170 pounds of debris from two sites—the barranca off Mission Oaks Park and Calleguas Creek.



In addition to collecting trash from waterways and beaches, volunteers also collect data during the Cleanup, providing important clues as to the nature and source of the trash. Data collection from past cleanups have shown that over 60 percent of the trash picked up on Coastal Cleanup Day probably originated from an inland source—a city street, a stormwater drain, or another non-coastal location—and was washed onto the beach through a creek or river. Cleaning inland sites, like those in Camarillo, helps to stop trash where it starts, before it hits our coast and ocean. For information, or to volunteer for Coastal Cleanup Day, call the Sanitary Division at (805) 383-5659.

## Camarillo Community Band

The Camarillo Community Band (CCB), sponsored by the Pleasant Valley Recreation and Park District, is proud to announce their 22nd annual Summer Concert Season. Concerts will be presented free of charge at Constitution Park every Thursday in July beginning at 7 p.m. Concertgoers are encouraged to bring low chairs, blankets and a picnic dinner for an evening of summer fun.



Concertgoers listen and sing along to the National Anthem.

The CCB will be led by several talented guest conductors including: John Stava, Band Director at Camarillo High School, July 5; Robert Delwarte, Professor Emeritus at California State University, Northridge, July 12; Julie Judd, Director of Bands for Chaparral Middle School in Moorpark, July 19; and Samantha Blake, a graduate of Cal State University, Northridge with a degree in Music Performance on the Saxophone, July 26.

For more information, contact Dan Rhymes at (805) 484-8050 or visit [www.camarilloband.com](http://www.camarilloband.com).

## Mosquito Season Is Here

According to the Ventura County Environmental Health Division, the warm weather expected over the next few months creates an ideal environment for mosquitoes to breed and reproduce. In addition to being a nuisance, some mosquito species can transmit diseases such as St. Louis encephalitis virus, and West Nile Virus (WNV). According to the California Department of Health Services, WNV has been detected in mosquitoes, sentinel chickens, and horses in eight California counties this year. Fortunately, Ventura County is not one of those counties that have shown evidence of WNV.

To minimize the spread of mosquito-transmitted diseases, the County Environmental Health Division routinely monitors approximately 1,800 potential mosquito-breeding sources in or near urban areas and implements control measures when there is evidence of mosquito breeding.

In addition to these efforts, you too can play a critical role in mosquito control and can further reduce the mosquito population by eliminating potential mosquito breeding sources on your property. Mosquitoes can lay eggs in any container that holds water, such as buckets, barrels, old tires, water troughs, ornamental ponds, and neglected swimming pools. It is recommended that you inspect your property for these potential sources and take steps to empty containers or cover them with tight fitting lids. Ponds and neglected swimming pools can either be drained or stocked with mosquito-eating fish. Fish are available from the Ventura County Environmental Health Division at no charge. To request mosquito fish, call the Mosquito Fish Request line at (805) 662-6582.



The mosquito is often a carrier of diseases.



## July 2007

- July 7, 14, 21, 28     **CERTIFIED FARMERS' MARKET**  
8 A.M. TO NOON, OLD TOWN CAMARILLO, 482-1507
- July 5, 12, 19, 26     **CAMARILLO COMMUNITY BAND CONCERTS**  
7 P.M., CONSTITUTION PARK, 484-8050
- July 7     **CONCERT IN THE PARK**  
**THE TENNESSEE THREE (JOHNNY CASH'S BAND)**  
7 P.M. TO 9 P.M., CONSTITUTION PARK, 987-7847
- July 13, 14     **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP-OFF**  
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY, 987-0717
- July 13, 14, 15     **CAMARILLO FIESTA & STREET FAIR**  
OLD TOWN CAMARILLO, 676-4840
- July 21     **MOORPARK SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA (CLASSICAL)**  
7 P.M. TO 9 P.M., CONSTITUTION PARK, 987-7847
- July 28     **MOVIE-IN-THE PARK (WE ARE MARSHALL - 2006)**  
**THIS MOVIE IS RATED PG**  
7 P.M. TO 9 P.M., CONSTITUTION PARK, 987-7847
- July 28, 29     **MEADOWLARK SERVICE LEAGUE "A TASTE OF CAMARILLO" WINE & FOOD FESTIVAL FUND RAISER**  
SATURDAY 5 P.M. TO 8 P.M. & SUNDAY 1 P.M. TO 4 P.M.,  
ADOLFO CAMARILLO RANCH HOUSE, 482-9418

## August 2007

- August 4, 11, 18, 25     **CERTIFIED FARMERS' MARKET**  
8 A.M. TO NOON, OLD TOWN CAMARILLO, 482-1507
- August 4     **CONCERT IN THE PARK (STEVE TYRELL)**  
7 P.M. TO 9 P.M., CONSTITUTION PARK, 987-7847
- August 10, 11     **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP-OFF**  
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY, 987-0717
- August 10, 11, 12     **CAMARILLO ART & JAZZ FESTIVAL**  
PLEASE SEE ARTICLE ON PAGE 2 FOR DETAILS.
- August 18     **CONCERT IN THE PARK (GIN BLOSSOMS)**  
7 P.M. TO 9 P.M., CONSTITUTION PARK, 987-7847
- August 25     **MOVIE-IN-THE PARK (GALAXY QUEST - 1999)**  
**THIS MOVIE IS RATED PG**  
7 P.M. TO 9 P.M., CONSTITUTION PARK, 987-7847

## Public Meetings

- July 11, 25  
August 22     **CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS**  
5 P.M., CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
601 CARMEN DRIVE, CAMARILLO, CA 93010
- July 3, 17  
August 7, 21     **PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS**  
7:30 P.M., CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
601 CARMEN DRIVE, CAMARILLO, CA 93010

## Kids, Summer, and Too Much Time...What Can Parents Do?

School is out and summer vacation is here. For the past month, I kept hearing my children say they couldn't wait for school to be finished and summer to start. They planned to play with friends everyday, from morning until night. Of course, I realize two weeks into summer vacation they'll probably be bored. And bored is not good!



So what can you do to keep your children from becoming bored this summer? One of the first things you can do is to keep them involved in the Community.

Summer camp is a great option. You can find sport camps, outdoor camps, drama camps and more! If you don't know where to look for these camps, try looking up "Summer Camps" on your internet search engine and find thousands of camps to choose from. For example, the Camarillo Boys and Girls Club, YMCA, and Pleasant Valley Recreation and Park District offer great summer programs for nominal fee. The aforementioned can provide a safe and positive environment for your children.

The second thing you can do is become familiar with the local laws. Camarillo has a curfew restriction for minors under the age of 18, which states that minors can't loiter in any public place between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m., seven days a week.

Finally, take that extra couple of minutes every day to talk to your children. This is a good way to build a close relationship with your children.

For more information, contact Senior Deputy Julie Novak, Camarillo Police Youth Officer at (805) 388-5131.

## Household Hazardous Waste Events

For disposal of Household Hazardous Waste, Camarillo residents may attend a **FREE** collection event held every month. Collection events are by appointment only. Please call (805) 987-0717 or visit [www.ci.camarillo.ca.us](http://www.ci.camarillo.ca.us).

Dates	July	August	September
<b>Friday</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>15</b>

## St. John's Prepares for Mold Fumigation

For the last six years, St. John's Regional Medical Center in Oxnard has been working to remove mold from the hospital by sectioning off individual areas to replace drywall and other affected surfaces. While this approach has been effective, the hospital reports it also has been slow and could continue for up to four more years. After reviewing a number of options, St. John's is now considering a new remediation process to treat the entire structure at once.

Moving forward with the new remediation process will require St. John's of Oxnard to temporarily suspend operations for approximately ten days in August (August 14-25). The emergency room will stop admissions approximately a week earlier, beginning August 8.

To treat the mold, the hospital will be tented and treated with chlorine dioxide, a gas that has been used safely for more than 70 years to disinfect much of the nation's food and water supply.

In the meantime, there are seven other acute care hospitals in the County, including St. John's Pleasant Valley Hospital in Camarillo, to address emergency and comprehensive healthcare needs of residents. St. John's of Camarillo is adding a new emergency room, set to open at the end of June.



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## Telephone Directory

<b>City Manager</b>	<b>388-5307</b>	<b>Abandoned Vehicles</b>	<b>388-5150</b>
Cable TV Cust. Service		<b>Airport Noise Complaints</b>	<b>388-4202</b>
Time Warner:	888-892-2253	<b>Animal Regulation</b>	<b>388-4341</b>
Verizon:	888-553-1555	<b>Camarillo Area Transit (Dial-A-Ride)</b>	<b>988-4228</b>
City Cable TV Representative:	388-5349	<b>Camarillo Library</b>	<b>388-5222</b>
Economic Development:	388-5349	<b>Graffiti Reports</b>	<b>388-5338</b>
Refuse Collection (E.J. Harrison):	647-1414	<b>Fire Department (non-emergency)</b>	<b>389-9710</b>
Recycling & Hazardous Waste:	388-5392	<b>Police Department (non-emergency)</b>	<b>388-5100</b>
City Hazardous Waste Appts.	987-0717	<b>City website</b>	
<b>City Clerk</b>	<b>388-5316</b>	<a href="http://www.ci.camarillo.ca.us">www.ci.camarillo.ca.us</a>	
<b>Finance</b>	<b>388-5320</b>	<b>City Email Address</b>	
Accounts Payable:	388-5352	<a href="mailto:cityhall@ci.camarillo.ca.us">cityhall@ci.camarillo.ca.us</a>	
Business Licenses:	388-5330	<b>Email The Next Chapter Library Fundraising Campaign</b>	
Utility Billing Services:	388-5325	<a href="mailto:nextchapter@ci.camarillo.ca.us">nextchapter@ci.camarillo.ca.us</a>	
<b>Community Development</b>	<b>388-5360</b>	<b>City Recycling Program</b>	
Code Enforcement:	383-5660	<a href="http://www.ci.camarillo.ca.us/live/recycling.html">www.ci.camarillo.ca.us/live/recycling.html</a>	
<b>Public Works</b>	<b>388-5380</b>		
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Water:	388-5373		
Engineering:	388-5340		
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