Huntington Beach Surfs in as “Host Town”

Huntington Beach will officially announce “Surf City” as a Host Town for the Special Olympics World Games Los Angeles 2015 (LA2015) on Thursday, September 18 at 10 a.m. at Pier Plaza, located at 405 Pacific Coast Hwy.

With ukulele music from Huntington Beach’s own “ROCK-A-LAY-LEE,” artistic ‘Surfboards on Parade’ on display and old woody cars lining the pier, the announcement will be made in a true Huntington Beach fashion. We couldn't be more excited!

Before the World Games begin on July 25, 2015, 7,000 athletes from 177 countries will be welcomed to Southern California for a three-day Host Town program where 100 communities from San Diego to San Luis Obispo will play host to the delegations.

The Host Town program has been an important element of Special World Games since 1995. The experience has left a lasting impression on the local communities which have previously organized Host Town programs as part of the Special Olympics World Games.

For more information or questions regarding the event, contact Julie Toledo, City of Huntington Beach, Community Relations Officer at (714) 536-5577.

INSIDE: Special Olympics Tip-A-Cop Fundraiser
Sept. 18 from 5 to 9pm at CPK
Community Services

Parks and Recreation

The 44th Annual Huntington Beach City Surf contest, sponsored by the City of Huntington Beach Community Service Department, Huntington Surf & Sport, and Dukes was held on September 13 and 14. Participation was limited to persons residing in the Huntington Beach Union High School District. Winners of each division received awards and prizes donated by Huntington Surf & Sport, and Dukes. 175 people surfed in 10 divisions of all ages. This is the fourth year that the contest was part of “Surf City Days” a local beach festival put on by the Downtown Business Improvement District.

AVP Pro Beach Volleyball Tour set to conclude 2014 season with AVP Championships September 18-21 at the Huntington Beach Pier

The world’s best beach volleyball players descend on the sand just north of the Huntington Beach Pier Sept. 18-21 for the AVP (Association of Volleyball Professionals) Championships. Newport Beach native and Costa Mesa resident April Ross – a 2012 Olympic silver medalist – will team up with three-time Olympic gold medalist Kerri Walsh Jennings as the duo seeks to wrap up the AVP season with a perfect record. Ross and Walsh Jennings have won all six tournaments on the AVP schedule thus far, and are 31-0 in matches. Orange County residents Jake Gibb and Casey Patterson – winners of the last two AVP tournaments and three of the last four – are scheduled to headline the men’s bracket, along with Olympic gold medalist Phil Dalhausser and two-time Olympian Sean Rosenthal. General admission is free. VIP seating options are available at www.avp.com.

Rodger’s Senior Center

Huntington Beach Senior Services is looking for individuals who would like to volunteer with the senior escort program or as lunch servers. Senior escorts are directed through the transportation program and accompany seniors’ on shopping trips, to medical appointments or on errands to lend assistance. Lunch room servers work with SeniorServ at the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors’ Center and help to plate and serve lunch which is served daily in the Senior Café at 11:30 a.m. The next volunteer orientation is scheduled for Saturday, September 27 from 9 a.m. to noon. If you are interested in participating or for more information, please contact the Volunteer Services Coordinator, Teri Simonis at (714) 374-1544.
Community Services

Pacific Islander Festival
This weekend, the 7th Annual Pacific Islander Festival of Orange County will celebrate Pacific Island Cultures of Hawaii, Samoa, Marshall Islands, Tonga, Aotearoa (New Zealand), Tahiti, Guam, Northern Mariana’s & Papua New Guinea through traditional song, dance & cuisine. Come experience cultural performances, Island Villages, sample our traditional food, and visit health education booths offering health screenings, community resources and health providers.

This free event will take place Saturday, September 20, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday, September 21 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Huntington Beach Central Park Library, 7111 Talbert Ave.

Financial Awareness Workshop
Senior Services will host a financial awareness workshop for “Investment Concerns in a Fragile Market” on Friday September 19 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in Room E of the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors’ Center. The workshop will be presented by the Society of Financial Awareness, a non-profit organization dedicated to financial education across America one community at a time. The class will cover:
- Learning how to grow your money wisely
- Why “down” markets create investment opportunities
- Knowing what you are doing when you invest

There are no reservations required and the class is free to attend. For more information about the presentation please contact the Rodgers Seniors' Center front desk at (714) 36-9387.

Huntington Beach Art Center
The Art Center is presenting two surf films on September 20 in conjunction with The Art and Soul of Surfing, an exhibition celebrating the art and history of surfing. The screening includes: Hawaiian: The Legend of Eddie Aikau, and Pipeline and Kelly Slater, Wave of the Winter. Doors open at 6pm and admission is free. Please call the Art Center at 714.374.1650 for additional information.
Check out a Banned Book at your Library!!

“Banned Books Week” September 21-27 is an annual event celebrating the freedom to read. Every year, the American Library Association (ALA) reports hundreds of challenges to books in schools and libraries all over the United States, and ALA estimates that the unreported number of challenges is significantly higher. Having a week where the community of librarians, teachers, readers, students and parents come together to support the freedom to explore new ideas in books and graphic novels, including those ideas that are not considered popular or mainstream, draws attention to the real threats of censorship. The most commonly cited reasons for a book to be challenged are: sexually explicit material, offensive language, materials deemed unsuited to age group, violence and themes of homosexuality.

Thanks to the efforts of this community many books that are challenged remain available. Check out this ALA page of frequently challenged books (http://www.ala.org/bbooks/frequentlychallengedbooks) and explore the issues and controversies surrounding book challenges and book banning. Then, come to the Library to find a book that interests and excites you and know that your Library carries books for everyone.

Children’s Library Storytimes are Back From Vacation!

Welcome back to kids and their parents as the library storytimes resume their regular schedule! The theme for the branch storytimes this past week was, of course, “Back to School.” Storyteller Miss Cynthia has lots in store for the next few months during the transition into Fall. Apples, fall colors and leaves will be highlighted in September. October storytimes will feature fall, pumpkins, and eventually, Halloween.

At the Central Library, storyteller Miss Barbara presented her ever-popular Family Evening storytime with back-to-school stories and songs on September 11. Her preschool and toddler storytime sessions featured a book about a troll that went to school! Miss Debra followed suit with the back-to-school theme, and Miss Brenda featured “things that go fast and things that go slow” during her Wednesday Toddler and Preschool storytime. Future storytime topics for Miss Brenda include a possible pirate theme in celebration of “International Talk like a Pirate Day” on September 19, and fun fall stories for the month of October. Speaking of pirates…come check out the display cabinet in the children’s department of the Central Library. It’s a treasure trove of pirate items this month!
Library News

Homework Club at the Central Library
Starting Monday, September 22, the library’s Homework Club will meet every Monday and Wednesday from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in the downstairs Maddy Room. There is no charge for this service. Staffed with volunteer tutors, the Homework Club offers help to all elementary students through high school. Students need to bring homework assignments and learning materials with them. All students and parents must register with the Homework Club coordinator before tutoring begins. Registration is held at start of each Homework Club session. Children and parents only need to register once each school year. Homework Club is held during the school year and does not take place during the fall, winter or spring holiday vacations.

Public Works

Caltrans to Rehabilitate PCH
Caltrans has notified the City that it intends to rehabilitate Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) from Goldenwest Street to Warner Avenue. It is anticipated that Caltrans will award the contract this month, with start of construction in November. City staff will work closely with Caltrans to coordinate between the City’s projects in the area in an effort to minimize the impact to the motoring public.

Questions regarding the Caltrans project should be directed to the Caltrans project manager Nooshin Yoosofii at (949) 724-2131.
Zoning Administrator

On Wednesday, September 17, at 1:30 p.m. in Room B-8 the following items are scheduled for review by the Zoning Administrator:

1. **CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 14-012 (MY PLACE SPORTS BAR & GRILL OUTDOOR DINING – CONTINUED FROM THE SEPTEMBER 3, 2014 MEETING):** To permit the establishment of a 400 sq. ft. outdoor dining area with on-site consumption of alcohol (Type-47) in conjunction with an existing restaurant at 5452 Commercial Drive, 92649 (southwest corner of Commercial Dr. and Graham St.). Please contact Joanna Cortez, Assistant Planner, for more information.

2. **CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 14-016 (TELEPACIFIC COMMUNICATIONS):** To permit the installation of four antennas and one microwave dish mounted to two tripods on the rooftop of an existing industrial building at 5602 Research Drive, 92649 (south side of Research Dr., east of Graham St.). Please contact Jill Arabe, Associate Planner, for more information.

3. **CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 14-022/ SPECIAL PERMIT NO. 14-003 (JACKS PCH OUTDOOR SALES):** To permit private property outdoor display and sales with lighted canopies/merchandise in lieu of unlit canopies/merchandise for up to seventy-eight (78) days per year at 101 Main Street, Suite 101, 92648 (northwest corner of Main St. and Pacific Coast Highway). Please contact Ethan Edwards, Associate Planner, for more information.

4. **CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 14-020 (JACKS MAIN STREET OUTDOOR SALES):** To permit private property outdoor display and sales for up to seventy-eight (78) days per year at 101 Main Street, Suite 111, 92648 (west side of Main St., north of Pacific Coast Highway. Please contact Ethan Edwards, Associate Planner, for more information.

5. **CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 14-021 (HUNTINGTON SURF & SPORT MAIN STREET OUTDOOR SALES):** To permit private property outdoor display and sales for up to seventy-eight (78) days per year at 126 Main Street, 92648 (southeast corner of Main St. and Walnut Ave.). Please contact Ethan Edwards, Associate Planner, for more information.

6. **CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 14-019/ SPECIAL PERMIT NO. 14-002 (HUNTINGTON SURF & SPORT PCH OUTDOOR SALES):** To permit private property outdoor display and sales for up to seventy-eight (78) days per year with a) outdoor display areas and sales within the plaza area in lieu of a maximum depth of 15 ft. perpendicular to the storefront, and b) lighted canopies/merchandise in lieu of unlit canopies/merchandise. The project is located at 300 Pacific Coast Highway, Suite 104, 92648 (northeast corner of Pacific Coast Highway and Main Street). Please contact Ethan Edwards, Associate Planner, for more information.

A copy of the agenda is available on the City’s website (http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/Government/Departments/Planning/PJB/zal/ZAAgendas.cfm). Please contact the Planning Division, at (714) 536-5271, with any questions.
Tip-A-Cop

Thursday, September 18th, 2014
5:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Presented by the
Huntington Beach Police Department

Bella Terra Mall - 7851 Edinger - Huntington Beach
714.372.3157 - cpk.com

Huntington Beach Police officers will work as guest hosts and waiters at California Pizza Kitchen while collecting donation tips to benefit local Orange County Special Olympics athletes!

Speak with members of our K9 and Mounted Enforcement Units. Take pictures with the Mobile Command Post, police car, motorcycle, antique police car, Huntington Beach Search & Rescue, and other static displays.

Support HBPD officers, and enjoy fine food and fun!

Please visit us on the web: http://www.sosc.org/orangecounty
Special Olympics Contact: Jennifer Powers, jpowers@sosc.org

Donations are tax deductible and 100% of the tips from this event directly benefit local Special Olympics Southern California athletes, Tax ID # 95-4538450
Huntington Beach Police Department

OPEN HOUSE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th
Civic Center
2000 Main St. @ Yorktown
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

ACTIVITIES WILL INCLUDE:

- Fredy the Magic Balloon Man + Body Painting
- Mounted Enforcement Team
- Tour of Jail & Dispatch
- Patrol Vehicles
- Fingerprinting
- SWAT “Bear”
- Motorcycles
- K-9

GAMES! GAMES! GAMES!

FUN! FUN! FUN!

On Display:
History of the HBPD

HBPD Volunteers

FOOD FOR PURCHASE

Ofc. McGruff the Crime Dog
Orange County’s Largest Weekly Street Fair & Farmers’ Market

Surf City Nights Just Got Bigger

Expansion is coming next week
Expanding to the Strand on 5th St.

Over 100 unique vendors
Street performers
Live music
Kids activities

Www.surfcitynights.com
HBFD Responds to Northern CA Fires
Just after midnight on September 16, the Huntington Beach Fire Department was dispatched to northern California as part of a regional response to assist with the Boles Fire in Siskiyou County. The HBFD sent OES Engine 303, which is a State owned fire engine that the department staffs as part of the State of California, Governor’s Office of Emergency Services Mutual Aid Program.

Residential Structure Fire
At 3:40 p.m. on August 31, the Fire Department responded to a reported structure fire on Operetta Drive. Arriving units found heavy smoke and fire coming from the garage, with the fire threatening the home next door. Firefighters were able to keep the fire confined to the garage. One civilian was treated by paramedics and transported to a local hospital.

Vegetation Fire
On September 14, 2014 at 6:30 p.m., Fire Department units responded to a reported vegetation fire on the State lands near Beach Boulevard and PCH. Arriving units found a working fire in the vegetation with limited access. The fire was moving at a moderate rate of spread and threatening Edison power lines in the area. Firefighters were able to attack the fire on both sides and bring it under control before any damage occurred to the electrical supply lines. A total of three fire engines and one Chief Officer responded. The fire is currently being investigated as arson.
National Preparedness Month – Get a Kit and Make a Plan

National Preparedness Month (NPM) is observed each September and is sponsored by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) within the Department of Homeland Security. NPM encourages Americans to take simple, but important steps to prepare for emergencies in their homes, businesses, schools, and communities.

Preparing for a disaster is a top priority of the city’s Emergency Management and Homeland Security Program. Countless hours have been spent preparing disaster plans, training our employees and volunteers, organizing exercises, and ensuring that the city is prepared for emergencies that may occur in our community. However, we cannot do it on our own. This week the focus will be on “Get a Kit” and “Make a Plan”.

GET A KIT
Local officials and relief workers will be on-scene after a disaster, but cannot reach everyone immediately. You may need to survive on your own after an emergency. This means assembling emergency supply kits that include enough food, water, and other supplies to last for at least three days. In addition, basic services such as electricity, gas, water, sewage treatment, and telephones may be cut-off for an extended period of time.

There are several different types of kits that are essential to being prepared. These kits are a collection of basic items a family would need to stay safe and be comfortable during the early onset of a disaster.

The following are examples of some of the basic supplies for emergency kits:

72 hour Disaster Supply Kit
Supplies: Flashlight, AM/FM radio, batteries, first aid kit, matches, light sticks, can opener, dish pan, disposable dishes and utensils
Food/Water: Store a minimum of three days supplies of non-perishable canned/dried food, but it is recommended to have a two week supply. One gallon of water per person, per day
Bedding: Sleeping bag, blankets and tent
Clothing: One change of seasonal clothing per person and comfortable shoes
Personal Supplies: Personal hygiene products, toilet paper, medications and glasses
Tools: Ax, shovel, bucket, wrench or pliers to turn off utilities, whistle, gloves, dust mask, plastic bag liners for sanitation and small tool kit
Other: Water purification tablets, liquid chlorine/bleach, eye dropper, water purification instructions and cell phone with charger
Pet Supplies: Food, water and carrier

NOTE: Do not store liquids (water, bleach, etc.) inside the disaster kit as it can leak. Store water off the ground as concrete can contaminate the contents of the container. Water should be changed every six months.

For infants: diapers, wipes, instant baby cereal, bowl and spoon, at least two change of clothes, light jacket, electrolyte replacement solution, toys, books, stuffed animals, etc.

Personal documents: Photocopies of identification, credit cards and other essential documents like insurance policies and bank account records
Grab-n-Go Bag
Each member of your family should have a grab-n-go bag that can be carried in the event of an evacuation. Examples of some of the basic supplies that should be included in the Grab-n-go Bags are:

Supplies: Flashlight, AM/FM radio, batteries, first aid kit, matches, whistle, pocket knife, paper/pencil, zip-lock bags/plastic bags, work gloves and dust mask

Personal Items: Eyewear, keys, medications, emergency contact list, hygiene products, sunscreen, small bills and coins

Food/Water: Emergency food, bottled water and purification tablets (also for pets if applicable)

Special Considerations: For seniors - dietary needs, hearing aid batteries, wheelchair, walker, cane, supplies such as oxygen and catheters

Personal documents: Photocopies of identification, credit cards and other essential documents like insurance policies and bank account records.

Family Car Kit
In addition to all of the supplies listed above for the grab-n-go bags, other considerations include: Jackets, blankets, flares, fire extinguisher, glow or light sticks, screwdriver, pliers, wire, rope, scissors, maps of the most often traveled areas.


MAKE A PLAN
Your family may not be together when disaster strikes so it is important to plan in advance: how will you contact one another, how will you get back together, and what to do in different situations.

Emergency plan templates are available at www.ReadyOC.org. Regardless of the type of disaster, there are things you can do to prepare. Contact your local Red Cross
For preparedness questions specifically for the City of Huntington Beach, contact:
   Brevyn Mettler, Emergency Services Coordinator
   Emergency Management & Homeland Security Office
   714-374-1565
   bmettler@surfcity-hb.org

Disaster Preparedness Online Resources
www.ReadyOC.org
www.HuntingtonBeachca.gov/CERT
www.Ready.gov
www.ShakeOut.org
www.AlertOC.org
September 18 Deadline for Nominations!

Join in the fun of celebrating the arts at the Allied Arts Awards being held on October 23 at the Waterfront Beach Resort to honor exceptional artistic talent and support the Arts in Huntington Beach!

This is a final call out for ALL nominations for outstanding achievement in the arts for 2012-2013. Submit the nominations by September 18, 2014.

Submit the completed form to Allied Arts Awards c/o Huntington Beach Art Center located at 538 Main Street, Huntington Beach, CA 92648.

NOTE: Forms are available online at www.HuntingtonBeachArtCenter.org