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4th of July Fireworks Fun Day

Camarillo's yearly family-friendly fireworks event will be held at Adolfo Camarillo High School, 4660 Mission Oaks Boulevard, on **Thursday, July 4.**

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 Thursday 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 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. Questions? Call the PVRPD office at (805) 482-1996.

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

Join the excitement July 11 through July 14 as Old Town Camarillo celebrates the return of a summertime favorite—the **Annual Camarillo Fiesta and Street Fair**. This multiday festival will feature a carnival, craft vendors, car show, food booths, wine and beer garden, and lots of can't-miss free entertainment.

Daily Details

- **Thursday, July 11**, 5 p.m. – 10 p.m. - Carnival tickets are priced at 50 cents for those 18 and younger. (Price of carnival tickets during rest of fiesta will vary.)
- **Friday, July 12**, 5 p.m. – 10 p.m. - The fair's main festivities begin, highlighted by a classic car cruise while Bleeding Harp (blues), Caught Red Handed (country), and the Preachers Blues Band perform on the Dizdar Park stage.
- **Saturday, July 13**, 10 a.m. – 10 p.m. - Continuous live entertainment will feature the bands British Beat (60s British rock), Double Vision (a tribute to Foreigner), DSB (a tribute to Journey), the Bobby Hart Band (rock), and the Galvanized Souls (alternative rock), along with the carnival and street vendors offering handmade and other crafts and goods.
- **Sunday, July 14**, 12 noon – 7 p.m. - Live entertainment continues featuring Camarillo Mariachi, Jeanne Tatum (R&B), Estrada Brothers (Latin jazz), and Rob Rio (boogie-woogie), among others.

Driver Alert: Saturday and Sunday, July 13 and 14, from 5 a.m. – 12 midnight, Ventura Boulevard will be closed to traffic from Oak Street to Glenn Drive, and southbound Arneill Road will be closed from Daily Drive to Ventura Boulevard.

Free shuttle service to and from the fiesta will be available Saturday, 10 a.m. – 10 p.m., and Sunday, 12 noon – 6 p.m., from stops at the Metrolink Station (30 Lewis Road), Boys and Girls Club (1500 Temple Avenue), 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 or call (805) 312-5154.

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 killed 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 and even death.
- **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.

Springs Fire Marks Start of Early Fire Season



Eight days of smoky skies—scary, weren't they? We all got a painful reminder about fire season when the Springs Fire in Camarillo ignited at 6:34 a.m. Thursday, May 2, and burned for eight days straight.

The fire started in grass and debris next to the southbound lanes of Highway 101 near the truck scales on Conejo Grade, running all the way to the coast by later that evening, then doubling back to threaten Newbury Park and Hidden Valley.

The fire was declared 100 percent contained on Friday, May 10. By then it had burned a total of 24,251 acres at a cost of more than \$11 million. At its peak, more than 2,000 people were assigned to fight the fire and 4,000 homes were threatened.

Thankfully, *every home was saved*. We are forever grateful to firefighters from 180 different fire departments who responded to assist the Ventura County Fire Department. The County Sheriff's Office, California Highway Patrol, American Red Cross, and many other organizations all helped residents of the areas affected by the fire.

Year-Round Reality

To have a fire of this magnitude in early May is a troubling sign, showing that moisture in local vegetation is at low levels normally not seen until August. This means wildfires are now a year-round reality in our county. Therefore, both firefighters and residents have to be on heightened alert to the threat of wildfires *at all times*. Firefighters train hard and make countless preparations to be ready to battle fires. We all need to do the same! Successfully preparing for a wildfire requires *you* to take personal responsibility for protecting yourself, your family, and your property.

Our County Fire Department takes every precaution to help protect residents and their property from wildfires. But here's the reality: during a major wildfire, there simply may not be enough fire engines, firefighters, or other necessary resources to defend every home—so **residents must become part of the solution**.

Ready, Set, Go!

We urge you to do all you can to make your home resistant to wildfires and to prepare your family to leave early and safely. The County Fire Department calls this process "**Ready, Set, Go!**" Find out exactly what you need to do at www.vcreadyssetgo.org which has detailed action-plans you can read or download, including special publications for farmers, ranchers, and trail walkers. You can also request a speaker to come teach fire safety to your community group. Why not start your action-plan today? You'll sleep easier knowing you're ready if a fire comes near your home.

VC Alert: Will We Be Able to Reach You?

Will you hear about a crisis in time to protect yourself and your loved ones? Ventura County Alert (**VC Alert**) is an emergency notification system that may be used to deliver alerts when there is a threat to the health and/or safety of county residents.



In addition to emergency information, you may:

- Select to receive messages regarding crime alerts, road closures, and public meetings.
- Choose locations you want to be contacted about—your home, your parents' home, your workplace, and/or your child's school.
- Receive alerts on your home phone, cellular phone, work phone, by e-mail, text messaging, facsimile, or instant messaging.

The VC Alert database already includes some landline and cell phone numbers. Is yours among them? Please register online at www.vcalert.org to ensure that we have your current contact information. If you do not have access to a computer, simply register by dialing (805) 648-9283.

Coastal Cleanup: Save the Date, Sat., Sept. 21, 9 a.m.

Awesome? You bet. During last year's cleanup, 3,335 volunteers removed more than 10,000 pounds of trash and recyclables from 34 miles of Ventura County beaches and inland waterways. In Camarillo, 204 volunteers collected 856 pounds of debris from two sites: the barranca off Mission Oaks Park and Calleguas Creek at Paseo Del Campo and Creekside.

In addition to cleaning up trash from waterways and beaches, volunteers also collect data that gives us key clues about trash. Past cleanups have shown that more than 60 percent of the trash probably came from an inland source—a city, storm drain, or another noncoastal location—and was washed onto the beach via 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 consider teaming up with your neighbors for Coastal Cleanup Day 2013. You'll do good, feel better about yourself, maybe make new friends. And between cleanups, remember to put all your trash where it belongs—in a garbage can or recycle bin.

To learn more, call the Stormwater Division at (805) 388-5385, e-mail kpellerino@ci.camarillo.ca.us, or visit www.vccoastcleanup.org.

Cartons Now Accepted in Your Blue Recycling Bin

Have you been discarding cartons in your green trash barrel? From now on, please place them in your blue recycling bin. They are in demand to be recycled into new products. Isn't this good news? We're reducing our ecological "footprint."

Cartons now accepted fall into two categories: shelf-stabled and refrigerated.

Shelf-stabled cartons include: Juice • Milk • Soy and grain milk • Soup and broth • Wine

Refrigerated cartons include: Juice • Milk • Cream • Egg substitutes • Soy and grain milk



If you don't have room in your blue recycling bin for these types of items, please take them to Gold Coast Recycling & Transfer Station, 5275 Colt St., Ventura. Questions? Call (805) 642-9236.

"The People Are The City"

Camarillo Library's SUNsational Summer Events & Programs

Summer Reading Programs Kick-Off – Get started now with your Summer Reading Program! Folders and incentives will be available all summer in the Children's Discovery Area.

Summer Fun All Week Long

- **Crazy Crafts:** Mondays from 1 p.m. – 2 p.m. through Aug. 19
- **Summer Storytimes with Teen Storytellers:** Mondays & Tuesdays at 10 a.m. through Aug. 20
- **PAWs for Reading:** Mondays & Tuesdays at 1 p.m. through Aug. 19
- **LEGO Fun:** Tuesdays from 1 p.m. – 2 p.m. through Aug. 20
- **Family Storytime in the Pirate Ship:** Tuesdays at 7 p.m. through Aug. 20

Teen "First Saturday" Events – Join the Teen Advisory Group for special events just for teens!

- **Saturday, July 13** from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.: Great Game! Teams of two to four teens will fan out across the library to complete assigned challenges in a timed scavenger-hunt-style competition.
- **Saturday, Aug. 3** from 2 – 4 p.m.: Join in for Karaoke Fun.

A Taste of OLLI! – The Camarillo Library and Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) will offer a series of presentations throughout the summer. First up: **Sunday, July 28** from 2 p.m. – 4 p.m., Dr. Bill Garlington examines "**The Problem with the Self,**" issues related to ego-fulfillment from a variety of perspectives, including Hindu, Buddhist, and Nietzschean.

Free Movie Nights – Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Room

July

11—*Jailhouse Rock*
18—*Singin' in the Rain*
25—*High Noon*

August

1—*Pillow Talk*
8—*Rebel Without a Cause*
15—*Night of the Hunter*

August Continued

22—*Beach Blanket Bingo*
29—*Sabrina*

Live Music Concert Series – Join us all summer long and enjoy timeless live music each month.

Sunday, July 14 at 2 p.m.: "**The Sounds of Elvis**" with Larry Sanders

Sunday, Aug. 4 at 2 p.m.: "**Tribute to Frank Sinatra**" by Danny D

Monday, Aug. 5 at 6:30 p.m.: Award-winning **Concert Pianist Jonathan Moyer**

Healthy Living Series with St. John's Hospital

Tuesday, July 30 at 5:30 p.m.: "**Shed the Pounds for Summer: Surgical & Nonsurgical Options for Weight Loss**"

Wednesday, Aug. 28 at 5:30 p.m.: "**Real-Life Stories from the ER: Tips on Keeping Your Family Safe**"

Wonderful Wednesdays Are Back!

Join us each Wednesday at 10 a.m. & 2 p.m. for a summer of wonderful performers.

- **July 3** – Dave & Shana Balloon Show
- **July 10** – Mad Science Fun
- **July 17** – Singer Dan Crow
- **July 24** – Swazzle Puppets
- **July 31** – One World Rhythm
- **Aug. 7** – Magician Shawn McMaster
- **Aug. 14** – Puppeteer Jim Adams
- **Aug. 21** – Juggler David Cousin

The library is open seven days a week: Mondays through Thursdays, 10 a.m. – 9 p.m., and Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Everyone is welcome. We are located at 4101 Las Posas Road. Contact us at (805) 388-5222, or visit us online at www.camarillolibrary.org. Like US on [Facebook.com/camarillolibrary](https://www.facebook.com/camarillolibrary). Follow Us on [Twitter.com/camarillolib](https://twitter.com/camarillolib).

The library will be closed on Thursday, July 4 and Friday, Aug. 16.



July 2013

- 11, 18, 25 **CAMARILLO COMMUNITY BAND**
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 7 P.M., 1605 BURNLEY STREET, 484-8050
WWW.CAMARILLOCOMMUNITYBAND.COM
- 6, 20, 27 **CERTIFIED FARMERS' MARKET**
SPONSORED BY CAMARILLO HOSPICE
 8 A.M.- NOON, CAMARILLO OLD TOWN, 482-1507
- 12, 13 **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP-OFF**
 BY APPOINTMENT ONLY, 987-0717 OR ONLINE
WWW.CI.CAMARILLO.CA.US
- 13 **CONCERT IN THE PARK**
STEVE TYRELL (THE STANDARDS, JAZZ)
 7:30 P.M., CONSTITUTION PARK
 601 CARMEN DRIVE, CAMARILLO, 987-7847
- 26 **CAMARILLO OLD TOWN CRUISE NIGHTS**
 5 P.M. TO 8 P.M., VENTURA BLVD
 FOR INFORMATION, CALL TOM 443-9219
- 27 **CONCERT IN THE PARK**
WORLD CLASSIC ROCKERS (FEATURING FORMER MEMBERS OF JOURNEY, BOSTON, SANTANA, STEPPENWOLF, & LYNRYD SKYNYRD)
 7:30 P.M., CONSTITUTION PARK
 601 CARMEN DRIVE, CAMARILLO, 987-7847

August 2013

- 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 **CERTIFIED FARMERS' MARKET**
SPONSORED BY CAMARILLO HOSPICE
 8 A.M.- NOON, CAMARILLO OLD TOWN, 482-1507
- 9, 10 **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP-OFF**
 BY APPOINTMENT ONLY, 987-0717 OR ONLINE
WWW.CI.CAMARILLO.CA.US
- 10 **CONCERT IN THE PARK**
JIM CURRY (THE MUSIC OF JOHN DENVER)
 7:30 P.M., CONSTITUTION PARK
 601 CARMEN DRIVE, CAMARILLO, 987-7847
- 17 **MOVIE IN THE PARK**
REMEMBER THE TITANS - 2000
 8 P.M., CONSTITUTION PARK
 601 CARMEN DRIVE, CAMARILLO, 987-7847
- 23 **CAMARILLO OLD TOWN CRUISE NIGHTS**
 5 P.M. TO 8 P.M., VENTURA BLVD
 FOR INFORMATION, CALL TOM, 443-9219
- 24 **CONCERT IN THE PARK**
AMBROSIA (TIMELESS PROGRESSIVE POP)
 7:30 P.M., CONSTITUTION PARK
 601 CARMEN DRIVE, CAMARILLO, 987-7847

City Enhances Transportation Service

In order to further enhance the Camarillo Area Transit (CAT) service, the City recently implemented additional hours and added one additional day to the Dial-A-Ride schedule.

Now residents do not have to rush to access transit service during the weekdays. New weekday service hours have changed from 7 a.m. – 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. – 9 p.m. Residents can use the earlier service as an alternative to go to work and access other connecting services such as the Vista Intercity bus, the Metrolink, or the Amtrak train service.

Saturday service is extended from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. to 8 a.m. – 9 p.m. Residents can now access CAT Dial-A-Ride to do their weekend activities later in the day.

New Sunday service operates from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Residents can access this service to do various things around town, like doing their weekend grocery shopping at the local supermarket.

Please note that if you provide two hours advance reservation notice for transportation service, you can receive same-day service. If you already have your next outing planned but have not made your reservation, please call CAT at (805) 988-4228.

Please, Please, Please Conserve Water

We need your help! The City of Camarillo is asking everyone—and that means you—to conserve water indoors and outdoors.

This year, record dry weather has greatly lowered water runoff from the Sierra Nevada snowpack, where most of the City's water originates. What's more, environmental issues in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta restrict the ability to transport water to Southern California. The City calls for everyone to use water wisely every day. And remember: *the City's water conservation ordinance is still in effect.*

What are the basics of Camarillo's permanent water conservation measures? Follow these rules—turn them into habits.

- Watering lawns and landscapes is only allowed on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and/or Sundays, before 8 a.m. and only after 6 p.m.
- Watering between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. is prohibited. Daytime watering causes evaporation and waste.
- Washing hard surfaces—such as sidewalks, patios, driveways, and parking lots—is prohibited.
- Landscape irrigation water must not be allowed to run to waste.
- Leaks within a water user's plumbing system must be repaired within 72 hours.
- A positive shut-off nozzle must be attached to a hose when hand-watering gardens, washing cars, trucks, boats, trailers, and so on (permitted as needed).

Questions? Call the Water Division at (805) 388-5373.



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Police Department (nonemergency) 388-5100

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