



GALT CONNECTIONS

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SPECIAL DATES

- **Apr. 12th** —Parks & Rec. Meeting
- **Apr. 13th**—Planning Commission Meeting
- **Apr. 18th**—City Council Meeting
- **Apr. 30th**—**GALT CLEAN-UP DAY**
- **May 2nd** —City Council Meeting
- **May 10th** —Parks & Rec. Meeting
- **May 11th**—Planning Commission Meeting
- **May 16th** —City Council Meeting
- **June 13th**—*Galt Blood Drive-Littleton Center*

GALT CLEAN-UP DAY



Clean-out those closets, garages and clean-up your yards . . . Galt Clean-Up Day is just around the corner. On April 30th, from 9am-2pm at the Galt Market grounds, Galt citizens can dispose of yard and garden waste, hazardous waste, furniture, tires, appliances, etc. free of charge.

This year as in past years, the City will be accepting hazardous waste which includes paint, batteries, TV's, fertilizers, computer monitors, household cleaners and propane tanks. **All hazardous waste must be dumped before continuing to the main dumping stations and must be accessible and on top of any trash items.** Explosives, biomedical and radioactive waste will not be accepted.

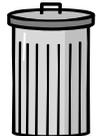
Tips for safe transport of hazardous waste include insuring all caps are tightly secured, stand items in boxes or other containers to prevent spillage and box like products together.

Senior citizens can contact the City Clerk's office after April 17th at 366-7130 to schedule a pick-up. Items must be bagged, bundled or boxed and be placed in the driveway. There is a limit of items that can be picked-up so please call for more information.

Each month citizens pay 70 cents on their utility bill to finance the event therefore, participants **MUST** live within the Galt City limits. Participants must bring a City utility bill or a California Driver's License or ID card. Residents of unincorporated Sacramento County may call (916) 363-9390 for information on County Household Hazardous Waste events. No business or industrial waste is permitted.

City staff will volunteer their time while parks and recreation and public works employees will be on duty to work the waste removal event.

So, clean out your closets and clean-up your yards, sheds, garages, etc. and take advantage of this event. For more information, call 366-7130.



BEAUTIFYING GALT

The Galt Graffiti and Beautification Task Force is made up of five members appointed by the city council who volunteer and are dedicated to improving the visual impression of Galt. With that in mind, we would like to take this opportunity to invite you to join in our efforts.

- If your property is tagged with graffiti of any kind, it is your responsibility to remove it as soon as possible. It is not the police department's responsibility. However, we ask that you contact the police department so they know where the activity is taking place.
- If you observe graffiti on public property, please contact the police department so it can be removed as soon as possible.
- When you see garbage in your community, please pick it up and dispose of it properly, particularly on garbage days when debris scatters.

We invite you to send e-mails regarding your thoughts and ideas to enhance our community to scory@ci.galt.ca.us or join us for our meetings the third Thursday of each month at 3:30p.m. at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 380 Civic Drive.



GALT GRAFFITI AND BEAUTIFICATION TASK FORCE AT WORK

Projects completed and in progress:

- Triangle at southbound 99 exit at C and A streets re-planted
- Rose plantings to deter graffiti
- Supervising of community service hours for clean up
- Removal of graffiti (constant)
- Selection of Home of the Month and Business
- Adopt-a- Street Program
- Adopt-a-Planter Program
- Work with Parks and Recreation and I Love My Town Projects



UNCLAIMED PROPERTY



Each year various checks become stale dated if they remain uncashed after six (6) months from the date of issuance. A list of these items can be found on the City of Galt's web site at www.ci.galt.ca.us, link to the Finance Department, Unclaimed Property. Download and complete the "Request For Replacement of Lost, Stolen or Stale Dated Check" form and bring to the Finance Department, 380 Civic Drive.

Identification will be required when submitting this form. A copy of the Unclaimed Property List and form are available at the City Clerk's office as well.

URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

The City has completed the 2005 Update to the Urban Water Management Plan. This document is available for viewing online at www.ci.galt.ca.us, at the City Clerk's Office or the Public Works Department. Please contact Public Works at 366-7260 with any questions.

SPRING RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Parks and Recreation Administrative Office has relocated - Hopefully by the time your read this, the Parks and Recreation Department Administrative Office will have moved! The office is located at 610 Chabolla Avenue - adjacent to the Chabolla Community Center. Our office is open Mondays - Fridays from 9:00am - 5:00pm. Our office number remains the same - 366-7180.

Memorial Music Festival - May 27, 2006 - The Parks and Recreation Department is hosting the "Memorial Music Festival" on Saturday, May 27, 2006. The festivities will begin with a parade at 2:00pm that begins at 4th and C Streets and finishes at the Veterans Soccer Field located at the corner of Caroline and Chabolla. Our local school bands will be performing on the Veterans Soccer Field throughout the day. The event will conclude with a spectacular fireworks show beginning at 9:00pm. For more information, please call 366-7180. **NOTE: Please contact the Parks and Recreation Department if you or your organization would like to participate in the parade or the festivities.**

City Tots Preschool Program - Registration for the 2006-2007 City Tots Preschool Program will begin for the public on June 1st. The class year is July 31, 2006 - May 25, 2007. This program is available to 3 year olds (must be 3 by December 2, 2006) and 4 year olds (must be 4 by December 2, 2006). The 3-year-old class will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:30am - 10:30am. There are three 4 year old classes to choose from: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 7:30am-10:30am, Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 11:00am-2:00pm, and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:00am - 2:00pm. For more information, please call 744-9544.

Galt Youth Football and Cheerleading Jr. Warriors

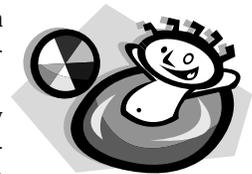
Registration for the Galt Jr. Warriors will be held at the Parks and Recreation Department offices (610 Chabolla Avenue) on April 22nd from 9:00am - 1:00pm. The Parks and Recreation Department fee for Football is \$100.00 for Galt Residents and for Cheerleading is \$85.00 for Galt Residents. Fees will also be incurred through the Jr. Warriors program itself. For more information, call 366-7180 (Parks and Recreation), 810-0712 (Barbara Welch - Cheerleading), and 367-0199 (Tom Fronck - Football).



Gora Aquatic Center - The Gora Aquatic Center will be accepting registrations for all aquatics programs (with the exception of the Galt Area Swim Program). Programs include the Galt Gators Recreational Swim Team, the Galt Area Swim Program, Swim Lessons, Lifeguard Training classes, a Water Safety Instructor class, as well as various individual and family passes. The Aquatic Center office is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 3:00-6:00pm and the Parks & Recreation office is open Monday-Friday from 9:00am-5:00pm.



The Aquatic Center will officially open for the 2006 Season on Saturday, May 27th. For more information regarding our programs, please call 744-9544.



WARMER WEATHER BRINGS NEED FOR WATER CONSERVATION



The City requests everyone's cooperation over the next several months to actively conserve water. During the warmest weather, increased demand on our water supplies can result in low water pressure, particularly during peak usage hours (5-9AM and 5-9PM, respectively). Efficient use of water by residents will lessen the likelihood of low pressure conditions.

To conserve water, everyone is requested to irrigate their lawns and gardens only as much as is necessary – usually three days or fewer per week is sufficient. Residents should check the settings on their irrigation timers. Use of several short watering cycles can help avoid runoff. Additionally, residents should check their systems and observe that water does not run off the lawn and into the gutter or the neighbor's property. Broken sprinklers should be repaired and outlet sprays adjusted as needed. Mid-day watering should be avoided. Use a broom, not a hose to clean driveways and patios. When washing a car, consider using a car wash, where the water is recycled, rather than washing at home. Hoses must have nozzles that shut off when not in use or unattended.

Based on current water supply conditions, the City's Water Conservation Ordinance is currently in STAGE 1.

In brief, here are City rules that apply to Stage 1 conditions:

1. The wasteful, non-beneficial use of water is prohibited.
2. Free flowing water hoses are prohibited except for temporary filling of troughs, pools, ponds or similar uses. Automatic shut-off nozzles are required for watering lawns or gardens and washing equipment, vehicles, driveways, and similar uses.
3. Check for leaks. All leaking water lines and/or faulty sprinkler systems must be repaired promptly.
4. Draining and refilling of pools, spas, ponds, and fountains shall be permitted only for health, maintenance, or structural considerations.
5. Hosing down of driveways, sidewalks, and patios is not permitted.

If you have any questions about water conservation, please contact the Public Works Department at (209) 366-7260.



THE GALT MARKET

Open Tuesday and Wednesday at 6:00 am. Call (209) 366-7160 for more information.



BLOOD DRIVE JUNE 13, 2006 BLOODSOURCE AND BASKIN-ROBBINS OFFERS

"A PINT FOR A PINT"

Thanking donors in thirty-one-der-ful ways

City of Galt Blood Drive

Tuesday, June 13th

3:30 PM – 6:30 PM

Open to the Public

Littleton Center, Civic Drive

For further information contact

the Galt City Clerk's Office

(209) 366-7130

NEW WATER RATES

On February 21st, the City Council authorized a 3.8% inflationary adjustment to the water, wastewater, and Tier 2 stormwater rates. Tier 1 stormwater rates remain unchanged. In addition, the City Council authorized a new \$10 per month "WWTP Upgrade Account" fee per residence (increases to other customers are based on this benchmark) to begin to pay for upgrades to the wastewater treatment plant mandated by the State of California. These increases started March 1st and are reflected in the bills mailed to customers in April and due in May. Until programming to the utility bills is complete, the "WWTP Upgrade Account" will be reflected in the monthly wastewater rate.

In the future these items will be separated to reflect monthly operation and maintenance costs from the mandated upgrade costs. Please contact Public Works at 366-7260 with any questions on the new rates.

CONSTRUCTION ALERT SPRING 2006

CITY HALL INFORMATION

City Hall Information
366-7130

City Website
www.ci.galt.ca.us

City E-Mail Address
clerk@ci.galt.ca.us

City Office Hours
9:00 am—5:00 pm

City Council Meetings:
1st & 3rd Tuesdays
Council Chambers
7:00 pm

The following City of Galt construction projects may inconvenience the public:

1. Bicycle Lane Project
 - Carol Dr. and E. Stockton Blvd. from Amador Ave. to Walnut Avenue
 - Walnut Ave. from E. Stockton Blvd. to Emerald Vista Drive
2. 2005 Pavement Rehabilitation (Kost Road)
 - Kost Road
 - Joy Road
 - McFarland Street from Elm Avenue to A Street
 - Lincoln Way at Dry Creek Bridge
 - Industrial Drive north of Elm Avenue
 - Amador Avenue east of Carol Drive
 - East Stockton Blvd. north of Walnut
3. Galt Market Entrance and Intersection Improvements
 - Glendale Avenue and Meladee Lane
4. Chabolla Center Addition
 - Chabolla Avenue
5. Golden Heights Reservoir Re-coating (noise issue)
 - Bay Heights Drive, Golden Heights Drive, and nearby portions of Lake Canyon Ave. and Beaver Park Way
6. Sidewalk—ADA Improvements Project 2006
 - Oak Avenue and adjacent portions of Elm Avenue and A Street
 - C Street and Second Street adjacent to Valley Oaks School
 - Caroline Avenue Adjacent to Fairsite School and Veterans soccer field
 - Portions of Meadowview Subdivision along Galt Transit Route 2, including: First Street, Downing Drive, Tudor Street, Meadowview Drive, and Carlo Court



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