

**City of  
Huntington  
Beach**

# Community Connection

**September 2009**



## Centennial Celebrations for September

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### Special points of interest:

- Plein Air Festival
- Coastal Cleanup Day
- Library Celebrates Volunteers
- Procession of Light
- Senior Saturday

In honor of the City's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Incorporation, the Centennial Celebration Committee has some very special events planned for September.

On September 19, **Surfboards in the Sand** will be held at the beach just north of the Pier. This is an epic day and opportunity to be a part of history. All you need to do is grab a surfboard and come down to the beach and stand with legendary surfer P.T. Townsend for a commemorative photo.

The event is sponsored by the Huntington Beach Marketing and Visitor's



Bureau, Rip Curl, Transworld Surf, Municipal Water District of Orange County and the Centennial Celebration Committee. For more information please, visit [www.surfboardsinthesand.com](http://www.surfboardsinthesand.com) Be sure to register by September 10 to get your free T-Shirt.

Get ready for the **Golden Bear Reunion** which will be held on September 25 and 26. This will be two very special concert evenings celebrating the legacy of the Golden Bear. The legendary Surf City restaurant/nightclub was a Pacific Coast Highway landmark for generations, from the 1920s to the 1980s.

On Friday, September 25, Honk, David Lindley, Ray Manzarek of the Doors and special guests will perform two shows, at 6:30 p.m. and 10 p.m.,



while on Saturday, Sept. 26, Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, Chris Hillman and Herb Pederson and special guests will perform at 6:30 and 10 p.m.

The shows will be held at the Hilton Waterfront Resort Hotel. Information for purchasing tickets can be found at [www.goldenbearreunion.com](http://www.goldenbearreunion.com) or by calling M. Shattuck at (714) 960-7904.



## Festivities all Month at the Plein Air Festival

The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual **Plein Air Painting Festival** kicks off August 29 with more than 35 artists painting locations in Huntington Beach. The festival's goal is to celebrate the natural beauty of Huntington Beach and to raise funds for the benefit of the Huntington Beach Art Center's exhibition and education programs.

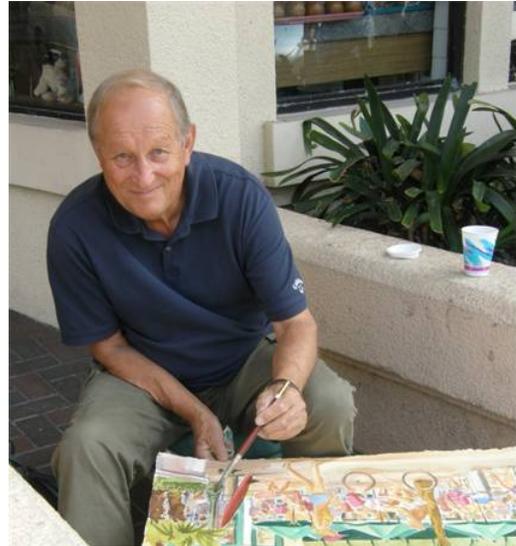
On Saturday, September 12, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., festival artists will participate in the **Painting in the Streets** event. The HBAC invites you to come and watch as the artists paint the first three blocks of Main St. in downtown H.B.

New to the festival this year, the Art Center introduces two free **Plein Air workshops**, for painters of all skill levels, at historic landmarks in Huntington Beach. The workshops will be held at the City Gym and Pool and the Newland House on September 13, from 1 to 4 p.m. Festival artists will provide instruction on-site, and local

historians will be present to talk about the history of the location. Pre-registration is required, as space is limited and participants must provide their own materials. For full information and registration please call the Art Center at (714) 374-1650.

On Thursday, September 17 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., the HBACF invites you to join us for **Dining en Plein Air**. This unique fine-dining experience features award-winning Executive Chef Jeff Littlefield of the Hilton Waterfront Beach Resort who will serve a seasonal gourmet menu with fine wines. Enjoy dinner in the galleries, a silent auction and the first opportunity to purchase festival paintings. Tickets are \$85 per person. For tickets and information please call (714) 536-5258.

The festival culminates with a week-long exhibition of festival artwork. An opening reception will be held September 18, from 6 to 9 p.m. This is your chance to meet the artists and view paintings of Huntington Beach's beautiful landscapes. The opening reception is free and open to the public. The exhibition will be on display at HBAC



through September 27.

The Huntington Beach Art Center is located at 538 Main St. For full festival information please call (714)374-1650.

### Artsy Sundays in September

**Artsy Sundays in September** features two free, drop-in art workshops for children and parents where you can learn hands-on art from guest artists and create a work of art to take home.

Sponsored by Target, the workshops will run from 1 to 3 p.m. on September 6 and 20.

Registration is not required. Call (714) 374-1650 for more information, or see the "SANDS" Recreation Guide at [www.surfcity-hb.org](http://www.surfcity-hb.org).



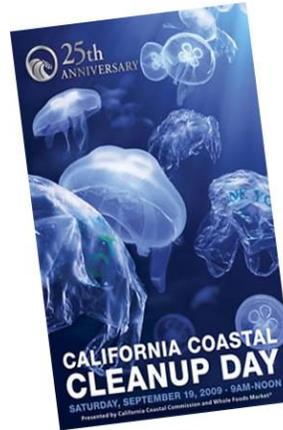
## Join Forces To Clean Up Our Beaches

Did you have a fun summer enjoying the beautiful coast of Huntington Beach? Well now you can do your part to help keep the beaches clean and join the record number of people who will be participating in **California Coastal Cleanup Day**.

California Coastal Cleanup Day is the premier volunteer event focused on the marine environment in the country. In 2008, more than 70,000 volunteers worked together to collect more than 1,600,000 pounds of trash and recyclables from our beaches, lakes, and water-

ways. California Coastal Cleanup Day has been hailed by the Guinness Book of World Records as "the largest garbage collection" (1993).

Since the program started in 1985, over 800,000 Californians have removed more than 13 million pounds of debris from our state's shorelines and coast.



**When:** Saturday, September 19, 2009

**Where:** First St. and Pacific Coast Hwy. in front of Lifeguard Headquarters

**What to Bring:** Gloves, sturdy shoes, sunscreen, snacks, sports water bottle

(water will be provided for refills), and a hat. Volunteers are also encouraged to bring their own grocery/retail plastic bags (for reuse) and reusable water bottles to make this event as zero waste as possible.

## Sign Up for a Unique Trip to the Mohave Desert

On Tuesday, October 6, join Dennis Napier, a former professor at Long Beach City College for a tour of the Mohave Desert and a docent-guided tour of the **Jet Propulsion Laboratory's Goldstone Deep Space Communications Complex**.

The complex features large antennas that allow J.P.L. and NASA to "listen" to outer space. Begin your tour at the Goldstone museum where three large areas are dedicated to current missions, past missions and Deep Space Network history. Then travel

out into the desert to see the huge antenna arrays.

Traveling through the Mohave Desert, Dennis will provide an in-depth explanation of the "living desert including geologic and geographic phenomena, climatology and wildlife."

Lunch is included at Goldstone's cafeteria. Photo identification is required; non-U.S. citizens must have proper documentation. The bus will depart the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors Center, 1706 Orange Avenue at 7:00 a.m. and return at 6:30 p.m. Price

per person is \$72. Register in advance at the Senior Center front counter on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. or Thursdays and Fridays from 1 to 5 p.m. Sign-ups start September 1. For more information call (714) 536-9387.



## Honor HB's History with a Centennial Coin

The Rotary Club of Huntington Beach, having provided local community service for more than 85 years, is proud to present the official **Centennial Surf City USA® Coins**.

The coins pay tribute to the Centennial Celebration of the City of Huntington Beach, as a premier vacation destination and timeless, youthful spirit of Surf City USA®.

These beautiful coins are available in finishes of Gold, Silver and Bronze. To order the coins, visit their website: [www.huntingtonbeachrotary.org](http://www.huntingtonbeachrotary.org)

or contact Brenda at (714) 206-5001. Coins are also available at Albertson's in the Seacliff Shopping Center.

Coins are sold in sets of three for \$65. Silver coins are \$20 each, and bronze are \$10. Gold coins are only sold in sets, as all coins are numbered, and only a limited number of gold coins will be available. The coins make great mementos of Huntington Beach, and the quality and design is outstanding. They make great souvenirs and are a "once in a lifetime" purchase. A portion of the sales will go to the Centennial Committee to help

finance their activities throughout this monumental year for Huntington Beach.



## The SANDS Is Going Green!

The SANDS Recreation Guide has "gone green!" The Huntington Beach Community Services Department has released the Fall SANDS online. The City of Huntington Beach will no longer be mailing the SANDS to almost 80,000 residences within the City, but every bit of valuable information is available online at [www.surfcity-hb.org](http://www.surfcity-hb.org). Read on for more information on how to stay connected.

### Interactive Registration

The registration page is interactive, so participants can simply complete it on line, print it, and mail or walk-in the registration form using the registration instructions provided in the SANDS.

### Email Alerts for New Issue

If you are accustomed to seeing the SANDS in your mailbox as a reminder that classes are beginning again soon, please visit [www.surfcity-hb.org](http://www.surfcity-hb.org) and click on **sign up for email alert**. Simply enter your email address, and you will receive a notice when each new SANDS edition is available.

We hope you will find many ways to enjoy Huntington Beach and the variety of valuable programs offered to our residents using the SANDS online. Contained within the SANDS, there is something for everyone, including: Art Center programs; popular workshops; dance, fitness, and computer classes for teens, adults

and older adults; youth and preschool activities; and many sports, tennis and swimming programs.

Enjoy all Huntington Beach has to offer by reading the SANDS online!



## Celebrate Volunteers!

Congress has formally named September 11 as **The National Day of Service and Remembrance**. The President and First Lady have been inspiring citizens to begin volunteering and celebrating those who currently do.

The National Day of Service and Remembrance is a day for citizens to volunteer, perform good deeds, or engage in other forms of charitable service. It is also a day to acknowledge those people in the community who are so dedicated and committed in helping organizations.

The Huntington Beach Public Library would like to send special thanks to all those volunteers who give their time and talents to the library system. We are fortunate to have such dynamic volunteers who work year round to enhance library programs and services

Currently the library has over 400 active volunteers, volunteering more than 47,000 hours of service each year to assist with shelving books, tutoring, adults literacy, storytimes, raise money and com-

munity awareness and more.

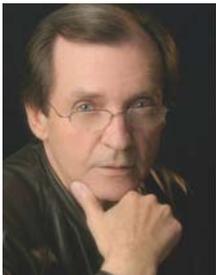
To learn more about the library's exciting volunteer opportunities visit [www.surfcity-hb.org/Government/Departments/Library/volunteers](http://www.surfcity-hb.org/Government/Departments/Library/volunteers) or [www.volunteermatch.org](http://www.volunteermatch.org).



## September Happenings at the Library

### Author's Luncheon

On Thursday, September 24, The Friends of the Library will present authors, Jeff Sherratt and Teresa Burrell.



**Jeff Sherratt**, is the author of "Guilty or Else", A Jimmy O'Brien mystery series.

**Teresa Burrell**, is the author of "The Advocate."



Doors open at 11:30 and the luncheon begins at noon in room C/D of the Huntington Beach Central Library. Tickets are \$18 per person and payment must be received by Saturday, September 19. Please make check payable to FOTL and mail to 7111 Talbert Avenue, 92648, or deliver directly to the Friends Gift Shop. For more information call (714) 375-8429.

### Children's Library Services

The Central Library offers a variety of programs and activities for children! In addition to participating in weekly storytimes and crafts, kids can visit the Children's Department for computer and Internet access.

After such a busy and successful Summer Reading Program, storytime will be on hiatus at both the Central library and all the branches during the first week of September, as librarians get ready for back-to-school. Storytime will resume on Tuesday, September 8.

### Thursday, September 10

Join Miss Barbara for her Family Evening Pajama Storytime in the Tabby Storytime Theater on at 7 p.m. for a free evening of stories and fun.

### Thursday, September 24

Enjoy juggler/comedian Michael Rayner at 4 p.m. in the Library Theater. Tickets are \$4 and are now available. For more information call (714) 375-5107.



## Huntington Beach & Sharp Accelerate the Use of Solar Power in the City

Did you know that one of the largest solar manufacturers in the world is headquartered right here in Huntington Beach? Sharp Electronics Corporation is HB's hometown solar panel company and one of the few solar manufacturers that has been in business longer than their warranty period (25 years).

Huntington Beach has abundant natural and renewable resources and on July 6, 2009, Mayor Keith Bohr and city council set a goal of 8.5 megawatts of solar to be in-

stalled in Huntington Beach over the next 4.5 years

The City's alliance with Sharp encourages Huntington Beach residents to install solar on their homes by offering a generous "Hometown Solar Rebate." Sharp provides an additional rebate of \$150/KW (up to 10 KW). The extra rebate for HB citizens, combined with the existing Federal tax credits and rebates from SCE, reduces the upfront cost of solar by about 44 percent.

With solar installation costs becoming more and more affordable, now is a great time to buy. You can review the articles here: [http://www.surfcity-hb.org/Residents/green\\_city/](http://www.surfcity-hb.org/Residents/green_city/)

For more information visit HB Goes Green website at: [http://www.surfcity-hb.org/Residents/green\\_city/solar/](http://www.surfcity-hb.org/Residents/green_city/solar/)

To sign up for the HB Hometown Solar Rebate visit: <http://marketo.sharppusa.com/SharpSolarHuntingtonBeach.html>

## Fall Youth Sports Leagues Begin September 12

### Youth Flag Football

Sign ups for the City of Huntington Beach youth flag football league began July 27 and will continue until the first day of league evaluations on September 12.

Youth between the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades will experience the fun of competitive flag football in a safe and instruction league setting at either Murdy or Edison Community Center. All teams make the post season and receive a trophy.

### Youth Coed Indoor Volleyball

Sign ups for the City of Huntington Beach youth coed indoor volleyball league began July 27 and will continue until the first day of league evaluations on September 12.

Boys and girls between the 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades will play six regular season games, a practice game and an evaluation day all on the indoor volleyball court at the City Gym and

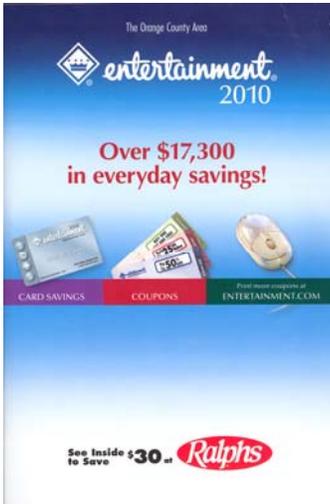
Pool. All teams make the City Wide Volleyball tournament and receive a trophy.

For more information on either of these programs, please contact the recreation coordinator at (714) 374-1701.



## The Entertainment Books Are Back!

Once again, the **Entertainment Coupon Books** are available! The books offer great values in the way of significantly reduced rates for



hotels, movies, theatres (including our very own H.B. Playhouse), restaurants and attractions of all sorts, plus many new activities and offerings not previously included.

Needless to add, they make great gifts at holiday time and save time shopping for “stuff” that all too often gets returned anyway! While most attractions are Orange County-based, many of the locales and best values offered have sites in other counties and even other states (including Hawaii). All coupons are “good” thru November 2010, so the sooner a book is acquired, the

longer one has to contemplate at one’s leisure and enjoy accordingly.

Books will not be available much beyond Thanksgiving, so if you are thinking of buying one for yourself or for a gift, we suggest that you do not put that thought off too long!

Prices remain \$35. Those interested may contact: City Yard- Gretchen Erickson @ 5137, City Hall-Arnie Ross @ 5238 or Police Dept-Michelle Fiore @ Mfiore@hbp.org. Sample books are available for your review.

## Procession of Light -2009: 100 years of Faith in HB

The Greater Huntington Beach Interfaith Council presents the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual “**Procession of Light**” on Sunday, October 11, beginning with a musical prelude at 3:30 p.m. at the Huntington Beach Pier Plaza. The program follows from 4 until 5:30 p.m. In cooperation with the Huntington Beach Centennial Celebration, this year’s theme is “Celebrating 100 Years of Faith.”

This event brings together community members of all faiths to enjoy an entertaining and uplifting free experience to foster interfaith harmony, unity and hope. This year’s celebration spotlights our youth, interfaith music, the World

Peace Flame Ceremony, audience-written prayers, and a bagpiper-led procession to the end of the Pier and back. The first 100 attendees will receive a complimentary HB Centennial Candle for the procession.

Musical entertainment includes Emmy Award winning singer/songwriter Faith Rivera, an interfaith choir, music from several faith traditions and more. Cultural and spiritual diversity underscore the uplifting program.

This event is an opportunity for the people of faith in our community to join together in harmony to recognize the role religion and spirituality plays in

the quality of life. All are invited to join in this historic celebration of our rich spiritual history.

For event information, see [www.HB100Years.org](http://www.HB100Years.org) or call (714) 315-7720.



# Shipley Nature Center 2009 Annual Fall Native Plant Sale

**Saturday, September 26  
9 am to 4 pm**

- Over 100 species to choose from
- Advice from Master Gardeners / Shipley Nursery Volunteers
- Composting exhibits
- Native Garden books and literature
- Shuttle service for shoppers & plants
- Refreshments available while you browse

**10:00 am BEE - WISE  
with Wallie and John Weidhaas**

**Learn about the benefits of bees  
in your garden**



**Huntington Beach Central Park  
Parking at 17851 Goldenwest St.  
Information: 714-842-4772  
[www.shipleynature.org](http://www.shipleynature.org)**

Background is *Cercis occidentalis* Western Redbud

## Shop Locally and Save with Surf City Savings

The new **Surf City Savings program** is here! Look for the Surf City Savings logo on store windows at Bella Terra, Five Points and Old World Village and step inside to take advantage of money-saving offers.

Surf City Savings merchants hope to save you money while

helping to generate sales tax to support vital city services like: Police and Fire Department; street and road cleaning; beach and park programs; library services; and others. One percent of all sales tax generated in Huntington Beach



stays in our community to fund these important services.

For more information on Surf City Savings and to print out coupons for participating merchants, please visit [www.SurfCitySavings.com](http://www.SurfCitySavings.com).

## Senior Saturday 2009: A Community Festival

The Huntington Beach Council on Aging is proud to announce its 21<sup>st</sup> Annual **Senior Saturday Community Festival**, to be held at Pier Plaza in downtown Huntington Beach, on Saturday, September 12, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Admission is free.



Approximately 75 sponsor booths will be at the event offering information, products and services geared toward seniors. This is an excellent opportunity for seniors and their families to spend a day by the Pier while gathering pertinent information in a festive atmosphere.

In addition to the sponsor booths, there will be a \$2 breakfast, \$2 lunch, giveaways, health information, free entertainment throughout the day and many more surprises.

Pier Plaza is located adjacent to the Huntington Beach Pier at the intersection of Main St. and Pacific Coast Highway. Shuttle service is provided from the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors Center at 17<sup>th</sup> and



Orange and City Hall.

The Council on Aging is a non-profit organization that supports programs and services for Huntington Beach Seniors through the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors' Center and the Seniors Outreach Center. Bring your family and friends for a fun filled day. For more information, please call the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors' Center at (714) 536-9387.

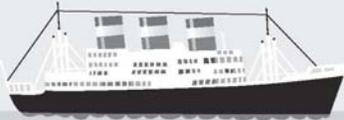
## September 11<sup>th</sup> Ceremony to Be Held at Pier Plaza

A **September 11<sup>th</sup> ceremony** will be held at Huntington Beach Pier Plaza on Tuesday, September 11, 2009 to remember those involved in the tragedy of September 11, 2001 and to commemorate the efforts of those who risked their lives. The valor, dedication, and heroism of Veterans, members of the Fire, Police, and Marine Safety Departments will be acknowledged and commended by The American Legion Huntington Beach Post 133.

There will be a speaker from the Fire, Police, and Marine Safety Departments. Mayor Pro Tem Cathy Green will offer a City Welcome. The Honor Guard will give a three-volley rifle salute. The ceremony will start at 6:00 pm.

# Stress-Free Travel Starts at City Hall

## City of Huntington Beach Passport Acceptance Facility



Hours: Monday - Friday  
8:00 am - 5:00 pm (excluding holidays)  
For more info, call (714) 374-1600  
[www.surfcity-hb.org/passports](http://www.surfcity-hb.org/passports)



**For first time passports bring the following information with you:**

- ✓ Original Certified Birth Certificate (abstracts are unacceptable) *or* Naturalization Papers
- ✓ Two Passport Photographs
- ✓ Valid Driver's License
- ✓ Checks/Money Orders
- ✓ Children 15 & Under need to appear with both parents or a written, notarized consent from their non-appearing parent



We accept your application for Passport and forward all forms and documents to the UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE...THEY PROCESS YOUR PASSPORT.

**PASSPORT CHARGES** (check or money order only)

**ADULT PASSPORT** (Age 16 & Over)  
**\$75.00** Payable to US Department of State  
**\$25.00** Processing fee payable to City of Huntington Beach

**CHILD PASSPORT** (Age 15 & Under)  
**\$60.00** Payable to US Department of State  
**\$25.00** Processing fee payable to City of Huntington Beach

**PASSPORT CARD** Payable to US Department of State  
 Adult **\$20.00**, Child **\$10.00**

**RENEWAL PASSPORT FEE** (By Mail Only)  
**\$75.00** Payable to US Department of State

**EXPEDITE FEE** **\$60.00** Payable to US Department of State  
 PHOTO SERVICES AVAILABLE: TWO FOR \$10.00

**City Clerk's Office • Huntington Beach Civic Center, 2nd Floor • 2000 Main St. (at Yorktown)**

## Huntington Beach History Video and Book Available

Whether you're a history buff or just love the City, a history of Huntington Beach book and video are now available that every resident will enjoy. The last 100 years comes to life in the film produced by the City, **Surf City Centennial: 100 Years in Huntington Beach.**

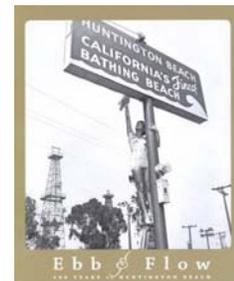
The film shows the City's roots including its Native American discovery, its founding in 1909 by Henry Huntington, the oil

boom of the 1920s and the beginnings of surfing with Duke Kahanamoku.

The book, **"Ebb and Flow"**, presented by the City's Historic Resources Board, is a printed version of the amazing historical exhibit featured in February at the Huntington Beach Art Center.

"Ebb and Flow" is available for a \$10 donation and the DVD is

a \$5 donation. Both are available at the City Clerk's office in City Hall, California Greetings on Main Street, The Surf City Store on the Pier, HB Car Wash at Beach and Garfield and California Seashell Co. at 5 Points Plaza.



## Free Used Oil and Filter Disposal for Residents

Are you a "do-it-yourself" mechanic who needs to dispose of used motor oil and used oil filters? Then take advantage of our **Used Oil & Oil Filter collection program.** You can arrange for pick-up at your home by calling our residential "curbside" collection service at 1-800-449-7587, or you can drop off used oil and filters at

most area auto parts stores where you buy your new oil. Look for the blue and yellow "Used Oil Collection Center" logo in the store's window or call 1-800-CLEANUP (1-800-253-2687) for the nearest location. The service is free to local residents, funded by a grant from the California Integrated Waste Management Board.

The City's Used Oil & Oil Filter collection program collects over 1,000 gallons per year from residential pick-up service, and another 15,000 gallons per year from drop-off locations at auto parts stores and auto service centers, keeping it from being illegally disposed and ending up on our streets, on our local beaches, or in our wetlands.



Celebrating 100 Years of Community!  
For Centennial Celebration  
information visit  
[www.HB100Years.org](http://www.HB100Years.org)

## CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

For a complete listing of events  
in Huntington Beach visit

[www.surfcityevents.com](http://www.surfcityevents.com)

## HBTV Channel 3 Schedule

### Community Bulletin Board

Daily

### City Council Meetings

Sept 8 @ 6 pm  
Rebroadcast Sept 9 @  
10 am

Sept 21 @ 6 pm  
Rebroadcast Sept 22 @  
10 am

and Sept 23 @ 7 pm

### Planning Commission Meeting

Sept 9 @ 7 pm  
Rebroadcast Sept 10 @  
7 pm

and Sept 22 @ 7 pm

Rebroadcast Sept 24 @  
7 pm

### Surf City Highlights

Monday-Friday @  
8 am and 8 pm

For a complete program schedule – go to the City’s website  
[www.surfcity-hb.org](http://www.surfcity-hb.org). Look for the program guide under the  
“What’s New” column.

## FREE FRIDAY AFTERNOON AT THE MOVIES

Enjoy a free afternoon at the movies at Michael E. Rodgers Seniors’ Center, sponsored by the Huntington Beach Council on Aging. Complimentary popcorn makes this a must see event. Movies are selected based on suggestions from the audience.

On September 4, view “**Grey Gardens,**” a true life tale of the eccentric aunt and first cousin of Jackie Kennedy Onassis. Big Edie (Jessica Lange) and Little Edie (Drew Barrymore) retreat from New York high society to their East Hampton summer home “Grey Gardens.” Limited funds force lifestyle changes upon them that neither is willing to accept. *Not rated. 103 minutes*

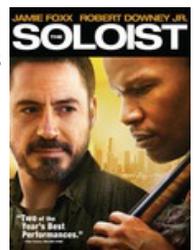


On September 18, return to your youth with “**17 Again.**” Mike O’Donnell’s (Mathew Perry) wife wants a divorce. A chance

encounter with a mystical high school janitor grants his wish to be young again. Mike has the chance to reverse some decisions he wishes he’d never made. *PG-13 for language some sexual material and teen partying. 102 minutes.*

On September 25, see what’s happening closer to home in “**The Soloist.**” In 2005, “L.A. Times” columnist, Steve Lopez, (Robert Downey Jr.) discovers Nathaniel Ayers (Jamie Foxx), a mentally ill,

homeless street musician who possesses extraordinary talent. This true-life drama tells the tale of the unique friendship that transforms both their lives. *Pg-13 for thematic elements, some drug use, language. 109 minutes.*



Friday Afternoon at the Movies is held at the Rodgers Seniors’ Center at 1706 Orange Avenue on Fridays at 12:30 p.m. Come early and enjoy the **Community SeniorServ lunch.** Lunch is served each weekday at 11:30 a.m. A donation of \$2.50 for those 60+ is recommended for the lunch. \$3.50 for those under 60.