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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR CITY COUNCIL

As Lancaster shakes off its winter chill and celebrates the onset of spring, your City has made plans for a basketful of special events and fun activities.

Peter Cottontail will host his annual Egg Hunt Eggstravaganza on Saturday, March 30. So gather the youngsters and join the bunny for a festive egg hunt, complete with great photo opportunities.

We also look forward to welcoming you to the spectacular California Poppy Festival, April 20 and 21 at Lancaster City Park. Come experience great music, food and fun with your family and friends.

Springtime is a terrific time to get out and explore what's new on The BLVD. This award-winning City centerpiece of arts, culture, entertainment and commerce has now garnered attention nationwide.

Elsewhere in this issue take a look back at the best of 2012.

Inside we showcase the many accomplishments the City has achieved on your behalf.

We also highlight some exciting new developments that are taking place around town as Lancaster moves forward into 2013.

In addition, our Parks, Recreation & Arts Department Activity Guide features a wide variety of classes and activities to fill your leisure time this spring and summer.

So sit back, relax and take your time reading about all we have in store for you this spring in Lancaster.

Enjoy!

Your City Council



On the Cover

The California Poppy Festival celebrates its 22nd year the weekend of April 20 & 21. Be among the thousands of visitors and residents enjoying an abundant supply of fun, flowers and festivities at Lancaster City Park.

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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.

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 March. 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	800-252-4613
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)

www.cityofflancasterca.org

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.poppyfestival.com

California Poppy Festival

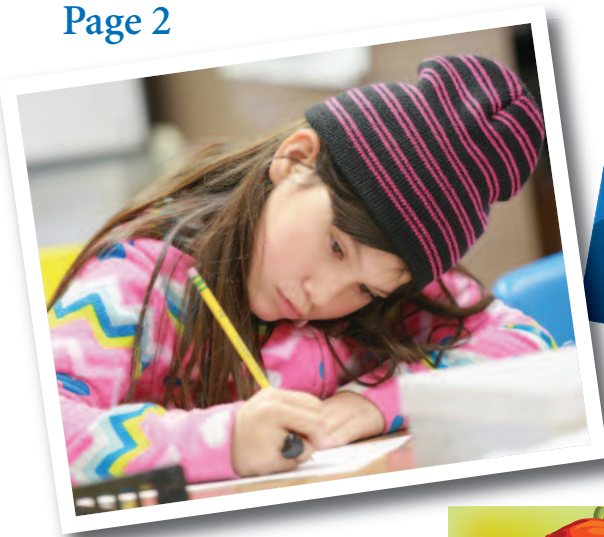
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Destination Lancaster



The Lancaster Museum of Art and History is one of the many proud City achievements of 2012

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2012 Highlights

Creative Problem Solving Allows City to Take Big Strides Forward in 2012

It's not always the brawn you bring to the table that makes the difference. Sometimes exercising your creative thought process to come up with effective solutions proves to be the winner.

Such was the case in 2012, as the City of Lancaster achieved a great deal despite facing fiscal limitations brought on by the economic recession of the past few years.

Public Safety

Lancaster took a page from the military's playbook as it 'took to the air' to nip crime in the bud. The Law Enforcement Aerial Platform System (LEAPS) has allowed the Lancaster Sheriff's Station to more effectively utilize its available ground forces, while leading to the rapid apprehension of a number of criminals.

Leadership in Energy

The City has taken a progressive approach to alternative energy, finding ways to partner with the private sector to help achieve the City's goal of becoming a "net zero" municipality – one which produces more clean energy than it consumes. With the formation of the Lancaster Power Authority, the California Clean Energy Alliance and other green initiatives, Lancaster has set the standard other cities are now following.

Efforts on the Economy

In 2012, the City made great progress in creating more jobs and new wealth in the community. Three separate projects revolving around health care were announced. City of Hope is partnering with Antelope Valley Hospital to create a new 56,000-square-foot, full-service Cancer Center. Kaiser Permanente will add 130,000 square feet of medical offices at Avenue L and 5th Street West, while L.A. County's Multi-Service Ambulatory Care Center is being built at a cost of nearly \$100 million. Together these projects will provide hundreds of construction jobs as well as many new high-paying healthcare positions.

Construction is well underway on Morton Manufacturing's new 88,000-square-foot facility. The company makes precision fasteners for aerospace and other industries and is slated to employ more than 300 workers when it opens later this year.



Art Gains New Prominence

With the debut of Lancaster's Museum of Art and History (MOAH) on The BLVD, the City created an exciting new cultural destination for the region.

The City has also made life much more interesting while aiding our local economy by coordinating a number of special events which draw visitors from around the valley and throughout Southern California. In 2012, we saw one of our best Poppy Festivals ever, drew amazing crowds to the Streets of Lancaster Grand Prix and celebrated our 20th Annual Bark at the Park. Thanks to the tireless efforts of countless volunteers and the generous contributions of great community sponsors, weekly events such as our popular Farmers Market and the Summer Concert Series continue to be enjoyed by thousands.



Major Public Improvements

The City worked diligently to find ways to better serve the community while lowering its costs. Lancaster was among the first to initiate an innovative new pavement repair program known as REHEAT which recycles existing asphalt at far lower costs than traditional repaving.

A major realignment of the Avenue I off-ramp was recently completed, improving access to the downtown area, as well as the Front Row Center complex. Other intersections throughout the City were also improved.

With the help of nearly \$500,000 in grants, a new 24-Hour Recycling Center was built to collect e-waste, used motor oil and batteries. Additional programs to clean up illegally dumped trash and tires were also funded.

Moreover, an outreach program with local restaurants helped to greatly reduce the number of sewer overflows.



Creating a More Cohesive Community

Throughout the last year, the City made remarkable strides with its Neighborhood Stabilization Program. Utilizing funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD,) the program has taken a number of blighted foreclosed homes and rehabilitated them. Some were sold to low and moderate income families, while others were transformed into neighborhood centers.

This award-winning program helped establish Neighborhood Impact Homes, Community Gardens and unique Wellness Homes – places where neighbors can visit with healthcare professionals, counselors and volunteers to achieve better health.

Employee Dedication

City employees have gone to great lengths to help reduce costs while keeping service levels high. Overall benefit costs are down and job flexibility is up. The City has also developed and trained many volunteers who now work side-by-side with employees to achieve more with less. Additionally, City staff has reduced costs and improved efficiency by bringing several advanced technologies online including a new VOIP phone system, video conferencing and a new Wi-Fi network.

In sync with its public wellness initiatives, the City developed programs to encourage health and fitness within its own ranks and has partnered with local businesses to help spread the word.

Exemplifying the dedication of staff, more than 1,400 nominations for the City's Clear Choice employee recognition program have been received from the public and peers.

By bringing the entire community together – concerned citizens, local businesses and a remarkable troupe of dedicated public servants – Lancaster is a better place in 2013.

A Full Trophy Case

One way to measure the remarkable work our community has done collectively is to review the amazing set of awards and accolades we have received for our efforts.

National and Global Energy Globe Awards

presented by the Energy Globe Foundation to the City of Lancaster for its public/private partnerships in sustainable energy practices

Helen Putnam Award

presented by the League of California Cities to the City of Lancaster for its holistic approach to addressing community health concerns

National Award for Smart Growth

presented by the Environmental Protection Agency to the City of Lancaster for its intelligent approach to reuse of urban space

Excellence in Community Revitalization

presented by the California Redevelopment Association for The BLVD Revitalization Project

Award of Excellence for Physical Improvements

presented by the California Downtown Association for Lancaster's infrastructure improvements along The BLVD

Best Environmental Project - 2012

presented by the American Public Works Association for the new 24-Hour Recycling Center

Certificate of Achievement Excellence in Financial Reporting

presented by the Government Finance Officers Association to the City for the 24th consecutive year in recognition of outstanding fiscal reporting

2011-2012 STAR Testing Achievement

for the City's CARES after-school tutoring program in partnership with the Lancaster School District

Entrepreneurial Spirit Drives Local Economy Home

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New Hotels Checking In to Lancaster

Plans for two well-known hotel brands have recently been approved by the City. A new 47,000-square-foot, 88-room Best Western, located at Avenue I and 20th Street West, is anticipated to open early in 2014. The complex will include nearly 12,000 square feet of retail space and a 5,000-square-foot restaurant.

A 52,000-square-foot, 93-room TownePlace Suites by Marriott within the Lancaster Spectrum Center located at Avenue J-8 and 20th Street has also been slated for construction in 2013. The Spectrum complex will include 125,000 square feet of retail space, as well as several locations for restaurants and services. It too is expected to officially open by mid-2014.

Everywhere you turn these days business is up in Lancaster. Aided by an improving local economy and a contagious can-do spirit, new startups, both established local names and well-known national chains are finding Lancaster to be a great place to do business in 2013.

Destination Lancaster Program Encourages Visitors to Stay Awhile

Destination Lancaster, a cooperative developed by the local hospitality sector, moved forward on the marketing front as the City Council approved funding through a new Tourism Business Improvement District (TBID), which will assess an additional 2% on short-term overnight stays at major hotels. The proceeds will be used to finance activities to attract visitors to Lancaster.

“The City’s hoteliers have traditionally relied on government and aerospace business to fill their rooms each night,” said Luis Garibay who coordinates the Destination Lancaster program for the City. “Yet on weekends, many rooms remain vacant. To address this, the City’s major hotels have agreed to develop a joint marketing campaign to attract leisure-time visitors to Lancaster.”

Special events such as the California Poppy Festival, Streets of Lancaster Grand Prix and the Antelope Valley Fair already draw thousands of out-of-town visitors to the area. Additionally, several large amateur sports events at both the Big Eight Softball Complex and the James C. Gilley Lancaster National Soccer Center fill rooms to capacity.

The Destination Lancaster marketing strategy intends to expand these efforts. Through tie-ins with a variety of activities and sights in and around the Antelope Valley, the program aims to encourage visitors to extend their stays and experience the wonder and beauty of the high desert.

“We’ll be working with hoteliers, restaurateurs and event organizers to create attractive package deals and promote them throughout the region,” added Garibay.

“We already have a wonderful website which offers a full calendar of events, ideas for fun things to do and information for meeting planners. Our goal is to broaden our outreach to identify new audiences who have yet to discover all that Lancaster has to offer.”

For more information regarding the Tourism Business Improvement District (TBID) or all there is to see and do in and around Lancaster, visit www.destinationlancasterca.org.



New Restaurant Openings on The BLVD Bring Old Favorites and New Tastes Downtown

A City-backed low-cost loan package designed to help restaurants expand has brought back an old favorite, Barone's On The BLVD. The well-known Italian restaurant has been a local institution for more than 50 years.

"Returning to The BLVD is a wonderful opportunity which has brought us full circle," said John Magar, general manager. "Barone's started on The BLVD in 1959. Today, we're able to return to our roots here in the heart of downtown Lancaster while expanding our business to an exciting new location."

Barone's authentic Italian cuisine features recipes from the family's kitchen brought to America in 1946 when the Barones first emigrated from southern Italy. Specialties include a wide range of dishes, from pizzas and calzones to gnocchi, chicken cacciatore and eggplant parmesan.

The restaurateurs will continue to offer their classic Italian dishes at their current location on Avenue I.

"Barone's is precisely the type of restaurant we were aiming for when we created the *Spice Up Lancaster Loan Program*," said City Manager Mark V. Bozigan. "They have been part of the local business community for more than half a century and many longtime Antelope Valley residents have fond memories of enjoying meals with family and friends at Barone's. Now, with the help of this program, they have come back to The BLVD where a new generation can enjoy their fine food and hospitality."

Barone's on The BLVD is located at 628 West Lancaster Boulevard and is open from 11 a.m. daily.

Several other Lancaster eateries are currently developing projects to feed the growing demand throughout the City. Watch for full details in upcoming issues of OUTLOOK.



Auto Mall Dealers Create New Digs *Chevrolet and Subaru locations undergo major remodeling efforts*

In a move to better serve a rapidly growing customer base, two Lancaster Auto Mall dealerships have taken on multi-million dollar improvements to their showrooms.

Antelope Valley Chevrolet has begun an extensive \$1.2 million dollar remodel to its facilities. The redesign will not only provide a fresh face to the showroom, but also improve the facility's overall efficiency.

"Chevrolet has seen great success here in Lancaster," says Antelope Valley Chevrolet owner Lou Gonzalez. "By remodeling and reconfiguring our space, we'll be better able to serve the needs of our customers."

Nearby, Clutter Automotive has undertaken a renovation of their Subaru dealership to allow them to better manage the larger volumes of sales they have experienced in recent months.

"As part of our commitment to the community, we have always strived to provide the best auto experience to AV residents," said Rick Clutter, president of AV Subaru. "Our new renovations, slated to be complete in April, will offer beautiful new grounds, a state-of-the-art service department and a larger selection of new Subaru cars and SUVs."

The Lancaster Auto Mall realized a 30% increase in sales in 2012, thanks to an improved economy and a cooperative marketing effort to tout sales of all Auto Mall nameplates.





The BLVD Accrues New Accolades

Lancaster repeatedly recognized for a job well done

After years of hard work by civic leaders, private partners and scores of local businesses, The BLVD has really hit its stride in recent months with new shops and restaurants opening on a regular basis.

While local residents have been quick to appreciate the importance of The BLVD in creating a new focal point for the community, the City has also received recognition from notable organizations throughout the country who believe Lancaster has done a great job at community building.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recently awarded their “Smart Growth” achievement to The BLVD project for “taking innovative steps to realize a vision of American communities that are clean, healthy, environmentally responsible and economically resilient,” according to EPA Director Lisa Jackson.

The California Downtown Association (CDA) also recently handed out kudos to The BLVD project, presenting Lancaster with its prestigious Award of Excellence for 2012 in the Physical Improvement category. The CDA recognizes outstanding projects from throughout the state. The Physical Improvement category recognizes brick and mortar projects that create or enhance economic development opportunities.

“We are pleased and honored to have our efforts recognized at the state and federal levels,” said Deputy City Manager Jason Caudle. “It is very satisfying to have these major organizations recognize all the effort that has gone into making The BLVD such a success.”

Earlier, The BLVD project was recognized by both the California Redevelopment Association and the American Public Works Association for its creative solutions and public/private partnership approach to economic development.

For more information on The BLVD’s awards, visit www.cityoflancasterca.org/blvdawards.



Establish Strong Roots with Your Community

Sponsor a tree along The BLVD

The BLVD has quickly become one of the region’s favorite destinations. Show your support of this unique focal point of arts, entertainment and commerce by sponsoring a BLVD shade tree.

“I remember spending time on The BLVD as a teenager,” said City Manager Mark V. Bozigan. “Today, The BLVD is once again the place to be. Through this program, those of us who have strong roots in this community can express our support and become a permanent part of its history.”

Individuals, families, businesses and community organizations are invited to sponsor a shade tree on The BLVD. With each \$500 sponsorship, a custom-designed plaque will be posted designating you or your group as the tree’s official sponsor.

You’ll also receive an official certificate commemorating your support.

Only a limited number of trees are available. For more information or to become a sponsor, please contact Nicole Nutt at 661-723-6173 or nnutt@cityoflancasterca.org.



10 Reasons to

SHOP MORE LANCASTER



Shoppers have many choices when they head out to the supermarket, gas station or hardware store. But did you realize where you choose to shop can have a big impact on both you and your community?

The following are some important aspects to consider before you take your business to another city:

- 1 Keep your money close by** – Upwards of 60 cents of every dollar you spend locally stays local. Retail sales help fuel our local economy. The money you spend in Lancaster helps pay local workers and suppliers who in turn spend their earnings on housing, groceries and fuel right here in Lancaster.
- 2 Put your taxes to good use** – A portion of every dollar you spend in Lancaster goes to fund important City services including public safety, parks and local infrastructure. When you shop elsewhere those dollars go to other cities.
- 3 Create more good jobs** – Local businesses are the backbone of our community. By patronizing Lancaster shops and restaurants, you're helping to pay the salaries of your friends and neighbors.
- 4 Support community groups** – Local businesses support local causes – everything from Little League teams to homeless shelters. Without your support, they cannot sustain this generosity.
- 5 Keep community character** – Lancaster businesses cater to the neighborhoods they serve and reflect the values of our community. You'll often find unique products and services not carried by bigger brand name stores.
- 6 Get better service** – Local businesses tend to hire people with deep knowledge of the products and services they provide. They are likely to provide better customer care, as well as more personalized attention.
- 7 Reduce impact on the environment** – Local shops are close-at-hand so you'll travel less, use less fuel and create less pollution while you shop. Local merchants often source products closer to home as well, leading to even greater benefits.
- 8 Find what you want** – Successful local businesses know how to fill a niche. The products they carry are based on local tastes and demands, not a national sales plan.
- 9 Encourage local prosperity** – Research indicates that entrepreneurs and experienced workers tend to live and reinvest in their communities. Often they spawn other successful businesses, which further aids the local economy.
- 10 Help yourself** – Local businesses strengthen the economic base of a community. When your dollars circulate locally, it creates a domino effect which can help preserve neighborhoods and create new opportunities for everyone.



Neighborhood After-School Programs Shown to Improve Test Scores, Attendance


A recent study of students participating in the Lancaster CARES after-school program, offered at eight local elementary schools, shows that students who participate in the program score better on standardized testing and attend school more regularly than those who do not receive such tutoring and academic support.

“Students really enjoy the academics and enrichment we offer,” said Brenda Smith, Assistant Superintendent of Lancaster School District. “It is a fun and engaging experience which includes exposure to arts and athletic activities. The three hours students spend with us each afternoon offer a fun, safe and enriching alternative to being home alone.”

City staff members from the Parks, Recreation & Arts Department have worked with the Lancaster School District for more than a decade to provide this free program, which is underwritten by a grant from the California Department of Education.

Currently, some 560 students are enrolled in the program with more than 200 additional children on waiting lists. The District is working on expanding the program to four additional schools in order to accommodate the needs of parents who work outside the area and are unavailable to be with their children right after school.

More than 12,000 local children have participated in CARES since its inception. For more information regarding CARES, visit www.cityoflancasterca.org/cares or contact your child’s school.



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— Brenda Smith
Assistant Superintendent,
Lancaster School District



Lancaster READS!

Oprah has her book club, colleges have their reading circles and nearly every genre in print has its own discussion group. So why create yet another reading program?

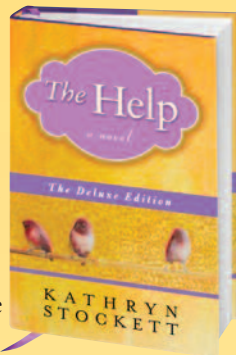
“*Lancaster Reads!* is designed to promote reading and literacy while cultivating a sense of community through the shared experience,” said Parks, Recreation & Arts Director Ronda Perez.

The idea originated in Seattle in 1998 and has spread across at least 35 cities throughout America. *Lancaster Reads!* is a joint effort of the City and the Los Angeles County Public Library.

Every quarter, the City will choose a new book to read and discuss. The first selection of 2013 is *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett, which chronicles life in the South during the early 60s, a time and place where race and class structures underwent tumultuous change.

Readers are invited to share comments via an interactive blog, as well as attend a live discussion and screening of the movie on March 27 at the L.A. County Public Library in downtown Lancaster.

For more information visit www.cityoflancasterca.org/read.



UNITE Program Focuses on Mariposa Projects in 2013

Civic groups are invited to apply for grants

UNITE, the popular community volunteer program that has already helped Unite Neighbors in a Team Effort for a number of years, will kick off its 2013 campaign on May 8 when new applications will become available. This year the program will target the Mariposa neighborhood for improvements.

Two informational meetings will be held Wednesday, May 15 at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday, June 1 at 9 a.m. to acquaint people with the application process. Both meetings will be held in City Hall Council Chambers.

The program was created by the Lancaster Neighborhood Vitalization Commission in cooperation with the City’s Safer Stronger Neighborhoods Committee. The goal of UNITE is to empower local groups to develop innovative local projects while encouraging creativity and cooperation among neighbors.

Applications for UNITE grants must be submitted by 5 p.m. on June 14. Finalists will be announced August 6, with activities taking place on Saturday, September 21.

Visit www.cityoflancasterca.org/unite for additional details or to obtain a project application.



Avenue I/SR 14 Interchange Improvements Provide Better Access to The BLVD, Front Row Center

For many years the southbound Avenue I off-ramp from the Antelope Valley Freeway was problematic. It culminated in a stop sign at the base of the freeway overpass, which offered poor visibility of oncoming traffic and the challenge of timing your move onto Avenue I perfectly in order to make it across several lanes to reach your intended destination.

As the area around Lancaster Municipal Stadium has grown with new hotels and entertainment venues, and access to downtown Lancaster's BLVD district from the north has become more important, this key intersection became a top priority for major improvements.

Thanks to the cooperative efforts of the California Department of Transportation, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority and the City of Lancaster, a new \$12 million interchange rerouting was recently opened which helps eliminate safety concerns, while greatly increasing the capacity of this key intersection.



According to Ray Hunt, Capital Engineering Manager for the City, a great deal of effort has gone into not only making the project practical but also esthetically pleasing, "the structures incorporate a poppy motif which adds character and local flair to an off-ramp which serves as the northern gateway into our City."

Traffic is now routed over Avenue I and horseshoes back to a traffic signal at 23rd Street West, adjacent to the stadium. These improvements will allow for further expansion of the Front Row Center complex, while offering those coming from the north far easier access to the downtown area.

American Public Works Association Honors City with Award for "Best Environmental Project"

Citing the project's direct impact on reducing illegal dumping throughout the Antelope Valley, the American Public Works Association (APWA) has recognized the City of Lancaster's new 24-Hour Recycling Center as "The Best Environmental Project of 2012."

The APWA's Awards Program recognizes outstanding achievement in the field of public works. The group, which promotes best practices and education in the field, has roots which date back to 1894. The High Desert branch of this 28,000-member professional organization designated Lancaster as its choice for the environmental award at its annual conference.

Illegal dumping has become a severe issue throughout the valley, posing health risks to both citizens and wildlife, while draining municipal funds.

To help alleviate this growing problem, in January 2012, the



City launched a community-wide environmental recycling campaign. Several departments in the City enacted programs to assist in these environmental cleanup efforts. One of the programs was the 24-Hour Recycling Center, which was constructed by the Public Works Department as the City's first permanent recycling center to provide free disposal of common illegally dumped materials.

In the past year, the center has recycled more than 258,000 pounds of electronic waste and 8,700 gallons of used motor oil. Currently, the recycling center receives more than three tons of electronic waste each week.

This project has not only saved the citizens of Lancaster thousands of dollars by reducing illegal dumping disposal costs, but it continues to create a positive impact on our environment.

Located at 615 West Avenue H in the City Maintenance Yard, the recycling center is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Visit www.cityoflancasterca.org/24-hr-recycling for more information.



Keeping All Our Children Safe



Your fire department is committed to keeping our entire community safe. This is why the L.A. County Fire Department offers two unique programs to ensure the safety of at-risk children.

The department's *Safe House Program* is designed to provide a temporary haven for any child who is facing a potentially threatening situation and needs a safe place to go. Working with the school districts, Sheriff's Station and community agencies, local fire stations have agreed to protect any children who come to a fire station seeking help because they are lost, frightened or endangered. Department staff will attend to the child by assigning appropriate personnel to the problem, contacting the proper authorities for assistance, while reassuring the child, and providing any medical attention required. All suspected crimes will be reported to law enforcement.

The core mission of the program is to assist children who are in immediate fear of becoming victims of any crime, intimidation or abuse. Be sure to let your children know they can always seek help at the fire station.



We all can remember tragic news accounts of babies left in a dumpster, alley or public restroom by distraught parents who felt they had nowhere to turn.

The *Safe Surrender Program* is designed to assure that infants are not abandoned in unsafe and potentially life-threatening situations. Under the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, a parent may drop off their newborn child, up to three days old, at any fire station or hospital emergency room at any time without fear of prosecution. There are no questions asked and confidentiality is guaranteed.

The goal of this law is not to encourage abandonment but to ensure infants will be protected if and when parents feel they have no other recourse.

For more information on these important programs, please visit www.babysafela.org.

Stay safe,
Assistant Fire Chief Gerald Cosey

LEAPS Continues to Prove Its Worth

Lancaster's Law Enforcement Aerial Platform System (LEAPS) has put in some serious work in recent months. While Lancaster residents went about their daily routine, the City's innovative crime-fighting tool assisted L.A. County Sheriff's Deputies, as well as State Parole authorities in apprehending several criminals.



Recently, LEAPS was used to track a burglary suspect running from the scene of a crime which had earlier been called in as a burglary-in-progress. Deputies followed the directions provided by the LEAPS dispatch crew and identified the location where the suspect had hidden. After surrounding the home and evacuating bystanders, deputies searched the premises and arrested the suspect as he emerged from a bedroom. The suspect later confessed to the attempted burglary.

LEAPS also proved instrumental when a registered sex offender, monitored via GPS, went missing after failing to report to his parole officer. The parole officer drove out to a five-acre search area and determined it to be inaccessible to ground units. Consequently, he called the Lancaster Sheriff's Station to enlist the aid of LEAPS.

With the aircraft covering the broad expanse from above, the parole officers and Sheriff's Deputies were able to maximize their resources in alternate areas and, ultimately, apprehend the offender.

According to Parole Operations Supervisor Larry Dorsey, "Officers were able to locate this individual in a short period of time with help from LEAPS. It is a great resource to have in such situations."

Most recently, LEAPS was invaluable during the apprehension of several burglary suspects. Sheriff's Deputy David Reddish was monitoring the LEAPS camera feed and explained that a team of Sheriff's Deputies was following up on a lead when several suspects bolted from a home and attempted to evade authorities by jumping walls and running through back yards. The LEAPS system was able to track their path and led Sheriff's Deputies to a garage where the suspects were found hiding in the rafters.

Criminals are quickly learning that they can run, but just can't hide from LEAPS.

Ongoing Innovative Initiatives Keep Lancaster on the World Stage



In recent years, the City of Lancaster has found itself increasingly in the news, not only throughout Southern California but literally around the world. Innovative programs have captured the imagination of media worldwide giving Lancaster new name recognition in some far-off places.

London's Daily Mail caught wind of the City's effort to improve civility by piping bird calls and calming music along the sidewalks of The BLVD. Japan's international broadcasting service NHK World featured a story on the energy self-sufficient home created in partnership with China-based BYD and KB Home, while Sweden's National Radio, the NOS network in the Netherlands, as well as several Asian newspapers and broadcast outlets covered the City's multiple trade missions to China.

Domestically, all four major broadcast networks have carried stories regarding the City along with press coverage in the Wall Street Journal and USA Today. In addition, Lancaster has appeared on such wide-ranging outlets as National Public Radio, the New Republic and MSNBC.

"The ongoing regional, national and international media coverage we receive is testament to innovative ideas and a cutting-edge approach to governance," said City Communications Manager Joseph Cabral.

"When we recently received the international distinction of an Energy Globe Award, people from Beijing to Berlin took notice," added Cabral. "The City's continued leadership in such areas as alternative energy, high-tech crime fighting and holistic approaches to public health issues assures we'll remain on the world stage in the months and years ahead."

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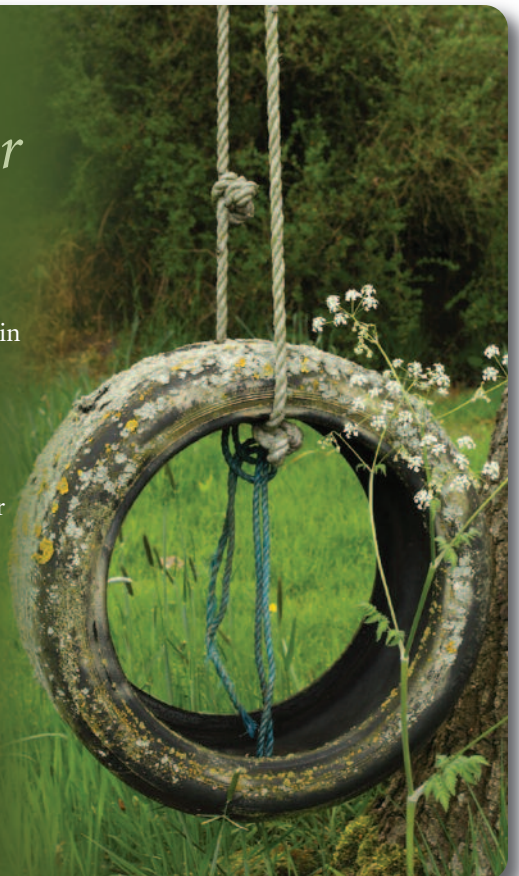
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- Musicians and great local talent provide non-stop entertainment on five stages throughout both days.
- The Festival's own Farmers Market offers up fresh fruits, vegetables and baked goods.
- Skilled craftsmen, artists and artisans display their beautiful fine art and handicrafts.
- Nibble on yummy festival favorites, explore exotic cuisines and enjoy the many "Tastes of Lancaster" as local shops and restaurants offer samples of their fare.

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Certificate Program Start Dates

Culinary Arts & Restaurant Management

March 8 **AM** - 11 **PM**

April 2 **AM** - 3 **PM** - 16 **AM** - 25 **AM** - 26 **PM**

May 9 **AM** - 20 **AM**

Medical Assistant

March 18 **AM** **PM**

April 18 **AM** **PM**

May 23 **AM** **PM**

Solar PV

May 13 **NOON**

Massage Therapy

March 4 **AM** - 27 **AM**

April 19 **AM**

May 14 **AM**

AM/NOON/PM:

Time of day for course.

Professional Baking & Pastry

March 20 **AM** **PM**

April 24 **AM** **PM**

May 30 **AM** **PM**

Emergency Medical Technician

May 6 **AM** - 20 **PM**

Medical Billing & Coding

March 27 **AM** - 29 **PM**

May 14 **PM** - 29 **AM**

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Join the Scramble!

Saturday, March 30

Bunny's Annual Egg Hunt *Eggstravaganza*

Hunt for colorful eggs and redeem them for special prizes. Have your picture taken with The Bunny and enjoy great family fun.

Open to all children under 10.

Most activities are free of charge. Bunny photos are \$3 each. Children must bring their own baskets.

Be sure to arrive early as scheduled hunts will begin on time. Adults may only accompany small children (5 & under) onto the field.

AGE	TIME	FIELD #
1 & under	9:30 a.m.	1
2 years	9:50 a.m.	2
3 years	10:10 a.m.	3
4 & 5 years	10:30 a.m.	4
6 years	10:50 a.m.	1
7 years	11:10 a.m.	2
8 & 9 years	11:30 a.m.	1

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All forms of registration begin March 4, 2013.

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.



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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 photo of your child(ren) and (2) emergency contact information. Parents are required to volunteer twice throughout the course session. El Dorado Park.



Preschool



Elizabeth Nelson

(4 yrs.) Kindergarten preparation class. Young students develop their social skills through play, art, stories, songs, games and outside 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. \$195 (\$202 NR). No class May 27.

6175 MWF Apr. 1-Jun. 28 9-11:30 a.m.



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. \$137 (\$144 NR).

6174 T/TH Apr. 2-Jun. 27 9-11:30 a.m.

Jane Reynolds Preschool



Lynnette Bass

Registration guideline: Priority registration for current students ends on the 15th of the month prior to the upcoming class. 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).

6268 T/TH Apr. 2-May 23 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 Jan. 21 and Feb. 18.

6269 MWF Apr. 1-May 24 9 a.m.-12 p.m.



JRP Kids Play Days

(3-5 yrs.) Socialization skills, kindergarten preparation, crafts, stories and motor skills play. \$95 (\$102 NR).

6333 MWF Jun. 3-28 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 15th of the month prior to upcoming month. New student enrollments 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 from mother to daughter since the beginning of time to improve infant health, attachment and lactation. Learn how the therapeutic benefits of massage can help you bond with and support the infant in your life. 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), *\$30 (\$37 NR). Materials: \$3. Lancaster City Park, Game Rm. No class Jun. 15.

6256	Tue.		Apr. 2-23	10-11 a.m.
6257	Tue.		May 7-28	10-11 a.m.
6258	Tue.		June 4-25	10-11 a.m.
6259	Sat.		Apr. 6-27	9:30-10:30 a.m.
6260	Sat.		May 4-25	9:30-10:30 a.m.
6261	Sat.		Jun. 1-29*	9:30-10:30 a.m.

Mommy/Daddy & Me | Lynnette Bass

(9 mos.-4 yrs.) Watch your baby succeed! Class provides ways to enrich and enhance interaction with the world. Parent and child explore art, music and games while developing socialization skills. \$90 (\$97 NR), *\$45 (\$52 NR). Materials: \$7. Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 2.

6310	18 mos.-3 yrs.	T/TH	Apr. 2-May 23	12-1:30 p.m.
6311	9-20 mos.	M/W	Jun. 3-26*	12:30-2 p.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.

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

Hip Hop Dance | Shaharah Henry

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

New Students


6270	6-11 yrs.	Thu.	Apr. 4-May 2	4:45-5:45 p.m.
6271	12-16 yrs.	Thu.	Apr. 4-May 2	5:45-6:45 p.m.

Returning Students


6274	6-11 yrs.	Thu.	May 9-Jun. 6	4:45-5:45 p.m.
6273	12-16 yrs.	Thu.	May 9-Jun. 6	5:45-6:45 p.m.

Salsa Dance | International Dance Fitness Academy

(13 yrs.-Adult) This group class is welcoming and moves at an easy pace. Whether it's your first class or you have more experience, we have the class for you! No partner necessary. Single \$30 (\$37 NR). Couple \$50 (\$57 NR). International Dance Fitness Academy, 311 E. Avenue K-8, Ste. 109.

 **Beginners** – Learn the basic dance steps, varying dance pattern, rhythm and timing that make Salsa fun!

6298	Level 1	T/TH	Apr. 2-25	7:30-8:30 p.m.
6299	Level 2	T/TH	Apr. 30-May 23	7:30-8:30 p.m.
6300	Level 3	T/TH	May 28-Jun. 20	7:30-8:30 p.m.


 **Intermediate** – This continuation course expands on the skills taught in the Beginner course series. Learn more advanced dance patterns and integrate turn techniques. Completion of the Beginner course series or instructor approval is required for registration.

6301		T/TH	Apr. 2-25	8:30-9:30 p.m.
6302		T/TH	Apr. 30-May 23	8:30-9:30 p.m.
6303		T/TH	May 28-Jun. 20	8:30-9:30 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, Animation Production and Portfolio Building. Museum of Art & History (MOAH), Hernando and Fran 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. \$25 (\$32 NR).


6276	Fri.	Apr. 5-26	6-7:30 p.m.
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 **Character Design** – As animation moves away from its traditional roots towards ever greater technical sophistication, one thing remains constant – the need for unique and interesting characters for animators to bring to life. Whether you are a student or professional, and regardless of your chosen media, this course will provide you with the skills and working methods to create enjoyable and original characters. \$80 (\$87 NR). Materials Fee: \$55.


6277	Fri.	May 3-Jun. 21	6-7:30 p.m.
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Beyond Point & Shoot Photography |  Phillip Kocurek

(16 yrs.-Adult) A digital or film SLR camera is required equipment. Museum of Art & History (MOAH), Hernando and Fran Marroquin Family Classroom, 665 W. Lancaster Blvd. No class Apr. 17.

 **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.” \$55 (\$62 NR).


6157	Wed.	Apr. 3-May 15	6-7:30 p.m.
6158	Wed.	May 22-Jun. 26	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. Gain a better understanding of the techniques used every day by professionals. \$65 (\$72 NR).


6159	Wed.	Apr. 3-May 15	7:30-9 p.m.
6160	Wed.	May 22-Jun. 26	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 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).

6250	Sat.	Apr. 6-27	3-4:30 p.m.
6251	Sat.	May 4-25	3-4:30 p.m.
6252	Sat.	Jun. 1-22	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).

6253	Sat.	Apr. 6-27	1-2:30 p.m.
6254	Sat.	May 4-25	1-2:30 p.m.
6255	Sat.	Jun. 1-22	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 portraits that look natural! Bring any camera and learn how to take pictures that truly capture your family’s personality. \$25 (\$32 NR). Museum of Art & History (MOAH), Hernando and Fran Marroquin Family Classroom, 665 W. Lancaster Blvd.

6281	Tue.	Apr. 9-30	7-8:30 p.m.
6282	Tue.	May 7-28	7-8:30 p.m.
6283	Tue.	Jun. 4-25	7-8:30 p.m.



 **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), Hernando and Fran Marroquin Family Classroom, 665 W. Lancaster Blvd.

6176	Sat.	Mar. 30-Apr. 20	1-5 p.m.
6177	Sat.	Apr. 27-May 18	1-5 p.m.
6178	Sat.	Jun. 1-22	1-5 p.m.



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The City of Lancaster offers a wide range of great party venues from beautiful outdoor park locations to practical meeting rooms. Go big with a Lancaster Municipal Stadium event or swank and sophisticated with a stylish party at the Lantern Room atop MOAH.

For more information on available venues, call 661-723-6077 or visit www.cityoflanasterca.org.



Special Interest

BMX Basics | **Antelope Valley BMX**

(5-15 yrs.) Launch your child into the 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). ABA membership fee of \$25 is due on the first day of class. Required materials: bike *without* kickstand, pegs and reflectors. Wear long sleeve shirt, pants, bike helmet and closed-toe shoes. Antelope Valley Fairgrounds, 2551 Avenue H.

6304	Thu.	Apr. 4-25	4:30-5:30 p.m.
6305	Thu.	May 2-23	4:30-5:30 p.m.
6306	Thu.	May 30-Jun. 20	4:30-5:30 p.m.



DIY Beauty Workshop Series **Panache Salon**

(14 yrs.-Adult) Do you leave your salon thinking, "I look great, but I hope I can do this myself!" Well you can! Take home the professionals' tips and tricks of hair and skin care. Leave home every day looking like you just left the salon. \$10 (\$17 NR). All classes held on Wednesdays from 6-7 p.m. *Spanish language class. Panache Salon, 747 W. Lancaster Blvd.

6322 & 6330	Adding Volume	Apr. 3 & Jun. 5*
6323	Braids	Apr. 10
6324 & 6327	Long-Lasting Curls	Apr. 17* & May 8
6325	Basic Skin Care	Apr. 24
6328	Troubleshooting Skin Care	May 15
6329	Updo Styling	May 22
6335 & 6332	Ethnic Styling	May 29 & Jun. 19
6331	Flawless Makeup	Jun. 12

GED Preparation | **Math Magicians, Inc.**

(16 yrs.-Adult) Raise your reading, writing, math and employability skills in preparation for the GED examination. Students work individually at their own pace and in small groups. \$69 (\$76 NR). Math Magicians, Inc. 42202 50th St. West, Suite D, Quartz Hill.

6165	T/TH	Apr. 2-25	6:30-7:30 p.m.
6166	T/TH	Apr. 30-May 23	6:30-7:30 p.m.
6167	T/TH	Jun. 4-27	6:30-7:30 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. *Jun. 12 class will be held at Jane Reynolds Park.

6284	New Students	Wed.	Apr. 17-May 22	7:30-8:30 p.m.
6285	Returning Students	Wed.	May 29-Jul. 3*	7:30-8:30 p.m.

Martial Arts


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. \$33 (\$40 NR), *\$40 (\$47 NR). Lancaster City Park, Activity Center. **June classes will be held at Jane Reynolds Park.

6240	Tue.	Apr. 2-30*	6:30-8:30 p.m.
6241	Tue.	May 7-28	6:30-8:30 p.m.
6242	Tue.	Jun. 4-25**	6:30-8:30 p.m.

Sword Fighting for Kids | **Wayne Crews**

(9-16 yrs.) See your child drop the video games and engage in real life by participating 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.

6168	Wed.	Apr. 3-24	4-5 p.m.
6169	Wed.	May 1-22	4-5 p.m.
6170	Wed.	Jun. 5-26	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.



6171	Wed.	Apr. 3-24	5-6 p.m.
6172	Wed.	May 1-22	5-6 p.m.
6173	Wed.	Jun. 5-26	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, Room 1. Session: **Fridays, Apr. 5-Jun. 14. No class Apr. 19. Students must register by Apr. 15, 5 p.m. to participate.**




6163	New students	4-7 yrs.	4:30-5:10 p.m.
6161	New students	8-18 yrs.	5:15-5:55 p.m.
6162	Yellow belt	4-18 yrs.	6-6:40 p.m.
6164	Orange belt & above	6-18 yrs.	6:45-7:25 p.m.

Health & Fitness


 **Gymnastics for Kids** |  **Collette Zimmerman**
 (3-14 yrs.) Keeps kids healthy and fit while they learn how to tumble, bounce trampoline and basics of vault, bars and beam. \$40 (\$47 NR), *Camp: \$100 (\$107 NR). Genesis Gymnastics, 824 W. Avenue L-6, Unit B.

6246	5-14 yrs.	Sat.	Apr. 6-27	9:30-10:30 a.m.
6247	5-14 yrs.	Sat.	May 4-25	9:30-10:30 a.m.
6249	5-14 yrs.	Sat.	Jun. 8-29	9:30-10:30 a.m.
6243	3-4 yrs.	Sat.	Apr. 6-27	10-10:45 a.m.
6244	3-4 yrs.	Sat.	May 4-25	10-10:45 a.m.
6245	3-4 yrs.	Sat.	Jun. 8-29	10-10:45 a.m.
6248	5-12 yrs.	M-F	Jun. 24-28*	9 a.m.-12 p.m.



  **Learn to Love the Gym** |  **All About Fitness**
 (16 yrs.-Adult) Does the idea of working out in a gym intimidate you? Are you not sure how to use the equipment? This class will demystify the gym environment for you, giving you an introduction to all of the machines at the gym and teach you how to utilize the equipment to effectively achieve results. Registration includes a one-month membership to All About Fitness. Minors must have parent/guardian sign release form on first day of class. \$25 (\$32 NR). All About Fitness, 500 W. Lancaster Blvd.

6307	Mon.	Apr. 1-22	9-10 a.m.
6308	Sat.	May 4-25	10-11 a.m.
6309	Wed.	Jun. 5-26	6-7 p.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. *Jun. 10 class will be held at Jane Reynolds Park.*

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

  **Women's Self-Defense Exercise Class**
 **Jonathan Curry**



(14-60 yrs.) 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 first day of class. The Academy of Style, 661 W. Lancaster Blvd., Suite 101.

6265	Sat.	Apr. 6-27	9-10 a.m.
6266	Sat.	May 4-25	9-10 a.m.
6267	Sat.	Jun. 1-22	9-10 a.m.

  **Zumba™ - The Original "Fitness Party"**
International Dance Fitness Academy

(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, Ste. 109.




6292	T/TH	Apr. 2-25	6:30-7:30 p.m.
6293	T/TH	Apr. 30-May 23	6:30-7:30 p.m.
6294	T/TH	May 28-Jun. 20	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, Ste. 109.

6295	T/TH	Apr. 2-25	4:30-5:30 p.m.
6296	T/TH	Apr. 30-May 23	4:30-5:30 p.m.
6297	T/TH	May 28-Jun. 20	4:30-5:30 p.m.

Pet Classes

  **Dog/Puppy 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 west of tennis courts.

6145	Sat.	May 4-Jun. 22	9:30-10:30 a.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: Apr. 29-May 24

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

Mon.-Thu. Adult Basketball

Softball | Registration: Apr. 29-Jun. 14

League play begins in July. Schedule consists of 10 league games and one classification game. Games played Sun.-Fri., 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 (\$62 NR).

Ages 5-9 yrs.

Registration: Aug. 19-Sep. 20. League play begins October 2013.

Ages 10-13 yrs.

Registration: Aug. 19-Dec. 20. League play begins January 2014.

6318	Boys Div. A	12-13 yrs.
6319	Boys Div. B	10-11 yrs.
6320	Girls Div. A	12-13 yrs.
6321	Girls Div. B	10-11 yrs.

Softball Tournament Contact Information

Efrain Carrera Jr., 661-723-5825

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.

6238	Four 1-hour lessons	\$145 (\$152 NR)
6239	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. No class May 18.



Jim Majd, Court 8

6148	Sat.	Apr. 6-27	10-11 a.m.
6149	Sat.	May 4-Jun. 1	10-11 a.m.
6150	Sat.	Jun. 8-29	10-11 a.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 May 27.

6289	M/W	Apr. 8-May 1	5-6 p.m.
6290	M/W	May 6-Jun. 3	5-6 p.m.
6291	M/W	Jun. 10-Jul. 3	5-6 p.m.
6286	M/W-Adv.	Apr. 8-May 1	6-7 p.m.
6287	M/W-Adv.	May 6-Jun. 3	6-7 p.m.
6288	M/W-Adv.	Jun. 10-Jul. 3	6-7 p.m.



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

6154	T/TH	Apr. 2-25	5-6 p.m.
6155	T/TH	May 7-30	5-6 p.m.
6156	T/TH	Jun. 4-27	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).

6151	T/TH	Apr. 2-25	6-7 p.m.
6152	T/TH	May 7-30	6-7 p.m.
6153	T/TH	Jun. 4-27	6-7 p.m.

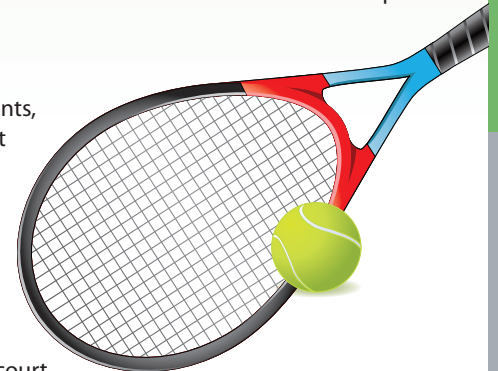


Public Play

Except during 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.



AQUATICS

COURSES NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE!

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.

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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: April 6, April 20-21, May 27.

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

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.cityoflancafterca.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.

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.

6236

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) 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 Shanae Hill, 661-723-6255 for times and information.

*CPR for the Professional Rescuer.

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). Call Gerald Wesley or Steve Reiman, 661-723-6255 for times and information.

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.



Aquatics Class Schedule


The numbers listed under each time frame are the class codes to use when registering.

CLASSES HELD AT EASTSIDE POOL

 **Session 0: April 13 - June 1.**
Saturday (1x/week for 8 weeks) \$34 (\$39 NR).

Class Level	9 a.m.	9:40 a.m.	10:20 a.m.
Parent/Tot		6218	
Preschool	6222	6223	
Preschool 2	6228		
Level 1	6190		
Level 2	6197		
Level 3		6201	
Level 4			6205
Level 5			6209
Level 6			6213
Adult		6179	
Aquacise			6183



 **Session 8: April 23 - May 16**
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	6220			
Preschool	6226			
Preschool 2		6230		
Preschool 3	6234			
Level 1	6191	6192		
Level 2	6199			
Level 3		6203		
Level 4			6207	
Level 5			6211	
Level 6			6215	
Adult		6181		
Aquacise		6185		
Hydrofit				6188

 **Session 9: May 21 - June 13**
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	6221			
Preschool	6227			
Preschool 2		6231		
Preschool 3	6235			
Level 1	6193	6194		
Level 2	6200			
Level 3		6204		
Level 4			6208	
Level 5			6212	
Level 6			6216	
Adult		6182		
Aquacise		6186		
Hydrofit				6189



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 - June 24-28: Knotts Berry Farm
 - July 1-5: * Scooter's Jungle
 - July 8-12: Circus: Ringling Brothers & Barnum & Bailey
 - July 15-19: Pirate Show
 - July 22-26: Magic Mountain
 - July 29-Aug. 2: Pacific Park
 - Aug. 5-9: Raging Waters



Participate in one or all sessions!
Weekly camp program includes a fun excursion, games, sports, themed crafts and swimming at the AV YMCA.

Day Camp Fee: \$150 per week (*\$120 for 4th of July week – no program July 4)
Fee includes excursion and pool visit.

Core Camp Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Participants may enjoy extended commuter hours (7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.) at no additional cost.

Registration Policy: A \$50 non-refundable deposit per week is required when enrolling. The remaining balance is due two weeks before the start of each camp week. Bring a current photo of your child. Cash, check and credit cards are accepted.

Call 661-723-6077 for more information.

CAMP SIGN-UP DAY: Saturday, May 18
9 to 11 a.m. • Lancaster City Park • Stanley Kleiner Building

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PRIME DESERT WOODLAND PRESERVE

MOON WALKS | Saturday evenings | \$2 donation is welcome

March 2, 6:30 p.m. • April 6, 8 p.m. • May 4, 8:30 p.m. • June 1, 8:30 p.m.

Experience a magical night of nature and astronomy. Jeremy Amarant, Director of Palmdale School District's SAGE Planetarium, will take you on a journey through the mysterious night sky teaching you about the stars and constellations. Enjoy this one-mile tour of the captivating Prime Desert Woodland Preserve. Open to the public. The AV Astronomy Club members will be on hand with their telescopes for a closer look at the night sky, weather permitting.

BIRD WALK | Saturday, March 9, 8 a.m. | Free

Audubon member and co-chair Vern Benhart will lead you on an hour long walk teaching you about the desert birds. Remember to bring your field guides and binoculars. Meet inside the Interpretive Center at the Prime Desert Woodland Preserve. Open to the public.

PHOTOGRAPHY/FLOWER PRESENTATION | Saturday, March 23, 4 p.m. | Free

Photographer Helen Henry will lead us on an exciting and educational PowerPoint presentation of the desert flowers and how to capture them in a photo. Don't forget your camera! Weather permitting, Henry will take a group on the trails to demonstrate the art of photographing floral life. Open to the public.

REPTACULAR ANIMALS | Saturday, May 18, 4 p.m.

\$3 per person, 3 and under free

Reptacular Animals is coming with an hour long presentation on LIVE animals! They will share intriguing facts about the animals while the children hold and pet everything they bring (if they choose to). They will be bringing reptiles such as snakes and lizards, furry friends like chinchillas and bunnies, birds, along with some "slimy frogs" and creepy crawlies. Open to the public.



Come visit the 100-acre Preserve, featuring nearly three miles of trails. The trails are open from 6 a.m. to sunset. The Interpretive Center is open Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Group tours are available by appointment by calling 661-816-4466. 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. Reservations are not required.



The Lancaster Performing Arts Center Foundation will host *Surfin' Safari*, its 3rd Annual Gala and Grand Auction, Saturday, June 8, 2013, at the Lancaster Performing Arts Center.

The event, themed around the 1960's surf scene, will feature a variety of delicious heavy hors d'oeuvres prepared by the University of Antelope Valley's Culinary Arts department and complimentary, top-shelf cocktails served by Gino's Italian Restaurant. Guests will be treated to the well loved music of the Beach Boys, Jan & Dean and others, performed by the SURFTUNES. The SURFTUNES are a Beach Boys tribute/surf band comprised of members from the Jan & Dean Band and the Brian Wilson Band.

One of the evening's highlights will be an exciting grand auction featuring 30 fabulous packages including dining and entertainment packages, exotic vacation destinations and more.

"Proceeds from this event will benefit the LPAC Foundation, which provides subsidy for educational programming, school outreaches, bus funding and ticket scholarships for school performances at LPAC. Additionally, the Foundation lends assistance to the senior community and special needs groups, as well as contributing funds for facility enhancements to the Performing Arts Center," said Foundation President Lou Bozigian.

Tickets for the *Surfin' Safari* gala are \$100 per person and may be purchased at the LPAC Box Office: 661-723-5950. For more information on the gala and an updated list of grand auction items, please visit www.lpacf.org or contact Julie Secory at 661-723-6082/ jsecory@cityoflanasterca.org.

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Gary Lang: Whim Wham

March 14 - May 5 | Main Gallery

MOAH is thrilled to present select works of internationally celebrated minimalist artist Gary Lang. Born in Los Angeles, Lang earned his Master of Fine Arts (MFA) from Yale and has enjoyed a vibrant career with exhibitions at the Whitney Museum, Yale University and the United Nations, along with many gallery showings. Lang combines geometrics, surface tension, color saturation and energetic rhythm with the basic line to create a strikingly sensuous yet calmly meditative mood.

Thomas McGovern: Sign Language, Notes from the High Desert

March 14 - April 27 | Vault Gallery

Sign Language, Notes from the High Desert showcases Antelope Valley photos by renowned photographer Thomas McGovern. His imagery celebrates local history by documenting hand painted signs and murals focusing on the minutia most often ignored or taken for granted as a community changes over time. This show is a preview of a larger solo exhibit which will be on display at MOAH in 2014.



Jorg Dubin: My Facebook Friends

March 14 - May 11 | Second Floor

Dubin exploits his own Facebook friends by culling profile pictures and cropping them as if to say, "I only know a small piece of you," then paints them in ways that unearth more details. These works explore our desire to be needed and how social media has changed human interaction in modern life.



Danial Nord: Youtopia

March 14 - April 27 | Education Gallery

In his digital video *Youtopia*, Danial Nord presents an indictment of contemporary culture via modern tools of mass communication. Sparked by an email from the Guggenheim and YouTube seeking budding video artists, Nord created virtual assistants to investigate. These bots produced convoluted associations and misguided conclusions, blurring boundaries between artificial intelligence and the human psyche.

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