

**Spring  
2014**

# City News

## Huntington Beach

### The City of Huntington Beach Welcomes Pickleball!

The City of Huntington Beach Community Services Department has designated time for Pickleball at Worthy Park on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 5:30-7:30 p.m., and Saturday mornings from 8-10 a.m. On Saturday a special court is designated as an introduction for beginners to learn basic skills. Nets and equipment are available for check-out at the City Gym & Pool (714-960-8884).

Pickleball is a family sport, and we invite all beginners, intermediate and advanced players of all ages to join us in the mission to promote the growth and development of Pickleball in Huntington Beach.

Join the fun and be a part of the fastest growing sport in America! For more information, questions, or assistance getting started, contact USAPA Ambassador, Diana Abruscato 714-315-0922, [dtabruscato@gmail.com](mailto:dtabruscato@gmail.com).

Pickleball began in 1965, on an old Badminton court, relying on the ideas of Badminton, Tennis and Ping Pong. The foundation of Pickleball was to provide a game that the whole family could play together. In 2005 the United States Pickleball Association (USAPA) was born, and the website was created [www.USAPA.org](http://www.USAPA.org). As the popularity of Pickleball grows, so does it participants.



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### Huntington Beach Welcomes Our Newest Sister City: Manly, NSW, Australia

Huntington Beach officially presented our proclamation to Manly's Mayor, Jean Hay, on July 25, 2013, during the 20th year of the Surfing Walk of Fame induction at PCH & Main St.

Manly is also nicknamed Surf City, Australia like Huntington Beach is Surf City, USA. They will be hosting the Australia Open of Surfing similar to our US Open of Surfing we have each year. Huntington Beach hosts the largest surfing event in the World.

Our hopes are to create a student exchange with students interested in ocean swimming and surfing and have a desire to participate in fostering our surf culture relationship.

If you would like to become a member of our group of wish more information please contact Don MacAllister at [www.surfingwalkoffame.com](http://www.surfingwalkoffame.com) of 714-960-2892.



*Manly Harbor, in the fore ground is their Surfing Walk of Fame*

A highlight of this spring will be the revival of the annual Japanese Cultural Festival, sponsored by the Sister City Association of Huntington Beach. The event will take place on Saturday, March 29, in Central Park at the band shell behind the library. Featured will be performances of Japanese instruments, including Taiko drums. Also, there will be demonstrations of Japanese customs and dance. Activities for the children will include games, face painting, and crafts.

In July, 2014, four Ambassadors of Goodwill will be hosting students from Anjo, Japan for two weeks. To complete the reciprocal exchange, the Huntington Beach students will travel to Anjo in August. This will mark the 32nd year of this exchange.

# 22nd Annual "On Course" Golf Tournament



The **Huntington Beach Council on Aging** and Title Sponsors, **First Banc of California**, invite you to take part in the 22nd Annual "On Course" Golf Tournament, **Friday, June 27, 2014** at Meadowlark Golf Club in Huntington Beach. The day will begin with a putting contest and barbeque lunch, followed by a shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. A buffet awards dinner with raffles, auctions and other fun activities as well as a no host bar, will immediately follow the tournament around 6 p.m. The proceeds from this tournament help to support seniors, low- income seniors and their families through many beneficial programs offered by the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors' Center and Huntington Beach Seniors Outreach Center. Senior Services provides a wide variety of services, classes, activities and clubs designed to support seniors in staying healthy, active and independent. For further golf and sponsorship information, visit [www.hbcoa.org](http://www.hbcoa.org), or call Rodgers Seniors' Center at 714-536-9387.



## OC FAIR SUPER PASS ON SALE NOW

Daily admission for one low price

	GENERAL	SENIOR / YOUTH
Pre-Sale (ends May 31)	\$30	\$23
Regular (after May 31)	\$35	\$28

[ocfair.com/superpass](http://ocfair.com/superpass)



# Shipley Nature Center

## Spring Festival at Shipley – Saturday, April 26, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Come and join in the family fun. Nature exhibits, crafts for children, the California Native Plant Sale. Learn about Monarch Butterflies. Guided tours through the California Native Plant Gardens and habitats.

## Composting Seminars

Learn all about Composting and Vermicomposting and how to turn kitchen scraps and backyard cuttings into "black gold." Those valuable resources available to you every day that you might be throwing away can be made into rich, organic home compost. Classes will be held in May, June, August and September. See [www.shipleynature.org](http://www.shipleynature.org) for all event details.



Visit Shipley Nature Center and enjoy the essence of nature in an urban setting. 17851 Goldenwest St. 714-842-4772.  
Open Monday – Saturday, 9 am to 1 pm.

## Public Works Department

Spring showers bring May flowers but rain and overwatering also washes pesticides, fertilizers, and other pollutants into the ocean. Help improve our beaches by doing the following:

- Turn off your sprinklers if it's going to rain. Inspect and adjust sprinklers to not spray sidewalks or run off into the street.
- If it is going to rain, wait two days after it rains to turn on your sprinklers and apply pesticides and fertilizers so it can stay in your garden and don't get washed to the ocean.
- Water more often for shorter periods. Setting sprinklers to run for three, five-minute intervals lets soil absorb more water than watering for 15 minutes at one time.

Celebrate Earth Day on April 19th by attending the City's beach cleanup! Registration starts at 9 am on the north side of the Pier. For more information contact Mark Adams at 714-536-5614.

# Do You Love Gardening?

Did you know that Huntington Beach has its own Community Garden? Plots are available for a small annual fee. Enjoy growing organic fruits, vegetables and flowers that you can share with family and friends. Visit the HBCG website for more information:  
[www.HuntingtonBeachCommunityGarden.com](http://www.HuntingtonBeachCommunityGarden.com)

Huntington Beach Community Garden  
P.O. Box 5891, Huntington Beach CA 92615



## Beach Information

**City Beach:** Encompassing 3.5 miles from Beach Boulevard to the west city limits, the city boasts one of the world’s finest beaches. The beachfront includes the municipal pier, food and rental concessions, restrooms, showers, volleyball nets, fire rings, and a 2,200 space beach parking lot plus additional parking on Pacific Coast Highway and adjacent streets. New buildings on the municipal pier, a new Visitors Kiosk at Pier Plaza, and new restrooms along Blufftop Park north of the Pier will enhance beach visits for both residents and visitors. Lifeguard service is provided during daylight hours 365 days a year. The number and location of lifeguards on duty varies depending on season, weather and surf conditions. Please note posted signage for information. Curfew is 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. and is strictly enforced. Beach Headquarters: 103 Pacific Coast Highway. Office hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Phone: 714-536-5281 Emergencies: call 911.



For information on Municipal Beach Parking Pass, Main Promenade Parking Structure, Day Use Parking, Pier Plaza Parking, and Sunset Vista RV Park, please visit [www.surfcity-hb.org/visitors/parking/](http://www.surfcity-hb.org/visitors/parking/) or call 714-536-5281.



## Parks Make Life Better Photo Contest: How Do Parks Make Your Life Better?



Join us in celebrating the “Parks Make Life Better” month of July by submitting a photograph and testimonial of you and/or family and friends enjoying your favorite City of Huntington Beach park, program or facility. Whether it is a park or playground, senior or art center program, secret beach spot, youth or adult sports league or community center class, we want to know how it makes your life better!

Entry forms available at [HBSands.org](http://HBSands.org) or your local HB Community Services Facility.

### Official Contest Rules and Facts

- **Entries will be accepted from March 1, 2014, through May 31, 2014.**
- To submit an entry, email your photo, testimonial & waiver to [pmlb@surfcity-hb.org](mailto:pmlb@surfcity-hb.org).
- Photo needs to be a .PDF, .JPG, .EPS, or .TIF file.
- If scanning a photo, please scan at 300DPI.
- One submission per category per person.
- Photo must be taken in the City of Huntington Beach and within the four photo categories.
- If you would like a **Parks Make Life Better** logo sign for your photo, visit any HB Community Center.
- First 100 submissions will receive a Parks Make Life Better prize!

### Photo Categories:

1. Open Space and Passive Recreation
2. City of HB Community Services Recreation Classes
3. Community Gatherings
4. City of HB Adult and Youth Sports Programs

### Contest Prizes

- **One winner from each of the four categories will receive:**
- Photo and Testimonial will be featured in the SANDS Community Services Guide
- 2014/2015 City of Huntington Beach, Beach Parking Pass
- **Parks Make Life Better** T-Shirt

For more information email [PMLB@surfcity-hb.org](mailto:PMLB@surfcity-hb.org) or call (714) 960-8895