



A message from the City Manager

July 2018

Greetings Fontana,

From an agricultural town to a city booming as a medical, transportation and manufacturing hub for the country, the City of Fontana has come a long way since its founding in 1905. In the month of June, the City of Fontana was named the Most Prosperous City in the State of California and the Fourth Most Prosperous City in the country out of cities with a population over 100,000. Fontana was specifically recognized for its increase in population, rise in home values and change in residents with a higher education degree. We have become the pride of the Inland Empire with our parks, library, award-winning programs and of course, our signature summer events.

The City of Fontana and its residents are saying hello to summer and gearing up for a variety of outdoor activities and programs for the entire family. During July, the city hosts numerous events including the popular Fontana's Fourth of July Celebration and the Fontana Arts Festival.

The Fourth of July Celebration at Fontana High School will light up the sky with a patriotic fireworks display. The event includes food vendors, giveaways, and activities for all ages and entertainment from the Gap Experience performing their hits such as "Outstanding" and "You Dropped a Bomb on Me." Gates open at 5:00 p.m. and the fireworks show begins at 9:00 p.m. The event sells out every year, so the public is encouraged to purchase the \$5.00 tickets in advance.

As a reminder, the City of Fontana has a zero-tolerance policy toward the use of illegal fireworks. The Fontana Police Department will be heavily enforcing fireworks-related violations. Fines for possession and use of illegal fireworks range from \$2,500 to \$10,000. We wish you a safe Fourth of July and encourage you to celebrate responsibly.

Beat the heat this month by making a splash at the Dive-In Movies. The poolside movies will be hosted on Fridays at the Heritage Center (7350 W. Liberty Pkwy) and Saturdays at the Don Day Center (14501 Live Oak Ave) through July 28 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Join us for a movie on the big screen and cool off with a night swim.

The Dive-In Movies schedule is:

Heritage Center

Fridays | 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

July 6: Emoji Movie

July 13: Cars 3

July 20: Ratatouille

July 27: Coco

Don Day

Saturdays | 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

July 7: Emoji Movie

July 14: Cars 3

July 21: Ratatouille

July 28: Coco

Community members are encouraged to arrive on time, as space is limited. Regular swim admission fees apply. Visit Aquatics.Fontana.org or call (909) 854-5111 for more information.

The Summer Concerts in the Park series at the newly constructed Miller Park Amphitheater is your destination for Thursday evenings this month. I invite you all to stop by and enjoy free outdoor entertainment starting at 7:00 p.m. every Thursday through August 2. The concerts also include activities for kids and food options to purchase. Visit events.fontana.org for a complete schedule of performances throughout the series.

Take a step back in time on July 21 as the city opens a 50-year old time capsule left behind at the Don Day Community Center. Can you imagine what life was like in Fontana half a century ago? Join the city at 8:00 a.m. as we get a glimpse into the treasures of our past.

Speaking about the treasures of our past, the Fontana Theater was originally built in 1937 as a single screen movie theater. In 2008, the City of Fontana completed a \$6.5 million dollar renovation at the venue and renamed it "Center Stage Theater." Today, it stands as the Inland Empire's finest dinner theater for Broadway-style productions, touring artists, and community and private events. Celebrate the venue's 10-year anniversary as a dinner theater on Thursday, July 26 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Lastly, we close out the month with our popular Fontana Arts Festival at Fontana Park from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. We invite you to experience over 50 artists and vendors blending a variety of inspirational performing arts including music, dance and workshops. The free family-friendly event is the perfect way to spend the last weekend in July.

We hope you will participate in the many activities and programs that the city is offering this month. As always, we appreciate your cooperation as we work to make Fontana a shining example of exceptional municipal service. Whether you are here to live, work or play, we know Fontana is a great place to be.

All the best,

Ken Hunt