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Newsletter &  
Activity Guide

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### Lancaster City Council

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Sherry Marquez, Council Member  
Ed Sileo, Council Member

### City Manager

Mark V. Bozgian

## you're invited to meetings

### Lancaster City Council/Lancaster Redevelopment Agency

2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. until the Comprehensive General Plan updates are adopted. Thereafter, meetings will resume being held at 5 p.m. Notice of special Council meetings will be posted at City Hall.

### Lancaster Architectural & Design Commission

2nd Friday of the month from 4 to 6 p.m. All meetings are held in the Parks & Recreation Conference Room 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 Neighborhood Vitalization Commission

1st Monday 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.

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24-hour recorded information	661-723-6200
Abandoned shopping cart retrieval	800-887-0466
City Special Event hotline	661-723-5900
Job hotline	661-723-5874
Hate crimes hotline	877-728-7322 (7 AT-PEACE)
Graffiti hotline	661-723-5985

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

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

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

Lancaster Performing Arts Center

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

Antelope Valley Film Office

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

Lancaster Redevelopment Agency

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

Lancaster National Soccer Center

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

Big 8 Softball Complex

# a message from the city council

## SUMMER IS A GREAT TIME TO EXPLORE EVERYTHING THAT MAKES LIVING IN LANCASTER SO ENJOYABLE.

There are swim lessons galore, a spectacular Fourth of July celebration, several exciting national soccer and softball tournaments, plus art shows, nature walks and much, much more.

In addition to all the sports, swimming and cultural activities our Parks, Recreation & Arts Department has lined up, we'll Celebrate Downtown on July 17th with a giant block party filled with music, fun, food and loads of family activities. See page three for details.

In this issue, we profile a number of people who are helping to make a difference in our community. This includes three new citizen commissions which provide us with in-depth insights into critical issues and Lancaster's Code Enforcement Officers, Employee, Deputy and Firefighter of the Year. These special individuals have gone above and beyond the call of duty to help our community and its citizenry.

Were you aware that Lancaster recently was featured on NBC's *Nightly News with Brian Williams*? It's true. Our innovative local stimulus program, designed to help kick start the local economy, caught the network's attention and ended up being the subject of one of its *Making a Difference* features.

So sit back with a glass of lemonade and read up on all the cool things happening in Lancaster this summer. Then step out and enjoy life!

Your City Council



## on the cover

Photo by Liz Breault

This summer, soccer scores big in Lancaster as the National Soccer Center hosts several major tournaments that promise to draw thousands to our area. Softball will also be a big draw with both national and regional events held at our Big 8 complex. See page 10 for all the details.

## outlook

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**DOWNTOWN**  
Lancaster

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### outlook lite now available via e-mail

In an effort to conserve City funds and trees, Lancaster's monthly **outlook lite** newsletter is now being distributed exclusively via e-mail. Quarterly **outlook** magazines are still mailed to all residents.

To receive your copy of **outlook lite**, visit the City's website and click on the word **CityLink** at the top of the screen. From there you can sign-up to electronically receive a wide variety of City communications. You may also call 661-723-5922.

A limited number of printed newsletters will still be available at City Hall for those who do not have easy access to the internet.



# close up on downtown

“AN AMAZING TRANSFORMATION IS UNDERWAY. DOWNTOWN WILL BE A DESTINATION PEOPLE FLOCK TO FOR ART, ENTERTAINMENT AND DINING. IT WILL BE AN EXCITING PLACE TO EXPERIENCE, DAY AND NIGHT.”

– Jason Caudle  
Deputy City Manager

## A Fresh Outlook for Downtown Lancaster

*New plans and developments are giving the heart of the City a strong new beat*

Across the country, downtowns are seeing resurgence as communities realize the important role they play in maintaining a historical perspective, creating an exciting focal point, and adding new energy and vitality to the cities they occupy.

In Lancaster, a concerted effort to revitalize Downtown began in 2005. Through a process that included extensive community involvement, a comprehensive specific plan for Downtown has been created and embraced by a number of developers, who are rapidly moving forward on exciting projects along Lancaster Boulevard and the neighborhood surrounding it.

Where once, one- and two-story structures were the norm, dramatic new mid-rise buildings as high as five stories are reshaping the streetscape. Innovative housing options for young and old are appearing, as well as new shops, restaurants and businesses.

“An amazing transformation is underway,” said Jason Caudle, Deputy City Manager, who is spearheading the City’s downtown revitalization. “Downtown will be a destination people flock to for art, entertainment and dining. It will be an exciting place to experience, day and night.”

The plan calls for seven distinct districts covering 140 acres surrounding the Boulevard. Over the next 20 years, millions of square feet of added retail, office and public space, along with as many as 3,500 residential units will give the area a fresh look and feel.

The Gateway District, located at the junction of Lancaster Boulevard and 10th Street West, will welcome visitors and residents with dramatic landscaping and a new monument. A visually-appealing roundabout will enhance the entrance to Downtown aesthetically and serve as a traffic-calming measure.







The Commerce District, running along Lancaster Boulevard from 10th Street West to Fern Avenue, focuses on financial and professional services.

The Boulevard District comprises the heart of Downtown. Anchored by the Lancaster Performing Arts Center, it will feature a new public plaza and outdoor amphitheater.

The Cedar Avenue District is envisioned as a mix of artists' lofts, studios and galleries.

The Transit District surrounding the Metrolink station at the eastern edge of Downtown will feature a variety of mixed-use residential and commercial buildings.

The Civic Village District is dominated by public services including City Hall, the Public Library and the Sheriff's Station. It will be enhanced with new parks and residential uses.

Finally, the Neighborhood Office District provides a transitional area between the commercial focus of Downtown and the residential areas to the south. It will feature detached homes and small offices.

These plans are already seeing their way to reality. A series of lofts are going up aimed at luring a creative crowd with galleries, cafés and boutiques downstairs and light and open living spaces up top.

The Lancaster Museum/Art Gallery is moving here and trendy restaurants are being planned. A number of shops have sprouted up in anticipation of the dramatic changes coming.

According to Josh Mann, president of Lancaster's Old Town Site (LOTS) merchants' association, the new plan looks well beyond the storefront. "They're looking at the whole picture – work, leisure time, and the urban living experience – and crafting a balanced approach which will bring out the very best in Downtown Lancaster."

"With City Hall, the Performing Arts Center, the Library and the Museum, Downtown is the civic and cultural center of the community," said City Manager Mark V. Bozigian. "The Downtown Plan and the development it is spurring is bringing an exciting new mix of life, work and commerce to the heart of a thriving, dynamic city."



# Celebrate DOWNTOWN Lancaster

July 17  
6 - 10 p.m.



## Poncho Sanchez Scheduled to Headline Celebrate Downtown

Lancaster's extraordinary free street fair returns July 17 with Grammy award winner and Latin Jazz sensation, Poncho Sanchez and his band. Sanchez has been with the famed Concord label for a remarkable 23 years. Over time the group has collaborated with such iconic figures as Tower of Power, Hugh Masekela and the great Ray Charles.

A reviewer out of Roanoke, Virginia, where the band recently performed, noted Sanchez's "solos were jewels of syncopated accents and time-twisting...He used speed for substance, not flash...the band was tight, deep on the groove, with amazing solos."

Preceding Sanchez's early evening performance will be a late afternoon of family-oriented fun, arts and crafts, delicious food and delightful fresh produce, baked goods and confections at the farmer's market.

Additionally, a nostalgic ice cream social and silent movie under the stars is planned at the Western Hotel Museum. Bring the family and join in the fun!

# focus: New Commissions Add Insight on Important Issues

*Criminal Justice, Neighborhood Vitalization and Architectural and Design Commissions delve deeply into topics and offer reasoned advice to City Council*

Three new commissions created by the Mayor and approved by the City Council are taking on some of the City's toughest challenges.

## Architectural and Design Commission



First to get up and running on a regular basis is the Architectural Design Commission (ADC) which is responsible for developing new design standards as well as interpreting and applying the City's existing design standards for all construction within the City.

During the past few months, the ADC has been busy creating new architectural design standards for development in the City. Its goal is to craft a set of standards which encourage the creation of attractive buildings and creative site designs promoting a more pedestrian-oriented streetscape while using color, materials, scale and design elements to create a distinctive and attractive community in which to live.

The ADC is comprised of community members including Diana Cook, Chairperson, Cassandra Harvey, Vice Chair, Mathew Buchanan, Sean J. Donlon, Randy Hall, Courtney Stallworth and Timothy Wiley.

ADC meetings are held on the second Friday of every month from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Parks and Recreation Conference Room at City Hall.

## Criminal Justice Commission

The City's Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) has begun a dialogue within the community and among law enforcement agencies to capture insights into the best ways to gain an upper hand on crime locally and help the City continue its substantial progress in lowering incidents of lawlessness.



"The Commission's most important role is to actively engage the leaders of this community and the organizations they represent in helping to combat crime," noted City Manager Mark V. Bozigian. "It will be influential in orchestrating a multi-faceted approach to addressing the City's top priority."

The members of the Criminal Justice Commission include Greg Augusta, Dr. Mark Brown, Marv Crist, Dennis Greer, Chris Johnson and Dr. David Vierra.

The CJC meets on the second Wednesday of every month at 10 a.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

## Neighborhood Vitalization Commission

Lancaster's Neighborhood Vitalization Commission (LNV) is tasked with helping City staff, local residents and businesses achieve a long term fair-share balanced, stable and sustainable approach to improving the City's neighborhoods.

A major concern of the LNV is fraud seen in the Federal Section 8 housing program designed to aid the disabled and indigent, but too often subject to fraud and abuse.

The Commission's 2009 goals include working with the LA County Housing Authority to decrease the number of problematic holders of Housing Choice Vouchers; assisting City staff in developing and distributing materials to inform residents and assist them in reclaiming their neighborhoods; working with local businesses and organizations to create a voluntary improvement program for commercial areas; quantifying the social and economic costs of subsidized housing and recommending appropriate policies, projects and programs to help the City achieve its goals.

LNV commissioners include Bret Banks, Gene Gaynor, Larry Grooms, LeeRoy Halley, Risa Shepler, Tim Sturtevant and Perry Watkins Jr.

The LNV meets on the first Monday of every month at 4 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.





Lancaster's Economic Stimulus Package consists of 22 programs to help create jobs and spur local spending. The goal is to generate upwards of \$110 million in local economic activity.

The program falls into five categories:



**Merchant Assistance** including the "Shop & Drive Lancaster" and "Shop & Dine Lancaster" incentive programs which reward people for shopping locally.



**Hospitality Programs** designed to attract more visitors (and their dollars) to the area for sports and recreation on weekends.



**Construction Projects** aimed at putting more craftsmen and contractors back to work building a new park and museum, along with rehabilitating local housing.



**Developer/Broker Programs** created to help fill more than a million square feet of vacant commercial and industrial space.



**Promotional Opportunities** will provide new methods for local businesses to gain goodwill within the community while helping fund the costs of the stimulus program.

# city@work

## Lancaster Gains National Attention with Innovative Economic Stimulus Package

Anyone who watches NBC's Nightly News regularly is familiar with the show's *Making a Difference* segment which closes out each newscast on a positive note. These short features highlight the many ways people are helping each other in tough times.

Lancaster was cited in a recent segment as a community taking action now. Not willing to wait around for federal programs to kick in, Lancaster was one of the first cities to launch a stimulus program of its own.

The piece went into the incentives offered to car and motorcycle buyers, the construction of new parks and rehabilitation of foreclosed homes, all elements of the stimulus program enacted by the City Council to help drive economic activity locally.

"We're pleased that the national media has picked up on our ideas and felt that we were worthy of a segment on the Nightly News," said Vern Lawson, the City's Economic Development/Redevelopment Director. "It has helped give our program added momentum and has spurred a lot of interest from other communities."

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As NBC's Lee Cowan pointed out, while these homegrown solutions can't provide long-term relief, they are providing the kind of timely, temporary and targeted solutions needed right now. A case in point, the successful Shop & Drive vehicle registration rebate program will run through June 30, 2009.

The City of Lancaster is proud to be *Making a Difference* in the lives of its citizens.

For more information on the stimulus program, visit [www.shoplancaster.org](http://www.shoplancaster.org).



On April 6, NBC Nightly News featured Lancaster's innovative approach to kick-starting the local economy. In case you missed it, view it online. A link is located at [www.cityoflancasterca.org](http://www.cityoflancasterca.org).

# community in action

## City Honors Best of the Best with Annual Awards

*Tributes offered to Lancaster's Code Enforcement Officers, Employee, Deputy and Firefighter of the Year*



*Pictured (left to right) are: Back row - Brian St. John, Jeff Thompson, Justin Lewis. Front row - Scott O'Connor, Ruben De La Canal, Rick Torres, Michael Katz, Yolanda Williams, Sam McNutt, Michael Sprague. Not pictured: Anthony Perez and Shannon Veasley.*

Lancaster's Code Enforcement officers were recently honored for their service to the community by the Lancaster West Rotary Club. While the group has been recognizing local public safety efforts for more than 20 years, this was the first time they singled out Code Enforcement's contribution.

Working with local citizens to improve neighborhood conditions and ensure compliance with city codes, Code Enforcement is a vital part of Lancaster's overall effort to improve public safety. Congratulations to the team.

The City's Community Safety Supervisor, Shelli Henson, was named Employee of the Year. Shelli was singled out for her dedication to helping reduce crime within Lancaster by nearly doubling the size of Neighborhood and Business Watch participation.

Henson joined the City in 2006 as a Crime Prevention Officer. She was soon promoted to her current position and now oversees a staff of 17.

"I've watched Shelli work very hard building the Public Safety Office for the last couple of years. Her work ethic and perseverance make her truly deserving of this award," said City Manager Mark V. Bozigian.

*Shelli Henson*



*Captain John M. Rossi*

The Firefighter of the Year honor goes to Captain John M. Rossi of Station 134 in Lancaster. A 13-year veteran of the force, Rossi has spent most of this time serving Antelope Valley residents as he has risen through the ranks.

Captain Rossi has been instrumental in the County's Fire Explorer program which provides local youth with a glimpse of what it is like to be a LA County Firefighter. He has also represented the Department on local high school campuses, recruiting potential firefighters and mentoring them as they prepared for interviews with fire departments throughout the region.

For a decade-plus of dedicated service to the community, the City is proud to name Captain Rossi their foremost firefighter.

Detective Jeff Williams, a twelve-year veteran of the Sheriff's Department, was named Lancaster's Deputy

of the Year. Williams currently serves as a member of the elite burglary suppression team, a unit credited with dramatically reducing the number of break-ins.

Prior to joining the burglary team, Williams served as a member of the Target Oriented Policing unit and LANCAP, which focuses on reducing crime in rental housing.

Williams said of his job, "It is very satisfying to catch a burglar and return stolen goods to the rightful owner. I work for a good station and a great community that really understands and supports our efforts."



*Detective Jeff Williams*





## When you shop locally, you too help fight crime

The City of Lancaster is working hard to create a safe, desirable community to call home. And in the current economic climate when tax revenues are waning, it is more important than ever for residents to spend their dollars in Lancaster whenever possible.

Each time a retail purchase is made within the City, a portion of the sales tax goes to support City services. It adds up quickly. Last year it totaled some \$19 million. This money went to pay for policing, parks, performances at the LPAC and many other programs which make life in Lancaster so inviting.

When residents choose to shop in Lancaster, they not only help local tax rolls, they also support community-centric businesses. The money spent at local businesses is reinvested in the City through paychecks and purchases made with other local merchants. This helps spread prosperity throughout the community.

Such "multipliers" mean that every dollar spent locally creates more than a dollar's worth of value as it circulates through the community. Dollars spent with online merchants outside of Lancaster or out-of-town businesses escape Lancaster and benefit other areas, rather than local residents.

The City encourages residents to seek out Lancaster businesses to buy their products and services. Both major purchases and everyday shopping such as groceries and gas make a lot of cents for our community!

Shop Lancaster...every cent counts!



# living in lancaster

## Lancaster Continues to Cut Crime

*New stats show nearly a 23% drop in first quarter*

The City of Lancaster's continuing effort to reduce crime in the community showed further success as the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department announced new crime statistics for the first quarter of 2009. The latest figures show a 22.7% drop in major crimes when compared to the same period last year. This follows a 25% drop in the fourth quarter of 2008.

"Thanks to the efforts of many, our City is becoming much safer," said City Manager Mark V. Bozigian. "Both violent crime and property offenses were down again. Crimes against persons were reduced by nearly 10%, while property crimes fell by almost 26%. This is remarkable progress, particularly when you consider the current state of the economy."

According to the report, there were 330 fewer crimes committed in the City in the first three months of 2009 compared to 2008. This included drops in robbery, assault, burglary and larceny, as well as auto theft.

Credit for the continuing progress the City has seen goes to increased presence of the Sheriff's Department, the aid of the City's Community Service Officers, who free up time for sworn officers to tackle tougher issues, and the participation of hundreds of citizens in Neighborhood and Business Watch programs.

"The community is working with us to achieve these great numbers," noted Shelli Henson, the City's Community Safety Supervisor. "It takes an active and engaged community supported by the City and the Sheriff's Department to make such significant progress."

Since 2007, the City has made sustained progress in reducing major crime. Lancaster has taken an aggressive stand toward gangs, probation and parole policies, along with other factors that contribute to crime.

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— Shelli Henson  
Community Safety Supervisor



# safe at home

## Making Summer Safer for Your Family

As the thermometer rises, so must your awareness of what can impact the safety of you and your family. The City's Public Safety Office offers these tips to help assure that you enjoy a trouble-free summer:



### pool safety

**Pools and kids can be a dangerous combination** when they are not well supervised. Always keep an eye on children. Even a moment's lapse can lead to tragedy.

**Keep your pool area fenced and locked.** That pretty pool can be a big temptation for adventurous tots and teens. Avoid problems by making your waterhole inaccessible to those tempted to trespass.

**Use common sense when enjoying your pool.** Don't mix alcohol and water. Avoid swimming immediately after eating or when overly tired. Stay out of the pool during storms and never swim alone.

**Always have safety gear handy.** A life ring and grab pole are required equipment. Know CPR and have a phone ready in case you need to call for help.

### summer driving tips

**A parked car quickly turns into an oven** in our desert sunshine. Never leave anyone or anything unattended in your car, even for a moment. The results can be catastrophic.

**Summertime means more kids on streets,** in cars, on bikes and chasing runaway balls. Stay alert and aware of your surroundings. Never let distractions such as cell phones or text messages take your attention away from the road. Teach young drivers to do the same.

**Keep your car in good operating condition.** High temperatures put added strain on mechanical systems. Have a qualified mechanic check your car's fluids, hoses, brakes and tires. A breakdown in searing heat is something no one wants to experience.

**Seat belts are there for a reason!** Wear them every time you get into the car. They save lives.

### having a safe fourth of july

**Remember, fireworks are illegal in Lancaster.** This includes the so-called "Safe & Sane" variety. Do not bring any fireworks into the City. Possession or discharge of fireworks can result in heavy fines, restitution for damages and even jail time. Play it safe and leave the fireworks displays to the professionals.

**Enjoy the Fourth with friends and neighbors.** Join in a community tradition as we celebrate a Fourth of July Spectacular at the Antelope Valley Fairgrounds. See information on page 11.

**Please report illegal fireworks use.** If you observe anyone using fireworks within the City limits, please contact the Fireworks hotline at 661-723-2051 or the Sheriff's Department at 661-948-8466.





## vacation tips

**Secure your home before you leave.** Make sure all doors and windows have sturdy locks. Engrave valuables for easy identification.

**Make your home looked lived in.** Have a trusted friend pick up the paper and mail. Use timers to turn lights on and off. Have someone help keep the yard in shape.

**Participate in Neighborhood Watch.** Contact the Public Safety Office, 661-723-6063, to get started. Request a Vacation Patrol Check by calling the Lancaster Sheriff's Station at 661-948-8466.

**Travel wisely.** Never carry large quantities of cash. Record traveler's checks and credit card numbers so you can get them replaced if need be. Always be aware of your surroundings. Ask your hotel concierge for directions before you set out and determine areas to avoid.

## pets & warm weather

**Animals can suffer from heatstroke,** so make sure your pets have access to fresh, clean cool water at all times. If your pets are kept outdoors, don't chain them up and be sure they have a shady spot to survive the "dog days" of summer.

**Help your pets avoid strenuous exercise during the hottest time of day.** It is good advice for them and good advice for you. Walk pets early or late in the day.

**If the pavement is too hot for you, it's too hot for your pet.** Check the temperature of sidewalks and streets before walking your dog. Paws can easily be burned.

**Never leave your animal in a parked car.** Even a short stay in a closed car can prove fatal as temperatures rise very quickly.



## Yard Care Tips

*Keeping landscaping beautiful in sun country*

With the right amount of water, nourishment and care at the proper time, you can keep your yard looking good throughout the hot, dry summer months.

### Lawns

The secret to healthy green lawns is timing and technique.

- **Aerating** your lawn will help water and nutrients soak in by poking holes in the hard top layer of compacted soil. It should be done annually in high traffic areas.
- **Watering** should be done early in the day and completed no later than 10 a.m. – five minutes per cycle is usually enough. Check sprinklers and timers frequently and repair/reset as needed. Consider a smart controller which monitors weather and adjusts water accordingly.
- **Mowing** should be done at a high setting during the summer – leave 3 to 3.5 inches to promote root growth, improve moisture retention and drought resistance.
- **Fertilizer** can be applied several times a season using a 50/50 mix. Use a broadcast spreader for best coverage and follow the manufacturer's instructions.

### Trees & Shrubs

Trees and shrubs not only provide shade and ground cover, they help beautify our yards. Keep them healthy by following these simple instructions:

- **Aerating** soil can help avoid runoff and allow more water to get to the plants. Break up compacted soil periodically to make sure water gets to their roots.
- **Watering** should be done separately from lawns. For best results, use an automatic drip irrigation system.
- **Prune** trees and shrubs as needed, remembering that trimming promotes new growth which requires extra water.
- **Fertilize** trees and shrubs periodically. Apply ammonium sulfate several inches from the base.

For more information on landscaping, water conservation and maintaining compliance with local requirements, visit [www.cityoflanasterca.org](http://www.cityoflanasterca.org).







## Major Tournaments Draw Big Crowds and Big Dollars to Lancaster's World-Class Sports Facilities

This month, Lancaster's National Soccer Center will host some 250 teams, about 4,500 soccer players and 10,000 or more fans as US Youth Soccer brings its Far West Regional Championships to the 35-field complex.

The week-long tournament, held June 15-21, will gather championship youth teams from 14 states to compete in this semifinal event which will help determine who advances to the National Championships in July.

Players range from 12 to 19 years of age with both boys and girls teams well represented. When families, staff and fans are counted, attendance is expected to top 10,000, creating an overall economic impact of \$10 million dollars for the region.

Larry Monaco, President of US Youth Soccer noted, "It is always exciting to plan US Youth Soccer Regional Championships. Part of the planning is choosing the best possible host city for each of the country's four regions. Lancaster, California, will be a great host for the US Youth Soccer Region IV Championships and we look forward to working with them to host this most prestigious youth soccer tournament."

Lancaster's National Soccer Center is located at 30th Street East and Avenue L. Detailed

directions and general information can be found at [www.lancastersoccercenter.com](http://www.lancastersoccercenter.com). For tournament specific information, see the league's website at [www.regioniv.com/regional](http://www.regioniv.com/regional). Admission is free for this tournament and the public is welcome. We hope to see you there.



Softball fans will also have a full field of major tournaments to choose from this summer as three big match-ups come to the City's Big 8 Softball Complex.

From June 5-7, the Amateur Softball Association (ASA) will hold its State Championship for Girls' 14 & under. The event will attract some 80 teams from around the state along with their fans and supporters.

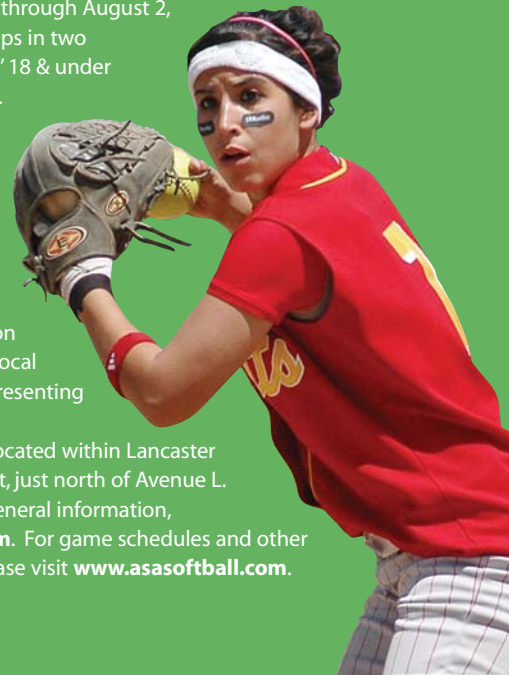
In July, two more ASA Championships will come to the Big 8. From July 10-12, more than 100 teams will compete in the Girls' "B" State Championship.

Beginning July 27 and running through August 2, the league's National Championships in two divisions: Girls' 16 & under and Girls' 18 & under will compete for top bragging rights. This tournament will attract another 50 teams as well as hundreds of fans from throughout the Western United States.

The ASA, the governing body for amateur softball in America, boasts a membership of four million players, coaches and officials. The organization sanctions competitions through 83 local associations across the country representing 250,000 teams nationwide.

The Big 8 Softball Complex is located within Lancaster City Park along 10th Street West, just north of Avenue L.

For detailed directions and general information, visit [www.big8softball.com](http://www.big8softball.com). For game schedules and other tournament specifics, please visit [www.asasoftball.com](http://www.asasoftball.com).







# FOURTH OF JULY

# *Spectacular*

Saturday, July 4th

Antelope Valley Fairgrounds • Avenue H & 14 Freeway

## FREE ADMISSION

Gates open at 6:30 p.m. • Rural Olympics at 7 p.m.  
Entertainment at 8 p.m. • Fireworks at 9 p.m.

Grandstand seating available

Bring chairs & blankets for non-grandstand seating

The Independence Day Spectacular is offered in cooperation with the Antelope Valley Fair Board. Alcohol and pets are prohibited. For more information, call the City of Lancaster at 661-723-6077.

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### registration dates

Online/Mail-in begins June 1. Phone/Fax/Walk-in begins June 8. See insert for Registration Worksheet. Residents are those persons living inside the City limits of Lancaster. All others pay a non-resident (NR) fee. Example \$40 (\$45 NR).



## city of lancaster parks

### American Heroes Park (under construction)

Kettering and Fern Avenues

### 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

### 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

43011 10th Street West • 661-723-6278

### Mariposa Park

45755 Fig Avenue

### 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 (under construction)

Avenue H-8 and Sierra Highway

## to register see insert.

Advance registration through Parks, Recreation & Arts Department required. Classes must meet minimum enrollment two business days prior to start & are subject to instructor change, rescheduling or cancellation.



Online registration available



New class offering



Bilingual instructor



FREE!



Healthy, active lifestyles



Instructor

## preschool

### El Dorado Preschool | Jennifer Alvarado

**Registration guideline:** New enrollees may be accepted monthly. Materials: \$3. El Dorado Park.

### Preschool Adventures

(3-5 yrs.) Keep your child's mind occupied this summer and prepare them for kindergarten. \$75 (\$80 NR). No class Sep. 7.

2640	MWF	Jul. 1-27	9-11:30 a.m.
2641	MWF	Aug. 3-28	9-11:30 a.m.
2642	MWF	Sep. 2-30	9-11:30 a.m.

### Jane Reynolds Preschool | Lynnette Bass

**Registration guideline:** Priority registration for current students ends on 15th of month prior to upcoming class. New enrollees may be accepted monthly. Parents required to volunteer 3 times. Materials: \$4. Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 2.

### JPR Play Brigade

(2 1/2-3 yrs.) Music, crafts, stories, indoor & outdoor play. **Must be potty trained.** Child must have turned 2 1/2 by Dec. 2, 2008. \$110 (\$115 NR).

2865	T/TH	Sep. 8-Oct. 29	9-11:30 a.m.
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### JPR Preschool

(4 yrs.) Socialization skills, kindergarten preparation, crafts, stories and motor skills play. Child must have turned 4 by Dec. 2, 2008. \$180 (\$185 NR).

2866	MWF	Sep. 9-Oct. 30	9 a.m.-12 p.m.
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### Kids Play Days

(3 - 5 yrs.) Out of preschool and on your way to kindergarten? Enjoy a summer full of fun activities – experience arts & crafts, story time and songs. Activities include colors, shapes, numbers and the alphabet. Bring lunch & bottle of water. \$90 (\$95 NR).

2549	MWF	Jul. 6-31	9 a.m.-12 p.m.
2550	MWF	Aug. 3-28	9 a.m.-12 p.m.

## youth enrichment

### After-School Programs - Enrichment Centers

Interactive, structured and safe after-school programs for K-6 offered at Valley View and West Wind schools. Offered after school M-F until 6 p.m. only when school is in session. Staff fingerprinted & CPR/1st Aid certified. \$98 per month or per tracking period. Priority registration for all participants ends on 15th of the month prior to upcoming month. Students lose their spot in the program after that date. New student enrollments & program payments only accepted at the Parks, Recreation & Arts Department in City Hall.



**Ancient Egypt for Kids Camp** | **Norma Gurba**  
 (10-14 yrs.) Children will discover fascinating facts about this ancient culture through craft-making, artifacts, writing, history, games and stories! A craft will be made daily. \$40 (\$45 NR). Materials: \$10. Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 1.

2867 M-F Aug. 10-14 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

**Back 2 School Basics** | **Deborah Sinness**  
 (5-14 yrs.) Gain an academic advantage in math, reading and writing! Hands-on camp reviews conceptual skills, introduces new concepts through fun games, music and activities! \$59 (\$64 NR). Materials: \$10. Math Magicians, 41715 50th St. W., Quartz Hill.

2538 Mon.-Thu. Aug. 3-7 12:30-2:30 p.m.  
 2539 Mon.-Thu. Aug. 10-13 12:30-2:30 p.m.

**Mommy/Daddy & Me** | **Lynette Bass**  
 (9 mos.-3 yrs.) There is no stopping your baby now! Class provides ways to enrich and enhance interaction with the world. Parent and child explore art, music & games while developing socialization skills. \$45 (\$50 NR). Materials: \$3. Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 2.

2551 9-18 mos. M/W Jul. 6-29 12:30-2 p.m.  
 2552 9-18 mos. M/W Aug. 3-26 12:30-2 p.m.  
 2871 9-18 mos. M/W Sep. 9-30 12:30-2 p.m.  
 2553 18 mos.-3 yrs. T/TH Jul. 7-30 9-10:30 a.m.  
 2554 18 mos.-3 yrs. T/TH Jul. 7-30 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
 2555 18 mos.-3 yrs. T/TH Aug. 4-27 9-10:30 a.m.  
 2556 18 mos.-3 yrs. T/TH Aug. 4-27 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
 2870 18 mos.-3 yrs. T/TH Sep. 8-Oct. 1 12-1:30 p.m.  
 2636 1-3 yrs. Sat. Aug. 1-29 9:30-11 a.m.  
 2869 1-3 yrs. Sat. Sep. 5-26 9:30-11 a.m.

**PSAT/SAT Prep** | **Deborah Sinness**  
 (14-18 yrs.) Students will take practice tests and learn valuable test-taking strategies to achieve higher scores on these college entrance exams. \$59 (\$64 NR). Materials: \$10. Math Magicians, 41715 50th St. W., Quartz Hill.

2540 Sat. Sep.12-Oct. 10 9-11 a.m.

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

Meets monthly every 3rd Wed. 3:30 p.m.

**Youth Commission**  
 Students from local high schools are selected to serve as a teen advisory group to the City Council, addressing issues and helping plan programs, projects & special events for Lancaster teens. Lancaster residents invited to attend meetings. Contact Patricia Garibay at 661-723-6072 for more info.

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

performing arts

**Ballet & Tap** | **Melinah Alahverdian**  
 (3-12 yrs.) Learn techniques and improve body awareness, self-confidence and coordination. Bring leotard, pink ballet shoes, black tap shoes and pink tights. \$85 (\$90 NR). Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 1. No class Sep. 7.

2557 3-5 yrs. Mon. Jul. 13-Sep. 28 4-4:45 p.m.  
 2558 6-12 yrs. Mon. Jul. 13-Sep. 28 5-5:45 p.m.  
 2559 3-5 yrs. Tue. Jul. 14-Sep. 29 4-4:45 p.m.  
 2560 6-12 yrs. Tue. Jul. 14-Sep. 29 5-5:45 p.m.

**Ballroom Dance I/II** | **Iris Groskopf**  
 (Adult) Learn fun, social dances: Swing, Jitterbug, Cha Cha Cha, Fox Trot, Waltz, Tango, etc. and dance like a star! \$140 (\$145 NR) per couple. Lancaster City Park, Activity Ctr.

2633 Wed. Jul. 8-Aug. 26 7:30-9 p.m.

**Belly Dance for Kids & Teens** | **Jill Warden**  
 (8-17 yrs.) Learn self-confidence and coordination through the fun art of belly dance! Costume required for performance. \$51 (\$56 NR). Blue Scarab, 311 E. Ave. K-8, Ste. 109.

2649 8-12 yrs. Wed. Jul. 8-Aug. 12 4:30-5:30 p.m.  
 2650 8-12 yrs. Wed. Aug. 19-Sep. 23 4:30-5:30 p.m.  
 2651 13-17 yrs. Wed. Jul. 8-Aug. 12 5:30-6:30 p.m.  
 2652 13-17 yrs. Wed. Aug. 19-Sep. 23 5:30-6:30 p.m.

**Lights, Camera, Action! Moviemaking Camp**

(7-14 yrs.) Take a look at filmmaking from both sides of the camera – directing, writing and acting – create a short film examining all of the processes along the way. Discover the skills to make great films and appear in them. \$85 (\$90 NR). Materials: \$15. Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 1.



2665 M-F Jun. 29-Jul. 3 1-4 p.m.

**C.A.T.S. Musical Theatre Camp**  
 (7-14 yrs.) Musical theatre camp where students work on singing, dancing and theater skills as they put together a musical revue using songs and dances from some of the happiest places on Broadway! Performance Aug. 3 at Lancaster Soccer Center. \$85 (\$90 NR). Materials: \$10. Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 1.

2639 M-F Jun. 29-Jul. 3 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

**Guitar** | **Brian Bastidas**  
 (8 yrs.-Adult) Class covers proper placement, technique, charts and more. Work at your pace, advance by enrolling in subsequent sessions. Provide own guitar. \$60 (\$65 NR). Materials: \$3. Valley View Elementary, 3310 W. Ave. L-8. **Advanced classes available at City Hall with instructor approval.**



2606 Tue. Sep. 8-29 5-6 p.m.



Choose from more than 40 classes which encourage fitness and promote a healthy lifestyle. Look for the icon and sign up today!

 **Hip Hop Dancing** |  **Regina Armstrong**  
 (7-12 yrs.) Learn latest hip hop dance moves, improve coordination and confidence while having fun! Wear loose clothing and tennis shoes. \$66 (\$71 NR). Extensions Studio, 2765 W. Ave. L.

2644	Thu.	Jul. 16-Aug. 20	5-5:45 p.m.
2645	Thu.	Aug. 27-Oct. 1	5-5:45 p.m.



 **Salsa Dance** |  **Zuly Zappala & Andres Cabrera**  
 (13 yrs.-Adult) Become a skilled LA Salsa style dancer with modern dance moves and techniques. Have fun and meet new people. \$70 (\$75 NR). Optional material: \$10. Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 1. No class Sep. 7.

2576	Mon.	Jul. 6-Sep. 14	7-8 p.m.
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 **Tribal Fusion Belly Dance** |  **Jill Warden**  
 (16 yrs.-Adult) Learn group format through beginning steps, combos, choreography, improv, finger cymbals and performance opportunities. \$51 (\$56 NR). Blue Scarab, 311 E. Ave. K-8, Ste. 109. **Intermediate classes available for registration online and at City Hall.**

2653	Wed.	Jul. 8-Aug. 12	7-8 p.m.
2654	Wed.	Aug. 19-Sep. 23	7-8 p.m.


## arts & crafts


 **Animal Painting for Preschoolers** |  **Cotty Kilbanks**  
 (3-6 yrs.) Young painters can get their career started right here painting animals using brushes, sponges, collages and watercolor! \$50 (\$55 NR). Materials: \$10. Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 2.

2661	Wed.	Aug. 26-Sep. 30	2-3 p.m.
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 **Cartooning** |  **Cotty Kilbanks**  
 (7-12 yrs.) Does your child love to draw and have an active imagination? Learn the secrets of the trade with our cartoonist who has created cartoons for Disney, Warner Bros. and Nickelodeon! \$50 (\$55 NR). Materials: \$10. Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 2.

2662	Wed.	Aug. 26-Sep. 30	3:30-4:30 p.m.
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**D's Ceramics** |  **Steve Mosley**  
 Materials: \$25. Lancaster Market Place, 2330 Mall Loop Dr., 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. \$65 (\$70 NR).

2624	Sat.	Aug. 1-22	3-4:30 p.m.
2625	Sat.	Sep. 5-26	3-4:30 p.m.
2626	Wed.	Jul. 1-22	3-4:30 p.m.
2627	Wed.	Aug. 5-26	3-4:30 p.m.
2628	Wed.	Sep. 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 & glazes. \$50 (\$55 NR). **Adult supervision required.**

2630	Sat.	Aug. 1-22	1-2:30 p.m.
2631	Sat.	Sep. 5-26	1-2:30 p.m.





 **Art Classes** |  **Joanne Maldonado**  
 (6 yrs.-Adult) Build solid drawing techniques with pencils & pastels, paint textures with primary colors and hues in watercolor & pastel. \$46 (\$51 NR). Material list online and at City Hall. Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 2.

2564	Kids	Tue.	Jul. 7-22	4-6 p.m.
2565	Kids	Tue.	Aug. 4-25	4-6 p.m.
2566	Kids	Tue.	Sep. 1-22	4-6 p.m.
2567	Adult	Tue.	Jul. 7-22	7-9 p.m.
2568	Adult	Tue.	Aug. 4-25	7-9 p.m.
2569	Adult	Tue.	Sep. 1-22	7-9 p.m.



 **Floral Design** |  **Chris Spicher**  
 (16 yrs.-Adult) Beautify your home or give a gift to a friend when you create 4 unique flower displays to take home after class. Covers basic flower care, design & identification. \$44 (\$49 NR). Materials: \$50. **Must wear close-toed shoes.** AV Florist, 1302 W. Ave. J.

2632	Mon.	Jul. 6-27	6:30-8:30 p.m.
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 **Picture Perfect Photography** |  **Phillip Kocurek**  
 (Adult) Amateur to advanced photographers learn to take better pictures, use flash efficiently, proper composition and more in hands-on environment. \$65 (\$70 NR). Prime Desert Woodlands, Interpretive Ctr.

2634	Wed.	Jul. 1-29	6-7:30 p.m.
2635	Wed.	Aug. 19-Sep. 16	6-7:30 p.m.

## special interest

 **Cooking with the Chef** |  **AV Medical College**  
 (Adult) Learn expert techniques from professional chefs. Cuisine-oriented menus are designed for beginners and casual chefs alike. Participants learn cuts, seasoning, preparation methods and presentation tips through demonstration & hands-on cooking. **Workshops:** \$20 (\$25 NR). **Date Night:** \$40 (\$45 NR)/couple. Materials: \$20. AV Medical College, 44201 10th St. West.

2659	Sat.	Date Night	Aug. 15	5-8 p.m.
2657	Sat.	BBQ Bonanza	Jul. 18	5-8 p.m.
2658	Sat.	Classic American	Sep. 12	5-8 p.m.

 **Fun & Flavorful Mexican Cooking** |  **Isabel Gutierrez**  
 (15 yrs.-Adult) Learn simple, fun family recipes through sampling food and balancing flavor to achieve authentic Mexican taste. Also, learn value of traditional Mexican dinners and fundamental vocabulary. \$30 (\$35 NR). Materials: \$20. Lancaster City Park Kitchen. Class held on Wed.

2561	Salsa, Abondigas, Rice	Jul. 1-22	6:30-8 p.m.
2562	Flautas, Rice, Mexican Salad	Aug. 5-26	6:30-8 p.m.
2563	Chicken & Chili Enchiladas	Sep. 2-23	6:30-8 p.m.



## Gardening and Landscape | Dat Tien

(16 yrs.-Adult) Learn how to landscape your yard, develop a green thumb or tips on gardening all year round. Basic landscape design, best practices for gardening in our desert climate, best irrigation practices, soil preparation, natural growing plants and water conservation techniques covered. \$30 (\$35 NR). Materials: \$10. Lancaster City Park, Game Rm.

2587 Growing Vegetables	Sat.	Jul. 11-18	10 a.m.-12 p.m.
2588 Gardening & Landscape	Sat.	Aug. 1-8	10 a.m.-12 p.m.

## Public Safety Seminars | Public Safety Office

(Adult) Sponsored by the City of Lancaster Public Safety Office and LA Co. Sheriff's Dept., participants learn preventative safety tips and how to prepare and protect themselves and their families! *Free for registered participants.* City Hall Council Chambers.

2646	Thu.	Bullying/School Violence	Jul. 23	7-9 p.m.
2647	Thu.	Graffiti/Tagging	Aug. 27	7-9 p.m.
2648	Thu.	Human Trafficking	Sep. 24	7-9 p.m.

## Touchtime™ Baby Massage | Elaine Fogel Schneider, PhD

(3 wks.-7 mos.) Explore the magic of touch! Learn how to have a happier, healthier and more relaxed baby. By using infant massage your baby can cry less, sleep deeper & longer, enhance brain development, get rid of constipation & gas and increase that special bond. \$35 (\$40 NR). Materials: \$20. Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 1. \* Held at Lancaster City Park, Activity Ctr.

2666	Tue.	Jul. 7-Aug. 4	10:30-11:30 a.m.
2667	Tue.	Aug. 11-Sep. 1*	10:30-11:30 a.m.

## professional development

### Career Development | Cyndi Mangus

(Adult) Students will receive assistance on discovering the jobs they want, enabling them to set goals and manage their careers and enhance job skills. \$20 (\$25 NR). Materials: \$5. Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 1.

2868	Wed.	Aug. 5-26	6-8 p.m.
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### CPR & First Aid | AV Medical College

(12 yrs.-Adult) American Heart Assn. certification in Infant, Child and Adult CPR & First Aid. \$35 (\$40 NR). AV Medical College, 44201 10th St. West. No class Jul. 4.

2570-2575	Sat.	1st & 3rd/mo.	10 a.m.-5 p.m.
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### Japanese | Michael Heller

(14 yrs.-Adult) Students learn basics of language including introductions, greetings and simple phrases. Bring note-taking supplies. \$40 (\$45 NR). Materials: \$5. Lancaster City Park, Game Rm.

2643	Wed.	Jul. 1-Aug. 5	6:45-7:45 p.m.
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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.cityoflancafterca.org](http://www.cityoflancafterca.org).

## pet classes

### Dog Obedience Classes | Carole Kelly

(12 yrs.-Adult) Teaches basic commands: sit, heel, down, stay & come. Bring dog (**puppies: 8 wks.-5 mos. old**), proof of current vaccinations, rabies cert. (dogs 6 mos.+ **only**) and 6-ft. leather/nylon leash to 1st class. Young participants must have parent on-site. \$60 (\$65 NR). Lancaster City Park, open space near tennis courts. No class Oct. 3.

2583	Sat. Novice (6 mos.+)	Sep. 5-Oct. 31	9:30-10:30 a.m.
2584	Sat. Puppy Preschool	Sep. 5-Oct. 31	11 a.m.-12 p.m.



## martial arts

### Northern Shaolin Kung-Fu | Harold Hazeldine

(6 yrs.-Adult) Unique class set in friendly, goal-oriented recreational atmosphere. Focuses are: punching, kicking, traditional forms of Shaolin Kung-Fu & weaponry, self-defense and self-confidence. \$40 (\$45 NR). \$50 (\$55 NR)\*. Lancaster City Park, Activity Ctr.

2535	Tue.	Jul. 7-28	6:30-8:30 p.m.
2536	Tue.	Aug. 4-25	6:30-8:30 p.m.
2537	Tue.	Sep. 1-29*	6:30-8:30 p.m.

### Self Defense-Defensive Tactics | Derek Morris

(16 yrs.-Adult) Build better sense of self-awareness, adaptability and confidence while having fun, getting fit, relieving stress and learning how to defend yourself. \$35 (\$40 NR). Shindenkan Budo, 42156 10th St. W., Unit L (building on Ave. L-12).

2663	Tue.	Jul. 7-Aug. 11	7-8 p.m.
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### Youth Self-Defense & Safety Awareness | Anthony Kitson

(5-18 yrs.) Safety awareness and self-defense combined in fun, structured environment! Students placed according to age & ability while learning and practicing skills. Students progress in rank and earn belts. \$66 (\$71 NR). Materials: \$6. Jane Reynolds Park, Rm. 1. Session: **Fridays, Jun. 19-Sep. 11.** No class Jul. 3, Sep. 4.

2541	New students	5-18 yrs.	5:15-5:55 p.m.
2543	Yellow belt	5-18 yrs.	6-6:40 p.m.
2544	Orange belt & above	6-18 yrs.	6:45-7:25 p.m.



## health & fitness

### **Bowling for Kids** | **Sherri Mott**

(2-16 yrs.) Hands-on instruction, short videos and worksheets cover techniques taught by certified instructors. 6-16 yrs. receive target zone bowling ball upon completion. 2-5 yrs. receive cookies and milk each week. \$65 (\$70 NR); \$40 (\$45)\*. Brunswick Sands Bowl, 43233 Sierra Hwy.

2547 6-16 yrs. Sat. Jul. 25-Sep. 26 10-11 a.m.  
2548 2-5 yrs. Tue. Jul. 28-Sep. 29\* 9:30-10:30 a.m.

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

(10 yrs.-Adult) En Garde! Agility, balance, discipline and self-esteem are just a few rewards gained by this intense mentally and physically challenging sport. Wear sweat pants and sneakers. \$45 (\$50 NR). \$20 for equipment rental. Lancaster City Park, Activity Ctr. No class Sep. 7 & 21.

2580 Mon. Jul. 6-27 7:30-8:30 p.m.  
2581 Mon. Aug. 3-24 7:30-8:30 p.m.  
2582 Mon. Aug. 31-Oct. 5 7:30-8:30 p.m.

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

(5-14 yrs.) Keeps kids healthy and fit while they learn how to tumble, bounce trampoline and basics of vault, bars & beam. \$40 (\$45 NR). Genesis Gymnastics, 824 W. Ave. L-6, Unit B.

2621 5-14 yrs. Fri. Jul. 10-31 4-5 p.m.  
2622 5-14 yrs. Fri. Jul. 10-31 5-6 p.m.  
2637 5-14 yrs. Fri. Aug. 7-28 4-5 p.m.  
2638 5-14 yrs. Fri. Aug. 7-28 5-6 p.m.  
2613 3-4 yrs. Sat. Jul. 11-Aug. 1 10-10:45 a.m.  
2614 3-4 yrs. Sat. Jul. 11-Aug. 1 10:45-11:30 a.m.  
2616 3-4 yrs. Sat. Aug. 8-29 10-10:45 a.m.  
2617 3-4 yrs. Sat. Aug. 8-29 10:45-11:30 a.m.

### **Gymnastics Camp** | **Collette Zimmerman**

(5-14 yrs.) Keeps kids healthy and fit while they learn how to tumble, bounce trampoline and basics of vault, bars & beam. \$100 (\$105 NR). Genesis Gymnastics, 824 W. Ave. L-6, Unit B.

2618 5-14 yrs. M-F Jul. 13-17 9 a.m.-12 p.m.  
2619 5-14 yrs. M-F Jul. 20-24 9 a.m.-12 p.m.  
2620 5-14 yrs. M-F Jul. 27-31 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

### **Pilates** | **Alisha Pye-Dean**

(12 yrs.-Adult) Strengthen & tone muscles through your core, rehabilitate any injuries and improve posture, body alignment & breathing. Bring mat. \$35 (\$40 NR). Lancaster City Park, Activity Ctr. No class Sep. 7.

2610 M/W Jul. 1-22 6:20-7:20 p.m.  
2611 M/W Aug. 3-24 6:20-7:20 p.m.  
2612 M/W Sep. 2-30 6:20-7:20 p.m.

### **Senior/Adult Exercise Classes**

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

AM Exercise M/W 9-10 a.m.  
Tone & Stretch T/TH 9-10 a.m.  
Walk with the Mayor T/TH 8-9 a.m.

### **Yoga** | **Kelly Johnson**

(18 yrs.-Adult) Want to lose a few pounds? Strengthen & tone your body? Simply release tension? Yoga delivers! Gentle enough for beginners, effective enough to see results quickly. \$40 (\$45 NR). Optional mat: \$15. Lancaster City Park, Activity Ctr.

2872 T/TH Jul. 7-30 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
2873 T/TH Aug. 4-27 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
2874 T/TH Sep. 1-24 6:30-7:30 p.m.

### **Zumba™ - Dance Aerobic Workout** **Zuly Zappala**

(13 yrs.-Adult) Get ready to burn calories and experience total body workout while learning international dances: Samba, Cumbia, Merengue, Reggeton, Salsa, Cha-Cha-Cha, Belly Dance, Hip Hop and Bachata. \$28 (\$33 NR). Jane Reynolds Park, Activity Rm. 1. No class Sep. 7.

2577 Mon. Jul. 6-27 6-7 p.m.  
2578 Mon. Aug. 3-24 6-7 p.m.  
2579 Mon. Aug. 31-Sep. 28 6-7 p.m.







## tennis

Lancaster City Park Tennis Center, 43011 10th St. W.

### Private Lessons

One-on-one lessons arranged with tennis pro following registration. 4 lesson package.

2589	4 - 1 hour	\$145 (\$150 NR)
2590	4 - 1/2 hour	\$100 (\$105 NR)

### Pee Wee (4-6 yrs.), \$36 (\$41 NR), \$31 (\$36 NR)\*

Introduce your child to tennis; learn basic skills and principles of the game. Materials: \$5.

#### Jim Majd, Court 8

2591	Sat.	Jul.11-25*	9-10 a.m.
2592	Sat.	Aug. 1-22	9-10 a.m.
2593	Sat.	Sep.5-26	9-10 a.m.

### QuickStart Tennis (7-11 yrs.), \$36 (\$41 NR), \$31 (\$36 NR)\*.

Exciting new format brings kids into the game. Specialized equipment, shorter court dimensions and modified scoring tailored to children. Materials: \$5. No class Sep. 9.

#### Linda Ruiz, Court 8

2594	Sat.	Jul. 11-25*	10-11 a.m.
2595	Sat.	Aug. 1-22	10-11 a.m.
2596	Sat.	Sep. 5-26	10-11 a.m.

### Juniors (7-17 yrs.)

Long recognized as an individual sport, this tennis class focuses on team competition. Novice and advanced play levels available. Materials: \$5.

#### Linda Ruiz, Court 3. No class Sep. 7. \$51 (\$56 NR)

2597	M/W	Jul. 1-22	5-6 p.m.
2598	M/W	Aug. 3-24	5-6 p.m.
2599	M/W	Sep. 2-23	5-6 p.m.
2600	M/W-Adv	Jul. 1-22	6-7 p.m.
2601	M/W-Adv	Aug. 3-24	6-7 p.m.
2602	M/W-Adv	Sep. 2-23	6-7 p.m.

#### Jim Majd, Court 5. \$45 (\$50 NR)

2877	T/TH	Jul. 2-28	4-5 p.m.
2878	T/TH	Aug. 4-27	4-5 p.m.
2879	T/TH	Sep. 1-24	4-5 p.m.

### Adults (18+ yrs.), \$45 (\$50 NR)

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

#### Jim Majd, Court 5

2603	T/TH	Jul. 2-28	5-6 p.m.
2604	T/TH	Aug. 4-27	5-6 p.m.
2605	T/TH	Sep. 1-24	5-6 p.m.



**Court Maintenance on Tuesdays.** Courts closed while cleaned.



### Public Play

Except tournaments, non-City lessons or court rentals.

### Tennis Court Lights

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

## sports

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

### adult sports



#### Basketball

Registration: May 5-29

League play begins in mid June. Games played at local high schools Mon.-Thu. nights. Registration limited to 24 teams. \$420/team.

Mon.-Thu.

Adult Basketball



#### Softball

Registration: Aug. 24-Sep. 25

Fall league play begins in mid October. Schedule consists of 10 league games and 1 classification game. Games played Sun.-Fri., you determine the day. Lancaster City Park. \$340/team.

Sun.-Fri.

Men's Slowpitch

Sun.-Fri.

Coed Slowpitch

Sun.-Fri.

Coed Hardball

Thu.

Women's Slowpitch

### youth sports



#### Basketball (5-15 yrs.)

Registration: Aug. 24-Sep. 25 (5-9 yrs.),

Aug. 24-Dec. 18 (10-15 yrs.)

Each division plays 8 games. Games on Saturdays played at local high schools; practices during the week with day, time & location determined by volunteer coach. \$55 (\$60 NR).

League play

Ages 5-9

October

Ages 10-15

January

### softball tournament contact information

**ASA & SCMAF Tournaments:** Jeff Campbell, 661-723-6075

**USSSA Tournaments:** Frank Vega, 909-393-7503



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## 10 Batting Cages!

2 Slowpitch Softball • 1 Medium Softball  
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1 Very Fastpitch Baseball

**\$1.50 for 1 token (20 pitches), buy 5 tokens get one FREE.**  
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# aquatics



### To Register:

1. Read descriptions.
2. Determine which class you would like to take.
3. Select schedule that is convenient.
4. Check table to see if your class is offered.
5. Write class code from table on registration form.

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

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

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

at Jane Reynolds Park, 716 Oldfield Street.

### PUBLIC SWIM TIMES

Children less than 4 ft. tall & 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: June 1 - September 30

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

**Holiday Closures:** July 4, September 7

#### Webber Pool: July 4 - September 7

Public swim	Mon.-Fri.	1-3 p.m.
Public swim	Sat./Sun.	1-4 p.m.
Evening lap	M/W/F	6:30-7:30 p.m.

### PUBLIC SWIM FEES

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

### 30 Punch Swim Pass:

Teen	\$25
Adult	\$35
Senior/Child	\$19







selected courses available for online registration on page 20.

## CLASS INFORMATION

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

### Parent/Tot

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

### Preschool

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

### Preschool 2

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

### Preschool 3

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

## Level 1: Introduction to Water Skills

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

## Level 2: Fundamental Aquatic Skills

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

## Level 3: Stroke Development

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

## Level 4: Stroke Improvement

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



## Level 5: Stroke Refinement

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

## Level 6: Swimming & Skill Proficiency

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

interested in a diving program?

Call 661-723-6255.

## Adult Swim Lessons

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

## Aquacise: Aerobic Water Exercise

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

## Hydro-Fit: Muscle Toning & Fitness

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

## Private Swim Lessons

Private swim lessons for all ages. The fee is \$140 for eight 1/2 hour lessons. **Available in July.**

2862-2863

Lesson times to be arranged.



## Lifeguard Training Class

(15+ yrs.) Enrollees must be able to: (1) swim 500 yards continuously, demonstrating the correct use of the front crawl and breaststroke; (2) swim 20 yards, retrieve a 10 lb. brick and return it to the starting point; (3) must provide own manuals. Must take CFAS and CPRPR at Red Cross and show certification on first day of class. Students must attend all classes – no exceptions. \$75 (\$80 NR). Call Shanae Hill, 661-723-6256 for times and information.

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Sat. & Sun. Jul. 11-18

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 ICT course included. Approximately 40 hrs. of training. Students must attend all classes – no exceptions. \$75 (\$80 NR). **Pre-test Fri., Jul. 24, 6:30 p.m.**

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Sat. & Sun. Jul. 25-Aug. 2

8 a.m.-5 p.m.

## Oasis Aquatics Swim Team

(5 -18 yrs.) Oasis Aquatics is a United States Swimming affiliated year-round competitive swim team offering competitive training and swim meets. Novice to advanced. Strokes, turns, strength and endurance, goal setting, mental preparation and nutrition. Call Cindy Poole, 661-618-5283 for more information.

## Oasis Masters Swim Program

(18+ yrs.) Overall conditioning, swim skills, instruction, competitive events and ocean swimming. Call Tom Otto for fees and information at 661-948-0057 or 661-722-0585.





# aquatics class schedule

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

**Eastside Pool - blue** | **Webber Pool - red**

**Session 1: July 6-16** | Monday thru Thursday (4x/week for 2 weeks) \$34 (\$37 NR).

Class Level	8:10 am	8:50 am	9 am	9:30 am	9:40 am	10:20 am
Parent/Tot				2795		2796
Preschool	2805	2806	2807		2808	
Preschool 2	2832	2833			2834	2835
Preschool 3			2852	2853		
Level 1	2680		2681	2682		2683
Level 2	2699	2700			2701	2702
Level 3		2728	2729	2730	2731	
Level 4	2756		2757			2758
Level 5		2778			2779	
Level 6				2788		



**Session 2: July 20-30** | Monday thru Thursday (4x/week for 2 weeks) \$34 (\$37 NR).



Class Level	8:10 am	8:50 am	9 am	9:30 am	9:40 am	10:20 am
Parent/Tot				2797		2798
Preschool	2809	2810	2811		2812	
Preschool 2	2836	2837			2838	2839
Preschool 3			2854	2855		
Level 1	2684		2685	2686		2687
Level 2	2703	2704			2705	2706
Level 3		2732	2733	2734	2735	
Level 4	2759		2760			2761
Level 5		2780			2781	
Level 6				2789		

**Session 3: August 3-13** | Monday thru Thursday (4x/week for 2 weeks) \$34 (\$37 NR).

Class Level	8:10 am	8:50 am	9 am	9:30 am	9:40 am	10:20 am
Parent/Tot				2799		2800
Preschool	2813	2814	2815		2816	
Preschool 2	2840	2841			2842	2843
Preschool 3			2856	2857		
Level 1	2688		2689	2690		2687
Level 2	2707	2708			2709	2710
Level 3		2736	2737	2738	2739	
Level 4	2762		2763			2764
Level 5		2782			2783	
Level 6				2790		

**Session 0: July 11-August 29** | Saturday (1x/week for 8 weeks) \$34 (\$37 NR).

**Webber Pool only**



Class Level	9 am	9:40 am	10:20 am	11 am
Parent/Tot			2801	
Preschool	2817	2818	2819	
Preschool 2	2844	2845		
Preschool 3				2858
Level 1	2692			
Level 2		2711		2712
Level 3			2740	
Level 4	2765			
Level 5		2784		
Adult				2669
Aquacise			2673	



**Session 7: June 16-July 2**

Tuesday/Thursday (2x/week for 4 weeks) \$34 (\$37 NR).

**Eastside Pool only**



Class Level	4:20 pm	5 pm	5:40 pm	6:40 pm	7:20 pm	8 pm	8:15 pm
Parent/Tot				2802			
Preschool	2820	2821	2822		2823		
Preschool 2	2846			2847			
Preschool 3		2859					
Level 1	2693		2694				
Level 2	2713	2714	2715	2716	2717		
Level 3	2741	2742	2743	2744	2745		
Level 4		2766	2767		2768	2769	
Level 5				2785			
Level 6						2791	
Adult						2670	
Aquacise 					2674		
Hyro-Fit 							2677



**Session 8: July 7-30**

Tuesday/Thursday (2x/week for 4 weeks) \$34 (\$37 NR).

**Eastside Pool only**



Class Level	4:20 pm	5 pm	5:40 pm	6:40 pm	7:20 pm	8 pm	8:15 pm
Parent/Tot				2803			
Preschool	2824	2825	2826		2827		
Preschool 2	2848			2849			
Preschool 3		2860					
Level 1	2695		2696				
Level 2	2718	2719	2720	2721	2722		
Level 3	2746	2747	2748	2749	2750		
Level 4		2770	2771		2772	2773	
Level 5				2786			
Level 6						2792	
Adult						2671	
Aquacise 					2675		
Hyro-Fit 							2678



**Session 9: August 4-27**

Tuesday/Thursday (2x/week for 4 weeks) \$34 (\$37 NR).

**Eastside Pool only**

Class Level	4:20 pm	5 pm	5:40 pm	6:40 pm	7:20 pm	8 pm	8:15 pm
Parent/Tot				2804			
Preschool	2828	2829	2830		2831		
Preschool 2	2850			2851			
Preschool 3		2861					
Level 1	2697		2698				
Level 2	2723	2724	2725	2726	2727		
Level 3	2751	2752	2753	2754	2755		
Level 4		2774	2775		2776	2777	
Level 5				2787			
Level 6						2793	
Adult						2672	
Aquacise 					2676		
Hyro-Fit 							2679





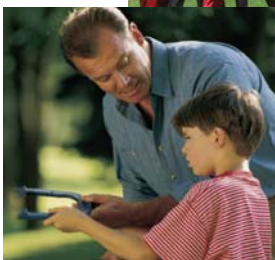


## Party at the Park!

*Make your next event really special...hold it at a City Park*

Lancaster has 11 beautiful park facilities that are perfect for birthday parties, wedding receptions, family reunions, corporate gatherings and more!

Whether you need a picnic shelter, banquet hall, meeting room, ball field or even a horseshoe pit or swimming pool for your party, you'll find just what you're looking for among Lancaster's inviting parks.

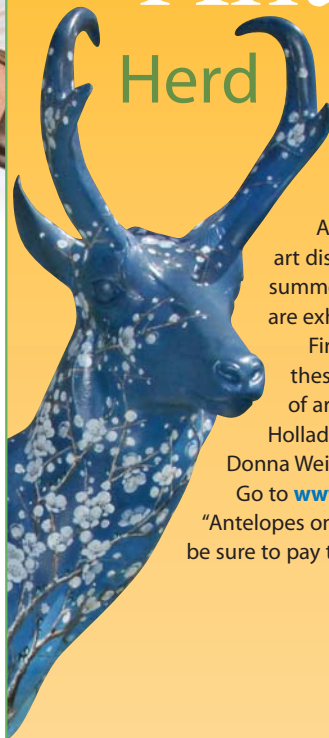


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# Artistic Antelopes:

## Herd on the Street



Antelopes on Parade, a unique public art display can be found downtown this summer as the works of five talented artists are exhibited along Lancaster Boulevard.

First shown at the 2009 Poppy Festival, these perky pronghorns are the creation of artists Geo-May Frankenberg, Kris Holladay, India and Marianne McNeese, Donna Weil and Yin Ping Zheng.

Go to [www.cityoflancasterca.org](http://www.cityoflancasterca.org) and click on "Antelopes on Parade" to find their locations and be sure to pay them a visit.



Antelopes on Parade is made possible through the generous underwriting of these sponsors:

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## Old-Fashioned Ice Cream Social & Outdoor Silent Movie

Don't forget to join us on July 17 at the Western Hotel Museum during the Celebrate Downtown Lancaster festival. Enjoy the pleasures of a bygone era with an ice cream sundae and a silent movie.

**Adults (age 12 and up)**  
\$5 – ice cream and movie  
\$3 – ice cream or movie

**Children (under 12)**  
\$2 – ice cream  
movie is FREE!



### Exhibitions

## An Unforgiving Land: The Trek Photography of Lee Bergthold

*June 6 - July 26, 2009*

This exhibition features the documentary photography of Bergthold's expedition through the deserts and mountains of Nevada. In these images Bergthold reveals a landscape that few have witnessed since the great migrations in the 19th century.

Opening Reception –

*Friday, June 5 from 6 to 9 p.m., Lancaster Museum/Art Gallery*



## A Fool's Paradise: The Art of Tom Miller

*August 15 - October 11, 2009*

Miller's work, described as "magical realism," reproduces his physical and psychological experiences in the small Mexican village of La Antigua, through drawings, paintings, collages and mixed media.

Opening Reception –

*Friday, August 14 from 6 to 9 p.m., Lancaster Museum/Art Gallery*

### Special Events

#### Wilderness Photography Walk with Lee Bergthold

*Saturday, June 20, 10 a.m., Prime Desert Woodland Interpretive Center*

Talk and workshop followed by a walk along the trails so participants can gain some hands-on experience. Bring your camera. Free.

#### Pioneer Family Day

*Saturday, July 11 from 1 to 3 p.m., Western Hotel Museum*

Families will enjoy learning about the early pioneers through the Pioneer Traveling Museum Trunk demonstration, making pinhole cameras and dressing up like 19th century settlers. Bring the whole family. Free.

#### Lecture: Photography's Many Forms

*Saturday, July 18 from 1 to 3 p.m., Lancaster Museum/Art Gallery*

A panel of artists and professionals working in the field of photography will discuss their craft and the concerns that are shared amongst fine art, documentary and commercial photographers as well as those distinctions that set them apart from each other. Free.

#### Lancaster Museum/Art Gallery

44801 Sierra Highway | 661-723-6250  
limageceptionist@cityoflanasterca.org  
Free Admission and Tours

#### Hours:

Tuesday - Sunday, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Closed Mondays and holidays

Closed between exhibitions.

#### Western Hotel Museum

557 W. Lancaster Blvd. | 661-723-6260 / 6250  
Free Admission and Tours

#### Hours:

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







# Camp 009

## Best Summer Ever!

June 15 to August 7 • Ages 6 to 12

Excursions, movies, games, crafts & swimming!  
Participate in one or all sessions!

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

Day Camp Fee: \$150 per week (\$120 for 4th of July week).  
Fee covers the cost of day camp and excursion.

Call 661-723-6077 for more information.



### The Magic Flute

June 6, 8 p.m. | June 7, 7 p.m.

From the virtuosic arias of the Queen of the Nile to the folk song-like melodies of the bird catcher Papageno, the full range of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's miraculous talent is on display in this magical fairy tale opera. Presented by the Antelope Valley Symphony Orchestra and Master Chorale.

All Seats \$30 | Youth \$15

### Putting it Together

June 26, 8 p.m. | June 27, 8 p.m. | June 28, 2 p.m.

Over 30 Stephen Sondheim songs – from "Company," "Sweeney Todd," "Into the Woods" and others – are included in this musical revue crafted by Sondheim himself.

All Seats \$16 | J.P. Eliopoulos Family Theatre

New Season Announced June 23 at 10 a.m.



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## WONDERFUL ACTIVITIES FOR SUMMER!

### LIVE REPTILES

**Saturday, June 13, 6 p.m.**

Brandon Kreis will present live reptiles including a gopher snake, green iguana, Savanna monitor lizard and a Burmese python. \$3 per person. Children 3 and under free.

### WILDERNESS PHOTOGRAPHY LECTURE & WALK

**Saturday, June 20, 10 a.m.**

Lee Bergthold, a local documentary photographer and wilderness survival expert, will give a talk in the Interpretive Center on the art of photography in the wilderness, followed by a walk along the trails. His photographs will be on display at the Lancaster Museum/Art Gallery. For more information, call the Art Gallery at 661-723-6250.

### BIRD WATCHING WALK

**Saturday, July 11, 7 a.m.**

Ron Smith, an award-winning wildlife artist and member of the Audubon Society, will lead a walk along the north trail of the Preserve pointing out both resident and migratory birds. This event is great for beginners and will start in the Interpretive Center with a short talk on the history of birding, how to identify birds and what to look for. Remember to bring field guides and binoculars. Free.



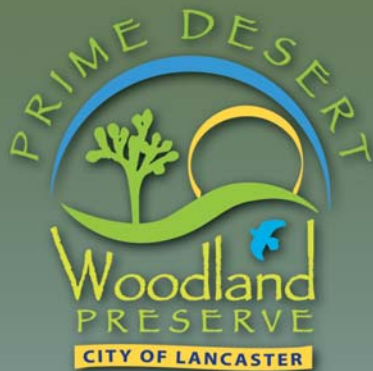
### MOON WALKS

**Saturday, June 27, 8:30 p.m.**

**Saturday, July 25, 8:30 p.m.**

**Saturday, August 29, 8 p.m.**

Jeremy Amarat, Director of the SAGE Planetarium, will teach us about the stars and constellations as he leads visitors on a one-mile walk on the trails of the Preserve. The AV Astronomy Club members will be on hand with their telescopes for a closer look at the night sky. Free.



43201 35th Street West

Come visit the 100-acre Preserve that features nearly three miles of trails, including a new expanded trail that goes out toward 40th Street West. The trails are open from 6 a.m. to sunset.

#### Interpretive Center Hours:

Saturday & Sunday: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

*Closed during the week. Group tours are available by appointment; call 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. Call 661-723-6230 for more information.

**Attendance is limited for events in the Interpretive Center. No reservations are required.**

