

Bradbury News



July 2012

Plan for Bradbury's Future!

Volunteer to Serve on the City's Finance Committee



Welcome to Bradbury

Like all local governments, Bradbury faces numerous fiscal challenges. Why? It stems from a lack of leadership in Sacramento, State takeaways of local dollars and eroding local control to wielding State and Federal mandates that push the responsibility off of them and onto local cities, like Bradbury.

The City Council needs your help and input to overcome these challenges and avoid the mistakes by others or worse - becoming an unincorporated area of Los Angeles County. The City Council is appointing a finance committee to review the City's budget, revenue stream and expenditure forecast. Together we can "Preserve Bradbury's Uniqueness and Independence."

If you are interested please call City Hall (626) 358-3218

City Hall Closures



Due to holidays and furloughs, City Hall will be closed on the following days:

- Wednesday, July 4th for Independence Day
- Friday, July 6th for Furlough Day

During these closure periods, resources can be found on the City's website at www.CityofBradbury.org

Too Toxic to Trash

Household Hazardous Waste/E-Waste can be disposed of on **Saturday, July 28th** at the Citrus College's Stadium Parking Lot on Barranca Avenue just north of Alostia Avenue in the City of Glendora. The event will start at 9:00am and end at 3:00pm. Examples of Household Hazard Waste include brake fluid, paint, paint thinner, cleaners with acid or lye, pesticides or herbicides, household batteries and car batteries, pool chemicals, motor oil, filters, and expired pharmaceuticals. E-Waste includes computer monitors, televisions, CPU's, printers, etc. For more information, please visit www.CleanLA.com



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Did You Know...?

The Aggressive Asian Tiger Mosquito Circulates in the Valley

Experts at the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District are reporting an uptick in invasive Asian Tiger Mosquito activity last month.

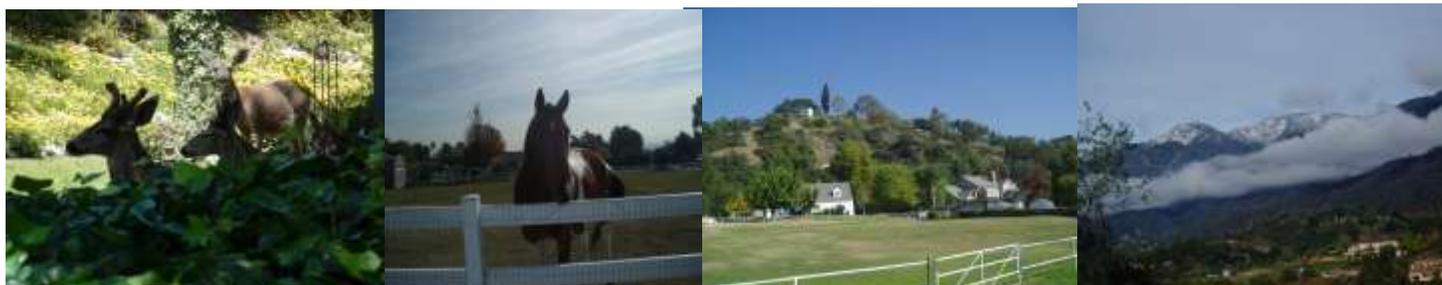
Vector ecologists from the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District have positively identified samples of adult mosquitoes and eggs collected from the San Gabriel Valley as those of the aggressive daytime biting Asian Tiger Mosquito. District staff has been working diligently to assess the extent of the infestation and has taken aggressive measures to prevent the further spread of the species. Efforts that first began in September 2011 include removing sources of water, controlling larvae, and applying pesticides on infested properties and in the underground storm drains to target adult mosquitoes.

The Asian Tiger Mosquito is native to Southeast Asia and can be identified by its unique size, color, and feeding habits. The mosquito is approximately 1/4 inch long and has distinctive black and white stripes across its body and legs. Unlike mosquitoes native to Southern California, the Asian Tiger Mosquito is an aggressive day-time biter and can transmit the viruses that cause dengue, chikungunya and encephalitis.

In order to stop the spread of this species in Los Angeles County, public health officials are calling upon all residents to do their part by following these steps:

- **CALL AND REPORT any sightings of small, black and white mosquitoes or if you are being bitten by mosquitoes during the day!**
- Dump and drain all standing water around your home.
- Discard or put away containers, cans, buckets and old tires around your home.
- Empty bird baths and small fountains completely or clean them thoroughly every 3 days.
- Clean out rain gutters and lawn drains to ensure water does not collect.
- Do not store water in uncovered buckets or rain barrels. Ensure rain barrels are completely sealed to prevent mosquito entry.
- Talk to your neighbors about mosquito breeding prevention.

For more information about the Asian Tiger Mosquito or to report possible sightings, please contact the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District at (626) 814-9466 (www.sgvmosquito.org)



Buy a Brick – Beautify Bradbury



Donation Opportunities

8 x 8 Brick **\$300**

Four lines / 18 characters per line

4 x 8 Brick **\$150**

Three lines / 18 characters per line

Yes, I want to help Beautify Bradbury:

Make checks payable to City of Bradbury Civic Center and complete the form on the back.

Donations to the City for this project are tax deductible under the IRS code.

Civic Center Dedication Patio

The value of Open Space has been recognized in Bradbury since the early days of incorporation. The City's mission has been to maintain its open rural spaces and preserve nature. Today, you have the opportunity to preserve nature, provide beautiful open spaces and become a part of community history at Bradbury's Civic Center. The existing desolate areas of the Civic Center are ready to become a community focal point of pride with your help. While the City was able to fund the construction of the new Civic Center through years of saving and planning, current economic conditions finds the City without the funds to provide the planned native landscapes. The Civic Center landscape plan encompasses a natural habitat with drought tolerant local plants, demonstration gardens and small infiltration areas to manage storm water run-off.

Through the Buy a Brick – Beautify Bradbury Campaign, the City will raise the necessary funds to complete the landscape project. The City needs to raise approximately \$100,000 to complete the project including installing irrigation, utilities, plants, trees, bulletin board, monument sign, site preparation and infrastructure. Buy your Brick today and become a part of Bradbury's History!

Order # _____

Office use only

City of Bradbury Order Form



Your inscription must fit into the white boxes below, 1 character per box. Each brick can have a maximum of 18 characters per line. A character is defined as a letter or a number, a space or punctuation mark.

4x8 Brick

Cost per brick: \$150

8x8 Brick

Cost per brick: \$300

Name: _____

Address: _____

City _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Contact Number: _____

Alt. Number: _____

Email: _____

Please return your form
 along with a check to:
 City of Bradbury
 600 Winston Ave,
 Bradbury, CA
 Tel (626) 358-3218
 Fax (626) 303-5154
 Attn: Kevin Kearney

Community Emergency Response Teams

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. Using the training learned in the classroom and during exercises, CERT members can assist others in their neighborhood or workplace following an event when professional responders are not immediately available to help. CERT members also are encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role in emergency preparedness projects in their community.



There are currently two CERT classes that the Los Angeles County Sheriffs Department is either hosting or partnering with another agency. Registration is currently open for both courses. They are:

July - Altadena: Classes start July 14th. This class is sponsored by LASD Altadena Station and the Pasadena Fire Department. For registration and more information, visit <http://julypercet.eventbrit.com>

September - South El Monte : Classes start September 11th. For more information, visit the Regional Community Policing Institute—California at www.rcpi-ca.org.

The Bears are Back!

The flowers are blooming, the heat is rising and the bears have returned to Bradbury! The City has received a number of calls regarding bear sightings and close encounters over the past couple of weeks. Remember, we share this land with the wildlife. Please review the following bear-prevention tips provided by the Department of Fish and Game:

- Pick up fallen tree fruit and put away pet food and bird feeders at night
- Be sure to keep barbecue grills clean
- Close windows at night on accessible ground floors and decks (including doggie doors)
- Do not leave food in or near a window sill, on a counter near an open window or in your car
- Double-bag garbage to help eliminate odors
- Separate “Wet Garbage” and keep it in an air-and order-tight container
- Deodorize garbage cans with bleach or ammonia

Burrtec also offers wildlife resistant trash receptacles for residents of Bradbury. For more information, contact (626) 932-1558. For more tips on bear-prevention, visit www.dfg.ca.gov or contact City Hall at (626) 932-1558.



Important Phone Numbers

Emergency	911	LA County Sheriff	285-7171	Fire Station 44	358-3118
Animal Control	962-3577	Southern CA Edison	800-655-4555	So Cal Gas	800-551-8463
Burrtec	800-325-9417	Mosquito & Vector Control	814-9466	Time Warner Cable	888-twcable
Dept. Fish & Game	909-484-0167				



Preserving Rural Tranquility

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City Hall Hours

Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Building Department Hours

M, W, T 8:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Email: cityhall@cityofbradbury.org

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Dates to Remember for July

- July 4 - City Hall will be closed for Independence Day
- July 6 - Furlough Day: City Hall will be closed
- July 9 - 6:00 PM General Plan Steering Committee Meeting
- July 17 - 7:00 PM City Council Meeting
- July 19 - 7:00 PM Emergency Response Committee Meeting
- July 25 - 7:00 PM Planning Commission Meeting

Planning Commission

Chairperson Karen Dunst, District 5

Vice-Chair Bill Novodor, District 2

Susan Collins-Esparza, District 4

Darlene Kuba, District 3

Frank Hernandez, District 1

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Laurie Stiver

Staff

Michelle Keith, City Manager

Claudia Saldana, City Clerk

Kevin Kearney, Management Analyst

Cary Reisman, City Attorney

David Meyer, City Planner

Dominic Milano, City Engineer

Stephen Fagan, Building Inspector

City Council Meeting Highlights

The City Council took the following actions on June 19:

- A Proclamation was adopted recognizing Dennis and Carolyn Lee for dedicated service to Arcadia Methodist Hospital.
- The City Council amended the Animal and Control Contract and established fees for Animal Control Services.
- The City Council approved Resolution No. 12-23: Increasing the Burrtec Franchise Fee from 7% to 9%.
- The Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 was adopted.
- Introduction and first reading of Ordinance No. 324 which amends provisions for contracting services with Los Angeles County.
- The Congestion Management Report and Local Development Report were adopted by Resolution No. 12-19.
- Discussion regarding long-term revenue solutions

REMINDER

To enhance service to residents, agendas, minutes, newsletters and more are all on-line at www.cityofbradbury.org



REMINDER: All Agendas are posted on the City's website for viewing the Friday before the meeting. Visit at www.cityofbradbury.org