

# HAWAJANGARDENS monthly newsletter MARCH 2007

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# TOWN HALL MEETING TO ADDRESS GANG VIOLENCE AND HATE CRIMES

On Monday, March 19, 2007, the City Council will have a Town Hall Meeting, the second in a series of meetings, to address the issues and challenges in our community relating to gang violence and hate crimes. This meeting will take place at 6:00 p.m. at Furgeson Elementary School, 22215 Elaine Street, Hawaiian Gardens. Members of the Los Angeles

County Sheriff's Department, ABC Unified School District and other community leaders will be present to discuss these issues. The community is encouraged to participate and support our City. Mark your calendar and we will see you there. Refreshments will be served. If you have any questions, please contact Sue Underwood, City Clerk, at (562) 420-2641, ext. 251.

### MAYOR'S WALK OF ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Once again, the City of Hawaiian Gardens Mayor's Youth Walk of Achievement Program will be awarding \$30,000 in scholarships to qualifying high school students that reside in Hawaiian Gardens.

Last year, this program awarded eleven scholarships to graduating high school students to pursue higher education. In addition to the scholarship award the top three recipient's names were placed on a plaque located on the Mayor's Youth Walk of Fame on Carson Street.

Applications will be available at local high schools beginning March 2, 2007. High school seniors that wish to apply must be Hawaiian Gardens residents with a minimum overall grade point average of 2.00. Applications and essays must be received by the City of Hawaiian Gardens on April 6th, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. For further information, please contact Rita Gallardo at (562) 420-2641 ext. 201.

### **43RD ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION ANNOUNCEMENT**

The City of Hawaiian Gardens is preparing for its 43rd Anniversary celebration with a Carnival & Parade. The Parade will be Saturday, March 31. This year our Grand Marshal will be the Honorable Assembly Member Tony Mendoza, State Assembly 56th District. Our Community Grand Marshal will be Paul Gonzales, Principal of Pharis Fedde Junior High School.

A parade with floats, equestrian units, bands, drill teams and much more will begin at 11:00 a.m. on the corner of Arline and Civic Center and end at Fedde Middle School with an Award Ceremony.

There will be a 4-day Carnival held at Pharis Fedde Middle School from Thursday, March 29 – April 1. Food and Information Booths will be sponsored by local youth and non-profit community organizations. The Carnival hours are as follow:

March 29, from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. March 30, from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

March 31 & April 1, from 12:00noon-11:00p.m.

Pre sale tickets will be available at City Hall during the month of March. For more information, please call (562) 240-2641 ext. 229.

### **NOTICE OF STREET CLOSURE DURING THE CITY'S 43rd ANNIVERSARY PARADE**

The following streets will be closed on Saturday, March 31, 2007 and no parking will be allowed between 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.:

- Carson Street
- Violeta Avenue
- Norwalk Boulevard
- 214th Street
- Civic Center Drive
- 221st Street
- Arline Avenue
- 223rd Street
- Clarkdale Avenue

### AMERICA'S MULTI-CULTURAL MUSIC HERITAGE NEIGHBORHOOD ARTS PROGRAM

Hawaiian Gardens Public Library is pleased to present Neighborhood Arts Program series. "America's Multi Cultural Music Heritage" is a program that provides an overview of the diversity of America's music. Instruments demonstrated include: Indian flute, acoustic guitar, Djembe drum, saxophone and more.

"America's Multi-Cultural Music Heritage," will be

presented at the **Hawaiian Gardens Public Library** at "America's Multi-Cultural Music Heritage," performed 12100 E Carson St. #E, Hawaiian Gardens; on by Craig Newton, musician, and is part of the Wednesday, March 21, 2007, beginning promptly at 4:00 p.m. Please join us, celebrate, and learn more about our stories, our communities and ourselves. This FREE program is for school-aged children and their families. For more information, please call Hawaiian Gardens Public Library at (562) 496 -1212. Hawaiian Gardens Public Library is a part of the County of Los Angeles Public Library system.

### SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES ARE NOT IMMIGRATION AGENTS

It has come to our attention that some residents in Hawaiian Gardens are reluctant to call the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department when they need assistance out of fear of being deported. Deputies are not immigration agents. Immigration laws are enforced by Federal agents such as Immigration and Customs Enforcement, also known as ICE.

The Sheriff's Department enforces state and local laws. Residents should not be afraid to call the Sheriff's Department to report a crime or incident. Our mission is public safety for all residents. We are here to protect and assist every person who needs our help. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Lakewood Sheriff's Department at (562) 623-3500.

**EMAIL US AT: Rita Gallardo** rgallardo@hgcity.org **NEXT NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING** 

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## **MARCH 7, 2007**

The next Neighborhood Watch Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 7, 2007, at 6:00 pm in the C. Robert Lee Center, Room A, at 21815 Pioneer Boulevard, Hawaiian Gardens.

For more meeting information, please contact Steven Peguero, Community Relations Officer, at (562) 420-2641, ext. 224.

### CITY OF HAWAIIAN GARDENS **JANUARY 2007**

### **REPORTABLE CRIMES**

Part I Crime	December
Homicide	0
Rape	0
Aggravated Assault	3
Robbery	7
Burglary	0
Theft	6
Auto Theft	5
Arson	1

At the request of the City Council and residents, crimes statistics have been prepared for general information. A monthly report will be present on the newsletter. http://hawaijangardens. areaconnect.com/crime1.htm

# AN EARLY "SPLASH"

Residents will not have to wait until summer to enjoy Lee Ware Pool. Starting in March, the Pool will be open three days a week. As part of the City's goal to encourage exercise and good health, the pool will offer residents the opportunity to participate in aquatics programs such as swimming lessons (youth and adult), senior aquatics, recreation swim, Mommy and Me classes and the Hawaiian Gardens Sharks Swim Team.

Residents are encouraged to register early, as space is limited. Please contact staff at (562) 420.2641, extension 229 to register or receive additional information.

**OUR YOUTH - OUR FUTURE** MAKING A DIFFERENCE IS WHAT IT IS ALL ABOUT

