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Members of environmental and community groups protest outside the Exide Technologies battery recycling in April.

City Council Insists State Agencies Continue Testing and Develop Plan of Action

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) recently disclosed results from soil samples suggesting a larger impacted area resulting from the now defunct Exide Technologies lead-battery recycling plant in the City of Vernon. Although it is too early to determine the full extent, early reporting suggests the western portion of Commerce may have been impacted.

City staff has, for years, monitored the status of Exide Technologies and the investigation surrounding the plant's possible contamination. In a letter sent in April of 2013 to the City of Vernon, the City of Commerce urged Vernon to take all available action to ensure that Exide Technologies ceased its battery recycling operation until the company was able to clearly demonstrate to the surrounding communities that it could operate without endangering the health and safety of the people who live and work within the Southeast region. In response, the City of Vernon deflected future inquiries to the regulatory agencies that oversee air emissions and toxic substances.

Following DTSC's recent announcement, City staff solicited the help of Assemblymember Cristina Garcia's office to ensure DTSC provided Commerce a clear map identifying the expanded areas affected by possible contamination from Exide. The City Council also requested and received a report along with a presentation at the September 8th Council meeting from DTSC and other State agency representatives. As the agencies answered questions, the City Council also insisted that property testing continue in the expanded area along with requesting the development of a cleanup plan for the contaminated properties. Due to the fluid nature of this public health emergency, the City Council directed DTSC to establish a more efficient and timely process that will immediately notify the community with important updates and changes.

The next stage of testing will include properties east of the Exide facility with specific focus on the City of Commerce and other areas. Additionally, an Exide Technologies Advisory Group was created to oversee clean-up efforts and ensure the best interests of Commerce are met. The Mayor Pro Tem was selected as the delegate to repre-

sent the City of Commerce.

The City will keep residents informed with any updates via the City's website, social media and direct mail as they become available. The public is invited to attend the Exide Advisory Group Meetings on October 22. The Technical Working Session will be held at the Commerce Senior Citizens Center from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. with a Public Comment Session held in the Commerce Council Chambers from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Residents are also encouraged to visit the DTSC website at www.dtsc.ca.gov.

Residents concerned that the soil on their property may be contaminated with lead can sign up for a free and confidential blood lead assessment by calling the LA County Department of Public Health at 844.888.2290, Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm or visit www.bloodleadtesting.com.

Common Practices to Minimize Your Family's Exposure to Lead

- Cover areas of bare soil (dirt)
- Remove shoes before going into homes
- Wash hands before eating
- Washing fruits and vegetables from the garden
- Avoid digging in dirt where lead may be present

For more information about minimizing exposure to lead, contact the California Department of Public Health www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/clppb, or the LA Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program: www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/lead/,

CalMet Services Call 24 Hours Ahead for Bulky Item Pick-up



Commerce is experiencing a high amount of illegal dumping of refuse on public property such as parkways and alleys. We need residents to help curb the problem by calling their residential trash hauler to arrange for a FREE pick up.

Keeping properties free of visible trash and debris helps to maintain a beautiful, attractive City of Commerce. Do not discard bulky items in the street or in alleyways. Instead, call CalMet 24 hours in advance of your trash collection day to schedule a FREE bulky item pick up. The City pays for this service. All items must be placed curbside by 6:00 am on collection day.

Here are the guidelines:

- Household Appliances – All doors must be removed or taped shut, any salt or water must be emptied out.
- Items such as wood, branches, carpet and miniblinds must be cut to lengths shorter than 4 feet and bundled with twine or string.
- Items not eligible – Construction materials such as concrete, asphalt, bricks, and dirt, as well as automotive, boat or vehicle parts will not be picked up. Hazardous waste is also ineligible and will not be picked up. Call LA County Household Hazardous Waste Disposal at 888-CLEAN-LA.
- Each residence may request bulky item pick up service a maximum of 12 times per year.
- There is a limit of 4 items or 4 bundles per service request.
- Visible trash and debris on your property is considered a public nuisance violation.

FROM THE DESK OF JORGE RIFA
CITY ADMINISTRATOR

We have officially entered the fall season which, in Commerce means we have also entered the holiday season. For the next three months, City staff will be kicking it in high gear to bring residents exciting and festive activities, excursions and events beginning this month with Halloween. October is also a month for recognizing important causes that impact our community. Breast Cancer Awareness, Domestic Violence Awareness and Down Syndrome Awareness are all nationally recognized in the month of October. The City will host several events and programs highlighting these causes throughout the entire month including a Community Health Fair on Saturday, October 10. We hope to see you and your family there. For details, please see the article on page 5.

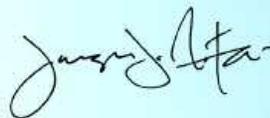
Another issue we have been closely monitoring is the possible impact from the Exide Technology lead battery recycling plant in Vernon on our community. Testing is in the preliminary stages but let me assure you that protecting Commerce residents is our top priority. We are working closely with state offices and agencies and are committed to providing the community with updated information via the City's website, social media and direct mail.

Recently, city staff has seen an increase in illegally dumped, large items. In this issue we have provided you with information about what to do when you need a bulky item picked up. With your help we can keep our streets clean and safe. As we enter the last quarter of 2015, let's continue to work together to make our City the best place to live, work and visit. Your government is here to work for you, and with you, so if you have any questions or suggestions we'd love to hear from you.

And while there are several important issues affecting the City of Commerce, we also want to make sure our families are having fun. Check out page 3 for our calendar of Halloween events including screenings of horror film classics at the Rosewood Library as well as our Dia de Los Muertos Celebration which was a big hit last year. The Commerce Hotel and Casino will also host another Commerce Clipper night on October 22nd. Please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 323.887.4434 for ticket information. Get to know our Miss Clippers Alyssa Rubio in her feature article on page 4.

With that, I hope everyone remembers good common sense while trick or treating. Use well lit paths, choose safe houses, examine all sweets before eating and wear flame resistant costumes that are visible to motorists. And don't forget your pets! Chocolate can cause severe sickness even death, so keep the treats away from our four legged friends! Have a safe and happy Halloween!

Sincerely,




Municipal Notes

Rookies Get their Training Camp Back

City Council recently voted unanimously to reinstate a popular program called "Rookie Camp". The purpose of this camp is to provide an environment which emphasizes fun, safety, parent/child participation, skills development and sportsmanship. The program which was initially established in 2003, is a one hour session for soccer, basketball and baseball held during their respective seasons.

Instructors will focus on teaching the child the funda-

mentals of the sport and at the same time teach the parent how to instill those same principles when working with their children at home.

As part of the City's budget process, departments have been directed to submit potential enhancements they feel would benefit the organization and community. Rookie Camp was one of five such requests. An appropriation of \$11,160 has been allocated to fund this program.

CITY OF COMMERCE COUNCIL ACTIONS



The Citadel Outlets presented a \$9,000 check to Commerce teens who participated in the 5th Annual Commerce Clean-Up Day.

Regular Meeting of August 18

Presentation of a commendation to Conseulo "Connie" Raigosa on the occasion of her 99th birthday.

Approved a resolution establishing a two-tiered water rate structure and proposed rate increases for the Commerce Water System implemented over three fiscal years.

Approved staff recommendation for the City to be in conformance with the Congestion Management Program and adopting the CMP Local Development Report.

Approved ordinance amending Commerce Municipal Code clarifying the applicability of the Master Sign Plan Section of the Zoning Ordinance.

Adopted FY 215-2016 Capital Improvement Program

Adopted resolution urging the State to provide new sustainable funding for State and local Transportation infrastructure.

Approved an ordinance amending commerce municipal code, chapter 19. Regarding reviewing applications for modifications to existing wireless communications facilities.

Appointment to Exide Community Advisory Committee.

Regular Meeting of September 8

Received and filed presentation by Citadel Outlets regarding 5th Annual Commerce Clean-Up Day

Received and filed update on Department of Toxic Substances Control Recent Findings Regarding the Exide Technologies Inc. Facility

Continue Item on Transit Bus Route Modification

Approved the Reinstatement of Rookie Camp at Each City Park

Approved List of Current Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Projects

Approved Agreement with Precision Concrete Cutting Through Joint Powers Insurance Authority Sidewalk Maintenance Program

Approved a Resolution approving an additional \$25,000 to conduct initial testing for contamination of the former Specific Plating Facility.

Exide Advisory Group Meetings

City of Commerce
October 22, 2015

Exide Advisory Group Technical Working Session
Commerce Senior Citizens Center
2555 Commerce Way
Commerce, CA 90040
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Exide Advisory Group Public Comment Session
Commerce Council Chambers
5655 Jillson Street
Commerce, CA 90040
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

A Taste of El Salvador Comes to Commerce Library

The City of Commerce Public Library and the Salvadorian Consulate invite residents to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with an evening of Salvadorian Arts and Culture. A special meet and greet will be held with nine celebrated Salvadorian Authors. The event will take place on Saturday, October 3 from 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm at Rosewood Neighborhood Library located at 5655 Jillson Street.

Mercedes Vasquez, Rene "El Abuleo" Colato, Manuel Mancía, Randy Jurado, Rossana Perez, Dora Magaña, Raúl Palacios,



Mauricio Campos and Elio Martinez will be on hand to read excerpts from their books, talk about their experience as a writer and answer audience questions. These selected authors write books ranging from children, teen and adult topics.

Traditional Salvadorian pupusas will be served after the program. For additional information about the event, please call 323.722.6662 or visit www.cocpl.org.



Library Takes Teens to the MOON AND BACK

The City of Commerce Public Library invites residents to take a trip to NASA's JPL (Jet Propulsion Laboratory), California Institute of Technology for their annual Open House on Saturday, October 10th, 8:10 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

JPL is a place where science, technology and engineering intermix in unique ways to produce iconic robotic space explorers sent to every corner of the solar system. These robots peer deep into the Milky Way galaxy and beyond. Scientists are then able to analyze the data pouring back from these machine emissaries, allowing experts around the world to continue to discover how the universe, the solar system and life formed and evolved.

Highlights of the trip will include a life-size model of Mars Science Laboratory, demonstrations from numerous space missions; JPL's machine shop, where robotic spacecraft parts are built; and the Microdevices Lab, where engineers and scientists use tiny technology to revolutionize space exploration.

Space is limited so a reservation and \$2 deposit is required. Although this trip is for teens, 12 and under are also welcome, but must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Light morning refreshments will be provided. Please bring your own lunch or money to buy food at JPL.

To sign up, visit any Commerce library or for details, call (323) 722-6660 or visit: teens.cocpl.org

Horror Movie Screenings throughout October at Rosewood Library



Remakes (almost) never live up to the original. This October, join us at the Rosewood Library to watch five horror films that may have been remade, but will never be replaced.

Thursday, October 1st, 6pm:
POLTERGEIST-1982 (RATED PG)

Thursday, October 8th, 6pm:
CARRIE-1976 (RATED R)*

Thursday, October 15th, 6pm:
JU-ON (THE GRUDGE)-2002 (RATED R)*

Thursday, October 22nd, 6pm:
A NIGHTMARE ON ELM STREET-1984 (RATED R)*

Wednesday, October 28th, 6pm:
RINGU (THE RING)-1998 (NOT RATED)*

Rosewood Library 5655 Jillson St. Commerce, CA 90040

**You must be 18 years old or with a parent or guardian to attend screenings of films that are rated R or not rated. Some movies may contain Spanish subtitles.*

For more information, call 323-722-6660 or visit

Halloween in Commerce Always a Treat

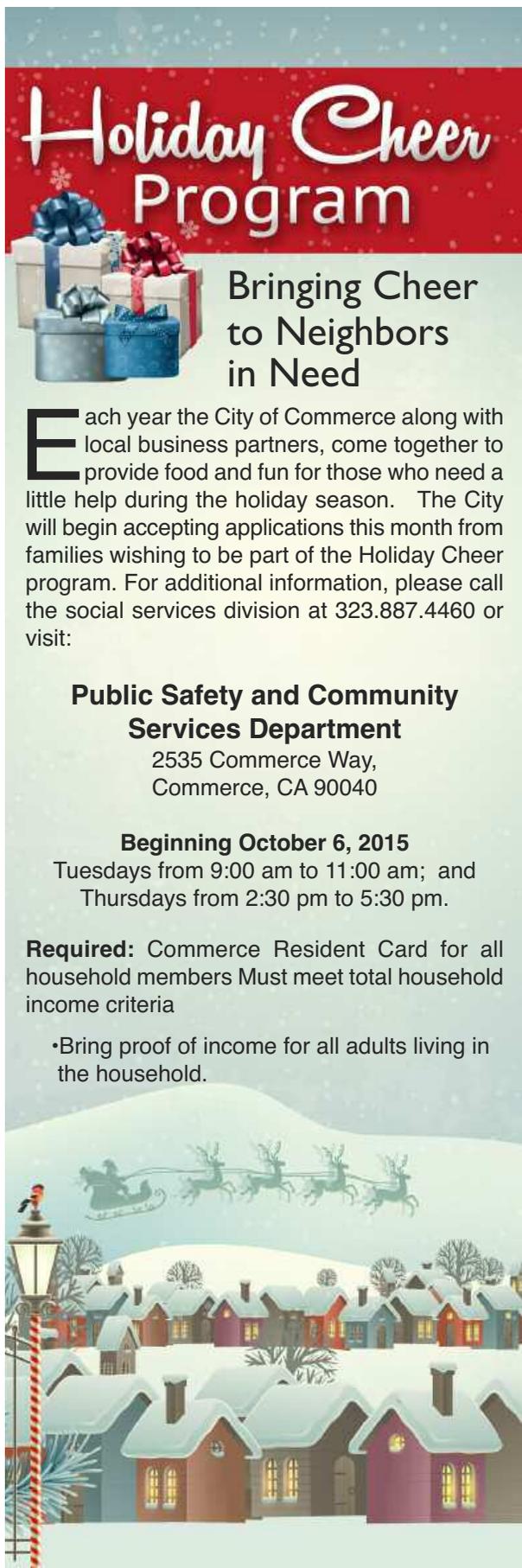


There are several Halloween activities scheduled throughout October for residents of all ages. Check the Parks and Recreation Fall Brochure for a full listing of activities. One very popular activity is an excursion to the Cal Poly Pomona Pumpkin Festival on Saturday, October 17 from 8:00 am – 2:00 pm. The cost for adults is \$4.00 each and children ages 2-12 are \$2.00 each. This festival is known for their corn maze, docile petting zoo and of course pumpkins! Please note the price of attractions may vary.

For those excited to don their new costume, the City's annual Halloween Costume Parade will take place on Saturday, October 31 at 6:00 pm SHARP! Each park will hold their own costume parade with trophies awarded to costume contest winners, best decorated pumpkin and best pet costume. This event is free and open to all ages.

And wrapping the season up is Dia de Los Muertos which translates to "Day of the Dead". The holiday is a celebration of life and remembrance of those who have died. Typically celebrated over three days, observers build altars called ofrendas decorated with photographs, sugar skulls, marigolds and the favorite foods and beverages of the deceased. The City of Commerce will host a Dia de Los Muertos Celebration on Sunday, November 1 from 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm at Bristow Park. Activities include a family craft workshop, face painting, music, food, dancing and unique altars. All ages are welcome and those interested in building an altar can call Laura Logan at 323.707.5871.

For additional information about these events and others, call the Parks and Recreation Department at 323.887.4434.



Holiday Cheer Program



Bringing Cheer to Neighbors in Need

Each year the City of Commerce along with local business partners, come together to provide food and fun for those who need a little help during the holiday season. The City will begin accepting applications this month from families wishing to be part of the Holiday Cheer program. For additional information, please call the social services division at 323.887.4460 or visit:

Public Safety and Community Services Department
2535 Commerce Way,
Commerce, CA 90040

Beginning October 6, 2015

Tuesdays from 9:00 am to 11:00 am; and
Thursdays from 2:30 pm to 5:30 pm.

Required: Commerce Resident Card for all household members Must meet total household income criteria

•Bring proof of income for all adults living in the household.

Report to the People

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Please call (323) 887-4453
Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.
or visit us online at www.ci.commerce.ca.us.



Alyssa Rubio is attending Rio Hondo Community College where she is majoring in Child Development. In addition to volunteering time with her church and maintaining her duties on the 2015 Royal Court, Alyssa currently works as a Commerce Recreation Leader. Join Alyssa on her special night, October 22nd when the Clippers play the Portland Trail Blazers. For tickets, call the Parks and Recreation Department at 323.887.4434.

Here's Alyssa in her own words:
How has your experience been serving as Miss Clippers?

My experience has been incredible. Our beautiful Queen and court have been extremely welcoming and I couldn't ask to work with a better group of young ladies. The City staff is also amazing and I'm grateful for everything they do to accommodate us. They always make sure we are very comfortable.

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

What I hoped for entering the pageant has become reality. I hoped to gain opportunities to grow and that has definitely happened. I have met great people, have strengthened my network all while giving back to my community.

What does being Miss Clippers mean to you?

Holding the title of Miss Clippers means a lot of things to me but primarily it is a reminder of the impact I can have on my community as a role model. I strive to be a positive representative and will continue to implement these values long after my experience on the court is over.

Are you furthering your education/work?

Working for the City has reinforced my desire to work with children. I have been able to gain valuable experience that will help me through the Child Development Program at Rio Hondo Community College and at Cal State Fullerton when I transfer there next fall.

What are your plans for the future?

After I graduate from Cal State Fullerton I hope to continue my work with children as a preschool teacher. Among my hobbies and interest is baking. I would also like to pursue a baking certification and teach my own courses.





Commerce Cares:

Education and Awareness Fills the Month of October

Commerce Community Health Fair

Saturday, October 10 from 9 am – Noon at Rosewood Park

October is Breast Cancer Awareness, Domestic Violence Awareness and Down Syndrome Awareness Month. Commerce will host a Community Health Fair to provide information to the public about programs and services from various organizations including Abilities First, American Cancer Society, East Los Angeles Women's Shelter and the Montebello Unified School District.

- Mobile Mammogram Unit (*pre-registration is required*)
- Self-Defense Demonstration
- Zumba
- Craft Tables
- Kids-Ercize
- Raffles
- Prizes
- Healthy Snacks
- Flu Shots



Breast Cancer Awareness:

According to the American Cancer Society, each year over 200,000 American women are diagnosed with breast cancer. Fortunately, through awareness and education, the percentage of women 40 years of age and older who report having had a mammogram has stabilized around 67% and breast cancer death rates are steadily decreasing, due in part to improvements in screening and treatment. Sadly, breast cancer is the most common cause of death from cancer among LATINA WOMEN and the second most common cause of death from cancer among women of all other races. Breast cancer can be cured more than 95% of the time with early detection which is why mammograms are so critical. The City is partnering with Inner Imagery to bring a mobile mammogram unit to the community at the Community Health Fair on Saturday, October 10 from 9:00 am - Noon at Rosewood Park.

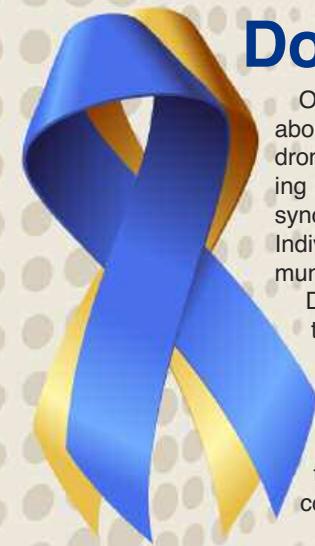
Woman over 40 years of age, on medical or medical care and who meet income qualifications can receive a free mammogram. Those who do not meet the qualifications can still receive a mammogram for \$100. When breast cancer is detected early, the survival rate increases dramatically which is why early detection is critical. To find out if you qualify, contact Herlinda Chico at 323.722.4805 ext. 2370.



Domestic Violence Awareness:

Domestic violence can happen to anyone of any race, age, sexual orientation, religion or gender. According to the National Domestic Violence Hotline, abuse is a repetitive pattern of behaviors to maintain power and control over an intimate partner. These are behaviors that physically harm, arouse fear, prevent a partner from doing what they wish or force them to behave in ways they do not want.

Last year, many high profile cases of domestic violence were reported in the media which brought much needed attention to an issue that has not traditionally been talked about openly because of the shame and guilt associated with it. The City wants to talk about it and hopefully through dialogue and education, prevent acts of domestic violence. Our Public Safety and Community Services Department has many resources for those experiencing domestic violence. Additionally throughout the month of October, there will be bins at City Hall and all four Commerce library branches and park facilities to collect makeup and toiletries like full size shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap and deodorant to be donated to the East Los Angeles Women's Shelter. We will also be collecting items at the health fair on October 10. To get more information about domestic violence services, call the Public Safety and Community Services Department at 323.887.4460.



Down Syndrome Awareness:

October is also Down Syndrome Awareness month, which is a chance to spread awareness about the condition as well as celebrate those affected. According to the National Down Syndrome Society, one in every 691 babies in the United States is born with Down syndrome, making it the most common genetic condition. Approximately 400,000 Americans have Down syndrome and about 6,000 babies born in the United States each year have Down syndrome. Individuals with Down syndrome are becoming increasingly integrated into society and community organizations.

Due to advances in medical technology, individuals with Down syndrome are living longer than ever before. In 1910, children with Down syndrome were expected to survive to age nine. With the discovery of antibiotics, the average survival age increased to 19 or 20.

Now, with recent advancements in clinical treatment, as many as 80% of adults with Down syndrome reach age 60 and many live even longer. The City will celebrate our residents and friends with Down syndrome with an "Abilities Walk" that will begin at 8:30 am to kick off the health fair on Saturday, October 10. People with all different abilities are encouraged to participate in the "Abilities Walk." Everyone is welcome!

New Car Seat Safety Bill Signed Into Law by Governor

Assemblymember Cristina Garcia with the support of statewide medical groups and insurance organizations announced that her child car seat safety bill, Assembly Bill 53, has been signed into law by Governor Jerry Brown.

AB 53, which goes into effect January 2017, would require children, up to two years old, to remain in rear facing car seats. Currently, children are required to ride rear facing only until 1 year of age.

"This new law is a victory for children and families. The Governor and the administration should be commended for their foresight and commitment to child safety," Garcia said.

California will be the third state in the nation to mandate this major child safety improvement. Despite studies and educational campaigns by doctors and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, it appears that not enough parents are changing their behavior. An overwhelming number of parents still place their children in a forward facing position too early.

According to medical professionals the heads of young children are heavier and their necks and spinal cords are not fully developed. In an accident, young children facing forward have a 75% greater chance of injuring their spines or even breaking their necks, due to impact.

"As the statistics show, this simple change in car seat position will make sure our next generation will be safer on our roads." Garcia concluded.

AB 53 is supported by a wide coalition, including the American College of Emergency Physicians, American Academy of Pediatrics, State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company, Personal Insurance Federation of California, California State PTA and the California State Firefighters' Association.

THANK YOU FOR KEEPING
ME SAFE



The Gallery



SCHOLARLY AFTERNOON



Director of Library Services Beatriz Sarmiento receives a certificate of recognition from Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard on the 10th Anniversary of the College Fair.

COLLEGE BOUND



Hundreds of people from Commerce and the surrounding area converged on Veterans Park for the Annual Commerce to College Fair. In addition to colleges, representatives from skilled trades were also on hand to talk to students.

FREE FOR SENIORS



Bandini resident Alex Martinez volunteered his time and skills to provide free hair cuts to seniors at the Senior Center. Alex said he wanted to give back to his community.

CERAMIC ARTS FOR THE SOUL



The art of ceramics has been around for centuries. Residents can enroll in classes held at the Bandini Park Community Center. For details, call the Parks and Recreation Department at 323.887.4434.

CHAMBER NETWORKING



Miss Dodgers Destanee Cortez attended the Commerce Industrial Council breakfast mixer to promote the City's community Dodger night.

COMMERCE/CITADEL JOB FAIR



Nearly 100 employers were on hand to interview job seekers at the Annual Commerce/Citadel Job Fair. This event has generated many employment opportunities for residents. Nearly 500 people were hired from the previous two job fairs.

TRADITIONAL DANCES OF MEXICO



The City of Commerce Folklorico Dance group entertained the crowd at the Annual Fiesta Patrias Celebration at Bristow Park. The event commemorates Mexican Independence Day and features the rich culture of Mexico.

COMMERCE CALENDAR OCTOBER

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY



**FREE BULK ITEM PICK-UP
FOR COMMERCE RESIDENTS**

Call to schedule your pick-up at least 1 day before your regular trash day.

**CalMet Services
(562) 259-1239**



Every Thursday
3-9 p.m.

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Parks & Recreation Commission 6 p.m.

**Horror Movie
Rosewood Library 6 p.m.**

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Puppet Show & Read-In Starbucks Washington/Atlantic 10 a.m.

Hispanic Heritage Celebration Salvadorian Authors Program Rosewood Library 12 p.m.

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In-N-Out Burger Reading Program Begins All Libraries

Youth Advisory Commission 7 p.m.

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Craft for Adults Rosewood Library 11 a.m.

3D Printer Demo Rosewood Library 5 p.m.

City Council/Successor Agency 6:30 p.m.



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Senior Citizens Commission 12:30 p.m.

Teen Video Games Bristow Library 4 p.m.

Craft for Adults Rosewood Library 6 p.m.

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Community Services Commission 6 p.m.

**Horror Movie
Rosewood Library 6 p.m.**

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JPL Open House Trip 8:20 a.m.

"Abilities Walk" Rosewood Park 8:30 a.m.

Health Fair Rosewood Park 9-noon

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Education Commission 6 p.m.

3D Printer Demo Bristow Library 5 p.m.

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Measure AA Advisory Committee 6 p.m.

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Task Force Committee 3 p.m.

Teen Video Games Veterans Library 4 p.m.

Craft for Adults Veterans Library 6 p.m.

Traffic Commission 6:30 p.m.

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**Horror Movie
Rosewood Library 6 p.m.**

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3D Printer Demo Veterans Library 5 p.m.

Library Embajadoras 6 p.m.

City Council/Successor Agency 6:30 p.m.



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3D Printer Demo Bandini Library 5 p.m.

Teen Video Games Bandini Library 4 p.m.

DJ 101 for Teens Rosewood Library 5 p.m.

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**Horror Movie
Rosewood Library 6 p.m.**

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Teen Zombie Halloween Bristow Library 11 a.m.

Itsy Bitsy Halloween Veterans Park 6:30 p.m.

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Library Commission 6 p.m.

English Book Club Bandini Library 6 p.m.

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**Horror Movie
Rosewood Library 6 p.m.**

Exide Advisory Group **Technical Working Session** Senior Citizens Center 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Public Comment Session Council Chambers 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Planning Commission 6:30 p.m.

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Spanish Reading Club Rosewood Library 6 p.m.

Bordertown Screening Rosewood Library 6:30 p.m.

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Halloween Costume Parade All Parks 6 p.m.

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COMMERCE CITY COUNCIL




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 Mayor Pro Tem Tina Baca Del Rio
 Councilmember Ivan Altamirano
 Councilmember Hugo A. Argumedo
 Councilmember Oralia Y. Rebollo

Important Phone Numbers

City Hall (323) 722-4805	Graffiti Hotline (323) 887-4444
Code Enforcement Ext. 2293	FREE Bulky Item Pick-up call
Animal Control	CalMet Services (562)259-1239
M-F 8 am to 6 pm (323) 887-4460	Residents schedule your pick-up
Weekends/Evenings (562) 940-6898	1 day before your regular trash day
E.L.A. Sheriff's (323) 264-4151	EMERGENCY 911

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Home Decorations Contest

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Judging is October **29th**



The City's Beautification Committee will be on a haunted hunt for all that is spooky, as part of the annual Halloween Decorations Contest. Residents with the most creativity and, let's say, "spirit", may decorate the outside of their home for judging. Indoor decorations and live performances WILL NOT count towards overall score. A winning home from each of the four neighborhoods will be selected and winners will receive a \$75 gift certificate. The "dead" line for residents to submit their registration form is Monday, October 26 at 6:00 pm. Judging will take place on Thursday, October 29. For more information, please contact the Public Safety and Community Services Department at 323-722-4805 ext. 4460.

Commerce City Channel 3
 October 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 a.m., Sundays at 5 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 6 p.m., Sundays at 8 p.m.

Commerce Karate 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 "Venice"
 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.

Fiestas Patrias recorded live from Bristow Park
 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.