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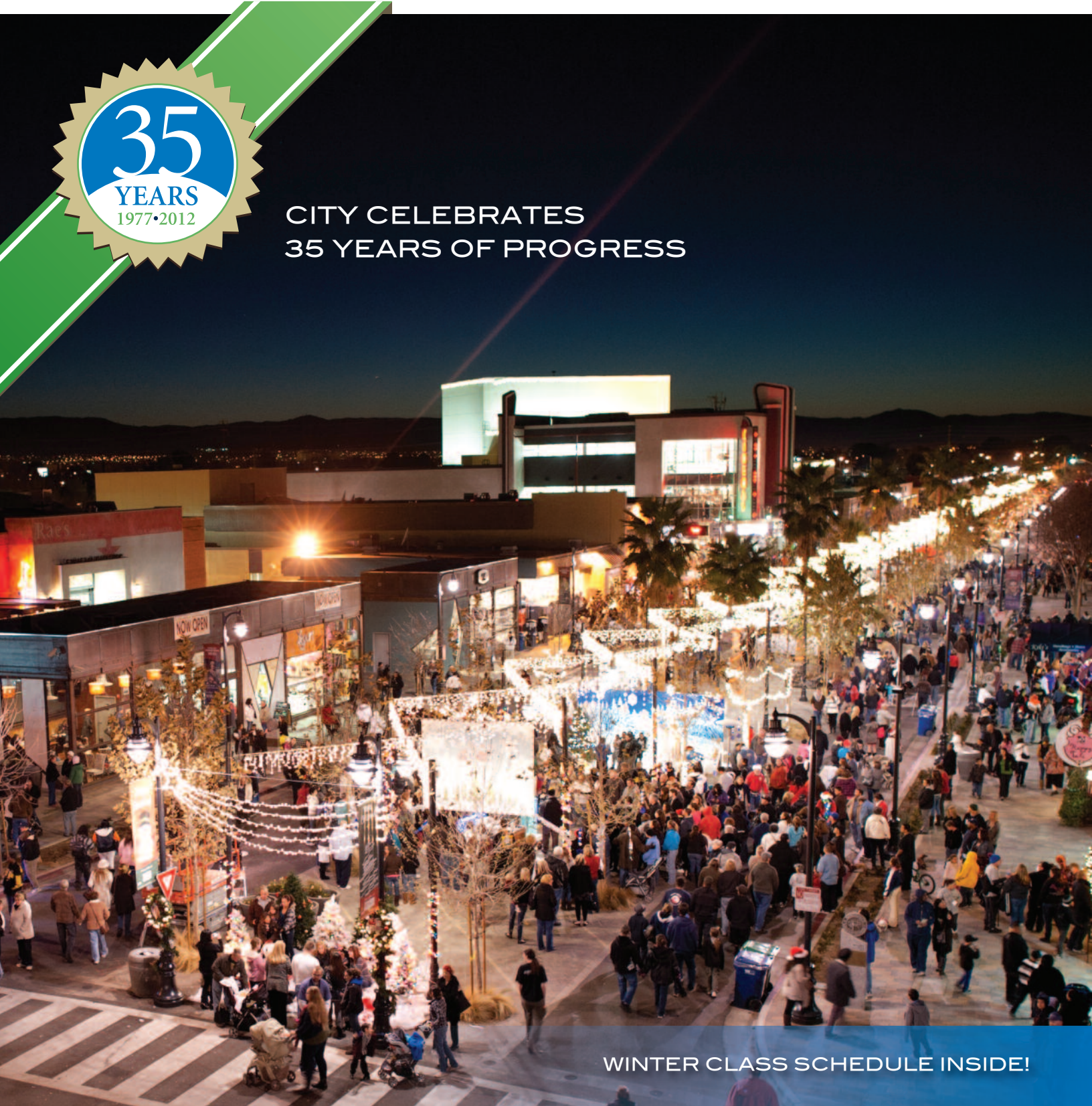
OUTLOOK

Newsletter and Activity Guide

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CITY CELEBRATES
35 YEARS OF PROGRESS



WINTER CLASS SCHEDULE INSIDE!

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR CITY COUNCIL



It's hard to imagine that 35 years have passed since Lancaster's first City Council meeting was held at the old Antelope Valley fairgrounds. On November 22, 1977, five freshly minted public servants set out to create a City that would better serve its citizens.

As we look back with a 35-year retrospective of Lancaster cityhood, we revel in the many accomplishments and transformations that have taken place. We also have reason to look forward with more exciting changes in store for the City. In this issue, you will get a glimpse at ideas under consideration for the Southeast Downtown

Transit Village, located east of Sierra Highway.

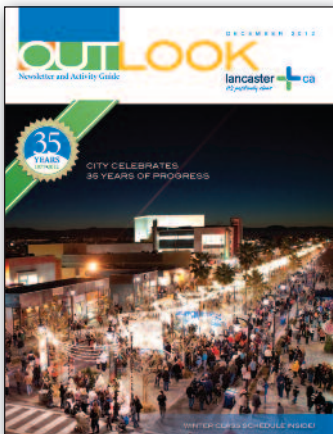
The here and now takes center stage in articles featuring LEAPS, the City's latest crime-fighting tool, as well as an update on current economic development activities.

Of course, this is also the season when we welcome family and friends home for the holidays. So we've included some great ideas for spending more time closer to home. Our Parks, Recreation & Arts Department has also filled December's calendar with many memorable events for the entire family.

As another year draws to a close, we want to thank all of our City staff, community partners, businesses and volunteers who have given so much to make the City a better place. As we look forward to 2013, we see enormous opportunities awaiting us. Together, we will do great things for our community.

Wishing you a joyous Christmas season.

Your City Council



On the Cover

The transformation of downtown Lancaster into The BLVD is one shining example of the many milestones achieved during the City of Lancaster's first 35 years of incorporation.

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You're Invited to Meetings

Lancaster City Council

2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month at 5 p.m. Notice of special Council meetings will be posted at City Hall. *Please note: The November 27th and December 25th Council meetings have been cancelled.*

Lancaster Architectural and Design Commission

1st Thursday of the month at 5 p.m. All meetings are held in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

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 Human Relations Tapestry Commission

2nd Wednesday every other month at 6 p.m. Next meeting is in January. 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. *Please note: The January 1, 2013, meeting has been cancelled.*

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. *Please note: Due to holidays, the January and February meetings have been moved to January 28th and February 25th.*

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	800-252-4613
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)

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

www.lpac.org

Lancaster Performing Arts Center

www.lancastermoah.org

Lancaster Museum of Art and History

www.theblvd lancaster.com

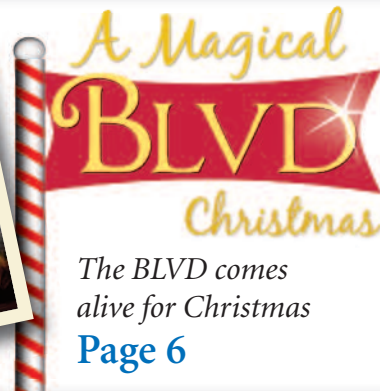
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E-mail your Council Members or apply for City jobs online at

www.cityoflancasterca.org



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Making Clear Progress

Lancaster's 35 years as a City

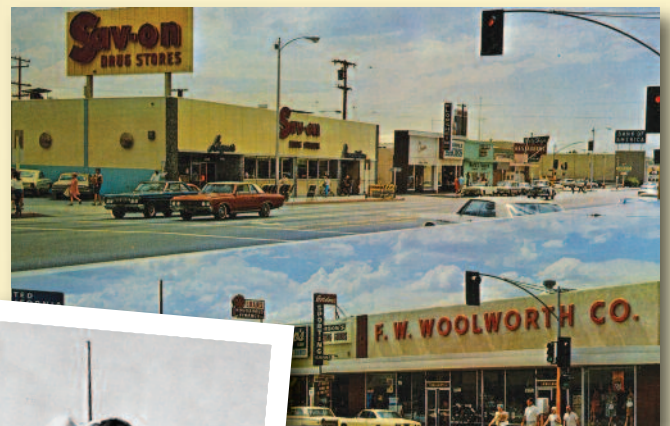


The first City Council takes the oath of office. Left to right: Timothy Hayes, Ronald Jackson, Stanley Kleiner (Lancaster's first mayor), Dr. Forrest Hull and Fred Hann.

To those of a certain age, 1977 doesn't seem so very long ago, but to anyone under 35, it is quite literally a lifetime ago.

It was the year we were introduced to Apple Computers, Jimmy Carter and Star Wars. We said goodbye to Elvis Presley, Bing Crosby and Groucho Marx. Gas was 65 cents a gallon, the Dow reached 800, and the Space Shuttle took its first tentative flights.

It was also the year Lancaster became a city. Over the last three and a half decades, the City has grown and much has been accomplished. This brief retrospective highlights some of the many milestones along the way.



Lancaster Boulevard in the early days

1970s

THE START OF
SOMETHING BIG

Home rule was the key factor behind incorporating the City. Citizens felt isolated from their county supervisors, 60 miles away. On November 8, 1977, Lancaster voted overwhelmingly to become a city and selected its first City Council: Fred Hann, Timothy Hayes, Stanley Kleiner, Dr. Forrest Hull and Ronald Jackson. The five were sworn into office on Tuesday, November 22, 1977, marking the official birth date of the City of Lancaster.

Current Economic Development Director Vern Lawson Jr., who became the City Manager in 1978 shortly after incorporation, noted at the time, "The City of Lancaster is the most positive place I have ever worked. There's an enthusiasm...a fantastic attitude here. Perhaps it's the newness of the City. The incorporation was truly grassroots. People have really gotten involved."



This 1979 NASA photo shows the Space Shuttle Columbia on the east side of Lancaster being transported from the Rockwell facility in Palmdale to NASA's Dryden Flight Center at Edwards Air Force Base.

1980s

GROWTH YEARS

In the following decade, Lancaster grew rapidly from 37,000 at incorporation to more than 70,000 residents in 1987. As the City grew, so too did the roles and responsibilities of local government. The City developed a new Master Plan, established the Lancaster Business Park and became active in economic development. City leaders created new parks and established the Parks, Recreation & Arts Department to manage them. To serve the growing population, new shopping centers emerged including those along Valley Central Way.





2000s

A NEW CENTURY...
NEW CHALLENGES, NEW OPPORTUNITIES

1990s

CREATING JOBS AND
IMPROVING QUALITY OF LIFE

The 1990s saw a major push to create new jobs within the local community. Lance Campers moved its headquarters from the San Fernando Valley to the Lancaster Business Park. Deluxe Corp. soon followed. The Fox Field Industrial Corridor was created for businesses requiring large parcels. Rite Aid, Michaels and Sygma Systems all developed major distribution facilities. Each new company brought hundreds of new jobs to the community.

Many of the City landmarks and traditions we've come to cherish were created in the 1990s. The Aerospace Walk of Honor, Lancaster Performing Arts Center, the Poppy Festival and Lancaster Municipal Stadium were all established in the City's second decade. The National Soccer Center opened in 1998, welcoming thousands of players and their families into the community.

A new commuter rail service to Los Angeles was established within days of the Northridge earthquake, and a new Metrolink Station was built 10 years ahead of the regional transit agency's projections.

By the end of the 20th century, Lancaster had matured into a thriving City of nearly 120,000 residents.

After thirty-five years, Lancaster is much different from what it was at its foundation. The City has grown from a modest community of fewer than 40,000 to a bustling City of nearly 160,000 people, establishing itself as both a leader and innovator. Throughout its tenure, Lancaster has strived to serve its citizens well while retaining its fiscal strength, even in tough times.

As former Mayor Frank Roberts said as the City marked its 25th anniversary a decade ago, "Lancaster is a different City today than it was in 1977. However, in many ways it is much the same. We have grown dramatically, making vast improvements in our infrastructure and adding many amenities, but we have retained a friendly, family-focused hometown spirit and pride in our community."

In its mid-thirties, Lancaster is just coming into its prime. The best is yet to come.

With the dawning of the 21st century, Lancaster saw new educational growth as the University Center opened, offering courses from Cal State Bakersfield and Fresno State. The University of Antelope Valley grew from a private vocational school into a degree granting multi-disciplinary program with expansive campus facilities, while Antelope Valley College undertook a major expansion to better serve a growing student body.

The Antelope Valley Fairgrounds moved to its new home along the 14 Freeway and the City held its first "Celebrate Downtown" event, drawing thousands.

The Prime Desert Woodland Preserve opened after decades of planning, bringing City park sites to more than 500 acres in a dozen different locations.

Lancaster was named LA County's Most Business-Friendly City, while attracting some top name firms including Bank of America, Starwood Hotels, Marriott and Hilton.

In one of its most ambitious projects to date, the City in cooperation with the private sector transformed downtown Lancaster into The BLVD, a new shopping, dining and entertainment destination at the very heart of Lancaster.

Public safety continues to be a top priority for City officials. Throughout the last five years, crime rates have been significantly reduced thanks in large part to community cooperation through neighborhood and business watch programs. More recently, the City has launched an innovative program to further combat crime via an aerial patrol program known as LEAPS.

The City has also established itself as an alternative energy expert. Partnering with such innovative companies as eSolar, SolarCity, KB Home and China-based BYD, Lancaster has helped develop cutting-edge clean energy solutions. New City-affiliated entities including the Lancaster Power Authority (LPA) and California Clean Energy Authority (CCEA) are helping to lead the way.

Creating a healthier community has become a high priority for the City in recent years. Working with local healthcare professionals and community volunteers, the City has established a number of neighborhood Wellness Homes, Impact Homes and Community Gardens to help bring better health and wellness closer to home.



World Energy Globe Award Goes to Lancaster

International group recognizes City's many solar programs

Dignitaries and nominees from around the world gathered in Vienna, Austria, this September to recognize outstanding achievements in energy conservation, innovation and sustainability.

Awards were presented in five distinct categories, each representing different aspects of global ecology. Lancaster competed in the "Fire" category, which encompassed a variety of renewable energy projects. Such projects included energy-saving software from the Netherlands, as well as an Israeli project to provide small-scale renewable power sources within underserved Palestinian communities.

The City of Lancaster's multi-tiered, public/private partnership approach to creating an ongoing sustainable energy program was awarded the \$10,000 first place prize.

In addition to coming in first in the "Fire" category, the City of Lancaster came in third place overall, besting a dozen other finalists for top honors in this, the world's most prestigious environmental award which attracted some 6,000 separate entries from 150 countries around the world.



League of California Cities Presents Prestigious Helen Putnam Award to Lancaster

Each year, the League of California Cities honors outstanding examples of effective local government.

Spotlighting efforts which "deliver the highest quality and level of service in the most effective manner possible," the League recently honored the City of Lancaster for its work in creating better health and wellness within the community.

The judges found the multi-pronged approach taken by Lancaster to be a great illustration of how the public and private sectors can come together to resolve issues of critical concern to the community.

Lancaster's program included efforts to rehabilitate foreclosed homes to create new neighborhood resources including Neighborhood Impact Homes, Community Gardens and unique Wellness Homes - places where neighbors can visit healthcare professionals, counselors and volunteers to achieve better health.

Each year, the Helen Putnam Awards honor the best practices among California's 484 cities. Awards are granted in 11 categories ranging from community service to public works.



Southern California Architects Visit MOAH

City and designers of museum host tour of Lancaster's newest landmark

Noted architects and urban designers from throughout Southern California traveled to Lancaster to see for themselves the remarkable transformations which have taken place within the City throughout the last few years.

Hosted by the City of Lancaster and PSL Architects, designers of MOAH, the event was part of LA Forum's *On the Map* series, which explores how old spaces have been effectively re-envisioned to meet current and future needs.

Highlighted during the tour were several InSite Development properties designed by PSL including the Sagebrush and Arbor on Date apartment complexes and BeX Bar & Grill.



Team Effort Helps UNITE El Dorado Neighborhood

Neighbors work together to improve local life

Lancaster's El Dorado neighborhood bustled with activity one recent Saturday as the community came together for seven special projects chosen to be a part of the Uniting Neighbors in a Team Effort (UNITE) community service program.

Nearly 50 young teens sacrificed sleeping-in to help spruce up their campus at Endeavour Middle School. Also on hand to help out was Principal David Denning and several members of the staff.

"I think it is great that so many have taken time on a Saturday morning to come serve their community and their school," said Denning.

Other volunteers helped weed the planters along Fig Avenue and replaced withered plants with drought tolerant plants and hardscape. They also dug into their own pockets to help fund the project.

About four dozen teen and adult volunteers helped their neighbors by mowing lawns, raking leaves and removing trash. The objective wasn't just to clean up the area, but to also teach basic landscape maintenance skills that can be used in the future.

Another group of volunteers repainted house numbers to make it easier for emergency first-responders to locate addresses.

The community projects weren't limited to physical effort, however. A chess tournament at El Dorado Elementary School offered children from K-6 grade an opportunity to extend their concentration skills and learn effective chess strategies. Another program increased awareness of the impact of bullying while promoting resiliency and healing among victims.

The day wrapped up with a community BBQ and bike rodeo at Monte Vista Elementary School where families came together to get to know their neighbors better and gain tips on bike and pedestrian safety.

Join us in thanking all those who participated and sponsored these great community building events!



UNITE LANCASTER
Uniting Neighbors In a Team Effort



The MOST WONDERFUL Time of the Year

Join family and friends in celebrating Christmas close to home

Lancaster and its local merchants go all out to make the holiday season very special for young and old. There is an exciting lineup of holiday events scheduled between now and the end of the year. Be sure to mark your calendar and help make this December one to remember for the entire family.

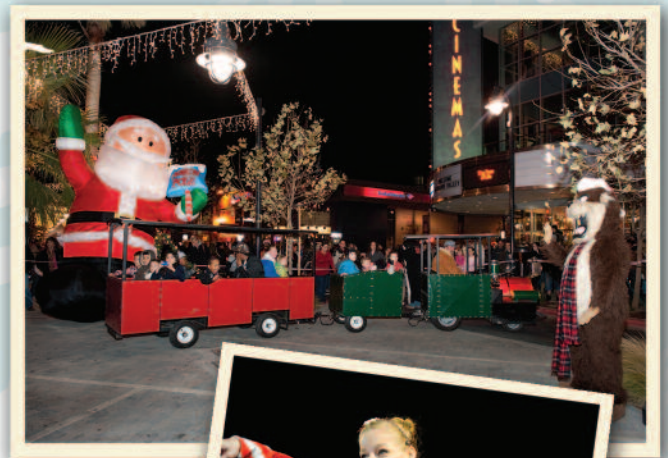
A Magical BLVD Christmas

Saturday, December 8 | 5 to 9 p.m. | The BLVD
Free Admission

Christmas comes alive as The BLVD is transformed into a magical winter wonderland for a festive evening of shopping, great food and good times. Browse through the Christkindlmarkt for charming Christmas crafts and delightful foods. Visit the gingerbread house and sample a piece of Mrs. Claus' home.

Children will enjoy making crafts in Santa's Workshop, riding the Christmas train, as well as watching a holiday film and the creation of an ice sculpture. Of course, Santa and friends will be on hand to take last minute requests for special gift ideas.

Come early and enjoy choirs, carolers, dancers and storytellers performing on stages all along The BLVD. Browse through a wide array of gift ideas from local merchants and enjoy the bounty of delights offered up by BLVD restaurants. It is guaranteed to be the highlight of your holiday.



"CHRISTMAS ON THE BLVD" PARADE

Saturday, December 1 | 10 a.m. | The BLVD

A local holiday tradition, Lancaster's Annual Christmas Parade features more than 100 entries including fabulous floats, dozens of marching bands and a very special appearance from jolly ol' Santa Claus, himself.

Sponsored by the Antelope Valley Chambers of Commerce and underwritten by community-minded organizations including the Lancaster Auto Mall and Lancaster West Rotary Club.

"LIGHT UP A LIFE" TREE LIGHTING

Tuesday, December 4 | 6 p.m. | The BLVD at Ehrlich Ave.

Hoffman Hospice invites everyone to celebrate the life of a loved one or a personal hero during its annual "Light up a Life" commemorative tree lighting. For the second time in its 10-year history, the event will be held along The BLVD and will include holiday music, remembrances and lighting of the community Christmas tree.

BLVD FARMERS MARKET

Thursdays | The BLVD from Ehrlich to Date Avenues

December hours: 12-6 p.m. | January hours: 12-5 p.m.

The BLVD Farmers Market takes on a festive tone for the holidays with unique gift ideas, fresh produce, baked and packaged goods, as well as seasonal treats for your table.



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA – HOTCAKES & HO! HO! HO!

Saturday, December 15 | Adults \$8 | Children \$5

Seatings at 8, 9, 10 and 11 a.m.

Stanley Kleiner Activity Center, Lancaster City Park

Mr. and Mrs. Claus cordially invite children of all ages to join them for a delightful holiday breakfast filled with warm pancakes, holiday music and loads of fun!

Children will have plenty of fun creating unique arts and crafts projects while spending quality time with Santa's elves. Parents will enjoy a number of terrific photo opportunities.

Tickets are available at City Hall. Call 661-723-6077 for more information.

MUSIC OF THE SEASON CHORAL COMPETITION

Saturday, December 1 | 5 p.m.

BeX Bandstand on The BLVD

Enjoy an evening of holiday hits sung by local high school choral groups. Ballots are available at participating BLVD businesses. Vote for your favorite choir and help them win a \$500 cash prize to support the arts at their school.

Sponsored by The BLVD Association. For details, visit www.theblvdlancaster.com.



SHOP MORE IN LANCASTER

*Help yourself and your community
by shopping with local merchants
this Christmas*

During this busy holiday season, where you choose to shop can make a big difference, both to you and to your community.

Shopping locally helps the City retain valuable sales tax revenue which goes toward supporting essential services you and your family use every day. More importantly, it creates increased wealth and additional jobs within the community which benefit everyone.

So as you make your Christmas list, consider where you will shop as well as what you will buy. Doing so will give you and your community a great gift.



*Sassy Couture
on The BLVD*

City Launches New Aerial Crime-Fighting Tool

LEAPS program provides Sheriff's Department with state-of-the-art aerial observation capabilities

The City of Lancaster has introduced a new aerial patrol system which provides law enforcement with a highly effective tool to fight crime. The Law Enforcement Aerial Platform System (LEAPS) was designed and built by local high-tech firm, Aero View LLC.

Lancaster Sheriff's Station Captain Robert Jonsen says LEAPS provides the department with a bird's eye view of situations deputies can't always assess effectively from ground level. It also improves response times in emergency situations and natural disasters, where airborne assistance is critical.

"From a public safety perspective, LEAPS can follow a criminal target via visual movement using both visible and infrared images for tracking," said Jonsen. "It is a capable and economical resource offering superior patrol and investigative capabilities."

The system has already proven itself by helping to apprehend two murder suspects and has been used to track burglaries.

The LEAPS system is unique in that it is the first aircraft system of its kind to become airborne at such a low-price point.

The system follows strict law enforcement protocols to ensure citizen privacy. Additionally, the Sheriff's Department has complete control over the data and operation of the system. Neither City staff nor contractors have access to the encrypted data stream which is beamed directly to the Sheriff's Station. Data is archived for 24 months, thus should a crime initially go unreported, investigators can follow up at a later date to see if the perpetrators were caught on tape.



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— Robert Jonsen
Captain, Lancaster Sheriff's Station

When not flying the skies over Lancaster, the aircraft is housed, maintained and fueled at Fox Field.

The City's contract with Aero View calls for the firm to maintain operations in Lancaster for 10 years. The system is also being offered to other cities and counties looking for a cost-effective way to combat crime. As demand for LEAPS grows, the City will benefit from an influx of new jobs and tax revenues.



A Message from Your Assistant Fire Chief



Assure a Happy Holiday by Staying Fire Safe



Each holiday season, too many families face tragedy and needless loss of property simply because they forgot a few basic safety rules. Help keep your family safe by following these guidelines:

- When purchasing an artificial tree, make sure the label reads "Fire Resistant." If buying a cut tree, check for freshness and keep it well watered.
- Always place your Christmas tree away from fireplaces, radiators or portable heaters.
- Be sure the tree is mounted on a sturdy base to ensure that children or pets cannot tip it over.
- Decorate your tree with flame-resistant/non-combustible materials. Avoid leaded tinsel and ornaments that could prove hazardous to children.
- Check lights for frayed or damaged cords or sockets. Never use lighted candles on any tree and do not use lights on metallic trees.
- Never string more than three strands of lights together. Also, be sure to turn off the tree lights before you go to bed and when you are away from home.
- Keep mistletoe, holly berries and Christmas cactus away from small children and animals, as they may be poisonous. When ingested, even poinsettias can cause an upset stomach. Also, use caution with "fire salts" which are used to create colorful flames in fireplaces. They contain heavy metals that can cause vomiting if ingested.
- Be sure to use indoor lights inside your home and outdoor lights for exterior decorations.
- Fasten outdoor lights securely to trees, house walls or other firm supports to protect the lights from wind damage. Use only insulated staples to hold strings in place, not nails or tacks.
- Outdoor electric lights and decorations should be plugged into circuits protected by ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCIs).

Stay safe and enjoy your holidays!
Gerald Cosey, Assistant Fire Chief

Volunteers Help Reduce Graffiti

*Rapid response key to keeping
vandalism in check*

Each year, graffiti costs the citizens of Lancaster thousands of dollars. The City's recently introduced Graffiti Abatement Volunteer Program is designed to put the proper tools and training into the hands of residents so they can help remove and stop such vandalism in their neighborhoods.

By volunteering to remove graffiti, people can greatly improve their neighborhoods. Prompt removal also reduces the odds of graffiti reappearing.

Working hand-in-hand with these volunteer teams is a new Graffiti Reporting Hotline. Simply call 661-723-5977 to report recent markings.

For information on how you or your group can participate in the Graffiti Abatement Volunteer Program, contact Pat Murphy at 661-723-6183 or pmurphy@cityoflancasterca.org.

Tempting Targets:

*Unlocked
vehicles and homes*



Nearly 40% of all residential burglaries and 60% of car burglaries in Lancaster occur in unlocked or unsecured homes and cars.

During this busy holiday season, the City's Criminal Justice Commission and public safety office encourage everyone to lock up for safety.

"The simple truth is burglars are lazy. They'd much rather avoid having to break into your property," says City Public Safety Manager Lee D'Errico. "By simply taking a few extra seconds to secure your valuables, you can avoid problems."

Also, do not leave a spare key under a doormat or other obvious places. Drivers should always lock their car and take their keys, even when in their own driveway. Keeping valuables out of sight also discourages burglars. For those with electronic locks, take time to verify the lock is set before walking away.

For more public safety tips, visit www.cityoflancasterca.org/publicsafety.

Health Care, Hospitality Growing in Lancaster

330,000 square feet of added work space and three new hotels indicate economy is rebounding

A review of commercial projects recently receiving plan checks at City Hall reveals an interesting pattern. Two new healthcare facilities are slated to break ground in the months ahead, while three hotels are checking into town.

City of Hope recently announced plans to build a new cancer center in cooperation with Antelope Valley Hospital. The 56,195-square-foot facility will be located on the Antelope Valley Hospital campus. The new cancer center will offer a full range of innovative diagnostic and treatment options, as well as clinical trials and research projects. Meanwhile, a new community education center will offer a 172-seat auditorium, offices and classrooms.

According to Dr. Michael Friedman, CEO of City of Hope, “these facilities will expand the services we provide to the Antelope Valley and allow us to share our scientific knowledge, medical expertise and compassionate care.”

The Center is scheduled to open in late 2013.

Across town, Kaiser Permanente is moving forward with a 130,000-square-foot out-patient facility, part of an expansive 40-acre medical campus planned for Avenue L and 10th Street West.

The healthcare provider already has a sizeable presence in the Antelope Valley with medical offices including urgent care and pharmacy services on 15th Street West, and a behavioral health facility on 20th Street West. These operations, along with the more than 125 physicians and 700 employees whom currently serve Antelope Valley patients, will continue to operate, allowing the healthcare provider to better serve our growing local needs.

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— Dr. Michael Friedman,
CEO, City of Hope

Three new hotels have recently made reservations to create lodging facilities in Lancaster.

Best Western, the world’s largest hotel chain, is slated to build a new 100-room hotel at Avenue I and 20th Street West.

Nearby, Marriott Corporation has submitted plans to build a new TownePlace Suites within the Lancaster Spectrum Center on 20th Street West and Avenue J-8, adjacent to the 14 Freeway.

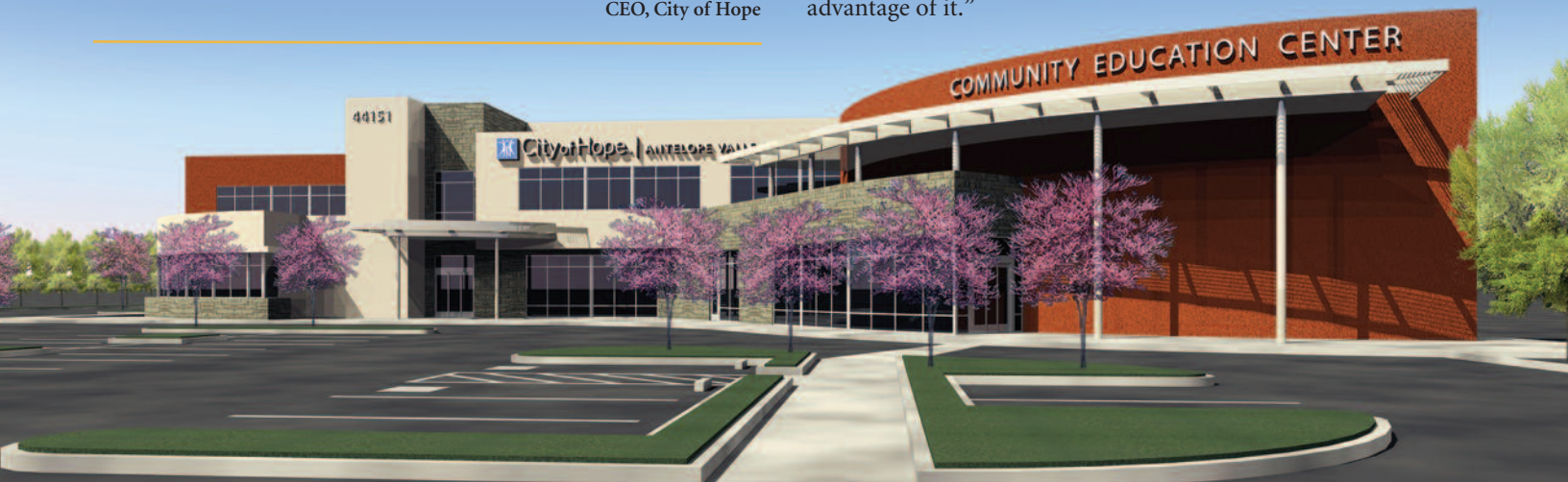


Downtown, InSite Development has plans to build a hotel and construction is currently underway on its new 8,000-square-foot retail/office building. Meanwhile, Halley-Olsen-Murphy Funerals & Cremations is currently updating its Date Street facility with a 20,000-square-foot expansion.

Another project soon getting underway is the Department of Motor Vehicles office at 10th Street West and Avenue L-8 which will occupy 30,000 square feet.

The Lancaster Business Park has also added five new industrial lots to its inventory, made possible by Morton Manufacturing’s recent decision to build an 86,000-square-foot plant in the business park.

“We’re excited to see this substantial new growth taking place,” said City Manager Mark V. Bozigian. “Clearly the economy is coming back, and Lancaster is well positioned to take advantage of it.”



Vision Plan for Southeast Transit Village Begins to Emerge

Multi-modal transportation hub seen as centerpiece of transformation

Throughout the last decade, Lancaster has reinvented its downtown core to be the heart of local activities. Now City planners are evaluating new ways to support and expand the vibrant lifestyle of The BLVD by helping facilitate new transportation options for both residents and visitors.

Building upon the existing Metrolink Station, the new plans seek to create an integrated transit hub as a gateway to downtown. The new center would be designed to serve both local and regional transit needs, as well as provide connection to the proposed high speed rail system.

With the help of a grant from the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), the City of

Lancaster has begun exploring ways the Southeast Transit Village Planning Area (STVPA) might be put to better use. This 100-acre area is bounded by Sierra Highway on the west, Division Street on the east, Lancaster Boulevard on the North and Avenue J on the South.

“Some of this land is currently underutilized,” notes Planning Director Brian Ludicke. “Creating a new transit hub with supporting retail, residential and commercial uses would not only strengthen commuter use of Metrolink,

but also provide improved transit options for those attending special events along The BLVD.”

Currently, the area in question is cut off from downtown by existing rail lines and security fencing. However, a new elevated walkway could bridge the two areas and help stitch east and west together.

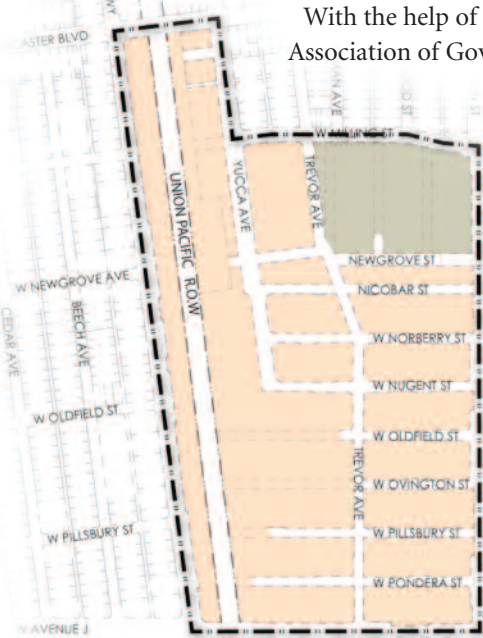
Throughout the summer and fall, planners have met with local residents in a series of workshops and informational meetings to explore several options and seek a consensus for a viable approach to improve the study area.



1902 Lancaster Train Station



Metrolink Station today



Among the key objectives for the plan:

- Reshape the Metrolink Station to provide both downtown (west) and Transit Village (east) fronts
- Support the continued renaissance of downtown as well as existing businesses and landowners
- Enhance the character and sense of place of the Transit Village to complement the community
- Create new jobs and commerce opportunities
- Leverage transit to encourage economic development and improve our quality of life
- Provide a balanced range of commercial/industrial and residential uses
- Improve transportation both locally and regionally
- Provide a new focal point for the community - a place for family and friends to mix and mingle
- Refine zoning to support the overall vision
- Leave options open for potential high speed rail, while allowing development to still thrive without it
- Create infrastructure required to implement the plan

The Vision Plan is just the first step in a series of milestones which will help ensure that a new Southeast Transit Village meets the needs of the community. Many more steps will be required before such plans can become reality. Local residents, businesses and community organizations are encouraged to get involved in the process. For more information, please contact the City’s Planning Department at 661-723-6100.





City Field Crews Keep Public Pipes Flowing

Sewers, storm drains and recycled water are the domain of the Public Works Department

Ever flush your toilet and wonder, “Where does it all go?” Lancaster’s Public Works Department understands the ins and outs of the 400 miles of pipes, pumps and treatment facilities which comprise the City’s sewer system and works hard to make sure what goes down your drain always arrives to the proper destination.

Lancaster’s system is actually comprised of two separate sets of pipes – the sewer system carries wastewater from homes and businesses, while storm drains carry rainwater.

The City’s sewer system was originally built by Los Angeles County. In 2008, the City took over upkeep and repair of the aging system to assure better maintenance and fewer service disruptions. Pipes in problem areas are regularly inspected with special video cameras which help identify trouble spots. Then high pressure hoses are sent down to remove grease and deposits which could eventually block the system.

To further prevent problems, department staff works with Lancaster’s 300 restaurants and food service firms to help prevent fats, oils and grease (FOG) from ever entering the lines in the first place. By working cooperatively, overflows were reduced to a small fraction of what had been encountered in earlier years.

Sewer water is sent to a County Sanitation District reclamation facility where it is cleaned and processed for re-use by agriculture and industry. The City has created a backbone of “purple pipes” to distribute the recycled water to key areas. Utilizing recycled water for landscape and industrial cooling helps conserve fresh water for more pertinent household uses.

Over the last several years, the City of Lancaster and developers have worked hard to upgrade our storm drain system. In a flat, desert community such as ours, runoff can quickly pool to create flooded areas if not properly channeled. Those who have lived here for years will remember when the smallest storm could make streets impassable. While today’s system cannot completely prevent flooding, the improvements have been sufficient to allow the City to petition FEMA to remove Lancaster from its high risk Flood Zones. Now only a few small rural areas of Lancaster require flood insurance.

The Public Works team works tirelessly to ensure that you won’t worry about where wastewater goes. Their motto – “When you don’t have to think about it, we’re doing our job right!”



Don’t let crud wreak havoc on your celebrations

While the City’s Public Works’ staff puts much of its energy into keeping municipal sewer pipes free and clear, it is the responsibility of each resident to ensure that the pipes leading to the sewer system don’t clog up. So here are a few tips to help avoid the greasy Grinch this holiday season.

- Do not pour oil or grease down the drain. A typical holiday turkey can create more than a pound of grease. Sending it down your pipes is a recipe for disaster. Drain excess oil and grease into a sealed container. Then dispose of it in the trash, not the drain.
- Do not wash cooking oil or grease from dishes, pots and pans down the drain. Wipe them down with a paper towel before putting them in the sink to soak. You’ll get cleaner dishes and fewer clogs.
- Do not send food scraps down the drain. Grease and food scraps conspire to clog your pipes. So avoid the temptation of putting those potato peels and turnip tops down the disposal. Bulky food waste belongs in the trash, not down the drain.

Following this sound advice all year long will reduce your risk of encountering a serious clog.

New Pavement Preservation Program Saves Money, Time and Environment

Re-HEAT repairs roads by recycling existing asphalt

The City of Lancaster is taking an innovative approach to road resurfacing. Utilizing a relatively new technique which has proven to be effective in other regions, Lancaster will be the first to implement the Re-HEAT (Recycled Hot Emulsified Asphalt Treatment) process in California.

The process is expected to save the City hundreds of thousands of dollars, repair roads more quickly and significantly reduce the carbon footprint of numerous roadway projects.



According to Public Works Director Robert Neal, “The Re-HEAT process is an excellent way to get the absolute best value for every dollar we spend on road construction and repair.”

In contrast to traditional “surface rehabilitation,” which removes the top two inches of a street surface and replaces it with new asphalt, the Re-HEAT process actually recycles existing asphalt. During the process, existing asphalt is heated, ground up and mixed with a rejuvenating emulsion before being set down as the new roadway.

“An additional benefit of the Re-HEAT approach is the time required to complete the process,” said Ray Hunt, Capital Engineering Manager. “With this technology, residents can leave for work in the morning and come home to an entirely new street in the evening.”

State Grants Help Retire Old Tires

Recycling awards rid roadsides of waste rubber

The City of Lancaster has been awarded two state grants totaling nearly \$250,000 to help pay for tire cleanup and enforcement of tire recycling laws. The City is one of 23 government agencies which received a share of the state’s CalRecycle funds.

Approximately \$150,000 will be spent on inspection and enforcement efforts to ensure used tires are properly recycled, while another \$100,000 is earmarked for cleanup of tires which have been dumped illegally along public roadways or private property.

Last year alone, Californians recycled in excess of 40 million old tires. Most of them were turned into rubberized asphalt concrete for paving roads, drainage material for retaining walls, landscape mulch or playground surfaces.

Tire recycling events are held in the Antelope Valley each October and April. For information on how you can better help the environment and put old tires to good use, visit the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works tire recycling site at www.ladpw.org/epd/tirerecycling or call 888-Clean-LA.



24-Hour Recycling Center Always Ready to Receive

The old adage claims giving is better than receiving. The modern version says recycling is even worthier.

Since its opening last summer, Lancaster’s 24-Hour Recycling Center has helped divert nearly 50 tons of e-waste and countless gallons of used motor oil from the waste system.

Located at Avenue H and 7th Street West (inside the City Maintenance Yard), the center accepts all kinds of electronic waste – TVs, vacuum cleaners, computers, or just about anything electrical, as well as used motor oil and filters. The facility will soon expand its services to include paint and antifreeze.

Please dispose of e-waste and other hazardous household materials properly. For information, visit www.cityoflanasterca.org/24-hr-recycling.





With all the holiday festivities, it's easy to forget we all need to do our share to reduce, reuse and recycle. Here are a few ideas to make your holidays greener.

Buy a living tree – Consider purchasing a potted, live pine as your holiday tree. Once the holidays are over, move it outside and continue to enjoy it throughout the year.

Use efficient lighting – Choose lights that use LEDs instead of traditional incandescent bulbs. They use far less energy and last longer. Put lights on a timer to ensure they get turned on and off properly.

Wrap creatively – Try using Sunday funnies, an old calendar or poster as gift wrap. Kid's drawings can also make cute paper for smaller gifts.

Reuse – Just because something is slightly used doesn't mean it can't be a great gift. Re-gifting is a clever way to keep good things out of the landfill. Find free, slightly used gift ideas on freecycle.org or drop by a local thrift shop to see what gems they have. Donate your unwanted items to your favorite charity.

Recycle – Your holiday tree can be recycled into mulch, free of charge. Simply remove all lights, decorations, and tree stands and leave it out on your regular collection day during the first two weeks following Christmas.

Remember – There will be no waste collection on either Christmas Day or New Year's Day (both Tuesdays). Normal collections will be delayed by one day the remainder of those weeks.

Wishing you a joyous and green holiday season!

Waste Management

'TIS THE SEASON TO BE GREEN!

Remember to recycle these items during the holiday season

These items and anything with a recycling symbol can be recycled using your GREEN recycling container or WHITE commercial dumpster labeled recycling.



Glass bottles and jars

Plastic decorations

Christmas cards

Gift boxes, packaging, cardboard

Old plastic toys

Dairy containers

Tin and aluminum cans

Wrapping paper, catalogs and newspapers



Serving Lancaster for more than 40 years

Waste Management's local team takes great pride in consistently providing exceptional service, a proven safety record and a commitment to the many neighborhoods we serve that's unmatched in the industry.

Thank you for allowing us to serve you.

For more information, visit www.keepingavclean.com or call WM Customer Service at 661-947-7197.

The City of Lancaster appreciates the generous underwriting of programs and services by our City Partners, including Waste Management. Please extend your thanks and patronage to all our City Partners.

A LASTING TRIBUTE

We honor the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. not only in the monuments we erect but more importantly in our everyday actions. When we serve others, we help preserve the legacy of Dr. King.

Celebrate the spirit of MLK Day by volunteering to help in our community. For a list of local projects or to suggest a project, visit www.cityoflancastrca.org/mlk or call 661-723-6077. You may also visit www.mlkday.gov for service project ideas.

MLK DAY | **SATURDAY,**
of SERVICE | **JANUARY 19, 2013**

"Everyone can be great because everyone can serve."
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.



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IMMEDIATE REGISTRATION

All forms of registration begin December 3, 2012.

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 21.
- **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.



Online registration available



New class offering



Bilingual instructor



FREE!



Healthy, active lifestyles



Instructor



Preschool

El Dorado Preschool

Registration MUST be completed in person at City Hall.

The following materials must be presented at the time of registration: (1) A recent (within the last month) photo of your child(ren) and (2) emergency contact information. Parents are required to volunteer twice throughout the course session. El Dorado Park.



Wee Folks



Madison Topor

(3 yrs.) A positive first-school experience for young children, Wee Folks encourages social development through group activities and play. Class activities include crafts, stories, outdoor play activities and snack. Potty-trained child must have turned 3 by Dec. 2, 2012. \$128 (\$135 NR).

5956

T/TH

Jan. 3-Mar. 21

9-11:30 a.m.

Preschool



Elizabeth Nelson

(4 yrs.) Kindergarten preparation class. Young students develop their social skills through play, art, stories, songs, games and outdoor play activities. Students are encouraged to develop their independence, improve their self-help and sharing skills, and learn to follow directions. Child must have turned 4 by Dec. 2, 2012. \$178 (\$185 NR). No class Jan. 21, Feb. 18.

5955

MWF

Jan. 2-Mar. 22

9-11:30 a.m.

Jane Reynolds Preschool



Lynnette Bass

Registration guideline: Priority registration for current students ends on December 15th. Parents are required to volunteer three times throughout the course session. Materials: \$8 per session, due to the instructor on the first day of class. Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 2.



JRP Play Brigade

(2 1/2-3 yrs.) Music, crafts, stories, indoor and outdoor play. Potty-trained child must have turned 3 by Dec. 2, 2012. \$140 (\$147 NR).

5971

T/TH

Jan. 22-Mar. 21

9-11:30 a.m.



JRP Preschool

(4 yrs.) Socialization skills, Kindergarten preparation, crafts, stories and motor skills play. Child must have turned 4 by Dec. 2, 2012. \$195 (\$202 NR). No class Feb. 18.

5972

MWF

Jan. 23-Mar. 22

9 a.m.-12 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.cityoflanasterca.org.



Youth Enrichment

After-School Programs - Enrichment Centers

Structured and safe after-school programs for K-6 offered at Valley View and West Wind schools M-F until 6 p.m. Staff fingerprinted and CPR/First Aid certified. \$110 per month. Priority registration for all participants ends on the 15th of the month prior to the upcoming month. New student enrollments are only accepted at the Parks, Recreation & Arts Department in City Hall.



Infant Massage | **Lourdes Rocha**

(Newborn-1 yr.) Infant massage is an age-old tradition that has been passed down generation to generation because of the many health benefits massage provides to both baby and caregiver alike. Learn how the therapeutic benefits of massage can help you bond with and support the infant in your life, *including how to overcome colic and improve lactation!* Classes are held in small groups and are baby led to ensure personalized attention. Open to all caregivers. Bring a pillow and blanket. *Clases de español disponibles bajo petición.* \$40 (\$47 NR). Materials: \$5. Lancaster City Park, Game Rm.

6138	Tue.	Jan. 8-Feb. 5	10-11 a.m.
6139	Tue.	Feb. 12-Mar. 12	10-11 a.m.
6140	Sat.	Jan. 12-Feb. 9	9:30-10:30 a.m.
6141	Sat.	Feb. 16-Mar. 16	9:30-10:30 a.m.

Mommy/Daddy & Me | **Lynnette Bass**

(9 mos.-4 yrs.) Each class is a fun, interactive, multi-sensory experience! Parent and child explore art, music and games while developing socialization skills. \$90 (\$97 NR), *\$80 (\$87 NR), **\$40 (\$47 NR). Materials: \$5. Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 2. No class Jan. 21, Feb. 18.

5976	9-20 mos.	M/W	Jan. 23-Mar. 27*	12:30-2 p.m.
5973	18 mos.-3 yrs.	T/TH	Jan. 22-Mar. 28	12-1:30 p.m.
5978	1-4 yrs.	Sat.	Jan. 5-26**	9:30-11 a.m.
5979	1-4 yrs.	Sat.	Feb. 2-23**	9:30-11 a.m.
5980	1-4 yrs.	Sat.	Mar. 2-23**	9:30-11 a.m.

Teen Court

Lancaster teens interested in the criminal justice system can gain experience by serving as a juror. Call 661-723-6255 for more info. Council Chambers.

Meets 4th Wed. of each month Sep.-May 3:30 p.m.

Youth Commission

Local high school students 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. Call 661-723-6070 for info.

Meets 2nd Thu. of each month Oct.-Jun. 6:30 p.m.

Performing Arts

Argentine Tango | **Bettina Klattfaistnauer**

(Adult) Students learn the fundamentals of Argentine Tango, including body mechanics, basic steps and dance floor navigation. \$50 Single (\$57 NR), \$75 Couple (\$82 NR). Heroes Park, Community Bldg.

Beginners – By the end of this course, students will be able to participate confidently in a social dance setting.

6123	Sat.	Jan. 5-Feb. 9	5-6 p.m.
6124	Sat.	Feb. 16-Mar. 23	5-6 p.m.

Intermediate – Continuation course expands on the skills taught in the Beginners course, having greater emphasis on musicality and adding in the use of adornments. Students improve their improvisation skills and begin the use of intertwining steps.

6125	Sat.	Feb. 16-Mar. 23	6-7 p.m.
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Belly Dance | **Jill Warden**

(12 yrs.-Adult) Learn self-confidence and coordination through the fun art of belly dance! Costume required for performance. \$45 (\$52 NR). Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 1.

5947	Wed.	Feb. 6-Mar. 13	5:30-6:30 p.m.
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Hip Hop Dance | **Shaharah Henry**

(6-16 yrs.) Learn the latest hip hop dance moves, improve coordination and have fun! Wear loose clothing and tennis shoes. \$30 (\$37 NR). Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 1.

5964	6-11 yrs.	Tue.	Feb. 5-26	4:45-5:45 p.m.
5967	12-16 yrs.	Tue.	Feb. 5-26	5:45-6:45 p.m.

Salsa Dance | **Int'l Dance Fitness Academy**

(13 yrs.-Adult) This group class is welcoming and moves at an easy pace. Learn all of the basic steps, varying dance patterns, as well as all the cool turns that make Salsa fun! No partner or experience is required. \$28 (\$35 NR). International Dance Fitness Academy, 311 E. Avenue K-8, Suite 109.

5989		T/TH	Jan. 8-31	7:30-8:30 p.m.
5990		T/TH	Feb. 5-28	7:30-8:30 p.m.
5991		T/TH	Mar. 5-28	7:30-8:30 p.m.




Arts & Crafts


Animation | Orlando Baeza

(12 yrs.-Adult) Learn the art of animation from one of the leading artists for the Emmy® Award-winning series *THE SIMPSONS*! Each quarter, Orlando Baeza will teach an introduction course as well as one focused course; rotating once each year through 2-D Animation, Character Design, Storyboarding and Portfolio Building. Museum of Art & History (MOAH), Marroquin Family Classroom, 665 W. Lancaster Blvd.




 **Introduction** – Get a hands-on preview of the entire Animation series with Orlando Baeza. This course is a prerequisite for the focused course series. \$35 (\$42 NR). Materials: \$20.


6136 Fri. Jan. 4-25 6-7:30 p.m.

 **2-D Animation** – A focused course that teaches the fundamentals of traditional animation. Through tailored exercise, students will be guided through the elements of solid drawing, gesture, silhouette, weight, squash and stretch. \$80 (\$87 NR). Materials: \$55.


6137 Fri. Feb. 1-Mar. 22 6-7:30 p.m.

Beyond Point & Shoot Photography

 **Phillip Kocurek**
(16 yrs.-Adult) A digital SLR camera is required. \$75 (\$82 NR). Museum of Art & History (MOAH), Marroquin Family Classroom, 665 W. Lancaster Blvd.

 **Beginners** – Get to know your camera! Learn about exposure as well as how to use flash and lenses more efficiently. Practice proper composition and basic posing for beautiful portraits. Take your camera and your photography beyond “total automatic.”

5984 Wed. Jan. 9-Feb. 13 6-7:30 p.m.
5985 Wed. Feb. 20-Mar. 22 6-7:30 p.m.


 **Advanced** – This more advanced course expands on your knowledge of your equipment. Learn about the “histogram” for determining proper exposure and ways to modify lighting for beautiful portraits. Have a better understanding of the techniques used every day by professionals.

6081 Wed. Jan. 9-Feb. 13 7:30-9 p.m.
6082 Wed. Feb. 20-Mar. 22 7:30-9 p.m.




D's Ceramics | Steve Mosley

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

 **Potter's Wheel** (12 yrs.-Adult) Learn basics of throwing on a 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).

5986 Sat. Jan. 5-26 3-4:30 p.m.
5987 Sat. Feb. 2-23 3-4:30 p.m.
5988 Sat. Mar. 2-23 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. **Adult supervision required.** \$50 (\$57 NR).

5952 Sat. Jan. 5-26 1-2:30 p.m.
5953 Sat. Feb. 2-23 1-2:30 p.m.
5954 Sat. Mar. 2-23 1-2:30 p.m.

Family Photography | Tom Varden

(16 yrs.-Adult) There is no keepsake more treasured than a great family photo and you don't have to be a professional photographer to create family photos that look natural! Bring your “point & shoot” camera and learn how to take pictures that truly capture your family's personality. \$25 (\$32 NR). Museum of Art & History (MOAH), Marroquin Family Classroom, 665 W. Lancaster Blvd.


6100 Tue. Jan. 15-Feb. 5 7-8:30 p.m.
6101 Tue. Feb. 12-Mar. 5 7-8:30 p.m.
6102 Tue. Mar. 12-Apr. 2 7-8:30 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. \$25 (\$32 NR). Materials: \$95. **Must wear closed-toe shoes.** AV Florist, 1302 W. Avenue J.


6080 Mon. Jan. 7-28 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Fundamentals of Acrylic Painting

 **Matthew Marchant**
(13 yrs.-Adult) This guided class is for beginners, so if you've ever wanted to take a painting class but were too afraid to sign up, do it now! Learn the basics of acrylic painting, increase your understanding of paint application techniques and develop a sense of personal vision and style. \$75 (\$82 NR). Museum of Art & History (MOAH), Marroquin Family Classroom, 665 W. Lancaster Blvd. No class Jan. 27.

6103 Sun. Jan. 13-Feb. 24 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
6104 Sun. Mar. 3-Apr. 7 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Introduction to Classical Drawing

 **Matthew Marchant**
(13 yrs.-Adult) Hands-on, 10-week course for beginners taught by a classically trained instructor. With the principles broken down into small, manageable lessons, students will be amazed at how quickly they become skilled at creating competent, life-like representations of 3-dimensional forms. \$225 (\$232 NR). Drawing materials provided. \$10 model fee due to instructor for the final class. Museum of Art & History (MOAH), Marroquin Family Classroom, 665 W. Lancaster Blvd. No class Jan. 27.

6105 Sun. Jan. 13-Mar. 24 2-5 p.m.

new! **Open Studio | Renato de Guia**

(16 yrs.-Adult) Surround yourself with others who are finding their own creative voice. The objective of this course is to encourage the artists in our community to explore and be expressive by trying new mediums, producing test pieces and daring to be bold with their work. Each week there will be a new model to utilize in this student-directed class. This class is ideal for the student who may wish to have more autonomy and control over their art class instruction. Just bring your resources and enjoy the community environment while you practice your craft. \$35 (\$42 NR). Model fee included. Museum of Art & History (MOAH), Marroquin Family Classroom, 665 W. Lancaster Blvd.

6127	Sat.	Jan. 5-26	1-5 p.m.
6128	Sat.	Feb. 2-23	1-5 p.m.
6129	Sat.	Mar. 2-23	1-5 p.m.

Special Interest

new! **"An Affair to Remember" MollyKate's Valentine Dinner | Karen Eskew**

(Adult) Looking for an elegant, private place to celebrate Valentine's Day with the one you love? Enjoy a fine dining experience all to yourselves, complete with music, candles and even flowers for your sweetheart (*an idyllic proposal venue*). The menu for your 45-minute seating includes a mock Champagne cocktail, caprese salad, roasted vegetables, petite filet mignon and chocolate covered strawberries. Each date below has a 6, 7 and 8 p.m. seating option. \$80/couple (\$87/couple NR). MollyKate's Gifts & Tea Room, 730 W. Lancaster Blvd.



Date	6 p.m.	7 p.m.	8 p.m.
Mon., Feb. 11	6111	6112	6113
Tue., Feb. 12	6114	6115	6116
Wed., Feb. 13	6117	6118	6119
Thu., Feb. 14	6120	6121	6122

new! **BMX Basics | Antelope Valley BMX**

(5-15 yrs.) Launch your child into the Olympic sport of BMX racing! BMX (a.k.a. Bicycle Motocross) racing promotes individual achievement, builds character, social skills and is a healthy exercise. Each class will include track time from 5:30-7:30 p.m., so that you can put into practice what you learn throughout the course. This is a FAMILY sport; parent support is required. \$28 (\$35 NR). Required materials: bike *without* kick stands, pegs and reflectors. Wear long sleeve shirt, pants, bike helmet and closed-toe shoes. ABA membership fee of \$25 is due on the first day of class. Antelope Valley Fairgrounds, 2551 Avenue H.

6133	Thu.	Jan. 10-31	4:30-5:30 p.m.
6134	Thu.	Feb. 7-28	4:30-5:30 p.m.
6135	Thu.	Mar. 7-28	4:30-5:30 p.m.

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.

5969	Beg.	Wed.	Jan. 23-Feb. 27	6:30-7:30 p.m.
5970	Adv.	Wed.	Mar. 6-Apr. 10	6:30-7:30 p.m.



Martial Arts

new! **Northern Shaolin Kung-Fu | Harold Hazeldine**

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

5981	Tue.	Jan. 8-29	6:30-8:30 p.m.
5982	Tue.	Feb. 5-26	6:30-8:30 p.m.
5983	Tue.	Mar. 5-26	6:30-8:30 p.m.

new! **Sword Fighting for Kids | Wayne Crews**

(9-16 yrs.) Want to see your child drop the video games and engage in real life? Offer them the opportunity to participate in realistic combat in a safe environment. Gaining in popularity with teen and preteen boys, sword fighting is great cardio exercise that teaches discipline, honor, sportsmanship, coordination and even social skills. \$40 (\$47 NR). Materials: \$10. The Academy of Style, 661 W. Lancaster Blvd., Suite 101.

Beginners – Learn the anatomy and history of the sword, basic footwork and fair play through team games.

6086	Wed.	Jan. 9-30	4-5 p.m.
6087	Wed.	Feb. 6-27	4-5 p.m.
6088	Wed.	Mar. 6-27	4-5 p.m.

Intermediate – Accepted by evaluation at the end of each Beginners course, students will learn to refine their moves for the purpose of becoming faster while enhancing their game strategy skills.

6089	Wed.	Feb. 6-27	5-6 p.m.
6090	Wed.	Mar. 6-27	5-6 p.m.

Youth Self-Defense | Young Champions

(4-18 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. \$60 (\$67 NR). Materials: \$8. Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 1. Session: **Fridays, Jan. 25-Mar. 29. Students must register by Feb. 4, 5 p.m. to participate.**

6072	New students	4-7 yrs.	4:30-5:10 p.m.
6070	New students	8-18 yrs.	5:15-5:55 p.m.
6071	Yellow belt	4-18 yrs.	6-6:40 p.m.
6073	Orange belt & above	6-18 yrs.	6:45-7:25 p.m.

Health & Fitness

Gymnastics for Kids | Collette Zimmerman

(3-12 yrs.) Keeps kids healthy and fit while they learn how to tumble, bounce trampoline, as well as learn the basics of the vault, bars and balance beam. \$40 (\$47 NR). Genesis Gymnastics, 824 W. Avenue L-6, Unit B.

5960	5-12 yrs.	Sat.	Jan. 5-26	9:30-10:30 a.m.
5961	5-12 yrs.	Sat.	Feb. 2-23	9:30-10:30 a.m.
5957	3-4 yrs.	Sat.	Jan. 5-26	10-10:45 a.m.
5958	3-4 yrs.	Sat.	Feb. 2-23	10-10:45 a.m.

Self-Defense Exercise Classes | Jonathan Curry

(14 yrs.-Senior) Achieve a level of self-confidence, self-awareness and the skills to be able to handle potentially dangerous situations, all while getting a great workout! \$45 (\$52 NR). Materials fee: \$10, due to instructor on the first day of class.

Women (14-60 yrs.)

The Academy of Style, 661 W. Lancaster Blvd., #101

6092	Sat.	Jan. 5-26	9-10 a.m.
6093	Sat.	Feb. 2-23	9-10 a.m.
6142	Sat.	Mar. 2-23	9-10 a.m.

Seniors (60+ yrs.) Bring cane or walking stick if you utilize one. Lancaster City Park, Activity Center.

6083	Fri.	Jan. 4-25	9-10 a.m.
6084	Fri.	Feb. 1-22	9-10 a.m.
6085	Fri.	Mar. 1-22	9-10 a.m.

Senior/Adult Exercise Classes

(Adult) Non-strenuous exercises improve flexibility and circulation. Classes sponsored by High Desert Medical Group. No pre-registration required. Come and participate at your convenience and enjoyment. Bring large towel/mat to class. Lancaster City Park, Activity Center.

Cardio & Resistance	Mon.	9-10 a.m.
Tone & Stretch	T/TH	9-10 a.m.
Cardio & Weights	Wed.	9-10 a.m.

Stroller Strides® | Debra Valladares

(Adult) Join the fun fitness program that moms can do **with** their babies (up to 4 yrs.). Enjoy power walking and intervals of strength and body toning exercises using tubing, the stroller and the environment. Bring stroller, towel, water and sunscreen. \$45 (\$52 NR). Forrest E. Hull Park.

6097	M/W	Jan. 7-30	8:15-9:15 a.m.
6098	M/W	Feb. 4-27	8:15-9:15 a.m.
6099	M/W	Mar. 4-27	8:15-9:15 a.m.

Zumba™ - The Original "Fitness Party"
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(13 yrs.-Adult) Join the fitness party! Zumba fitness is the only Latin-inspired dance-fitness program that blends red-hot international music and contagious steps to form a "fitness party" that is downright addictive. Get ready to burn calories and experience a total body workout while learning different international dances. \$28 (\$35 NR). International Dance Fitness Academy, 311 E. Avenue K-8, Suite 109.

6077	T/TH	Jan. 8-31	6:30-7:30 p.m.
6078	T/TH	Feb. 5-28	6:30-7:30 p.m.
6079	T/TH	Mar. 5-28	6:30-7:30 p.m.

Zumba™ for Kids
 International 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, Suite 109.

6074	T/TH	Jan. 8-31	4:30-5:30 p.m.
6075	T/TH	Feb. 5-28	4:30-5:30 p.m.
6076	T/TH	Mar. 5-28	4:30-5:30 p.m.



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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: **November 5-December 14**

League play begins in **early January**. Games played at local high schools Monday-Thursday nights. Registration limited to 24 teams. \$435/team.

Mon.-Thu. Adult Basketball

Softball | Registration: **January 7-February 22**

League play begins in **March**. Schedule consists of 10 league games and one classification game. Games played Sunday-Friday, you determine 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 eight games. Games played on Saturdays at local high schools; practices held during the week with day, time and location determined by volunteer coach. \$57 (\$64 NR).

Ages 5-9 yrs.

Registration begins August 2013. League play begins October 2013.

Ages 10-13 yrs.

Registration closes December 14. League play begins early January 2013.

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 Contact Information

Jeff Campbell, 661-723-6077
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.

5115 Four 1-hour lessons \$145 (\$152 NR)
 5116 Four 1/2-hour lessons \$100 (\$107 NR)



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

Introduce your child to tennis! They will enjoy learning the basic skills and principles of the game. Bring 21" or 23" tennis racquet.

Jim Majd, Court 8

6060 Sat. Feb. 2-23 11 a.m.-12 p.m.
 6061 Sat. Mar. 2-23 11 a.m.-12 p.m.



Juniors (7-17 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.
 No class Jan. 21, Feb. 18.

6056 M/W Jan. 7-Feb. 4 5-6 p.m.
 6057 M/W Feb. 6-Mar. 6 5-6 p.m.
 6058 M/W Mar. 11-Apr. 3 5-6 p.m.
 6053 M/W-Adv. Jan. 7-Feb. 4 6-7 p.m.
 6054 M/W-Adv. Feb. 6-Mar. 6 6-7 p.m.
 6055 M/W-Adv. Mar. 11-Apr. 3 6-7 p.m.



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

6068 T/TH Feb. 5-28 5-6 p.m.
 6069 T/TH Mar. 5-28 5-6 p.m.



Adult (18+ yrs.)

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, \$45 (\$52 NR).

6065 T/TH Feb. 5-28 6-7 p.m.
 6066 T/TH Mar. 5-28 6-7 p.m.



Adult Tournament Tennis (18+ yrs.)

This is not a beginner class. Focus will be on technique, point construction and ball control for both doubles and singles play. Injury prevention and mental toughness will also be emphasized. This class is only for students who have an interest in competition. Bring one unopened can of Wilson or Penn tennis balls to the first class. No class Dec. 23.



Leonard Johnson, Court 3, \$55 (\$62 NR).

6108 Sun. Jan. 6-27 3-4:30 p.m.
 6109 Sun. Feb. 3-24 3-4:30 p.m.
 6110 Sun. Mar. 3-24 3-4:30 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/week, first come, first served. One-hour use if players are waiting for an open court.

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 661-723-6255.

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

at Jane Reynolds Park, 716 Oldfield Street.

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.	10-11:30 a.m.
Evening Lap	Wed.	8:30-9:30 p.m.

Holiday Closures: December 24, 25 and 31; January 1 and 21; February 18; March 9.

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Call 661-723-6255 for info.

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

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Class Information

All classes: 8 lessons, 30 minutes long, except Level 6, Aquacise and Hydrofit which are 45 minutes. For full descriptions of classes, visit City Hall or go online to www.cityoflancasterca.org.

Parent/Tot

(6 mos.-3 yrs.) Parents, teach your child to feel more relaxed and comfortable in the water.

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.



Aquatics Programs

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) provide own manuals and a pocket mask. Must take CFAS and CPRPR* at Red Cross and show certification on first day. Must attend all classes – no exceptions. \$77 (\$84 NR). Call Gerald Wesley or Shanae Hill at 661-723-6255 for additional information.

*CPR for the Professional Rescuer

Sat. & Sun. Dec. 8-9 or Dec. 15-16

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. Must attend all classes – no exceptions. \$77 (\$84 NR). Contact Steven Reiman or Gerald Wesley at 661-723-6255 for additional information.

Sat. & Sun. Jan. 5-6 or Jan. 12-13

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. Visit www.oasisaquatics.org for more information.

Oasis Masters Swim Program

(18+ yrs.) 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 Dawn Brooks at 661-946-7042.



Level 1: Introduction to Water Skills

(6-14 yrs.) Helps students feel comfortable in the water. 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 and float on front and back.

Level 2: Fundamental Aquatic Skills

(6-14 yrs.) Teaches fundamental skills and enhances Level 1 skills. Learn to: enter water by stepping or jumping from 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 and tread water.

Level 3: Stroke Development

(6-14 yrs.) Builds on skills in Level 2 through additional guided practice. Participants learn to: jump into deep water from side; dive from kneeling or standing position; submerge and retrieve an object; bob with 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.) Develops confidence in skills learned and improve Level 3 skills. 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, front and back crawl, breaststroke, butterfly, elementary backstroke and swim on side.

Level 5: Stroke Refinement

(6-14 yrs.) Provides further coordination and refinement of Level 4 strokes. Learn to: tread water with two different kicks; learn survival swimming; perform rescue breathing. Perform standing dive; shallow dive; glide two body lengths and begin any front stroke.

Level 6: Swimming & Skill Proficiency

(6-14 yrs.) 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.

Adult Swim Lessons

(15+ yrs.) Everyone can learn to swim. All skills taught.

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.

Hydrofit: Muscle Toning & Fitness

(15+ yrs.) Exercise class for an invigorating water workout. Uses belts, ankle cuffs and Styrofoam barbells.

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

Aquatics Class Schedule

The numbers listed under each time frame are the class codes to include on your registration. **All classes held at Eastside Pool.**


 **Session 7: January 29 - February 21**
Tuesday/Thursday (2x/week for 4 weeks) \$34 (\$39 NR).

Class Level	7 p.m.	7:40 p.m.	8:20 p.m.	8:25 p.m.
Parent/Tot	6034			
Preschool	6040			
Preschool 2		6044		
Preschool 3	6048			
Level 1	6010	6011		
Level 2	6013			
Level 3		6017		
Level 4			6021	
Level 5			6025	
Level 6			6029	
Adult		5995		
Aquacise		5999		
Hydrofit				6002


 **Session 8: February 26 - March 21**
Tuesday/Thursday (2x/week for 4 weeks) \$34 (\$39 NR).

Class Level	7 p.m.	7:40 p.m.	8:20 p.m.	8:25 p.m.
Parent/Tot	6035			
Preschool	6041			
Preschool 2		6045		
Preschool 3	6049			
Level 1	6006	6007		
Level 2	6014			
Level 3		6018		
Level 4			6022	
Level 5			6026	
Level 6			6030	
Adult		5996		
Aquacise		6000		
Hydrofit				6003

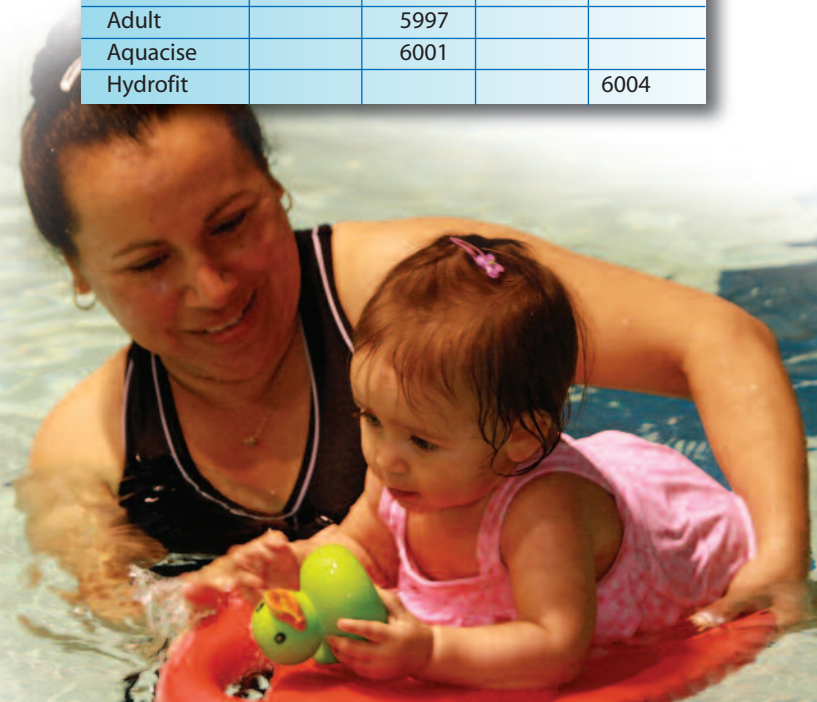


 **Session 9: March 26 - April 18**
Tuesday/Thursday (2x/week for 4 weeks) \$34 (\$39 NR).
No class Nov. 22.

Class Level	7 p.m.	7:40 p.m.	8:20 p.m.	8:25 p.m.
Parent/Tot	6036			
Preschool	6042			
Preschool 2		6046		
Preschool 3	6050			
Level 1	6008	6009		
Level 2	6015			
Level 3		6019		
Level 4			6023	
Level 5			6027	
Level 6			6031	
Adult		5997		
Aquacise		6001		
Hydrofit				6004

 **Session 0: February 9 - April 6**
Saturday (1x/week for 8 weeks) \$34 (\$39 NR).

Class Level	9 a.m.	9:40 a.m.	10:20 a.m.
Parent/Tot		6033	
Preschool	6037	6038	
Preschool 2	6043		
Level 1	6005		
Level 2	6012		
Level 3		6016	
Level 4			6020
Level 5			6024
Level 6			6028
Adult		5994	
Aquacise			5998



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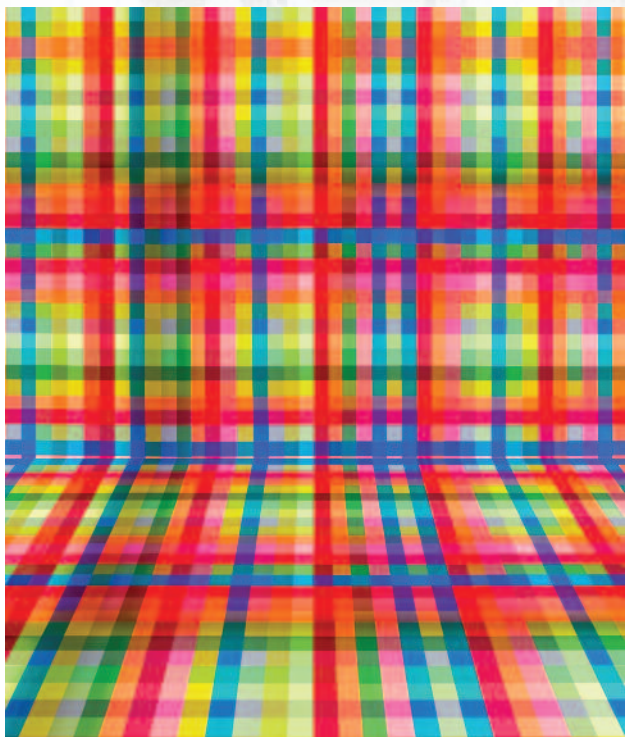
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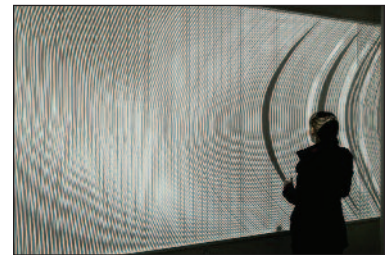
January 2013

Installation artist Megan Geckler will fill the Main Gallery at MOAH with her architectural assemblage. Composed of flagging tape, Geckler transforms abstract concepts of color and line into architectural structures that invite the viewer to experience space in redefined ways. *Reception open to the public.*

Nervous Structure: Cuppetelli/Mendoza

January 10 - March 2

A collaboration between two Detroit-based artists comes alive in MOAH's second floor gallery when viewers interact with it. Cuppetelli comes from a fiber background and enjoys the interaction between garment and body coupled with a minimalist aesthetic. Mendoza's interests lie at the intersection of craft and technology. *Nervous Structure*, a site-specific installation, consists of physical elastic ropes installed in the space and illuminated by glowing virtual strings. The virtual strings are connected to three video cameras that generate an image fed by the movement of the viewer. *Reception open to the public - Thursday, January 10 from 6 to 8 p.m.*



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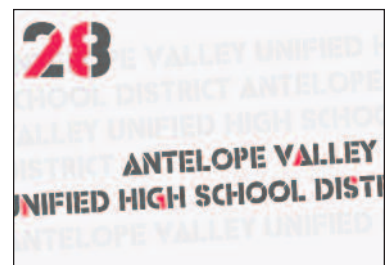
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Parking and attendance are limited for events held in the Interpretive Center. No reservations are required.

FREE GUIDED TOUR! | Sunday, December 2, 11 a.m.

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DEVIL'S PUNCHBOWL PRESENTATION

Saturday, January 12, 4 p.m. | Free

Come enjoy a LIVE animal presentation where you will learn about different kinds of desert animals including owls, snakes and more.

BIRD WALK | Saturday, January 19, 8 a.m. | Free

Audubon member Vern Benhart will lead an hour-long walk teaching you about native desert birds. Remember to bring field guides and binoculars. You never know what you might see!

MOON WALKS | Saturday evenings, 6:30 p.m.

January 26 • February 2 • March 2 | \$2 donation welcome

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 telescopes ready for a closer look at the night sky.

AVIAN ENTERTAINMENT | Saturday, February 23, 4 p.m.

\$3 per person (children three and under are free)
Joe Suffredini, master falconer, will dazzle you with this LIVE presentation on birds of prey featuring a hawk, falcon, vulture and owl. Get ready for a hands-on experience, a free flight demonstration and an education as to the ecological niche each bird fills in our environment.



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