

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S WEEKLY REPORT

August 16, 2010

CITY TREASURER

Quick Tip of the Week – GUEST

A simple acronym to great customer service:

Greet the customer

Use their name

Eye contact – make sure to look them in the eye

Smile!

Thank them

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Web Design and Publishing Camp

Learn how to create your own web page and publish it on the World Wide Web! Students, grades 4 to 8, are taught video, photo gallery, games, HTML concepts, primary tags, hyperlinks, text formatting, colors, backgrounds and fonts, pictures, graphics and animations, tables, web publishing and more. Camp date is August 23 thru Aug 27 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. located at the City Gym and Pool. For registration information, contact the City Gym and Pool at (714) 960-8884 or log onto www.hbsands.org.

Recreation Open House

Try a Recreation class for free at Edison Community Center at the City of Huntington Beach Recreation Open House on Saturday, August 21, starting at 8:30 a.m. Demo classes will include Karate, Ballet, Pilates, youth fitness, Gymnastics, Tap Dance, tot sports, Mad Science, Zumba, and Pre-teen yoga. There will also be information about all of our other regularly offered classes. Open house will give prospective students a sneak peek at fee-based classes for families, adults and kids, and kicks off the fall Instructional Class Session. Check www.hbsands.org or call 714 960-8870 for additional information and the open house schedule. Edison Community Center is located at 21377 Magnolia Street, across from Edison High School

Senior Center

Travel and Trips – Registration for two great trips are currently being accepted in August through the Huntington Beach Council on Aging's Travel and Trips program for adults 18+. Sign-ups began August 3, 2010 for the Little Italy tour, one of San Diego's most unique neighborhoods. This walking tour of the colorful Italian neighborhood includes an informative history of Italian immigrants and an Italian lunch and gelato. This \$65 tour departs Rodgers Senior Center at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 14. Also in August, registrations are being accepted for the three-day Death Valley tour featuring geographer guide, Professor David Napier, and a tour of Scotty's castle on November 1 - 3. \$419 double occupancy or \$519 single includes 2 nights' hotel accommodations, 3 meals, admissions, services of a guide and tour director, transportation in a luxury motor coach, and luggage handling. The payment deadline is September 1, 2010 so sign-up now. Full details are available at the front

counter of the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors Center, 1706 Orange Avenue or in the Bright Outlook www.hbcoa.org. Register in advance for all trips on Tuesdays, 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. or Thursdays & Fridays 1:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m. Or call during those times for more information 714-536-9387.

Huck Finn Fishing Derby

Saturday was a great day at the pier for 215 participants and their families in the 47th Annual Huck Finn Fishing Derby. As the children, ages up to 15, grabbed their lucky spot parents watched on and untangled fishing line. Sponsors donated so many prizes that no one went away empty handed. The top prizes were bikes donated by Sport Chalet along with a full assortment of fishing gear and fishing trips. Let's Go Fishing donated enough bait for everyone. Members of the United Anglers presented many prizes and secured donated items including fishing trips, poles and other tackle. Poles and assistance were available from the Department of Fish and Game. Seven year old Jesse Trujillo caught the biggest fish with a 12.3oz Corbina. The award for the best Becky Thatcher went to Anna Jeffrey and the Huck Finn costume award went to Dan Arnold.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Downtown Art Walk 8/18

This event is held on the third Wednesday of each month from 6 pm to 9 pm. Begin your art walk experience at the Art Center (538 Main Street), where you will be greeted and given a map to view the myriad of participating artists as you travel through downtown Huntington Beach. The tour ends at the Shorebreak Hotel on 5th Street (between PCH and Walnut). Artists change monthly and various types of mediums are exhibited. You will find musical entertainers on your walk, as well as dinner specials. For more information on the event or to participate in the Art Walk, log on to www.hbdowntown.com or call 714.536.8300.

FIRE

Huntington Beach Firefighters' Association

The Huntington Beach Firefighters' Association (HBFA), in conjunction with local sponsors and the community, is currently restoring Huntington Beach's first motorized fire engine – a 1923 Seagrave fire engine that served Huntington Beach from the 1920's to the 1950's.

The HBFA Seagrave Committee will be holding a fundraising Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, August 28 from 7:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at Lake Park. They will be serving pancakes, sausage and beverages. There will also be activities for kids including a bounce house, carnival games, face painting, music and more. Tickets will be available for purchase the day of the event or by contacting the HBFA Seagrave Committee at 714-442-9826. For more information about the Seagrave Project, go to hbfa.org.

LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Move to the Music

Most people either buy CDs or go online to download their favorite music, but a lot of discerning fans have discovered an amazing resource in their local public library. Huntington

Beach Library's Media department has over 7,000 CDs and loans them for a week, charging two dollars for new arrivals and one dollar for everything else. A lot of people will borrow ten CDs for the price of purchasing just one. Among the 7,000 titles are jazz, rock, blues, country, electronic, Cajun, international, reggae, show tunes, pop, folk, comedy, and Christmas. Many regular users comment that it's the best library music collection they've ever seen. If you love music, you'll find something special in the library's music collection. Check it out!

Libraries beat Netflix

Looking for a movie to watch over the weekend? Interested in finding a great kid's movie, a new release, a favorite classic? Many people sign up for Netflix or Blockbuster. But did you know that Public Libraries circulate more movies than Netflix? Last year, the Public Libraries in the U.S. circulated over 2.1 million DVDs a day, beating Netflix and Blockbuster both. The Huntington Beach Public Library Media Department has an amazing collection of DVDs, both new titles and classics, movies and educational shows, TV shows and all kinds of programs. Come on in and check it out.

PLANNING & BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Solar Project Mitigated Negative Declaration Comment Period ends Monday, August 23

The 30-day comment period for the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the City's solar project ends Monday, August 23. Draft MND No. 2010-006 analyzes the potential environmental impacts associated with the installation of photovoltaic panels on new carports and existing rooftops, and associated accessory equipment at eight municipal facilities within the City of Huntington Beach.

The purpose of the project is to harness available solar resources by constructing a cost effective photovoltaic energy production system at eight City facilities that will result in long term utility cost savings, reduced fossil fuel energy consumption and carbon emissions, and exemplify the benefits of renewable energy generation. A copy of the Draft Mitigated Negative

Site	Type	Location
City Hall and Police Building / Corporate Yard	Rooftop & Parking Lot (Carports)	2000 Main Street Huntington Beach, CA 92647
Central Library	Parking Lot (Carports)	7111 Talbert Avenue Huntington Beach, CA 92648
Sports Complex	Parking Lot (Carports)	18120 Goldenwest Street, Huntington Beach, CA 92647
City Yard	Rooftop & Parking Lot (Carports)	17371 Gothard Street, Huntington Beach, CA 92647
City Reservoir	Rooftop	14627 Springdale Street, Huntington Beach, CA 92647
City Reservoir	Rooftop	6401 Overlook Drive, Huntington Beach, CA 92648
City Water Yard	Rooftop & Parking Lot (Carports)	19001 Huntington Street, Huntington Beach, CA 92648
Murdy Community Center	Parking Lot (Carports)	7000 Norma Drive, Huntington Beach, CA 92647

Declaration will be on file starting Thursday with the Planning & Building Department. A copy of Draft MND will also be available for review at the Central Library, 7111 Talbert Avenue, Huntington Beach, California, the City Clerk's Office, 2000 Main Street, 2nd Floor, Huntington Beach, California, and on the Planning and Building Department website at <http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/Government/Departments/Planning/Environmentalreports.cfm>. The project is slated for public hearing before the Zoning Administrator in September. For additional information, contact Hayden Beckman, Planning Aide, at (714) 536-5271.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Robbery Suspect Located and Arrested

On August 14, 2010 at about 4:00pm, a robbery by force occurred on Yorktown at Brookhurst. A male and female were walking near the stores at that location and were approached by a male juvenile. The juvenile spoke them briefly and then grabbed the victim's purse and tried to run away. She held on and the male with her started fighting with the juvenile. Several witnesses called the police to report what appeared to be a fight in the street. The juvenile was able to escape with the purse.

The victim and witness were able to provide the responding police officers with a detailed description of the juvenile suspect. The police officers were familiar with the juvenile based on prior contacts with him and responded to his house a few blocks away. The police officers, after completing their investigation, arrested the juvenile and recovered the stolen property. The juvenile was arrested for charges of robbery by physical force.

PUBLIC WORKS

Water Consumption for July

The cool summer weather and continued conservation practices have reduced July's usage by 215 million gallons of water compared to 2009. For water saving tips and more information visit the city's website or search for *Huntington Beach Water* * on Facebook.

- See chart on next page.

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH WATER CONSUMPTION - millions of gallons

