

"Preserving Rural Tranquility"



The City of Bradbury would like to wish everyone in the community a wonderful new year! We hope this year is filled with lots of love and laughter. Here are a few things to look forward to in 2024:

The NFL Super Bowl (LVII) will be held in Las Vegas, Nevada on February 11th Bradbury Night Out will take place on June 20th, 2024 at City Hall. The Summer Olympics will take place in Paris from July 26th – August 11th. The U.S. Presidential Election will take place on November 5th.

These are just a couple exciting things happening this new year! We look forward to the many opportunities to better serve our residents and community in the coming year!

## **ARE YOU UPDATED ON CONNECT CTY?**

The City of Bradbury likes to keep its residents informed. If you would like to be updated on what is going on in the City, make sure you are updated on the Connect CTY platform! The City has implemented the Connect-CTY service to provide City officials the ability to communicate with residents regarding time-sensitive matters, such as unforeseen events or emergencies.

With this system the City can quickly contact you by telephone, cell phone, or e-mail regarding urgent and important information. For example, in the event of an emergency, the City can quickly let you know what to do or where to go for services. Only authorized City officials are allowed to send messages. Other non-emergency messages can be sent by email regarding upcoming meetings, events, or workshops.

Please take a minute to update your information here.

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### Quote of the Month:

"May every day be a new beginning, and every dawn bring us closer to that shining City upon a hill."

#### - Ronald Reagan



Watching the iconic Rose Parade is an annual New Year tradition. Here are a few interesting facts to keep in mind the next time you watch the floral floats, marching bands, and equestrians travel down Colorado Boulevard.





- More than 18 million flowers are used for the floats that travel through the streets of Pasadena, California.
- Roses are not the only flowers used on the floats. Float designers are permitted to decorate with pretty much any natural material, though, so you may notice leaves, seeds, bark, and even fruits and veggies being put to creative use.
- The Tournament of Roses demands about **80,000 hours** of manpower from over **900 volunteers** every year.
- Float decorating takes place indoors in "float barns" around Pasadena, kept at chilly temperatures to preserve the cut flowers. You can spot volunteers decorating floats with jackets and scarves!



• Most of the flowers are composted after the parade. The flowers themselves (and other natural materials) usually start to wilt after a few days on display, so most are composted or recycled into mulch to help new plants grow.

There are so many fun, family friendly activities taking place in the surrounding communities. Try something new this year and enjoy the lovely events in the neighborhood!

#### MONROVIA

Join the community of Monrovia for their weekly Friday Farmers Market that will take place on the 5th, 12th, 19th, and 26th in the month of January! The location is 700 S. Myrtle Avenue and free parking is available in parking lots between Myrtle & Olive.

#### IRWINDALE

Visit the Irwindale Speedway for the 3rd annual Mooneyes New Years Car Show & Drag Race on January 27th. The Show starts at 9 am and parking is limited. Kids 12 and under enjoy Free Entry. For more information about events at Irwindale Speedway visit <u>HERE</u>.

#### ARCADIA

Visit the 626 Night Market for a special one-weekend-only, free-to-attend 626 Night Market on January 6th & 7th. The 626 Night Market and Netflix are collaborating in celebration of the show The Brothers Sun debuting on Netflix. Savor this brand new show (starring Michelle Yeoh!) with over 3 dozen unique food, art, merchandise vendors in Arcadia, and special surprise appearances by the cast of Netflix's The Brothers Sun streaming January 4th. Get your Tickets <u>HERE</u>.

#### PASADENA

Head over to the Rose Bowl Flea Market beginning on January 14th at 9:00 am. On the second Sunday of every month, you can experience over 2,500 vendors full of antiques, vintage clothing, local art, and specialty products. Visit <u>HERE</u> for more information.

# LOCAL HAPPENINGS



Meeting agendas are posted at the City Hall entrance gate. The Tuesday, January 16, 2024 agenda will be available on the City's website by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 12th. To view upcoming agendas and prior City Council meeting minutes, please visit http://cityofbradbury.org/city-hall/city-council/agendas-minutes.

## DON'T IGNORE IT. REPORT IT.

If you see any suspicious activity or if you believe you have witnessed a crime please report it by contacting the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department- Temple Station at (626) 285-7171. If there is an emergency, please dial 911.



## BE PREPARED.

One of the ways to prevent crime in your neighborhood is to install security cameras in or around your home. If you would like tips for security camera placement, our Community Services Officer is available Thursday - Saturdays. If you are interested, please call City Hall (626) 358-3218 or email cityhall@cityofbradbury.org

# Let's Keep Bradbury Beautiful!

During the season of winter rains, we encourage residents to continue the regular upkeep of their property. Each community member plays a role in keeping the City safe, healthy and beautiful! A few things to take care of include:

- Cutting down any overgrown vegetation
- Removing weeds
- Draining out any stagnant water to avoid mosquito-breeding

For more information, check out the <u>City's property</u> <u>maintenance standards</u>. If you have any questions, please call City Hall at (626) 358-3218.



## HHW/E-WASTE COLLECTION

All residents of Los Angeles County may also utilize temporary, one-day collection events throughout the County to properly dispose of HHW/E-Waste FREE of charge. Events are from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (unless otherwise noted). Rain or shine, collection events will be held as scheduled below:

- O1/13/24 <u>CITY OF ROSEMEAD</u> @ 9 A.M. SOUTHWEST CORNER OF WALNUT GROVE AVE. AND KLINGERMAN ST. ROSEMEAD, CA 91770
- O1/20/24 <u>CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH</u> @ 9 A.M. VALLEY DR. BETWEEN 8TH & 11TH STREETS HERMOSA BEACH, CA 90254

## **City Council Highlights**

The December City Council meeting was cancelled.

The next City Council meeting will take place at City Hall on January 16, 2024 at 7 p.m.

> Animal of the Month



Whether you are walking or riding a horse, a common sight in Bradbury is the Deer. A male deer is called a stag or buck, and a female deer is called a hind or doe. One major way to distinguish the two is from the antlers - males have antlers whereas females do not. An interesting fact about the deer is that they possess a fascinating adaptation known as "reflected vision" or the tapetum lucidum. This feature enhances their ability to see in low-light conditions. The tapetum lucidum is a reflective layer behind the retina that bounces light back through the photoreceptor cells giving them a "second chance" to capture and process available light. The reflective eyes of deer add an intriguing layer to their role as elusive creatures of the wild.

### BRADBURY CALENDAR

**New Years Day** Monday, January 1st, 2024

Public Safety Committee Meeting Thursday, January 11th, 2024

MLK Day - City Hall Closed Monday, January 15th, 2024

**City Council Meeting** Tuesday, January 16th, 2024

**Planning Commission Meeting** Wednesday, January 24th, 2024



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	• 1 Happy New Year!	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 Public Safety Committee Meeting	12	13
14	15 MLK Day Office Closed	16 City Council Meeting	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Planning Commission Meeting	25	26	27
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#### **Planning Commission**

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