



# Bulletin Board

## City Offices Closed

- Independence Day - City offices will be closed Wednesday, July 4, 2007.
- Labor Day - City offices will be closed Monday, September 3, 2007.

## Landlord Workshop

The Code Enforcement Division of the Newark Police Department will be hosting a Landlord Workshop on Thursday, June 21, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm, on the sixth floor of the City Administration Building located at 37101 Newark Boulevard. Issues related to the the management of multi-family dwellings, such as landlord responsibilities, complaint resolution, and municipal code compliance will be discussed. Questions or concerns of a community preservation/code enforcement nature can be directed to the Code Enforcement Division at (510) 790-7209.

## Citywide Garage Sale

Newark's Fifth Annual Citywide Garage Sale, sponsored by Tri-Cities Waste Management and the City of Newark, will be on Saturday, June 23, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Citizens and neighborhood groups will hold simultaneous garage sales at their own residences. Check your newspaper on June 22 and June 23 for garage sale locations or call Tri-Cities WM Customer Service at (510) 624-5900 for more information on this annual event.

## Wild and Wacky Wednesdays

What better way to spend your summer evenings as a family than in the park! Come and enjoy these fun and interactive activities on the East Lawn of the Newark Community Park from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Best of all, it's **FREE!** On July 11, experience the funny slapstick approach to magic and juggling of the clown character, Daffy Dave. On July 18, Sandi and Stevie will teach you the little habits of little insect friends and how to live in harmony with them using a combination of humor, song, fantasy, and reality. On July 25, enjoy entertainment from Dana and his performing dog, Lacy. Children must be accompanied by an adult. All seating is on the green so bring a blanket and join us on Wild and Wacky Wednesdays!

## Family Fun Triathlon

Thanks to a generous grant from Kaiser Permanente, the Family Fun Triathlon is back for its second year! On Saturday, September 8, the day will be filled with fun, health, and family exercise at the Silliman Activity and Family Aquatic Center located at 6800 Mowry Avenue. This year we have added an opportunity for 6 to 15 year olds to complete the entire triathlon individually. For those who prefer teams, relay team entries are accepted as well. Triathlon teams will consist of two to three members, with the requirement that at least one member be between the ages of 6 and 15 years old. The event consists of swimming, biking, and running. Registration packets will be available on the City's website at [www.newark.org](http://www.newark.org) or at the Silliman Activity and Family Aquatic Center beginning July 2. Space is limited. For more information, or to volunteer for this event, please call Rebecca Toussaint at (510) 739-2631.

## Newark Days Celebration

Mark your calendar! Newark Days 2007 takes place September 20 - 23, 2007. Bring the whole family and enjoy food and game booths, car and truck show, arts and crafts faire, the Newark Mile, the Newark Information Faire, and the ever-so-popular Newark Days Parade which takes place the morning of September 22. Visit the Newark Days Celebration website at [www.newarkdays.org](http://www.newarkdays.org) for information on this special event.



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## City updates alarm ordinance

Over the last three years the police department has responded to an average of 2,083 alarm activations per year; 97% were false alarms and only 3% required police action or involvement.

The Newark Police Department is hoping to reduce the number of false alarm activations through alarm owner involvement, responsibility, and commitment.

The Newark City Council recently approved changes to the Municipal Code involving Alarms, Activations, and Fines. These changes will take effect July 1, 2007. The most significant changes for the public are as follows:

- All commercial and residential properties with installed alarm hardware are required to have an alarm permit on file with the City of Newark. These permits expire two years after date of issuance.

- Commercial and residential alarm owners are required to renew their alarm permit biennially at a renewal cost of \$10. Alarm owners who have alarm permits currently on file will be required to renew their permits by July 1, 2009, or sooner if information changes to the

permit are necessary, whichever comes first.

- A false alarm is defined as, "the activation of an alarm system through mechanical failure; malfunction; improper installation, maintenance, or operation; or the negligence of the owner, lessees or



their employees or agents." Such terminology does not include, for example, alarm activation caused by earthquakes, violent storms, power fluctuation, or other violent, uncontrollable acts of nature.

- Fines levied for false alarm activations are \$55 for first false alarm, \$105 for second false alarm, \$210 for third false alarm, and \$210 for each subsequent violation

thereafter. Fines will roll back to the previous level after a period of 90 false-alarm-free days for each violation level.

The Code Enforcement Division is responsible for alarm permits, renewals, and billing. If you have any questions or concerns please contact the Code Enforcement Division at (510) 790-7209.

## City of Newark Hours of Operation and Contact Information

**Newark Civic Center**  
 37101 Newark Blvd. (510) 793-1400  
 Monday - Friday 8:00a - 5:00p  
 Tuesday - Thursday 8:00a - 6:00p  
 Cashier and Police Records

**Newark Community Center**  
 35501 Cedar Blvd. (510) 742-4437  
 Monday - Friday 8:00a - 5:00p

**Newark Senior Center**  
 7401 Enterprise Dr. (510) 742-4840  
 Monday - Friday 8:30a - 3:30p

**Silliman Activity Center**  
 6800 Mowry Ave. (510) 742-4400  
 Monday - Thursday 6:00a - 9:00p  
 Friday 6:00a - 10:00p  
 Saturday 8:00a - 7:00p  
 Sunday 8:00a - 5:00p  
 Call for holiday hours/closures.

**Silliman Family Aquatic Center**  
 6800 Mowry Ave. (510) 739-2620  
 Monday - Friday 6:00a - 9:00p  
 Saturday 8:00a - 7:00p  
 Sunday 8:00a - 5:00p  
 Call for holiday hours/closures.

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## Keeping the Fourth of July "Safe and Sane!"

July 4 is just around the corner! For safety's sake, the City will continue its no tolerance policy on the use of illegal fireworks. Only **Safe and Sane** fireworks can be used in the City. **Safe and Sane** fireworks can be identified with the State Fire Marshal's seal of approval imprinted on the packages. The City of Newark is one of a few cities which allow the use of **Safe and Sane** fireworks during the Fourth of July holiday season.

Anyone found in violation of laws related to the use of fireworks will be cited and charged with the appropriate violation. Officers have the discretion to issue one citation for each item of illegal fireworks, which could result in all three offenses occurring simultaneously with one user, for a total fine of \$2,200.

Violations are fined and punishable as follows:

- **Infractions** - fines from \$100 to \$500 plus court costs. Infraction citations will be issued for the use of illegal fireworks or inappropriate use of Safe and Sane fireworks.

- **Misdemeanors** - fines from \$500 to \$1,000 plus court costs and/or imprisonment in county jail for up to one year. Misdemeanor citations will be issued for sale, transfer, transport, or use of illegal fireworks.

- **Felonies** - fines up to \$5,000 plus court costs and up to one year in county jail or state prison. Felony citations will be issued for possessing quantities exceeding one pound of black powder.

Here are a few reminders to help keep your Fourth of July holiday safe:

- **Safe and Sane** fireworks are the only ones approved for use in the City of Newark.

- If it is not **Safe and Sane**, it is illegal and prohibited in the City of Newark.

- The use of **Safe and Sane** fireworks should be restricted to residential areas only and requires the permission of the property owner.

- Fireworks cannot be discharged in City parks or non-residential areas. All parks will close at 7:30 pm on July 4.

- The hours between midnight June 30 and midnight July 4 are the only hours that **Safe and Sane** fireworks can be used in residential areas.

- **Safe and Sane** fireworks will be available for purchase from 12:00 pm to 9:00 pm on June 28 and from 8:00 am to 9:00 pm, June 29 through July 4.

- You must be 18 years of age or older to purchase **Safe and Sane** fireworks.

The City's firework hotline will be activated in June; the number is 1-866-520-SAFE (7233). Anyone wishing to report any illegal activity, including possession, use, or sale of illegal fireworks, is encouraged to call the hotline.

**Have a safe Fourth of July holiday!**

## Personal Emergency Preparedness (PEP)

Disasters claim the lives of thousands each year and leave entire cities devastated. They are not predictable or preventable, so the best thing we can do is be PREPARED and INFORMED.

The City of Newark Fire Department is now offering a short, three-hour Personal Emergency Preparedness (PEP) class where you will learn:

- How to complete a Family Disaster Plan
- How to assemble a Disaster Supply Kit
- How to locate and control utilities in your home after a disaster

- How to prepare for different disasters (e.g., earthquake, flood, terrorist attack, etc.)

For inquiries or to schedule a **FREE** three-hour presentation to prepare you and your group (i.e., business, church, community service group, homeowners association, or neighborhood group) please call the Fire Administration Office at (510) 790-7218 or send an email to [fire@newark.org](mailto:fire@newark.org).

## Pancake Breakfast

The Newark Firefighters Association will be hosting its sixth Annual Firehouse Pancake Breakfast on Wednesday, July 4, from 8:00 am to noon, at Fire Station No. 3 located at 39039 Cherry Street.

There will be a live fire apparatus demonstration, a fire ops demonstration, a kids' activity corner, and a prize raffle.

All proceeds will benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association. The cost of breakfast is \$5 per person. Tickets are available at the event.

For more information, please call the Fire Administration Office at (510) 790-7218.

## Street sweeping Senior Center expansion

Each day throughout the City, our sweeper cleans up pollutants that collect on our streets. Pollutants include litter, leaves, and chemical deposits such as automotive fluids. Street sweeping is an effective way to remove these harmful pollutants from our streets. The pollutants endanger our watershed and leave unsightly debris in our neighborhoods.

Vehicles leave behind automotive fluids and microscopic metals such as copper from brake pads. These pollutants are virtually invisible, but they can be extremely harmful to the wildlife in the bay. These invisible pollutants run into the storm drains which travel directly into the bay without filtering.

The visible pollutants such as leaves, paper, and other debris end up trapped against the gutters and in storm drains. Not only are these larger, more visible items unsightly, they can block storm drains causing localized flooding when it rains.

The biggest problem the street sweeper faces when attempting to remove these pollutants is the obstacle course encountered along the gutter. Basketball hoops, garbage cans, vehicles, and trailers left in the street prevent the sweeper from hugging the curb and performing the most effective sweeping possible.

Residents can help by knowing the monthly sweeping schedule for your neighborhood and moving any vehicles parked on the street, moving your basketball hoop into your driveway, and by placing your garbage cans behind the curb (Waste Management is required to place the cans behind the curb after emptying them).

The monthly sweeping schedule can be found on the City's website at [www.newark.org](http://www.newark.org). From the main page, click on **Public Works** listed under **City Departments**, scroll down to **Maintenance Division**, and click on the **Street Sweeping** link.

If you have any questions regarding street sweeping or the schedule, please contact the City of Newark Service Center at (510) 742-4806 or by email at [maintenance@newark.org](mailto:maintenance@newark.org)

The project to expand Newark's Senior Center is well underway! Site grading and underground utility work for the parking lot expansion are progressing on schedule along with foundation construction for the building addition. Framing of the building addition should be in full swing by mid-summer.

Remember, the Senior Center will remain open during construction for all of your favorite activities. Construction is scheduled to be complete in early November, 2007.



Newark Senior Center

## A City at Fifty

Author Bruce MacGregor has completed *Newark: A City at Fifty*, a continuation of the story begun in 1976 titled, *A Centennial History of Newark*.

Beginning with the City's incorporation, *Newark: A City at Fifty* takes readers to the year 2005, completing a narrative journey of some two hundred years of Newark history to the present.

Stop by the Cashier's window at the City Administration Building located at 37101 Newark Boulevard to purchase a book for \$25 plus tax.

Also available for purchase are copies of *A Centennial History of Newark* for the price of \$16 plus tax. Purchase both *Newark: A City at Fifty* and *A Centennial History of Newark*, and pay a total discounted price of \$35 plus tax.

## Music at the Grove

The City of Newark is proud to present our 21<sup>st</sup> season of **FREE** Sunday concerts at the beautiful Shirley Sisk Grove located at the corner of Cedar Boulevard and NewPark Mall Road.

Join us as we start off the summer with **Big Bang Beat**, a Grove favorite for the last 21 years, on Sunday, July 1; followed by nationally acclaimed entertainer/songwriter/recording artist **Joni Morris**, on Sunday, July 15, as she performs her *Legendary Ladies of Country Music* show.

On Sunday, July 29, **The Unauthorized Rolling Stones** will perform their rendition of the high energy music of the Rolling Stones. **The Joe Sharino Band**, winner of 15 Best Bay Area Band Awards, will perform on Sunday, August 12.

Don't forget to cap off the summer with Grove Appreciation Day featuring **The Drifters** on Sunday, August 26. Join us for an afternoon of family fun including children's entertainment, Jump House, face painting, raffle, and BBQ. Then sit back and enjoy the sounds of The Drifters as they perform their classics including "Under the Boardwalk" and "Up on the Roof."

All seating is on the green with plenty of room for everyone. Bring your family and friends to the Grove and enjoy the sounds of summer!

### Concert schedule

Sunday, July 1	1:30 pm
<b>Big Bang Beat</b>	
Sunday, July 15	1:30 pm
<b>Joni Morris</b>	
Sunday, July 29	1:30 pm
<b>The Unauthorized Rolling Stones</b>	
Sunday, August 12	1:30 pm
<b>The Joe Sharino Band</b>	
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<b>The Drifters</b>	

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