November 27, 2018

Veterans Resource Center Hosts Ribbon Cutting at Central Library Dec. 4

The Huntington Beach Public Library’s Veterans Resource Center will celebrate its grand opening with a Ribbon Cutting and Reception on Tuesday, December 4, at 2 p.m. in the Talbert Room at Central Library.

The Veterans Resource Center will be the connection vets need for help. The Center’s skilled volunteers can help veterans with finding employment, accessing health benefits, buying a home, and other needs. Learn more about the Veterans Connect @ the Library program and how you can get involved at http://calibrariesforveterans.org/

This project was supported in whole or in part by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, administered in California by the State Librarian.

Volunteers will staff the Veterans Resource Center Tuesdays through Thursdays from 4 to 8 p.m., and Fridays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Ascon Landfill Community Meeting Dec. 13
The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) will host a community meeting for the upcoming final remedy work at the Ascon Landfill Site on Thursday, December 13, at 6 p.m. at the Edison High School cafeteria (21400 Magnolia Street).

The DTSC project oversight team and the Ascon Landfill Site remedial project team will provide an update and answer questions on the remedial work planned to begin in January 2019.

A community update was distributed by mail and is now posted on the Ascon project website, www.ascon-hb.com.

The City is now accepting applications for the Jet Noise Commission. The Commission established by the City Council will begin meeting in February 2019 to study commercial jet noise issues and report back to City Council recommendations on how to mitigate noise concerns.

Applications and questions on the commission can be directed to Antonia Graham at Antonia.graham@surfcity-hb.org

A Threat to California Citrus
A plant disease that kills citrus trees has been found in California. The disease, called Huanglongbing or citrus greening disease, isn’t harmful to humans, but it is fatal for citrus trees and has no cure. The disease is spread by a pest called the Asian citrus psyllid as it feeds on citrus tree leaves.

Until researchers find a solution, California homeowners who enjoy growing fresh citrus fruit in their yards, and California farmers tending to $2.5 billion worth of citrus fruit trees must work together to protect their trees. Learn more about how to detect the pest and disease and protect California’s beloved citrus heritage. Visit http://californiacitrusthreat.org/ for more info or call (800) 491-1899.
Holiday Shopping Tips to Keep You Safe

Now that it’s officially holiday shopping season, there are a number of tips you should know for both online and in store shopping. The last thing you need right now is to have your purchases stolen or have to deal with identity theft because you didn’t take these simple precautions.

For online shopping:
Shop on secure websites (make sure they are using https: not http);  
Use a strong password, and make sure to change passwords often;  
Don't shop using public Wi-Fi networks;  
Don't buy from unfamiliar websites;  
Monitor your accounts and billing statements for fraudulent activity;  
Shop with credit cards, not debit cards that are tied directly to your bank account.

For in store shopping:

Oooohhh!  
What's in the bag?  
(Pro tip: Thieves want to know too!)

Don'ts for holiday shopping:
- Don't leave packages in plain site in your car  
- Don't forget to LOCK your vehicle  
- Don't flash money around  

Do's for holiday shopping:
- Keep your purse close to your body and your wallet in a front pants pocket  
- Save your receipts and monitor your credit card activity  
- Slow down and be patient!

Enjoy shopping for all your friends and family, but make sure to be safe during this holiday season!
Spark of Love has successfully distributed over 10 million toys since its inception 26 years ago! With the start of the 2018 campaign, donations of **new, unwrapped** toys and sports equipment for children and teens may be dropped off at the following locations:

- Any of the City’s eight fire stations
- City Hall
- Central Park Library
- Main Street Branch Library
- Senior Center in Central Park
- Edison Community Center
- Murdy Community Center

Collection boxes are located near the entrance at each location, and donations are accepted during normal business hours. All toys collected will stay in the area for children in Orange County. Toy request/family referral sheets are available at all fire stations.


This year, Spark of Love is collaborating with the nationwide U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots program, which is celebrating 71 years of collecting and distributing toys. With firefighters and Marines standing side by side, this might be the biggest Spark of Love yet. If you have questions about the Spark of Love Program, or want to arrange a large volume donation, please contact the Huntington Beach Fire Department at (714) 536-5411.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Capital Improvement Project – Zone 1, Residential Overlay Program

The City is responsible for maintaining approximately 200 miles of streets and utilizes a Pavement Management Program (PMP) to calculate a pavement condition for each street. As part of the PMP, a residential network was created dividing the City into 12 maintenance zones to allow the City to better coordinate maintenance activities.

Maintenance Zone 1 is located in the Southeast Area of the City and includes streets east of Magnolia Street to Brookhurst Street and south of Indianapolis Avenue to Pacific Coast Highway. This maintenance zone paving project includes the grinding of existing pavement, overlaying 1.5 inches of new asphalt, adjusting utility covers to grade, and providing replacement traffic striping on approximately 110 residential streets.

This project is currently under construction and should be completed by the end of December 2018 at a cost of approximately $1.8 million.

INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Did you know you that you can view previous City Mayors on the City website? You can find the link to this page from the main City Council page located under the Government navigation tab.

http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/elected_officials/mayors_historical/

Note: The 81st Mayor will be officially sworn in this Monday, Dec. 3!
Oak View Branch Library

Don’t miss the fun for children of all ages taking place on **Friday, November 30, at the Oak View library**. Toddlers from one to three-years-old and their parents or caretakers are invited to attend the **Bilingual English/Spanish Storytime at 10 a.m.**

Join in on the fun with Miss Amy for fun stories and finger plays, accompanied by the talented Mr. Kevin for some delightful music! Wrap up the fun morning with an easy craft. Older children are welcome to attend, as well. Next up is **Afternoon Stories & Crafts at 2 p.m.**

Children in pre-K through third grade can join Miss Maribel as she leads them through an hour of fun stories and crafts.

Children (up to 18-years-old) will meet for the weekly **Oak View Chess Club from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m.** to practice their game, learn some new techniques, and maybe even win a game or two! For those new to the game, the first Friday of every month is dedicated especially to beginners. That meeting will take place on Friday, December 7. The Oak View Branch is located at 17251 Oak Lane in Huntington Beach and can be reached at (714) 375-5068.

Main Street Branch Library

Savvy deal-hunters are invited to the Main Street library’s **Holiday Book Sale**, which will run from **December 1 to December 15**. This annual event is a great place to pick up some reasonably priced books in close-to or excellent condition that will make perfect holiday gifts for friends and family.

The Book Sale will be open during library hours from **9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday and Saturday**, and is graciously sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Coming up on **Thursday, December 6**, is the next meeting of the **Main Street Book Club**, featuring the classic novel **Things Fall Apart** by Chinua Achebe. The club is meeting early this month in light of the busy December holidays and will start with refreshments at **5:30 followed by discussion at 5:45 p.m.** The two intertwining stories of this illuminating book, written in 1958, explore the English colonization of Nigeria in the late 1800s and how protagonist Okonkwo copes with the struggle between his own individuality and societal change. The Main Street Branch is located at 525 Main Street in downtown Huntington Beach. For more information, please call the library at (714) 375-5071.
LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

FREE Nintendo LABO Workshop – Dec. 15 various times.
Do you have children that love Nintendo games? Then they will love Nintendo LABO too! We are providing five Nintendo LABO workshops on Saturday, December 15. During these 45-minute workshops kids will have the opportunity to build a Toy-Con RC Car from the Nintendo LABO variety kit. They will also decorate and gameplay with their RC Car, and customize their RC Cars behavior with Toy-Con Garage mode interactive programming tool. Second through sixth grade students can sign up for one of five, free 45-minute fully interactive workshop that encourages teamwork, creativity, and learning. Space is limited! Register at https://hbpl.libcal.com/calendar/events

Holiday Programs

Holiday Tree Trimming — Saturday, December 1, at 10 a.m.
Children will be provided with all they need to create a variety of holiday crafts to decorate their tree. They will also be entertained by the Luce puppeteers in their Winter Wonderland show, and Santa will also be available from 10:00-12:00 for photos with the children. This fun event is $5.00 per person, and tickets are on sale now in the Children’s Dept.

Chanukah Storytime – Tuesday, December 4, at 7 p.m. in the Tabby Theater
Presented by the Hebrew Academy Preschool and the Jewish Federation & Family Services. Join us for wonderful stories, songs and prizes!

HB APA Storytime – Thursday, December 6, at 3:30 p.m. in the Tabby Theater
Watch the Huntington Beach Performing Arts students act out a variety of short children’s stories.

HB Singers Company will perform Holiday Songs — Friday, December 14, in the Tabby Theater at 4 p.m.
This is a free event.

Orange County Children’s Theater Presents: Songs from Willy Wonka – Sat., Dec. 29, at 10 a.m. & 1 p.m. in the Tabby Theater
This is a free event!

In addition to our regular storytimes we have two special storytimes offered:

♦ Sensory Storytime – Held the second Saturday of the month, December 8 at 2 p.m. in the Talbert room. This storytime is specifically for children on the spectrum, and is geared for Kindergarten readiness and life skills. Pre-registration is required at hbpl.org - Calendar of Events, and all children must be accompanied by a parent or caretaker.

♦ Pajama Evening Storytime – Held the second Thursday of each month, December 13 at 7 p.m. in the Tabby Theater. Join rock -n-roll storyteller Brian Klemm as he strums and sings and entertains children before they go to bed! Pajamas encouraged!
Holly Lane Townhomes

Plans to develop 32 attached condominium units at 19200 Holly Lane are underway by Meritage. The three-story townhome project includes private garages, open parking spaces, private patios and 10,075 sq. ft. of common open space. The project is currently in the City’s Plan Check review process and building permits should be issued in the next month.

Gothard Street Townhomes

Around the corner from the Holly Lane project, plans to develop 21 three-story attached condominium units at 19100 Gothard Street are also underway. With front patios facing Gothard Street and various open space amenities throughout the site, the buildings are progressing through the plan check process and permits are expected shortly.
**OC Point-in-Time**
Are you feeling generous and would like to do something to give back as part of your new year’s resolution? **Everyone Counts OC** is still looking for volunteers to help with a count and survey of homeless and individuals in Orange County. This very important effort will help get up-to-date information on homelessness and help provide services to those in need. Sign-up is easy and only five hours of your time will be needed. Help create a positive impact and sign-up today! You can find more information by visiting [www.everyonecountsoc.org](http://www.everyonecountsoc.org).

**Rocket Lab Commercial Launch**
Rocket Lab is officially open for business! After several months of preparation, the Huntington Beach based company launched its first commercial launch on November 10 which included six satellites.

Rocket Lab is one of few companies globally that plans to produce frequent and cost-effective launches for commercial purposes. Major components of their rockets are manufactured in Huntington Beach. Additional launches are slated for early next year.
COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

SOFTBALL REGISTRATION
Registration for the Winter 2019 Adult Softball leagues is now underway. The registration deadline is January 4, 2019. Senior Men’s leagues are offered on Sunday mornings and Thursday nights; Senior Coed leagues are offered on Tuesday nights; Senior Women’s leagues are offered on Monday and Thursday nights; Men’s leagues are offered on Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays; Coed leagues are offered on Sunday afternoons and evenings and Wednesday nights.

The leagues will start play January 13, 2019, and will concluded in April. Registration packets are available on the City Adult Softball page: https://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/residents/recreation_culture/softball.cfm. For more details or information, please contact the Sports Complex 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 January 14, 2019. Team registration costs are $400 for an eight-week season plus referee fees ($20) per game paid directly to the official by each team. League play will be six vs six including the goalie.

Men’s leagues are offered on Monday, Tuesday (Rec 28 plus), Wednesday and Thursday (Legends 40 plus) with a Coed league offered on Friday. All teams must have uniforms with numbers. Registration packets are available on the City website: https://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/residents/recreation_culture/adult-arena-soccer.cfm. 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 January 7, 2019.
Have you been looking for some great Holiday Gifts?

The Surf City Store will be here at City Hall with that special gift.

**Wednesday, November 28 & Thursday, November 29**

City Hall Lobby

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Events

Join our celebration at Downtown Huntington Beach on Main Street and Pier Plaza
Sunday, December 2, 2018 from 3:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
3:30 pm-Craft Booth at Pier Plaza
4:00 pm-Children’s Holiday Parade

Grand Marshal:
Brett Simpson

5:00 pm-Surf City Santa Visits the Beach
Have your picture taken with Mr. & Mrs. Claus at Pier Plaza
Following the Children’s Parade

5:00 pm-Pier Plaza Entertainment
Enjoy performances from local youth organizations and groups

6:00 pm-Formal Pier and Main Street Snowflake Lighting

To sponsor a Snowflake please call (714) 842-6600

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Cost: $45 in Advance — $55 at Door
$3 Valet Parking

Includes a wide selection of fine wine, beer, food bites, and dessert, silent auction, opportunity drawings and live musical entertainment.

Purchase your tickets at
www.WagginTrailsRescue.com
Questions: Call 714-328-8661

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