2014 Corporate Games News

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From the Director



## Wanted: New Teams for Corporate Games

Did you know that new teams usually account for approximately 20% of overall Corporate Games participation each year? The City of Ventura is looking for new teams to participate in the 25th annual Corporate Games. If you know of companies that would benefit from involvement in the Corporate Games, please send me their contact information at: eburton@cityofventura.net.

Our new or returning companies joining us for the 2014 Corporate Games include Intuit, Titan Metal Fabricators, Vista Del Mar Hospital, Parker Hannifin

Areospace, Pemko Manufacturing, Tolman & Wiker Insurance, Harbor Freight, Coffee Bean & Tea and Rincon Consultants.

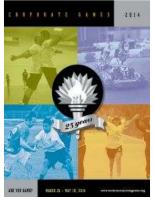
The deadline to register for Corporate Games is February 14, 2014, but you may register now and the process is easy to complete online using our convenient fillable forms beginning wih Event Selection and Registration Form that you may send them in by mail, email or fax. As always, feel free to contact me with any questions at 805.658.4738 or eburton@cityofventura.net.

Get your team together today! Coordinators and players may browse the links on our website for CG sports. activities, videos and a PowerPoint presentation to find out what the Games are all about and what's new.

At Corporate Games we hope you are ready to answer the call of the 2014 motto "Are you Game?" with an affirmative. YES!

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**Event News** 



### New Players and Coordinators "Playbook"

Click these links for new info to get your company involved in the Games:

-Greetings

-Reception/Opening & Closing Ceremonies

-Divisions & Eligibility

Coordinator Information & Photo Contest

Points, Medals & Awards

**Sports & Events** 

Event Selection Form

-Registration Form

-PowerPoint Preservation

-Corporate Games video

# 2014 Sports, Events & Activities

Indoor Volleyball-----Basketball------Coed Softball

Men's Softball -----8-Ball & Nine Ball---Bocce Ball

Bowling		
5K Run	Flag Football	Soccer
Kickball		
Tennis	Beach Volleyball	-Table Tennis
Horseshoes	-Golf	-Texas Hold'em
Spades	- Dominoes	-Cornhole Tournament
Tug-O-War	Sandcastles	and more

For more information on Corporate Games fees, events, and meetings, please visit www.venturacorporategames.org or call Eric Burton at 805.658.4738.



#### **New Demonstration Sport: Speed** Scrabble



The Ventura County Star will be hosting Speed Scrabble as a Demonstration Event for the 2014 Corporate Games on Wednesday, April 30, at the Ventura County Star Corporate Office, 550 Camarillo Center Drive in Camarillo. For more information on Speed Scrabble contact Julie Lopez, Event Coordinator Ventura County Star at (805) 437-0446 or e-mail to ilopez@vcstar.com.

## YMCA & City of Ventura to offer "Hikes"

The City of Ventura and the Ventura Family YMCA will team-up to offer hikes for employees and their families registered for the 2014 Corporate Games one Saturday each month (January-March 2014). The monthly hikes will feature easy to moderate trails in Ventura County and will be staffed by an expert hiker and/or a naturalist who will guide participants while explaining the natural beauty of the surrounding area. Get more hiking information towards the end of the year at www.venturacoproategames.org and click on Hikes or contact Amber Stevens at the Ventura Family YMCA at (805) 642-2131x19 or e-mail to amber.stevens@ciymca.org or Doug Reed at (805) 6584743 or e-mail dreed@cityofventura.org.

#### Coordinator Information



# Our Family of Sponsors

AECOM, Cydcor, Amgen, Jano Graphics, Ventura County Star, Ventura County Credit Union, Sage Publications, Four Points Sheraton, Spanish Hills, Mission Avocados, Limoneira, Amoretti and Monsanto have all agreed to return as sponsors of the 2014 Corporate Games. The Cheesecake Factory of Calabasas and Community Memorial Hospital are two new members of the Corporate Games Sponsorship Family this year. Thanks to all the companies who support the Corporate Games every year. For more information on Corporate Games Sponsorships, contact Laura Johnson at (805) 677-3917 or e-mail to ljohnson@cityofventura.net

# Community Service is central to the Games

Did you know that Community Service is a BIG part of the Corporate Games experience? Every year hundreds of employees volunteer their time to help others. The City's own Volunteer Ventura! program can provide your company with a project or you may organize your own volunteer project and receive credit toward the Corporate Games Team Unity Award! Don't wait. Get started NOW!

In order to receive credit for Corporate Games Community Service, companies must complete the Corporate Games Volunteer Tracking Form also found at www.venturacorporategames.org and send it by fax, email or mail: FAx 805.648.1030 or ljohnson@cityofventura.net or Laura Johnson, P.O. Box 99 - 501 Poli St. - Room 226, Ventura, CA 93002.

Volunteer Ventura! has several fun volunteer activities available for Corporate Games participants:

#### Cornucopia Work Party - Saturday, April 12, 2014, 9 - 11 am

Volunteers are needed to spruce up Ventura County's largest community garden, the Cornucopia Community Garden located on Telephone Road between Johnson Drive and Ramelli Avenue. Come on out and get your green on!

Earth Day Beach Cleanup - Saturday, April 19, 2014, 9 - 11 am



Join Volunteer Ventura! as we celebrate Earth Day by cleaning up one of our busiest local beaches, Surfer's Knoll Beach on Spinnaker Dr. Volunteers are asked to bring their own gloves, plastic bucket, and reusable water bottle!

Harbor Wetlands Restoration Project - Saturday, May 3, 2014, 9 - 11 am Volunteers are needed to assist in removing non-native plants at the Ventura Harbor Ecological Reserve, located at 1400 Spinnaker Drive, Come out to this beautiful location and help restore it to its native habitat.

Sign up for a Volunteer Ventura! project at: www.cityofventura.net/volunteeropportunities. For more information, please contact Rosie Ornelas at rornelas@cityofventura.net or call (805) 652-4555.

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