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# OUTLOOK

Newsletter and Activity Guide

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SUMMER CLASS SCHEDULE INSIDE!



# A MESSAGE FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

With all there is to see and do in and around Lancaster, we have very few excuses for not taking advantage of the great outdoors.

Yet, too many of us live rather sedentary lives, sitting in front of a desk all day and the television or computer at night. It's not healthy for our bodies and it deprives our spirits of the remarkable experiences waiting just outside our doorstep.

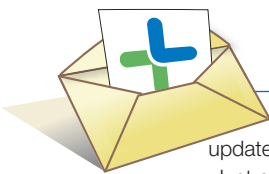
Take a walk, ride a bike, kick up your heels and dance. This issue of **OUTLOOK** is full of great ideas for finding fun and fitness. Our lead article highlights the new Destination Lancaster visitors program which identifies wonderful ways you can share points of interest with family and friends.

The Activity Guide features dozens of classes and programs in which you, your kids, even your pets can participate. Look for the positively fit icon to find classes expressly designed to help keep you healthy and active.

We also have big plans for making the City more walkable, bikeable and enjoyable for all. Read about the Master Plan for Trails and Bikeways in this issue.

Even our conservation efforts are moving outdoors with new solar systems for Clear Channel Stadium, City Hall, and other City venues. Read all about these shining examples of energy efficiency.

Finally, we salute a number of hometown heroes who set great examples for being active and involved in our community. Find their stories inside.



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Come and join us for a leisurely walk, an energetic bike ride or a few laps in a community pool. See you out there soon!

*Your City Council*



## On the Cover

*Photographer Curt Gideon on assignment for Destination Lancaster, captured cyclists enjoying their leisurely ride along a beautiful country road near Lake Hughes.*

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**City Manager**  
Mark V. Bozigian

## You're Invited to Meetings

### Lancaster City Council/ Lancaster Redevelopment Agency

2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month at 5 p.m. Notice of special Council meetings will be posted at City Hall.

### Lancaster Architectural & Design Commission

1st Thursday of the month at 5 p.m. All meetings are held in the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) room.

### Lancaster Criminal Justice Commission

2nd Wednesday of the month at 10 a.m. All meetings are held in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

### Lancaster Neighborhood Vitalization Commission

1st Tuesday of the month at 4 p.m. All meetings are held in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

### Lancaster Planning Commission

3rd Monday of the month at 6 p.m. All meetings are held in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Agenda review is held on the Monday preceding each month's meeting at 5:30 p.m. in the Planning Department Conference Room.

### Lancaster Youth Commission

2nd Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. All meetings are held in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

## Let Us Hear from You

We welcome your comments.  
Contact City Hall at 661-723-6000 Monday - Thursday from 8 a.m. - 6 p.m., Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

## Hotline Info

Abandoned shopping cart retrieval	800-887-0466
City Special Event hotline	661-723-5900
Job hotline	661-723-5874
Graffiti hotline	661-723-5985
Anonymous crime tip hotline	661-948-COPS (948-2677)

### [www.cityoflancasterca.org](http://www.cityoflancasterca.org)

City Council meeting agendas can be found here. Register online for classes.

### [www.ledr.org](http://www.ledr.org)

Lancaster Redevelopment Agency

### [www.lpac.org](http://www.lpac.org)

Lancaster Performing Arts Center

### [www.lancastersoccercenter.com](http://www.lancastersoccercenter.com)

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### [www.big8softball.com](http://www.big8softball.com)

Big 8 Softball Complex

### [www.avfilm.com](http://www.avfilm.com)

Antelope Valley Film Office

### [www.poppyfestival.com](http://www.poppyfestival.com)

California Poppy Festival

### [www.lancasterbarkatthepark.org](http://www.lancasterbarkatthepark.org)

Bark at the Park

E-mail your Council Members or apply for City jobs online at

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While the Antelope Valley may not be a “top of mind” destination for most travelers, the millions of dollars business and leisure visitors contribute to the local economy are vital to our well-being.

This is why the City of Lancaster along with the Antelope Valley Fairgrounds and local hospitality industry interests have banded together to create *Destination Lancaster*. This new visitors bureau is dedicated to making people more aware of all there is to enjoy in and around our community.

We’d like you to help us spread the word. When friends and family come to town, share some of these great ideas for making their stay a carefree and fun-filled occasion.

We’ve categorized our examples from mild to wild ranging from reflective moments to solitude to exhilarating high adventures. We’ll leave it to you to choose how you’d like to spend your time together.



# DESTINATION



# LANCASTER

## Exhilarating ADVENTURES

Hop aboard a hot air balloon at dawn to see Lancaster from a whole new perspective.

Take in a motocross event at the Fairground’s AV Motoplex or create your own off-road adventure along the many State and Bureau of Land Management trails traversing the high desert.

Learn to drive defensively at Danny McKeever’s Fast Lane Driving School out at Willow Springs International Raceway.

Go sailplaning at the Southern California Soaring Academy in Llano.

## Energetic ACTIVITIES

Explore the out-of-this-world landscapes of Vasquez Rocks where many Star Trek episodes (and the latest movie) have been filmed.

Discover 1,300 acres of wilderness within the Devil’s Punchbowl Park by foot or on a mountain bike.

Play tennis, golf or handball. Try your luck at horseshoes or shuffleboard. Many courts and courses are available locally.

Take the road less traveled and explore the back country of the Tehachapis.





## Lively PURSUITS

Enjoy a ball game at Clear Channel Stadium or great softball tournament play at the Big 8 Complex.

Take a ride on Lancaster's Musical Road and hear it sing out the *William Tell Overture*, also known as The Lone Ranger's Theme.

Enjoy a night out on the town at the LPAC enjoying top-name talent or remarkable local performers.

Several restaurants feature live entertainment with dancing after dark.



## Relaxing TIMES

Stroll The BLVD and discover a surprising mix of unique shops and restaurants. Enjoy pastrami at the Brooklyn Deli or lavish cupcakes from Rae's.

Enjoy dinner out with friends and sample some of the great cuisine available at the bistros and brasseries along The BLVD.

Take a break at a day spa. Pamper yourself with a massage or indulge in a delicious dessert.

Escape through the cinema. With nearly 40 screens across town, you'll find blockbuster hits, edgy indies and critically acclaimed art films to enjoy.

## Reflective MOMENTS

Go on a Moon Walk and explore the stars or join an ornithologist and spot a spotted owl at the Prime Desert Woodland Preserve.

Take an early morning jog or bike ride along the many paths and trails the City offers.

Share a desert sunrise with someone special and reconnect with Mother Nature.

Gather up family and friends and invite them to discover all there is to see and do in and around Lancaster. We're sure you'll have a great time.



## Summertime Special Events

### July 4 | Fireworks Extravaganza Antelope Valley Fairgrounds

Talk about excitement! Bucking bulls and fabulous fireworks are together again at Lancaster's annual Independence Day Celebration. Start off with an old-time rodeo featuring PBR cowboys riding some of the toughest cattle you're ever likely to stare down. Then look skyward to enjoy the rockets' red glare and bombs bursting in air as we celebrate America's birthday! See more info. on page 15.

PBR Rodeo at 7 p.m. \$20 per person.

Grandstands open for FREE ADMISSION to Fireworks at 9 p.m.

### July 15 & 16 | PRCA Rodeo Antelope Valley Fairgrounds

PRCA cowboys return to the saddle for more exciting old west action as The Showdown Rodeo brings America's best riders, ropers and steer wrestlers to compete for silver belt buckles and bragging rights at this fun-filled weekend.

PRCA Rodeo from 7:30 - 11 p.m. both nights. \$15 per person.



### August 19-28 | 73rd Annual Antelope Valley Fair and Alfalfa Festival Antelope Valley Fairgrounds

Enjoy all the fun, food and great entertainment offered by the Antelope Valley Fair. This year's theme, "Peel the Love!", celebrates the important role onions have played in AV agriculture. Scheduled main stage entertainers include Blue Oyster Cult and Foghat, Trace Adkins plus Williams and Ree, Sublime with Rome and Miranda Lambert. Other perennial favorites include the Rural Olympics, Demolition Derby and much, much more.

### September 10 | Celebrate America The BLVD

Join Lancaster as it salutes hometown traditions with its "Celebrate America" downtown street fair. The event will be filled with food, fun and great music from across the decades. Bring the whole family and help us close out the summer in style.

5-10 p.m. FREE ADMISSION.





## New Solar Panels Make Clear Channel Stadium the Nation's First Minor League Stadium Run by the Sun

It may not cut the cord completely, but Lancaster's Clear Channel Stadium now generates upwards of 98% of its power

requirements directly from the sun.

"These new solar arrays will save the City tens of thousands of dollars every year, while dramatically decreasing its dependence on the power grid," noted Lancaster City Manager Mark V. Bozigian. "This is a significant step toward transforming Lancaster into the solar capitol of the world."

The carport-mounted design provides JetHawks fans with shaded parking while offsetting more than 2,000 pounds of particulates which would otherwise have been created if the facility continued to be powered by fossil fuel over the next 15 years.

"We're thrilled to see the system ready for the 2011 baseball season," said JetHawks owner Peter Carfagna. "In addition to the environmental

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— Mark V. Bozigian  
Lancaster City Manager

and cost savings, our fans will benefit greatly from the availability of shaded parking."

SolarCity, the firm constructing the 340KW system on behalf of the City, is a national leader in solar power design, installation and financing. Clear Channel Stadium is just one of a total

of six solar projects in the works for the City.

Among the other City projects developed by SolarCity are a new 161KW generating facility at the City's Park and Ride lot located at 10th Street West and Avenue K-8, a 325KW facility at the City Maintenance Yard, a nearly 600KW array at City Hall and approximately 240KW of solar generation capabilities at the Lancaster Performing Arts Center.

Those curious to see real time stats on the stadium's power generation can view them online using the shortcut:

<http://bit.ly/gi4uLU>.



For more information on going green and saving money, visit [www.cityoflanasterca.org/GoingGreen](http://www.cityoflanasterca.org/GoingGreen).





## City to Form Alliance to Provide Solar Power

*New agreement with US Topco Energy sets wheels in motion to build up to 50MW of solar energy plants*



*The US Topco Energy delegation recently visited the eSolar plant as part of their City of Lancaster tour.*



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Jason Caudle  
Deputy City Manager

Lancaster and its new Power Authority have taken the first steps toward getting into renewable energy in a big way. The City has signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with Taiwan-based US Topco Energy to explore ways the two might work together to create new solar power generating capabilities.

“This new agreement with US Topco is a very exciting moment for the City,” noted Deputy City Manager Jason Caudle. This spring, the City formed the Lancaster Power Authority with an eye toward creating a public utility that would buy and sell electricity and natural gas at a profit.

According to Robert Neal, Lancaster’s Director of Public Works, “Traditional municipal revenues are diminishing while costs continue to rise. The City now has the opportunity to reduce costs and generate revenues in a non-traditional way through renewable energy partnerships and projects.”

The deal with US Topco is the first of several anticipated public/private partnerships. Under the MOU, the City is not obligated to any expenses beyond the staff time required to hammer out a more definitive agreement.

While headquartered in Taiwan, US Topco currently has California operations which manufacture, distribute and construct solar facilities in the U.S. The company recently completed a new 80,000-square-foot distribution complex in Southern California to serve its growing client base.

In addition to manufacturing solar panels, the company has extensive planning, engineering and construction capabilities.

“The City has made it its mission to merge the powers granted solely to governments with the powers and strengths of private enterprise,” added Caudle. “By combining these two, we can create a more efficient, more effective and more profitable enterprise.”

This new alliance is a direct result of a trade mission the City took to Taiwan and China in March of 2010. That trip also helped cement relationships with several other firms with unique solar competencies.

James Kuo, US Topco’s VP of Operations said the company is committed to doing its part to respond to the expanding global energy crisis. In the U.S. the company is seeking a renewable energy partner. “Lancaster is uniquely suited for this purpose,” said Kuo.





# Hometown HEROES

## Deputy of the Year

### Elizabeth Sheppard

*Detective catches bad guys and helps victims heal*

It may seem like the story line from an episode of “Cold Case” or “Law & Order: SVU,” but Lancaster’s Elizabeth Sheppard has earned quite a reputation for catching the bad guys in unsolved sexual assault cases.

As a detective on the Robbery/Assault Team, Sheppard has handled hundreds of domestic violence and sexual assault cases. But in recent years, she’s been able to close dozens of old cold cases, thanks to new advances in DNA identification.

“Working with the crime lab and new databases of DNA records, we have been able to identify perpetrators who have eluded us for years,” said Sheppard, who has single-mindedly pursued cases, leaving no stone unturned.

Sheppard notes that she’s seen a marked change in the level of support the Sheriff’s Department receives in recent years. “It hadn’t always been that way, but now we are making real progress. With the support of City officials, we’ve been able to create special teams which are helping to significantly reduce crime rates.”

The detective has been with the Sheriff’s Department since 1990 and has been assigned to the Custody Division at Mira Loma and Peter Pitchess Honor Rancho. She also spent time working in the Van Nuys Courthouse before coming to the Antelope Valley in 1999. She’s been here ever since.

Over the years, she’s been approached by other agencies trying to recruit her, but she’s stayed here because she loves what she does.

“It feels great when you can bring a victim closure and put a criminal behind bars,” said Sheppard. “Hopefully, I can continue doing it until I hang up my hat and retire.”

When not solving crimes, Elizabeth runs marathons and spends time with her family and their sports activities. She is a native of the Antelope Valley.



## Firefighter of the Year

### William “Chip” Gamble

Chip Gamble is a lifesaver. Over the last dozen years as a member of the LA County Fire Department, he has touched the lives of hundreds, if not thousands of individuals. But one comes immediately to mind. It was a medical call in which the patient had been complaining of chest pains and was talking to the paramedics when he suddenly went into cardiac arrest. That’s when Gamble and his team went to work. All of their training and experience paid off, because as he sat in a restaurant with his buddies six weeks later, the same man they treated, walked up to say, “Thank you for saving my life!”

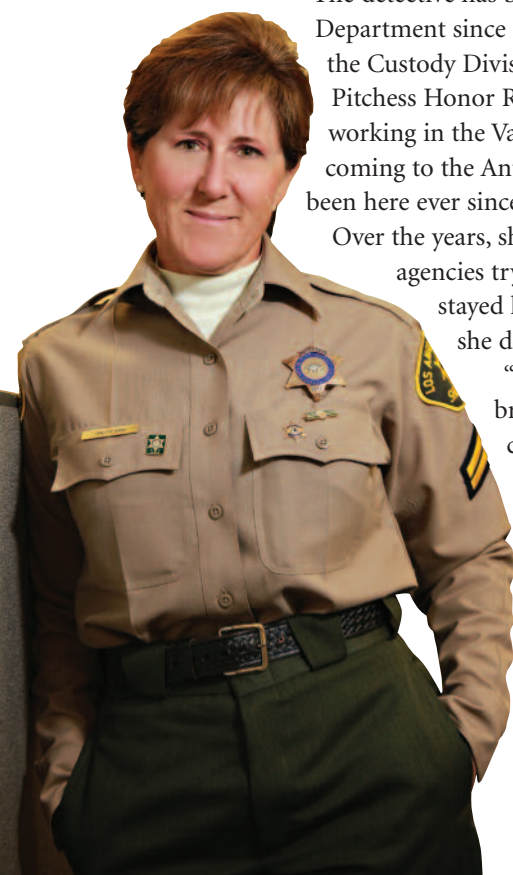
“When you can see your hard work really pay off, it is very fulfilling,” said Gamble, who these days has been promoted to Captain and leads a crew out at Station 78 in Lake Hughes.

“I’ve spent a lot of years in the Antelope Valley and love the people I work with. The Fire Department is like a second family to me.”

Gamble claims it is the daily challenges and constant variety which keeps the job interesting. “I love going to work every day knowing I can make a real difference in people’s lives.”

And it is not just local lives he has affected. Gamble has been deployed as part of the Urban Search and Rescue Team to Haiti, New Zealand and Japan.

“Being in Japan brought home the importance of being prepared as individuals, as families, and as communities. When catastrophes of this magnitude strike, you really need to be self-reliant. Local and federal governments simply can’t respond quickly enough when millions are affected. I was impressed with how much neighbors were helping neighbors to get through the crisis. The community really came together.”







## Citizen of the Year Dr. Jennifer Hill

Being a doctor means you already are contributing to the welfare of the community but for Dr. Jennifer Hill, that isn't enough.

"I feel strongly about giving back to the City I call home," says Dr. Hill who serves as Medical Director of Radiology at Antelope Valley Hospital and its affiliate Renaissance Imaging Center. "I've been involved with the Muscular Dystrophy Association, Boys and Girls Club, and of course our own AV Hospital Foundation."

Hill came to the Antelope Valley over ten years ago from the UCLA Medical Center where she was a fellow working on research funded by the National Institute of Health and industry associations.

"Over the last decade, Dr. Hill has touched thousands of lives locally," noted City Manager Mark V. Bozigian. "Through her work both in and out of the hospital, Dr. Hill has made Lancaster a far better place. Her contribution to the Antelope Valley makes her a worthy choice as Citizen of the Year."

A graduate of Stanford University with a B.S. in Bioengineering, Dr. Hill worked for a time in medical research and development. Her technical experience in minimally invasive surgical techniques for treating strokes, aneurysms and other neurovascular conditions led her to pursue a degree in medicine. She then attended medical school at UCLA where she completed her internship in the Department of Medicine, continued on for her radiology residency and then pursued additional fellowship training in neuroradiology.

When not saving patients, Dr. Hill spends her free time enjoying family pursuits such as hiking, skiing and trips to Disneyland with her children.

Congratulations to an extraordinary woman.



## City Awards

*City Communications earn CAPIO and CalFest awards*

Those who read the *Outlook* regularly already realize the quality of our community newsletter. However, it is nice to receive recognition for a job well done by well-respected peer groups.

The California Association of Public Information Officials (CAPIO) has awarded its Bronze Award of Merit to Lancaster's *Outlook* magazine for cities with populations greater than 75,000.

At their annual convention in February, CalFest, the California/Nevada Festival Organization named Lancaster's image of its "Magical BLVD Christmas" holiday event as a winner in the "Best Photography" category.

CalFest also cited Lancaster for developing the "Best New Event" of 2010 with its "BooLVD" Halloween celebration.

Our thanks to the many contributors who make Lancaster such a remarkable community to live and work within.



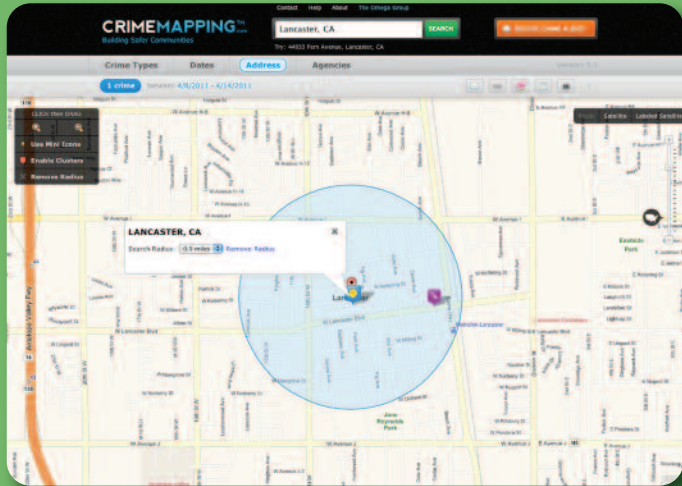


# New Online Tool Lets Citizens Engage in Community Safety

*CrimeMapping.com™ shows reported incidents*

Next to a police scanner, **CrimeMapping.com™** is the quickest and easiest way to understand the changing nature of crime in our City.

“We believe it is important for citizens to have a clear view of what is happening in their city, their neighborhood, and on their street,” said Public Safety Manager Lee D’Errico. “CrimeMapping.com™ provides a current, accurate view of incidents reported to the LA County Sheriff’s Department within our City.”



The Omega Group, a San Diego-based firm that works with public safety agencies to provide citizens with a better understanding of crime within their community, developed the technology.

The interactive map provides color-coded icons showing where each incident has occurred. The information can be filtered by date range, type of crime, and even shows crime within a specific

radius of a particular address. Several trend reports are also available to help citizens better understand how crime changes over time.

Visitors to the site can subscribe to Crime Alerts to automatically be e-mailed when a crime is reported within the vicinity of an identified home or office. A link is also provided to the Megan’s Law database so information about registered sex offenders can be viewed.

Data is updated daily with information covering the last 10 days, displaying on the map.

To access the site, go to [www.CrimeMapping.com](http://www.CrimeMapping.com)™ and search for Lancaster, CA. You can then customize your search using the site’s toolbar.

For more information on the Crime Mapping project, contact Public Safety’s Jim Kobolt at 661-723-6059.



## City Crews Go Above and Beyond During the Wet Winter

*Workers reduce flood threats by clearing clogged channels and storm drains*

Last winter City Public Works crews were dispatched on sixteen separate occasions to deal with the wrath of nature. While the rest of us relaxed inside by the fire, these crews braved the harsh elements to clear storm drains, pump out standing water and warn motorists of flooded intersections. On one cold Monday in January, Public Works even had to pull out snowplows and sanding gear to make City streets safe to navigate.

So the next time you see Public Works employees patching potholes or cleaning up graffiti, be sure to thank them for work above and beyond the call of duty performed in the depths of winter’s storms.

## Crime Tumbles Again in First Quarter

*Rate has dropped by one-third over the last three years*

Continuing on its three-year-long decline, Lancaster’s crime rate fell another 23% in the first three months of 2011. Total crimes for the period were reduced by 17%, from 1,069 in 2010 to 883 in 2011.

“We’re off to a great start in 2011,” said City Manager Mark V. Bozigian. “Thanks to the tireless efforts of the Sheriff’s Department, our own public safety staff, our dedicated Criminal Justice Commissioners and countless volunteers, we continue to improve public safety throughout the City.”

In the first quarter, both homicide and arson were down 69%, grand theft auto and rapes were down nearly 38%, while larceny and burglary were each down approximately 20%.

Lancaster Sheriff’s Captain Robert Jonsen stated, “The success we have seen to date inspires us to push the envelope even further. By strengthening our partnerships with residents, businesses and community organizations, we will continue to improve public safety within the community.”





# YOUTH IN GOVERNMENT



## Young Men and Women Sought as Jury Members

*Teen Court offers innovative alternatives to customary juvenile justice system*

When a first-time juvenile offender is charged with a non-violent crime, the Sheriff's Department may refer the young man or woman to Teen Court, a diversion program which uses peer pressure to deter future crimes. Studies have shown that processing first-time offenders in this way can significantly reduce recidivism.

Offenders face a jury of their peers, in this case, fellow teens, who hear cases, ask questions, deliberate and recommend a verdict and sentence.

Demand for this successful diversion program currently exceeds the available jury pool, so the Teen Court is seeking new volunteers to participate in the program.

"The program allows students who are interested in criminal justice careers to explore those interests, while also giving young offenders a glimpse of what's in store for them if they don't abide by the law," said Lancaster Park Ranger Supervisor Gerald Wesley. "Additionally, Teen Court relieves some of the crowding in juvenile courts. It's truly a win-win situation for everyone involved."

Lancaster's Teen Court operates through a partnership between the City's Parks, Recreation and Arts Department, the Los Angeles County Superior Court and the Los Angeles County Probation Department.

Offenders must be between the ages of 12 and 17, have no prior felony arrests, reside locally, and have no violent gang affiliations which could endanger anyone associated with the Teen Court. Cases tried include both felonies and misdemeanors including shoplifting, disturbing the peace, assault, graffiti, truancy and possession of alcohol.

Under the supervision of a Superior Court Judge, the all-teen jury hears four cases at each session and hands down verdicts they deem appropriate. Sentences handed out often consist of community service, but may also include essays, letters of apology, restitution, drug and alcohol counseling, and self-esteem seminars. Offenders are then given six months to complete their sentences. If they do not do so, their contracts with Teen Court are cancelled and they are referred back to the juvenile probation system. Offenders must also serve on a Teen Court jury before dismissal of their charges.

For more information about Teen Court, contact Gerald Wesley at 661-723-6257.



## Talented Teens Take Over City Hall

*Future leaders follow in footsteps of City officials*

An enthusiastic group of local high school students shadowed senior City staff and elected officials for several days this spring to learn what it is like to be involved in local government.

Each member of the group, chosen from applicants from local high schools, received a real-life civics lesson on how City Hall works. Besides receiving guidance on the roles and responsibilities of various departments, each student took on the persona of a senior staff member or public official and played their part in a true-to-life scenario.

During this year's Youth in Government project, students were tasked with developing plans for a 30-acre parcel west of the University of Antelope Valley Arena. They evaluated options and deliberated the pros and cons of various alternatives based on the department they represented.

The mock city staff then presented their recommendations to a mock city council meeting and even heard feedback from concerned student citizens.

According to City Planning Director Brian Ludicke, who led the planning session, the students took to the task well and offered creative and useful ideas. "These young men and women never cease to amaze me. I'll sleep well at night if this group is any indication of our community's future leadership."





## Maintaining a Xeriscaped Yard

Xeriscaped yards are low maintenance and water-efficient landscapes, incorporating native and drought tolerant plants. They require less water and are slower growing. However, they are not completely maintenance free and failure to weed and maintain your xeriscaping can result in a notice of violation or even a citation. Periodic attention is needed to keep your yard healthy and looking good.

The following tips will help you keep your yard looking great year round:

**Weed** – Periodically check the yard for weeds and remove them at the roots when they appear. Yards require more attention in the spring and summer months when weed growth is most active.

**Water** – Adjust your irrigation system based upon the season and outdoor temperature. Be sure to limit water to morning or evening hours when it is generally cooler outside. Keep in mind that established plants require less water than newly planted ones.

**Fertilize** – Apply a basic plant feed to plants annually to keep them in good shape.

**Prune** – Plants should be cut back two to three times a year in order to promote healthy growth.

**Groundcover** – Mulch, decomposed granite or other suitable groundcover should be maintained at a depth of two to four inches to promote moisture retention and discourage weed growth.

Well-maintained landscaping will add beauty to your yard and value to your property, neighborhood and community.



## UNITE Program Seeks New Projects

UNITE Lancaster, a program of the City's Safer, Stronger Neighborhoods committee in cooperation with Lancaster's Neighborhood Vitalization Commission is looking for a few good projects to support.

The program provides small grants and support to grassroots organizations wanting to bring a neighborhood together with a community project.

Each year, local groups are invited to submit their proposals for neighborhood projects. Out of the many worthy ideas received, a handful of applicants are selected. So it is important to think through your ideas thoroughly and work with your neighbors to rally support for your project. Special seminars are held to acquaint people with the process and assist them in preparing their application.

All applications must be received by June 17. Winners will be announced at the Neighborhood Vitalization Commission meeting on August 2. Winning projects will take place on Saturday, September 24. To receive more information, e-mail [unite@cityoflancastrca.org](mailto:unite@cityoflancastrca.org), visit [www.saferstrongerneighborhoods.org](http://www.saferstrongerneighborhoods.org) or contact Patti Garibay at 661-723-6072.





# Trails and Bikeways Master Plan

*City creating pathways to better health*

In an effort to encourage exercise and fitness while improving cohesiveness in the community, the City and its Architectural Design Commission is developing a comprehensive plan to connect Lancaster through a series of trails and bikeways.

This spring renowned walkability expert Dan Burden visited Lancaster conducting workshops and “walk audits” to examine how the City might better create a series of livable/walkable villages.

“In my 15 years of work in some 3,000 communities across 49 states, I was more delighted to see the new downtown Lancaster than any other place. This place rocks,” said Burden. “The needs of all people are being given full consideration, and many projects are now well underway. That so much is being done while our nation is in a deep economic shift is impressive.”

In addition to downtown, Burden’s walk audits covered three other areas including the vicinity near Antelope Valley College, 10th Street West and Avenue I, as well as the area surrounding the Eastside Walmart.

Ideas learned through the audit and the experience gained in creating The BLVD can be applied to areas throughout the City. The Master Plan is examining the entire 94 square miles of Lancaster to determine how best to connect and improve the community making it more livable and walkable for all.

If you are interested in participating in the Master Plan process, please contact Elma Watson, Assistant Planner, in the City’s Planning Department at 661-723-6100.



For further information on all the summer events and workshops offered throughout the Trails and Bikeways Master Plan process, visit [www.cityoflancasterca.org/index.aspx?page=920](http://www.cityoflancasterca.org/index.aspx?page=920).

## LanCoaster Bike Experience Promises a Fun Ride

This summer, join your neighbors on a friendly evening bike ride through the City. It’s a great way to enjoy our warm summer nights.

The LanCoasters meet once a month for a leisurely 15-mile ride designed for the entire family. Participants move at a relaxed pace (10 to 12 miles per hour) and are led by a police escort to aid in negotiating traffic. Rides take nearly two hours.

If you are interested in participating, rides are scheduled for the second Wednesday night of each month through September. Arrive at Lancaster City Hall no later than 6:30 p.m., ready to ride at 7 p.m.

All minors must wear helmets and adults are strongly encouraged to do the same. Bicycle lights are also encouraged for this fun ride. All types of bicycles are permitted, but please no motorized bikes or training wheels. There is no fee to participate.

For more information, please contact the City of Lancaster at 661-723-6013 or our program sponsor, Block Bikes at 661-729-2800 or visit [www.teamblock.com](http://www.teamblock.com).



## Children Find Canines Good Listeners

*After-school program helps kids improve reading skills*

It might seem a bit odd at first glance, but “Reading to Dogs,” a new program at the Trend Community House is making a real positive impact on student reading skills.

Patterned after a proven program in Colorado, Lancaster’s version is overseen by the High Desert Obedience Club.

“It is amazing at how much easier the children find it to read aloud to a pet, rather than a human,” says Carole Kelly, one of the Obedience Club organizers. “The fear of failure is eliminated, so reading comes much more naturally.”

After school, children arrive at the Community House for help with homework. On the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, they find their Pet Pals ready to assist them with new assignments or a bit of pleasure reading.

“We have a library full of ‘dog gone’ good books for the children to enjoy,” offers co-organizer Marilyn Dalrymple.

When a student successfully finishes a book, it is paw-graphed by the partner pooch and presented to the student to keep and enjoy at home.

For more information on the program, contact Carole Kelly at 661-266-7097.







# UNIVERSITY OF ANTELOPE VALLEY



**RN-BSN**

The University of Antelope Valley is happy to announce the addition of an RN to Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree to its College of Health Sciences. The University of Antelope Valley offers the RN to BSN Bachelor degree program locally at its Sierra Highway campus or online. The program is available to nurses who hold an associate's degree and a current RN license.



## Solar Programs

The City of Lancaster is rapidly becoming the focal point of the solar industry. UAV is keeping pace by creating three new educational programs designed to provide the skills required to compete in this high growth field.

The new 10-week Solar PV Installer Certificate program, a 30-week Solar Technician Certificate program and the comprehensive Associate of Occupational Studies degree program have all been designed to meet objectives established by the North American Board of Certified Energy Practitioners (NABCEP). Upon completion of the coursework and required experience, students will be able to take the examinations for Entry Level Solar PV, Advanced PV, Solar Estimator, and Solar Thermal, depending upon the program selected.

For the first time ever, UAV students can enjoy living on campus with the official opening of our student housing. These comfortable, convenient and affordable dorm rooms offer many amenities including a bathroom, refrigerator and TV. Several meal options are also available. Students can now take advantage of the full college experience at UAV!

For more information on all these programs, call UAV at **(661) 726-1911** or visit **[www.uav.edu](http://www.uav.edu)**.



## Student Housing

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Think Green.

## What's Recyclable?

The following items can be placed together in your **GREEN** recycling cart



### Paper & Cardboard

- Newspapers (inserts, newsprint publications)
- Magazines (catalogs and glossy paper)
- Junk mail (envelopes, white/colored office paper, binder paper, gift paper, shredded paper)
- Books (telephone books okay)
- Cardboard
- Cereal/cracker boxes
- Brown paper bags
- Paper egg cartons

### Glass

- Bottles (all colors; labels okay)
- Jars



### Metal

- Aluminum cans
- Empty aerosol cans
- Aluminum foil
- Tin/metal cans
- Metal food trays
- Metal lids from jars and bottles
- Empty, dry paint cans
- Metal hangers
- Aluminum foil boxes

### Plastic

- Narrow necked plastic containers (any color) including soda bottles, detergent and shampoo bottles marked on the bottom with #1 – 7
- Plastic bags
- Rinsed milk or juice cartons
- Plastic hangers
- Plastic wrap
- Toys



## Take a Trip to the Landfill on Us!

If your garage is overflowing or the yard is piling up, we have good news. Residents of Lancaster are entitled to two (2) tons of FREE trash disposal each year (July-June) as part of Waste Management's partnership with the City of Lancaster.\* Just provide proof of residency and current Waste Management service with an account in good standing at the landfill scale house upon check-in.

Safe and convenient disposal is simple! Load up your truck or trailer with up to one ton of trash, green waste, construction or demolition waste, appliances (maximum two at no charge), bulky items and/or recyclables. Be sure to cover the load securely and arrive at least one hour before closing.

**Landfill Location:** 600 E. Avenue F, Lancaster  
**Hours:** Monday – Friday, 6 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.  
 Saturdays, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
 (Hours subject to change.)

\* Limit two (2) visits per year, not to exceed two (2) tons in total.

## FREE Think Green From Home Kits



Did you know that alkaline batteries and compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFL) contain harmful and often dangerous chemicals?

**WM Think Green From Home Kits** make it safe

and convenient to do the right thing and recycle your batteries and CFLs. Just contact WM Customer Service to request your free kit and it will be delivered directly to your door only while supplies last. To use your kit, simply fill them up and mail them back using the pre-paid shipping label on the box. There is a limit of one free box per resident, but additional kits can be purchased at [www.thinkgreenfromhome.com](http://www.thinkgreenfromhome.com).

## Dispose of Electronic Waste for FREE!

Electronic waste, such as TVs, VCRs, DVDs, stereos, cell phones, computers, monitors, keyboards, printers, fax machines and other consumer and office electronics can be dropped off at:

**City of Lancaster Maintenance Yard, 615 W. Avenue H**  
**Hours:** 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.  
**No hazardous waste permitted in any curbside trash.**

For more information, please visit [www.keepingavclean.com](http://www.keepingavclean.com) or call Waste Management Customer Service at 661-947-7197.

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TOYOTA



## NEW PRIUS MODELS HEADING TO SIERRA



### AMERICA'S FAVORITE HYBRID IS GETTING GREENER AND EVEN MORE VERSATILE.

After much debate, the plural of Prius has been determined – it's PRII. Soon, Sierra Toyota will bring the entire PRII family to Lancaster for all to enjoy!

Currently available, the third generation Prius is more advanced and more fuel efficient than ever, averaging 50 mpg.

Later this summer, Sierra Toyota will introduce the Prius V to its lineup. This family-oriented crossover offers 50% more cargo room and seating for five.

Coming early in 2012 is the sporty Prius C, slated to be Toyota's most affordable and fuel efficient model.

Also coming to our showroom in the spring of 2012 will be the all-new Prius PHV plug-in hybrid.

The PHV can be fully charged in just three hours from a normal household circuit or in half that time with a 220v charge. With its extended EV mode, you'll be able to make many local trips without using a drop of gas, yet still have the freedom to drive up to 475 miles on less than 10 gallons of gas.



### GOING SOLAR



In keeping with the new Prius' available solar ventilation, Sierra Toyota has installed a new solar system for the dealership that should generate nearly all of its energy requirements.

With 2,800 solar panels generating in excess of 630KW, the sun will also power a suite of new charging stations being installed at the dealership just in time for the arrival of the Prius plug-in hybrid.

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To schedule a Prius test drive, call  
**661-948-0731**

Lancaster Auto Mall  
43301 12th St. West  
[www.sierratoyota.com](http://www.sierratoyota.com)



# 4th of July Extravaganza!



Don't miss this spectacular City of Lancaster celebration including PBR Bull Riding!

**Monday, July 4th**  
**Free Fireworks Show at 9 p.m.**

## Schedule of Events:

- 4 p.m. Gates open – *Merchants of Moonshine* playing in the Cantina
- 7 p.m. Live entertainment in grassy area  
PBR admission (tickets starting at \$20)
- 9 p.m. Free Fireworks show

**Antelope Valley Fairgrounds**  
**Avenue H & 14 Freeway**

Grandstand seating is limited. Bring chair & blanket for non-grandstand seating. Parking is free. Outside alcohol & pets are prohibited.

PBR Touring Pro Division is a sanctioned professional bull riders event, offered in cooperation with the Antelope Valley Fair Board, City of Lancaster and the Showdown Rodeo. For more information on the PBR event, call The Showdown Rodeo hotline at 661-575-9800 or visit [www.showdownrodeo.com](http://www.showdownrodeo.com). For tickets, go to [www.avfair.com](http://www.avfair.com). Choose your seats and print your tickets at home! For more information on the fireworks, call the City of Lancaster at 661-723-6077.

## Parks, Recreation & Arts

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*All forms of registration begin May 30, 2011.*

Residents are those persons living inside the City limits of Lancaster. All others pay a non-resident (NR) fee. Example \$40 (\$47 NR).



# City of Lancaster Parks

## American Heroes Park

701 West Kettering Street • 661-723-6077

## Deputy Pierre W. Bain Park/Eastside Pool

45045 5th Street East • 661-723-5894 / 661-723-6255

## El Dorado Park

44501 5th Street East • 661-723-6245

## Forrest E. Hull, M.D. Park

2850 West Avenue L-12 • 661-723-6077

## James C. Gilley

### Lancaster National Soccer Center

43000 30th Street East • 661-723-5964

## Jane Reynolds Park/Webber Pool

716 Oldfield Street • 661-723-6285 / 661-723-6288

## Lancaster City Park/Tennis Center/ Big 8 Softball Complex

43063 10th Street West • 661-723-6278

## Mariposa Park

45755 Fig Avenue • 661-723-6077

## Prime Desert Woodland Preserve

43201 35th Street West • 661-723-6230

## Rawley Duntley Park

3334 West Avenue K • 661-723-6295

## Skytower Park

43434 Vineyard Drive • 661-723-6208

## Tierra Bonita Park

44910 27th Street East • 661-723-6209

## Whit Carter Park

45635 Sierra Highway • 661-723-6077

## Registration Details

- **SPORTS** have different registration dates listed in the program information on page 20.
- **RESIDENTS** are those persons living inside the City limits of Lancaster. All others pay a non-resident (NR) fee.
- **ONLINE REGISTRATION** requires a VISA, Mastercard, Discover or American Express card.
- **REFUND REQUESTS** must be made at least 48 (business) hours prior to the first program meeting. **A \$3 per enrollment handling fee will be applied to all refunds.** Sorry, no refunds will be given after the program has started. Please allow three weeks for processing your refund. Due to enrollment factors and other conditions beyond the control of staff, schedules are subject to change, cancellation or rescheduling.
- **REGISTRATION** constitutes consent for the use of any photographs taken to be used for City marketing purposes.
- **FOR MORE INFORMATION** call 661-723-6077 or visit [www.cityoflanasterca.org](http://www.cityoflanasterca.org).



Online registration available



New class offering



Bilingual instructor



FREE!



Healthy, active lifestyles



Instructor



## Preschool

### El Dorado Preschool

**Registration guideline:** Parents are required to volunteer 3 times. Materials: \$5 per month. El Dorado Park.



#### Preschool Adventures



#### Jennifer Alvarado

(2½-5 yrs.) Keep your child's mind going this summer with crafts, games and fun. See below for cost.

4466	4-5 yrs.	MWF	Jul. 6-29	\$50 (\$57 NR)	9-11:30 a.m.
4467	2½-3½	T/TH	Jul. 5-28	\$36 (\$43 NR)	9-11:30 a.m.
4468	4-5 yrs.	MWF	Aug. 1-Sep. 2	\$68 (\$75 NR)	9-11:30 a.m.
4469	2½-3½	T/TH	Aug. 2-Sep. 1	\$45 (\$52 NR)	9-11:30 a.m.



#### Preschool



#### Stephanie Peck

(4 yrs.) Kindergarten preparation, crafts, stories and motor skills play. Child must turn 4 by Dec. 2, 2011. \$171 (\$178 NR). No class Nov. 11 & 25.

4464		MWF	Sep. 7-Dec. 21		9-11:30 a.m.
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#### Wee Folks



#### Jennifer Alvarado

(3 yrs.) Socialization skills, crafts, stories and outdoor play activities. Child must turn 3 by Dec. 2, 2011. \$117 (\$124 NR). No class Nov. 24.

4465		T/TH	Sep. 6-Dec. 22		9-11:30 a.m.
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### Jane Reynolds Preschool



#### Lynnette Bass

**Registration guideline:** Priority registration for current students ends on 15th of month prior to upcoming class. Parents are required to volunteer 3 times. Materials: \$6 per session. Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 2.



#### JRP Play Brigade

(2½-3 yrs.) Music, crafts, stories, indoor and outdoor play. Child must turn 3 by Dec. 2, 2011. \$120 (\$127 NR).

4470		T/TH	Sep. 6-Oct. 27		9-11:30 a.m.
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#### JRP Preschool

(4 yrs.) Socialization skills, kindergarten preparation, crafts, stories and motor skills play. Child must turn 4 by Dec. 2, 2011. \$185 (\$192 NR). No class Sep. 5.

4471		MWF	Sep. 2-Oct. 31		9 a.m.-12 p.m.
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#### JRP Kids Play Days

(3-5 yrs.) Socialization skills, kindergarten preparation, crafts, stories and motor skills play. \$90 (\$97 NR).

4472		MWF	Jul. 6-29		9 a.m.-12 p.m.
4473		MWF	Aug. 1-26		9 a.m.-12 p.m.



# Youth Enrichment

## After-School Programs - Enrichment Centers

Interactive, structured and safe after-school programs for K-6 offered at Valley View and West Wind schools. Offered after school M-F until 6 p.m. only when school is in session. Staff fingerprinted and CPR/First Aid certified. \$100 per month. **Once enrolled, priority registration ends on 15th of the month prior to upcoming month. Students will lose their spot in the program after that date.** New student enrollments accepted only at the Parks, Recreation & Arts Department in City Hall.

### Mommy/Daddy & Me | Lynnette Bass

(9 mos.-4 yrs.) There is no stopping your baby now! Class provides ways to enrich and enhance interaction with the world. Parent and child explore art, music and games while developing socialization skills. \$40 (\$47 NR), \*\$80 (\$87 NR), \*\*\$35 (\$42 NR), \*\*\*\$30 (\$37 NR). Materials: \$5. Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 2.

4481	9-20 mos.	M/W	Jul. 6-27**	12:30-2 p.m.
4475	9-20 mos.	M/W	Aug. 1-24	12:30-2 p.m.
4482	9-20 mos.	M/W	Sep. 7-Oct. 26*	12:30-2 p.m.
4480	18 mos.-3 yrs.	T/TH	Jul. 5-28	9-10:30 a.m.
4474	18 mos.-3 yrs.	T/TH	Jul. 5-28	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
4483	18 mos.-3 yrs.	T/TH	Aug. 2-25	9-10:30 a.m.
4484	18 mos.-3 yrs.	T/TH	Aug. 2-25	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
4479	18 mos.-3 yrs.	T/TH	Sep. 6-Oct. 27*	12-1:45 p.m.
4476	1-4 yrs.	Sat.	Jul. 9-30	9:30-11 a.m.
4477	1-4 yrs.	Sat.	Aug. 6-27	9:30-11 a.m.
4478	1-4 yrs.	Sat.	Sep. 10-24***	9:30-11 a.m.

### Back to School Basics Camp | Math Magicians

(5-14 yrs.) Gain an academic advantage in math, reading and writing! Hands-on camp reviews conceptual skills, introduces new concepts through fun games, music and activities! \$69 (\$76 NR). Materials: \$10. Math Magicians, 42202 50th Street West, Ste. D. Quartz Hill.

4487	Mon.-Fri.	Jul. 18-22	1-3 p.m.
4488	Mon.-Fri.	Aug. 1-5	1-3 p.m.

### Teen Court

Lancaster teens interested in criminal justice system gain experience by serving as a juror. 6-12 high school students hear charges, ask questions and set sentences for teens facing 1st time criminal offenses. Contact Gerald Wesley at 661-723-6257 for more info. Lancaster City Hall.

Meets monthly every 4th Wed. Sep.-May 3:30 p.m.

### Youth Commission

Students from local high schools are selected to serve as a teen advisory group to the City Council, addressing issues and helping plan programs, projects and special events for Lancaster teens. Lancaster residents invited to attend meetings. Contact Melissa Varela at 661-723-6070 for more info.

Meets monthly every 2nd Thu. Oct.-Jun. 6:30 p.m.

## REGISTER ONLINE

Register for Parks, Recreation & Arts courses from the comfort of your own computer. Simply sign up for your own personal ID and password at [www.cityoflancasterca.org](http://www.cityoflancasterca.org).



## Performing Arts

### Ballet & Tap | Melineh Alahverdian

(3-12 yrs.) Learn techniques and improve body awareness, self-confidence and coordination. Bring leotard, pink ballet shoes, black tap shoes and pink tights. \$90 (\$97 NR). Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 1. No class Sep. 5.

4489	3-4 yrs.	Mon.	Jul. 11-Sep. 26	4-4:45 p.m.
4490	5-12 yrs.	Mon.	Jul. 11-Sep. 26	5-5:45 p.m.

### Belly Dance | Jill Warden

(16 yrs.-Adult) Learn group format through beginning steps, combos, choreography, improv, finger cymbals and performance opportunities. \$30 (\$37 NR). Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 1.

4504	Wed.	Jul. 6-27	6-7 p.m.
4503	Wed.	Aug. 3-31	6-7 p.m.
4502	Wed.	Sep. 7-28	6-7 p.m.

### Belly Dance for Kids & Teens | Jill Warden

(6-18 yrs.) Learn self-confidence and coordination through the fun art of belly dance! Costume required for performance. \$30 (\$37 NR). Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 1.

4491	Wed.	Jul. 6-27	5-6 p.m.
4492	Wed.	Aug. 3-31	5-6 p.m.
4493	Wed.	Sep. 7-28	5-6 p.m.

### Couples Dance | Iris Groskopf

(ADULT) Learn fun, social dances: Swing, Jitterbug, Cha-Cha, Fox Trot, Waltz, Tango, etc., and dance like a star! \$120 (\$127 NR) per couple. Lancaster City Park, Activity Center.

4495	Wed.	Jul. 6-Aug. 10	7:30-9 p.m.
4494	Wed.	Aug. 17-Sep. 21	7:30-9 p.m.

### Hip Hop Dance | Shaharah Henry

(6-16 yrs.) Learn latest hip hop dance moves. Improve coordination while having fun! Wear loose clothing and tennis shoes. \$40 (\$47 NR). Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 1.

4496	6-11 yrs.	Tue.	Jul. 5-26	4:45-5:45 p.m.
4498	6-11 yrs.	Tue.	Aug. 2-23	4:45-5:45 p.m.
4500	6-11 yrs.	Tue.	Sep. 6-27	4:45-5:45 p.m.
4497	12-16 yrs.	Tue.	Jul. 5-26	5:45-6:45 p.m.
4499	12-16 yrs.	Tue.	Aug. 2-23	5:45-6:45 p.m.
4501	12-16 yrs.	Tue.	Sep. 6-27	5:45-6:45 p.m.

### Latin Dance | Dance Fitness Academy

(13 yrs.-Adult) Learn dances like Bachata, Argentine tango and Salsa while having fun! \$28 (\$35 NR). International Dance Fitness Academy, 311 E. Avenue K-8, Ste. 109.

4775	Wed.	Jul. 6-27	8-9:30 p.m.
4776	Wed.	Aug. 3-24	8-9:30 p.m.
4777	Wed.	Sep. 7-28	8-9:30 p.m.





## Arts & Crafts

### Art | Joanne Maldonado

(6 yrs.-Adult) Build solid drawing techniques with pencils and pastels, paint textures with primary colors and hues in watercolor and pastel. \$46 (\$53 NR). Material list online and at City Hall. Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 2.

4512	Tue.	Jul. 5-26	4-6 p.m.
4513	Tue.	Aug. 2-30	4-6 p.m.
4514	Tue.	Sep. 6-27	4-6 p.m.

### D's Ceramics | Steve Mosley

Materials: \$25. Lancaster Marketplace, 2330 Mall Loop Drive, Unit 5-121.

**Potter's Wheel** (12 yrs.-Adult) Learn basics of throwing on potter's wheel, wedging, centering and basic forms. Create projects like bowls, jars or vases. **Participants 12-16 yrs. must have adult supervision.** \$65 (\$72 NR).

4505	Sat.	Jul. 2-23	3-4:30 p.m.
4506	Sat.	Aug. 6-27	3-4:30 p.m.
4507	Sat.	Sep. 3-24	3-4:30 p.m.

**Children's Art Program - CAP** (6-12 yrs.) Students experience a variety of ceramic art styles including potter's wheel, sculpting, ceramic art and hands-on work with clay, paints and glazes. \$50 (\$57 NR).

4508	Sat.	Jul. 2-23	1-2:30 p.m.
4509	Sat.	Aug. 6-27	1-2:30 p.m.
4510	Sat.	Sep. 3-24	1-2:30 p.m.

### Floral Design | Chris Spicher

(16 yrs.-Adult) Beautify your home or give a gift to a friend when you create four unique flower displays to take home after class. Covers basic flower care, design and identification. \$44 (\$51 NR). Materials: \$50. **Must wear closed toe shoes.** AV Florist, 1302 W. Avenue J.

4511	Mon.	Jul. 18-Aug. 1	6:30-8:30 p.m.
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### Picture Perfect Photography | Phillip Kocurek

(Adult) Amateur to advanced photographers learn to take better pictures, use flash efficiently, proper composition and more in hands-on environment. \$65 (\$72 NR). Prime Desert Woodlands, Interpretive Center.

4515	Wed.	Jul. 6-Aug. 3	6-7:30 p.m.
4516	Wed.	Aug. 24-Sep. 21	6-7:30 p.m.

## Special Interest

### Cooking with Class | University of Antelope Valley

(Adult) Learn expert techniques from professional chefs. Cuisine-oriented menus are designed for beginners and casual chefs alike. Participants learn cuts, seasoning, preparation methods and presentation tips through demonstration and hands-on cooking. **Workshop:** \$10 (\$17 NR), \$20 material fee. **Wear closed toe shoes.** University of Antelope Valley, 44055 Sierra Hwy. All classes held on Saturdays.

4519	Chocolate Art	Jul. 30	5-8 p.m.
4518	Summer Salads	Aug. 27	5-8 p.m.
4517	Desserts from the Grill	Sep. 24	5-8 p.m.

## Professional Development

### CPR & First Aid | University of Antelope Valley

(12 yrs.-Adult) American Heart Association certification in Infant, Child and Adult CPR & First Aid. \$35 (\$42 NR). University of Antelope Valley, 44201 10th St. West.

4520-4525	Sat.	1st & 3rd/mo.	10 a.m.-5 p.m.
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### Japanese | Michael Heller

(14 yrs.-Adult) Students learn basic Japanese language including introductions, greetings and simple phrases. Bring note-taking supplies. \$35 (\$42 NR). Materials: \$5. Lancaster City Park, Game Rm.

4527	Beg.	Wed.	Aug. 3-Sep. 7	7:30-8:30 p.m.
4781	Adv.	Wed.	Sep. 14-Oct. 19	7:30-8:30 p.m.



## Pet Classes

### Dog Obedience Class | Carole Kelly

(12 yrs.-Adult) Teaches basic commands: sit, heel, down, stay and come. Bring puppy or dog (**puppies must be at least 8 wks.**), proof of current vaccinations, rabies cert. (**required for dogs 6 months+ only**) and 6-ft. leather/nylon leash to first class. Young participants must have parent on site. \$60 (\$67 NR). Lancaster City Park, open space near tennis court. No class Oct. 1.

4526	Sat.	Sep. 10-Oct. 29	10-11 a.m.
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## LOST & FOUND

If you've lost an item at our parks, call 661-723-6077. Items will be kept for 30 days after they have been found.



# Health & Fitness

## **Fencing** | **Matt Damron, Swords Fencing**

(10 yrs.-Adult) En Garde! Agility, balance, discipline and self-esteem are just a few rewards gained by this intense, mentally and physically challenging sport. Wear sweat pants and sneakers. \$45 (\$52 NR). \$20 equipment rental fee. Lancaster City Park, Activity Center.

4535	Mon.	Jul. 11-25	7:30-8:30 p.m.
4536	Mon.	Aug. 1-22	7:30-8:30 p.m.
4537	Mon.	Sep. 12-Oct. 3	7:30-8:30 p.m.

## **Gymnastics for Kids** | **Collette Zimmerman**

(3-12 yrs.) Keep kids healthy and fit while they learn how to tumble, bounce trampoline and basics of vault, bars and beam. \$40 (\$47 NR). Gymnastics Camp \$100 (\$107 NR)\*. Genesis Gymnastics, 824 W. Avenue L-6, Unit B.

4539	5-12 yrs.	Sat.	Jul. 9-30	9:30-10:30 a.m.
4540	5-12 yrs.	Sat.	Aug. 6-27	9:30-10:30 a.m.
4542	3-4 yrs.	Sat.	Jul. 9-30	10-10:45 a.m.
4543	3-4 yrs.	Sat.	Aug. 6-27	10-10:45 a.m.
4544	5-12 yrs.	M-F	Jul. 11-15*	9 a.m.-12 p.m.
4541	5-12 yrs.	M-F	Jul. 18-22*	9 a.m.-12 p.m.
4538	5-12 yrs.	M-F	Jul. 25-29*	9 a.m.-12 p.m.

## **Senior/Adult Exercise Classes**

(Adult) Non-strenuous exercises improve flexibility and circulation. Ongoing classes sponsored by R. Rex Parris. No pre-registration, start any time. Bring large towel/mat to class. Lancaster City Park, Activity Center.

AM Exercise	M/W	9-10 a.m.
Tone & Stretch	T/TH	9-10 a.m.

## **Stroller Strides®** | **Debra Valladares**

(Adult with Child 4 & under) Join the fun, fitness program that moms can do **with** their babies (up to 4 yrs.). It includes power walking and intervals of strength and body toning exercises using tubing, the stroller and the environment. Taught by certified and specially trained fitness instructors, it is a great workout for any level of exerciser. Bring stroller, towel, water and sunscreen. \$60 (\$67 NR). Forrest E. Hull Park.

4545	Sat.	Jul. 9-30	9-10 a.m.
4546	Sat.	Aug. 6-27	9-10 a.m.
4547	Sat.	Sep. 3-24	9-10 a.m.

## **Sunsational Baton Twirling** | **Katie Freeman**

(5-23 yrs.) Join the 2009 & 2010 Baton Twirling State Champion and learn the fundamentals of baton twirling. You will toss, spin and catch in a positive and encouraging atmosphere. Performance opportunities. \$40 (\$47 NR). \$5 baton rental fee. Lancaster City Park, Activity Center.

4557	Thu.	Nationals Prep	Jul. 7-14	4-6:30 p.m.
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## **Zumba™ - Dance Aerobic Workout** **Dance Fitness Academy**

(13 yrs.-Adult) Get ready to burn calories and experience total body workout while learning international dances: Samba, Cumbia, Salsa Merengue, Reggeton, Cha-Cha, Belly Dance, Hip Hop and Bachata. \$28 (\$35 NR). International Dance Fitness Academy, 311 E. Avenue K-8, Ste. 109.

4560	Tue.	Jul. 5-26	6-7 p.m.
4561	Tue.	Aug. 2-30	6-7 p.m.
4562	Tue.	Sep. 6-27	6-7 p.m.

## **Zumba™ for Kids** | **Dance Fitness Academy**

(3-12 yrs.) Have fun dancing to different rhythms while developing confidence and coordination. Wear sports attire and tennis shoes. \$28 (\$35 NR). International Dance Fitness Academy, 311 E. Avenue K-8, Ste. 109.

4778	T/TH	Jul. 5-28	4-5 p.m.
4779	T/TH	Aug. 2-25	4-5 p.m.
4780	T/TH	Sep. 6-27	4-5 p.m.

# Martial Arts

## **Northern Shaolin Kung-Fu** | **Harold Hazeldine**

(6 yrs.-Adult) Unique class set in friendly, goal-oriented recreational atmosphere. Focuses on punching, kicking, traditional forms of Shaolin Kung-Fu and weaponry, self-defense and self-confidence. Wear loose fitting clothes and tennis shoes to class. \$45 (\$52 NR), \*\$55 (\$62 NR). Lancaster City Park, Activity Center.

4528	Tue.	Jul. 5-26	6:30-8:30 p.m.
4529	Tue.	Aug. 2-30*	6:30-8:30 p.m.
4530	Tue.	Sep. 6-27	6:30-8:30 p.m.

## **Youth Self-Defense** | **Young Champions**

(5-18 yrs.) Safety awareness and self-defense combined in fun, structured environment! Students placed according to age and ability while learning and practicing skills. Students progress in rank and earn belts. \$72 (\$79 NR). Materials: \$6. Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 1. Session: Fridays, Jun. 17-Sep. 16. **Students must register by Jun. 27 to participate.** No class Jul. 1 & Sep. 2.

4532	New students	5-18 yrs.	5:15-5:55 p.m.
4533	Yellow belts	5-18 yrs.	6-6:40 p.m.
4534	Orange belts & above	6-18 yrs.	6:45-7:25 p.m.





## Sports

Obtain registration materials from the Parks, Recreation & Arts Department. Return with completed registration form, roster and league fee. Register early, space is limited.

### Adult Sports

#### Basketball

Registration: May 2-27

League play begins mid-June. Games played at local high schools Mon.-Thu. nights. Registration limited to 24 teams. \$435/team.

Mon.-Thu. Adult Basketball

#### Softball

Registration: May 2-June 17

League play begins in early July. Schedule consists of 10 league games and 1 classification game. Games played Sun.-Fri., you determine the day. \$399/team.

Sun.-Fri. Men's Slowpitch  
Sun.-Fri. Coed Slowpitch  
Sun.-Fri. Coed Hardball  
Thu. Women's Slowpitch

### Youth Sports

#### Basketball (5-13 yrs.)

Each division plays 8 games. Games on Saturdays, played at local high schools; practices during the week with day, time and location determined by volunteer coach. \$57 (\$62 NR).

#### Ages 5-9 yrs.

Registration: Aug. 22-Sep. 23. League play begins mid-October 2011.

4782 Coed Div. C 8-9 yrs.  
4783 Coed Div. D 6-7 yrs.  
4784 Coed Div. E 5 yrs.

#### Ages 10-13 yrs.

Registration: Aug. 22-Dec. 16. League play begins early January 2012.

4785 Boys Div. A 12-13 yrs.  
4786 Boys Div. B 10-11 yrs.  
4787 Girls Div. A 12-13 yrs.  
4788 Girls Div. B 10-11 yrs.

### Softball Tournament and League Information

Jeff Campbell – 661-723-6075

[www.big8softball.com](http://www.big8softball.com)



## Tennis

Lancaster City Park Tennis Center, 43063 10th St. West



#### Private Lessons (Four lesson package)

One-on-one lessons arranged with tennis pro following registration.

4563 Four 1-hour lessons \$145 (\$152 NR)  
4564 Four 1/2-hour lessons \$100 (\$107 NR)



#### Pee Wee (4-6 yrs.), \$36 (\$43 NR).

Introduce your child to tennis; learn basic skills and principles of the game.


 Jim Majd, Court 8.

4565 Sat. Jul. 2-23 11 a.m.-12 p.m.  
4566 Sat. Aug. 6-27 11 a.m.-12 p.m.  
4567 Sat. Sep. 3-24 11 a.m.-12 p.m.



#### Juniors (7-18 yrs.)

Long recognized as an individual sport, this class focuses on team competition. Novice and advanced play levels available.

 Linda Ruiz, Court 3, \$51 (\$58 NR). Materials: \$5

4568 M/W Jul. 6-27 5-6 p.m.  
4569 M/W Aug. 1-24 5-6 p.m.  
4570 M/W Aug. 29-Sep. 26 5-6 p.m.  
4571 M/W-Adv. Jul. 6-27 6-7 p.m.  
4572 M/W-Adv. Aug. 1-24 6-7 p.m.  
4573 M/W-Adv. Aug. 29-Sep. 26 6-7 p.m.



Jim Majd, Court 5, \$45 (\$52 NR).

4574 T/TH Jul. 5-28 5-6 p.m.  
4575 T/TH Aug. 2-25 5-6 p.m.  
4576 T/TH Sep. 6-29 5-6 p.m.



#### Adult (18+ yrs.), \$45 (\$52 NR).

Lifetime sport encourages participants of all ages and various physical abilities to play. Fun, fitness focused class provides a social experience for all.

 Jim Majd, Court 5.

4577 T/TH Jul. 5-28 6-7 p.m.  
4578 T/TH Aug. 2-25 6-7 p.m.  
4579 T/TH Sep. 6-29 6-7 p.m.



#### Court Maintenance

Courts closed while cleaned.



#### Public Play

Except tournaments, non-City lessons or court rentals.

#### Tennis Court Lights

Courts are lit from dusk to 10 p.m., 7 days/wk. 1st-come, 1st-served. One-hour use if players are waiting for an open court.

10 Batting Cages!



**BATTING RANGE**

2 Slowpitch Softball • 1 Medium Softball  
1 Fastpitch Softball • 2 Slowpitch Baseball  
1 Medium Baseball • 2 Fastpitch Baseball  
1 Very Fastpitch Baseball

\$2 for 1 token (20 pitches), buy 5 tokens get one FREE.

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20 tokens for \$25; 42 tokens for \$47

43415 City Park Way • 661-942-7088  
Mon.-Fri., 3-9 p.m. • Sat. & Sun., 9 a.m.-9 p.m.



# AQUATICS

## To Register:

1. Read descriptions.
2. Determine which class you would like to take.
3. Select the schedule that is convenient (see page 24).
4. Check the table to see if your class is offered.
5. Use class code from table when registering.

## Eastside Pool 661-723-6255 (open year round)

at Deputy Pierre W. Bain Park, 45045 5th St. East. Eastside Pool can be rented for birthdays, parties and special events! For rental or aquatic program information, call 661-723-6256.

## Webber Pool 661-723-6288 (open during summer)

at Jane Reynolds Park, 716 Oldfield Street.

Eastside Pool can be rented for birthdays, parties and special events!  
Call 661-723-6256 for info.

## PUBLIC SWIM TIMES

Children less than 4 ft. tall and 7 yrs. old must be accompanied in the water by an adult (one-on-one). Flotation devices are not allowed. Lap swim is open to adults 16 and older. Lap swimmers must circle swim whenever there are more than two swimmers per lane.

### Eastside Pool:

Early Bird lap	Mon.-Thu.	5:45-7 a.m.
Noon lap	Mon.-Sat.	11:45 a.m.-1 p.m.
Senior & Therapy	Mon.-Fri.	10:30-11:30 a.m.
Evening lap	Wed.	8:30-9:30 p.m.
Public swim	Mon.-Fri.	1:30-3 p.m.
	Sat./Sun.	1:30-3:30 p.m.

*Holiday Closures:* Jul. 4, Sep. 5

### Webber Pool: Open July 4 - September 5

Public swim	Mon.-Fri.	1-3 p.m.
Public swim	Sat./Sun.	1-4 p.m.

## PUBLIC SWIM FEES

Infant (3 yrs. and under)	Free
Child (4-12 yrs.)	\$1
Teen (13-16 yrs.)	\$1.25
Adult (17+ yrs.)	\$1.75
Senior (55+ yrs.)	\$1

## 30 Punch Swim Pass:

Teen	\$25
Adult	\$37
Senior/Child	\$20





## COURSES NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE!

### Class Information

All classes: 8 lessons, 30 minutes long, except Level 6, Aquacise & Hydro-Fit which are 45 minutes. See schedule for dates, times, program codes and fees.



#### Parent/Tot

(6 mos.-3 yrs.) Parents, teach your child to feel more relaxed and comfortable in the water. Instructors teach basic skills emphasizing orientation and safety. Parent must accompany the child in the water. Swim diapers required for all tots.

#### Preschool

(3-5 yrs.) Teaches your child to feel comfortable in the water, learn breath control, flutter kick, front and back float. This is not a learn-to-swim class.

#### Preschool 2

(3-5 yrs.) Prerequisite: Three sessions of Preschool swim class. Preschoolers advance to prone kick glide, underwater movement, and combination arm and kick movements.

#### Preschool 3

(3-5 yrs.) Prerequisite: Three sessions of Preschool 2 swim class. Preschoolers advance to side breathing and enhance combined arm and kick movements.

#### Level 1: Introduction to Water Skills

(6-14 yrs.) Purpose: Helps students feel comfortable in the water. Participants learn to: enter and exit water safely; submerge mouth, nose and eyes; exhale underwater through mouth and nose; open eyes underwater; pick up submerged object; float on front and back; explore arm and hand movements; swim on front and back using arm and leg actions; follow basic water safety rules; use a life jacket.

#### Level 2: Fundamental Aquatic Skills

(6-14 yrs.) Purpose: Gives students success with fundamental skills and enhances Level 1 skills. Participants learn to: enter water by stepping or jumping from the side; exit water safely using ladder or side; submerge entire head; perform front and back glide; roll over from front to back, back to front; swim on side; swim on front and back using combined strokes; tread water using arm and leg motions; move in the water while wearing a life jacket.

#### Level 3: Stroke Development

(6-14 yrs.) Purpose: Builds on the skills in Level 2 through additional guided practice. Participants learn to: jump into deep water from the side; dive from kneeling or standing position; submerge and retrieve an object; bob with the head fully submerged; use rotary breathing in horizontal position; perform front and back glide; perform survival float; perform front and back crawl; butterfly-kick and body motion; perform HELP and Huddle position; perform a reaching assist; use Check-Call-Care in an emergency; change from horizontal to vertical position on front and back.

#### Level 4: Stroke Improvement

(6-14 yrs.) Purpose: Develops confidence in the skills learned and improves Level 3 skills. Participants learn to: perform shallow dive or dive from stride position; swim underwater; perform feet-first surface dive; perform open turns on front and back using any stroke; tread water using sculling arm motions and kick. Perform the following: front and back crawl; breaststroke; butterfly; elementary backstroke; swim on side using scissors-like kick; use safe diving rules; perform compact jump into water from a height while wearing a life jacket; perform a throwing assist; care for conscious choking victim.



#### Level 5: Stroke Refinement

(6-14 yrs.) Purpose: Provides further coordination and refinement of Level 4 strokes. Participants learn to: tread water with two different kicks; learn survival swimming; perform rescue breathing. Perform the following: standing dive; shallow dive; glide two body lengths and begin any front stroke; tuck surface dive; pike surface dive; front flip turn; backstroke flip turn and sidestroke.

#### Level 6: Swimming & Skill Proficiency

(6-14 yrs.) Purpose: Refines the strokes so students swim them with ease, efficiency, power and smoothness over greater distances. Class is designed with "menu" options that focus on preparing students to participate in more advanced courses, including the Water Safety Instructor and Lifeguard Training courses. These options include: personal water safety; lifeguard readiness; fundamentals of diving and fitness swimmer.





### **Adult Swim Lessons**

(15+ yrs.) Everyone can learn to swim. Skills taught: front and back float and glide; breathing; stroke and kicking techniques.

### **Aquacise: Aerobic Water Exercise**

(15+ yrs.) Water exercise class to help firm up arms and legs and increase circulatory endurance using a variety of movements.

### **Hydro-Fit: Muscle Toning & Fitness**

(15+ yrs.) Exercise class for those who want an invigorating water workout. Class uses belts, ankle cuffs and Styrofoam barbells to create resistance and provide aerobic exercise.

### **Private Swim Lessons**

Private swim lessons for all ages. The fee is \$142 for eight 1/2-hour lessons.

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Lesson times to be arranged

### **Lifeguard Training Class**

(15+ yrs.) Enrollees must be able to: (1) swim 500 yards continuously, demonstrating the correct use of the front crawl and breaststroke; (2) swim 20 yards, retrieve a 10 lb. brick and return it to the starting point; (3) must provide own manuals and a pocket mask. Must take CFAS and CPRPR\* at Red Cross and show certification on first day of class. Students must attend all classes – no exceptions. \$77 (\$84 NR). Call Shanae Hill, 661-723-6256 for times and information. \*CPR for the Professional Rescuer.

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Sat. & Sun. TBD

8 a.m.-5 p.m.

### **Water Safety Instructor Class**

(17+ yrs.) Upon successful completion, students are certified as Red Cross swim lesson instructors. Must provide own Red Cross manuals. Current certificate in Lifeguard Training desirable. Required Red Cross FIT course included. Approximately 40 hours of training. Students must attend all classes – no exceptions. \$77 (\$84 NR). Call Cassandra Hyman, 661-723-6255 for details.

4581

Sat. & Sun. TBD

8 a.m.-5 p.m.

### **Oasis Aquatics Swim Team**

(5-18 yrs.) Oasis Aquatics is a United States Swimming affiliated year-round competitive swim team offering competitive training and swim meets. Novice to advanced. Strokes, turns, strength and endurance, goal setting, mental preparation and nutrition. Visit [www.oasisaquatics.org](http://www.oasisaquatics.org) for more information.

### **Oasis Masters Swim Program**

(18+ yrs.) Overall conditioning, swim skills, instruction, competitive events and ocean swimming. Call Tom Otto for fees and information at 661-946-7537 or 661-722-0585.

### **A.V. Special Olympics**

Swimming opportunities for individuals with intellectual disabilities. Call Aquatics Coach Dawn Brooks at 661-946-7042.

Mondays

7 p.m.







**Session 0: July 9 to August 27 - WEBBER POOL**  
 Saturday (1x/week for 8 weeks) \$34 (\$39 NR).

Class Level	9 a.m.	9:40 a.m.	10:20 a.m.	11 a.m.
Parent/Tot			4713	
Preschool	4729	4730	4731	
Preschool 2	4756	4757		
Preschool 3				4770
Level 1	4605			
Level 2		4624		4625
Level 3			4653	
Level 4	4678			
Level 5		4697		
Adult				4583
Aquacise			4587	

## Aquatics Class Schedule

The numbers listed under each time frame are the class codes to include on your registration.

**ESP: Eastside Pool | WP: Webber Pool**

**Session 1: July 4 to 14**

Monday through Thursday (4x/week for 2 weeks) \$34 (\$39 NR).  
 No class on 7/4 at ESP. Make-up day on 7/8.

Class Level	8:10 a.m.	8:50 a.m.	9 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	9:40 a.m.	10:20 a.m.
Parent/Tot				4707		4708
Preschool	4717	4718	4719		4720	
Preschool 2	4744	4745			4746	4747
Preschool 3			4764	4765		
Level 1	4593		4594	4595		4596
Level 2	4612	4613			4614	4615
Level 3		4641	4642	4643	4644	
Level 4	4669		4670			4671
Level 5		4691			4692	
Level 6				4701		

**Session 2: July 18 to 28**

Monday through Thursday (4x/week for 2 weeks) \$34 (\$39 NR).

Class Level	8:10 a.m.	8:50 a.m.	9 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	9:40 a.m.	10:20 a.m.
Parent/Tot				4709		4710
Preschool	4721	4722	4723		4724	
Preschool 2	4748	4749			4750	4751
Preschool 3			4766	4767		
Level 1	4597		4598	4599		4600
Level 2	4616	4617			4618	4619
Level 3		4645	4646	4647	4648	
Level 4	4672		4673			4674
Level 5		4693			4694	
Level 6				4702		



**Session 3: August 1 to 11**

Monday through Thursday (4x/week for 2 weeks) \$34 (\$39 NR).

Class Level	8:10 a.m.	8:50 a.m.	9 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	9:40 a.m.	10:20 a.m.
Parent/Tot				4711		4712
Preschool	4725	4726	4727		4728	
Preschool 2	4752	4753			4754	4755
Preschool 3			4768	4769		
Level 1	4601		4602	4603		4604
Level 2	4620	4621			4622	4623
Level 3		4649	4650	4651	4652	
Level 4	4675		4676			4677
Level 5		4695			4696	
Level 6				4703		





 **Session 7: June 21 to July 14 - EASTSIDE POOL**

Tuesday/Thursday (2x/week for 4 weeks) \$34 (\$39 NR).

Class Level	4:20 p.m.	5 p.m.	5:40 p.m.	6:40 p.m.	7:20 pm.	8 p.m.	8:15 p.m.
Parent/Tot				4714			
Preschool	4732	4733	4734		4735		
Preschool 2	4758			4759			
Preschool 3		4771					
Level 1	4606		4607				
Level 2	4626	4627	4628	4629	4630		
Level 3	4654	4655	4656	4657	4658		
Level 4		4679	4680		4681	4682	
Level 5				4698			
Level 6						4704	
Adult						4582	
Aquacise					4586		
Hydro-Fit							4590

 **Session 8: July 19 to August 11 - EASTSIDE POOL**

Tuesday/Thursday (2x/week for 4 weeks) \$34 (\$39 NR).

Class Level	4:20 p.m.	5 p.m.	5:40 p.m.	6:40 p.m.	7:20 pm.	8 p.m.	8:15 p.m.
Parent/Tot				4715			
Preschool	4736	4737	4738		4739		
Preschool 2	4760			4761			
Preschool 3		4772					
Level 1	4608		4609				
Level 2	4631	4632	4633	4634	4635		
Level 3	4659	4660	4661	4662	4663		
Level 4		4683	4684		4685	4686	
Level 5				4699			
Level 6						4705	
Adult						4584	
Aquacise					4588		
Hydro-Fit							4592

 **Session 9: August 16 to September 8 - EASTSIDE POOL**

Tuesday/Thursday (2x/week for 4 weeks) \$34 (\$39 NR).

Class Level	4:20 p.m.	5 p.m.	5:40 p.m.	6:40 p.m.	7:20 pm.	8 p.m.	8:15 p.m.
Parent/Tot				4716			
Preschool	4740	4741	4742		4743		
Preschool 2	4762			4763			
Preschool 3		4773					
Level 1	4610		4611				
Level 2	4636	4637	4638	4639	4640		
Level 3	4664	4665	4666	4667	4668		
Level 4		4687	4688		4689	4690	
Level 5				4700			
Level 6						4706	
Adult						4585	
Aquacise					4589		
Hydro-Fit							4591



# Lancaster Performing Arts Center

*Enrich your quality of life!*



**Ron White**

Sunday, Sept. 18, 2011 @ 7 pm

**More to come in  
the new 2011-2012  
season brochure!**

Season Packages on sale  
Thursday, May 26, 12 noon

661-723-5950 Or visit: [www.LPAC.org](http://www.LPAC.org)

**Box office hours:**

Monday-Friday – Noon to 6 pm • Saturday – Noon to 4 pm

750 W. Lancaster Boulevard, "The BLVD"  
Downtown Lancaster

**Randy Newman**

Saturday, Oct. 22, 2011 @ 8 pm



**Los Lobos**

Friday, Jan. 20, 2012 @ 8 pm



**Bruce Hornsby**

Saturday, Mar. 3, 2012 @ 8 pm



**Frankie Avalon  
in Concert**

Saturday, Apr. 14, 2012 @ 8 pm







Due to the generosity of Lancaster Performing Arts Center Foundation supporters, the LPAC's Arts for Youth program continues to be successful in delivering education through the arts to tens of thousands of students throughout the Antelope Valley each season. This is accomplished by bringing quality, inspirational and educational artists to LPAC, providing ticket scholarships to students for Arts for Youth performances at the theatre and sending artists directly to school campuses through outreach programs.

LPAC Foundation Board President Lou Bozigian stated, "Every child deserves the opportunity to experience the enrichment and inspiration a live theatre performance can provide, whether it be as an audience member or as a participant in a master class or community performance. The LPAC Foundation is committed to providing as many of these opportunities as funding will allow."

As school budgets continue to be cut, transportation of students to the theatre has become a major obstacle.

In response to this need, the Foundation was pleased to announce the addition of bus funding assistance to area schools this season. This was made possible by a generous donation from University of Antelope Valley founders, Marco and Sandra Johnson.

The Foundation also awards annual community performing arts grants to local performing arts organizations as well as providing for enhancements and quality upgrades for the LPAC facility.

It is through the support of the community that programs like Arts for Youth are funded. Over the years the Foundation has developed a multifaceted giving program for donors of all levels, which includes: Arts for Youth Partnerships, Name a Seat and The Mayor's LPAC Gold Club.

For information about the LPAC Foundation, please contact Julie Secory, Administrative Assistant, at 661-723-6082 or e-mail [jsecory@cityoflancasterca.org](mailto:jsecory@cityoflancasterca.org).

#### Lancaster Performing Arts Center Foundation

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Arts  
for Youth

## Show your community spirit!

Help make The BLVD more festive and colorful by sponsoring a seasonal banner which will be displayed for three full months.

Each banner features a distinctive seasonal panel plus a section acknowledging your generous support. Sponsorship fees start at \$300 per banner with discounts for multiple locations and longer durations.

Sponsorship applications and other opportunities are available online at [www.cityoflancasterca.org](http://www.cityoflancasterca.org).



# A LIVING LEGACY

Through The BLVD Community Program, you can sponsor a tree along The BLVD, increasing beauty, shade and reducing our carbon footprint.

Included with your sponsorship is a custom-designed sign, permanently placed with your tree.



Tree sponsorships are available at \$500 each including the sponsorship plaque and a duplicate for use as a gift or memento.

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# PRIME DESERT WOODLAND PRESERVE

**MOON WALKS:** Saturday, June 11, 8:30 p.m.  
Saturday, July 16, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, August 20, 8 p.m.  
Saturday, September 10, 7:30 p.m.

Jeremy Amarant, Director of Palmdale School District's SAGE Planetarium, will teach you about the stars as he leads visitors on a one-mile walk on the trails. Weather permitting, AV Astronomy Club members will have their telescopes for a closer look at the night sky. \$2 donation welcome.

**COOL CRITTERS** | Saturday, June 4, 1 p.m. | \$3 per person

Kids love to find out unique facts about the amazing live animals appearing in this up close presentation.

**PICTURE PERFECT** | Saturday, June 18, 1 p.m. | Free

Successful wildlife photography requires special skills. Get great tips in this informative session. Don't forget your camera!

**BIRD WATCHING** | Saturday, July 9, 7 a.m. | Free

Discover desert birds and learn their distinctive markings on this mile-long walk of PDW trails, led by Audubon Society member Ron Smith. Remember to bring field guides and binoculars.

**WILD ANIMAL PRESENTATION** | Saturday, July 23, 1 p.m. | Free

Naturalist Mark Bratton helps us explore the world of wildlife in this revealing slide presentation. Special LIVE animal guests as well.

**KATHY'S CRITTERS** | Saturday, August 6, 1 p.m. | \$3 per person

Get "hands on" experience with LIVE desert animals in this intriguing display of local inhabitants.

**FREE GUIDED TOURS!** | 1st Sunday of each month, 10 a.m. | Free

PDW docents provide personal tours of the PDW trails the first Sunday of June, July, August and September.



Photo by Christi Fiscus

Come visit the 100-acre Preserve that features nearly three miles of trails. The trails are open from 6 a.m. to sunset.

Interpretive Center hours:

Saturday & Sunday 7 a.m.-12 p.m.

Group tours available by appointment. Call 661-816-4466 for reservations. Fees to attend presentations will be collected at the door of the Interpretive Center on the day of each presentation. All presentations and walks last approximately one hour. Presentations are free for children three years and under. Meet at the Interpretive Center at posted times for all group walks.

*Parking and attendance are limited for events held in the Interpretive Center. No reservations are required.*

## ARTS IN THE CITY

### Special Events

#### Wiki Night

Third Thursday of every month, starting at 6 p.m.  
June 16, July 21 and August 18

PechaKucha Night is now Wiki Night, a monthly opportunity for creative individuals to come together in an informal atmosphere to share their ideas, projects and thoughts. Wiki Nights retains the PechaKucha presentation format: 20 slides, 20 seconds each. Fast-paced, fun and informative, there is always a variety of creative topics to explore. Free for all to attend. Locations change monthly. Please contact the Lancaster Museum/Art Gallery for more information at 661-723-6250 or email [Imagreceptionist@cityoflanasterca.org](mailto:Imagreceptionist@cityoflanasterca.org).

The Lancaster Museum/Art Gallery will be closed over the summer in order to prepare for its move in to a new facility on The BLVD. Visit [www.cityoflanasterca.org](http://www.cityoflanasterca.org) for updates on construction progress and information on the new museum.

#### Western Hotel Museum

Free admission and tours

557 W. Lancaster Blvd. | 661-723-6260 / 6250

Hours: The Western Hotel Museum is open the second and fourth Friday and Saturday of every month from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**CAMP  
CYBER  
SPACE**

JUNE 20 -  
AUGUST 12  
AGES 6-12

Stanley Kleiner Building  
Lancaster City Park

Participate in one or all sessions!  
Weekly camp program includes a fun adventure, swimming, games, sports and themed crafts.

Day Camp Fee:  
\$150 per week

Hours:  
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