

CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY REPORT

June 3, 2013

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

**Parks
Make
Life
Better!**

Huntington Beach Senior Services – Senior Services is Our Park

Experience the new SeniorServ lunch program, celebrate Father's Day and enjoy a wonderful show on Friday, June 14, at 10:30 a.m. at the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors' Center, 1706 Orange Avenue, Huntington Beach. This Father's Day show and lunch are free and will include a treat for all the men. SeniorServ proudly presents Hensley & Montiel, a hysterical vaudeville review and variety show spectacular plus a tribute to the comedic song and dance duo's of the Twentieth Century featuring Hope, Crosby, Martin & Lewis. In addition to the show, enjoy a delicious lunch of roast beef, bakers & gravy. Each weekday at the senior center, SeniorServ serves a balanced meal formulated by a registered dietician. Reservations are needed only for special event days such as this Father's Day Extravaganza. Space is limited. Call Danielle Marshall, Site Manager, and make your reservation today, 714-536-8404.

Drum Yourself Healthy in a free program sponsored by the Huntington Beach Council on Aging. Lee Kix and the Percussive Arts Society present a group drumming experience on Tuesdays from 10:00 – 11:15 a.m. at the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors Center, 1706 Orange Avenue, Huntington Beach. There is no experience necessary to realize the mind-body benefits of this fun and creative practice. Discover your own inner rhythm as you explore the fascinating world of percussion. Group drumming reduces stress, boosts the immune system, releases negativity, increases white blood cell activity and is great fun! To join the class or for more information call the senior center, 714-536-9387.

Beginning Monday, June 10, from 12:30 – 2:00 p.m., the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors' Center, 1706 Orange Avenue, Huntington Beach, will host a new Macular Degeneration Support Group sponsored by the Macular Degeneration Partnership. This free support group will meet each month on the second Monday and provide information from the National Eye Institute regarding lifestyle changes and research for people with Macular Degeneration and their family. For more information or to register for the group, call 310-623-4496.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Strand Celebrates Summer every Thursday with Food, Fashion and Fun

This summer, visit The Strand every Thursday from 12:00 PM-8:00 PM to enjoy shopping, dining and free, live entertainment in one of the most beautiful locations that Orange County has to offer, directly across from the Pacific Ocean on 5th Street at Pacific Coast Highway. Catch great offers from restaurants, eateries and retailers including RA Sushi, Baguetier featuring Simply Layered Pastries, Rip Curl, Unique Vintage, Johnny Rockets, Zimzala, and more, live entertainment until 5 PM, and more music plus great prize giveaways from 6-8 PM with the help of KOST-FM and OC Weekly. Register to win a night at the Shorebreak Hotel, dinner for two from Zimzala Restaurant, a gift card from RA Sushi, prize pack from Rip Curl (\$100 value!), free meal from Johnny Rockets, a gift Card from *the all new* Bruxie Gourmet

Waffle Sandwiches and tickets to an Angels baseball game. For more information about Summer fun on Thursdays at the Strand, plus a list of retailers, restaurants and other events, please visit www.atthestrland.com.

FIRE

Structure Fire

On May 31, 2013, at approximately 2:00 p.m., firefighters were dispatched to a reported structure fire at the Oceanaire Apartments on Talbert Avenue. The call was upgraded to a working fire with reports of smoke and flames coming from the residence - a person was heard yelling for help.

Upon arrival, firefighters reported heavy fire on two floors of a four unit apartment building. Due to the large amount of fire and multiple apartment units in the building of origin, HBFD was assisted by units from Fountain Valley, Costa Mesa, and the Orange County Fire Authority.

The fire completely destroyed one unit with a second unit next door heavily damaged. The remaining two units were saved as firefighters made an aggressive attack on the fire and opening of the roof to stop the fire which was spreading quickly due to a common attic above the four apartments. One resident was treated on scene by paramedics for smoke inhalation and burns, and was transported to a medical center.

Red Cross responded to assist with displaced residents and the fire is currently under investigation.

Grilling Safety

There's nothing like outdoor grilling. It is one of the most popular ways to cook food, but can be very hot, causing burn injuries and can be a fire hazard.

Facts

- Fire departments respond to an average of 7,900 home fires involving grills, hibachis or barbecues each year.
- Thirty-three percent of home grill structure fires start on an exterior balcony or unenclosed porch.

Safety Tips

- Propane and charcoal BBQ grills should only be used outdoors.
- The grill should be placed well away from the home, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
- Keep children and pets away from the grill area.
- Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grills and in trays below the grill.
- Never leave your grill unattended.

An important safety message about the use of barbeques on balconies, patios or decks in the City of Huntington Beach:

The 2010 California Fire Code Sections 308.3.1 and 308.3.1.1 restricts the use of open flame cooking devices which includes BBQs. This restriction applies to apartments, condominiums, hotels or similar multi-family occupancies with three or more units.

The code does not allow charcoal burners or other open-flame cooking devices to be operated on combustible balconies or within 10 feet of combustible construction unless the building, balcony or deck is protected by an automatic sprinkler system. Combustible materials can be defined as anything that will ignite if exposed to open flame such as wood, furniture, paper, etc.

The code further restricts the use of Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) type BBQ's to an LPG container not greater than 2.5 lbs water capacity if it is on a combustible balcony or within 10 feet of combustible construction.

For more information on Grilling Safety, please visit the National Fire Protection Association's website at: www.nfpa.org

INFORMATION SERVICES

City of Huntington Beach Web Surfing Tips

Did you know that residents can report suspected violations or eyesores on private property to the Code Enforcement Division from the City website? You can report Code Enforcement violations online at:

<http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/services/forms-applications/code-enforcement-complaint.cfm>

LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Festival of Folktales

The Friends of the Children's Library are proud to present world renowned children's singer, author and performer, Jose-Luis Orozco. He will be performing at the Huntington Beach Central Library Theater during the Festival of Folktales, Tuesday, June 25 at 1:30 p.m. Tickets are \$3 each and may be purchased at the Children's Desk.

Mr. Orozco is to Latin children's music what Bruce Springsteen is to rock and roll. He is an iconic award winning entertainer whose body of work spans the better part of four decades. His songs are a joyful mix of Spanish, English and audience participation. A strong supporter of early education, Mr. Orozco firmly believes that music and language can help youngsters acquire literacy. So come enjoy a day of fun and music at a show for all ages.

Mr. Orozco will be available after the show for autographs and signings. A selection of his work will be available for sale.

June Photography Show @ the Library

The Photographic Society of Orange County holds its annual member show in the Huntington Beach Library Windows Gallery during the month of June. Dozens of stunning images will be on display, and some may be available for purchase. The gallery is free and open to the public during regular Library hours: Monday 1:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m., Friday and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Closed Sunday. The Library is located at 7111 Talbert Avenue in Huntington Beach. For more information, contact the Society at (714) 417-7271 or www.psoc.net.

June is Audiobook Month

Heard a good book lately? Audiobooks are perfect for commuters, family vacations or anytime it's inconvenient to carry a physical book or e-reader. The Huntington Beach Library Media Center has thousands of titles to listen to from bestselling authors such as Lee Child, Janet Evanovich and Bill O'Reilly to hot series like *The Hunger Games* and *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* to bible stories and fairy tales. Books on CD may be borrowed for up to three (3) weeks and cost \$1. Digital audio downloads for iPods and MP3 players may be borrowed for one, two, or three weeks from e.hbpl.org and are free with a Huntington Beach Library card. For more information call (714) 842-4481 or visit www.hbpl.org.

PLANNING & BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Zoning Administrator

On Wednesday, June 6, 2013, at 1:30 p.m. in Room B-8, the Zoning Administrator will review the following items:

1. Conditional Use Permit No. 13-011 (Raffay Decorative Wall): To permit the construction of a 5'-6" high decorative wall in lieu of the maximum allowed height of 42 in. and a 1 ft. setback in lieu of 3 ft. within the front yard setback area. The property is located at 205 Chicago Avenue, 92648 (north side of Chicago Avenue, between Alabama Street and Huntington Street). Please contact Kristi Rojas for more information.
2. Coastal Development Permit No. 13-004/Administrative Permit No. 13-008 (Pepe Residence Addition): To permit an 807 sq. ft. addition and a 363 sq. ft. deck to an existing 4,391 sq. ft. two-story single family residence and the addition at the existing nonconforming rear setback of 9 ft. 6.5 in. in lieu of minimum required 10 ft. The property is located at 16521 Channel Lane, 92649 (west side of Channel Lane, north of Admiralty Drive, Huntington Harbour). Please contact Tess Nguyen for more information.
3. Temporary Use Permit No. 13-001 (Trading Post Temporary Truck Trailer Display): To permit the temporary display of a truck trailer which will occupy a total of five (5) spaces in an existing shopping center parking lot for up to fifty-nine (59) days per year for a period of five (5) years (2013 – 2017). The property is located at 6952 Warner Avenue, 92647 (southwest corner of Goldenwest and Warner Avenue). Please contact David Schlegel for more information.
4. Conditional Use Permit No. 13-004 (Radiant Church): To establish an approximately 5,100 sq. ft. religious assembly use within an existing industrial building and reduction of required parking spaces based on divergent business hours. The property is located

at 15155 Springdale Street, 92649 (southwest corner of Springdale Street and Bolsa Avenue). Please contact Ethan Edwards for more information.

A copy of the agenda is available on the City's website.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

On June 1, 2013, at approximately 8:35 p.m., the Huntington Beach Police Department received a report of a traffic collision on Goldenwest Street at Rio Vista Drive. The arriving officers discovered a vehicle had collided with a motorcycle in the intersection. Initial investigation shows the black 2012 Harley Davidson motorcycle was travelling south on Goldenwest Street, when it collided with a blue 2010 Lexus sedan at Rio Vista Drive. The Lexus had been travelling north on Goldenwest Street and was driven by Tadashi Mizutani, 68, from Huntington Beach. The motorcycle was driven by a 24 year old male from Huntington Beach and had a 25 year old female from Huntington Beach as a passenger.

The female passenger on the motorcycle sustained serious injuries and was treated on scene by Huntington Beach Fire Department paramedics. She was transported to a nearby hospital, where she remained in critical condition. The driver of the motorcycle was also injured and treated on scene by Huntington Beach Fire Department paramedics. He was also transported to a nearby hospital, where he remained in stable condition.

Mizutani was uninjured in the collision and was later arrested for driving under the influence causing injury. He was booked into the Huntington Beach jail. HBPD Accident Reconstruction Officers responded to the collision scene and conducted the initial investigation. This is an ongoing investigation and the Huntington Beach Police Department is seeking witnesses regarding this incident. Anyone who may have witnessed the collision is encouraged to contact Officer Barr at 714-536-5666.

UPDATE: On June 2, 2013, the female passenger died at the hospital from the injuries sustained in the earlier collision.

Eyewitnesses Wanted

On June 2, 2013, at approximately 12:08 a.m., the Huntington Beach Police Department received a report of a traffic collision on Yorktown Avenue west of Worchester Lane. The arriving officers discovered a vehicle had struck a pedestrian. The preliminary investigation shows a white 2002 Chevrolet Silverado pick-up truck, driven by a 35 year-old male from Huntington Beach, was travelling east on Yorktown Avenue. A 56 year-old female from Huntington Beach was walking across Yorktown Avenue west of Worchester Lane and was struck by the pick-up truck. The female sustained serious injuries and was treated on scene by Huntington Beach Fire Department paramedics. She was transported to a nearby hospital, where she succumbed to her injuries.

The identity of the pedestrian will not be released until her next of kin is notified by the Orange County Coroner's Office. The driver of the Chevrolet Silverado was interviewed by officers at the scene and was cooperative. No arrests or citations have been issued at this time. HBPD Accident Reconstruction Officers responded to the collision scene and conducted the initial investigation. This is an ongoing investigation and the Huntington Beach

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PUBLIC WORKS

Magic of Composting Seminar on Saturday, June 22, at Shipley Nature Center

Shipley Nature Center is hosting a seminar on backyard composting and food composting with worms on Saturday, June 22 at 9:30 a.m. Approximately 90 minutes in length, the lecture covers the various techniques for reducing waste and creating rich compost for gardens, flowerbeds, and lawns. The cost is \$10 per person. Register in advance to reserve your seat at www.shipleynature.org. The seminar is held at Shipley Nature Center, 17851 Goldenwest St., Huntington Beach 92647 (in Huntington Central Park). Huntington Beach residents attending the lecture will receive a \$50 voucher that can be used toward the purchase of a composting unit or complete worm composting kit. This lecture series is sponsored by the Department of Public Works, Rainbow Environmental Services, Enrecos, and Friends of Shipley Nature. For more information visit www.shipleynature.org.