

CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY REPORT

April 11, 2011

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

April 23, the 21st Annual Easter Hunt

The City of Huntington Beach Community Services Department, and the Huntington Beach Kiwanis Club, will present the 21st Annual Easter Hunt on Saturday, April 23 in Huntington Central Park picnic area off of Edwards Ave and Central Park Drive. This event will feature an Easter hunt, game booths, face painting, entertainment, displays by Fire, Police, and Public Works departments, and refreshments. Festivities will be from 9:00am to noon. This free event is made possible by donations and the work of many volunteers. We are expecting a visit from the Easter Bunny and there will be plenty of candy for the children. Pancakes and other refreshments will be available for purchase. The starting times for the children's Easter hunt are as follows:

9:30am - children under 2 and children with disabilities

9:50am - 2 yrs

10:10am - 3 yrs

10:30am - 4 yrs

10:50am - 5 yrs

11:10am - 6 yrs

11:30am - 7 yrs

11:50am - 8 yrs

Please have each child bring a container for collecting their Easter treats.

Bring your family and enjoy the Easter Holiday! For more information call (714) 960-8895.

Huntington Beach Senior Services

HBCOA Spring Fling – Thursday, April 14 at 1:00 pm at the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors center, the Huntington Beach Council on Aging (HBCOA) will host its annual Spring Fling luncheon honoring those members who have supported the HBCOA for ten or more years. Fran Ritchie & Inez Smith have more than 30 years of membership. William Barker, Elizabeth Buckboro, Don Griswold, Florence Harris, John Jankowski, Ken & Martha Pollock, Marie Slovacek, Tess & Jud Stevens, and Jim Townsend have belonged to the HBCOA for 25 years or more. In all, the HBCOA will be recognizing close to 200 long-time members. The mission of the HBCOA is to work with city staff and volunteers to enhance the dignity and quality of life of the senior citizens of Huntington Beach. The HBCOA welcomes all who are interested in attending the luncheon. A \$5.00 pre-paid reservation is required and can be made at Rodgers Seniors Center, 1706 Orange Avenue, Huntington Beach. In addition to the lunch, there will be entertainment by *Swingin' with Dean*, door prizes, and HBCOA news & updates. For more information call 714-536-9387 or visit the HBCOA website www.hbcoa.org.

Marine Safety

While on patrol near Lifeguard Tower #3, Marine Safety Officer Mike Bartlett was dispatched by Marine Safety Officer Claude Panis in Tower Zero to respond to two swimmers in a rip current being pulled away from shore between Towers #2 and #4. One of the swimmers

made it back to the sandbar, but the second person had little swimming ability and was in distress. Arriving on scene within one minute, MSO Bartlett observed a motionless person who was barely floating. MSO Bartlett immediately responded with a rescue paddleboard. Before MSO Bartlett could arrive on scene, the male subject sank under water. He reached down, pulled the submerged victim back up to the board for floatation, and paddled him back to shore.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Save the Date for the First Surf City Food Truck Event:

Watch for Surf City's first food truck event scheduled for May 22 from 11:00am to 3:00pm at Peter's Landing, 16400 Pacific Coast Highway. The event will feature a dozen of Orange County's finest gourmet food trucks. More details to follow.

Enjoy some Exercise and Great Art:

The Art Walk continues on the third Wednesday of each month. This month will feature new artists and student artists; the range in media will include mannequins and military art at host locations throughout the downtown. The Main Street Wine Company will host Mannequin Artist Julie Thompson-Dopkin. Artist Henry Godines, a member of the American Society of Aviation Artists, creates military illustrations. His work is known for its detail and historical accuracy and will be shown at Plaza Almeria. The Art Walk has become an exciting feature in Huntington Beach's colorful downtown, stretching from the Art Center and branch Library at the northern end of Main Street, down to the businesses in the first block and over to The Strand on Fifth Street. From poets to painters, photographers to sculptors, the Art Walk offers guests an entertaining evening of exploring art and ambiance in Huntington Beach. For applications to be a host or a participating artist, please visit hbdownatown.com. For additional information please call the HBDBID office at 714.536.8300.

FIRE

National Fallen Firefighters Foundation

The annual Baskin-Robbins 31 Cent Scoop Night is coming - Wednesday, April 27, from 5p.m. to 10 p.m. Baskin-Robbins will be making a \$100,000 donation to the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation. The following Huntington Beach Baskin Robbins will be participating:

201 Main Street
7101 West Yorktown Avenue
16622 Beach Boulevard
19465 Brookhurst Street
5971 Warner Avenue

INFORMATION SERVICES

Annual Beach Parking Permits

An annual city beach parking pass is available for purchase. You can view parking pass information at:

http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/residents/parking/parking_pass.cfm

LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Volunteer Opportunity with Library Homework Club

The library is seeking an enthusiastic, committed volunteer to supervise our afternoon homework club. Every Monday and Wednesday, high school volunteers assist middle and primary school students with their school assignments, offering the support and encouragement that promote success in school. Our adult homework club coordinator will oversee the program those two afternoons, help recruit and guide volunteers and offer support to both students and tutors. For more information about this exciting program please call Kim Withey (714-375-5033) or Barbara Richardson (714-375-5106).

National Library Week Recognition – April 11 – 16th

The Huntington Beach Public Library Children's Department recognizes National Library Week, April 11 – April 16, 2011, with a decorative tile sale. Donors who contribute \$40 can paint a ceramic tile to be hung in the Children's Department. New tiles will join the existing tiles in the department, an ongoing beautification project since 1993.

Tiles can be painted to honor a loved one, celebrate a birthday, anniversary or wedding or record significant events in a family's life. Groups or individuals can paint tiles which can be hung near each other.

Library patrons paint tiles during National Library Week or purchase a gift certificate, for the tile to be crafted at a later date. All supplies necessary to paint the tile come with the donation; including tile(s), brushes, a variety of paint colors, instructions and a quiet room in which to work.

Please call the Children's Department at (714) 375-5107 for additional information.

PLANNING & BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Planning Commission Meeting: April 12, 2011

On April 12, 2011 the Planning Commission will hold a study session and conduct a public hearing on Tentative Tract Map No. 17397 and Coastal Development Permit No. 10-017, a request by the Pacific Mobile Home Park property owner to subdivide an existing for-rent, mobile home park with a total of 252 units for ownership purposes located at 80 Huntington Street (southeast corner of Atlanta Avenue and Huntington Street). The property owner proposes to subdivide the 252 existing mobile home spaces into 252 numbered lots and 31 lettered lots representing interior drive aisles, landscape areas and common areas to enable

the existing park residents to purchase their own lots. The study session will be held in Room B-8, City Hall – Lower Level at 5:15 pm and the public hearing will be at 7:00 pm in the City Council Chambers.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month

What is Sexual Assault Awareness Month? It is a call to action for everyone to speak out against sexual assault and violence. Be active and lend a hand to teach other people through education, and projects at your job or in the community. Learn how you can assist someone in need by having information about resources and advocacy programs. Also be sure to stress the importance of reporting these types of crimes.

Most of you have a wife, husband, brother, sister, father, mother or a child; according to the National Violence Against Women Survey, 1 in 6 women and 1 in 33 men in the United States has experienced an attempted or sexual assault at some time in their lives. Odds are you may know someone that has been a victim of this terrible crime.

Sexual assault takes many forms—it is any unwanted sexual contact, including rape, attempted rape, and child sexual abuse. It can affect people of any gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or ability. Perpetrators of sexual assault can be friends, acquaintances, family member, or strangers. Approximately 73% of rape victims know their assailants.

Working together we can raise awareness, change attitudes, and help prevent sexual assault. In April, you can participate by wearing a Teal Ribbon to help bring awareness to others about Sexual Assault. You can pick up a teal ribbon at the front counter of the Huntington Beach Police Department, while the supply lasts (compliments of Huntington Beach Neighborhood Watch Program).

If you or someone you know has been sexually assaulted please call your local police department to report it, Huntington Beach Police Department is 714-960-8825, or call the National Sexual Assault Hotline at 800-656-4673.

For more information about available resources contact the Huntington Beach Police Department Victim Advocate at 714-536-5957 or CSP Sexual Assault Victim Services at 714-957-2737.

PUBLIC WORKS

Trinidad Lane Bridge Waterline Replacement Project

Construction is scheduled to begin next week to replace approximately 200 linear feet of existing 8-inch steel potable water pipeline located on the west side of the Trinidad bridge.

The existing 8-inch steel pipeline is severely corroded due to constant exposure to the marine environment within Huntington Harbour and will be replaced with a new 8-inch ductile iron pipe. The project will take approximately one month to complete. Notification to the immediate surrounding community will occur this week.