Annual Green Forum Coming Sept. 24 and Expo Sept. 26

The Annual Green Forum event, “The Night of Water,” will focus on water conservation on Thursday, September 24, from 5:30-10 p.m. at the Shorebreak Hotel. This night will be composed of live music, networking, cocktail hour, water conservation themed art showcase, business recognition and a keynote speaker. This year’s speaker is A G Kawamura who is the former California Secretary of Agriculture, Co-chair of Solutions from the Land, Board Member of the American Farmland and many more accolades that support his knowledge about the water issues we are currently facing.

The Green Expo event will be held Saturday, September 26, from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. under the solar panels at City Hall. New this year, we will have food trucks, a donation station (shredding, e-waste, household item drop off), Pedal Plaza (everything bikes including a bike valet, tune up station and bike safety by HBPD), educational performances, family fun zone, shopping, electric vehicles and much more!

Visit the Chamber’s website for more info at www hbchamber org.
September is...
National Preparedness Month

Get a Kit
Assemble emergency supply kits that include enough food, water, and other supplies to last for at least three days. 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.

Make a Plan
Your family may not be together when disaster strikes, so it is important to plan in advance. Emergency plan templates are available at www.ReadyOC.org.

Get Educated
Take the necessary steps to get trained and become engaged in community preparedness and response efforts by joining Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT), a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) endorsed training program.

For CERT or preparedness questions specifically for the City of Huntington Beach, contact:
Brevyn Mettler, Emergency Services Coordinator
Emergency Management & Homeland Security Office
714-374-1565 or bmettler@surfcity-hb.org

Online Resources:
www.ReadyOC.org
www.HuntingtonBeachca.gov/CERT
www.Ready.gov
www.ShakeOut.org
www.AlertOC.org

Swift Water Rescue
On Tuesday, September 15, at approximately 9:45 a.m., Fire Department units responded to the Santa Ana River at Adams Avenue Bridge for a reported swift water rescue. Firefighters reported two victims in waist deep water under the bridge where a Marine Safety officer brought them to a safer location on an island. Unable to get out without assistance, firefighters utilized the stokes basket and a raising system to retrieve the victims out of the river.

INFORMATION SERVICES
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/
FIRE DEPARTMENT

HUNTINGTON BEACH FIRE DEPARTMENT

2015 National Fire Prevention Week
OPEN HOUSE
Saturday, October 10, 2015
10:00 am to 2:00 pm
Live Demonstrations at
11:00 am and 1:00 pm
Fire Station 1 – Gothard 18311 Gothard Street
Need more info? Call 714-536-5411

Fire Prevention Week – Open House - October 10

In recognition of Fire Prevention Week, the Huntington Beach Fire Department will be holding its annual Open House on Saturday, October 10, at Fire Station 1 located at 18311 Gothard Street from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This year’s theme is “Here the Beep Where You Sleep – Every Bedroom Needs a Working Smoke Alarm.” There will be fire and rescue demonstrations, educational safety handouts, tours of the fire station, staging of emergency apparatus including Marine Safety equipment, Sparky the Fire Dog, and HBFD firefighters.

Major Structure Fire

On September 16, at 2:45 p.m., fire units responded to a structure fire in a commercial building comprised of 11 units on Gothard. The 911 call indicated that an explosion was heard prior to seeing smoke and flames at the business. After the initial aggressive fire attack failed to control the fire, crews were pulled out of the structure and fought the fire from the outside until it was declared under control at 4:12 p.m.

The involved unit was reported to be an environmental testing business. That unit was declared a total loss, and the fire breached the wall to one adjacent unit that was vacant causing some damage to the structure. The unit on the opposite side also suffered water damage. There were no civilian or fire personnel injuries reported and the fire is currently under investigation.

The Fire Department reminds businesses and homeowners that the storage of any vapor causing product, liquid or gaseous, should be done with consideration for preventing leakage as well as separation from potential ignition sources.

PUBLIC WORKS

Arterial Rehabilitation Project Update

Earlier this summer the City Council awarded a construction contract to rehabilitate portions of three arterial streets. The first street, Indianapolis Avenue (Brookhurst to Magnolia), was rehabilitated over the summer while the adjacent schools were on summer break. The contractor has now moved on to Lake Street (Yorktown to Palm). Portions of this segment will be fully rehabilitated including asphalt, curb and sidewalk replacement. Finally, the contractor will rehabilitate Main Street (Yorktown to Garfield) with similar repairs. Total rehabilitation cost is approximately $2 million.
Regular City Council Study Sessions will now be televised and video-streamed! In an effort to promote public transparency, the Huntington Beach City Council, at its September 8 regular meeting, adopted Resolution No. 2015-46 changing the location of regular Study Sessions from Room B-8, to the City Council Chambers. Members of the public will now be able to view the Study Session portion of all regular meetings live from their homes or other locations via the City’s public access Channel 3, or the Internet.

The Fifth Annual Huntington Beach Senior Surf Invitational will take place Saturday, October 24, 2015, on the south side of the Huntington Beach Pier beginning at 7:30 a.m. The City of Huntington Beach, Huntington Beach Council on Aging (HBCOA), Memorial Care Medical Group and Orange Coast Memorial invite all surfers ages 50+ to register through the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors’ Center or online at www.hbsands.org

Through the surfing competition, the HBCOA promotes and encourages the “active aging” lifestyle. HBCOA supports seniors and their families through various services and events offered through the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors Center and Seniors Outreach Center. Athletes will compete within a five-year age group (50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75+), and will be judged on wave selection, maneuvers, fluidity and style.

Registration Deadlines: October 9, 2015 / www.hbsands.org
Registration Fees: $40.00 includes an athlete T-Shirt, Goodie Bag and awards to 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place Winners

Advance Registration is required. For more information please contact Rodgers Seniors’ Center at 714-536-9387
National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

HBPD and the Drug Enforcement Administration have Partnered in National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

Saturday, September 26, 2015 – Huntington Beach Police Department Front Desk, 2000 Main Street, HB, CA 92648

On Saturday, September 26, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Huntington Beach Police Department will partner with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) for the 10th National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day. The goal of the program is to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding homes of potentially-dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs.

Bring your medications for disposal to the Huntington Beach Police Department Front Desk, at 2000 Main Street, at the corner of Main and Yorktown. (The DEA cannot accept liquids, needles, or sharps, only pills or patches.) The service is free and anonymous; no questions asked.

In the previous nine Take-Back events nationwide from 2010-2014, 4,823,251 pounds, or 2,411 tons of drugs were collected. “Prescription drug abuse is a huge problem and this is a great opportunity for folks around the country to help reduce the threat,” “Please clean out your medicine cabinet and make your home safe from drug theft and abuse,” said DEA Acting Administrator, Chuck Rosenberg.

The National Prescription Drug Take-Back addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Many Americans are not aware that medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are at alarming rates, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. Studies show that many abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet. In addition, many Americans do not know how to properly dispose of their unused medicine, often flushing them down the toilet or throwing them away – both potential safety and health hazards.

For additional information regarding this event, please visit the Drug Enforcement Administration website at www.dea.gov.
LIBRARY SERVICES

New Automated Materials Handling System at the Central Library

On Monday September 14, Central Library’s new Automated Materials Handling (AMH) book return system was unveiled to the public. Mayor Hardy joined the celebration with a ribbon cutting ceremony and officially checked in the first book through the new system.

This state of the art installation combines self-service kiosks and an automated conveyor belt system to check in and sort materials into designated bins. Capable of sorting up to 1,800 items/hour, the AMH will improve public service by reducing the time it takes for books and other materials to return to library shelves. The reduction of repetitive motions and tasks will also improve staff ergonomics and safety.

CEN@40 Book Club reads Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close

On Thursday, October 8, the Huntington Beach Library will discuss Jonathan Safran Foer’s book Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close as part of our CEN@40 Book Club, celebrating 40 years of Central Library. We will be meeting from 6-7 p.m. in the Director's Conference Room at Central Library.

First published in 2005, Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close is one of the first books to explore the aftermath of the World Trade Center attacks. The story is told through the eyes of Oskar Schell, a nine-year-old boy whose father died on 9/11. Desperate for some connection to him, Oskar travels through New York City looking for clues to a lock that fits a key his father left behind. Readers also learn about Oskar’s grandfather’s experience in the bombings of Dresden. Through the story of these two disasters, a narrative of loss, survival, and hope emerges. Foer’s use of unusual typography and illustrations create a unique emotional experience that will provide a starting point for insightful discussion.

Copies of the book are available for checkout at several library branches and as an eBook at www.e.hbpl.org. If you can’t make the meeting, you can join the discussion at www.facebook.com/surfcitybookdrop.

New Homework Club Starting at the Banning Branch Library!

The Huntington Beach Library is pleased to announce that beginning Wednesday, September 23, 2015 the Banning branch will host a new Homework Club. Children in grades K-12 are encouraged to come on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 2-5 p.m. for help completing their homework assignments. The library now has a new space created especially for the Homework Club participants. Limited space is available, and parents must fill out a mandatory registration form. For further information, please contact Lisa Larson at 714-375-5005 or stop by the Banning Branch Library.
CALLING ALL CURRENT AND FUTURE ENTREPRENEURS!
The Community for Innovation, Entrepreneurship, Leadership & Opportunities (CIELO) at Golden West College is presenting “So You Want to be an Entrepreneur”, a series of courses offering guidance on the various legal and organizational options for starting a small business and to learn about the skills, tools and resources needed to achieve success. The course is led by instructors Betsy Densmore and Archie Holton and will take place on Tuesdays starting September 29 through October 27 from 7-9 p.m. at the CIELO office on the GWC campus. The cost for series is $109. For more information and to register, please contact CIELO at (714) 895-0800.

NOTABLE SURF CITY BUSINESS AND REAL ESTATE NEWS

♦ The Egbar Foundation, a nonprofit foundation of Sunshine Makers, Inc., the creators of the popular line of Simple Green Products, has been highlighted as one of the top 36 corporate foundations in Orange County. The company and the foundation call Huntington Beach home, and reported total giving of approximately $104,000 to programs for education, youth, environment and community organizations in the fiscal year ending November 2013.

♦ Accretive Realty Advisors, Inc., an investor and developer that specializes in medical properties, purchased a $7.8 million, two-building property on Beach Boulevard directly outside of Huntington Beach Hospital. Accretive has future plans to redevelop the site to house major medical providers similar to what they are currently doing in South Orange County, where Memorial Care and a major dialysis provider will be located.

♦ 7677 Center Avenue, adjacent to Bella Terra, a building which houses a variety of medical uses, was recently sold for $14.1 million.

PLANNING & BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Planning Commission

Today, Tuesday, September 22, 2015, at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers the Planning Commission will review the following items:

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 15-025 (OLD CROW SMOKEHOUSE LIVE ENTERTAINMENT) To permit the establishment of live entertainment within a 4,763 sq. ft. restaurant suite located at 21022 Pacific Coast Highway, #230, 92648 (north side of Pacific Coast Highway, between First Street and Huntington Street – Pacific City). Please contact Jill Arabe, Associate Planner, for more information.

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

- 9/24—Green Forum at Shorebreak 5:30 to 8pm www hbchamber com

- 9/25 to 9/27 —7th Annual Unleashed By Petco Surf City Surf Dog surfing competition will be held September 25-27 at Huntington Dog Beach. surfcitysurfdog.com

- 9/26—Green Expo at City Hall, 10:30am to 3pm; www hbchamber com

- 9/26—National Prescription Drug Take Back Day, 10am to 2pm, HBPD at 2000 Main Street. www hbpd org

October

- 10/10—Huntington Beach Fire Department Open House, 10am to 2pm, Gothard Station, www huntingtonbeach ca gov

- 10/11—Family Arts Day, noon to 4pm, HB Art Center, Downtown

- 10/14—1st National Dessert Day Celebration, HB Downtown, 7pm Cookie Eating contest, www hbdowntown com

- 10/24—Fifth Annual Huntington Beach Senior Surf Invitational, 7:30am, 714 536-9387 or www hbsands org


- 10/31—HBOO Spookytown, Downtown HB, 3:30 to 7:30pm www hbdowntown com
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