



# The Acorn

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## City Calendar

### June

- 9— 6 P.M. Planning Commission Meeting
- 23— 6 P.M. City Council Meeting

### July

- 5— **Independence Day - City Hall Closed**
- 14— 6 P.M. Planning Commission Meeting
- 27— 6 P.M. City Council Meeting

### August

- 11— 6 P.M. Planning Commission Meeting
- 24— 6 P.M. City Council Meeting

### September

- 6— **Labor Day - City Hall Closed**
- 8— 6 P.M. Planning Commission Meeting
- 28— 6 P.M. City Council Meeting

### October

- 4— **Extra Garbage Pick-up Day**
- 13— 6 P.M. Planning Commission Meeting
- 26— 6 P.M. City Council Meeting

### November

- 7— **Daylight Savings Time Ends**
- 11— **Veterans Day - City Hall Closed**
- 10— 6 P.M. City Council Meeting
- 16— 6 P.M. Planning Commission Meeting
- 25-26— **Thanksgiving - City Hall Closed**

### December

- 8— 6 P.M. Planning Commission Meeting
- 28— 6 P.M. City Council Meeting
- 24— **Christmas Eve- City Hall Closed**
- 31— **New Years Day- City Hall Closed**

### January

- 12— 6 P.M. Planning Commission Meeting
- 17— **MLK's Birthday—City Hall Closed**
- 25— 6 P.M. City Council Meeting

### February

- 9— 6 P.M. Planning Commission Meeting
- 21— **Presidents Day—City Hall Closed**
- 22— 6 P.M. City Council Meeting

### March

- 7— **Extra Garbage Pick-up Day**
- 9— 6 P.M. Planning Commission Meeting
- 13— Daylight Savings Time Begins
- 22— 6 P.M. City Council Meeting
- 31— **Cesar Chavez Day—City Hall Closed**

### April

- 13— 6 P.M. Planning Commission Meeting
- 26— 6 P.M. City Council Meeting

### May

- 12— 6 P.M. Planning Commission Meeting
- 25— 6 P.M. City Council Meeting
- 31— **Memorial Day—City Hall Closed**

## Del Rey Oaks Police Department Officers Promoted



### Sergeant Chris Bourquin

Fifteen year veteran Del Rey Oaks Police Officer Chris Bourquin will be promoted to the rank of Sergeant in a ceremony at City Hall on June 23, 2010 . Officer Bourquin replaces Sgt. Mario Villarreal who retired earlier this year with over twenty years of service with DROPD.

Officer Bourquin joined the Del Rey Oaks Police Department in 1995, after successfully completing the Monterey Peninsula College Police Academy. Since that time, he has attended a variety of advanced law enforcement training schools including the Field Training Officer Course and Crisis Intervention Course. He is the department's senior Field Training Officer.

Officer Bourquin has been the lead investigator in many of DROPD's largest cases. He was the primary Officer who responded to the bank robbery of the Wells Fargo Bank at Safeway in February 2009.



### Officer Henry Muse

Henry "Hank" Muse joined the Del Rey Oaks Police Department in 2001 after successfully completing the Monterey Peninsula College Police Academy. He has worked for the citizens of Del Rey Oaks for the past ten years as a Reserve Officer. Officer Muse has worked every shift, special event and assignment. Officer Muse will be sworn in on June 23, 2010 as our newest fulltime officer.

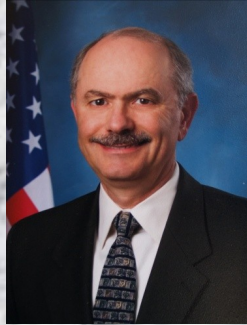
# DEL REY OAKS CITY COUNCIL



Mayor  
Jerry Edelen



Vice Mayor  
Kristin Clark



Council Member  
Dennis Allion



Council Member  
Jeff Cecilio



Council Member  
Mike Zuccaro

The City Council is comprised of five elected officials. Each Council Member is elected for a four year term and the Mayor is elected for a two year term. Every citizen in Del Rey Oaks is eligible to run for office and all of our Council Members each have experience in different walks of life adding to the expertise of the Council as a whole. The City Council meets the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Charlie Benson Memorial Hall, at Del Rey Oaks City Hall at 6 p.m.

## DEL REY OAKS PLANNING COMMISSION

The Del Rey Oaks Planning Commission is appointed by the City Council for a two year term. Your Planning Commission Members are responsible for keeping the look and feel of Del Rey Oaks consistent with the standards set forth by the founders. All Del Rey Oaks residents are eligible to apply to be a Planning Commissioner. The next appointment will be in July of 2011. Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month in the Charlie Benson Memorial Hall, at Del Rey Oaks City Hall at 6 pm. Your Planning Commissioners are:

**Andy Clarke, Chair**   **Gale Weir, Vice Chair**   **George Jaksha**  
**Mike Hayworth**   **Frank Lucido Jr**   **Bill Thayer**   **Scott Larson**



## FIREWORKS PROHIBITED IN THE CITY OF DEL REY OAKS

Fireworks of any type are illegal in the City of Del Rey Oaks. The Fire Danger is just too great! Please enjoy the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, and report any discharges of fireworks to the Del Rey Oaks Police Department by calling the non-emergency telephone number – 375-8525.



Citizens Action Group

## 2010 — Save the Dates!



**Community Garage Sale:**  
Saturday, July 31<sup>st</sup> – 8am-2pm

**Annual Picnic in the Park:**  
Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup> – 12pm-3pm



**Santa's Workshop:**  
Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup> – 12pm-2pm

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## **Del Rey Oaks Police Department To Participate in 4th of July Parade**

For the second time in 25 years, Del Rey Oaks Police Department will participate in the City of Seaside Parade of Champions. The event will be held on Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 p.m. Please come out and enjoy the parade and help DROPD represent the City of Del Rey Oaks. For more information, visit the City of Del Rey Oaks Website at [www.delreyoaks.org](http://www.delreyoaks.org).





## A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR EDELEN

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I am honored to serve as the Mayor of the City of Del Rey Oaks. My family moved here in 1953, the year of our city's incorporation, and as a child I learned to dance at the current City Hall building, which at the time served as the Del Rey Oaks Fire Department. Becoming your Mayor has been the culmination of a life-long dream.

There are numerous, very positive developments going on in our city.

We now have a professional, full-time, City Manager, Mr. Daniel Dawson. Dan joined our city last August and he has really hit the ground running. He has initiated many new projects and has brought in significant new sources of revenue. His calm, effective leadership style has earned the loyalty and respect of both the City Staff and the City Council.

Currently, there are several real estate developers interested in developing different parcels within our city and if our City Council accepts any of their bids, significant additional revenue will flow into the city coffers. Please be assured, your City Council is not interested in turning Del Rey Oaks into another San Jose. We want to develop some of the open land in our city for the benefit of all of our residents and to insure the future financial viability of our city. No one wants to revisit the onerous task of asking for support of another Public Safety Tax.

CAL-AM is exploring purchasing the water rights of various wells located within our boundaries. If water rights are purchased, our city could be looking at another significant income stream (pun intended)!

Both City Manager Dan Dawson and myself pride ourselves in being selfless, public servants, dedicated to open and responsive government serving you, the citizens of Del Rey Oaks.

If we can ever be of any assistance or if you have any ideas on how to make our wonderful city an even better place to live; please contact us.

Again, I'm deeply honored to serve as your Mayor.



## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR NEW CITY MANAGER

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I am both pleased and honored to be your new City Manager. I came here in August 2009, with 8 years experience working as the Administrative Services Officer for the Community Development Department in the northern California city of Santa Rosa, where I managed a budget of \$8M and a department of 75 people in the Building, Planning and Engineering Divisions.

I love small towns, and Del Rey Oaks citizens and staff have welcomed me here with open arms! I grew up in a small apple farming town west of Santa Rosa called Sebastopol, with my 2 brothers and 1 sister, where I learned the values of hard work, honesty (my Uncle was the Chief of Police) and integrity.

I arrived just 2 weeks prior to long-time Mayor Russell's resignation and a time of change in your City Government. The staff here is the greatest asset of the City and I have never seen a more dedicated group of individuals anywhere! They are here, as I am, to serve you in a professional and responsive manner.

Most of my first nine months here have been spent getting to know the community, introducing myself to the awesome volunteer group known as the Citizens Action Group, partaking in the Annual Picnic and other activities put together by this wonderful group! The Monument signs look fantastic with the flowers in full bloom and the planters at City Hall were filled with colorful plants courtesy of the Citizens Action Group as well, thank you!

The Holiday and Recognition Dinner held at the Ryan Ranch Grill was a huge success and was attended by virtually 100% of Staff, Council Members and Planning Commissioners. Thanks to Mayor Edelen, the Reserve Police Officers and our office Staff for making it a fabulous occasion enjoyed by all!

Learning the issues and people involved in the politics and operations of the key services we depend upon has taken most of my time. The water issues that affect the Peninsula and the entire State, development and infrastructure on the former Fort Ord Army Base, the State Budget Crisis in a poor economy and how cities like ours are affected; these issues and challenges are ongoing. One of my key tasks was to generate additional revenue to the City and reduce expenses by looking for opportunities in many different areas. I am pleased to say that we have been able to generate an additional \$235K in one-time revenue and an additional \$72k annually into the future. We negotiated a Water Franchise Agreement with Cal Am Water Company that paid us \$45k this year and will pay about \$10k annually. We expanded the Public Services we provide for outside projects and activities, creating additional revenue for the City. We reduced our vehicle fleet by 4, including elimination of the Hummer formerly used by the Chief of Police. The City organization has been flattened, with each position taking on more responsibilities with fewer levels of hierarchy. Although our neighbor cities are facing difficult budget decisions we are on solid financial ground due to fiscally conservative policies from prior leadership as well as modest retirement plans in comparison to surrounding cities.

Changes have occurred in the Fort Ord Development Area as well. We have disengaged ourselves from Federal LLC and the Resort at Del Rey Oaks Project due to their non-payment and non-action over the past year on the project. This has created an opportunity to negotiate and work with a new developer with the professional and financial capabilities to move a project forward. The General Jim Moore Boulevard roadway through our property is well underway, including the infrastructure for water, recycled water, sewer and cable systems. The time is right to move forward due to many of the past issues achieving or reaching resolution. We will select the very best project that will provide the greatest long term benefits to your City.

I am delighted to be working with a cohesive City Council that values a team approach to problem solving and decision making. Upon Mayor Russell's resignation Mayor Jerry Edelen assumed the leadership and mayoral role on the City Council, Kristen Clark became Vice-Mayor and Councilman Mike Zuccaro was appointed after having served on the Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission selected Andy Clarke as Chairman to take a lead role previously held by longtime Commissioner and Chair, George Jaksha. Scott Larson was appointed to fill the vacancy created when Mike Zuccaro went to become a City Councilman. Scott is a local entrepreneur who brings fresh ideas and enthusiasm to the City, welcome Scott!

# Storm Water Concerns



The City of Del Rey Oaks is a member of the Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency (MRWPCA). One of the MRWPCA responsibilities is to monitor the storm water that goes into the Monterey Bay for pollutants.

MRWPCA is also responsible for overseeing the completion of the City's annual storm water permit, and to help us comply with the regulations, best management practices, and measurable goals as outlined in our adopted storm water plan.

You as our residents have a crucial role in our Storm Water Plan and permit. These include:

- ◆ Report any foreign liquids or solids that you see in the City gutters, storm drains or streets to the Police Department at 831-375-8525. Some examples would be paint, fuel, concrete, sewage & debris, including litter, etc.
- ◆ If you see any liquid coming out of a manhole, report it to the Police Department.
- ◆ Please keep the gutter in front of your home free of leaves, pine needles and other debris.
- ◆ Do not change the oil or other fluids of your vehicle in the street.
- ◆ Move your vehicle out of the street on street sweeping day (Usually the first Wednesday of each Month).





# Monterey Regional Waste Management District OPEN HOUSE AND TOURS

Saturday, June 12, 2010  
10 AM - 2 PM

Ever wonder where “away” is when you throw something away? Learn how waste is reduced, reused and recycled, and renewable energy produced for our community. Take a tour, talk to the experts, attend a compost clinic and much more for the whole family. Join us and find out why the MRWMD was named “The Best Solid Waste System in North America.”



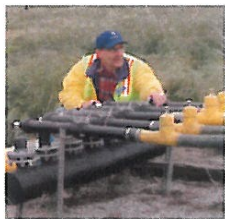
## Bus Tours of MRWMD

Materials Recovery Facility, Commercial Composting, Concrete Recycling, Landfill and more  
10:30 AM, 11:30 AM & 12:30 PM



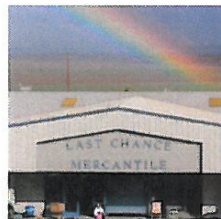
## Compost Clinics

Learn how to compost at home and make your own high quality soil amendment. Bring your questions, we have answers!  
10:30 AM, 11:30 AM & 12:30 PM



## Renewable Energy from Landfill Gas

Walking Tours: Learn how we produce 5 megawatts of electricity from landfill gas.  
11 AM & 1 PM



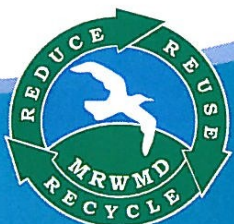
## Last Chance Mercantile

Why throw it away when you can reuse it? We're the only landfill in California with a “reuse” store. Find out what our customers love about the Last Chance. Special promotions and savings all day.

## Visit our Zero Waste Food Court

At the Last Chance Mercantile

While you're here, check out the New and Improved Community Recycling Drop-off.



*It's a small planet - Recycle!*

**RSVP for this FREE event!**  
**www.mrwmd.org or 384-5313**



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Located 2 miles north of Marina, 14201 Del Monte Blvd.





## 2010 Clean-Up Day for Del Rey Oaks is Monday, October 4th

On your regular pick-up day of Monday, October 4th you may leave up to seven additional bags or seven 32-gallon garbage cans in addition to your regular garbage. Make sure bags and cans are secured and at the curb with your regular garbage by 6:00 a.m. Please **NO** bulky items (such as furniture, water heaters or refrigerators) unless you have pre-arranged a pick up for a large item with Waste Management at (831) 384-5000 and **NO** Hazardous waste! (See Hazardous waste disposal Chart below).

If the items you're throwing away are reusable, consider donating them to local charities, or holding a yard sale with your neighbors for extra cash. Also, check if any of the items are approved to be set out with your recyclables. Remember, reusing is another way of recycling.

**SENIORS: Waste Management now offers smaller trash cans for easier handling. Call 384-5000 for information.**



Citizens Action Group

## Garage Sale Signage

**We need help with installing signs  
for the following streets in Del Rey Oaks** 

We rely on  
volunteers to  
make every  
event in  
Del Rey Oaks  
a success!



Rosita  
Los Encinos  
Via Verde  
Work Ave  
Quendale

Please email: [delreyoacag@yahoo.com](mailto:delreyoacag@yahoo.com) or call Kristin: 394-6958 or Kelley: 899-1593





# Annual Picnic Coming Soon!



Citizens Action Group

The Citizens Action Group wants to have a  
KIDDIE PARADE

We need one or two helpers to coordinate and assist along the parade route.

Please email: [delreyoakscag@yahoo.com](mailto:delreyoakscag@yahoo.com) or call Kristin: 394-6958 or Kelley: 899-1593

## What City Hall Hears About Most!

Dogs are barking incessantly, keeping us awake!



**The Del Rey Oaks Municipal Code states in part:** It is unlawful to keep or harbor any dog, cat or other animal which, by reason of its barking, howling, yelping or other noise habitually disturbs the peace of any person.

There are loose dogs running around the neighborhood!



**The Del Rey Oaks Municipal Code states in part:** It is unlawful for any person owning or having charge, care, control of any dog, whether licensed or vaccinated or not, to suffer, allow or permit any such dog to run at large in any public street, etc.

I'm tired of looking at my neighbors garbage cans!



**The Del Rey Oaks Municipal Code states in part:**  
It is unlawful for any persons to allow garbage or refuse container(s) to remain at the curb for a longer period of time than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the date of collection, or for a longer period of time than twenty-four (24) hours after collection.

There is a car parked on the street that has not moved for weeks!



**The Del Rey Oaks Municipal Code states in part:**  
No person who owns or has possession, custody or control of any vehicle shall park such vehicle upon any street or alley for more than a consecutive period of seventy-two (72) hours.

I'm tired of looking at that huge mobile home parked across the street!



**The Del Rey Oaks Municipal Code states in part:** A use permit is required to store a recreational vehicle on a residential parcel of land in the City.

There is illegal construction going on down the block!



Please call the City Clerk's Office (394-8511) to find out if you need a permit before you begin construction, remodeling, or making structural improvements to your property. These permits are issued for your protection. A permit will require that our building inspector checks construction to make sure that it conforms to the Uniform Building Code and that the Contractor has a business license and proper insurance.

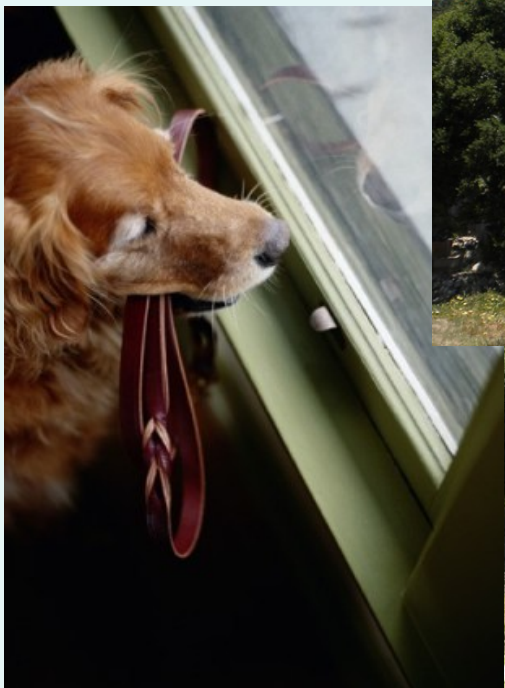
## Del Rey Oaks Park Rehabilitation Project

The City of Del Rey Oaks has received a \$95,000.00 grant from the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation.

The City Council has formed a committee to prioritize the use of the funds. Committee Members are Vice-Mayor Kristin Clark, Council Member Jeff Cecilio, Planning Commissioner Frank Lucido, resident Kathi Buckley Smith, and City Operations Supervisor, Ron Langford. The Committee has identified and prioritized three projects.

- ◆ Remodel and retrofit the park restrooms.
- ◆ Remodel Old Town Hall.
- ◆ Place a fence around the dedicated dog park.

These projects are in the planning phase. The grant proposal is being drafted for review and submission to the California State Parks Department.







**Can you guess what year this photograph was taken?**



The Del Rey Oaks  
Citizen's Action Group  
Volunteered to Beautify  
the Planters Around  
City Hall

The Del Rey Oaks Citizen's Action Group ( DROCAG ) planted new drought tolerant plants in all the large planter boxes around City Hall. They were also responsible for the beautiful daffodils planted in our new monument signs. The DROCAG does a great deal of work around the City like coordinating the annual community garage sale, annual picnic, putting on the holiday party at old town hall with snacks, crafts and a visit from Santa, delivering welcome baskets to new residents and helping our home bound residents. They are a great asset to the City of Del Rey Oaks and just another reason this is such a wonderful place to live.

# CITY OF DEL REY OAKS DIRECTORY

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