



CITY HALL INFORMATION

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City Office Hours
8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Monday thru Thursday

City Council Meetings
1st & 3rd Tuesday
Council Chambers, 7:00 p.m.

SUMMER SOAR

June 9 - August 15 • River Oaks Elementary School

Looking for summer recreation programs for your child? Summer SOAR is available to all children in grades 1-6 for the 2014-2015 school year. The program runs Mondays through Fridays from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Weekly fee options:

Full Days (7 a.m. - 6 p.m.): \$125 M-F, \$90 MWF, \$60 T/Th

Half Days (7 a.m. - 12 p.m. OR 1 p.m. - 6 p.m.): \$75 M-F, \$45 MWF, \$30 T/Th

A registration packet must be completed at the time of registration. Registration packets are available at our office or can be downloaded at the City of Galt website at www.ci.galt.ca.us. For more information, please call (209) 366-7180.

THE GALT MARKET
Your Outdoor Flea Market

**Open Tuesdays
and Wednesdays**
www.galtmarket.us

Summer Youth Sports Camps and Flag Football League

Galt Parks & Recreation and National Academy of Athletics is offering a Flag Football League and 8 different sports camps (Volleyball, Basketball, Soccer, Baseball/Softball, and All Sports) throughout the summer. Each of the weeklong camps are available for ½ day and whole day. Prices vary depending on the camp. Visit the website www.ci.galt.ca.us/reconline to register for the classes and get more information.



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**INDEPENDENCE DAY
PARADE**
Parade Route:
A St., Fourth St. & C St.
Starting at 9:30 a.m.

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Exhibit Hall
Old Time
Country Fair
Chabolla Center
7:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.

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Live Music Featuring
Tony Maynard
and TME
Kid Zone
Veterans Field
5 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 4, 2014

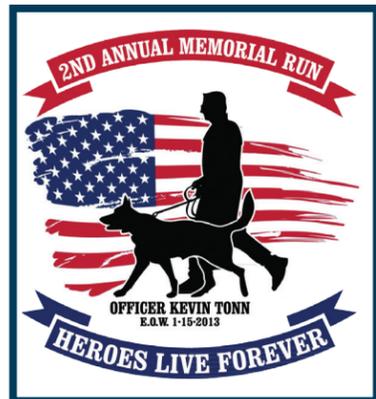


Small Town, Big Dreams

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FIREWORKS
Galt Market Grounds - 9:30 p.m.
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Fireworks in the Pool - Gora Aquatic Center
7 p.m. - 10 p.m.
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For more information visit www.galt.ca.us/IDC
or call (209) 366-7180

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Horseshoe Tournament
Sports Complex
10:30 a.m.
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**All World Softball
Tournament**
Sports Complex
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**2nd Annual
OFFICER TONN
MEMORIAL 5K RUN**
Veterans Field
Starting at 8 a.m.
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Special Dates

July 4.....	Independence Day Celebration
July 15.....	City Council Meeting
August 5.....	National Night Out
September 1.....	City Offices Closed

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Drought Update

With prior year rainfall totals at record lows and statewide drought conditions persisting, Governor Brown has issued new directions for state and local agencies to increase water conservation to the maximum extent practical. With 100% of the City's supply coming from groundwater, it is imperative that all water users do their part to conserve water. The groundwater aquifers serving Galt and surrounding agricultural areas have a limited ability for recharge and rely on rainfall for replenishment. With outdoor water use being the largest residential usage, residents are urged to limit watering times and upgrade sprinklers to water conserving types.

Four of the City's eight wells have required major maintenance in the past several months, to meet peak summer demands. Every gallon of water saved by residents provides relief to these wells, and will result in cumulative savings on chemicals and electricity. Cost savings resulting from water conservation will ultimately have a positive impact on future water rates. Water saving tips are available on the City's website: <http://www.ci.galt.ca.us/> (Follow links to City Departments, Public Works, News, Water Conservation). Water waste may be reported to the Public Works Department at 209-366-7260.

Water Meter Installation Update

Water meter replacements are underway for residents with existing meters and those that have previously paid a meter installation deposit. The new meters will provide wireless data collection and real-time usage information that will assist customers and the City in tracking usage patterns and identifying locations with potential water leaks and water waste. The new meters will provide a new tool for implementing water conservation measures within the City. Remaining customers will receive a Water Meter Installation Fee Notice advising of the proposed one-time fee and payment options for the planned meter installation. A fee hearing is scheduled for the August 19, 2014 City Council meeting to allow affected residents an opportunity to protest the proposed fee. Meter installations for homes without meters will not begin until after the fee hearing.

A Second SRO Coming To Galt

The City of Galt has recently been awarded a COPS's grant from the Federal Department of Justice to partially fund a second School Resource Officer (SRO). The City and School District(s) have entered into an agreement, Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), outlining mutually agreed upon goals and objectives as well as the cost sharing details. With the addition of an SRO, there will be two full time officers dedicated to the Galt Joint Union Elementary School District and the Galt Joint Union High School District.

The addition of this SRO will mean that the Galt Police Department can provide greater day to day coverage of school sites, fostering stronger partnerships with the youth in our community. The addition of one more SRO will also allow the recently implemented diversion program, and the Police Activity League (PAL) program to expand.



Twin Cities Road Roundabouts and Widening Update

The new roundabouts opened to traffic on June 1st and are functioning well. The newly widened highway to the east and Fermoy intersection opened for use shortly after the roundabouts. First-time users were cautious as they entered the new roadway configuration, but quickly mastered the traffic flow. Don't be concerned if you see a semi-truck or large farm equipment go over the center island curb. It was designed for this exact purpose. The improvements have delivered noticeable peak hour congestion relief and will accommodate increased traffic from the new Walmart and other planned development in the northeast area of the City. Residents and businesses alike suffered major inconveniences during construction of the project, and the City wishes to express its thanks for the community's patience as we delivered this congestion relief project.

National Police Week

Councilmember Crews and Galt Police Department employees accompanied the Tonn family to Washington D.C. to attend the enrollment of Officer Kevin A. Tonn's name on the National Law Enforcement Memorial. The "Roll Call of Fallen Heroes" for 2013 consisted of 112 Law Enforcement Officers from across the Nation who gave their lives in performance of their duties and were also enrolled on the Memorial. This ceremony is held annually during Police Week to honor those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice and May 15th is recognized as "National Law Enforcement Day".



KEVIN A TONN

During the week, several events took place. On Monday, May 12th more than 1700 bicycle riders, including Chief Bowen, arrived at the Memorial Plaza after riding over 300 miles in just four days. Tuesday, May 13th a Candlelight Vigil was held honoring the 112 Officers killed in 2013. Thursday, May 15th a ceremony was held on the lawn of the U. S. Capital Building with the keynote speaker, Vice President Biden, to honor these Fallen Heroes.

If you're in the Washington DC area visit the "National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial" and locate Fallen Galt Police Officer Kevin A. Tonn's name which is located on panel 21-W line 29.

Development Update

- **Simmerhorn Gas Station (Chevron):** The project is located at 955 Simmerhorn Road and will consist of a 24-hour convenience store, gas station, car wash and fast food restaurant.
- **McDonald's:** a 4,316-square foot restaurant to be constructed at the corner of Twin Cities Road and Stockton Blvd. The project should be under construction shortly.
- **Family Dollar:** A new 8,300-square foot retail store currently under construction at the corner of A St. and Lincoln.
- **Walmart:** This new 132,300-square foot retail store, located at 10470 Twin Cities Road, opened on June 11.
- **El and El Wood Products:** A new 223-500-square foot industrial building at 700 Industrial Drive will consolidate some of the company's facilities, including those currently in Elk Grove, under one roof. The project should bring about 75 jobs to the City.

New single-family residential activity:

- **Eastview/Liberty Ranch:** The project applicant, Suncl, has submitted an application for a Specific Plan and General Plan Amendment for the proposed project. The project is currently located in the County, but within the City's sphere of influence, at Twin Cities and Marengo Roads. Liberty Ranch will consist of approximately 300 acres of the larger Eastview area, and will contain up to approximately 1,400 new residences. Work on the project's environmental impact report (EIR), the first stage of processing the project, should start shortly.

For FY 2013-14, 56 permits were issued and 38 new single-family dwellings were finalized in the following subdivisions:

- **The Meadows:** Located on Elk Hills Drive, Beck Properties currently has 9 homes under construction with 6 lots remaining. The homes range from 2,100 to 3,100 square feet.
- **Woodbury Estates (formerly River Oaks 3):** Located southeast of Walnut Avenue off Carillion Blvd, Elliott Homes currently has 18 homes under construction, which range from 2,000 to 2,500 square feet in size.
- **Belmont (formerly Chancellor Estates 6):** Located west of Marengo Road and north of Chelsham Avenue, Signature Homes has 10 homes under construction, with 13 remaining lots. The homes range from 2,200 to 3,000 square feet.
- **Creekside 2:** Located east of Lincoln Way and south of Ranch Road, Emerald Park has 3 homes under construction, which range from 1,700 to 3,000 square feet. Additionally, KB Homes purchased the remaining 53 lots of the Creekside 4 Subdivision and plans for construction are under review.



Understanding the Measure R Sales Tax

All purchases made within the Galt City limits are subject to a 1/2 cent Measure R public safety sales tax to support increased law enforcement services within our community. Purchases made outside the City but delivered within City limits are also subject to the tax. Those who live outside the Galt City limits are not subject to the tax when purchasing items outside the City. For those who live outside the City but have a 95632 zip code, this can occasionally result in retailers charging the incorrect sales tax amount. There is detailed information on the City's website www.ci.galt.ca.us, click on "Business" then click on "Verify Sales Tax Rate". This will give you information from the State Board of Equalization about Measure R tax exemptions, address verification, what to do if you believe you are entitled to a refund and how to prevent being charged incorrectly in the future.



Please Join Us!

Please come and join the City of Galt for National Night Out Tuesday August 5th, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

National Night Out is designed to heighten crime, gang and drug prevention awareness and to provide an opportunity to promote and celebrate police-community partnerships in crime prevention efforts.

We are encouraging residents in neighborhoods throughout the City of Galt to get involved in National Night Out 2014 and spend the evening outside with neighbors. For further information and to get involved in National Night Out 2014, please contact Crime Prevention Coordinator TJ Guidotti at 209-329-7873, 209-366-7021, or by email at tjguidotti@galtpd.com.

The parade of City Officials, Police and Fire personnel will be coming to each location at the following times.

- Westside Galt - Meadowview Park
Meadowview & Kost Road
6:00 pm to 6:40 pm
- Central Galt - Family Life Christian Church
5th & B Streets
6:45 pm to 7:25 pm
- Northeast Galt - Galt Community Park
Walnut & Carillion
7:30 pm to 8:00 pm

We are always looking for residents to get involved and get to know your neighbors and neighborhoods. This is one of the most effective ways to reduce crime and identify suspicious activity in your neighborhoods.