

CITY OF
HUNTINGTON BEACH

SPECIAL POINTS OF
INTEREST:

- ◆ ALL FIREWORKS
ILLEGAL
- ◆ KABC-TV
CHANNEL 7 TO
AIR 4TH OF JULY
PARADE LIVE
- ◆ 4TH OF JULY
ROAD CLOSURES
- ◆ FREE
LANDSCAPING
CLASS JULY 12

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City Manager's Report

JULY 1, 2014

Fireworks are Illegal in Huntington Beach

Fireworks of every kind are **NOT LEGAL.**

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Fireworks
are **ILLEGAL** in
Huntington
Beach



The City of Huntington Beach
does **NOT** allow any fireworks, including
"Safe and Sane."

No Fireworks in HB!

Violators will be Fined \$500 each offense

*With the exception of
a two-year trial
period, the sale and
use of fireworks has
been illegal in
Huntington Beach for
over 25 years.*

Ordinance No. 3932
which was approved by
the City Council on Feb-
ruary 6, 2012 allowed the
strict regulated sale, stor-
age and use of "safe and
sane" fireworks on spe-
cific dates and locations.

This expired on July 5, 2013 and no action has been made to extend. During the trial period, there was an increase in the confiscation and usage of harmful fireworks in addition to inappropriate use of state approved fireworks.

Please be warned that the police will be cracking down and issuing citations of \$500 per offense and confiscating all fireworks. Second offense is \$1,000.

If you see fireworks of any kind being used in Huntington Beach, the police ask that your call the Fireworks Hotline at 714-375-5144, or call the HBPD non-emergency number 714-960-8825.

Residents and visitors can enjoy our 4th of July Fireworks show from the pier at 9 p.m.

*Note FREE shuttle services offered. See pg. 8

4th of July Street Closures: Plan ahead!

On Friday, July 4th, the parade route will require the closure of Pacific Coast Highway, beginning at 5 a.m. and commencing after the parade. The parade will officially begin at PCH and 8th, proceeding through the downtown and residential areas on Main St and ending just past Yorktown. The parade will begin at 10 a.m. and conclude around noon.

PCH traffic will be detoured at Goldenwest St. and Beach Blvd. up to Garfield Ave, opening to full functionality no later than 2 p.m.

Residents and guests are urged to enter the downtown area at Palm or Orange Ave.

Pacific View Ave. will be open for access to the Hyatt and the Hilton. Twin Dolphin will be closed from 5 a.m. reopening no later than 2 p.m.

The Pier will be partially closed to the public throughout the day and will close completely beginning at 5 p.m. for the launching of fireworks.

Fireworks Over the Ocean show will start at 9 p.m.

PCH will close from Goldenwest St. to Beach Blvd. from 7 p.m. to roughly 11 p.m. until pedestrian traffic has dispersed. estimated to be around 11 p.m.

Huntington St. will be closed to through traffic between Atlanta and PCH.



For more information: <http://www.hb4thofjuly.org/>

Police Department News

Keeping your friends and family safe this 4th of July!



The Huntington Beach Police Department and Fire Department would like to remind residents and visitors that all fireworks, including those marked as “Safe and Sane”, are illegal in the City of Huntington Beach!

The Police and Fire Department will be out in full force on the 4th of July and the days leading up to the holiday, making sure that there is full compliance with the Huntington Beach City Ordinance that bans fireworks.

**Note anyone cited for a fireworks violation will face a \$500 fine for a first violation and a \$1,000 fine for any subsequent violations. A person can be arrested and criminally prosecuted depending on the classification and quantity of fireworks.*

Fireworks may be voluntarily disposed of at any of the City’s eight fire stations.

For those who would like to enjoy fireworks, please attend a safe and professionally controlled firework show to ensure the safety of your family, friends, and property. A public fireworks display will be held again this year at the Huntington Beach Pier starting at 9 p.m.

Police officers will strictly enforce all laws, especially those associated with drinking in public, public intoxication, drunk driving, minors in possession of alcoholic beverage and underage drinking. During the 4th of July, the fines for drinking in public are doubled.

The Huntington Beach Police Department encourages responsible parenting and requests that parents closely supervise their children, set expectations for proper behavior, and monitor their activities.

Call the Huntington Beach Police Department at (714) 960-8825 or 911 if you observe dangerous or illegal activities this holiday. To specifically report fireworks, please call our Fireworks Hotline (714) 375-5144.



Tree of Life: Native Plant Nursery

Interested in conserving water with an ecological focus? Native plants is the answer! They reduce water usage, runoff water, chemical use and the hauling of green waste. California native gardens utilize a small fraction of the water that is typically used for turf or exotic plants.

Native plants eliminate irrigation runoff and during winter rains, natural runoff from a native garden will be unpolluted. There is no runoff during the summer and native plants are much more resistant to common pests.

In an environmentally sustainable garden, a healthy balance is achieved with natural predators keeping harmful insects from damaging the plants. This is key in habitat gardens. Native gardens are sustainable and instead of removing grass and pruning debris constantly, mulching and compost becomes a breeze.



Southern California has become characterized by this suburban sprawl. Being drastically impacted are our natural ecosystems and open space. The loss of natural habitats has affected many local wildlife species, including common birds.

The Tree of Life Nursery is the largest grower of California native plants in the state. Located at 33201 Ortega Hwy., in San Juan Capistrano, The Tree of Life Nursery can help rejuvenate your soul from the stresses we deal with daily in our hurried lives. Your outdoor space can become not only a refuge for the birds and bees, but for your own peace of mind too.

Visit their website at www.CaliforniaNativePlants.com for more information.

Free Landscape Classes

Find out ways to take out your old lawn and replace with California Friendly Plants while reducing your water usage and maintenance! Help the environment and free up your weekends from constant gardening. Rebate programs are offered to assist with costs. Join us on July 12 and August 9 from 9 a.m. to noon. Classes will be held at the Utilities Yard located at 19021 Huntington St., Huntington Beach.

Register at www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/hbwater/workshop-events or call (714) 536-5921

Library Services



Calling all Young Scientists!!

Cool off this summer by watching amazing science experiments featuring dry ice in Mad Science's highly interactive program, Dry Ice Capades! It will take place on Thursday, July 10th at 11:00 AM in the Tabby Theater located at the Huntington Beach Central Library at 7111 Talbert Avenue.

Tickets are \$4 each and are available now at the Children's Desk. This program is fun, educational and children will be astonished at what they can do. Seating is limited so hurry up and get your tickets!

*This show is sponsored by the Friends of the Children's Library.

The Library's Summer Reading Program is ON!

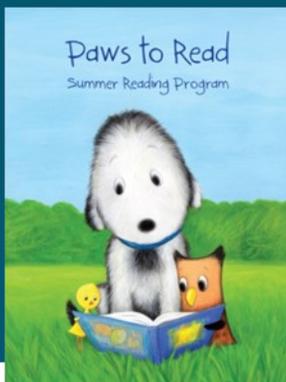
The "Paws to Read" Summer Reading for children, teens and adults will end on August 1st. Register online at www.hbpl.org.



Children will have opportunities to earn prizes every three hours or after every 9th book read, allowing them a chance to earn up to six prizes during the program. Children who complete the entire program will also earn a prize from the treasure shelves AND a book.

Teens and adults can earn virtual raffle tickets for each book (up to 20 tickets) read throughout the program for a chance to win library gift baskets. Teens will also be given a chance to earn a book through their reading efforts.

There is an end of the summer reading program concert for all reading program participants and their families that will take place on August 2nd!



Fire Department

Never Leave Your Child Alone in the Car Program

On average, every 10 days a child dies from heatstroke in a vehicle. These unforeseen and tragedies are 100% preventable.

FACTS:

Sunlight can raise the temperature of a car by 19°F in just 10 minutes. At 104°F, the body begins to shut down, and at 107°F, death can occur. A child's body temperature rises 3-5 times faster than an adults, therefore, children are at a much higher risk of heat stroke.

Together, we can reduce the number of deaths and near missed by remembering to ACT!

- ◆ **Avoid** heat stroke-related injury and death by:
 - Never leaving your child alone in the car, not even for a minute
 - Consistently locking unattended vehicle doors and trucks
- ◆ **Create** reminders and habits that give your and your child's caregiver a safety net:
 - Establish a peace-of-mind plan.
 - Make a habit of looking in the car, front and back
 - Set an alarm on your cell phone as a reminder to drop children off at daycare.
- ◆ **Take** action if you see an unattended child in a car:
 - Dial 911 immediately and wait by the car so EMS can locate you quickly

For more information on this program please go to: www.safekids.org

RACES FIELD DAY

On Saturday, June 28, 2014, the Huntington Beach Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services (RACES) participated in a nation-wide drill called "Field Day." RACES (pronounced "RAY-sees"), is a program endorsed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC Part 97, Section 407), that uses trained amateur radio operators (Hams) during emergencies. Administered by the fire department, RACES members use their personal equipment and skills, and volunteer their time to provide this service at no cost to the City of Huntington Beach.

During an emergency, normal lines of communications can fail leaving amateur radio communications as the only means to communicate. In addition, they support public events such as the Surf City Marathon and the 4th of July Parade, and participate in the National Weather Service weather spotter program. Ham radio is a public service as well as technical hobby known around the world. Whether it's contacting someone across the street or across the globe, or even outer space, ham radio operators are ready to supply reliable communications when normal lines fail.

During Field Day, amateur radio (HAM) operators from the US and Canada practiced their emergency communications skills over a 24 hour period with the goal of demonstrating portable and completely independent communications. The group set up operation on the bluffs above Dog Beach and began operating at 6 a.m.. Some of the highlights included listening to the International Spaces Station Astronauts, whom are all HAMS, and watching a downlink from HBPD helicopter HB-1 using amateur radio. Many visitors stopped by to observe, which included Councilman Katapodis, HBFD Engine 45, and several police units.

Zoning Administrator

On Wednesday, July 2, 2014, at 1:30 p.m. in Room B-8 the following item is scheduled for review by the Zoning Administrator:

COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 14-005 (BRENNER RESIDENCE): To permit a 25 sq. ft. addition to the first floor of a single family residence and to permit an existing 360 sq. ft. second floor attic space as habitable space. The project is located at 3351 Bounty Circle, 92649 (at the terminus of Bounty Circle). Please contact Joanna Cortez, Assistant Planner, for more information.

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

Fairwinds Model Homes Under Construction!

Building Division has issued building permits for three model homes by Tri-Pointe Homes at their Fairwinds Tract. The new residential subdivision is located at 10251 Yorktown Avenue, near Brookhurst Street and Yorktown Avenue; which is the site of the former Lamb School. The model homes range in size from 2,379 square feet to 2,834 square feet.

Office of Business Development



Enjoy Free Shuttle Service to Downtown July 4!

HUNTINGTON BEACH CIVIC CENTER TO DOWNTOWN

Approximately every 30 minutes from
1:00 PM to 10:30 PM – last shuttle
leaves Downtown at 10:15 PM

Free parking at the Huntington Beach
Civic Center – 2000 Main Street –
look for the “Shuttle Stop” sign
adjacent to the entrance to City Hall
and the HBPD

OCTA GOLDENWEST TRANSPORTATION CENTER TO DOWNTOWN

Approximately every 30 minutes from
8:30 AM to 11:30 PM – last shuttle
leaves Downtown at 11:00 PM

Free, limited parking available at the
GW Transportation Center – located at
7301 Center Avenue

Free connection from OCTA Routes 25,
29, 66 and 70!



For more information, please visit:
<http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/residents/parking/>

Information Services

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

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

Community Services Department

Handycrafters

The Michael E. Rodgers Seniors' Center Handycrafters are holding a summer long sale. A selection of handmade needlecraft items is available for purchase every day at the Senior Center front lobby or the entire inventory is available for purchase on Fridays from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm in room D. All proceeds go to support the Senior Centers Holiday Meals Program, which provides an Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas dinner to frail and homebound seniors in the community. There are a variety of items available for purchase and every sweater, receiving blanket or scarf that they sell helps to support HB Seniors in need. Purchase now for the holidays and take advantage of great summer prices. For more information please contact the Rodgers Seniors Center Front Desk at 714-536-9387



Jedi Engineering Lego Camp

Looking for a great Jedi Engineering with Legos Camp this summer! Girls and boys ages 5-6 learn to build planes, droids, and palaces inspired by designs made in a galaxy far, far away. Older kids ages 7-12 build more complex machines and structures. Play-Well's Jedi instructors reinforce key engineering concepts such as gear trains, worm drives, pneumatics, eccentric motion and more as students tap into the powerful forces of imagination and engineering. This is an offering of original designs for young Jedi from Play-Well TEKnologies. Established in 1997, Play-Well TEKnologies has been built on being an excellent way for kids to balance learning and play. Contact the City Gym and Pool at 714-960-8884 or visit www.HBsands.org for more information.

City of Huntington Beach Awarded Golden Hub of Innovation Award

The City of Huntington Beach was awarded the Golden Hub of Innovation award, for the Budgeting and Finance Category, from the Association of California Cities - Orange County (ACC-OC). The program that was submitted by the City for consideration was the Finance Department's three-pronged approach to eliminate unfunded liabilities.

One of the goals of the City of Huntington Beach's Strategic Plan is to "Improve Long-Term Financial Sustainability." To help achieve this goal, the Finance Department developed an innovative, multi-pronged approach to significantly reduce the City's retirement and Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) unfunded liabilities.

This unique strategy results in the complete elimination of unfunded liabilities for the City's OPEB and Supplemental Pension Plans within 10 years; and a significant decline in the CalPERS unfunded liability as well. The program was incorporated into the FY 2013/14 Proposed Budget, and was approved by the City Council for the Adopted Budget effective October 1, 2013. The program will save taxpayers \$16.6 million over the next 15 to 25 years.

Over 50 applications were submitted by Orange County cities for consideration of Golden Hub awards. The Selection Committee chose the City's program based off the amount of taxpayer money saved.

For more information please visit: <http://www.accoc.org/2013-golden-hub-of-innovation-awards/>

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) 536-5502
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

Fred A. Wilson, City Manager

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Did you know....

KABC-TV Channel 7 will televise the parade LIVE this year! Reporters David Ono and Ellen Leyva will host the parade from Main and PCH for two hours of coverage! Dallas Raines will join the parade line up, and reporters Eileen Frere and Ric Romero will report from Main Street and PCH before the parade starts! We are thrilled to have this exciting coverage to promote our beautiful HB!

