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## *Doing Good in the Great Outdoors!*

EAD's own Christopher Patton ventured into the less-than-hospitable climate of Alaska to complete the grueling AIDS Vaccine Ride this past summer. Over a period of six days, Christopher bicycled nearly 500 miles from Fairbanks to Anchorage—through rain, snow, cold, and wind in what he describes as “vast, stunningly beautiful landscape.” He trained



*A stop in front of Mt. Sanford along the Copper River.*

for months on the local hills of Los Angeles, which prepared him well for the awesome trek up North. On the second day of the ride more than 1,000 of the 1,500 riders had to stop because of snow and freezing temperatures. School buses, military vehicles, and tour coaches were dispatched to shelter riders from the cold, but Christopher kept moving.

Many of his EAD colleagues contributed donations to sponsor Christopher's ride. Overall, the ride raised \$4.1 million for AIDS vaccine research. The experience was truly remarkable and what Christopher calls “some of the most fulfilling days of my life.” EAD is proud of his accomplishment and wishes to congratulate him on an admirable act of compassion and community service.

To find out more about the AIDS Vaccine Ride in Alaska or other cycling events to sponsor AIDS vaccine research, call: (888) 553-4567 or (323) 857-7222 or visit: <http://www.vaccineride.org/alaska/>.



*The cyclists in the rain on the highway from Fairbanks to Anchorage.*

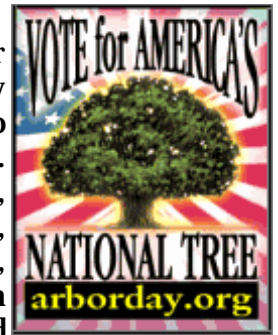
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## Vote for the National Tree!

Which tree would make the best symbol for America? You decide. The National Arbor Day Foundation is sponsoring a voting process to identify a national tree for the United States. The 21 candidate categories are: Baldcypress, Birch, Buckeye, Cottonwood (Poplar), Dogwood, Douglasfir, Elm, Hemlock, Holly, Kukui, Magnolia, Maple, Oak, Palm, Paloverde, Pecan (Hickory), Pine, Redbud, Redwood, Spruce, and the Tuliptree.



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*"To exist as a nation, to prosper as a state,  
 and to live as people, we must have trees."*  
 -THEODORE ROOSEVELT  
 (from [www.arborday.org](http://www.arborday.org))  
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The Foundation provides details about candidate species on its website: <http://www.arborday.org/>. Each visitor is allowed to vote once and the "winner" will be revealed on April 27, 2001—National Arbor Day.

Get ready for more tree celebration next month since, in California, Arbor Day is celebrated for a week, from March 7-14.

**\*\*EAD staff member, Karin Christie, has now visited 52 of the 150 sites listed in the State's 150th (Sesquicentennial) anniversary Passport! How are you doing? Call (213-580-1052) or write to us about your experiences visiting California's treasures.\*\***

## Draft 2001 RTP Out for Review

The Draft 2001 Update to the Regional Transportation Plan (2001 RTP) was released by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) on December 14, 2000 for public review and comment. The RTP is a 20-year action plan for transportation in most of Southern California, and includes programs for bus transit, a magnetic levitation passenger rail line, additional freeway carpool lanes, new freeway truck lanes, expansion of various airports in the region, bicycle facilities, maintenance of streets and highways, and new technologies designed to reduce congestion. The 2001 RTP also identifies possible funding strategies to pay for anticipated transportation improvements.

SCAG also expects to release a draft Environmental Impact Report on the 2001 RTP early this year. Comments on both documents will be due to SCAG on or about **March 15, 2001**. What would you like to see in our transporta-

## The New Year for Trees

Tu B'Shevat, or the fifteenth day of the Jewish month of Shevat, is a holiday known as "the New Year for Trees." Tu B'Shevat is the new year for the purpose of calculating the age of trees for tithing—which stems from passages in the Bible that state fruit from trees less than three years old must not be eaten, fruit from the fourth year is only for Divine possession, and fruit after this is for human consumption. Each tree is considered to be one year older on Tu B'Shevat. Some customs associated with this holiday are to eat new fruit on this day, to plant trees, or to donate money for tree plantings.

This year, Tu B'Shevat falls on February 8, 2001 (the Jewish Year 5761). TreePeople will be sponsoring Tu B'Shevat tree plantings in Los Angeles. See the February calendar





## 4-H is Thriving in Los Angeles

**What is 4-H?** The 4-H program was founded in 1902 as corn clubs for boys and canning tomato clubs for girls. While maintaining its strong agricultural tradition, 4-H has diversified into a wide range of subjects like computers, science, public speaking and many others, but it maintains a strong tradition of public service; the 4-H motto is "To make the best better." The 4-H's represent Head, Heart, Hands, and Health. In 1999, 6.6 million youth ages 5-19 were involved in 4-H programs across the United States and more than 28 percent of those involved in 4-H today represent minority populations. Its mission is to create supportive environments for culturally diverse youth and adults to reach their fullest potential. The program combines the cooperative efforts of youth, volunteer leaders, state land-grant universities, federal, state, local governments and the Cooperative State Research, Educational and Extension Service (CSREES) of the United States Department of Agriculture.

**How is 4-H Working in Los Angeles?** 4-H in Los Angeles is part of the University of California Cooperative Extension Service. Currently, there are 45 4-H clubs in Los Angeles County—with ten of these being special After-School Activity Programs that provide daily activities for children who live in public housing developments. 4-H members may participate in more than eighty fun, educational projects ranging from raising animals and gardening to computer projects, photography, oceanography, habitat restoration, bicycles, fashion design, and much more. The hallmark of membership in 4-H is the learning-by-doing experience. 4-H encourages leadership and collaboration through its field days, local fairs, science days, and annual camp. Membership is affordable at \$6 per child per year. Most 4-H activities are free, but those with a cost are reasonable for families on restrictive budgets.

**How Does 4-H Impact the Environment?** 4-H has a number of environmentally-focused programs, including: "Environmental Stewardship" which teaches young people how to conserve and protect the environment; "EarthView Survey" which encourages learning what others think about the environment; "Fields of Genes" through which members can learn about biotechnology; "Going Places, Making Choices" which addresses transportation and how it affects the environment; and "Community Tree Planting Grants" through which groups can apply for a grant to support community tree planting and/or reforestation projects.

**How is 4-H Run in LA?** In Los Angeles County, there are more than 800 adult volunteers that work closely with staff and clubs to provide youth with guidance, mentoring, and educational experiences. To find out more about volunteering or membership for a child, call (323) 838-8355. You may also find out more by visiting the website: [www.celosangeles.ucdavis.edu](http://www.celosangeles.ucdavis.edu).



## You CAN Recycle Electronics: Here's How

Participate in the City's Department of Public Works, Bureau of Sanitation "Computer and Electronics Recycling Day" on Saturday, February 3, from 9 am until 3 pm. The event will offer a convenient "drop-off" collection service (at Pierce College in Woodland Hills) for you to recycle your unwanted computer and electronic equipment. Businesses are particularly encouraged to participate and large-quantity pick-up is available. For this service, call (310) 978-2790. Site details are included in the calendar section of this newsletter. The following will be accepted for recycling at the event: Computers, Monitors, Printers, Network Equipment, Cables, Telephones, Televisions, Video Games, Cell Phones, Radios, Stereos, VCR's and Electronic Toys. These items will not be accepted: Furniture, Refrigerators, Washing Machines/Dryers, Microwave or Conventional Ovens, Batteries, Paper, Computer Software, or Household Hazardous Waste. Call 1-800-988-6942 for more info. See: <http://www.cityofla.org/SAN/ecr.htm> for the event flyer and for other upcoming events (related to topics such as recycling and household hazardous waste disposal), see: <http://www.cityofla.org/SAN/index.htm>.





## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

**EPA Region 9 Environmental Justice Small Grants Program**—Community-based organizations (CBOs) or tribal governments are eligible for these grants. The deadline is March 9, 2001. Spanish translations of guidelines are available by calling (800) 962-6215. Conference calls will be held to discuss applicant questions on Feb. 20. Call (415) 744-1565 to sign up for the calls or for additional information. Other CBO grants are online at: <http://www.epa.gov/region09/funding/index.html>.

**Environmental Monitoring for Public Access and Community Tracking**—Local governments and federally recognized tribes are eligible for these grants. The deadline is February 21, 2001. For more information, contact Barbara Karn at (202) 564-6820.

**Research on Statistical Survey Design and Analysis for Aquatic Resources**—Institutions of higher education and nonprofit agencies are eligible for these grants. The deadline is March 1, 2001. Contact Barbara Levinson for more information: (202) 564-6911.

**Mobile Source Outreach Assistance**—State agencies and their bona fide agents are eligible for these grants. The deadline is March 2, 2001 and the contact person is Susan Bullars: (202) 564-9856.

**Aggregate Exposure for Pesticides**—Institutions of higher learning and nonprofit agencies are eligible for these grants. The deadline is March 7, 2001 and the contact person is Chris Saint: (202) 564-6909.

**The Argo Project: Global Ocean Observation for Prediction of Climate Variability**—Institutions of higher education and nonprofit agencies are eligible for these grants. The deadline is March 16, 2001 and the contact person is Stephen Piotrowicz: (301) 713-2465.

**Environmental Statistics Research Grants**—Institutions of higher education and nonprofit agencies are eligible for these grants. The deadline is March 21, 2001 and the contact person is Chris Saint: (202) 564-6909.

**Investigator-Initiated Grants**—Public and private organizations and agencies are eligible for these grants. The deadline varies by program and receipt dates vary depending upon the specific research areas within the specification. The contact person is Barbara Karn: (202) 564-6771.

### GRANTS WITHOUT A DEADLINE

**California Community Foundation**—Support for the rehabilitation, maintenance and beautification of parks and recreation areas. Contact Sr. Program Secretary at (213) 413-4130, or visit the website at [www.calfund.org](http://www.calfund.org) for more info.

**California State Coastal Conservancy**—Proposition 204 funding specifically allocated for LA River Projects that focus on habitat restoration, construction of public access facilities and others. Projects must show linkage to the coast. Call (510) 286-4169 for more info.

**Clean Water State Revolving Fund**—Loan program established by the Clean Water Act to local agencies for water quality improvement projects. Call the EPA Water Division at (415) 744-1948 for more info.

**Economic Development Administration Grants**—The US Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration will give priority consideration to projects that help communities achieve and sustain economic growth. Visit the Web site at [www.doc.gov/eda](http://www.doc.gov/eda) for more info.

**Energy Research Grants**—The Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy is seeking applicants for up to \$6 million in grants to research renewable energy programs. Call the US Department of Energy at (800) 683-0751 for more info.

**Jobs Through Recycling**—Recycling business development program that seeks to foster recycling/reuse businesses that increase the use of recyclable or reusable materials and contribute to economic development and jobs creation. Call Julia Wolfe with the EPA Waste Management Division at (415) 744-2131 for more information.

## FEBRUARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### EACH MONTH:

#### Down-by-the-River Walks



Friends of the Los Angeles River and the Sierra Club are sponsoring monthly walks along the banks of the LA River. Join them at **4:30 pm. on the third Sunday of each month** for an informal, leisurely, hour-long walk. Location varies each month—some walks feature brief talks highlighting natural, historical, artistic, or political aspects of the River. The walk is canceled if it rains. For more info., visit the FoLAR website: [www.folar.org](http://www.folar.org), or call Joe Linton: (213) 381-3570.

#### Habitat Restoration Days

Help restore wildflowers, trees and shrubs that were once here 200 years ago at the Madrona Marsh Preserve. You are invited to help in planting, weeding and collecting and growing seeds **every second Saturday of the month**. Morning maintenance is done from 9am-noon **every Tuesday and Wednesday**. Call (310) 32-MARSH.



#### Hyperion WasteWater Treatment Plant Tours

Free public tours of the facility (located near El Segundo in Los Angeles) are available Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday starting at 9 a.m. Contact Felice Kidd: (310) 648-5363 for details or to schedule a tour.

#### Japanese Garden Tours

Docent-led tours of the Japanese Gardens at the D.C. Tillman Water Reclamation Plant in Van Nuys are offered during the day on Monday through Thursday and again on Saturday. Reservations are required. Call (818) 756-8166.



#### Afternoons in the Lab

Cabrillo Marine Aquarium's education staff and volunteers are available every Wednesday from 3-5 pm to answer questions and involve students of all ages in exploring local marine life in the hands-on Discovery SEA Lab. The lab, located at 3720 Stephen White Drive in San Pedro, opens with a different theme each week and activities include: using microscopes, examining specimens, creating art, playing games, exploring coastal habitat, and much more! The science education afternoon is free. Groups should make reservations. For more info., call: (310) 548-7562.

#### Satwiwa Sundays

From 10am to 5pm at Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa. Meet guest hosts, watch demonstrations and share the experiences of the Native American LA Community. Call (805) 370-2301.

#### Smart Gardening Workshops

The Los Angeles Countywide Yard Waste Program hosts Smart Gardening workshops year-round throughout the County. Topics covered include backyard and worm composting, grass recycling, and water-wise gardening. For more information, call (888) CLEAN-LA or visit [www.smartgardening.com](http://www.smartgardening.com).



"Smart Gardening" and Composting workshops also are held from **March through November** at Griffith Park. Call the Bureau of Sanitation: (213) 473-8228 for more information.

#### Nature-Bird Walk (Regular Fourth Weekend monthly event)

Two walks will take place—one on Saturday, and one on Sunday—both at 10 am. The walks will meander through the Madrona Marsh Preserve, starting at the Natural History Center in Torrance. Call (310) 32MARSH.



The EAD Web site, located at [www.lacity.org/EAD](http://www.lacity.org/EAD), contains updated information on this month's events. To ensure your event is included in our monthly newsletter, submit information to the editor by the 10th of each month prior to publication. After the 10th, events can be entered into our Web site calendar only.

The EAD reserves the right to edit all submittals and does not necessarily endorse the events listed. All events are subject to change, so call listed event contacts to verify information.

#### Recycling Workshops and Seminars

Many workshops and seminars are regularly provided throughout the year on source reduction, recycling and composting. They have included topics such as Buying Recycled, Organics, Certified Buy Recycled Training Seminars, and Sustainable Construction. Please call the Bureau of Sanitation: (213) 473-8228 for information on upcoming events.

#### Tyke Hike

This hike is scheduled every first Thursday of the month in the Madrona Marsh Preserve and involves looking for animal tracks, listening for singing birds, looking for ducks and their babies, observing habitat changes and wildflowers blooming. A \$5 donation per family is requested for the Natural History Center Education Programs; reservations are appreciated. For more info., call the Friends of Madrona Marsh: (310) 32MARSH.



## THIS MONTH:

### February 1

**Science at the Seashore Sea Ranger Training**—4-6 pm at the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium (3720 Stephen White Drive, San Pedro, CA 90731). Designed for junior high ages to adults, it is a naturalist program that provides volunteers for interpretation and monitoring of the salt marsh (Salinas de San Pedro), Point Fermin Marine Life Refuge and Cabrillo Beach areas. Training sessions will take place



on four consecutive Thursdays (1/18 and 1/25, 2/1 and 2/8, and one weekend day to be determined). Pre-registration is required and there is a materials fee of \$25. Call (310) 548-7562, ext. 5007 for more information. You may also visit the Aquarium's website for more information: [www.cabrilloaq.org](http://www.cabrilloaq.org).

**Children's Family Nature Institute (CNI) Nature Walk**—Beginning at 10 am in Rolling Hills Estates at George F. Canyon, Pacific Palisades at Temescal Canyon, and in Beverly Hills at Franklin Canyon. Call (310) 364-3591 for reservations. Private group walks are also available. Also visit [www.childrensnatureinstitute.org](http://www.childrensnatureinstitute.org) for more information.

### February 2

**CNI Family Nature Walk**—10 am in Tarzana at Caballero Canyon.\*



### February 3 Free Wetlands

**Tour**—Meet at the Bolsa Chica

Wetlands Reserve Walk Bridge at 9 am. Sponsored by the Amigos de Bolsa Chica, 16531 Bolsa Chica Street, Suite 312, Huntington Beach, CA 92649. Call: (714) 840-1575.

**Electronic and Computer Recycling Event**—The City of LA will sponsor this event from 9 am to 3 pm at Pierce College in Woodland Hills. Proceed to the parking lot at Victory Blvd. and Mason Ave. (Enter from Mason Ave.)



Call 1-800-988-6942 for more information. See article on p. 3.

**CNI Family Nature Walk**—10 am in Pacific Palisades at Will Rogers Park.\*

**Native Garden Workday**—From 9 am to 12 pm at Cabrillo Marine Aquarium. See Feb. 1 listing for contacts.

**Weekend Tidepool Walk**—From 12 until 1:30 pm at the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium. Walk will also be held on 2/11 from 3:30-5 pm. See Feb 1 listing for contacts.



### February 4

**CNI Family Nature Walk**—10 am in Redondo Beach at the Wilderness Park.\*

### Wonders of

**Whales**—From 1-3 pm at the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium. See Feb 1 listing for contacts.

### February 5

**SEA Club Science Education Afternoon**—For grades 3-5, from 3:30-5:30 pm at the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium. SEA Club will also take place on 2/12 and 2/26. See Feb 1 listing for contacts.

### February 7

**Science at the Seashore Discovery Lab**—From 3-5 pm at the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium. The Lab will also be held on 2/14 from 3-5 pm and

2/24 from 11 am- 1 pm. See Feb 1 listing for details.

**CNI Family Nature Walk**—10:30 am in Pacific Palisades at Temescal Canyon.\*



### February 8

**Tu B'Shevat:**

**Tree New Year Holiday**

(See article on p. 2)

**CNI Family Nature Walk**—10 am in Malibu at Solstice Canyon and in Redondo Beach at Wilderness Park.\*

**Science at the Seashore Sea Ranger Training**—4-6 pm, Cabrillo Marine Aquarium. See Feb. 1 listing for contacts.

### February 9

**CNI Family Nature Walk**—9:30 am in Thousand Oaks, Rancho Sierra Vista.\*

### February 10

**Eagle Rock Meeting**—There is a concerted effort by the Collaborative Eagle Rock Beautiful to develop a master plan for beautification of the town. The next meeting of the Collaborative will be Saturday, February 10, from 9-11 am, at the Oasis Restaurant, 2435 Colorado Boulevard in Eagle Rock. A continental breakfast will be served and a slide show featured. All are welcome! For more information, please call John Stillion at (323) 254-6540.

### February 11

**Tu B'Shevat Tree Planting**—The annual celebration of trees will be celebrated by TreePeople and their volunteers this year on Pico Boulevard, west of Robertson Boulevard. The plans call for 60 trees to be added to Pico—so every volunteer will be needed! The planting will take place from 9 am until around 1

**CNI Family Nature Walk**—2:30 pm in Ventura at McGrath State Beach.\*

**Learn About Mushrooms**—As part of its Second Sunday Science, the Madrona Marsh Preserve Natural History Center (3201 Plaza Del Amo between Maple and Madrona Avenues, north side of street) will host this event, 2-4 pm. A mushroom authority will bring species of commercial mushrooms to see and taste, explain how they are grown and where they can be obtained, and will lead a trip to identify mushrooms on the Preserve. Call (310) 618-2720 for reservations.

**February 14**  
**Happy Valentine's Day!**

**February 15**  
**Chaparral Chatter Hike**—



**The Los Angeles Public Library and the Los Angeles Zoo** have teamed up to present "Wild About Reading"—every time a student reads (or listens to someone read) for twenty minutes, he/she has an adult initial an animal footprint on the gameboard...the more the child reads, the further along the path he/she proceeds. Kids can win stickers along the way and when finished, can claim a free ticket to the LA Zoo! The website offers suggestions on animal books in the library: <http://www.lapl.org/kidsweb/wildread.html>. For more info., call Lisa Falk: (213) 228-7488 or e-mail: [lfalk@lapl.org](mailto:lfalk@lapl.org).

The Docents of the Children's Nature Institute (CNI) have created a book entitled, "Trails, Tails & Tidepools in Pails," detailing over 100 nature activities for families and teachers to share with babies and young children. The book has received the Parents Choice Award from the Parents Choice Foundation and is available by calling (310) 998-1151. The book is available in English (\$11.83 plus shipping) and Spanish (\$13.99 plus shipping). All proceeds from the book's sales will benefit CNI's Outreach Discovery Division.

The Ocean Conservation Society in partnership with the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Foundation has developed a 50-minute in-class "interactive" presentation and comprehensive teacher training manual for use at the middle- and high school levels. The program promotes awareness of problems facing the marine environment and encourages students to become involved in conservation efforts through volunteering and continuing education. Presentations are made by experts from the Los Angeles Dolphin Project (at no charge) and the manual provides information for six follow-up lectures and in-class activities. For more info., call Charles Saylan at: (310) 822-5205.

**CNI Family Nature Walk**—10 am in Malibu in Solstice Canyon and in Topanga at Topanga State Park.\*

**February 16**  
**CNI Family Nature Walk**—10 am in Malibu at Solstice Canyon and in Pacific Palisades at Santa Ynez I.\*



**February 17**  
**Live Christmas Tree Planting**—From 9 am until around 1 pm, you can plant your potted holiday tree in Kenneth Hahn Park for the ultimate in recycling! TreePeople will provide all the tools and instructions. Call (818) 623-4866 for reservations.

**CNI Family Nature Walk**—10 am in Griffith Park at the Bird Sanctuary.\*



**February 22**  
**River Center Meeting**—From 7-9 pm, attend the meeting to hear about upcoming Northeast Trees projects in Rainbow Canyon, along the Los Angeles River, Arroyo Seco, and throughout Northeast Los Angeles. Meet at the River Center, 570 W. Ave-

**February 24**  
**Zoo Explorers—California Wild, Woolly, and Wonderful** Explore the wild places and spaces of California. From mountain top to ocean shore, desert heat to forest cool, urban sprawl to rural openness, discover the wonderful diversity of wildlife that calls these fascinating spaces home. 9:30 am until 12 noon at the LA Zoo. Pre-registration is required: call (323) 644-4211.



**February 25**  
**CNI Family Nature Walk**—2:30 pm in Ventura at McGrath State Beach and at 10:30 am in Pacific Palisades at Temescal Canyon.\*

**February 27**  
**Lecture**—The American Cetacean Society LA Chapter offers periodic free lectures during the whalewatch season. 7:30 pm, John M. Olguin Auditorium, Cabrillo Marine Aquarium. Reservations not required. For more information s, call (310) 548-8500.

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The Environmental Information Center (EIC) serves as a referral source to the community. Our hotline connection offers a list of the most frequently requested numbers. If the number you need is not listed, please contact the EIC at **(213) 580-1052**, or toll-free in Los Angeles only at **(800) 439-4666**. You can also visit our Web site at [www.cityofla.org/ead](http://www.cityofla.org/ead) and click on the Environmental Information Center Link.

### **AIR QUALITY**

*Calidad del aire*

South Coast Air Quality Management District  
(800) 288-7664

### **ASBESTOS – Asbestos**

Environmental Hygiene  
(213) 738-4078

### **BEE INFESTATIONS**

*Infestaciones de abejas*  
Vector Control  
(800) 925-3800

### **BULKY ITEM PICK-UP**

*Recogida de artículos grandes*  
L.A. City Bureau of Sanitation  
(800) 773-2489

### **HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL**

*Desembolso de materiales peligrosos*  
L.A. County Dept. of Public Works  
(888) CLEAN-LA or 253-2652  
L.A. City Bureau of Sanitation  
(800) 988-6942

### **ILLEGAL DUMPING INTO STORM DRAINS**

*Depositos ilegales en los drenajes de  
desagües*  
Stormwater Management  
(800) 974-9794

### **LEAD POISONING – Veneno del plomo**

National Lead Information Center  
(800) 424-5323

### **LEAF BLOWERS – Sopladores de hojas**

Leaf Blower Complaint Line (under  
“other services”) (800) 996-2489

### **MOSQUITOES**

*Infestaciones de mosquitos*  
L.A. West Mosquito Abatement  
(310) 915-7370

### **RECYCLING – Reciclaje**

City of L.A. Public Works Dept.  
(800) 773-2489