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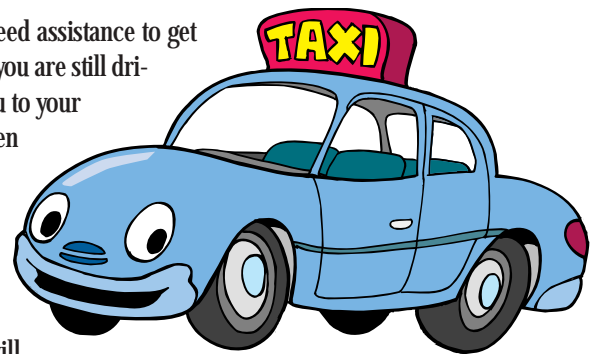
## Laguna Woods' Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Program

# Don't Wait Until You Need It — Be Prepared!

**Y**ou never know when you might need assistance to get to a medical appointment. Even if you are still driving or have friends willing to take you to your appointments, the day may come when you don't feel well enough to drive, or your friends are not available.

### BE PREPARED

Sign up now for the City's Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Program. California Yellow Cab will provide transportation for a doctor's appointment, medical test, outpatient surgery and discharge from an emergency room. The only eligibility requirements are that you are a Laguna Woods resident and at least 60 years old.



### DESTINATIONS

Qualified residents can travel by cab to any location in Orange County, such as any Kaiser Permanente facility. Vouchers are also available for trips to the Veterans Hospital in Long Beach.

### FARES

Fares are based on distance and range from \$2 for one-way trips within 15 miles to \$10 for one-way trips of 25 miles or more.

### HOW TO ENROLL

Enroll in the Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Program today. Call the City's Transportation Coordinator at (949) 639-0523, or register at City Hall during regular hours from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. 🌳



## Laguna Woods Initiates 'Campaign Coyote'

**T**he coyote is ubiquitous — found from coast to coast in the United States. As humans expand their living areas, contact with the coyote is inevitable. Although coyotes generally avoid contact with people, they are discovering that we are a good source of food. One of the most resourceful and adaptable of all animals, coyotes

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# Remember the “Five D’s” to Defend Yourself Against West Nile Virus

**W**est Nile Virus is transmitted to humans and animals by mosquitoes. It is not a contagious disease and infected people and animals do not transmit the disease to others. Less than one percent of those bitten by infected mosquitoes become seriously ill; however, the elderly and people with weak immune systems are more at risk. Take precautions to protect yourself and remember the five D’s:



**D**rain standing water from around your home once a week. Bird baths, flower pots and saucers, and clogged rain gutters are mosquito breeding grounds.

**D**EET is an ingredient to look for in your insect repellent. Follow label instructions and always wear repellent when outdoors.

**D**usk and dawn are the times of day you should try to stay indoors. This is when mosquitoes are most active.

**D**oors and windows should have bug-tight screens to help keep mosquitoes out of your home.

**D**ress in long sleeves and pants when you are outside. For extra protection, you may want to spray thin clothing with repellent. 🌿

## El Toro Memorial Walk

Memorialize a relative, friend or pet, or express your support of Laguna Woods. Purchase a memorial brick for \$100 and we will engrave it with up to three lines (up to 20 letters per line) and install it in the new El Toro Parkway. Funds from this project will support extra amenities such as drinking fountains and lights for the parkway.



## City of Laguna Woods T-Shirts

**T**he City of Laguna Woods has a limited supply of dark green T-shirts available with the City of Laguna Woods logo on the front and back at a cost of \$10. Come in to City Hall between 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. and purchase one of these limited-edition T-shirts. 🌿

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take advantage of every opportunity we give them.

Coyotes, if fed regularly by people, will come to depend on people for their food. They won’t starve if you stop feeding them, but they will be hungry and unafraid of people and can become aggressive. The greatest danger is in urban areas where young coyotes have learned to steal and beg for food. If they can’t find food, then they will prey on small animals.

Food should never be left out for wild animals, and small pets should be kept indoors and never allowed to run free. Pet food and water bowls should be emptied and not left out after dark. Garbage-can lids should be closed tightly.

Coyotes are attracted to Laguna Woods by what the experts refer to as the “Big Three” — Food, Water and Shelter. The City is adjacent to the Laguna Coast Wilderness Park, a historic home to coyotes and other wild animals. Landscape buffers separate the Leisure World community from adjoining areas, and these can serve as ideal homes (dens) for urbanized coyotes.

Coyotes are most active during late-evening and early-morning hours. Residents should avoid walking pets at these times or should walk in groups. And if you encounter coyotes, let them know they are not welcome. Carry a loud noise maker.

Laguna Woods is implementing a new program called “Campaign Coyote” to provide residents with information about the current coyote situation and suggestions for avoiding conflict and to provide assistance to the California Fish and Game Department in removing animals that become a danger. As part of “Campaign Coyote,” the City is recruiting volunteers to help their neighbors in learning more about coyotes and how to avoid conflicts with these wily animals.

On August 26th, Laguna Woods kicked off “Campaign Coyote” at a City Hall public forum. Those attending learned from California Department of Fish and Game and Laguna Beach Animal Services Agency staff about coyote behavior and what measures can be taken to ensure human and pet safety. This meeting was televised and the videotape will be replayed on the City’s public access channel — channel 31. Watch the Leisure World News for replay times.

For more information on coyotes or to report sightings, call the Laguna Woods’ Fish and Game Office located in City Hall at (949) 581-5782. To volunteer for “Campaign Coyote,” call Patrick Foley at 639-0562.

# Get Connected To City Services

**Attend City Council Meeting**  
 3rd Wednesday of each month,  
 2 p.m., Laguna Woods City Hall,  
 Council Chambers, 24264 El  
 Toro Road. Cablecast live on IW  
 Communications Channel 31.

**Visit the City's Website**  
[www.lagunawoodscity.org](http://www.lagunawoodscity.org)

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[cityhall@lagunawoodscity.org](mailto:cityhall@lagunawoodscity.org)  
 Share your thoughts and ideas.

**Apply To Serve on a City Committee**  
 Call the City Clerk's office  
 at (949) 639-0500. 🌳

# Orange County Public Library



The Laguna Woods branch of the Orange County Public Library is located in City Hall. There are three computer workstations from which you can surf the Internet, browse the county library's database and order materials to be delivered to City Hall for pickup. Once items are delivered to the Laguna Woods branch, you will be notified and must check out the items from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Monday-Friday at City Hall. Items from any Orange County Public Library branch may be returned to the Laguna Woods branch from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday.

# SHOP LAGUNA WOODS

So far we have highlighted the businesses at the El Toro and Paseo de Valencia area and El Toro Road and Moulton Parkway. In this edition, we list businesses in Town Centre on El Toro and urge residents to patronize them.



## FOOD

*HomeTown Buffet*  
*Sushi Wok*



## MEDICAL/DENTAL

*Dr. Terra Barnes – Optometrist*  
*Dr. Bruce Glover – Dentist*  
*Laguna Spine and Sport*  
*Laguna Woods Ambulatory*  
*Laguna Woods Rehabilitation Center*  
*Laguna Woods Senior Medical Group*  
*Dr. Jim Lam – Family Practice*  
*South County Open MRI*  
*South County Orthopedic Specialists*  
*Stanley Oken Dental*

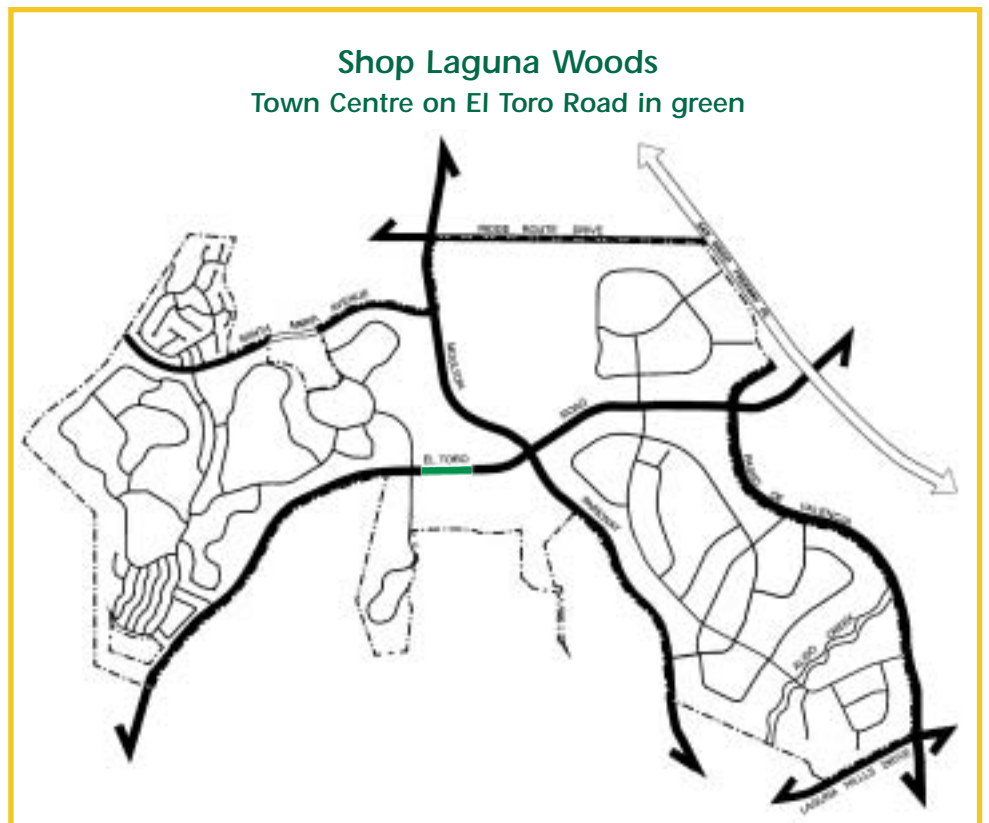


## RETAIL

*Blockbuster Video*

## SERVICES

*A.G. Edwards & Sons*  
*Air Call Wireless*  
*Ayres Hotel*  
*Dana Capital Group, Inc.*  
*Leisure World Community Building*  
*Teresa Gorman-Martinez – Attorney*  
*Grandel Commercial Management*  
*Happy Nails*  
*Highpointe Communities*  
*Laguna Woods Professional Community Management*  
*Laguna Woods Properties*  
*Paula C. Matos – Attorney*  
*Nancy Lynn Charitable Foundation*  
*The Hair Cutters*  
*Dawn M. Thorson – Attorney*  
*Town Centre Travel*  
*Triton Investment Advisors*  
*UCI Clinic for Aging 🌳*




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 Brenda Ross, Mayor Pro Tem  
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 Bert Hack, Councilmember  
 Jan McLaughlin, Councilmember

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 Douglas C. Reilly, Asst. City Manager  
 Lauren Barr, Com. Development Director  
 Staff and Volunteers

## Do You Know?

- Monday, October 4** .....First day absentee ballots are available
- Monday, October 18** .....Last date to register to vote
- Tuesday, October 26** .....Last day to apply for regular absentee ballots
- Tuesday, November 2** .....Polls open to vote – 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.

### ABSENTEE BALLOT

Your Absentee Ballot must be received at the Registrar’s Office or at any Polling Place in Orange County before the close of the polls.

### VOTER REGISTRATION FORMS

Forms are available at City Hall, Orange County Registrar of Voters web site [www.ocgov.com/election](http://www.ocgov.com/election) or call (714) 567-7600.

### POLLING LOCATION

Located on back of your sample ballot package or call City Hall at 639-0500 or Registrar of Voters at (714) 567-7600. 🌲

## City Meeting Schedules

- 🌲 City Council .....Third Wednesday of month.....2 p.m.
- 🌲 Community Services Committee (CSC) .....Fourth Wednesday of month .....9:30 a.m.
- 🌲 Human Relations Committee (HR) .....Second Tuesday of month .....1:30 p.m.
- 🌲 Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) .....First Thursday of month .....10 a.m.
- 🌲 Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) .....Second Wednesday of month .....9:30 a.m.
- 🌲 Water Quality Advisory Committee (WQAC) .....Second Monday of month .....1:30 p.m.

Meetings are held at City Hall, 24264 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA (949) 639-0500.

Meeting schedules are subject to change. 🌲