

# City News

Published Monthly For Residents & Businesses in Diamond Bar

## Street Sweeping Reminder

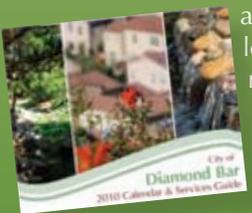
Just a reminder than during the months of December and January, streets are swept weekly to handle the increase in debris due to the winter season. The new 2010 Street Sweeping Calendar magnet, available for pick up at City Hall later this month, can now be downloaded and printed by visiting the City's website



[www.cityofdiamondbar.com](http://www.cityofdiamondbar.com) and clicking on the "I Want To" tab. For more information, contact the Public Works Department at 909.839.7040.

## Calendar and Services Guide

Another popular City item – the Annual Calendar & Services Guide – will also be available later this month. This colorful, award-winning Guide includes a 12-month calendar, listing of local park and shopping center amenities and locations, quick reference phone list, community profile, and much more. It also features the



winning entries of the City's second annual "Diamond Bar Through My Lens" community photo contest.

To request that a copy of one or both of these items be mailed to you, call the City's Public Information at 909.839.7026.

You may also email the request to [publicinfo@ci.diamond-bar.ca.us](mailto:publicinfo@ci.diamond-bar.ca.us).

## Visit the New Diamond Bar Center Website

*The popular Diamond Bar Center has a new online home.*

Last month, the City launched a website [www.diamondbarcenter.com](http://www.diamondbarcenter.com) exclusively dedicated to promoting the 22,500 square foot Center located in Summitridge Park.

The new website features comprehensive information about the Diamond Bar Center, including its amenities, reservation policy and fees, as well as a photo gallery, and Frequently-Asked-Questions (FAQ) section.

Opened in 2004, the Center boasts more than 14,000 square feet of meeting space, highlighted by the impressive Grand View Ballroom that offers banquet seating for up to 438 persons and breathtaking views of the San Gabriel Valley. It also has specialized rooms for computer training, dance classes, and more.

For more information, call the City's Community Services Department at 909.839.7070.



## Holiday Decorating Contest this Month

Friday, December 11 is the deadline to enter the City's inaugural Holiday Decorating Contest for a chance to win a gift basket filled with solar, LED, and alternative energy products valued at a total of \$150.

The contest, open to Diamond Bar residents only, is aimed at recognizing households that incorporate energy-efficient practices into their outdoor holiday trimmings.

Categories are "Best Holiday Spirit," "Best Lawn Display," and "Most Energy Efficient," and all require participants to use



at least one strand of LED lights.

In addition to the gift basket, first place winners in each category will be presented with a congratulatory lawn sign at an upcoming City Council meeting.

Entering the

contest is free of charge and can be done electronically via the City's website [www.cityofdiamondbar.com](http://www.cityofdiamondbar.com). Judging of homes will take place between 7 pm and 10 pm on Wednesday, December 16.

For more information, call the City's Community Services Department at 909.839.7070.

# Business Awards And the Winners are...



## Business of the Month

### APR Consulting

22632 Golden Springs Drive, Suite 380  
909.396.5375  
www.aprconsulting.com  
Hours: Mon - Fri, 8 am - 5 pm



## New Business of the Month

### Misora Sushi

2040 S Brea Canyon Road  
909.860.2700  
Hours: Mon - Thurs, 11:30 am - 2:30 pm  
5 pm - 9:30 pm  
Fri & Sat, 11:30 am - 10 pm  
Sun, 11:30 am - 9:30 pm

# Ready for the 2010 Census?

As the U.S. Census Bureau continues its preparations for next year's count of the U.S. population, residents are urged to visit [www.2010census.gov](http://www.2010census.gov) to learn why it is easy and important for everyone to participate.

The new questionnaire will be mailed to every residential address in March and is made up of just 10 questions, making it the shortest since the first census count in 1790.

Data collected from the completed



questionnaires is kept confidential and used to guide representation in Congress and the distribution of federal funds to state and local governments for the next ten years.

# CITY HALL ONLINE

[WWW.CITYOFDIAMONDBAR.COM](http://WWW.CITYOFDIAMONDBAR.COM)  
24 HOURS a Day, 7 Days a Week

## Accessing Diamond Bar's Municipal Codes

The Municipal Code is the City's official law book made up of rules Diamond Bar residents and business must follow – including every ordinance and zoning regulation. To access the Code, click on the button “Municipal Code” – located on the very top of the website on the right-hand side. It will take you to a searchable online database maintained by the Municipal Code Corporation. You can search for your item by choosing from the topics listed as Topics or for a quick search, simply enter a key word into the search button and click “search.”

# New Weekly Email News Service

If you're a resident or business owner interested in receiving timely reports on community happenings, the City's new weekly electronic newsletter, 'DB Connection,' could be just what you need.

DB Connection is free, subscription-based, and features the latest information about upcoming City events, construction projects and any related road closures, new programs and classes, and other important information. It is delivered every Monday morning to the email inboxes of subscribers.

To take advantage of this new email service, visit the City's website and click on the “e-subscriptions” button.

## Calendar Key

- City Council Meeting\* - starts at 6:30 pm
- Planning Commission Meeting\* - starts at 7 pm
- Traffic & Transportation Commission Meeting\* - starts at 7 pm
- Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting\* - starts at 7 pm
- Transit Late Night - City Hall open until 7 pm
- Candy Cane Craft Fair - Details at [www.cityofdiamondbar.com](http://www.cityofdiamondbar.com)
- Christmas Holiday – City Offices Closed

## December 2009

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\*All meetings take place at the AQMD/Government Center, 21865 Copley Drive. Additional event and meeting details are available at [www.cityofdiamondbar.com](http://www.cityofdiamondbar.com).

# Tiny Tot Registration

Applications are now available for parents who wish to enroll their pre-school aged children in the winter session of the City's Tiny Tots program which runs Monday, January 4 through Friday, March 19.

The popular 11-week enrichment program for children ages 3 to 5 will be available from 9 to 12:30 am at Heritage and Pantera parks. Three year-olds will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays, while four and five-year-olds will meet Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

Tiny Tots is aimed at encouraging



intellectual, physical, and social growth for a positive transition into kindergarten. Activities include story time, music, art, and play time in a safe, fun recreational setting.

The registration fee is \$308 for three-year-olds and \$378 for four-and five-year-olds. For more information, call the City's Recreation Services at 909.839.7070.

# Miss Diamond Bar

## Is it You or Someone You Know?

Miss Diamond Bar Pageant, Inc. is still accepting applications from individuals interested in vying for the 2010 Miss Diamond Bar title. Contestants must be at least 16 years of age and no older than 27 and attend all related dress rehearsals to be eligible to participate in the pageant. For more information or to obtain an application, email [applications@missdiamondbarpageant.org](mailto:applications@missdiamondbarpageant.org), call 909.861.8454, or visit [www.missdiamondbarpageant.org](http://www.missdiamondbarpageant.org).



# Prevent Storm Water Pollution

Winter rain may bring much-needed water to the area but it also poses a serious health hazard through storm water pollution, which transforms our beaches into giant dumping grounds.



During rainfall, waste that includes litter, automotive fluids, construction debris, fertilizer, and pet droppings left on our lawns, parking lots and streets, are washed into storm drains.

Storm drains are designed to prevent flooding by carrying water away from developed areas. However, this water is not filtered or treated, and eventually flows into

our rivers and oceans.

The City urges you to do your part in reducing storm water pollution by following some simple and sensible practices that include cleaning up after your pets, properly disposing of unwanted

household chemicals, sweeping instead of hosing your driveway and sidewalks, and controlling soil erosion on your property by stabilizing erosion-prone areas.

To learn more about storm water pollution prevention, visit the LA County website at [www.ladpw.org/PRG/StormWater/](http://www.ladpw.org/PRG/StormWater/) or contact the City's Public Works Department at 909.839.7040.

# Holiday Tree Collection

Diamond Bar residents can take advantage of free curbside tree collection December 26 through the middle of January 2010, courtesy of Waste Management. Trees should be free of lights, tinsel and stands (flocking is okay), cut into 4-foot lengths, and placed at the curb on your collection day. For more information, contact Waste Management at 909.599.1274.



## Ask City Hall

Answers to commonly asked questions about City services, codes, and other matters pertaining to living and working in Diamond Bar.

**Q** Do I need a permit to have a garage sale?

**A** The City does not require a permit to hold garage or yard sales. However, households are asked to hold no more than two per year. When it comes to signage, residents are also reminded that signs may not be posted on any public right-of-way areas, such as street signs, signals, street light poles, locations in the medians. Signs (not to exceed three square feet in size) may only be displayed on private property during the sale and must be promptly removed when the sale is over. For more information, contact the Neighborhood Improvement Division at 909.839.7030.

# Shop Diamond Bar

Did you know that a portion of sales tax dollars from purchases made in Diamond Bar is returned to benefit the community?



This means that almost every time you buy something within city limits, you are simultaneously investing back into your community because sales tax helps pay for essential City services such as public safety, park maintenance, and recreational programs and services.

To encourage residents to continue to do their gift-buying in town, the City is again offering residents free rides to and from any city-based shopping center as part of its annual Holiday Diamond Ride program.

Participants must be 18 years of age or older or be accompanied by an adult, and have proof of Diamond Bar residency, such as a driver license or utility bill.

Holiday Diamond Ride, aimed at promoting our own business community while boosting local sales tax, will be available through Friday, January 1, 2009. To set up a ride, call 1800.578.6555.

Published by the City of Diamond Bar, City News contains information on City issues, policies, events, and programs. It is published and mailed monthly to all residences and businesses in Diamond Bar. For more information, contact the Public Information Division at 909.839.7056.

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## Find it Fast Phone Directory

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City Council	909.839.7010
Building & Safety	909.839.7020
City Clerk's Office	909.839.7010
City Manager's Office	909.839.7010
Community Development	909.839.7030
Community Services	909.839.7060
Facility Reservations	909.839.7070
Finance	909.839.7050
Human Resources	909.839.7015
Library	909.861.4978
Neighborhood Improvement	909.839.7030
Planning	909.839.7030
Post Office	909.860.2469
Public Information Office	909.839.7055
Public Safety Services	909.839.7075
Public Works/Engineering	909.839.7040
Recreation Services	909.839.7070
Senior Services	909.839.7068
Transit Information	909.839.7045
Voter Registration	562.462.2748

<b>Business Information:</b>	
Business Licenses	909.839.7030
Chamber of Commerce	909.860.1904

<b>School Districts:</b>	
Pomona Unified	909.397.4700
Walnut Valley Unified	909.595.1261

<b>Utilities:</b>	
So Cal Edison (electric)	800.611.1911
So Cal Gas (gas)	800.427.2200
Time Warner (cable TV)	888.892.2253
Verizon (telephone)	800.483.5000
Walnut Valley Water	909.595.7554
Waste Disposal:	
Valley Vista (businesses)	800.442.6454
Waste Management (residents)	909.599.1274

<b>Public Safety:</b>	
Animal Control	909.623.9777
Fire (LA County)*	909.629.9671
Police (LA Co. Sheriff)*	909.595.2264

<b>24-Hour Hotlines:</b>	
Building Inspection Hotline	909.839.7027
Graffiti Hotline	800.794.7384
Job Hotline	909.612.4636 x 1410

\*For emergencies, dial 9-1-1

## Snapshots Around The Community



### UN-BOO-LIEVABLE FUN...

October 31st was a family affair for members of the Agregado Family who dressed up and met up at Heritage Park to enjoy the festivities offered by the City's Fall Fun Festival. The annual event featured several kid-friendly game areas, arts-and-crafts zones, and a picture-taking booth. Only a few feet away, in the Park's Community Center, those older and braver took delight in the chills and thrills offered by the 10-minute self-guided tour through the hair-raising Hall-of-Horrors.

### VETERANS HONORED...

November 5 was a proud day for Diamond Bar veterans and their families when the City held its annual Veterans Recognition Ceremony in their honor. Highlights of the traditional ceremony included the Presentation of Colors by the USMC Color Guard and rendering of the National Anthem and God Bless America by Madison Carney. The award-winning South Pointe Middle School Band set the mood with several patriotic musical selections. The ceremony was taped for broadcast



on the City's TV channel, DBTV3 through the end of December. Visit the City's website [www.cityofdiamondbar.com](http://www.cityofdiamondbar.com) to view DBTV3's schedule.



**WELCOME...**Residents from the newly annexed area, known as the Crestline/ Diamond Canyon neighborhood, had a chance last month to meet and greet City officials and staff during a special City-hosted Welcome Party. The event, was aimed at providing the City's newest residents with information about City-provided services and programs. While young guests partook in a variety of fun activities, their parents and relatives discussed services and programs with City staff.