

# City News

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## Pool Safety

With summer just around the corner, the Diamond Bar Sheriff's team would like to remind parents of the danger of having relaxed backyard pool rules and habits.

By following some simple safety procedures, parents can help ensure their children do not become part of the sobering statistic that labels drowning as the leading cause of injuries and deaths for children under the age of 5:

- Teach your children good pool safety habits that include no unsupervised use of the pool, and no playing with rescue equipment.
- Never leave children alone in or near the pool without adult supervision, regardless of their swimming experience.
- Keep rescue equipment such as a shepherd's hook, life preserver ring, and cordless telephone near the pool at all times.
- Clear your pool of any objects such as toys, balls, or floating devices that can attract toddlers and cause them to fall into the water.
- Limit access to pool area with self-latching door or gates when pool use cannot be supervised.
- Make it a point to have at least one person certified in CPR keeping a close watch on children and swimmers at all times. Contact American Red Cross San Gabriel Pomona Valley Chapter 626.447.2193 for CPR class information.
- Ensure you have a fence enclosing your pool and that it is properly installed. Contact the City's Building & Safety Division at 909.839.7020 for current fencing standards before installing a new pool or spa.
- In case of a drowning, call 911 immediately and provide your name, telephone number, and details about your emergency.

Tune in to DBTV (channel 3 on Time Warner and channel 47 on Verizon FiOS cable) Monday through Friday at 3 pm and Saturday and Sunday at 1 pm to watch a three-minute public safety announcement on pool safety or watch it anytime via streaming video on the City website [www.CityofDiamondBar.com](http://www.CityofDiamondBar.com) by clicking on the "DBTV - Live Meetings" button on the left hand side and locating the video in the "Public Safety Resources & Information" section.

## City Website Survey

It's been almost a year since the City introduced a redesigned website with a fresh look, an improved navigation bar, and several new features.

Because the City website serves as one of the quickest and most convenient methods of delivering information to our residents and businesses, we want to ensure it continues to be a valuable and easy-to-use resource. Please take a moment to share your thoughts - click on the "Surveys" link located at the top right corner of the City's website [www.CityofDiamondBar.com](http://www.CityofDiamondBar.com) and complete the 10-question "City Website Survey."



## Summer Entertainment!



This summer, Sycamore Canyon Park is the place to be on Wednesday evenings! From July 7 through August 18, everyone is invited to bring out their lawn chairs or blankets and enjoy the City's popular Concerts in the Park and Movies under the Stars combo series.

Concert-goers are welcome to bring along a picnic dinner or spending cash to support the fundraising efforts of local nonprofits selling food, refreshments, and snacks.

Concerts start at 6:30 pm; while the family-friendly movies begin playing at dusk.

In addition to the music and movie, each concert will feature an arts-and-craft zone for children, information booths staffed by City staff and local nonprofit groups, and free giveaways.

This year's hot concert and movie line-up is as follows:



**July 7**  
**The Answer (Classic Rock)**  
**Movie: Planet 51**

**July 14**  
**Suave (Latin)**  
**Movie: Shorts**

**July 21**  
**Doo Wah Riders (Country)**  
**Movie: Monsters vs. Aliens**

**July 28**  
**Country Line (Contemporary Rock)**  
**Movie: Imagine That**

**August 4**  
**Cold Duck (70s Top 40)**  
**Movie: Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs**

**August 11**  
**Sound Bytes (Pop 60s - 90s)**  
**Movie: Where the Wild Things Are**

**August 18**  
**Hot August Night (Neil Diamond Tribute Band)**  
**(Concert sponsored by the Diamond Bar Community Foundation)**  
**Movie: The Princess and the Frog**

Admission is free and open to the public. Parking and shuttle service to the park is also free and continuously available at the Diamond Bar Golf Course from 5:30 pm until the end of the movie.

Sycamore Canyon Park is located at 22930 Golden Springs Drive. For more information, call the City's Community Services Department at 909.839.7070.

## Curb Address Painting

Spring and summer months attract people outdoors... including salespeople looking to solicit business. Unfortunately, hiring someone off the street for one-time only projects doesn't always yield the desired outcome as some Diamond Bar residents recently realized when they had the wrong address number painted on the curb bordering their property.



In an effort to prevent this and other similar blunders, the City of Diamond Bar has issued permits for residential curb address painting to local nonprofit companies who perform the work in exchange for a voluntary donation.

Now through the end of summer, *Care for the Children* will work on residential roadways south of Grand Avenue, while *Canning Hunger* will work on residential roadways north of Grand Avenue.

Work crews from both nonprofits carry a copy of the City work permit as well as company identification. If approached by an individual asking for payment for curb painting services, residents are encouraged to ask for these proof documents. Collection times for donations are restricted to 10:00 am - 7:30 pm Monday through Saturday.

Residents who suspect unauthorized paint crews are working within their neighborhood are asked to contact the City's Public Works Department at 909.839.7040 or [publicworks@ci.diamond-bar.ca.us](mailto:publicworks@ci.diamond-bar.ca.us).



## Fireworks, Food & Feel-Good Family Entertainment

Celebrate America's 234th birthday together with friends and family at the City's annual 4th of July Blast on Sunday, July 4!

The patriotic event will be held at Diamond Bar High School starting at 5 pm and include a music performance by the popular band Orange Colored Sky; face painting, crafts, and balloon art for the kids; and a special appearance by Uncle Sam on stilts.

All the fun culminates at 9 pm with a dazzling aerial fireworks display.

Admission is free and open to the public, with free parking and shuttle service available starting at 5 pm at the Caltrans Park n' Ride on Pathfinder Road. Diamond Bar High School is located at 21400 Pathfinder Road.

Pack a picnic dinner or bring spending cash to support several of our local nonprofits who will be selling a variety of food items, snacks, and beverages.

As a reminder, the sale, purchase, or discharge of any fireworks is not permitted within City limits per City Ordinance.

For more information about the event, call the City's Community Services Department at 909.839.7070.

## Business Awards

May - New Business



**101 Cafe**

2763 S. Diamond Bar Blvd.  
909.595.9100

Chinese cuisine, appetizers, soup, seafood

Hours:

Monday - Sunday, 11 am - 10 pm

May - Business of the Month



**CVS Pharmacy**

300 S. Diamond Bar Blvd.  
909.861.5551

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

Pharmacy, photo development, clinic

Hours:

CVS/Pharmacy open 24 hours/7 days a week  
Clinic open 10 am - 6:30 pm/7 days a week

## Grant to Boost Recycling Efforts

The City's recycling outreach and education efforts recently got a welcome boost from the State Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery.



CalRecycle, as the agency is known, awarded the City's Environmental Services Division a \$7,492 grant to help further its efforts of raising community awareness of the importance of recycling.

These efforts include producing and mailing the annual EnviroLink newsletter, disseminating information and recycled giveaways during City special events, and assisting Diamond Bar schools, businesses, and parks in establishing new beverage container recycling programs.

Established on January 1, 2010, CalRecycle manages programs created through the Integrated Waste Management Act and the Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act initiatives. It aims to protect public health and the environment through the management of California's waste disposal and recycling efforts.

To learn more about CalRecycle, visit its website at [www.calrecycle.ca.gov](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov). For more information about the City's recycling programs, contact the Environmental Services Division at 909.839.7040.

## Free Property Vacation Checks

If out-of-town vacationing is in your plans this summer, the Diamond Bar/Walnut Sheriff's Station encourages you to take advantage of its Vacation Check service.

This free service involves a Sheriff's deputy or trained Volunteer on Patrol monitoring your property at least once a day while you are away.

As part of its courtesy property inspection, the uniformed Sheriff's representative checks for unlocked windows or doors, evidence of possible forced entry, and any other suspicious activity.

To further protect your home while you are away, the Sheriff's station suggests postponing delivery or having one of your neighbors pick up your mail or newspapers to prevent it from piling up; and installing exterior lights that operate on a dawn-to-dusk or timer function to



create the illusion that you are home.

Vacation Check Request Forms can be completed over the telephone by calling the Sheriff's Station at 909.595.2264 or in person at 21695 E. Valley Boulevard in Walnut.

## Wildlife as Neighbors

For cities like Diamond Bar that border open space, wildlife sightings are very much part of urban life and not uncommon during spring and summer months when animals wake from their winter slumber to forage for food.

The Inland Valley Humane Society (IVHS) reminds readers that urban wildlife is an important part of our environment and suggests the following tips for safely co-existing with wild animals in your neighborhood:

### NEVER FEED WILDLIFE.

Animals can quickly become reliant on your hospitality and become bolder and less fearful in their encounter with humans.

**MAKE REFUSE INACCESSIBLE.** Place your bins out for emptying the morning of your scheduled pickup instead of the evening prior.

### CLEAR NEARBY BRUSH.

Regularly trimming and maintaining the shrubbery



on or adjacent to your property reduces the chances of acquiring wild animal inhabitants too close to home.

### STORE PET FOOD INDOORS.

Also, feed pets inside your house or promptly remove dishes when they complete their meals outdoors.

### MAINTAIN PROPERTY FRUIT TREES.

Pick your fruit as soon as it ripens and dispose of fruit that has fallen to the ground.

For animal-specific tips, visit the IVHS website [www.ivhsspca.org](http://www.ivhsspca.org) and download its wildlife brochure, which covers some of the most common wild animals in the area including

coyotes, deer, rattlesnakes, and skunks.

If a wild animal is causing a serious nuisance in your area, do not approach it; instead call IVHS at 909.623.977 during regular business hours or after hours at 909.594.9858.

## City-Wide Streetlight Survey Results

Recent City-wide surveys conducted by City staff and Southern California Edison employees turned up several dozen streetlights in need of repair.

The non-functioning, flickering, or dim light bulbs will be repaired this summer. As a reminder, all street lights located along arterial and residential streets are the property of SCE, while those located within City parks belong to the City.

Inoperable streetlights may be reported to SCE online at <https://www.sce.com/forms/ReportStreetLightOutage.aspx> or by phone 800.655.4555. Requests may also be submitted electronically using the City's online "Service Requests" feature available on the top right corner of the City website [www.CityofDiamondBar.com](http://www.CityofDiamondBar.com) or by calling the City's Public Works Department at 909.839.7040.

You will need the following information:

- Address or specific location (address or nearest cross streets)
- Streetlight pole number (if available, it is found at eye level)
- Nature of the problem

# CITY HALL ONLINE

24 hours a day, 7 days a week  
[www.cityofdiamondbar.com](http://www.cityofdiamondbar.com)

## Using the City website "Search" button...

Visiting the City website and can't find what you're looking for? Try the "Search" button located on the top right corner of the main page. This feature allows you to search for information by typing in a few descriptive words and then clicking the "Go" button. This will return a list of relevant City web pages containing the words in your query. If you still can't locate the information you need, contact the City's Public Information Division by phone 909.839.7056 or email [info@ci.diamond-bar.ca.us](mailto:info@ci.diamond-bar.ca.us).

# Free Mosquito Larvae Eating Fish

Ornamental ponds, birdbaths, and fountains are very popular components of backyard landscaping. The downside? They often hold standing water, which makes them ideal breeding sources for mosquitoes.

Fortunately, there is an effective, natural and attractive method of controlling mosquito larvae, and thanks to the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District (GLACVCD), it's also free.

Residents may bring a suitable clean container to GLACVCD headquarters or branch during business hours and pick up a batch of mosquitofish and care instruction brochure free of charge.

First introduced to California in 1992 for mosquito

control, the fish are 1.5 to 2.5 inches in length and can consume hundreds of larvae per day. They require little or no care and are tolerant to a wide range of environmental conditions such as temperature changes, salinity, organic pollution, and poor food supply.

Before visiting, ensure that mosquitofish are available for pickup by calling the District Headquarters (12545 Florence Avenue in Santa Fe Springs) at 562.944.9656 or

its North Hollywood Branch (16320 Foothill Boulevard in Sylmar) at 818.364.9589. Both locations are open Monday through Friday from 8am to 5pm.

Additional information regarding mosquito fish is available on the GLACVCD website [www.glacvcd.org](http://www.glacvcd.org).



## Get Your Camera Clicking!

The deadline for submissions into the City's community photo contest is Friday, October 1, but don't wait until the last minute.

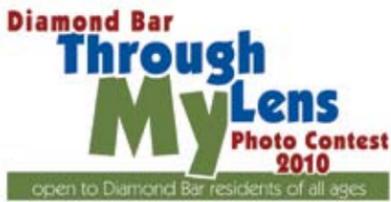
Make time today to develop your roll of film, upload the files in your digital camera, or go through your photo collection

and select the ones you feel best depict Diamond Bar in any one of the following categories – People, Pets, Places, Nature, Black & White, and Historical Reference (taken prior to 1989).

Diamond Bar Through My Lens, co-sponsored by the City and Diamond Bar Community Foundation, is open to Diamond Bar residents of all ages and there is no cost to enter. One photograph per category may be entered, and prizes will be awarded in each of the categories.

Entries may be submitted by email to [photocontest@ci.diamond-bar.ca.us](mailto:photocontest@ci.diamond-bar.ca.us) or by standard mail to Diamond Bar City Hall, c/o Photo Contest, 21825 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765.

To learn more or to download an entry form, visit the City's website [www.CityofDiamondBar.com](http://www.CityofDiamondBar.com) or request a form by mail by calling the City's Public Information Division at 909.839.7059.



## Looking For a New Pet?

Why not make Inland Valley Humane Society your first resource? Dogs and cats available for adoption from IVHS are de-wormed, vaccinated against rabies, treated against fleas, spayed or neutered, and given their first set of required shots.

Also, age, breed or sex does not make a difference in the adoption fees.

Visit [www.ivhsspc.org](http://www.ivhsspc.org) for information on the adoption process, including hours, fees, and a photo gallery.



## Sign Up For a Free Class this Summer

Free. That's the cost of enrolling into several of the classes offered by the City as part of its summer recreation menu.

The classes include "Kids Safety" and "Concentration for A+ Grades," aimed for children ages 5 to 12 who want to enhance their personal safety skills and improve their school grades.

For adults, the free choices include "Self Defense Seminar," to learn physical and mental self-protection techniques; "Ergonomics 101," to obtain chiropractic tips on proper sitting, standing, and sleeping postures; "Nutrition and Health," to receive dietary guidelines and tips for healthful eating practices; and "Health and Wellness," to find out the risk factors, warning signs, and tips for preventing major illnesses.

Detailed descriptions of the classes are included in the summer Community Recreation Guide, available at all City facilities or online under the "Residents" tab.

For more information, contact the City's Recreation Services Division at 909.839.7070.

## Community Hero Nominees Sought

The City is again joining L.A. County Fair Association in soliciting nominations for its annual Community Hero Program.

The program, aimed at recognizing individuals whose volunteer efforts contribute to the quality of life of Diamond Bar residents, is part of the festivities planned for Diamond Bar Day at the Fair, this year scheduled for Thursday, September 16.

Chosen nominees are honored throughout the day with free valet parking and admission to the Fair, reserved seat at a horse race, float/car ride along with the fairgrounds' main thoroughfare, live entertainment, and special "Community Hero" award.

Nominees may be of any age and may include family members, neighbors, teachers, students, work colleagues, or business owners. To obtain a nomination form, stop by any City facility or download a copy via the City website [www.CityofDiamondBar.com](http://www.CityofDiamondBar.com).

The deadline for nominations is Friday, June 11. For more information, contact the City's Public Information Division at 909.839.7056.



## Ask City Hall

Answers to commonly asked questions about City services, codes, and other matters pertaining to living and working in Diamond Bar.

**Q:** Occasionally, I spot dead animals on roadways. I'm just curious who disposes of the carcasses?

**A:** The City contracts with the Pomona-based private nonprofit Inland Valley Human Society (IVHS) to provide animal care and control services within City limits.

IVHS staffs a team of Humane Officers in its Field Services Rescues Division whose scope of responsibilities includes domestic and wildlife animal rescue, cruelty investigations, animal-related inspections, humane trap rentals, and deceased animal removal.

To report a deceased animal on a City street or roadway, call IVHS at 909.623.9777 during its business hours of Monday - Saturday 8 am to 5:30 pm (open until 7 pm on Wednesdays).

## The Diamond Bar Relay For Life



The Diamond Bar Relay for Life is taking place this year on Saturday and Sunday, June 13 and 14 from 9 am to 9 am at Lorbeer Middle School located at 501 S. Diamond Bar Boulevard.

During the 24-hour event, participants will walk laps around the school's athletic track to raise awareness about and funds for cancer prevention, detection, and treatment services. More details available at [www.relayforlife.org/diamondbarca](http://www.relayforlife.org/diamondbarca) or by contacting Michelle Anderson at [DiamondBarRFL@gmail.com](mailto:DiamondBarRFL@gmail.com) or 909.815.1961.





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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	909.839.7015
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	909.839.7075
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
Vector Control	562.944.9656
<b>24-Hour Hotlines:</b>	
Building Inspection Hotline	909.839.7027
Graffiti Hotline	800.794.7384
Job Hotline	909.612.4636 x 1410

\*For emergencies, dial 9-1-1

## Calendar Key

- City Council Meeting\* - starts at 6:30 pm
- Planning Commission Meeting\* - starts at 7 pm
- Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting\* - starts at 7 pm
- Traffic & Transportation Commission Meeting\* - starts at 7 pm
- Transit Late Night - City Hall open until 7 pm
- Street Sweeping Week
- 4th of July Blast - 5-9 pm at Diamond Bar High School  
Fireworks show at 9 pm
- Concerts in the Park/Movies Under the Stars - 6:30 pm at Sycamore Canyon Park

## June 2010

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### Elected Officials

**Mayor**..... Carol Herrera  
**Mayor Pro Tem**..... Steve Tye  
**Council Member**..... Ling-Ling Chang  
**Council Member**..... Ron Everett  
**Council Member**..... Jack Tanaka  
**City Manager**..... James DeStefano

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## New DBC website

Visitors to the City's new Diamond Bar Center website agree that it is now easier than ever to obtain information about the popular 22,500 square foot facility located in Summitridge Park. The new site [www.DiamondBarCenter.com](http://www.DiamondBarCenter.com) features amenity/seating capacity information on the Center's meeting and banquet rooms, a Frequently-Asked-Questions section, reservation policy, and fee schedule. A photo gallery, map and driving directions, as well as a link to sign up for regular emails regarding Center updates, open dates, and event tips are also available. For more information about the website, contact the City's Public Information Division at 909.839.7055.

## Snapshots Around The Community



### 21 CANDLES FOR DB...

Community pride ran high this past April when residents turned out by the thousands to take part in the various festivities that made up the City's 21st birthday celebration. The popular event held at Pantera Park featured a variety of entertainment, crafts, games, carnival rides, and giveaways. Congratulations to Richard Caldera (youth), Richard Malooly, Freddie Peng (youth), Jody Roberto, Dr. Tony Torng, and Scott Willingham for being recipients of the City's 2010 Outstanding Volunteer certificates. Photos of the award winners as well as general event photos are available on the City's website Photo Gallery. The link to the gallery is located at the top right corner of the City website homepage [www.CityofDiamondBar.com](http://www.CityofDiamondBar.com).

### TREE-RRIFIC TEAMWORK...

Pantera Elementary School students recently traded pencils for shovels to help green up their campus as part of the City's Arbor Day Celebration. In addition to helping plant five London Plane trees around their school, students also enjoyed presentations from fellow schoolmates, and each received a goodie bag filled with recycled giveaways from Diamond Bar City Hall as well as their very own pine tree seedling courtesy of the Los Angeles County Fire Department. Pictured with Scott Gardner from the LA County Fire Department are (from left) Justin Feng, Bohdan Wolfe, Jimmy Wang, and Casey Hong. To view additional event photos, visit the City website [www.CityofDiamondBar.com](http://www.CityofDiamondBar.com) and click on "Photo Gallery" in the top right corner.



## July 2010

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\*All meetings take place at the AQMD/Government Center, 21865 Copley Drive. Additional event and meeting details are available at [www.CityofDiamondBar.com](http://www.CityofDiamondBar.com).