

SPECIAL POINTS  
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- ◆ LIVE TWEET ORION LAUNCH
- ◆ SPARK OF LOVE HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE
- ◆ FREE SANDBAGS

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## Huntington Beach Thanks Outgoing Council; Welcomes New Members

At his last council meeting as Mayor, now Assemblyman Matthew M. Harper thanked each of his colleagues for their service to the city. Outgoing Council Members Joe Carchio, Connie Boardman, and Joe Shaw, as well as City Attorney Jennifer McGrath gave heart-felt speeches as they reflected on their accomplishments to the city and thanked their supporters and city staff.

The City welcomed new Council Members Barbara Delgleize, Mike Posey, Erik Peterson and Billy O'Connell and new City Attorney Michael Gates as they were sworn into office. The new council then voted Jill Hardy as Mayor and Jim Katapodis as Mayor Pro Tem.

The City wishes our outgoing city leaders well, and looks forward to working with our newly elected members in 2015 and beyond!

Check out the Mayor's Year in Review Video! <http://youtu.be/hau9NUFFHtI>



## HB Elks Lodge Supports K-9 Unit



The Huntington Beach Elks Lodge 1959 made a \$1000 donation to the Huntington Beach Police Department's K-9 Unit. The source of funds was an Elks Grand Lodge Beacon Grant. The donation will be used to enhance the departments K-9 facilities. On hand to accept the donation were several HBPD officers including Officer Marco, a 75 pound Belgian Malinois K-9. Officer Marco is trained to search for hidden weapons and to assist in the arrest of dangerous criminals. Officer Wade Wilson has been Marco's partner since 2013.

## Fatal Traffic Collision

On Thursday, November 27, at about 7:10 p.m., the Huntington Beach Police Department responded to the area of Yorktown Avenue and Bushard Street regarding an injury traffic collision. Arriving officers located a silver 2003 Ford Escape and a white 2014 Mazda 3 in the intersection. Occupants in both of the vehicles were injured. Huntington Beach Fire Department paramedics responded to treat the injured occupants.

The driver of the white Mazda, a 37-year-old female from Huntington Beach, was traveling with her two sons, ages six and eleven. All three were taken to UCI Medical Center where the mother and her 11-year-old son were treated for minor injuries. Despite a timely medical response, the six-year-old boy died.

The driver of the silver Ford, a 68-year-old female from Santa Ana, was transported to Western Medical Center-Santa Ana, with minor injuries. She was interviewed by investigating officers and released. Based on the preliminary investigation, it appears the silver Ford Escape was traveling eastbound on Yorktown Avenue when it collided with the white Mazda 3 which was traveling northbound on Bushard Street.

The investigation is ongoing and is being conducted by the HBPD Major Incident Reconstruction Team (M.I.R.T). No citations have been issued and no arrests have been made at this time. Investigators would like to speak to anyone who might have seen the events leading up to and including the collision.

Anyone with information about this collision is asked to contact Huntington Beach Police Accident Investigator Robert Barr at 714-536-5666 or Accident Investigator Tai Huynh at 714-536-5670. During non-business hours or on weekends, calls should be directed to 714-960-8825.

# Police

## HB POLICE CAPTAIN CHOSEN BY NASA TO LIVE TWEET ORION LAUNCH



On Thursday, NASA will launch a deep space capsule designed to carry astronauts for the first time in more than four decades. One of Huntington Beach PD's own will be there to chronicle the action. Capt. Russell Reinhart was chosen by NASA from more than 3,000 applicants to watch the launch of the Orion space capsule and post live on social media. "This will be my first time actually going to a live launch," he said. "I've watched a lot of them on TV over the decades, so I'm

very excited."

Capt. Russell Reinhart will live tweet from the Orion space capsule launch on Thursday. Thursday's event is a test flight for the Orion space capsule, the first spaceship since 1972 designed to carry astronauts into deep space. Apollo's moon mission was the last time astronauts embarked on such a voyage, but Orion has plans to one day go farther than Apollo ever did. NASA engineers say the spaceship will be able to take astronauts to near-Earth asteroids and, sometime in the mid-2030s, even to Mars.

Reinhart, who is paying for the trip himself, is one of 150 people from across the United States chosen to participate in the event, which includes social media training, a behind-the-scenes look at Orion, a meet-and-greet with some of NASA's engineers, and a seat at the launch. Reinhart is a leader in social media engagement who launched a Facebook page for the Huntington Beach Police Department, which now boasts more than 32,000 followers. He also has more than 1,600 followers on his Twitter page, and more than 6,000 on the department's Twitter page. Having an active social media presence and a love for all things NASA is why Reinhart said he believes he was selected to chronicle Orion's test flight.

"This captured both my interests — social media and space travel," he said. "Ever since I was a kid, I have been interested in space travel. It's that whole perspective of how small we are in this big universe." Reinhart said Huntington Beach has another connection to Orion that may have played a role in him earning a spot at the launch. While Lockheed Martin builds the spacecraft, the local Boeing plant helped manufacture the heat shield on the spaceship, which is responsible for protecting the vessel when it re-enters the atmosphere. "We have a little bit of a connection," he said. "There are ties back here to Huntington Beach."

The launch will be at 7:05 a.m. Eastern Time, or 4:05 a.m. Pacific Time, at Launch Complex 37 at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station in Florida. View the launch live at [www.nasa.gov/ntv](http://www.nasa.gov/ntv).

## 2014 Spark of Love Holiday Toy

The Spark of Love Campaign began in 1993 in cooperation with ABC-7 and local firefighters from Orange, Riverside, Los Angeles, San Bernardino, and Ventura counties. Various agencies work together as the Orange County Toy Collaborative to distribute toys to underprivileged children who may otherwise go without during the holiday season. There are many worthwhile toy drives, but the Spark of Love Campaign is the only one created and operated by firefighters.



This year marks the 22nd anniversary of the Firefighters' Spark of Love campaign, which will run through December 24. Huntington Beach Fire Stations, the Civic Center lobby, and the Police Department lobby will serve as drop-off sites for the public to bring new, unwrapped toys or sports equipment. Through the "Spark of Love" Toy Drive, the holiday spirit will be felt throughout our communities as well as in the hearts of less fortunate children.

For questions regarding the Spark of Love Campaign, please contact Deputy Fire Marshal Tim Andre at 714-536-5418.

## Structure Fire

On November 25, 2014 at approximately 3:30 p.m., the Fire Department was dispatched to a reported dumpster fire against a building on Tunstall Lane. Upon arrival, Firefighters reported that the building was a two-story, four-plex residential apartment. Neighbors had extinguished the fire as the firefighters arrived and the incoming units checked for fire extension inside the garage. Damaged caused by the fire was isolated to the side of the building and directly above the dumpster where the electrical panel and meters were located. All four meters were melted away and power was lost to all units. The cause of the fire is currently under investigation.

## Multi-Casualty Incident (MCI)

On November 25, 2014, firefighters self dispatched to a call while out of the station when they observed commotion on Adams between Brookhurst and Bushard. There was a two-vehicle T-bone collision with a rollover. The two victims from the T-boned vehicle were extricated by bystanders before the firefighters arrived and were transported to the hospital. The two victims from the other vehicle were able to climb out on their own.

## Beach Fatality

Over the holiday weekend, lifeguards responded to a rescue of an unconscious, fully-clothed victim in the water. Emergency medical attention was provided until the paramedics arrived and the patient was transported to the hospital. Even though the lifeguard staff performed an excellent job during this difficult incident, the patient was pronounced deceased at the hospital.

# Fire



Winter holidays are a time for families and friends to get together. But that also means a greater risk for fire. Following a few simple tips will ensure a happy and fire-safe holiday season.



### HOLIDAY DECORATING

- » Be careful with holiday decorations. Choose decorations that are flame resistant or flame retardant.
- » Keep lit candles away from decorations and other things that can burn.
- » Some lights are only for indoor or outdoor use, but not both.
- » Replace any string of lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulb connections. Read manufacturer's instructions for number of light strands to connect.
- » Use clips, not nails, to hang lights so the cords do not get damaged.
- » Keep decorations away from windows and doors.



### HOLIDAY ENTERTAINING

- » Test your smoke alarms and tell guests about your home fire escape plan.
- » Keep children and pets away from lit candles.
- » Keep matches and lighters up high in a locked cabinet.
- » Stay in the kitchen when cooking on the stovetop.
- » Ask smokers to smoke outside. Remind smokers to keep their smoking materials with them so young children do not touch them.
- » Provide large, deep ashtrays for smokers. Wet cigarette butts with water before discarding.



### Before Heading Out or to Bed

**Blow out** lit candles when you leave the room or go to bed. **Turn off** all light strings and decorations before leaving home or going to bed.

### FACTS

- ❗ **Two of every five** home decoration fires are started by candles.
- ❗ **Nearly half** of holiday decoration fires happen because decorations are placed too close to a heat source.



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 NFPA Public Education Division • 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169

[www.nfpa.org/education](http://www.nfpa.org/education)

# Community Service

## LOOKING FOR SPONSORS: Easter Hunt and Family Fun Day

The City of Huntington Beach Community Services Department, together with the Kiwanis Club of Huntington Beach, presents the Easter Hunt and Family Fun Day! On Saturday, April 4, 2015, thousands of pounds of candy are given away for this special family oriented day!



Stop by and hunt for candy, take a picture with the Easter Bunny, play a game at the many game booths, visit the various displays from Community Services, Public Works, Fire, and Police, learn about summer camps and classes offered through Community Services, enjoy the live band, and try out some new classes.

Don't forget to enjoy the pancake breakfast and the hot lunch made by the HB Kiwanis Club. Join in the festivities, spend some time outdoors with your family, and see how

**Parks Make Life Better!** The Easter Hunt and Family Fun Day is located at the Sports Complex at Huntington Central Park, 18002 Goldenwest St.

For more information or to sponsor this event, please call Murdy Community Center at (714) 960-8895.

## Information Services

### City of Huntington Beach Web Surfing Tips

Backflow prevention devices eliminate contaminated water from flowing into the Huntington Beach water system. You can now check the compliance status of your Backflow device 24 hours day online at:

[http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/Backflow\\_DataWebService/Backflow/cccompliance\\_search.aspx](http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/Backflow_DataWebService/Backflow/cccompliance_search.aspx)

## **BARNES & NOBLE**

**BOOKSELLERS**

7881 Edinger Ave. #110 Huntington Beach, CA 92647  
714.897.8781 Fax 714.897.3720

# **Barnes & Noble Booksellers Holiday Book Drive**

**Help us give the gift of literacy  
this season by participating in  
our Holiday Book Drive.**

Our goal is to get as many books as possible  
into the hands of children nationwide.

Our store's book drive will benefit the  
**Huntington Beach Children's Needs Task Force.**

To support the book drive,  
simply purchase any children's book at  
**Barnes & Noble Huntington Beach at Bella Terra**  
and leave it with the cashier for donation.



# Public Works

## **SANDBAGS : FREE to Huntington Beach & Sunset Beach Residents**

*Identification Required – please bring ID/Driver License & current utility bill.*

**City of Huntington Beach Corporate Yard: 17371 Gothard Street.  
(714) 960-8861**

**West side of Gothard Street, between Warner & Slater Avenues  
MON – FRI 8 a.m.-4 p.m.**

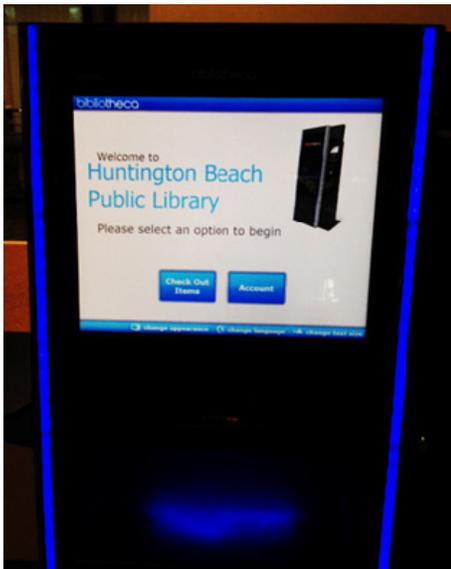
The Corporate Yard is closed weekends and major holidays.

- ◆ Bags are for residents only – no businesses, please.
- ◆ There is a limit of 20 bags per household.
- ◆ The City provides the sand and sandbags. Bring a shovel and be prepared to fill your own sandbags. Resident is responsible for lawfully disposing of sand and sandbags after use.
- ◆ Elderly and disabled residents may call the HB Fire Department CERT Message Line at (714) 536-5974 to arrange for free sandbag delivery.

**For information on flood preparedness, call the Emergency Management & Homeland Security Office at (714) 374-1565.**



**Free Rainwater class! See Flyer on page 13!**



## New Self Service Check Out options at HB Central Library

This week, the Library installed four new Bibliotheca Self Service Kiosks at the Central Library, bringing the total number of check out stations up to six. All six new kiosks will be able to handle fines and fee payments by credit card.

The Kiosks are part of an ongoing upgrade to the Library's Check Out system using RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) technology. With the new system, library patrons can quickly and easily check out their books, reducing the time it takes for each check out transaction. Since the first self service units were installed last October, use has steadily increased by nearly 45% of all check outs at the Central Library. The addition of four new units will give everyone more options, and will help reduce wait times and lines.

The original and new Self Service Kiosks have been generously supported in part by the Friends of the Huntington Beach Library and the Friends of the Children's Library support groups.

## Dine out for a Cause

HB Reads( <http://www.hbread.org> ) is having a fundraiser at Boudin's on Thursday, December 11 from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m., and you are invited to join us! Present the flyer found on the HB reads website, and HB Reads will receive 20% of the sale of your meal.

This year's selection for Huntington Beach Reads One Book is *Until Tuesday* by former Capt. Luis Montalvan. A heartwarming dog story like no other: Tuesday, a lovable golden retriever, changes a former soldier's life forever. Since 2007, the people of Huntington Beach have been coming together to participate in HB Reads One Book. The idea: all adult readers, students, and families in Huntington Beach read the same book at the same time for a community-wide experience. Please support Huntington Beach Reads One Book and dine out at Boudin's on December 11. Don't forget the flyer!

Or just scan this QR code into your smart phone.



# Planning and Building

## Design Review Board

On Thursday, December 4, 2014, at 3:30 p.m. in Room B-8 the following item is scheduled for review by the Design Review Board:

1. **DESIGN REVIEW NO. 12-007 (OCEANSIDE PROPERTIES MIXED USE BUILDING – Continued from the November 13, 2014 Meeting):** To review the design, colors, and materials of the relocated and rehabilitated storefront facades and new three-story mixed use building located at 122-124 Main Street, 92648 (east side of Main Street, between Pacific Coast Highway and Walnut Avenue). Please contact Jill Arabe, Associate Planner, for more information.

A copy of the agenda is available on the City's website (<http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/departments/planning/PJB/drb1/index.cfm>). Please contact the Planning Division at (714) 536-5271, with any questions.

# Business Development

## Annual Light A Light of Love Holiday Parade!

Save the date! Sunday, December 7, Downtown HB will host the Light A Light of Love Holiday Parade. This annual celebration, benefitting the Huntington Beach Youth Shelter, begins at 4 p.m. at Pier Plaza. A Children's Holiday Parade will begin at 4:30 p.m. along Main Street and there will be an official visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus!

At 6 p.m. there will be an official lighting of the snowflakes along the Pier and Main Street. The snowflakes illuminating Downtown during the holiday season are sponsored by various individuals, businesses, organizations throughout the community, and provide much-needed financial support for the shelter, which relies on outside financial support is operated by Community Services Programs, Inc.

For more information about attending this family-friendly event, including how you or your business could sponsor a snowflake in support of the shelter, please visit:

<http://www.cspinc.org/Light%20a%20Light%20of%20Love>.

# Business Development

## Holidays are Coming Alive at Bella Terra Weatherman Fritz Coleman is predicting snow and a visit from Santa!

Bella Terra is a festive location for shopping and dining during the holiday season! From now through December 19, Bella Terra will collect items for the Fritz Coleman Toys for Tots Drive, culminating in a celebration on the 19th at 5 p.m. and 6 p.m., as KNBC Channel 4 broadcasts live from the Bella Terra Amphitheater while Fritz and the US Marine Corps collect the toys brought to support the annual toy drive. There are 10 locations within Bella Terra at which you can donate new, unwrapped items. Please visit Bella Terra's Facebook page on specific locations within the center.

Not to mention, snow is about to fall at Bella Terra! Every Friday, Saturday and Sunday through December 21, visit the amphitheater for The Magic of Snow! Snow falls from 7 p.m. to 7:10 p.m. and 8 p.m. to 8:10 p.m., and is accompanied by live holiday music. Santa will also be getting into the act too, and will be paying a visit from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on December 20 and 21, so be sure to bring your Christmas wishes and your camera, as there is no charge for photos (and the wishes are free too).

**Enchanted  
Surf City Nights  
Princess Party**

**DEC 9th**  
**5pm-8pm**  
Main St. & Olive

**FREE  
EVENT**

*Dress in your favorite princess costume and participate in the Free Princess Party*

- 6 Princesses available for photo ops
- Singing and dancing show
- Bring this ad for special Princess Gift

ORANGE COUNTY'S LARGEST WEEKLY STREET FAIR & FARMERS' MARKET  
**SURFCITYNIGHTS.COM**

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Hosted by the Huntington Beach Downtown Business Improvement District

## Commemorative Golden Bear Plaque Unveiled

Nearly 100 people turned out for The Golden Bear plaque unveiling ceremony on Monday. From die-hard fans, former staff, previous owners, and the men and women who once rocked the Golden Bear, one-by-one speakers stepped up, telling their tales of the Bear and what it was, what it meant and how it still lives on! From its opening in 1929 as the Golden Bear Café to its closing in 1986 as the notorious rocking Concert Hall it had become, the Golden Bear will forever serve as an iconic piece of history, housing the tunes of famed musicians and entertainers such as the Ramones, Van Halen, the Doors, the Red Hot Chili Peppers, Robin Williams and Steve Martin.



# Free Rainwater Harvesting Class on Saturday December 6<sup>th</sup> -- \$10 Rain Barrels

## Free Rainwater Harvesting Class

(Hosted by H.B. Water Conservation)

Date: Sat. Dec. 6th

Class: 9 to 10 a.m. Pick Up 10 to 11 a.m.

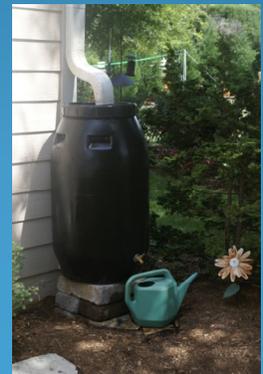
Location: Utilities Yard - 19001 Huntington St.

Register at [www.RainBarrelsIntl.com](http://www.RainBarrelsIntl.com) in the events tab

Rain Barrels are available for \$85  
(Rebates of \$75 are offered by the  
Metropolitan Water District)

**Your Cost is \$10 ea. (up to 4 per  
household for rebates)**

Purchases must be made in advance by  
Dec. 3rd at [www.RainBarrelsIntl.com](http://www.RainBarrelsIntl.com)



## City Hall Directory

City Attorney	(714) 536-5555
City Clerk	(714) 536-5227
Passports	(714) 536-1600
City Council	(714) 536-5553
City Manager	(714) 536-5202
Community Services	(714) 536-5486
Beach Operations	(714) 536-5281
Business Development	(714) 536-5542
Finance Department	(714) 536-5630
Business Licenses	(714) 536-5267
Fire Department	(714) 536-5411
Human Resources	(714) 536-5492
Information Services	(714) 536-5515
Library Services	(714) 842-4481
Planning & Building	(714) 536-5271
Code Enforcement	(714) 375-5155
Police Department	(714) 960-8811
Public Works	(714) 536-5431
Graffiti Removal	(714) 960-8861



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