

CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY REPORT

March 11, 2013

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Huntington Beach Art Center

The Huntington Beach Art Center presents *Geometry and Friends*, a group exhibition that explores geometric variations in nature, the sciences, and in our daily lives as seen in the works of practicing artists. The exhibition runs from March 16 – April 6, 2013. The public is invited to join us for the opening reception on Saturday, March 16 from 7-9:00 p.m. The artists will be present and a cash bar will be available. Contact the Art Center at 714-374-1650 for information or visit our website at www.huntingtonbeachartcenter.org.

Huntington Beach Senior Services

Free Preview Week-Sockhop Fitness and the City of Huntington Beach are offering a free preview several classes, Zumba Gold and Tone, Zumba Ages 6 – 96, and Latin Line Sizzle during the week of March 18 – 23 at the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors Center, 1706 Orange Avenue. On Monday, March, 18, and/or Saturday, March 23, at 9:00 a.m. enjoy sizzling Latin music and easy dance steps in Zumba Gold and Tone. On Tuesday March 19 at 5:00 p.m., continue your Latin experience in a one-of-a-kind line dance, the Latin Line Sizzle or at 6:00 p.m. bring your family & friends so that everyone can reap the benefits of Zumba Ages 6 to 96. Edison Community Center and City Gym are also having free preview classes this week including Zumba Toning, Ballroom Dancing, and Salsa. All of these classes and more are offered in the spring through the Sands Magazine, www.hbsands.org. For more information, call 714-536-9387.

Egg-Paint, a Free Intergenerational Event- Grandparents, parents and children - will gather at the senior center to paint large foam eggs with the assistance of artist Jack Knight and his helpers. Each artist will be able to bring his or her creation home in time for Easter. Gabriela Toro will enhance the creative spirit on her harp. Sponsors -the City of Huntington Beach, Goals Art Program, Michaels, Grumbacher, and KAPF - join the intergenerational fun on March 28 at 4:00 p.m. at the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors, Center, 1706 Orange Avenue. For reservations call 714-536-9387.



Class Preview Week at Edison Community Center

Edison Community Center is offering a free preview week for several different recreation classes. The week of March 18, visit Edison Center and try out Pilates, Zumba, and Ballroom dance classes for free! On Monday night we will have Ballroom Dance, Zumba Toning, Pilates Mat, and Pilates Cardio Barre. On Tuesday morning, you can try Pilates Mat or Ab-Core Blast.

Wednesday evening we will be previewing Zumba and Zumba Toning + Sentao. You can end your week on Friday morning with another Pilates Mat class. Participants are welcome to try more than one class! For information on class times, please contact Edison Community Center at 714-960-8870 or www.hbsands.org.

Shape Up With Kickboxing Aerobics at Murdy Community Center

Shape up with the black belt instructor who makes kickboxing exercise fun for all levels! The format is easy to follow, including punches, kicks, elbow strikes and more. After a warm-up, stretch and aerobic segment, students have fun punching a bag. This workout burns twice the calories of a typical aerobic class. Class begins Tuesday, March 26, 2013. For more information contact Murdy Community Center or sign up today at: www.hbsands.org.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**New Year. New Energy and New Opportunity**

The 26th Huntington Beach Chamber of Commerce Economic Conference is fast approaching on March 20 at the Hyatt Huntington Beach. Learn about what is happening in California, Orange County, and Huntington Beach and find opportunities to help grow and re-energize your business throughout 2013! The program will start with a keynote address by Mark Schniepp, Director of the California Economic Forecast, which prepares forecasts and economic commentary on the regional economies of California. The second keynote address will be Tom Patty – author of “Marketing without Money and How to Grow Your Business.”

The Conference also has two panels:

1) *Risks & Threats Facing Business Today* - moderated by Fred Wilson, City Manager, with panelists – Tom Harman, Former California State Senator; John Moorlach, Orange County Board of Supervisors, 2nd District; Matthew Harper, Huntington Beach Mayor Pro Tem;

2) *Opportunities and Strengths to Re-Energize your Business Today* - moderated by Jerry Wheeler, with panelists - Michael J. Bouma, Senior Vice President of Voit Real Estate Services; Patrick Brenden, Home Run Media Group; Departure Marketing; Bruce Greenwood, Beach Senior Vice President and General Manager of Los Angeles Region for Costco Wholesale. Contact the Chamber of Commerce at www.hbchamber.com or (714) 536-8888 to register.

Bruxie is Hiring

Bruxie is headed to Huntington Beach! The new location will be at The Strand on 5th Street, which will be their fifth location. Bruxie will be hiring new team members to join the Huntington Beach family! They are looking for candidates with excellent guest service skills, who want to be part of an exciting, growing company.

Wednesday, March 13 – 2 pm to 6 pm

Thursday, March 14 – 2 pm to 6 pm

Friday, March 15 – 2 pm to 6 pm

Saturday, March 16 – Noon to 5 pm

The interviews will be at the Shorebreak Hotel (500 Pacific Coast Hwy). Enter through Lobby and follow signs. *Note: this is not the new Bruxie location, but an interview space while our location is undergoing construction. Candidates should please fill out an application prior to the interview. It's online at <http://bruxie.com/careers/> - don't forget to bring it with you!

FIRE

Free Residential Used Oil & Oil Filter Disposal

Are you a do-it-yourself mechanic who needs to dispose of used motor oil from your car, boat, power tools, or recreational vehicle? The Huntington Beach Fire Department, in coordination with the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle), has developed a residential used oil disposal program that gives Orange County residents three convenient and **cost-free** disposal methods:

- 1) Call 800-449-7587 to arrange for "curbside" pick-up service. Our vendor will arrange collection of your used oil at your doorstep on one of their semi-monthly collection dates.
- 2) Drop off used oil at one of the Certified Collection Centers. These centers are local auto parts stores & auto service shops that will accept used oil for free. Businesses participating in the program will have a blue and yellow "Used Oil Collection Center" sign in the window. To find the nearest location, call 800-CLEANUP or log on to CalRecycle's website at:
<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/UsedOil/Reports/CenterSearch>
- 3) Take used oil to the Orange County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Center located at:

Rainbow Disposal
17121 Nichols Street, Gate 6
(off Warner Avenue between Gothard Avenue and Beach Boulevard)
Hours are 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday through Saturday (closed on holidays and rainy days)

Used Oil Facts & Figures

Problems of Improper Used Oil Disposal

- The oil from a single oil change (1-gallon) can ruin the taste of a million gallons of drinking water (enough water to supply 50 people for one year).
- A film of oil on the surface of water blocks sunlight and prevents oxygen from dissolving in the water, which impairs photosynthetic processes in plants and kills fish and other aquatic life.
- Oil dumped on land reduces soil productivity and can cause expensive clean-up problems.
- Concentrations as low as 50 to 100 parts per million of used oil (about one drop per quart of wastewater) can foul sewage treatment processes.

Oil Filter Recycling

- Each year the US generates 425 million used automotive oil filters containing 160,000 tons of recyclable metals and 18 million gallons of oil.

- Recycling all the oil filters sold annually in the US would result in the recovery of about 160,000 tons of metal, or enough to make 16 new stadiums the size of Atlanta's Turner Stadium.
- Used oil filters can contain more than 45 percent used motor oil (by weight).

For more information about the disposal of used oil, please call 714-834-6752.

INFORMATION SERVICES

The City website contains on demand streaming videos of the many City events. You can watch these event videos at: <http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/residents/videos/events/>

LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Walk Run READ! for Literacy on April 14

Lace up your walking (or running) shoes on Sunday, April 14, for the first annual **Walk Run READ! 5K** at Huntington Central Park. This easy 3.1 mile walk/run is designed for all ages and fitness levels—parents with strollers are welcome, too! 100% of the proceeds go directly to literacy services and will be used for books, tutor training, and learner support. Early bird registration is \$30 thru March 15 or \$35 thereafter - the kids run is \$5. The walk/run begins at 8:00 a.m. near Central Park Drive (off of Edwards Street). For further information, contact Walkiria Nunes at 714-375-5102 or walkiria.nunes@surfcity-hb.org or visit <http://walkrunread.com>.

Teen Tech Week – March 10-16, 2013

Teens are invited to “Check In @ the Library” during Teen Tech Week to discover all that the Public Library has to offer. From e-books, digital audiobooks, Chromebooks, and free Wi-Fi, to research databases and online homework help, the Huntington Beach Library is a hot-spot where teens can plug in and stay connected. The Teen Computer Lab also provides 1-hour of free computer use per day for students ages 13-18 who have a Huntington Beach library card. “Check In @ the Library” today! For more info visit www.hbpl.org and click on “Teen Space,” like us on Facebook or send us a Tweet!

March Art Show @ the Library

The Huntington Harbour Art Association holds its annual Fine Arts Show at the Central Library in the Corner Gallery during the month of March. Local artist Eileen McCullough will judge the entries, giving awards in seven categories. The Library is at 7111 Talbert Avenue. The gallery is free and open during regular Library hours.

PLANNING & BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Planning Commission

On March 12, 2013, the Planning Commission will review the following item:

Conditional Use Permit No. 12-028 – Appeal (AT&T Monopalm) to permit the construction of a new 50 ft. high wireless communications facility designed as a palm tree (monopalm) at

9074 Adams Avenue, 92646 (southeast corner of Adams Avenue and Magnolia Street). City Contact: Jill Arabe

Design Review Board

On March 14, 2013, the Design Review Board will review the following items:

- Design Review No. 13-001 (Panera Bakery Café) to review the design, colors, and materials of a proposed exterior façade remodel at 19461 Main Street, Suite 101, 92648 (northwest corner of Main Street at Yorktown Avenue). City Contact: Hayden Beckman
- Design Review No. 13-002 (Verizon Wireless Facility) to review the design, colors, and materials of new wireless communication antennas mounted onto an existing Southern California Edison (SCE) transmission tower at an overall height of 65 ft. at 21261 Brookhurst Street, 92646 (east side of Brookhurst Street, between Effingham Drive and Hamilton Avenue). City Contact: Ethan Edwards
- Design Review No. 12-023 (Beach Cities Interfaith Services Distribution Center) to review the design, colors, and materials of the proposed distribution center that provides assistance to the homeless and at risk families at 18131 Gothard Street, 92648 (west side of Gothard Street, south of Talbert Avenue). City Contact: Tess Nguyen
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- Sign Code Exception No. 13-003/Planned Sign Program No. 12-005 (Seacliff Office Park Signs) SCE: to permit a) wall signs on the second floor or third floor for major tenants without exterior access in lieu of wall signs allowed only for second floor businesses with exterior access; (b) two (2) tenant directory signs in lieu of a maximum of one (1) sign tenant directory sign permitted; and (c) two (2) real estate signs in lieu of a maximum of one (1) real estate sign permitted. PSP: To review the design, colors, and materials for a proposed planned sign program for an existing multi-tenant office complex at 2100-2134 Main Street, 92648 (northeast corner of Main Street and Yorktown Avenue). City Contact: Tess Nguyen

POLICE DEPARTMENT

On Thursday, February 28, as part of an ongoing effort to enforce laws related to massage establishment operation and eliminate suspected prostitution activity, members of the Huntington Beach Police Department, the Anaheim Police Department, and the Department of Alcohol Beverage Control along with support from the Orange County Human Trafficking Task Force, conducted a series of enforcement operations and inspections at 10 different massage parlors in the City of Huntington Beach. The inspections stemmed from a series of citizen complaints regarding alleged prostitution and the recent proliferation of massage parlors in the city. Prior to a change in the law regarding regulation of massage technicians in 2009 there were nine licensed massage establishments in Huntington Beach; there are now about 65.

These inspections and enforcement operations identified in excess of 50 municipal code violations including issues related to health and safety. In addition to the municipal code violations, ten different arrests were made for a sexually related illicit massage and prostitution. Only one of the locations visited was found to have no violations.

Our efforts to ensure the lawful operation of massage establishments in Huntington Beach and aggressively pursue any potential cases of human trafficking remain ongoing.

3/1 Marines 5K

HBPD Color Guard presented the flag ceremony at the 3/1 Marines 5K Race in Huntington Beach last Saturday. Close to 400 participants ran or walked in the event. HBPD officers Austin, Eskes, Rodriguez, and Manny Vizinho, a retired Marine and RSVP for HBPD, received medals for their age divisions. It was a great day for all at the beach!

PUBLIC WORKS

Electric Vehicle Charging Station at Civic Center

The City of Huntington Beach now has an electric vehicle (EV) charging station located at the Civic Center, north parking lot. The ChargePoint electric vehicle charging station was provided to the city through a United States Department of Energy and a California Energy Commission (CEC) grant.

To access the charging station, EV owners should sign up for a ChargePoint card at chargepoint.net. On the website you can locate and reserve a station and download the smart phone app to track usage and notification of when your car is fully charged. A ChargePoint card or credit card is required to activate each station; however, use of the station is free of cost until December 31, 2013. The charging station serves two reserved parking spots equipped with J1772 Level 2 chargers for EV use only.