

CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY REPORT

August 1, 2011

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Huntington Beach Art Center

Need a break from the beach? HBAC is featuring a Drop-In Art Workshop on Saturday, August 6 from 12pm-3pm. Artist Joe De Vera will be teaching "Painting with Color". The workshop is \$21 plus a \$10 materials fee. Call the Art Center to register at 714-374-1650.

Artist Tim McGraw will be teaching "Modern Stories" at Future Artists Camp during the week of August 8. Camp projects will include photography, sculpture and theater to create interactive environments. Campers will create individual books and the week's work will be assembled into a simple website. For information please call the Art Center at 714-374-1650.

Softball Registration

Registration for Fall 2011 Adult Softball Leagues is now underway. The registration deadline is August 11. Senior leagues are offered on Sunday mornings and Thursday nights; senior coed leagues are offered on Tuesday nights; men's leagues are offered on Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays; coed leagues are offered on Sunday afternoons and evenings, Wednesday nights and Friday nights. The leagues will start play August 22 and will conclude in late October or early November. Registration packets are available on the City Adult Softball page or can be mailed out. For more details or information, please contact the Community Services office at 714-536-5230.

Adult Arena Soccer Sign-ups

The City of Huntington Beach Community Services Department offers year round adult arena soccer leagues at the award winning Central Park Sports Complex. Games will be played on artificial sports turf under the lights beginning the week of September 12. Team registration costs are \$400.00 per 8 week season plus referee fees (\$20.00) per game paid directly to the official by each team. League play will be 6 vs 6 including the goalie. Women's leagues are offered on Mondays, men's on Tuesday and Wednesday and coed on Thursday and Friday. All teams must have uniforms with numbers. Registration packets are available at City Hall, on the City website or by mail. For league information or to be placed on the individual players list, please call (714) 536-5486. The deadline to turn in team registration to City Hall is September 1, 2011.

Surf City Beach Derby 10-Miler/10K - Hang 10 Your Way!

Orange County's oldest running event just got a new race course and a new name! After 56 years of running along the beach path, the 57th Annual Distance Derby will emerge this November as the Surf City Beach Derby - California's premiere 10-Miler and 10K event on Pacific Coast Highway. You can also take your passion to the sand on the zany new Beach Obstacle Challenge 5K event. Join us for this Distance Derby REDUX on November 6, 2011! For registration and event information, please visit www.beachderby.com.

Rock Your Park!

July was "National Park and Recreation Month" with this year's theme being "Rock Your Park." The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) encouraged all residents to get outside, get healthy, and "Rock" our HB parks. In celebration of National Park and Recreation Month, the Huntington Academy of Dance performed a "Flash Mob" to the music of GREASE preceding the screening of the movie GREASE presented by AES Huntington Beach! The energetic dance number was performed by dozens of dancers of all ages while unsuspecting movie-goers watched the fun! To watch the video, click on <http://youtu.be/-X55HFdzeZk>.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**HB Gastro-Truck Fest IV - Food Truck Event**

Bring friends, family, and an appetite for the last round of feasting this summer at Peter's Landing on Sunday, August 21 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. Tempt your food palette with assorted menus from nearly a dozen premier gourmet trucks including Food Network featured Crepes Bonaparte, and local HB truck, Flavor Rush. The event will take place at 16400 PCH. For more information, log on to www.facebook.com/gastrotruck.

FIRE**Fire Extinguishers****The Five Classes of Fire**

- 1) Class A Fires
Involve ordinary combustibles such as wood, cloth, and paper
- 2) Class B Fires
Involve flammable liquids such as gasoline, oil, and some paints and solvents.
- 3) Class C Fires
Involve energized electrical equipment such as power tools, wiring, fuse boxes, computers, TVs, and electric motors
- 4) Class D Fires (NOTE: fighting Class D Fires requires specialized training)
Involve combustible metals such as magnesium or sodium
- 5) Class K Fires
Involve cooking oils used in commercial cooking equipment

Extinguishers are labeled with standard letters and symbols for the classes of fire they can put out. The appropriate extinguisher must be used for the type of fire being fought. Utilizing the incorrect extinguisher can make the fire worse. The recommended extinguisher for home use is the multipurpose type. A multipurpose fire extinguisher is marked ABC and may be used on those three types of fires.

Installation and Maintenance

Extinguishers should be installed:

- in plain view
- above the reach of children
- near an escape route
- away from stoves and heating appliances

Extinguishers require routine care:

- read the operator's manual to learn how to inspect the extinguisher

- follow the manufacturer's instructions on maintenance
- rechargeable models must be serviced after every use (service companies are listed in the Yellow Pages under "Fire Protection Equipment")
- disposable fire extinguishers can only be used once

Before Fighting a Fire, Be Sure That....

- You have been trained to operate the extinguisher
- Everyone not designated to use extinguishers is leaving the area and that someone has sounded the alarm and called 9-1-1
- There is an unobstructed escape route in case you can't put out the fire
- You know what's burning and your extinguisher is right for the fire

Operation of a Fire Extinguisher:

- **Pull the pin** that unlocks the operating lever
- **Aim Low** pointing the extinguisher nozzle or hose at the base of the fire
- **Squeeze** the lever above handle to discharge the extinguishing agent and release to stop
- **Sweep** the nozzle or hose from side to side keeping the extinguisher aimed at the base of the fire and sweep back and forth until the flames appear to be out

For more information on fire extinguishers, please visit the National Fire Protection Association's website at: www.nfpa.org

INFORMATION SERVICES

View the current and previous City Manager Weekly Reports at:

http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/residents/news_publications/weekly_report/

LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Lend a Fin – Help Save the Library Aquarium

The beautiful, round saltwater aquarium is one of the most popular sights at the Huntington Beach Central Library. Located near the main entrance and the Children's Department, this thriving and colorful installation brings a little bit of ocean into the building and has delighted visitors of all ages for many years. Young visitors find the aquarium so interesting that library staff has responded with a brochure identifying the tank's finned inhabitants. Due to budget cuts in the FY11/12 Budget, no funds are available for the care and maintenance of the aquarium. The library has cut back a great deal on spending, even for some very important programs, but losing the aquarium will be very difficult, especially for our youngest users. To keep the aquarium will require significant donations; the library is asking the community for help. To find out how to help, please contact Kathy Blassingame in Library Administration for more information at 714-960-8836.

"Rudy's Radical Science" Program @ the Library

The Huntington Beach Public Library and the Friends of the Children's Library will present "Rudy's Radical Science" program on August 17, 2011 at 11 am and 1 pm in the Central Library's Tabby Theater. This exciting, science-based show demonstrates chemistry, biology and physics in ways that will entertain and inform children and adults.

Rudy is a trained chemist who uses common ingredients, mixing them to show color properties, chemical changes and fluorescent properties. The audience would think it was magic, if he did not explain the scientific reasons for liquids changing colors, eggs going into impossibly small beakers and ice cream made from liquid nitrogen.

Learn how entertaining and fun science can be. Enjoy a sample of scientifically-created ice cream. Tickets are on sale at the Children's Department for \$4 per person. The show is best enjoyed by school-age children, and advance purchase is highly recommended. For additional information, please call 714-375-5107.

What's Cookin' @ The Library?

More people than ever are using the library for computer access, children's programs, research for school assignments, and working with tutors to improve English language skills. The summer season sees increased use of travel books and videos, information about beaches and outdoor sports and, that noblest of Summer traditions, backyard cooking. Do folks in Huntington Beach love their barbecue! A quick search of the library catalog lists over 100 books about cooking on the grill. Read about grilling, marinating, smoking and more in titles like Bobby Flay's *Boy Meets Grill*, *Skinny Grilling* by Barbara Grunes, *The Vegetarian Grill*, by Andrea Chessman, Steve Raichlen's *The Barbecue Bible* and *The Deen Bros. Get Fired Up*, by Jamie & Bobby Deen. Other juicy-sounding titles include *Barbecue Bash*, *Grill It!*, *Paul Kirk's Championship Barbecue*, *Asian Grilling*, *Peace, Love and Barbecue*, and *Fish and Seafood On The Grill*. Which grill, tools and sauces are out there? Go to the library's website (hbpl.org) and do a magazine search in the EBSCO database – hundreds of articles from magazines across the country offer tips, recipes, recommendations and product reviews. If you are able to visit the library in person, be sure to stop by the Media room to grab a couple of CDs. The perfect background music can add the finishing touch to your perfect August barbecue i.e., (*Smokin'* by Humble Pie? *Burnin'* by Bob Marley). Now all you need is a library card and that perfect iced beverage. Happy August!

PLANNING & BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Planning Commission Meeting: August 9, 2011

On August 9, 2011, the Planning Commission will hold a meeting to review General Plan Conformance No. 11-002. The request is to determine if the 2011/12 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) is in conformance with the goals, objectives, and policies of the General Plan. The 2011/12 CIP is a list of proposed projects recommended for planning, initiation, or construction during the next fiscal year. The non-public hearing item will be at 7:00 pm in the City Council Chambers.

A copy of the agenda will be available on the City's website on Wednesday, August 3.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Window and Car Vandalized at City Hall

On Sunday, July 31, 2011, at about 9:00 AM, a citizen advised the police department a window had been broken on the west side of City Hall. Police officers investigated and located the base to a traffic delineator by the window and it appeared it had been thrown against the window, breaking it. Police officers also located a vehicle parked in the east parking lot of City Hall that had been vandalized by breaking a window and causing dents to the body of the vehicle.

City Hall surveillance video has already been reviewed. The suspect is a male white in his early 20's. He committed the vandalism at about 1:58 AM. The investigation is active with several leads being followed to identify the suspect.

Huntington Beach Police Department is requesting the public's assistance with viewing the surveillance photographs at www.Facebook.com/HuntingtonBeachPolice to help us identify the suspect. Anyone with information on these crimes should call Detective Jayson Lewis at 714-536-5961.

PUBLIC WORKS

Trinidad Lane Bridge Waterline Replacement Project Completed

Construction on the Trinidad Lane Bridge Waterline Replacement Project in Huntington Harbour has been completed. The project involved the replacement of 195 lineal feet of existing 8-inch steel water pipeline suspended on the west side of Trinidad Lane Bridge with a new 8-inch ductile iron pipe. The new 8-inch ductile iron pipeline including the new pipe brackets, valves, and appurtenances were specially coated to protect and extend the life of the new pipeline system. The new pipeline assures reliability of the water supply to the area for many years.

Construction of Large Pavement Rehabilitation Project on Edwards Street and Delaware Street to Begin

Construction to improve two street arterial segments is scheduled to begin next week. The two segments include Delaware Street from Yorktown Avenue to Main Street and Edwards Street from Talbert Avenue to Warner Avenue. The project includes asphalt rehabilitation by grinding the existing pavement, removing failed roadway sections, and overlaying the street with rubberized asphalt concrete. The project also includes limited replacement of concrete curb, gutter, and sidewalk and construction of access ramps where needed. Manholes, monitoring wells, survey monuments, and water valve assemblies will be adjusted to grade. Traffic loops and striping will be replaced. Two small sections of Delaware Street will also be improved to full-street width to match the remainder of the street.

The project utilizes rubberized asphalt concrete (RAC) which contains crumb rubber derived from 100% California waste tire rubber. A two-inch layer of RAC uses over 2,000 waste tires per lane mile. The project will divert more than 13,000 waste tires that otherwise would end up in a landfill. Including this project, the use of RAC in the rehabilitation of the City's arterial

streets has resulted in the diversion of over 219,000 waste tires. Construction of the project was bid awarded at \$2.6M and is expected to be completed by January 2012.