

# City News

Published Monthly For Residents & Businesses in Diamond Bar

## Dine & Shop Diamond Bar

*Give Your Kitchen and Home Cook a Break – Dine Out in Town!*

We've published a Diamond Bar restaurant guide and included a copy in this issue of City News!

Aimed at supporting local businesses and promoting shopping and dining locally, this guide organizes all restaurants – sit-down and fast-food – based on cuisine type. Symbols included in the guide denote average menu item price and if the restaurant offers delivery service.

Find your copy inside, get your family or friends together, and patronize a local restaurant that you have been meaning to try.

### Will Diamond Bar Benefit from Your Purchasing Power?

Make your list, and check it twice, for holiday gift items that can be bought in Diamond Bar stores.

By dining and shopping in town, you stretch the value of your dollar by contributing into the City's General Fund by way of your sales tax dollars, specifically one percent. These dollars fund such public services as park maintenance, road improvements, recreation and public safety.



## Holiday Home Decorating Contest



If you are planning to enter your home in the City's 4th annual Home Holiday Decorating Contest, now is the time to add those finishing festive touches to your outdoor decoration!

Deadline for entries is 4:30 pm on Friday, December 7, with judging taking place on Wednesday, December 12 between 7 pm and 10 pm. Winning homes will be chosen in the categories of "Best Holiday Spirit,"

"Most Energy-Efficient," and for the first time "Best Neighborhood Display (three or more homes on a block). Winners receive a yard sign, recognition in the City newsletter, and an award from the Diamond Bar City Council.

Contest details and entry forms are available at City Hall (21810 Copley Drive) as well as online at [www.diamondbarca.gov/holiday](http://www.diamondbarca.gov/holiday).



## Street Sweeping News...

### 2013 Magnets

Production of the 2013 edition of the City's magnetic Street Sweeping schedule is now underway. To have a copy mailed to you when it becomes available, call the City's Public Information Division at 909.839.7054 or send an email to [info@diamondbarca.gov](mailto:info@diamondbarca.gov).

Mailing requests accepted until 4:30 pm Friday, December 21, 2012. After this date, the magnet calendar will be available for pick up at City Hall (21810 Copley Drive), Diamond Bar Library (21800 Copley Drive), or Diamond Bar Center (1600 Grand Avenue).

### Winter Schedule

During the months of December and January, city roads are swept weekly due to the rise in debris during the winter months.

Street sweeping will return to its normal schedule of every other week on Monday, February 4, 2013.

Signs indicating parking restrictions on street sweeping days are posted at key locations throughout neighborhoods.

For more information, contact the Public Works Department at 909.839.7040.

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## October 2012 New Business of the Month



### Curry India Bistro

2779 S. Diamond Bar Boulevard

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

909.895.7410 / [info@curryindiabistro.com](mailto:info@curryindiabistro.com)

Open Monday through Sunday

Lunch 11 am - 3 pm,

Dinner 5 pm - 10 pm

## Holiday Tree Pickup

Disposing of your live holiday tree once this year's festivities come to a close is easy and free!

All you have to do is remove any excess items such as stands, decorations, lights, and tinsel (snow flock is okay), and place your tree at the curb on one of your collection days between Wednesday, December 26 and Friday, January 11.

Valley Vista Services customers should cut their tree in half if longer than six feet in length. Call Waste Management at 800.266.7551 or Valley Vista at 800.442.6454 for more details.

## Gingerbread House Workshop

Follow the trail of breadcrumbs ... the Diamond Bar Library is hosting a Gingerbread House Workshop on Saturday, December 15 from 11 am to 3 pm!

This workshop is free and open to children ages 2 to 11 and their parents. Participants will have the opportunity to craft and decorate their own keepsake gingerbread houses complete with all the candy trimmings. Pre-registration is required, and will be accepted beginning Monday, November 26 by calling the Diamond Bar Library at 909.861.4978.

Please note that the workshop will be divided into several one-hour slots to accommodate as many participants as possible; be ready to indicate a preferred time slot.



## City Hall Holiday Closures

City facilities will be closed Monday, December 24 and Tuesday, December 25 in observance of Christmas Day, as well as Tuesday, January 1 in observance of New Year's Day. If your trash or street sweeping day falls on or after December 25 and/or January 1, service will be delayed by one day.



If you are between the ages of 16 and 27 and looking for a meaningful way to give back to your community, Miss Diamond Bar Pageant wants to hear from you. Applications to compete in the 46th annual Miss Diamond Bar Pageant are now available online at [www.missdiamondbarpageant.org](http://www.missdiamondbarpageant.org). Interested contestants should submit a completed application and attend an orientation meeting planned for Saturday, January 19, 2013. For more information, call 909.861.8454.

## Calendar Key

- City Council Meeting\*- starts at 6:30 pm
- Planning Commission Meeting\*- starts at 7 pm
- Traffic & Transportation Commission Meeting\*- starts at 7 pm
- Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting\*- starts at 7 pm
- Transit Late Night - City Hall open until 7 pm
- Street Sweeping Week  
*To find out the specific day and hours your neighborhood street is scheduled for sweeping, please refer to the posted "No Parking" sign.*
- Candy Cane Craft Fair - 9 am - 2 pm at the Diamond Bar Center (1600 Grand Avenue)

## December 2012

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23	24  Christmas Holiday	25  City Offices Closed	26	27	28	29
30	31	1 January 2013 New Year's Day City Offices Closed	2	3	4	5

\*City Council meetings take place at the AQMD/Government Center (21865 Copley Drive), while City Commission meetings are held at Diamond Bar City Hall (21810 Copley Drive). Additional event and meeting details are available at [www.DiamondBarCA.gov/eventcalendar](http://www.DiamondBarCA.gov/eventcalendar).

# Your Dog's Waste is Your Responsibility

**It's unsightly. It poses a health risk to humans and other pets. It pollutes our waterways.** And it's a violation of the City's municipal code (Section 6.00.090).

Dog waste left behind on our park grounds, trails, public right-of-ways, and even private yards is among the property maintenance issues most frequently reported by residents. While it may not be among the positives of owning a pet, picking up after one's dog is every owner's legal responsibility – one that in Diamond Bar is enforced by the Inland Valley Humane Society (IVHS).

In order to file a complaint with IVHS, it is necessary to have the home address of the offender. Providing a description of the pet, location, and time of day is also helpful. As a first step, IVHS will send the offender a letter reminding them that it is against local law to leave their pet's waste on the ground. If the issue persists, a second complaint



needs to be filed, at which time IVHS will send out one of its enforcement officers to address the issue with the offender in person.

IVHS is located at 500 Humane Way in Pomona. Its phone number is 909.623.9777 and hours of operation are Monday through Saturday 8 am to 5:30 pm and Wednesday 8 am to 7 pm.



## Join the Senior Softball Team

With its new season just around the corner, the Diamond Bar Senior Softball Team is making a pitch for new players. Men and women age 50 and older looking for a fun way to stay physically and socially active are encouraged to step up to the plate. Games begin in April and continue into September, however weekly morning practices are held year-round at various community parks.

The Diamond Bar Softball Team first formed in February 2011 and is now nearly 30 members strong; it is part of the well-established Inter-City Senior Softball League.

For more information, call Team Manager John Fletcher at 909.969.3834.

## Sandbags Available at Fire Stations

Here's a reminder that during the rainy season, two of the City's fire stations serve as free sandbag and sand distribution points:

**Station 119**  
20480 Pathfinder Rd.  
Diamond Bar, CA 91789  
909.598.4290

**Station 121**  
346 Armitos Place  
Diamond Bar, CA 91765  
909.396.0164

This is a "self-serve" service, so arrive prepared with your own shovels or containers to fill your sandbags.

If the fire station is not staffed at the time of your visit, either wait for the fire station personnel to return or go to the next closest fire station. Sandbags and sand are also available for purchase at most hardware and home improvement stores.

## City's IT Efforts Recognized

The City's Information Systems Department has once again been recognized with an Excellence in Information Technology Practice award, the highest level of achievement attainable by a municipality for its technology practices.

This award marks the fifth straight year that the City has received this designation.

Selection criteria for this coveted award includes budgeting and strategic planning, customer satisfaction, Internet policies, project management and application development, disaster preparation and recovery, and network security.

Among its responsibilities, the Information Systems Department manages the City's servers and maintains maximum amount of uptime to ensure residents and businesses have constant access to the City website, and that online credit card transactions such as transit pass sales and recreation class registrations are secure and free of vulnerabilities.

## For Your Safety...

**Tip** – Thieves are banking on you to be distracted this shopping season...lessen your odds of becoming a theft victim by remaining alert of your surroundings at all times. Have your keys in hand when returning to your car, enter as quickly as possible and drive away immediately; do not linger making a phone call or reviewing your purchases.

**Diamond Bar/Walnut Sheriff's  
Station 909.595.2264  
(dial 911 for all EMERGENCIES)**

## City Council Members

Ling-Ling Chang  
 Ron Everett  
 Carol Herrera  
 Jack Tanaka  
 Steve Tye

City Manager ..... James DeStefano



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City Council	909.839.7010
Building & Safety	909.839.7020
City Clerk's Office	909.839.7010
City Manager's Office	909.839.7010
Community Development	909.839.7030
Community Services	909.839.7060
Facility Reservations	909.839.7070
Finance	909.839.7050
Human Resources	909.839.7018
Library	909.861.4978
Neighborhood Improvement	909.839.7030
Planning	909.839.7030
Post Office	909.860.2469
Public Information Office	909.839.7055
Public Safety Services	909.839.7077
Public Works/Engineering	909.839.7040
Recreation Services	909.839.7070
Senior Services	909.839.7068
Transit Information	909.839.7045
Voter Registration	562.462.2748

<b>Business Information:</b>	
Business Licenses	909.839.7030
Chamber of Commerce	909.869.0701

<b>School Districts:</b>	
Pomona Unified	909.397.4700
Walnut Valley Unified	909.595.1261

<b>Utilities:</b>	
So Cal Edison (electric)	800.611.1911
So Cal Gas (gas)	800.427.2200
Time Warner (cable TV)	888.892.2253
Verizon (telephone)	800.483.5000
Walnut Valley Water	909.595.7554
Waste Disposal:	
Valley Vista (businesses)	800.442.6454
Waste Management (residents)	909.599.1274

<b>Public Safety:</b>	
Animal Control	909.623.9777
Fire (LA County)*	909.629.9671
Police (LA Co. Sheriff)*	909.595.2264

<b>24-Hour Hotlines:</b>	
Building Inspections	909.839.7027
Employment Opportunities	909.348.8300
Field/Weather	909.348.8310
Graffiti Removal	800.794.7384

\*For emergencies, dial 9-1-1



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  **TRACK US**  
  **WATCH US**

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## Snapshots Around The Community

**POSING PRETTY...** Fortunately, the Maggelet sisters (from left) Rayna, 8, and Tayla, 6 had no need to resort to magic spells or special weapons to score fistfuls of treats and toys during the City's 2012 Fall Fun Festival held on October 31 at Heritage Park. The girls were among the several hundred young Halloween revelers who enjoyed partaking in the assortment of prize-incentive games and arts and craft activities available at the popular annual event. Additional event photos are available online at [www.diamondbarca.gov/photogallery](http://www.diamondbarca.gov/photogallery).



**GREEN MAKES BRONZE...** This past fall, the Diamond Bar Girl Scout Troop 2264 proved that you can get bronze by giving a little green. The 13 fifth and sixth graders gave their green thumb a try to spruce up three areas of the Pantera Elementary School campus. The project, which they named "Girl Scout Friendship Garden" earned each of the girls the coveted Bronze Award – the highest honor a Girl Scout

Junior can achieve! A special thanks to the various businesses that lent their support to the project, including Diamond Bar Ace Hardware for assisting with tools, Diamond Bar Kmart for donating materials for planters, and Chino Hills Lowes for donating the trees, plants and manpower.

**DAD'S LITTLE HELPER...** He may only be seven years old, but equipped with his own kid-sized shovel and good ole' fashioned brawn, Andrew Maston proved to be a huge help to his dad, who got his batch of mulch during the City's annual Eco Expo. The third annual event held on Saturday, November 3 gave Diamond Bar residents an opportunity to safely and responsibly get rid of unwanted electronic waste, have confidential documents securely shredded, and take home free mulch courtesy of Waste Management. This event photo and others now make up a photo album on the City website and can be accessed by visiting [www.diamondbarca.gov/photogallery](http://www.diamondbarca.gov/photogallery).

