

SPECIAL POINTS OF  
INTEREST:

- Community Work-  
shops 3/27 and 3/29  
at Central Library
- Tsunami Walk on  
March 27 at 9am and  
Fair at 10:30 at  
Wieder Park
- Neighborhood Watch  
with Chief Handy  
March 27 at 7p.m. at  
City Hall
- Garden Friendly  
Event March 29 at  
Home Depot from  
10am to 3pm

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# City Manager's Report

MARCH 25, 2014

## HB Emergency Services to Prepare Residents for Tsunami

The City of Huntington Beach, in conjunction with National Tsunami Preparedness Week, will participate in testing the city's ability to communicate with residents in the tsunami inundation zone. Residents living within the tsunami evacuation zone are encouraged to participate in the first ever Tsunami Walk – a drill that stresses simplicity and fun.

**Tsunami Walk: March 27, 2014, at 9 a.m.** for residents in the tsunami evacuation zone. Residents are encouraged to meet at Harbour View Park located at the corner of Saybrook Lane and Heil Avenue. We will then walk to a designated safe zone where additional tsunami education material will be available.

**Tsunami Fair: March 27, 2014 from 10 to 11:30 a.m.** at Wieder Park



The poster features a stylized illustration of a beach scene with people, buildings, and a tsunami wave. It includes the City of Huntington Beach logo, the slogan 'THE NEXT WAVE', and the text 'Tsunami Walk Know the Tsunami, Empower Yourself! 2014'. It also lists the event details: 'First Annual Huntington Beach Tsunami Walk March 27, 2014, 9:00AM Harbor View Park to Wieder Park (Corner of Algonquin St. and Heil Ave.)'. A section titled 'Can't make the walk?' provides information for a preparedness fair at Wieder Park from 10:00AM to 11:30AM. Logos for NRR, USGS, Cal OES, and CGS are also present.

**Tsunami Walk**  
*Know the Tsunami,  
Empower Yourself!*  
**2014**

**First Annual  
Huntington Beach Tsunami Walk  
March 27, 2014, 9:00AM**

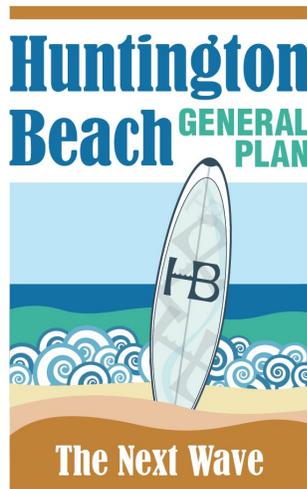
**Harbor View Park to Wieder Park  
(Corner of Algonquin St. and Heil Ave.)**

**Can't make the walk?**  
Join us at Wieder Park for a Tsunami  
Preparedness Fair from 10:00AM to 11:30AM  
(Blackbeard Ln. and Lago Dr.)  
For more information visit:  
[Huntingtonbeachca.gov/PrepareHB](http://Huntingtonbeachca.gov/PrepareHB)  
or call 714-374-1565

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# Planning & Building

## General Plan Update



Nearly 100 Huntington Beach residents attended the General Plan Update Bonfire last week. Community workshops will be held this week. Help the city set goals and improve the quality of life for generations to come!

Visit [www.hbthenextbigwave.org](http://www.hbthenextbigwave.org) for more info!

Community Visioning Workshops:

Thursday, March 27  
6:30 to 8:30 pm

Saturday, March 29  
10 am to noon

Huntington Beach Public Library  
The Talbert Room  
7111 Talbert Avenue



## **HB NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH**

### **BLOCK CAPTAIN AND COMMUNITY MEETING**

THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2014  
7:00 TO 8:30 P.M.  
HUNTINGTON BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT  
2000 MAIN STREET, HUNTINGTON BEACH  
TRAINING ROOM A  
 (follow the signs)

*Come and meet:*

**ROBERT HANDY, CHIEF OF POLICE**  
**HUNTINGTON BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Chief Handy will share information about himself and the direction in which he would like to take the Department.

He wants to hear from you too—so, we will have time for questions and answers.

**PLEASE E-MAIL YOUR QUESTION TO: [nberndt@hbpd.org](mailto:nberndt@hbpd.org)**

*Subject Line: Question for Chief Handy*



**YOU WILL ALSO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET THE HB NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH BOARD MEMBERS & OUR COMMUNICATIONS CENTER (AKA DISPATCH) MEMBERS**

**YOU WILL SEE:**

- WHAT OCCURS IN THE DISPATCH CENTER
- HOW CALLS ARE HANDLED
- WHAT THE DISPATCHER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR, AND WHY IT IS SO IMPORTANT THAT YOU GIVE THEM INFORMATION IN A CERTAIN ORDER
- WHAT THE DISPATCHER IS DOING WHILE ON THE PHONE WITH YOU AND SENDING AN OFFICER TO YOUR LOCATION

**WE WILL SET UP A MOCK COMMUNICATIONS CENTER SO YOU CAN GAIN A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THIS TECHNICAL, HIGH PRESSURE JOB. LEARN HOW CALLS ARE PRIORITIZED AND WHAT NUMBERS SHOULD BE CALLED AND WHEN.**



# Public Works Department News

## HB HOSTS FIRST "ORANGE COUNTY GARDEN FRIENDLY" EVENT

Orange County Garden Friendly is a coalition of local agencies that the City has partnered with to promote California friendly plants and water efficient irrigation systems. Huntington Beach will be the first City to host an Orange County Garden Friendly event on **March 29 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.** at The Home Depot, 7100 Warner Avenue. There will be discounted plants and giveaways, kids' workshops, a bounce house and master gardeners to answer all your gardening questions. So bring your family and your green thumb! For more information, please visit [www.ocgardenfriendly.org](http://www.ocgardenfriendly.org).

This event is brought to you by: Municipal Water District of Orange County  
 OC Stormwater Program • Irvine Ranch Water District • The Home Depot • University of California Cooperative Extension

**Help Your Garden Survive the Drought!**  
**SATURDAY**  
**March 29**  
**10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

Learn how to save water and eliminate runoff with California-friendly plants by attending an upcoming Orange County Garden Friendly event.  
[OCGardenFriendly.org](http://OCGardenFriendly.org)

**The Home Depot Huntington Beach**  
 7100 Warner Avenue  
 Huntington Beach, CA

## \$10 Rain Barrels



Rain barrels are available for \$85, and with a \$75 rebate from the Municipal Water District of Orange County, your final cost is only \$10 each! Up to four (4) barrels per household qualify for the rebates. Purchases must be made by April 10 at [www.RainBarrelsIntl.com](http://www.RainBarrelsIntl.com). Rebate funding is limited, so this may be your last chance to take advantage of a great opportunity!

The rain barrels hold 58 gallons of water that can be captured and put to use in your garden instead of creating urban runoff. Did you know that you can capture 600 gallons of water from a 1,000 sq. ft roof during a 1 inch rainfall?

Join us at the **free Rainwater Harvesting class on April 12 from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.** followed by barrel distribution from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. At the class we will be discussing the installation and maintenance of the rain barrels. Sign up for the class by contacting Rain Barrels International at (919) 602-6316.

We are located at 19001 Huntington Street at the southwest corner of Huntington Street and Garfield Avenue. Order soon, before rebate funding runs out! Also, please check the City's website at [www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/hbwater](http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/hbwater) for upcoming classes and other rebate offers.

# City News

## Huntington Beach Tomorrow

Join Council Member Connie Boardman and City Manager Fred Wilson at the Central Library this **Thursday, March 27 at 7 p.m.** at the Central Library to hear an update on the following topics:

- ◆ Beach-Edinger future development/traffic/parking
- ◆ Downtown safety and quality of life/Downtown Task Force
- ◆ Pacific City
- ◆ Annexing Bolsa Chica
- ◆ Special Tax Assessment Districts
- ◆ Strategic Plan
- ◆ City finance and taxes
- ◆ Sunset Beach sewer road closures
- ◆ And more....

Come early at 6:45 a.m. to register, meet & greet and light refreshments.

## Sister City— Japanese Cultural Festival

Come to Central Park this **Saturday March 29** for the Japanese Cultural Festival from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Food, music, Anime costume contest, Japanese crafts and games, entertainment and more! Visit [hbjapanesefestival.wix.com/sistercity](http://hbjapanesefestival.wix.com/sistercity) or on at [www.facebook.com/hbjapanesefestival](http://www.facebook.com/hbjapanesefestival) for more information.



**GAJA** OKONOMIYAKI Japanese Healthy Pancake www.gajamex.com

**RAMEN BURGER™**

**SAMURAI BURRITO** A NEW WAY TO ROLL SUSHI!

**SATURDAY MARCH 29, 2014**

**HUNTINGTON BEACH CENTRAL PARK BANDSTAND**

Festival begins at 11 am with Taiko drum

**Japanese Crafts and Games**

**Japanese Music, Food, Dance, and Entertainment**

**Anime Costume Contest!**

<https://www.facebook.com/hbjapanesefestival>

<http://hbjapanesefestival.wix.com/sistercity>

# Office of Business Development



## Vans Off the Wall Skatepark Now Open!

Vans Off the Wall Skatepark, Huntington Beach has found its place on the map of world-class skate facilities, after opening on March 22, 2014. Vans collaborated with the City of Huntington Beach, Jack's Garage and California Skateparks to design the 40,000 square foot skate park, which is free to the public. The park features nearly every type of terrain, restrooms, lockers, and a new Jack's Garage and Taco Surf. Every aspect of the park has a special touch – including the salvaged flatbar from the City's former skate park, and the "SoCal Sole of Fame," inaugurated at the March 22 grand opening by inductees and HB skate legends Christian Hosoi, Ed Templeton and Tosh Townend, who put their feet in cement at the grand opening, and whose impressions will be joined by others in the future to commemorate the significant contributions of local skateboarders in their community. Professional skaters both inspired, and were involved with, the design of the facility, which is located at 7471 Center Avenue, just east of Gothard Street. The park will also play host to a variety of amateur and professional skate events year-round. Park hours are from 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM daily for skateboarders, and BMX bikers and skateboarders are welcome all day every Wednesday. For more information, please visit:

<http://www.vans.com/skateparks/>.

## April 16 Chamber Conference

### "Huntington Beach Rising – Success through Collaboration"

The 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Chamber of Commerce Economic Conference is scheduled for April 16, 2014 from 7:30 a.m. to noon at Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach.

Speakers will include Dr. Stephen D. Christensen, Concordia University School of Business; Lucy Dunn, President & CEO of Orange County Business Council, a City update by Ken Domer and panels on "Making the Connection – Why Commerce in Huntington Beach Matters and Workforce Development – How to Sustain the Rise of Huntington Beach. For additional information contact <http://www.hbchamber.com>

# Community Services News

## CPRS Award

On Monday March 17 the city of Huntington Beach Community Services Department was presented with an award of excellence for the Senior Surf Invitational, from the California Parks & Recreation Society in the category of Creating Community - Aging Well. The award recognizes outstanding achievement in the area of facility design, park planning, marketing and communication and community improvement and programming through demonstrating the CREAM principles of Challenge, Resourcefulness, Execution, Accomplishment and alignment with the parks and recreation Mission that Parks Make Life Better. The city of Huntington Beach Community Service department and the Huntington Beach Council on Aging work actively to fight the stigma of aging with several events including the annual Senior Surf invitational or SSI. Through unique partnerships and the use of the city's world renowned surf location the SSI creates a venue that spotlights athletes 50 years and over, fosters community and promotes lifelong healthy aging. Last year's competition had 72 participants with ages ranging from 50 -88 and included both men and women. Receiving this award means that the City of Huntington Beach and the Huntington Beach Council on Aging have met the highest standards for achieving excellence.



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## Parks Make Life Better! Photo Contest

The City of Huntington Beach Community Services Department enthusiastically invites you to participate in the “**Parks Make Life Better!**” Photo Contest (and a chance to win a City beach parking pass)! The Huntington Beach Community Services Department has embraced the state-wide “**Parks Make Life Better!**” campaign, which aims to remind us of all the amazing benefits that Community Services provides, and invites you to participate too! We encourage you to share these stories with us!

Join us in celebrating the “**Parks Make Life Better!**” movement by submitting a photograph of you and/or family in one of four photo categories:

- ◆ Open Space and Passive Recreation
- ◆ City of Huntington Beach Community Services Recreation Classes
- ◆ Community Gatherings
- ◆ City of Huntington Beach Adult and Youth Sports Programs

Photo Submissions will be accepted between March 1<sup>st</sup> – May 31<sup>st</sup> and must include a signed Huntington Beach photo release waiver (available at [www.HBsands.org](http://www.HBsands.org)). Email [PMLB@surfcity-hb.org](mailto:PMLB@surfcity-hb.org) with your photo submission or for more info. We look forward to seeing how Community Services in Huntington Beach makes your life better!

# Library News

## Friends of the Library Reagan Library Field Trip April 8



As a Presidential Library administered by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), the Reagan Library, under the authority of the Presidential Records Act, is the repository of presidential records for President Reagan's administration. The Library's holdings include over 60 million pages of documents, over 1.6 million photographs, a half million feet of motion picture film, tens of thousands of audio and video tape, and over 40,000 artifacts.

### Trip Schedule

- 9:30 AM - bus leaves library (lower level at theater entrance)
- 11:30 AM - Arrive at Library, Simi Valley
- 12 noon - Lunch in Air Force One Pavilion
- 1:00 PM - 2 hour tour of facilities/Air Force One
- 5:30 pm - arrive back at library

### \$85 per person

Mail to: FOTL Field Trip, 7111 Talbert Avenue, Huntington Beach, CA 92648  
Or deliver to Friends Gift Shop (714-375-8429)

Prepaid reservations must be received by Tuesday, April 1.

## 5K Walk/Run and Kids Fun Run

Literacy Volunteers is holding their second annual 5K & Kids Fun Run on Sunday, April 27. The event will be held in HB Central Park, and includes a newly designed course! The day's activities will start at 8:00 a.m. with the 5K Walk/Run, followed by a Kids Fun Run. Early bird registration is just \$30 through April 15; Kids Fun Run entry is \$5.00. Entry fees include a t-shirt for adults and a medal for the kids' fun run. Stay for after race snacks and festivities, including a book sale for literacy and story time with Librarian Debra Garcia, accompanied on guitar by Kevin Moran.

Go to the [5K Walk/Run/Read](#) website and register today at the early-bird registration price! Contact Literacy Services for more information, (714) 375-5102. All proceeds benefit Literacy Services @ the Library.

# Information Services

Did you know that you can find information about the FireMed Paramedic Subscription program and online program enrollment is available on the City website? To find program information and online enrollment, click on the Services navigation tab and click on the then Community Safety link. You will find a link to the FireMed program from this Community Safety page.

<http://huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/departments/fire/FireMed/enroll/>

## Fire Department News

**Mass Casualty Incident** — On March 23 at approximately 2 a.m., the Fire Department responded to a major traffic collision on Pacific Coast Highway in Sunset Beach. The speed of the impact pushed both of the vehicles approximately 200 feet, stopping at the curb on the north bound side of PCH. There were two occupants in each of the vehicles and three of the patients were transported to area hospitals.

**Marine Safety** — On Sunday, March 9, 105 applicants reported for Huntington City Beach Ocean Lifeguard Tryouts. The applicants competed in three events (a 1,000 yard pier swim; a 500 yard surf sprint and a 1,500 yard run-swim-run) in large surf. The top 40 qualifiers participated in an oral board interview to select the 30 cadets invited to participate in the 120-hour Lifeguard Training Academy.

**Heavy Rescue Incident** — On March 19 at 11:45 a.m. firefighters were dispatched to a heavy rescue on PCH near Seapoint. Three vehicles were involved, with two of the vehicles rolling several times before coming to rest on the embankment above the beach. Of the four patients, two were transported to area hospitals.

# Planning & Building News

## Planning Commission

On Tuesday, March 25, 2014, at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers the Planning Commission will review the following items:

**CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 14-001 (BOUDIN BAKERY ON-SITE ALCOHOL SALES):**

To permit the on-site sale, service, and consumption of alcoholic beverages (beer and wine) within a proposed eating and drinking establishment and outdoor dining area,. The project is located at 18541 Beach Boulevard #102, 92648 (southwest corner of Beach Boulevard and Main Street). Please contact Tess Nguyen, Associate Planner, for more information.

**GENERAL PLAN CONFORMANCE NO. 14-001 (DISPOSITION OF TWO SURPLUS CITY PARCELS):**

To determine if if the disposition of City owned surplus parcels is in conformance with the goals, objectives, and policies of the General Plan. The project is located at APN 111-150-13 (Southeast corner of Garfield Avenue at Gothard Street) and APN 153-261-24 (Existing walkway between Madeline Drive and TRI Pointe Homes residential subdivision at former Wardlow School). Please contact Hayden Beckman, 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/pcl/PCAgendas.cfm>. Please contact the Planning Division, at (714) 536-5271, with any questions.

# MARCH 2014

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## Schedule of Events

- } 3/27—Tsunami Drill at 9am and Fair at 10:30am
- } 3/27—General Plan Community visioning Workshop at the HB Public Library from 6:30pm to 8:30pm
- } Huntington Beach Tomorrow meeting with City Manager Fred Wilson and Council Member Connie Boardman 7pm to 8:45 at the Central Library
- } 3/29— General Plan Community visioning Workshop at the HB Public Library from 10am to noon.
- } 3/29 — Japanese Cultural Festival at Central Park Bandstand from 11am to 4pm
- } 3/29—Garden Friendly Program at Home Depot on Warner from 10am to 3pm

## City Hall Directory

City Attorney	(714) 536-5555
City Clerk	(714) 536-5227
Passports	(714) 536-1612
City Council	(714) 536-5553
City Manager	(714) 536-5575
Community Services	(714) 536-5486
Beach Operations	(714) 536-5281
Office of Business Development	(714) 536-5542
Finance	(714) 536-5630
Business Licenses	(714) 536-5267
Fire Department	(714) 536-5411
Human Resources	(714) 536-5492
Information Services	(714) 536-5515
Library	(714) 842-4481
Planning & Building	(714) 536-5271
Code Enforcement	(714) 375-5155
Police Department	(714) 960-8811
Public Works	(714) 536-5431

**Fred Wilson, City Manager**  
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