



# GALT CONNECTIONS

*A City Working For You*

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### SPECIAL DATES

- **July 1st—Fireworks**
- **July 3rd—City Council Meeting**
- **July 12th—Planning Commission Meeting**
- **July 17th—City Council Meeting**
- **Aug 7th —National Night Out**
- **Aug 7th—City Council Meeting**
- **Aug 8th—Rec. Commission Meeting**
- **Aug 9th—Planning Commission Meeting**
- **Aug 15th—Blood Drive**

## CITY FIREWORKS—JULY 1ST

The City of Galt is sponsoring the 2007 Fireworks Display which will be conducted on **Sunday, July 1st** at approximately 9:15pm. Bring the family, along with your lawn chairs, blankets and picnic baskets to the Veterans Soccer Field beginning at 5:30pm. Entertainment (the Vibro Counts) will begin at 6:00pm with the fireworks show at dusk. Glass bottles or alcoholic beverages are strictly prohibited.



For additional information, please contact the Parks & Recreation Department office at 366-7180.

## 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](http://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 Checks" 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.



## GRAFFITI

In an effort to address the increasing occurrences of graffiti vandalism in Galt, the Police Department has established a Graffiti Hotline. The Hotline number is 366-7071. Citizens who see graffiti are asked to call the Hotline and report the location of the graffiti. In addition to the Hotline, GPD is working with neighborhood watch groups to try to establish citizen patrols in the areas most frequently vandalized. Citizens will work in conjunction with GPD at targeted locations during specific hours to deter and assist in the apprehension of graffiti vandals. Any person who is interested in volunteering a few hours a week to join the citizen patrol effort are encouraged to contact TJ Guidotti, Crime Prevention Officer at Galt PD at 744-7021.

Finally, the City of Galt has a beautification committee in place. This committee of volunteers assists the community by painting over graffiti. Any resident who is interested in volunteering with the beautification committee can do so by calling Sue Cory at 209-366-7130.

## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

The 24th annual National Night Out will be celebrated on Tuesday, August 7th. National Night Out is an annual event in dedication to reclaiming communities for families and for making every city neighborhood a safe place to raise children. We at the Galt Police Department, including McGruff and Scruff, are very eager to meet all our neighbors and celebrate this fun and exciting evening. We will be working with citizens and neighborhoods on National Night Out to take back our community. For more information or to assist McGruff and Scruff, please contact T. J Guidotti at the Galt Police Department, (209) 366-7000.



## BIKE RODEO

Everyone is invited to the Bike Rodeo at the Galt Police Department on Saturday, September 22nd, from 10:00am to 2:00pm. Call the Galt Police Department at 366-7056 for more information.



## SUMMER FUN

### Kids in the Park

The Parks and Recreation Department is once again offering the “Kids in the Park” program for local youth. This year the program runs from July 2nd – August 3rd, Monday through Friday from 9:00am – 1:00pm. Bring your children (ages 5 - 12 years of age – Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grades) to the Galt Community Park located at the corner of Walnut and Carillion. Parents will be required to fill out a waiver form and provide the staff with contact information. For more information, please call 366-7180.



### Drama Camp



The City of Galt in conjunction with the Galt High School Director Mr. Nunes are conducting Summer Drama Camps. The camp runs from July 9th – 12th & 16th – 19th. Theater tails ages 3 – 4, 8:00am-9:00am is \$50.00. Mini-players ages 5 – 7, 9:30am-10:30am is \$50.00. Day Campers ages 8 – 12, 11:00am-3:00pm is \$150.00. Sign-ups are being taken at the Parks and Recreation Office. For more information, please call 366-7180.

### “A Day at the Park”

The Parks and Recreation Department is hosting the third in a series of “A Day at the Park” events this summer. The event will be held on Friday August 24<sup>th</sup> from 6:00p.m. – 9:00p.m. at Chabolla Park. These family-oriented events are free to everyone! Come out to the park and enjoy arts and crafts, games and activities. For more information, please call 366-7180.

### Youth Basketball

The Parks and Recreation Department will be taking registration for youth basketball grades 1st through 10th, September 3rd – October 19th. Late registration will be taken the week of October 22nd – October 26<sup>th</sup> with a \$15.00 late fee. For information, please call 366-7180.



## FIGHT THE BITE

### Fight the Bite by following the District's 7Ds

**DRAIN** any standing water that may produce mosquitoes.

**DAWN** and **DUSK** are times to avoid being outdoors. These are the times when mosquitoes are most active.

**DRESS** appropriately by wearing long sleeves and pants when outside.

**DEFEND** yourself against mosquitoes by using an effective insect repellent, such as DEET, Picaridin or Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus. Make sure you follow label directions!

**DOOR** and window screens should be in good working condition. This will prevent mosquitoes from entering your home.

**DISTRICT** personnel are available to address any mosquito problem you may be experiencing by calling 1-800-429-1022 or visiting us online at [FIGHTtheBITE.net](http://FIGHTtheBITE.net).

### West Nile virus

According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), West Nile virus (WNV) is the leading cause of arboviral encephalitis in the United States. Originally discovered in Africa in 1937, WNV was first detected in the western hemisphere in 1999 in New York City. Since then it has caused seasonal epidemics of West Nile virus fever and severe neurological disease. West Nile virus is transmitted to humans and animals through the bite of an infected mosquito. Mosquitoes become infected with WNV when they feed on infected birds.

### 2007 West Nile virus activity update (As the season progresses this will change)

**Level 1** - This year, 0 birds, 0 sentinel chickens, 0 horses, 0 mosquito samples and 0 humans have tested positive for West Nile virus to date.



### 2006 West Nile virus activity

Sacramento County: 16 humans, 1 horse, 89 dead birds, 34 mosquito samples and 13 sentinel chickens tested positive for West Nile virus in 2006

Yolo County: 27 humans, 0 horses, 54 dead birds, 64 mosquito samples and 26 sentinel chickens tested positive for West Nile virus in 2006

**To sign up** for the District's spray notification via e-mail log onto <http://www.fightthebite.net/ulv-signup.php>

**To report a dead bird or squirrel** call 1-877-WNV-BIRD (1-877-968-2473) or visit the California Department of Health Services online at [westnile.ca.gov](http://westnile.ca.gov).



## BLOOD DRIVE—AUGUST 15, 2007

This August, the City of Galt, BloodSource and Baskin-Robbins are continuing their tradition of offering a delicious way to beat the heat. When you donate blood on Wednesday, August 15th at the Littleton Community Center, you will receive a coupon redeemable for a pint of Baskin-Robbins ice cream.

To be a blood donor, one must be in generally good health, at least 17 years old (16 with parental consent) and weigh 110 pounds or more. There is no upper age limit for donating blood. Prospective donors must bring a photo ID. For more information about donating blood, please call 1-866-82-BLOOD or visit their Web site at [www.bloodsource.org](http://www.bloodsource.org).

Visit us at the Galt Community blood drive on Tuesday, August 15th, 3:30pm to 6:30pm located at Littleton Center, 380 Civic Drive and receive your coupon good for a pint of Baskin-Robbins ice cream. For further information, contact the City Clerk's office at 366-7130. *Yes, you do save lives!*





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## CONSTRUCTION ALERT SUMMER 2007



*The following locations within the City of Galt may have construction that could inconvenience the public:*

1. Kost Road, closed between Lincoln Way and Joy Rd. Closure to accommodate realignment of Kost Road with Lincoln Way, and to relocate existing utilities. A detour for cars will be set up at G Street and Joy Rd, and a truck detour at New Hope/Orr Rd to New Hope/F St.
2. Carol Drive, just south of Ayers Lane.
3. E. Stockton Blvd, north of Walnut Ave.
4. Southeast corner of the intersection of Pringle Avenue and Industrial Dr.
5. N. Lincoln Way, just south of Pringle Ave.
6. Fairway Drive.



## CITY HALL INFORMATION

City Hall Information  
366-7130

City Website  
[www.ci.galt.ca.us](http://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

### **For Your Convenience!**

The City of Galt Finance Department now offers several ways to pay your utility bill.

**Sign up for Direct Payment** – your payment will be deducted from your account automatically. You can choose to pay ½ your payment each month or all on the due date. Call 366-7150 for more information or check our website at [www.ci.galt.ca.us](http://www.ci.galt.ca.us).

**ATM/Debit card** – the Finance Department accepts payments via your debit card in our office.\*

**Mastercard/Visa** – the Finance Department now accepts payments using your Mastercard or Visa in our office.\*

\*Convenience fee applies