



# Report to the People

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Dozens of Commerce youth from various athletic teams and service clubs participated in the 5th Annual Commerce Clean Up. Steve Craig donates more than \$10,000 to youth for their participation, which helps pay for things like equipment and excursions.

## Community Groups Beautify City at 5th Annual Clean Up Commerce Event

Last month, over 200 volunteers including youth volunteers, adult volunteers and local business representatives from in and around the City of Commerce participated in the 5th Annual Clean Up Commerce event. From 6AM-1PM, over 200 volunteers removed trash, scrubbed graffiti and resurfaced streets around the city.

"Clean Up Commerce is a day of philanthropy specifically designed to encourage millennials to get involved in their community," said Steve Craig, President & CEO of Craig Realty Group, owner and operator of Citadel Outlets. "Our hope is that participating youth walk away with a greater sense of pride in their city and a desire to make a positive contribution to its future."

Craig introduced Citadel Outlets' Clean Up Commerce in 2011 as a small, youth volunteer and fundraising initiative. It has since grown into a city-wide effort with many local youth programs and businesses donating time, labor and materials. To further incentivize multi-generational involvement, Craig donates \$100 to the associated organization

of each youth volunteer and adult volunteer. True to this pledge, in 2014 Craig donated over \$10,000 to various local youth sports teams, arts programs and service organizations.

It took 63 shovels, 132 rakes, 64 brooms, 1200 trash bags and 200 gloves to clean 14 city streets. The volunteers collected trash that filled four 40-yard open top containers. They all worked up an incredible appetite and Ruby's Diner generously served 250 burgers and 220 breakfast burritos to the volunteers.

The long-term effects of Clean Up Commerce beautifications projects are clearly seen year-after-year in decreased littering and vandalism rates, allowing the event organizers to expand the project radius. Earlier this summer, Craig led a team of surveyors around the city, identifying high-need projects to address during the 2015 event. These target locations not only surround Citadel Outlets but reach out into neighboring streets, business storefronts and public structures.

## Shopping Benefits Local Organizations

Calling all savvy shoppers! Get a jump start on the holiday gift buying at the Citadel Outlets 10th Annual Shopping Extravaganza on Saturday, October 3 from 9:00 am – 7:00 pm (registration is 9:00 am – 1:00 pm).

This one-day shopping event offers participants exclusive discounts to over 90 luxury fashion retailers, a private catered lunch, live entertainment, wine tasting and raffles and prizes all for the nominal cost of a \$35 ticket. And if that wasn't incentive enough, proceeds from this event go to support 40 local charities. Last year's Citadel Outlets' Shopping Extravaganza attracted more than 4,000 participants and raised over \$100,000 for charities all in one day!

There will be an opportunity to win over \$90,000 worth of prizes including a grand prize and gift cards to top retailers like Michael Kors, Nike, Steve Madden, Kate Spade, the Disney Outlet and more. Lunch will be held from 11:00 am – 3:00 pm, wine tasting from 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm and the prize drawings will take place at 11:00 am, 1:00 pm, and 3:00 pm.

The tickets sell for \$35 and can be purchased online at [www.shoppingextravaganza.org](http://www.shoppingextravaganza.org) or by contacting a participating organization. Grab a group of friends and enjoy a great day of shopping!

## Help Wanted: Hundreds of Job Openings Available at Annual Job Fair



Wednesday  
September

**16**  
2015

10 am – 2 pm  
Citadel Outlets  
100 Citadel Drive  
Commerce, CA 90040

Each year hundreds of job seekers attend the City of Commerce and Citadel Outlets Annual Community Job Fair. In its seventh year, this job fair has helped many people connect with employers looking for qualified, hard working employees in a variety of fields including retail, warehouse and clerical.

This year's event will be held on Wednesday, September 16 from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm at the Citadel Outlets located at 100 Citadel Drive. Those interested in attending should dress professionally, bring multiple copies of their resume to hand to employers and be prepared to be interviewed on the spot.

For additional information, please contact Liz Chavez in the City of Commerce's Public Safety and Community Services Department at 323.887.4461.

FROM THE DESK OF JORGE RIFA  
**CITY ADMINISTRATOR**

There are many reasons we should be proud to be part of the Commerce community. Our City is known for our incredible athletes but it was the outstanding sportsmanship demonstrated by our Commerce aquatics teams that resonated with people from across the world. A group of our athletes traveled to the USC campus to cheer on the swimmers competing in the Special Olympics World Games. We also had a huge group of community members that attended the Special Olympics Opening Ceremonies. I know this was an inspiring experience for everyone involved and I am very proud of the inclusive spirit of our community. Wonderful job Commerce!

Another great example of community spirit was the fantastic turnout of residents that participated in our annual National Night Out events held throughout the City. Residents not only learned about crime trends and ways to prevent crime in their neighborhoods but it was also an opportunity for neighbors to get to know one another. Thank you to our event organizer Laura Tilley and her staff as well as all the residents that participated.

Now we happen to also have incredibly generous business neighbors who invest in our community. I want to thank Steve Craig and the Citadel Outlets for putting together the 5th Annual Clean Up Commerce event. This event brings together youth and adult volunteers to clean up the community and earn money for their charity or organization. Steve Craig not only donates money to each volunteer but also pays for half of the street repaving and repair that is done on that day. Thank you Citadel!

Another generous donor to our community is the Commerce Hotel and Casino. They recently hosted a breakfast for the Commerce Scholarship recipients and their families. Each year the Commerce Hotel and Casino is the premiere sponsor of the scholarship program donating \$50,000 to help our students pay for their higher education. We are grateful to the Commerce Hotel and Casino for investing in our students.

It's nice to see how our tight knit community gives and gets in return. From residents, to businesses to people around the world, Commerce is having a positive impact and I encourage everyone to continue this momentum of giving.

As a reminder, City Hall will be closed on Monday, September 7 in observance of Labor Day. I hope you all have a wonderful holiday weekend and enjoy the rest of the summer.

Sincerely,




**CITY OF COMMERCE COUNCIL ACTIONS**

**Regular Meeting of July 21, 2015**

**Recognition** of the Commerce Crush Volleyball Program and its six teams for a great season.

**Honored** the Commerce Hotel and Casino, Steven's Steak and Seafood House and 99 Cents Only store for continued sponsorship of the Commerce events.



**Recognition** of Jaden Ortiz for winning a Junior PGA Tournament.



**Presentation** of Certificate of Recognition to Employee of the Quarter Kevin Torres, Information Technology Specialist.



**Approved** the 2014-2015 Weed Abatement Charges  
**Approved** terms and conditions recommended by staff as identified in the follow up report for the 2015 Clean Up Commerce Day.

**Approved** recommendation of the Measure AA Advisory Committee and staff, appropriating \$50,000 related to the removal of lead contaminated ventilation and exhaust systems at the Veterans Park Indoor Shooting Range.

**Received** and Filed update regarding the removal of a pedestrian signal at 6040 Bandini Boulevard.

**Approved** and adopted the Resolution approving a Fund Trade Agreement for the exchange of Proposition A funds with the City of Montebello

**Appointed** a voting delegate and up to two alternates for the League of California Cities Conference Annual business Meeting on Friday, October 2, 2015.

**Reading** of the Ordinance by title only and approve for second reading regarding massage establishments and massage technicians.

**Regular Meeting of August 3, 2015**

**Approved** the first reading of the ordinance of the City of Commerce amending Commerce Municipal Code Regarding the City's Authority in Reviewing Applications for Modifications to Existing Wireless Communications Facilities.

**Approved** participation in the Los Angeles County PACE program and continue to maintain the HERO program relationship sponsored by the Western Riverside Council of Governments on an as-needed basis.

**Approved** moving forward to set a date for strategic planning consulting firm interviews.

**Approved** first amendment to the services agreement with David Evans and Associates.

**Approved** the construction contract for the Eastern Avenue Rehabilitation Project with Shawnan Corporation, Amendment No. 2 Transtech Engineers, Inc. and Professional Services Agreement with Geo-Advantec, Inc.

**Approved** the award of design and construction management contract for the Central Library closeout and structure retrofit project and award of a design contract for the library façade improvements project.

Received and Filed a status update water rates workshops.

**Approved** and adopted the resolution approving the memorandum of understanding for fiscal years 2015-16 through 2017-2018 as related to Mid-Management and Non-Management Full-Time Employees.

**Approved** and adopted the resolution approving the memorandum of understanding as it relates to Part-Time Employees for 2015-2018.

**Approved** and adopted the resolution authorizing changes to compensation and fringe benefits for Executive Management employees.

**Approved** and adopted the resolution authorizing compensation and fringe benefits for the Unrepresented Confidential Employees Unit.

**Approved** and adopted the resolution approving the CalPERS member contribution rate for unrepresented management and confidential employees and full-time employees.

**Authorized** staff to issue a Request for Statement of Qualifications for Various On-Call Professional Services.

**Adopted** a Resolution creating a Citywide Records Management Policy for the preservation, protection and legal disposition of records and Records Retention Schedules.

**Approved** the resolution rescinding Resolution 15-32 and Approving and Ratifying an agreement with Fenix Merchandise USA, Inc. for the Operation of a Farmers Market in the City of Commerce.

## Get So Much More with a Commerce Library Card



September is Library Card month and your City of Commerce Public Library wants to sign you up! With a Commerce library card comes a slew of benefits including access to several databases like Mango to learn any language online, Medline Plus, World Book Encyclopedia and Chilton Auto

Repair Information, just to name a few. The Commerce Public Library also offers laptops and E-Readers to check out, free homework help online, a huge catalog of online eBooks and eMagazines and much more.

To incentivize participation, the Commerce Public Library will hold a drawing for raffle prizes at each branch on October 5 at 3:00 pm. There are several ways to enter:

1. Get a Commerce Library Card during the month of September 2015 for the first time.
2. Bring someone to obtain a library card for the first time during the month of September 2015.
3. Take a selfie during the month of September 2015 with your Commerce Library Card and tag our Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter pages Twitter: @commercelib and/or #cocplcard Instagram: @commercelibrary and/or #cocplcard Facebook: www.facebook.com/COCPL.org and/or #cocplcard



## The Path to Your Career Starts Here

The City of Commerce Public Library and Education Commission are hosting the 10th Annual Commerce to College Fair on Saturday, September 19 from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm at Veterans Park located at 6364 Zindell Avenue. All intermediate, high school and adult school students are invited to meet with college representatives and attend a variety of helpful workshops.

This event grows more popular each year. More than 40 colleges and universities have confirmed their attendance as well as other organizations such as Latinas in STEM, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Electrical Training Institute and the office of Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard which will provide additional information about various career opportunities.

This year's guest speaker is Liz A. Garcia who is a former NCAA Division I Collegiate All-American athlete, a Harvard graduate and a 12-year professional in the non-profit sector. As a speaker Liz brings a blend of loving, challenging, gentle, fun and "keep it real" motivation and inspiration combined with data-driven concepts. Liz holds a Bachelor's Degree in Soci-

ology from San Jose State University and a Master's Degree in Education with an emphasis on Risk and Prevention in Adolescence from Harvard University. She was also a Group Leader for the founding class of the Latina Global Executive Leadership Program and is the Founder and CEO of Stay Limitless Speaking, Training and Coaching.

There will be great prizes raffled off to participants including two laptops, one iPad Mini, graphing calculators, gift cards and more. Students must attend one workshop to enter the raffle for laptops. Free lunch will also be provided. A shuttle bus will run from Bristow Park, Bandini Park and the Teen Center to the event at Veterans Park. For more information about the Commerce to College Fair, visit [www.cocpl.org](http://www.cocpl.org) or call 323.722.6660.

### Hours and Schedule

10:00 am – 1:00 pm – College Recruitment Tables Open  
 10:30 am – 11:30 am – First Session Workshop  
 11:45 am – 12:45 pm – Second Session Workshop  
 12:40 pm – 1:10 pm – Lunch Break  
 1:00 pm – 1:20 pm – Take Leadership of Your Life

## Summer Reading Keeps the Mind Sharp

The Commerce Public Library recently held their Summer Reading Program Ending Celebration where the outstanding participation by our youth was recognized. Impressively, 1,354 children enrolled in the 2015 Summer Reading Program at all four branch libraries including 244

babies, toddlers and preschoolers. A total of 570 children completed the program and nearly 300 of them earned medals recognizing them as "Super Readers".

## Congratulations to the top readers at each branch library:

### Bandini Library

Bryan Barragan, Donovan Barragan & Andrea Guereca

### Bristow Library

John Mendiola & Crystal Mendiola

### Rosewood Library

Angel Olivares & Michelle Ruiz & Miguel Ruiz

### Veterans Library

Abraham Rios, Barbara Rios, Daniel Rios & Lizeth Rios



## City of Commerce Pre-school and Tiny Tots Registration

**Saturday, September 26, 2015**

Council Chambers  
 5655 Jillson Street, Commerce, CA

8:00 - 8:45 a.m. - Wristbands distributed  
 8:45 a.m. - Waiting list roster begins  
 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. - Registration

Ages: Tiny Tots- must be 3 years old by September 1, 2015

Preschool- must be 4 years old by September 1, 2015

**CHILD MUST BE POTTY TRAINED. SORRY, NO PULL-UPS ALLOWED.**

*Classes begin the week of October 5, 2015*  
**Resident card required at time of registration**  
**No Fee**

Activities will include story time, art, monthly library visits, dramatic play, health & fitness, music and field trips. These activities are designed to provide as many growth experiences as possible.

## Preschool & Tiny Tots Instructors

### Bandini Park

#### Preschool

Mon., Wed. & Fri. Heaven Hernandez 9:30 – 11:30  
 Tues. & Thurs. Gina Fierro 12:30 – 2:30

#### Tiny Tots

Mon. & Wed. Gina Fierro 12:30 – 2:30  
 Tues. & Thurs. Heaven Hernandez 9:30 – 11:30

### Bristow Park

#### Preschool

Mon., Wed. & Fri. Denise Barajas 9:30 – 11:30

#### Tiny Tots

Mon. & Wed. Denise Barajas 12:30 – 2:30

### Rosewood Park

#### Preschool

Mon., Wed. & Fri. Desiree Munoz 9:30 – 11:30  
 Tues. & Thurs. Margaret de la Rosa 12:30 – 2:30

#### Tiny Tots

Mon. & Wed. Desiree Munoz 12:30 – 2:30  
 Tues. & Thurs. Margaret de la Rosa 9:30 – 11:30

### Veterans Park

#### Preschool

Mon., Wed. & Fri. Candice Peinado 9:30 – 11:30  
 Tues. & Thurs. Fatima Garcia 12:30 – 2:30

#### Tiny Tots

Mon. & Wed. Candice Peinado 12:30 – 2:30  
 Tues. & Thurs. Fatima Garcia 9:30 – 11:30

For more information, call Parks and Recreation at (323) 887-4434

CITY OF COMMERCE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION

DODGER COMMUNITY NIGHT

**ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT PAVILION**

**Dodgers**  
vs. Pittsburgh Pirates

**FIREWORKS**

**FRIDAY**

September 18, 2015

7:10 p.m. game

~~\$37~~

PER PERSON

**\$30**

PER PERSON



**All-You-Can-Eat Pavilion**

provides the ultimate value at the Stadium with unlimited Dodger Dogs, nachos, peanuts, popcorn and soft drinks for fans to enjoy. Purchase tickets now at the Department of Parks and Recreation. For more information, call (323) 887-4434.

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**MISS DODGERS**

*Destanee Rose Cortes*

**Destanee Rose Cortes**, an East Los Angeles College student, was crowned Miss Dodgers and Miss Friendship at the 2015 Miss Commerce pageant. Destanee is a volunteer volleyball coach for both the Cities of Commerce and Monterey Park. The 18 year old enjoys playing the guitar and piano and would ultimately like to attend the University at Chicago to pursue her dream of becoming a journalist.

**Here's Destanee in her own words:**  
**You're half-way through your reign as Miss Dodgers/Miss Friendship, describe your experience so far.**

Being a member of the royal court has been a true blessing. Every event is a new adventure and a new memory. I'm glad I get to share this experience with the girls on the court. It seems like with each event we grow closer. So close in fact, that I consider each of them my family. *wait for what's ahead.*

**What do you hope to get out of your time serving on the court?**

*I hope to use my time on the court as an opportunity to give back to our beautiful city that has given so much to me. Since the pageant, I have gained confidence in myself and in my speaking skills. I hope to become a strong, responsible young woman that kids can look up to as a role model.*

**What does being Miss Dodgers/Miss Friendship mean to you?**

*First, I am incredibly honored that the participants in the pageant selected me to be Miss Friendship. That means so much to me. And to also have been crowned Miss Dodgers is a great honor. Baseball is All-American and Dodgers, well that's our home team! So I couldn't be more proud to wear Dodger blue!*

**Are you furthering your education/working?**

*I am attending East Los Angeles College where I am in the honors program and planning to transfer in two years. While I am at East Los Angeles College I will start taking classes for one of my two majors and finish my general education classes.*

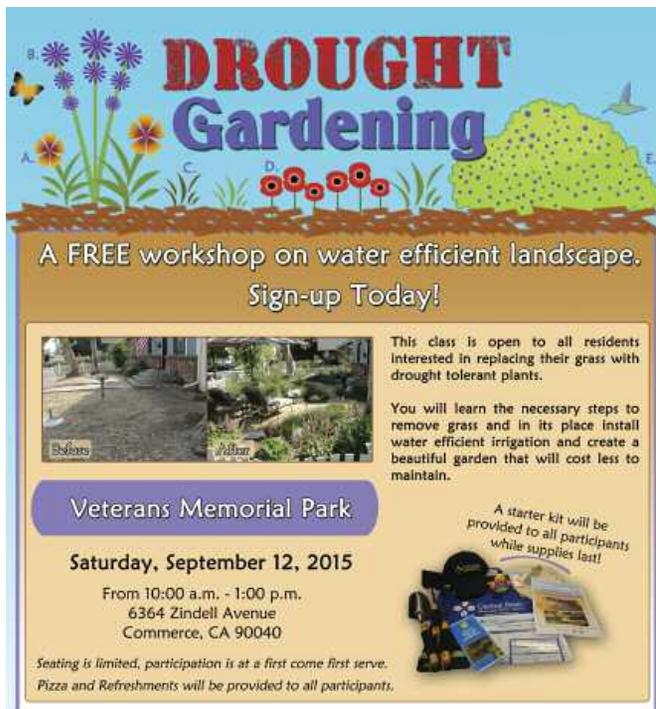
**What are your plans for the future?**

*Ideally, I would like to become a music journalist for Alternative Press magazine as well as have a career working with kids in some capacity.*

**Dodgers**



# Central Basin Increases Conservation Through Partnerships with Local Agencies



**DROUGHT Gardening**

A FREE workshop on water efficient landscape. Sign-up Today!

This class is open to all residents interested in replacing their grass with drought tolerant plants. You will learn the necessary steps to remove grass and in its place install water efficient irrigation and create a beautiful garden that will cost less to maintain.

**Veterans Memorial Park**

**Saturday, September 12, 2015**

From 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
6364 Zindell Avenue  
Commerce, CA 90040

Seating is limited, participation is at a first come first serve. Pizza and Refreshments will be provided to all participants.

A starter kit will be provided to all participants while supplies last!

A. Marigold B. Angelonia C. Deer Grass D. Poppy E. Joyce Coulter

FREE EVENT

To RSVP, call (323) 722 - 4805 Ext. 4451

This program is made possible in partnership with:



The Central Basin Municipal Water District is partnering with local retail water agencies to provide increased conservation resources to residents and businesses in the Central Basin service area. At the July Board Meeting, Central Basin Directors authorized the General Manager to authorize agreements with several retailers to increase rebates on water efficient devices. This action to increase conservation rebates will help cities and retailers meet their conservation mandates.

The increased incentives form part of Central Basin's Residential and Industrial Rebate program, which promotes conservation by providing financial incentives for water-efficient devices. The devices available for rebates include toilets, washers, weather based irrigation controllers, soil moisture sensor systems, rotating nozzles and more.

California continues to face severe dry conditions that have led to statewide actions dating back to January 2014 when Governor Jerry Brown declared a drought State of Emergency, and most recently, imposed a mandatory 25% reduction in potable urban water use. Instituting water-friendly practices and investing in water-efficient devices are key towards meeting water use reductions throughout our region.

To view the complete list of available rebates, visit the Conservation Page under [www.centralbasin.org](http://www.centralbasin.org). For more information call 323.201.5500.

Central Basin is a public agency that wholesales imported water to cities, mutual water companies, invest or owned utilities and private companies in southeast Los Angeles County, serving a population of more than 2 million. In addition, Central Basin provides the region with recycled water for municipal, commercial and industrial uses.

# Net Zero Plus Facility Breaks Ground



The City of Commerce has been home to the Electrical Training Institute of Southern California for more than seven years. The Los Angeles County Chapter, National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA) and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 11 (IBEW) provide the highest quality training at their state of the art facility. Now the partnership of IBEW and NECA is moving toward developing the largest commercial Net Zero Plus retrofit in the United States.

The electrical industry is currently undergoing a revolution brought about by new and improved energy-efficiency practices, the integration of renewable energy on to the electrical grid, new and emerging clean technologies, and changing governmental and regulatory requirements. These rapid changes require collaborative leadership to prepare its workforce with state-of-the-art training for new careers in the industry.

According to their website, IBEW Local 11 and NECA pioneered Net Zero Plus at their Net Zero Plus Electrical Training Institute (NZE ETI) and they forecast it will revolutionize the way buildings use, produce, store, and sell energy. Net Zero Plus unites energy-efficiency practices, new and emerging clean-energy technologies, improved grid resiliency, and career development at a national center of excellence in energy technology and training.

The NZE ETI is a Net Zero Plus building because it utilizes energy-efficient design aspects and technologies and generates

more energy than it uses on an annual basis. It will also be designed to the U.S. Green Building Council's LEED Gold Standard. This facility will also be a national showcase for small commercial to utility scale energy technologies of the future. This facility will include:

- Improved grid reliability
- Total energy storage solutions
- Energy independence and security
- Advanced total building controls
- Renewable energy technologies
- Reduced environmental impacts
- Natural disaster and emergency response solutions
- Reduced electricity costs
- Comprehensive energy insight and analytics

The City of Commerce partnered with IBEW/NECA to help secure the funding for the project which will retrofit the 142,000-square-foot ETI facility at a cost of \$13 million. About 95% of the products being installed as part of the retrofit are American made. PBS is producing a documentary on Net Zero Plus featuring the NZE ETI which will premier in conjunction with the grand opening around Earth Day 2016. For more information, visit their website at [www.nzpe-ti.com](http://www.nzpe-ti.com).

The City of Commerce  
Department of Parks & Recreation  
Invites you to

# F I E S T A S

# P A T R I A S

**Sunday, September 13, 2015**  
**Bristow Park**  
**3:00 – 9:00 p.m.**

**3:00 p.m.**  
Folklorico Dancers

**4:00 p.m.**  
Fun and interactive "Children's Pavilion"

**4:00 p.m.**  
Mariachi Sabor De Mi Tierra

**5:30 p.m.**  
SOMBRA QUIETA

**7:30 p.m.**  
McFarland USA on the big screen

Bring your blankets, lawn chairs and dancing shoes!

Free "Shuttle Express" to Bristow Park From Rosewood Park parking lot

Raffles

Game Booths

Mexican Food



# The Gallery



## SPECIAL OLYMPIANS



Two Commerce youngsters had the opportunity to meet some of the athletes from Team USA. They are pictured in front of the Special Olympics flame.

## COMMERCE ON THE WORLD GAMES STAGE



A large group of Commerce aquatics athletes and their families attended the swim competition at the USC Campus to cheer on the Special Olympic swimmers. They brought rally signs and a lot of energy!

## ALOHA FROM THE SENIOR CENTER



The Commerce Senior Center hosted their annual Luau where guests had lunch, danced, and were treated to a performance by traditional Polynesian dancers.

## PUBLIC SAFETY FIRST



The City of Commerce hosted another successful National Night Out with 12 block parties taking place throughout the City. The City provided hot dogs and giveaways and Target was a sponsor again this year.

## COMMERCE SCHOLARS



More than \$50,000 in scholarships were given to students pursuing higher education at the City of Commerce Annual Scholarship program. Thank you to all the donors especially the Commerce Hotel and Casino for coming in as the top sponsor each year.

## COMIC BOOK INVASION



Commerce hosted the first ever Comic Book Invasion last month with nearly 300 participants converging on the City dressed in costume and ready to meet other comic book fans.



# COMMERCE CALENDAR

# SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <p>Every Thursday 3-9 p.m.</p>	 <p><b>Please note:</b> This month's City Council Meetings have been moved to <b>September 8th and 22nd.</b></p>	<p><b>1</b> Parks &amp; Recreation Commission 6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>2</b> Senior Citizens Commission 12:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>3</b> Teen Video Game Rosewood Library 3:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>4</b></p>	<p><b>5</b></p>
<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>7</b> <b>Labor Day</b> City Hall &amp; Libraries Closed</p>	<p><b>8</b> Craft for Adults Rosewood Library 11 a.m.  Intro to the Internet Rosewood Library 5:30 p.m.  <b>City Council/Successor Agency 6:30 p.m.</b></p> 	<p><b>9</b> Task Force Committee 3 p.m.  Intro to MS Word Bristow Library 4 p.m.  Traffic Commission 6:30 p.m.  Craft for Adults Rosewood Library 6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>10</b> Intro to MS Access Veterans Library 5:30 p.m.  Community Services Commission 6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>11</b> Teen Video Game Rosewood Library 3:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>12</b> Camp Commerce Registration Council Chambers 8 a.m.</p>
<p><b>13</b> Summer End Fiesta Patrias Bristow Park 1 p.m.</p>	<p><b>14</b> Intro to MS PowerPoint Bandini Library 5:30 p.m.  Education Commission 6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>15</b></p>	<p><b>16</b> <b>Job Fair</b> Citadel 10-2</p>	<p><b>17</b> Craft for Adults Veterans Library 6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>18</b> Teen Video Game Rosewood Library 3:30 p.m.  Community Dodger Night at Dodger Stadium</p>	<p><b>19</b> Commerce to College Fair Veterans Park 10 a.m.</p>
<p><b>20</b></p>	<p><b>21</b></p>	<p><b>22</b> <b>City Council/Successor Agency 6:30 p.m.</b></p>  <p>Planning Commission 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>23</b></p>	<p><b>24</b> Spanish Reading Club Rosewood Library 6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>25</b> Teen Video Game Rosewood Library 3:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>26</b> Preschool Registration Council Chambers 8 a.m.  Teen Anime Your Way Veterans Library 11 a.m.</p>
<p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>28</b> Library Commission 6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>29</b> Flag Football/Volleyball Hot Shot Soccer Registration All parks 10 a.m.</p>	<p><b>30</b></p>	<p><b>October 2015</b> S M T W T F S                   1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p>	<p><b>November 2015</b> S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30</p>	<p><b>December 2015</b> S M T W T F S                   1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p>

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**COMMERCE CITY COUNCIL**



Mayor Lilia R. Leon  
 Mayor Pro Tem Tina Baca Del Rio  
 Councilmember Ivan Altamirano  
 Councilmember Hugo A. Arguedo  
 Councilmember Oralia Y. Rebollo

**Important Phone Numbers**

City Hall	(323) 722-4805	E.L.A. Sheriff's	(323) 264-4151
Code Enforcement	Ext. 2293	Graffiti Hotline	(323) 887-4444
Animal Control			
M-F 8 am to 6 pm	(323) 887-4460	<b>Emergency 911</b>	
Weekends/Evenings	(562) 940-6898	<a href="http://www.ci.commerce.ca.us">www.ci.commerce.ca.us</a>	

2535 Commerce Way · Commerce, CA 90040

**Residential Customer**

**Men's Water Polo Team 'Hungary' for Victory**



*by Head Coach Bobby Contreras*

Well after taking two days to arrive due to travel delays we finally landed in Szentes, Hungary, also known as the "water polo capitol of the world". We were tired but excited to be in a foreign country, to compete against the best in the world and to take in every moment of this new experience.

There wasn't much time for rest. We were competing in the 12th Annual Diapolo Cup and we had to be ready. We played a total of six games and put the City of Commerce on the world map as we defeated all six teams: Szentesi V.K. (Hungary), Zempleni V.K. (Hungary), KPM Dainava Kaunas (Lithuania), Hapoel Pepach Tikva (Israel), National Team of Great Britain "A" (United Kingdom) and Hapoel Beit Yitzhak (Israel).



Immediately following the tournament on August 2, we drove to the town of Szombathely on the Hungary/Austria border to train with the local team for two days. We also took the opportunity to experience local life and found some time to sightsee. We had our new friends to help point us in the right direction.

On August 4, we departed to Lake Balaton and enjoyed a day off at the largest lake in Central Europe. We didn't stay long because we were traveling to Budapest and arrived there later that day.

From August 4 – August 7, we stayed 25 minutes outside of Budapest in the town of Vac alongside the Danube River. Over the next two days we competed against KSI SE,



Honved and UVSC which are three of the top water polo teams in the region. While we were there, we were also able to enjoy a guided tour of Budapest, ate local cuisine and shopped.

Overall the experience we shared as a team was more than we expected and it left us wanting more. We enjoyed everything from the amazing authentic Hungarian meals: Goulash, Langos, Kurtoskalacs, (chimney cake), Paprikas Csirke, Nokedli (dumplings), and our favorite Meggyelevel, (fruit/cherry soup) to playing water polo in historic venues such as the Margaret island pools. And although we were exhausted every day, we found the energy to keep going. We didn't want to miss out on anything.

We would like to thank are Hungarian travel hosts: Sandor, Gabby, Jorde, and bus driver Peterrrrr!! Without whom, this trip would not have gone as smoothly as it did. It truly was a trip of a lifetime. And finally, we know there is no way this would have been possible without the support of the Commerce City Council, our Parks and Recreation Department, the Brenda Villa Aquatic Center, Commerce Men's Water Polo Coaches, parents and athletes and the entire Commerce community. We are overwhelmed with the incredible support we received and feel truly blessed for the opportunity to represent our great City. Thank you!

**Commerce City Channel 3**  
 September 2015

**Award winning cablecasts of the Successor Agency Meeting / City Council Concurrent Regular Meeting**  
**Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.**  
 (Live every 1st and 3rd Tues.)  
 Mondays 8 a.m. Wednesdays at 10 a.m.,  
 Thursdays at 5 p.m., Saturdays at 9 a.m.

**"In A Council Minute" A recap of the City Council Meeting in One Minute**  
 Mondays at 4 p.m., Tuesdays at 9 a.m.,  
 Wednesdays at 1 p.m., Thursdays at 4 p.m.,  
 Fridays at 3 p.m., Saturdays at 11:00 a.m.,  
 Sundays at 5:00 p.m.

**Commerce Public Affairs Show featuring "Pet Adoption"**  
 Mondays at 12 p.m., Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.,  
 Wednesdays at 4 p.m., Thursdays at 3 p.m.  
 Fridays at 9 a.m., Saturdays at 11:30 a.m.,  
 Sundays at 8 p.m.

**Commerce Boxing Tournament at Veterans Park**  
 Mondays at 6 p.m., Tuesdays at 12 p.m.,  
 Wednesdays at 8 a.m., Thursdays at 6 p.m. or after City Council Meeting,  
 Fridays at 6 p.m., Saturdays at 11:30 a.m.,  
 Sundays at 5:30 p.m.

**Annual Twilight Dance Concert Series "The Platters"**  
 Mondays at 5 p.m., Tuesdays at 3 p.m.,  
 Wednesdays at 5 p.m., Thursdays at 8 p.m.,  
 Fridays at 3:30 p.m., Saturdays at 3 p.m.,  
 Sundays at 2 p.m.

**California Gold with Huell Howser**  
 Mondays at 8 a.m., Tuesdays at 1 p.m.,  
 Wednesdays at 8 p.m., Thursdays at 1:30 p.m.,  
 Fridays at 8 a.m., Saturdays at 2 p.m.,  
 Sundays at 12 p.m.