

**City of
Huntington
Beach**

Community Connection

May 2009



It's Duck Season Centennial Style!

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City Hall will be closed
Monday, May 25th
for Memorial Day

Special points of interest:

- Library Centennial Celebration
- Pee Wee Soccer Season Starting
- Huntington Beach Art Center Events
- Water Conservation Information

The 17th Annual Duck-A-Thon™ is May 15 – 17th at the Huntington Beach Pier. This is the fun event where you buy a rubber duck for a chance to win prizes as it races in the waves to the shore! In honor of the 100th Birthday of Huntington Beach, 2009 theme ducks are Birthday Ducks!



will receive the 'Golden Duck Traveling Trophy' and bragging rights for one year.

Buy your ducks online at www.duckathon.org.

All proceeds from the Duck-A-Thon™ benefit AltaMed's Huntington Beach Community Clinic.

Schedule of Events-

Saturday May 16:

10 am—6 pm: duck festival
3 pm: baby duck race

Sunday May 17:

10 am—5 pm: duck festival
3 pm: corporate duck race

Saturday is the main event when 4,000 baby ducks race at 3:00 pm.

The first 50 ducks to shore win prizes for their owners. First prize is \$1,000!

Sunday is the Corporate Duck Race at 3:00 .

Corporate Ducks are larger than baby ducks and compete for first place only. The winner

City Council to appoint Charter Review Committee

The City Council voted at their April 20th meeting to accept applications for a Charter Review Committee.

The applications are

available online at www.surfcity-hb.org

Applicants must be registered voters in the City of Huntington Beach; 15 members will be se-

lected. The deadline to apply is May 22nd. For further information, contact Pat Dapkus at (714) 536-5579 or pdapkus@surfcity-hb.org



Library Centennial Celebration

It's hard to believe that our library started 100 years ago in an old office building on Walnut and Main Street with a mere 500 books, and has grown to five locations with close to half a million items. How far we've come!



saltwater taffy, balloon animals, historical reenactments, and an opportunity to dress up in costumes from the early 1900's!

The library will also be featuring a short film about its history, *Hopeful Journeys* and a special performance by the Book Cart Drill Team. Please join us for cake and ice cream, and a cele-

bration of the library on June 12th, from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at Central Library.

The Huntington Beach Central Library is located at 7111 Talbert Ave, Huntington Beach, CA 92648.



To celebrate our history, we will revisit the past with a Barber Shop Quartet, authentic

On Course Golf Tournament

Plans are underway for the Huntington Beach Council on Aging *On Course Golf Tournament*. The event, which raises funds for the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors' Center is set for Friday, June 26, 2009 at Meadowlark Golf Course in Huntington Beach. Men and women of all ages and are

There are more than 55,000 seniors age 55 and older residing in the greater Huntington Beach area.

encouraged to grab your clubs and join us for a great day of golf while supporting a worthy cause. Businesses and individuals are encouraged to get their name on the "Sponsorship Leader Board" by becoming a sponsor for this year's event. With more than 55,000 seniors age 55 and older residing in the greater Huntington

Beach area, the tournament helps support seniors and their families through many beneficial programs offered by the senior center.

Sponsorship and golf packages range from \$100 - \$2,500 and include a host of benefits depending on the levels. To sponsor the event or for more information, please call Chris Cole at (714) 374-1710.

The 2010 Census is Just Around the Corner

Taken every 10 years, the U.S. census counts everyone residing in the United States. It affects political representation and directs the allocation of billions of dollars in government funding, it also creates hundreds of thousands of temporary jobs across the nation.

It is important that everyone

participate in the 2010 census. Every year, more than \$300 billion is awarded

to states and communities based on census data. The data guides local decision makers on important planning efforts including where to build schools



and hospitals.

The 2010 census needs volunteers as well as paid employees to help spread the word and make this historic event happen. For more information on census opportunities, visit www.census.gov/2010census.

24th Annual HB Concours d'Elegance

Come to this two day family event June 6th and 7th and enjoy live entertainment while admiring some of the most beautiful automobiles and motorcycles in Southern California on the picturesque lawns of Huntington Beach Central Park.

Saturday's "Back to the Beach" features over 40 classes of hot rods and custom motorcycles and a salute to orphan cars and "HEMI". Grand Marshall Fireball Tim Lawrence, will be hosting Hot Rod and Custom builders of Southern California. The Mai

Tais Surf band and "Island Inspirations" South Pacific dancers are sure to pick up the pace during the day.

Sunday features The Concours with Pontiac and Aston Martin as the honored marques for automobiles and Big Dog for motorcycles. Grand Marshall Jim Wangers, "God Father of the GTO", will present some special Pontiacs and artwork. Dave Kunz, KABC-TV automotive



specialists will MC the day. Free ice cream and Hot Wheels racing for the kids; "Autumn" and the Dixieland Ramblers will entertain the adults.

Proceeds are donated to the Huntington Beach Children's Resource Center.

For ticket information visit www.hbconcours.org or call 714-375-8414.

The Magic of Composting 2009

Learn about those decomposers that make the best organic compost for our gardens. Transform those kitchen scraps and backyard

cuttings into "black gold." Pre-registration is required. \$10 per seminar or attend both on the same day for \$15. Each seminar is limited to

the first 50 registrants. Register now at www.shipleynature.org.

Huntington Beach Residents receive a \$50 voucher towards the purchase of their choice of Composting Bin or Vermiculture Kit.

May 16 · June 20 · July 11
Vermiculture (Worms) at
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Traditional Backyard at
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Edison Community Center Funtime Dance

The "Funtime Dance" is held every 3rd Friday of the month at Edison Community Center for adults with developmental disabilities.

The DJ plays dance music from 7:30 to 9:30; refreshments are served and each

month caters a special dance theme.

The Funtime Dance has been a part of the community for 20 years, supported by such groups as the Kiwanis Club, Paetec Communications, Inc., The Sts. Simon & Jude

Knights of Columbus, and many individuals and families who donate time and money.

Each dance brings around 100 participants to enjoy this low cost, fun, family dance event.

CATCH THE WAVE OF JOB OPPORTUNITIES!

If applying for the first time on-line, you must first create a personal account and select a username and password. To do this, go to www.surfcity-hb.org/jobs and click on one of the links under "Catch the Wave". You may also click on the "Build Job Application" link to prepare your application. The application can then be saved and used to apply for more than one recruitment at any time.

You may also view complete job descriptions and qualifications. Should you wish to be notified by email of a specific future job opening, you may fill our on-line notification request form. Just fill out an "electronic interest card" by clicking on the link to [Request job notifications by category](#).

Full Time Opportunities

Communications Operator (Experienced)
Police Officer (Experienced)
Senior Administrative Analyst (closes 5/12/09)

Part Time Opportunities

College Interns Part-Time/Temporary Positions
Library (Various Temporary Positions)
Maintenance Worker Assistant (II, III, IV)
Police Cadet

APPLY ON-LINE AT www.surfcity-hb.org/jobs

Ol' Fishin' Hole Derby

The City of Huntington Beach Community Services Dept. will be partnering with the Huntington Beach Kiwanis Club to offer "The Ol' Fishin' Hole Derby" for children with disabilities on Friday, May 8. The Derby will be held at Carr Park with 180 children participating. The Department of Fish and Game will be there giving advice and teaching skills to the children along with various volunteers from the community. All of the children come from local

schools and are invited to stay for a barbeque lunch after the fishing is over. This event is made possible by generous donations of city employee organizations including the MEO, POA, HBFA and MEA. Mako Matt and his crew will be providing bait and assistance to the children.



The Huntington Beach Fishing club, HB Fire Dept. and the King Fishers will also be there with volunteers. This event not only provides a great experience for the children involved but also gives the volunteers involved a sense of accomplishment. Prizes will be awarded to the top three combined weight and the class with the most fish caught. If you are interested in volunteering please call (714) 536-5486 to sign up!

Pee Wee Soccer at the Sports Complex

The City of Huntington Beach has started its fourth season of the extremely popular Pee Wee Soccer program held on the artificial turf fields at the Central Park Sports Complex.

The Pee Wee Soccer program for youth between the ages of 3 to 5 years old began in 2006 with three Tuesday classes, and has expanded to eight classes offered on Tuesday, Thursday or Saturday.

Pee Wee Sports Programs are available throughout the year, with Summer Basketball and T-

Ball, Winter Basketball and the Spring Soccer Program.

The Soccer program is designed as an introduction to team sports with an emphasis on fun, and building social skills along with athletic skills. For most participants, this program is their very first team sport and the City of Huntington Beach believes that team sports is essential in



teaching youth not only the rules and strategies of the game, but important life lessons as well.

For more information

about the City of Huntington Beach Pee Wee and Youth Sports programs, please see the SANDS bulletin.

Children's Needs Task Force Youth Character Awards

On May 16, 2009, the Children's Needs Task Force will be hosting their annual Youth Character Award Recognition program at Bella Terra Huntington Beach.

In 2000, the Children's Needs Task Force implemented the Youth Character Award program inviting public and private schools, and youth services

organizations in the community to nominate young people who exhibit strength of character. The American Youth Character Awards are designed to honor young people whose lives and achievements demonstrate an enduring commitment to qualities

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associated with good character. Students are not recognized for just isolated acts of heroism or generosity, nor is it given simply for high grades, selection for leadership posts, excellence in athletics or arts, or any combination

thereof. The young people who are honored are role models for their generation.

Each year several outstanding role models are selected from the field of nominees to be honored at the Bella Terra Youth Character

"Wall of Fame". Each year, the honorees have their name memorialized on a bronze plaque permanently displayed at Bella Terra. Now in its 9th year, past sponsors of the Youth Character Award bronze plaque award Senator Tom & Dianne Harman, Robert & Connie Mandic, Ron Shenkman (Rainbow Disposal), Dr. Phyllis Lembke, Dr. Frank & Carol Infusino, the Huntington Beach Police Officers Association and this year, The Robert Mayer Corporation.

The Children's Needs Task Force Chair will present the recognition certificates and honoree medals beginning at 10:00 a.m. The hour long program is open to the public.

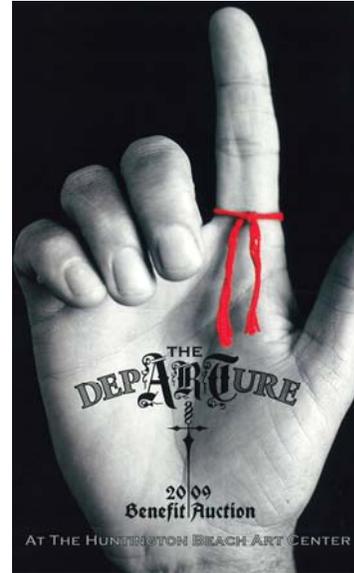
Huntington Beach Art Center Benefit

The Huntington Beach Art Center's *Departure* 9th Annual Benefit Art Auction and Exhibition, featuring the contemporary work of select emerging and established artists, is scheduled for May 29-June 5.

The event will begin with the *Meet the Artists Party* on Friday, May 29, 6 – 9 p.m., where the community mingles with exhibiting artists to learn more about their work.

The *Meet the Artists Party* is also the first chance for patrons to view and buy the small works offered in the purely aesthetic event, a unique opportunity to own one of a kind pieces by auction artists.

Admission to the *Meet the Artists Party* is free. For more information please call the Art Center at 714.374.1650.



Touring, Luncheon and Shopping at Home Tour 2009

The Huntington Beach Art Center (HBAC) and the Huntington Beach Education Foundation invite you to spend a spectacular day touring, lunching and shopping right here

Mother's Day
Saturday May 9,
10 a.m. – 4 p.m

in the heart of the city. Home Tour 2009 presents a tour of prestigious Huntington Beach homes, and a gourmet buffet lunch and desserts provided by

popular local restaurants and a special Mother's Day Boutique at the HBAC.

Tickets are \$50 per person. Please call the HBAC at 714.374.1650 for information and reservations.

More HBAC events

Jazz at the Center with Ernie Andrews-

The Huntington Beach Art Center proudly presents Jazz at the Center featuring the stunning sounds of Ernie Andrews, on Sunday, May 31st, from 4:00 – 6:30 p.m. performing in an intimate cabaret-style setting. A living legend, 80 year old Andrews performs with a hard

swinging, uniquely bluesy style. General admission \$25; or \$20 for members. Prepaid reservations required for guaranteed seating. Call (714) 374-1650 for ticket information.

Artsy Sundays- Artsy Sundays continue with two dates: May 3 and 31. Guest artists teach hands-on art to families in a comfortable and creative environment. The

Workshops run from 1 – 3 p.m. and families are invited to come in and learn new techniques and create a work of art to take home. Sponsored by Target, *Artsy Sundays* is a series of free, drop-in art workshops for children and their parents. Registration is not required. Call 714.374.1650 for more information, or see the *Sands Community Brochure* at www.surfcity-hb.org.

Free Friday Afternoon at the Movies

Enjoy a free afternoon at the movies at Michael E. Rodgers Seniors' Center, 1706 Orange Avenue on Fridays at 12:30 p.m. Complimentary popcorn makes this a must see event. Movies are selected based on suggestions from the audience.

On May 1, enjoy **Doubt**, in which John Patrick Shanley successfully transforms his Pulitzer and Tony award winning play to the screen and garners five Oscar nominations. Starring Meryl Streep, Philip Seymour Hoffman, Amy Adams, and Viola Davis.

On May 15, hum to the sounds of 1950s Chicago watching **Cadillac Records**, a musical drama based on the true story of Leonard Chess. Starring Adrien Brody, Cedrick the Entertainer and Beyonce Knowles.

On May 22, view **Changeling**, directed by Clint Eastwood, this provocative drama based on an actual incident rocked California's legal system in 1928. Starring Angelina Jolie in an Oscar nominated role.



And for your last chance in May on May 29, see **Last Chance Harvey** where Harvey and Kate learn about new beginnings at any age. Starring Dustin Hoffman and Emma Thompson.

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 is charged to those under 60.

Spring Festival a Success

Saturday, April 25th, the Spring Festival at Shipley Nature Center was enjoyed by over 1,000 participants.



Children enjoyed a traditional Maypole dance and even got to pet a tarantula, lizard and

snake. All the folks considering tearing out their lawns to save water got loads of advice from the Shipley Nursery Volunteers

on planting California Natives. Guests saw the plants put on a show as they attracted butterflies and hummingbirds in the Demonstration Gardens.

Everyone enjoyed listening to the music provided by the Academy of Performing Arts and relaxing under the sunny blue sky.

New County Wide Emergency Notification System

AlertOC is a mass notification system designed to keep Orange County residents and businesses informed of emergencies and certain community events. By registering with AlertOC, time sensitive voice messages from the County or City in which you live or work may be sent to your home, cell or business phone.

Text messages may also be sent to cell phones, e-mail accounts and hearing impaired receiving devices.

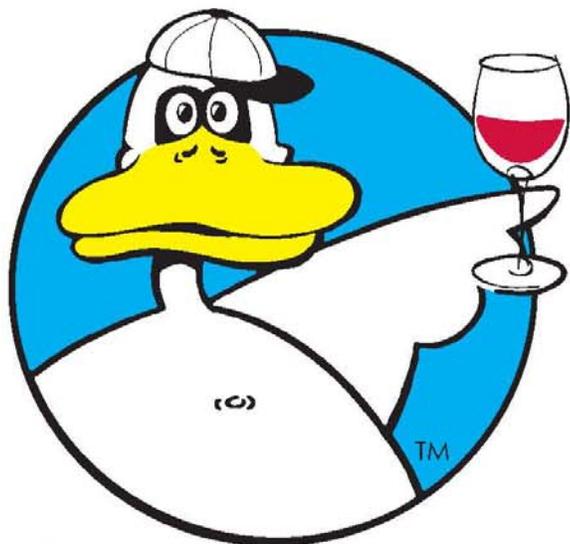
Registration is web-based and must be completed via the internet. Instructions are easy to follow and users may register their

home and business information. Registration only takes a minute and is an important way to keep your family prepared.

For more information and to register visit www.alertOC.com. Questions will be answered via email. The address is alertoc@surfcity-hb.org.



The Huntington Beach DUCK-A-THON™



Buy Tickets Online at dat.eventbrite.com

This event will sell out. Get your tickets early.

6th Annual WINE TASTING

at the Huntington Beach Pier

Benefiting AltaMed's
Huntington Beach
Community Clinic

Friday, May 15, 2009

6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

■ Silent Auction ■ Door & Raffle Prizes ■ Hors D'oeuvres

Wines & Beer

- Hilton Waterfront / Shades Restaurant
- Three Saints Vineyard
- Lapis Luna
- Brewbaker's
- Derby Wine Estates
- And more...

Food

- Duke's
- Rubio's
- Hooters
- RA Sushi
- And more...

Win

- 42" Aquos HDTV donated by Sharp Laboratories
- Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach overnight stay & brunch
- And more...

Must be 21 and over. No children

Buy Tickets Online at dat.eventbrite.com

and you are automatically entered to win a \$100 Duke's gift card!

I wish to purchase _____ tickets at \$40.00 each
Tickets include an 8 oz souvenir wine glass

I wish to purchase _____ VIP tickets at \$50.00 each
VIP tickets include a deluxe 16 oz souvenir wine glass,
VIP check-in, parking validation (Note: parking validation
only applies to Main Street Promenade Parking Structure)

Total amount \$ _____

Please mail your RSVP to ensure it is received by
May 12th so we may honor the advance ticket price

Mail to:

Duck-A Thon Wine Tasting
412 Olive Street #279
Huntington Beach, CA 92648

Fax to:

714-908-7159

Name _____ Company _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email Address _____

Payment: Check enclosed (make payable to AltaMed's HBCC)
 Visa MasterCard American Express

Card Number: _____ Expiration: _____

Security Code: _____ (3 digit code on back of Visa/MC, 4 digit code on front of AMEX)

Name as it appears on the card: _____

Authorized Signature _____

Visit www.duckathon.org for complete information about our 3 day event

4th of July Pier Plaza Festival

Huntington Beach's 4th of July Celebration wouldn't be complete without the annual Pier Plaza Festival and this year will be especially popular with activities and entertainment for the whole family. The Festival runs for three days, July 3, 4 and 5.

K-Earth 101 FM will be back with an afternoon concert featuring proven favorite, Stone Soul. Fireworks will be shot



from the end of the pier at dusk on July 4th. Pre-fireworks entertainment includes the popular Golden West Pops Symphony.

Kelly Tillotson will sing the National Anthem, kicking off a fireworks show that will be bigger than ever with additional displays saluting Huntington

Beach's Centennial celebration. Kids' favorites include bounce houses and inflatables and at this

printing, Radio Disney has promised a great show, live at the Pier Plaza.

Don't forget souvenirs, 4th of July merchandise and memorabilia, product demonstrations, taste sampling from selected sponsors and a huge variety of food and drinks for purchase. All together, the Pier Plaza Festival offers a great family fun day at the beach.

For Festival hours and complete 4th of July parade and celebration information, visit our website at www.hb4thofjuly.org.

May Children's Library Events

In addition to regular storytimes and crafts, the Children's Department at the Central Library offers many different monthly activities for children and their families.

Of particular interest this month is an outdoor puppet show at the Main Street branch library, called " **Scooter's Circus Ad-**

venture", to be held on **May 13 at 4:00 pm**. Tickets are \$4 each, on sale now.

On **May 14**, join us at the Central Library's Tabby Theater for **Family Evening Storytime at 7:00 pm**.



Come celebrate **Children's Book Week** with us between **May 11 and 17**.

For those aged 12 and up wanting to **volunteer** during the **Summer Reading Program**, **applications are available May 1st**.

What's Summer Without the Beach?

Water pollution makes our beaches unsafe. Untreated runoff from many common summer activities enters the storm drains before entering our waterways. You can help keep our beaches open all summer long.

Prevent excess water from over-saturated lawns from flowing into streets by:

Planting native plants, checking if it is dry below the surface, water before 9 am or after 4 pm, shorten the timer cycle and don't water if rain is predicted.

Commercial car washes use less water and recycle washwater. If you wash your car at home, divert all water to the landscape and use a nozzle.

Keep fertilizers, pesticides and yard trimmings from waterways.

Other tips include: Maintain your car to prevent fluid leaks, pick up pet waste and do not litter.

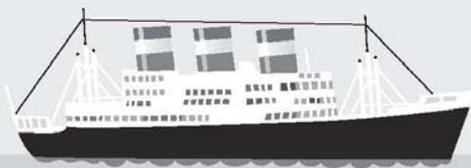
For more information and tips, contact the Orange County Stormwater Program at 714-567-6363 or visit

www.ocwatersheds.com.

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

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)

City Implements Stage 1 of Water Program

City Administrator Fred Wilson and Director of Public Works Travis Hopkins announced on March 23rd, that the City is implementing Stage I of its Water Management Program. This action was taken in anticipation of regional water supply curtailments expected to take place as early as this summer. Stage I of the program consists of voluntary water conservation measures and is implemented when water supply shortages of 10% or less are imminent.

Water supply for the City is a mixture of groundwater, provided by wells located through-

out the City, and "imported" water, provided by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD). Imported water is a mixture of Colorado River and State Water Project deliveries from North and Central California.

The Colorado River basin watershed has experienced drought conditions for seven of the last eight years, and Northern California runoff has been below average for the



last three years. In addition to the dry conditions impacting the entire state of California, a court imposed restriction has been implemented to reduce

water deliveries from the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta to protect the Delta smelt.

For specific measures requested during Stage I, water saving tips and further information, please visit www.surfcity-hb.org/



Celebrating 100 Years of
Community!
For Centennial Celebration

information visit
www.HB100Years.org

**CITY OF HUNTINGTON
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For a complete listing of events
in Huntington Beach visit

www.surfcityevents.com

HBTV Channel 3 Schedule

Community Bulletin Board	Daily
City Council Meetings	May 4 @ 6 pm Rebroadcast May 5 @ 10 am and May 6 @ 7 pm May 18 @ 6 pm Rebroadcast May 19 @ 10 am and May 20 @ 7 pm
Planning Commission Meeting	May 12 @ 7 pm Rebroadcast May 14 @ 7 pm and May 26 @ 7 pm Rebroadcast May 28 @ 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. Look for the program guide under the “What’s New” column.

Assistant City Clerk Robin Lugar receives Mayor’s Award

Assistant City Clerk Robin Lugar received the Mayor’s Award at the April 20th City Council Meeting. She is in her 16th year of employment as a public servant and is highly respected and liked. She has been employed for 10.5 years (Administration 1.5 years, Planning 5 years, City Clerk’s Department 4 years).

Robin enjoys ensuring the public’s, Council’s and city staff’s needs are foremost in the



clerk’s office. In the last three years, Robin has become a Notary Public, Passport Agent, technical track for Clerks graduate, has attained the distinction of being a certified

municipal clerk –and is currently working toward her Master Municipal Clerk certification. She is also pursuing a Bachelors degree in Organizational Management.

Joining her in the photo are the Mayor and City

Clerk Joan Flynn, her Parents Wayne and Marilyn Carter, daughters Katie and Jennifer and colleagues from the Clerk’s and Planning Departments.