

# The LEAFLET



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GRAND OPENING

SPORTS PARK & RECREATION CENTER

Saturday, November 1  
 12 p.m. – 4 p.m.  
 28000 Rancho Parkway

Bring your friends and family to celebrate the grand opening of one of the largest sports parks in South Orange County!

**Sports Park Grand Opening Details ... Page 3**

**Alton Parkway on Schedule to Reopen October 1**

## CITY MANAGER'S



## Message

Great communities begin with a vision, and for Lake Forest that vision began when the City incorporated in 1991. Over the years, the City has been built on a foundation of strategic,

deliberate development, and prudent fiscal planning, all of which continue today as evidenced by our current projects. A prime example is the City's approval of the Opportunities Study Area (OSA) project. The OSA project is the largest undertaking in the City's 23-year history. It helps to complete our land use vision by transforming 836 acres of vacant land into signature residential communities and picturesque parks including one of the largest sports parks in Orange County – the Lake Forest Sports Park and Recreation Center.

The Lake Forest Sports Park will open on Saturday, November 1, welcoming visitors of all ages to explore, experience, and discover. Local sports teams and sports enthusiasts will enjoy playing on five baseball/softball diamonds, three natural turf soccer fields, and two synthetic turf fields. Want to throw a party? Reserve one of the eight gazebos perfect for an outdoor gathering. Enjoy our summer concert series? Bring a blanket and listen to the tunes on our "Commons" lawn. Love the outdoors? Stroll along the hiking trails with connections to nearby Whiting Ranch Wilderness Park. Want to try something new? Sign up for our winter programs and try out one of our many indoor activities in the recreation center and gymnasium.

Through strong partnerships and hard work, the City is able to fulfill its commitment to the community and generations to come. We are proud to deliver this landmark project that will contribute to the high quality of life that the community has come to expect on time and on budget. To celebrate, the City will host a grand opening on Saturday, November 1. See a small sampling of the fun activities we have in store for you on page 3. We look forward to this monumental event and hope to see you there!

Sincerely,

*Robert C. Dunek*

Robert C. Dunek,  
City Manager

# Congratulations

to **Samantha Weiss**, the first winner of the Sports Park Frenzy Contest! Enjoy your gift basket filled with goodies. If you have a story to share about the Sports Park, email [chon@lakeforestca.gov](mailto:chon@lakeforestca.gov) before October 1.

I am so excited for the grand opening of the new Sports Park in South Orange County!

There are a few things my family and I cannot wait to do. First, I love playing softball so I cannot wait to use the softball fields. My little brother and I love playing together so we are going to have a lot of fun on the playgrounds that will be in the park also. If I could have a perfect day at the park, I would practice softball with my mom, dad, older sister, and younger brother. Next, I would play with my friends on the playground. My favorite playground thing is the slides. Then, I would have a picnic because it would be around lunch time and I would be hungry and thirsty. Last, I would either play or watch a sports game and go hiking with my whole family because we love nature.

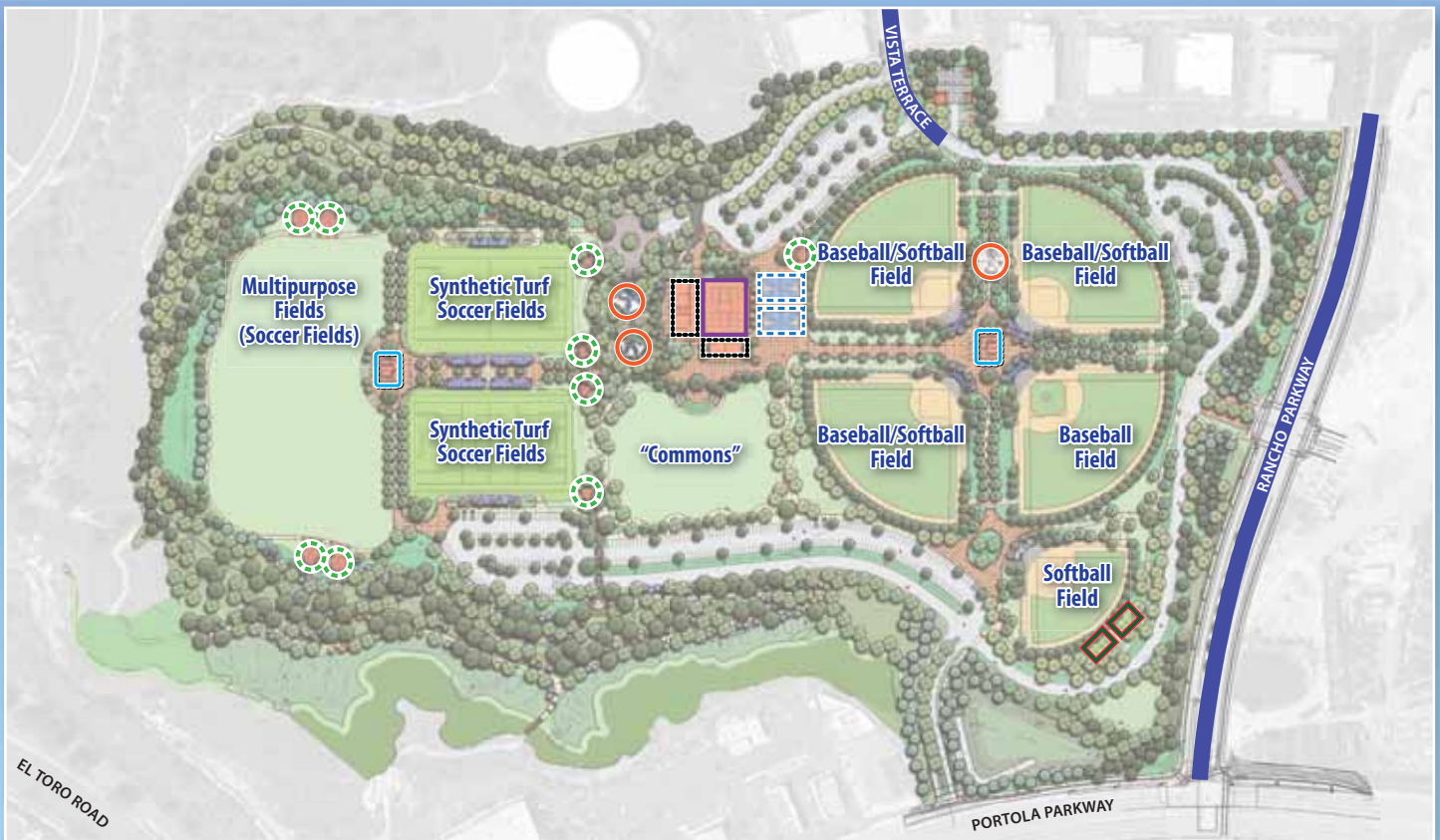
## Upcoming City Council Meeting Dates

City Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday of every month starting at 7:00 p.m.

- Tuesday, October 7
- Tuesday, October 21
- Tuesday, November 4
- Tuesday, November 18

# Sports Park & Recreation Center Grand Opening

Saturday, November 1 • 12 p.m. - 4 p.m.











The first 1,500 people will receive a free lunch ticket and a **Sports Park keepsake!**

- Train tours of the Sports Park.
- Brass band, balloon artist, and face painting.
- Special appearances by sports celebrities and Lake Forest's mascot Nectar and his friends.

## ACTIVITIES

- Gymnasium: DJ, Sports Contests and Basketball and Jump Rope Demonstrations
- Teen Lounge: Video Game Contest and Meet Your Recreation Staff
- Meeting Rooms: Arts & Crafts
- Dance Room: Dance Demonstrations and Performances
- Register for classes in the Computer Lab!

 Additional Parking	 Concession Stand/Restrooms
 Batting Cages	 Gazebos
 Basketball Courts	 Gymnasium
 Classrooms/Activities	 Tot Lots

## Fun Facts about the Sports Park

Over 150 fossils were unearthed from the Sports Park site during the grading period. Findings consisted of mostly teeth, vertebrae, skulls, ribs, flippers, and other parts from marine mammals. Once the fossils are identified, the collection will be housed at the Cooper Center in Fullerton and will be available for future research.



# STAY INFORMED

## Participate in AlertOC!



One of the best ways to prepare for an earthquake, wildfire, or other disaster is to stay informed. To connect you with the information you need, the City is continuing its partnership with the County of Orange to promote the AlertOC mass notification system.

### What do I need to do?

Register for free at [CityofLakeForest.bbcportal.com](http://CityofLakeForest.bbcportal.com) and choose whether to receive time-sensitive voice and text messages at your home, cell, or business phone, or to one or more email addresses.

### Can I use AlertOC on my smartphone?

iPhone and Android smartphone apps are available for AlertOC. Find them by searching "Blackboard MyConnect" in the Apple App Store or Google Play Store.

### Who do I contact for more info?

For more information or questions regarding AlertOC, visit [www.AlertOC.com](http://www.AlertOC.com), call 461-3536 or email [AlertOC@lakeforestca.gov](mailto:AlertOC@lakeforestca.gov).

### 5th Annual AlertOC Regional Test

Tuesday, September 23  
11:30 a.m.

The alert automatically goes to landline phones, cell phones, and email addresses.

Register:  
[CityofLakeForest.bbcportal.com](http://CityofLakeForest.bbcportal.com)



## Welcome Packets for New Residents Make Moving In a Bit Easier

Moving to a new city can be exciting ... and overwhelming. To help make your move a bit easier, the City has prepared a Welcome Packet filled with general information about services, resources, and amenities.

Welcome packets are available at City Hall or can be downloaded on the City's website at [www.lakeforestca.gov/welcomepacket](http://www.lakeforestca.gov/welcomepacket). If you don't find what you are looking for, contact City Hall at 461-3400 and we'll be glad to help!

## Calling All Photographers!

### 2015 Calendar Contest Deadline Approaching

Do you love your Lake Forest park? Then get out there and show us! Snap a picture highlighting what you love about any one of our twenty-eight parks. Winning photos will be part of the 2015 community calendar.



Upload photo submissions at [www.asklakeforest.com](http://www.asklakeforest.com) or email them to [chon@lakeforestca.gov](mailto:chon@lakeforestca.gov) through October 6, 2014. For contest rules and submission requirements, visit [www.lakeforestca.gov/calendarcontest](http://www.lakeforestca.gov/calendarcontest).

# Mark Your Calendars for October Business Seminars

## Introduction to Exporting

Friday, October 3

8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Registration begins at 8:00 a.m.

### Lake Forest City Hall

25550 Commercentre Dr., Lake Forest

Co-sponsored with the Lake Forest Chamber of Commerce and Small Business Administration, seminar topics include how to research new markets, legal aspects of foreign trade, logistics and shipping, market entry strategies, and writing an international business plan. A light breakfast will be served.

## Social Media Marketing

Wednesday, October 8

5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

### IQ Conference Facility & Tenant Lounge

27042 Towne Centre Dr., Suite 125

Foothill Ranch

During this informative workshop, attendees will be given an overview of the most popular social networking tools (e.g., Facebook, Twitter & LinkedIn) while learning how to create a Facebook account, utilizing effective social media strategies, and applying tips to ensure timely and informative content that can generate more customers. Light refreshments will be provided.



## Commercial Leasing Workshop

Tuesday, October 28

5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

### Lake Forest City Hall

25550 Commercentre Dr., Lake Forest

The City and SCORE Business Counselors will co-sponsor the "Demystifying the Commercial Leasing Process" workshop. Heather Francine, Vice President of Sperry Commercial, will provide current and prospective business owners with an overview of the commercial leasing process and tips for lease negotiations. The workshop is intended for home-based businesses considering leasing commercial space, as well as existing commercial businesses seeking a greater understanding of commercial leases. A light dinner will be provided.

*Seating is Limited!*

Register with Economic Development at  
[economicdevelopment@lakeforestca.gov](mailto:economicdevelopment@lakeforestca.gov)

## Emergency Drought Measures Go Hand-In-Hand with Pollution Prevention

Although we received a few showers in early August, the drought continues. In response to the ongoing severe drought conditions, the State Water Resources Control Board approved the implementation of emergency regulations to increase water conservation beginning August 2014 and continuing into 2015. How do these new regulations affect you? The new rules are specific to “outdoor urban water use,” meaning that these measures are being implemented to eliminate water waste generated by outdoor activities. These same measures help fight pollution by eliminating the runoff that would otherwise carry oil, fertilizers, pesticides, sediments and other pollutants down the storm drain and into local creeks, lakes, and the ocean.

With these new regulations, all Californians will be expected to:

- Stop washing down driveways and sidewalks.
- Stop watering outdoor landscapes that cause excess runoff.
- Stop using a hose to wash a motor vehicle, unless it is fitted with a shut-off nozzle.
- Stop using potable water in fountains and decorative water features, unless the water is recirculated.

The City along with other Orange County agencies developed an online resource webpage at [www.overwateringisout.org](http://www.overwateringisout.org) for tips on reducing and optimizing outdoor water use through proper scheduling, mulching, water-wise device rebates, and other conservation techniques.

Your local water districts can provide additional information and assistance at:

El Toro Water District – [www.etwd.com](http://www.etwd.com)

Irvine Ranch Water District – [www.irwd.com](http://www.irwd.com)

Trabuco Canyon Water District – [www.tcwd.ca.gov](http://www.tcwd.ca.gov)

Let's all do our part to protect our environment and our precious water supply!



24-Hour Water Pollution Hotline (877) 89-SPILL  
**Remember, the Ocean Begins At Your Front Door.**

For more information, contact the Public Works Department at 461-3480.

 An advertisement for OverwateringIsOut.org. On the left is a close-up of a gnome's face with a tall orange cone hat. To the right is a logo for "H<sub>2</sub>O" with a blue leaf above the "O". Below the logo is the text: "Follow OC's spokesgnome on this adventure to help keep water in the yard, not the sidewalk." At the bottom is a red rounded rectangle with the text "OverwateringIsOut.org" in white.

# Recreation/Events Calendar

## Fall 2014 (October-November)

### OCTOBER

**Live Music Showcase**



**Friday 10**

6-10 p.m.

Etnies Skatepark of Lake Forest  
(20028 Lake Forest Dr.)

Fee: \$5 per person

**Autumn Harvest Festival**

**Saturday 11**

4-9 p.m.

Heritage Hill Historical Park  
(25151 Serrano Rd.)

Fee: \$5 per person  
(additional fees for games)



**Haunt at Heritage Hill**

**Friday/Saturday 17-18**

6-10:30 p.m.

Heritage Hill Historical Park  
(25151 Serrano Rd.)

Fee: \$7 per person (ages 12 and older)



**Hallow's Eve Bowl Jam**

**Saturday 25**

3-10 p.m.

Etnies Skatepark of Lake Forest  
(20028 Lake Forest Dr.)

Fee: \$20 entry fee

### NOVEMBER

**Lake Forest Sports Park Grand Opening**

**Saturday, November 1 12-4 p.m.**

Lake Forest Sports Park and Recreation Center  
(28000 Rancho Pkwy.)

FREE to attend



**Adult Special Needs Dance**

**Friday, November 7 • 7-9 p.m.**

Lake Forest Community Center  
(25550 Commercentre Dr.)

FREE to attend • Register at the door

Call Marilyn Norment at 461-3447 for more info



**Skate Street Contest**

**Saturday 15**

10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Etnies Skatepark of Lake Forest  
(20028 Lake Forest Dr.)

Fee: \$20 entry fee



**Glenn Ranch Hike**

**Saturday 22**

8-10 a.m.

Whiting Ranch Park

Fee: \$5 per person;  
\$3 parking fee



**Winter Registration Begins 8 a.m., Wednesday, November 12 • Online, Mail-In, Walk-In City Hall is closed on Tuesday, November 11.**

**For more info on any of these activities, call Community Services at 461-3450.**



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## Important City Telephone Numbers



- OC Animal Care . . . . . 249-5160
- Building Division . . . . . 461-3470
- Building Inspection . . . . . 461-3468
- City Clerk . . . . . 461-3420
- City Council . . . . . 461-3420
- City Manager's Office . . . 461-3410
- Community Policing Center . . . . . 461-3530
- Community Preservation . . . . . 461-3474
- Etnies Skatepark . . . . . 916-5870
- Graffiti Hotline . . . . . 461-3583
- Planning . . . . . 461-3491
- Public Works . . . . . 461-3480
- Recreation . . . . . 461-3450
- Economic Development . . . . . 461-3567

### IMPORTANT CITY WEBSITES

- City  
[www.lakeforestca.gov](http://www.lakeforestca.gov)
- Economic Development  
[www.lakeforestbusiness.com](http://www.lakeforestbusiness.com)
- Etnies Skatepark of Lake Forest  
[www.etnieskatepark.com](http://www.etnieskatepark.com)



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## "EXPAND THE FOREST"

The Expand the Forest program allows members of the community to dedicate trees in memory of departed loved ones or to commemorate special occasions while encouraging the expansion of our urban forest. Trees are \$70 and are planted and maintained by the City. There are several different species of approved trees which may be planted in several City parks.



**For more information, please call the Public Works Department at 461-3480.**

## Recycle Cans and Bottles for a Good Cause

### Support the Lake Forest U.S. Marine Corps Unit



Support Lake Forest's adopted U.S. Marine Corps 1st Law Enforcement Battalion while helping the environment by recycling empty cans and bottles at the nearest recycling center and donating the proceeds to the Battalion. Donations are tax deductible. Checks can be made payable to LF USMC Support Committee and mailed to 22365 El Toro Road #302, Lake Forest, CA 92630. For more information, contact [lfsupportcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:lfsupportcommittee@gmail.com).

## Fair Housing



**A**n impediment to fair housing opportunity is any policy or practice that denies or adversely affects the provision of housing to a person in any protected class. Examples of a protected class include minorities, elderly, and disabled persons. As a recipient of annual Federal Community Development Block Grant funds, the City of Lake Forest is committed to furthering fair housing practices in the community and cooperates with the Fair Housing Council of Orange County to eliminate discriminatory practices county-wide. Fair Housing opportunity is the law. If you or someone you know has a fair housing question or issue that needs to be addressed, please call the City's Housing Manager at 461-3569.