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4th of July/City's 50th Birthday Fireworks Fun Day

Camarillo's yearly family-friendly fireworks event will be held at Adolfo Camarillo High School, 4660 Mission Oaks Boulevard, on **Friday, July 4**. This year, as part of the show, the City will also be celebrating its **50th** birthday with an extra ground/aerial display and music at the stadium.

You can get your tickets now at City Hall, 601 Carmen Drive, and at the Pleasant Valley Recreation and Park District (PVRPD) office, 1605 E. Burnley. Affordable prices are \$2 per person and children five years old and under are admitted free of charge. Tickets will also be available Friday at the stadium gate, which opens at 4 p.m.

This event will feature live music and entertainment as well as food vendors—or you're welcome to pack a picnic. **Fireworks, including the additional fireworks display to commemorate the City's 50th, begin at 9 p.m.**, so bring sweaters, jackets, and blankets in case it turns chilly. Convenient free parking and shuttle service will be available at the Metrolink Station, 30 Lewis Road. (enter on Dawson Drive side) and Semtech parking lot, 200 Flynn Road. Shuttles will begin at 4 p.m. and end at 10 p.m. For more information, call (805) 388-5740.

Coming Up: Carnival, Crafts, Cars, and More!

Get ready for the return of a summertime favorite—the annual Camarillo Fiesta and Street Fair in Old Town on Ventura Boulevard. From July 10 through July 13 this multi-day festival will delight you with a carnival, craft vendors, a car show, food booths, and wine and beer gardens. Naturally the fiesta will also feature a lively line-up of free entertainment that includes hot new musicians and lots of tributes to long-time favorites.

Daily Details

- **Thursday, July 10, 5 p.m. – 10 p.m.** - Carnival tickets are priced at \$1.00 for those 18 and younger. (Price of carnival tickets during rest of fiesta will vary.)
- **Friday, July 11, 6 p.m. – 10 p.m.** - The fair's main festivities begin, highlighted by a classic car cruise while Shaky Feelin' and We Funk perform on the Dizdar Park stage.
- **Saturday, July 12, 10 a.m. – 10 p.m.** - Continuous live entertainment will feature the bands British Beat ('60s/70's British rock), Wild Child (a tribute to Jim Morrison), L.A. Vation (a tribute to U2), Dankrupt (Reggae), Emilbus (a tribute to Sublime), and the Ska Daddyz.
- **Sunday, July 13, 12 noon – 7:30 p.m.** - Live entertainment continues featuring Camarillo Mariachi, Savor (a tribute to Santana), Cumbia Son (salsa), True Willie (a tribute to Willie Nelson), Bleeding Harp (blues) and Caught Red Handed (country), among others.

Driver Alert: Beginning Saturday, July 12 at 4 a.m. to 12 midnight Sunday, July 13, Ventura Boulevard will be closed to traffic from Oak Street to Glenn Drive, and Arneill Road will be closed to southbound traffic from Daily Drive to Ventura Boulevard.

Free shuttle service to and from the fiesta will be available Saturday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., and Sunday, 12 noon to 6 p.m., from stops at the Metrolink Station (30 Lewis Road), Boys and Girls Club (1500 Temple Avenue), the Ponderosa Shopping Center (corner of Arneill Road and Barry Street), and Griffin Family Mortuary (1075 E. Daily Drive). For more information, please visit www.camarillofiesta.org.

Remember: Private Fireworks Are Illegal

We want you and your family to enjoy a happy, safe Fourth of July. Laws prohibiting fireworks were passed because too many people were being injured or worse in fireworks accidents. That's why we urge you to follow the safety tips below.

- **Be clear that fireworks are illegal** in all areas served by the Ventura County Fire Department, including the City of Camarillo, except for professionally staged and permitted events.
- **Never give fireworks to children**—not even sparklers. They can cause severe injury.
- **Celebrate safely by attending Camarillo's family-friendly fireworks event** at Adolfo Camarillo High School (details on page 1).
- If you decide to ignore the law and your clothes catch on fire, be sure to **STOP, DROP, and ROLL**.



For the safety and enjoyment of us all, Ventura County fire and law enforcement personnel and local citizen patrols will be out on the streets and in county areas during the entire Fourth of July holiday week, seeing that fireworks laws are observed.

For more on this topic, visit www.fire.countyofventura.org or call (805) 389-9710.

Your Papers: Don't Stash in Trash—Shred Instead



Access provides mobile and in-plant shredding of hard-copy records, electronic media & computer hard drives.

On **Saturday, July 19**, the Adolfo Camarillo High School Future Farmers of America and the Pleasant Valley Recreation and Park District will host another free secure paper-shred event at the **Camarillo Community Center, 1605 Burnley Street**, from **8 a.m. to 12 noon**. Thanks to a partnership with **Access Mobile Shredding**, this free service is available to all City residents and businesses. *All proceeds from the event will benefit the Adolfo Camarillo High School Future Farmers of America.*

Discarding personal and confidential information with your trash is a dangerous practice that can make you susceptible to identity theft. Documents that contain Social Security numbers and other identifying information, including credit card statements, applications, receipts, medical records, bank statements, tax and other legal documents should all be shredded instead.

A per-customer maximum of ten boxes (15"X12"X9") or 12 grocery bags of documents—no trash, please—will be shredded on the spot in specially marked Access shredd trucks. Once the shredd trucks are filled, collection will stop.

Protect your personal information by taking advantage of this free shred event. For more information, call (805) 529-6866.

Waste: How to Kick It to the Curb

Camarillo residents are among the best recyclers in all of California. The city's diversion rate has climbed to an impressive 74 percent—much higher than the statewide average. It all starts with curbside recycling. Here's what goes in your curbside containers:

- **Blue Recycling Container:** Newspapers; glass containers, including all food and beverage containers; plastic CRV containers 1 through 7; all steel, tin, and aluminum food and beverage containers; cardboard; magazines; and paper/junk mail.
- **Tan Yard Waste Container:** Yard trimmings; leaves; grass; small tree branches; and scrap lumber. All yard waste material is hauled to Agromin, which uses cutting-edge technology to convert it into organic mulches, compost, wood chips, and other products that naturally fertilize plants and trees.
- **Green Trash Container:** Whatever's left—there shouldn't be much. Please do not place yard waste or recyclables in the green trash container, even if there's room.

For more information, please call (805) 388-5392.

Help Furry Friends Find Families, Win Funds

Summer is always a busy time at Ventura County Animal Services (VCAS), and this summer the pace will be even quicker than usual. During July and August, VCAS will compete in the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) Rachel Ray \$100K Challenge. (This “K” stands for much-needed dollars.)

Here’s what’s happening: The \$100K competition challenges 50 animal shelters from across the country to break their own records for saving the lives of homeless animals. Each shelter’s three-month adoption numbers from 2013 will be compared to the same period in 2014; the shelter that shows the biggest improvement will be awarded \$100,000. For VCAS, this means finding homes for 2,300 animals in just 90 days.

“The Rachel Ray Challenge is an amazing opportunity for VCAS to work hand-in-hand with the community to find homes for the hundreds of dogs, cats, and rabbits waiting for their forever families at our adoption centers,” says VCAS Director Tara Diller. “Our 100K motto is: It takes a village, we ARE a village!”

Clearly VCAS can use all the help it can get. They invite you to get involved! For more information, to view their adoptable animals or to become a volunteer, please visit www.vcas.us.

Coastal Cleanup: Save the Date, Sat., Sept. 20, 9 a.m.



After removing debris from the barranca off Mission Oaks Park, volunteers enjoy a well deserved break.

During last year’s Cleanup, 2,920 volunteers removed nearly 10,000 pounds of trash and recyclables from 34 miles of Ventura County beaches and inland waterways. In Camarillo, 216 volunteers collected 1,372 pounds of debris from two sites- the barranca off Mission Oaks Park and Calleguas Creek at Paseo Del Campo and Creekside.

In addition to collecting trash from waterways and beaches, volunteers also collect data during the cleanup that provides 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, a storm 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. Please put your trash where it belongs; in the garbage or recycle can! For more information on Coastal Cleanup Day 2014, call the Stormwater Division at

(805) 383-5659, please e-mail kpellerino@cityofcamarillo.org, or visit www.vccoastcleanup.org.

Camarillo Police Department Open House

Mark your calendars: On Saturday, August 2, the Camarillo Police and Ventura County Sheriff’s Office will host an open house from 12 noon to 4 p.m. at the Police Department, 3701 E. Las Posas Road.

McGruff the Crime-Fighting Dog will greet you and your family. Police representatives will conduct guided tours of the facility all afternoon. The department’s law-enforcement equipment and technology and other resources will be on display.

You’ll enjoy demonstrations by the SWAT team, bomb-disposal vehicle and robot, mounted patrol, search-and-rescue unit, K-9 deputy and dog partner, patrol and traffic units, crime scene investigation (CSI) unit, Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART), youth services personnel, Neighborhood Watch members, Citizen Patrol, and the Camarillo Police mobile command post. Games and activities for children will also be offered, including “Kid Print” fingerprint ID service.

This event is planned in recognition of National Night Out, a program designed to heighten crime and drug awareness and strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships. To learn more, call Crime Prevention Officer Mario Molina at (805) 388-5130.



“The People Are The City”

ON YOUR MARK! GET SET! READ! at the Camarillo Library

Read 15 hours and you'll get a Library Beach Ball! Plus, NEW this year, we have a limited number of Library Reading Champion yard signs to award.

Free Summer Fun All Week Long

- **Crazy Crafts:** Mondays from 1 p.m. through Aug. 11
- **Summer Storytimes with Teen Storytellers:** Mondays & Tuesdays at 10 a.m. through Aug. 12
- **PAWs for Reading:** Mondays & Tuesdays at 1 p.m. through Aug. 12
- **Lego Fun! plus board games & puzzles:** Thursdays from 1–2 p.m. through Aug. 14
- **Family Storytime in the Pirate Ship:** Tuesdays at 7 p.m.
- **NEW – Science Tuesdays:** 2 p.m. through July 29
- **NEW – Stop Summer Slide!** 3 p.m. Mondays through July 1 in the Homework Center (K-8 drop-in)
- **NEW – SPLAT! Grades 3-7:** Fun science & technology-themed activities & prizes, July 10, July 24, Aug. 7

Attention Teens

- **The GREAT GAME returns:** Saturday, July 12, from 2–4:30 p.m., teams of two to four teens will fan out across the library to complete assigned challenges in this timed scavenger-hunt-style competition.
- **Teen Karaoke Fun:** Saturday, Aug. 2, 2 p.m.
- **Teen Volunteer Opportunities galore!** Call the teen librarian, **Steve**, at **(805) 388-5288**.

A Taste of OLLI! The Camarillo Library & Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) present:

- Director Kevin Genovese of VC Ag Museum on **Local Ag History**, Sunday, July 13, 2–4 p.m.
- UCLA's Dr. Marc Milstein on **Mind-Blowing Brain Research**, Sunday, Aug. 3, 2–4 p.m.

Sci-Fi Movies Invade Summer: Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Room. In order starting on July 10: *Inception*; *Space Cowboys*; *Sunshine*; *Stargate*; *I, Robot*; *Mars Attacks*; *Gattaca*.

NOTE: August 7 is Teen Movie Night for ages 12 through 18.

NEW - Facebook Science Photo Contest: Check our website; runs all summer. Fun prizes!

Live Music Concert Series:

- **Bach, Brahms, & Liszt** with Concert Pianist Johnathan Moyer: Sunday, July 27, 2 p.m.
- **Westlake Village Symphony:** Sunday, Aug. 27, 7:30 p.m.

Adult Activities:

- **Seed Saving Talk:** Monday, Aug. 25, 6:30–8:30 p.m.
- **Seed Parties:** July 16 & Aug 20, 6:30 p.m.
- **“In Conversation with...”:** **Author Arthur J. Gonzalez** interviewed by Kate Sexton, Saturday, July 26, 2 p.m.
- **“VC Genealogical Society Presents”:** two fascinating programs, Saturday, July 19, 1–4 p.m.
- **NEW - Science Trivia Challenge:** Win four adult Disneyland day tickets! Preregister your team of four now for Aug. 20 game night, 7–8:30 p.m.
- **RFBC Business Events:** “**Stock Market Basics**,” Mondays, July 14, 21, & 28, 6–7 p.m.
- **O.P.E.N. Business Skills Talk for Jobseekers:** two Fridays, July 11, & Aug. 1, 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- **Retirement Planning Seminar:** Monday, Aug. 4, 6–7 p.m.

Wonderful Wednesdays: Performances at 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.

- **July 2** – Magic & Mayhem w/ Shawn McMaster
- **July 9** – **NEW:** Wonders of Wildlife
- **July 16** – One World Rhythm
- **July 23** – **NEW:** Fantasy Story Theater
- **July 30** – **NEW:** Ranger Jack
- **Aug. 6** – Juggler David Cousin
- **Aug. 13** – Musician Craig Newton

The library is open seven days a week: Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. We are closed Friday, July 4 & Friday, Aug. 15 (All Staff Day). Contact us at (805) 388-5222, or visit us online at www.camarillolibrary.org. We are located at 4101 Las Posas Road. Everyone is welcome.

July 2014

- 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 **CAMARILLO COMMUNITY BAND**
SPONSORED BY PVRPD
7 P.M., 1605 BURNLEY ST., 484-8050
WWW.CAMARILLOCOMMUNITYBAND.COM
- 5, 19, 26 **CERTIFIED FARMERS' MARKET**
SPONSORED BY CAMARILLO HOSPICE
8 A.M.- NOON, CAMARILLO OLD TOWN, 482-1507
- 11, 12 **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP-OFF**
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY, 987-0717 OR ONLINE
WWW.CITYOFCAMARILLO.ORG
- 12 **CONCERT IN THE PARK**
GOOD VIBRATIONS (BEACH BOYS MUSIC)
7:30 P.M., CONSTITUTION PARK
601 CARMEN DRIVE, CAMARILLO, 987-7847
- 19 **FREE PAPER SHRED EVENT**
8 A.M. TO NOON, 1605 BURNLEY ST., 529-6866
- 25 **CAMARILLO OLD TOWN CRUISE NIGHTS**
5 P.M. TO 8 P.M., VENTURA BLVD.
FOR INFORMATION, CALL TOM 443-9219
- 26 **CONCERT IN THE PARK**
**RAT PACK TRIBUTE (TRIBUTE TO FRANK SINATRA,
DEAN MARTIN & SAMMY DAVIS JR.)**
7:30 P.M., CONSTITUTION PARK
601 CARMEN DRIVE, CAMARILLO, 987-7847
- 26 **FREE ELECTRONIC WASTE COLLECTION EVENT**
9 A.M. TO 1 P.M., 1605 BURNLEY ST., 499-0050
- 26 **COPPERS AND CHOPPERS (FREE FAMILY EVENT)**
11 A.M. TO 3 P.M., 375 DURLEY AVE.
FOR INFO., VISIT WWW.VCSHERIFFSFOUNDATION.ORG
- 27 **TASTE OF CAMARILLO (WINE & FOOD FESTIVAL)**
1 P.M. TO 4 P.M., 201 CAMARILLO RANCH RD.
FOR INFORMATION, CALL MARY LITTLE, 388-7158

August 2013

- 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 **CERTIFIED FARMERS' MARKET**
SPONSORED BY CAMARILLO HOSPICE
8 A.M.- NOON, CAMARILLO OLD TOWN, 482-1507
- 8, 9 **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP-OFF**
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY, 987-0717 OR ONLINE
WWW.CITYOFCAMARILLO.ORG
- 9 **CONCERT IN THE PARK**
THE FAB FOUR (BEATLES TRIBUTE)
7:30 P.M., CONSTITUTION PARK
601 CARMEN DRIVE, CAMARILLO, 987-7847
- 16 **MILITARY AND VETERANS EXPO**
10 A.M. TO 2 P.M., 1605 BURNLEY ST.
WWW.MILITARY411.ORG
- 16 **MOVIE IN THE PARK**
DESPICABLE ME 2
8 P.M., CONSTITUTION PARK
601 CARMEN DRIVE, CAMARILLO, 987-7847
- 22 **CAMARILLO OLD TOWN CRUISE NIGHTS**
5 P.M. TO 8 P.M., VENTURA BLVD
FOR INFORMATION, CALL TOM, 443-9219
- 23 **CONCERT IN THE PARK**
DRIVER 64 (BEST POP/ROCK OF 1964)
7:30 P.M., CONSTITUTION PARK
601 CARMEN DRIVE, CAMARILLO, 987-7847
- 23, 24 **WINGS OVER CAMARILLO AIR SHOW**
GATES OPEN AT 9 A.M., FLYING 12 TO 4:30 P.M.
555 AIRPORT WAY, CAMARILLO
WWW.WINGSOVERCAMARILLO.COM

Save Water, Save Sweat, Stay Green

Drought got you down? Then you may want to know that the City Council recently approved new landscape guidelines allowing homeowners to use artificial turf in their front yards. Artificial turf can provide a green, manicured lawn all year round that does not need to be watered, fertilized, or mowed.



Advancements in technology over the years have improved the quality and look of artificial turf. However, not all artificial turf is created equal. Look for a product that has at least an eight-year no-fade warranty, allows for proper drainage, and is put in by a licensed contractor trained and experienced in artificial turf installation.

Artificial turf in the front yard requires City approval prior to installation and must comply with City regulations. If you're interested, contact the Department of Community Development at (805) 388-5360 before you start. Then get ready for compliments on your lovely front lawn—and be sure to share your secret with your neighbors.

Water Drought = Cut Use Now

California Governor Jerry Brown has declared a state of emergency for all California water supplies and has called on every one of us to reduce our water usage by 20 percent.

What's more, the State has curtailed Northern California deliveries to our local Metropolitan Water District (MWD) for this year. That means MWD must rely on storage to currently serve Southern California. MWD has indicated that if imported water deliveries don't resume by 2015, mandatory conservation will be necessary.

The drought has also impacted local groundwater supplies. Emergency Ordinance E, adopted by the Ventura County Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency (FCGMA), requires all groundwater pumpers in the region to reduce pumping by 20 percent based on a 10-year average. This will equate to a 30 percent reduction in the City of Camarillo's current pumping allocation.

Because of these severe conditions, the City is urging residents to conserve as much water as possible throughout this very difficult time. There's a wealth of information on our website to assist you in conserving our most precious resource: water! Visit www.cityofcamarillo.org or www.bewaterwise.com for water-saving tips and currently available water conservation rebates. Questions? Call (805) 388-5373.



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Verizon: (888) 553-1555

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Hazardous Waste Appt. Line: 987-0717

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Abandoned Vehicles 388-5150
Airport Noise Complaints 388-4202
Animal Services 388-4341
Building & Safety 388-5395
Camarillo Area Transit (Dial-A-Ride) 988-4228
Camarillo Library 388-5222
Fire Department (non-emergency) 389-9710
Graffiti Reports 388-5338
Police Department (non-emergency) 388-5100
Camarillo Post Office 383-9804

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Camarillo Government Channel

Channel 10 (Time Warner customers)
Channel 29 (Verizon FiOS customers)

