City of Newport Beach, CA

City Manager's Newsletter

TO: Mayor Henn & Council Members

FROM: Dave Kiff, City Manager

DATE: May 6, 2011

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ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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May 6, 2011

TO: DAVE KIFF, CITY MANAGER

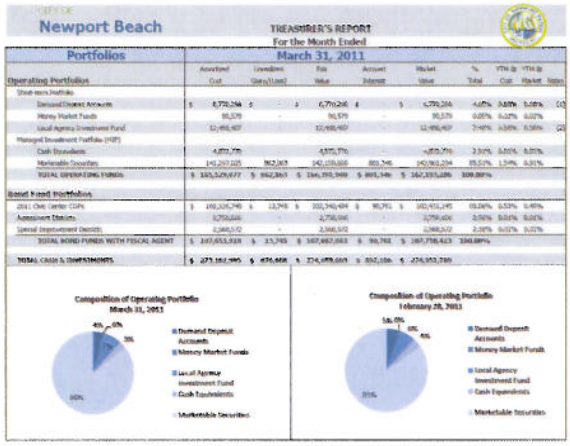
FROM: Tracy McCraner, Administrative Services Director/Treasurer

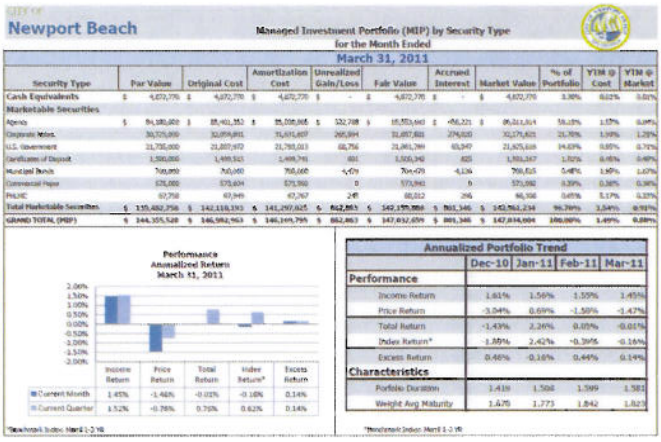
SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

NEW TREASURY REPORT FORMAT

The Finance and Treasury team is pleased to present the new format of the City's Treasury Report. The new report format is intended to provide interested parties with an in-depth view of the City portfolio in its aggregate, encompassing portfolio risk characteristics, compliance, performance relative to pertinent benchmarks and portfolio accounting. We hope you will find the new format comprehensive, transparent and informative.

The new Treasury Report can be found at: www.newportbeachca.gov/treasury





EXPANDED FORM 1099 REQUIREMENTS REPEALED

Good news regarding Form 1099 requirements! In April, President Obama signed into law H.R. 4 which repealed the new reporting requirements that were added with the health care reform law provisions. As reported in the March 18, 2011, City Manager Newsletter, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (also known as ObamaCare) required that starting in 2012, all businesses, including government agencies, must issue 1099 forms to any vendor from whom they purchase at least $600 worth of goods or services during a calendar year and also expanded the 1099 requirement to include payments to utilities companies, restaurants, hotels, etc. The President's action means that Form 1099 reporting rules will continue unchanged.

my | CalPERS UPDATE

Senior Applications Analyst Faz Kiatkwankul and Budget Manager Susan Giangrande participated in a CalPERS webinar to update us on our role in the upcoming conversion to their new business system, my | CalPERS. Our Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) vendor, Sungard, is modifying our Human Resources and PERS software modules to accommodate the new required reporting data and the new upload process. We will be granted access to a test version of the my | CalPERS software prior to the end of June so that we can verify our data and upload processes. my | CalPERS will be used for payroll submission and retirement and health enrollment. Once we have access to the test environment, Faz and Susan will coordinate training for Payroll and Human Resources staff members. The actual launch date of my | CalPERS will be September 19, 2011.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CHECK DISTRIBUTION

Our internal controls require that all Accounts Payable checks be distributed in the U.S. Mail. An exception to this is employee reimbursement or travel advance checks which can be signed for and picked up by employees at the Cashiers' window. Any other special handling must be approved by the Administrative Services Director, Administrative Services Deputy Director, or the Budget Manager. Accounts Payable will ensure required attachments are included with checks when they are mailed as long as the attachments are provided with the payment authorization. If you have any questions, please contact Budget Manager Susan Giangrande at ext. 3128. Thank you for your cooperation.

PARKING METERS UPDATE

Beginning last weekend and throughout the week, Central Parking Systems, Inc. installed over 900 single-space credit card parking meters in the City. The credit card meters at the Balboa Business District, Washington Street Lot, Newport-Balboa, McFadden Lot, Newport Business District, 15th Street Lot and Cannery Village are up and running, providing a more convenient payment method for visitors and residents parking at those locations. The remaining credit card meters will be installed by May 11. Multi-space meters (at the Balboa metered lot, A Street lot, Seashore Drive and Palm Street Lot) will be installed by May 17.

Parking meter fees and hours remain unchanged.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Dana Smith, Assistant City Manager

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Date: May 6, 2011

Planning Division

New Applications

The following applications were received by the Planning Division:

- Limited term permit for temporary classrooms at 798 Dover Drive (*Harbor Lutheran Church).*
- Certificate of compliance to acknowledge lot remnants used as one parcel at 339 62nd Street (*Huffman Residence).*
- Minor use permit for adding massage therapy to a salon at 1617 Westcliff Drive (*The Loft Hair Studio & Spa*).
- Variance to retain existing side-yard encroachments in conjunction with an addition to a single-unit residence at 138 Via Xanthe (*Weinberg Residence*).
- Conditional use permit for restaurant with outdoor dining at 1200 Bison Avenue (*Pita Jungle*).
- Variance for structure within an alley setback where no alley exists at 403 Jasmine Avenue (*Bowman Residence*).
- Minor use permit for alcohol use within a proposed restaurant in Fashion Island at 1103A Newport Center Drive (*Le Pain Quotidien*).

Quick Hits

- Staff had a pre-submittal meeting for a residential project in the former California Beach Building property in the Lido Marina Village area. The project would consist of stacked flats and townhouses.

- Staff received an inquiry at the public counter regarding the potential addition of a retail store with an accessory coffee shop component at the currently vacant Wachovia Bank location along Newport Boulevard. Staff informed the customer of potential parking issues and requested floor plans in order to provide a more complete review.

- Staff had an inquiry about opening a naturally-crafted cookies and sweets shop in the Commercial Corridor District along Newport Boulevard. Staff informed the customer that a minor use permit would be required to allow a take-out service, limited establishment at the location.

- Staff representatives from Planning, Building, Public Works, and Fire have been reviewing the floor plans for the new Civic Center. Staff is focusing on the proposed layout and operation of the "One Stop Shop." The One Stop Shop will be the public's central point of contact for permits relating to Building, Planning, Public Works, and Fire Prevention.

Kudos

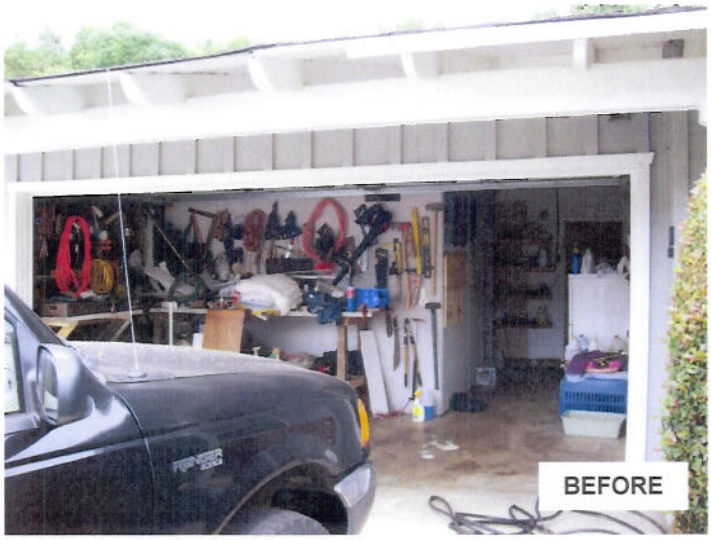
- Staff assisted a realtor who was inquiring about potential impacts from the Newport Banning Ranch project. Staff provided an overview of the project and then brought attention to the Sunset Ridge Park, which was much closer to the residence she was listing. The realtor was very grateful for the assistance, telling staff "you rock!"

- Staff responded to an inquiry about animal sales and provided detailed information. Customer's reaction: "Damn, you're good. Thanks."

<u>Code Enforcement Division</u>

Parking Standards

With summer fast approaching and the number of visitors to the City significantly increasing, there is a high demand for street parking. Recently, Code Enforcement staff have seen an increase in the number of calls regarding garages that are not accessible for parking. This concern goes hand in hand with the demand for street parking. Often, homeowners or their guests find themselves competing for parking on overcrowded public streets because garages are used for storage rather than parking.



Because of the increased number of complaints regarding inaccessible garages and to ensure public safety by reducing congestion on public streets, staff thought it would be helpful to provide the following information regarding parking standards:

NBMC sections 20.40.020 and 20.40.030 require residents to maintain their required off-street parking spaces, including garages and carports, so that they are free and clear for the parking of vehicles at all times. The most common causes for garages becoming inaccessible for parking are the excessive storage of boxes and household items or the conversion of the garage into a living space such as a home office, a workspace, or an additional room. While the City understands the need for storage and living space, it is important to keep in mind the safety concerns that go along with an impacted garage.

How to help: If you know of a garage that is not accessible for parking, please contact the Newport Beach Code Enforcement Division at (949) 644-3215 or visit the City's website at www.newportbeachca.gov to file an online complaint using QUEST.

Residential Care Facility

In response to a complaint from a concerned resident regarding a possible unpermitted residential care facility at a property in Santa Ana Heights, Code Enforcement staff inspected the property and determined that there was an unpermitted sober living home. Staff issued a Notice of Violation to the property owner and the operator to close down the facility or submit a Reasonable Accommodation application to the City for approval. Staff is working with the property owner and the operator to ensure compliance.

City Council Presentation

At the April 26 City Council Study Session, Code Enforcement Supervisor Matt Cosylion gave an update to City Council on the recent changes to the Code Enforcement Division. Matt discussed some of organizational changes and improvements to the Division and reviewed the Division's responsibilities and current projects. City Council requested additional information on the City's code enforcement procedures at a future study session. Code Enforcement staff will be working with the Office of the City Attorney to prepare a report for City Council After the presentation, members of the community gave kudos to the Code Enforcement team for all of their hard work.

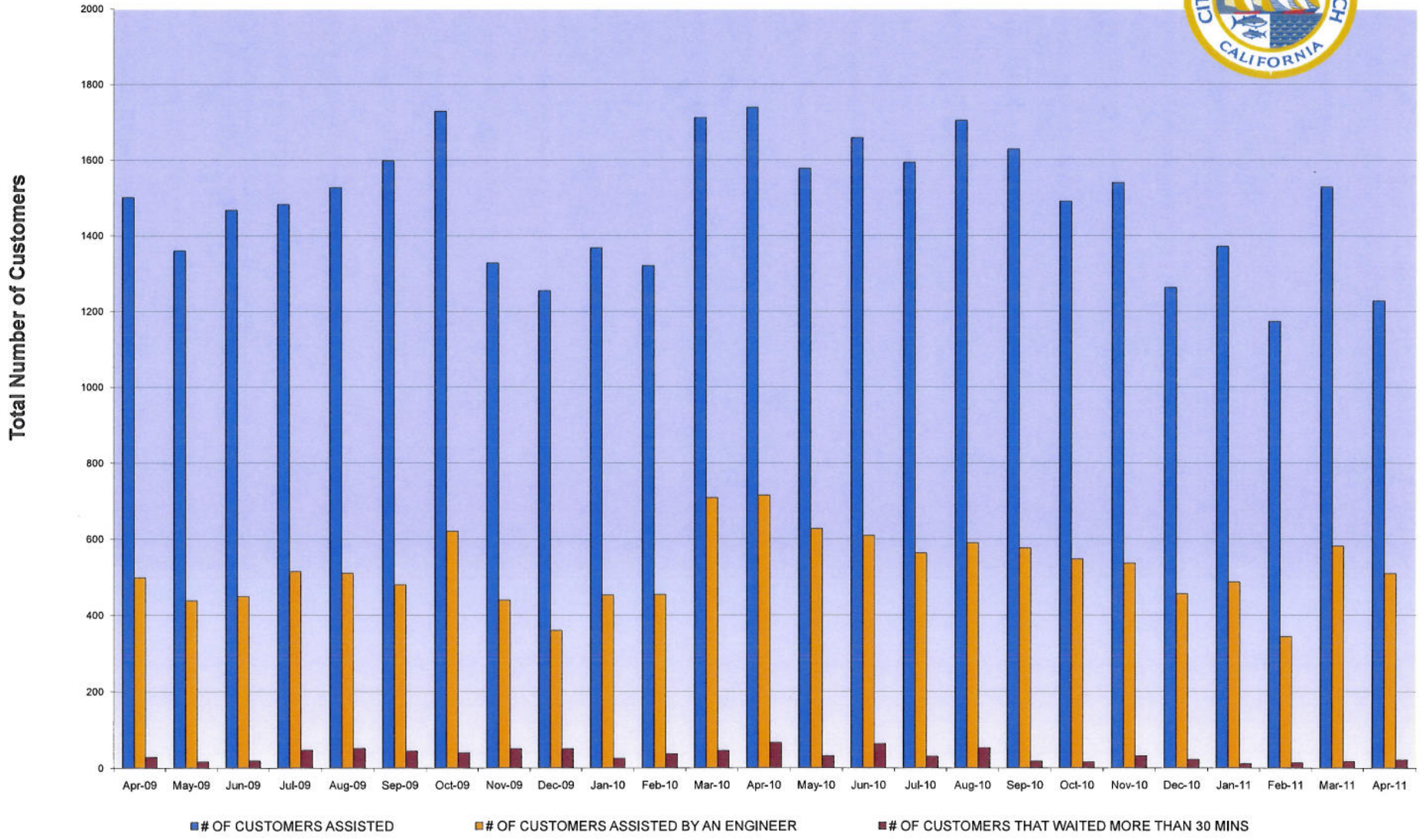
Building Division

Customer Activity

Customer activity at the permit counter was low during the month of April with 1,228 customers served. By comparison, 1,739 customers and 1,501 customers were served during April 2010 and April 2009 respectively. The decrease in part is due to changes in process which result in faster approvals and fewer customer trips to the permit counter. (See attached chart.)

City of Newport Beach Building Department

April 2009 - April 2011 Customer Log



Newport Beach Fire Department
Office of the Fire Chief

DATE:	May 6, 2011
TO:	Dave Kiff, City Manager
FROM:	Mike Morgan, Fire Chief
SUBJECT:	**CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER**

Firefighter Training to Reality

On Saturday, April 30th at 3:35pm, firefighters responded to a rollover traffic collision on Irvine Ave. and Santa Isabel in the S Turns. The accident involved a vehicle that hit a parked car before rolling.

When firefighters arrived on scene, they found the driver still suspended upside down by the seatbelt. Firefighters had to extricate the driver by removing the roof of the vehicle. The patient was extricated and transported to Western Medical Center Santa Ana.

Coincidentally, the truck that responded was at our Santa Ana Heights training station, training on vehicle extrication. They heard Costa Mesa's truck get dispatched and instead took the call since they were right up the street. The vehicle was on its side and the roof of the vehicle needed to be removed, which was the same scenario that they were training on.

Earthquake and Tsunami Awareness Workshop

On Tuesday, April 26th, the Fire Department hosted an Earthquake and Tsunami Awareness Workshop at the Oasis Senior Center. The two-hour workshop was taught by Community Preparedness Coordinator Matt Brisbois and Emergency Services Coordinator Katie Eing. The workshop focused on the earthquake and tsunami threats to Newport Beach, how the city plans to respond to these unexpected disasters and what residents can do to prepare for them. There were over 110 Newport Beach residents in attendance. A special thanks to the Oasis Senior Center for use of the room and to the numerous CERT volunteers who assisted with the workshop.

CERT Mutual Aid Class

On Saturday, April 30th, the Fire Department hosted a CERT Mutual Aid class for active Newport Beach CERT volunteers. The CERT Mutual Aid class is one of four required classes for CERT volunteers to be certified as Mutual Aid responders. The Newport Beach CERT program is represented on CMAP (CERT Mutual Aid Program), a county-wide group that includes 18 other Orange County cities. The six-hour CERT Mutual Aid class is taught in all 19 Orange County cities and provides standardized CERT volunteer training. The class covered CERT volunteer expectations when responding to another Orange County city, what CERT volunteers should be prepared to bring and do, and reviewed both the 2007 and 2008 CERT volunteer call-outs for the Santiago Canyon and Freeway complex fires. The class also reviewed ICS (Incident Command System) protocols, proper use of ICS forms and reviewed basic radio protocols.

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HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

DATE: May 6, 2011

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Terri L. Cassidy, Director of Human Resources

SUBJECT: News from HR and Risk Management

CIVIL SERVICE BOARD

On June 30, 2011, Chairperson Hugh Logan's first term (2007 – 2011) with the Civil Service Board (CSB) will end. Mr. Logan was one of three nominees recommended to City Council by the 2007 CSB Members, in which the Council appointed him. Therefore, in accordance with the City Charter, Section VII – Appointive Boards and Commissions, Mr. Logan's successor will be appointed in the same manner (CSB Nominee).

The City Clerk's Office is currently accepting applications for the Civil Service Board, and the deadline to file is Wednesday, May 11, at 4:00 PM.

If you are interested in applying for the Civil Service Board, visit the City website for an application: http://www.newportbeachca.gov/index.aspx?page=865 or call Terri Cassidy, HR Director and Secretary to the Board, at 949-644-3303.

2011 CITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

This year we received 15 complete application packets for the 2011 Scholarship Program funded by the Ackerman Trust. The program was open to children who reside in Newport Beach or children of regular, full-time Newport Beach City employees. Along with a complete application, they were required to submit four reference letters, official transcripts and the results of any achievement tests taken. This year all 15 candidates were well qualified each maintaining a G.P.A. of 3.0 or higher and each involved in an abundance of community service and extra-curricular activities. This year we will be giving out ten $500 scholarships and letters announcing the recipients are set to go out early next week.

SUBMITTING AN ONLINE APPLICATION

With ongoing City restructuring there have been a number of promotional opportunities over the past year. To be considered for these opportunities employees need to properly complete a City application. The City's online job application system is powered by **www.governmentjobs.com** and provides an up-to-date listing of current recruitments. For a successful application, employees are advised to consider these basic tips:

1. **Observe the Application Deadline.** Human Resources will not accept an application after the posted deadline. If applying for a position for which only a certain number of applications are received (i.e. "deadline is June 1, 2011 or until 100 applications are received"), apply ASAP. That usually means there is high demand and the filing period will close very quickly.

2. **Carefully Review the Job Flyer.** The posted job flyer is filled with detailed and beneficial information about the vacant position, including essential duties, minimum qualifications, pay, work schedules (when appropriate), and application submittal procedures. Employees should have a good understanding of the position's requirements before applying.

3. **Ensure a Complete Application.** For proper application review, Human Resources requires a complete application with details about employee work history, education, training, professional/personal references, and personal information. Before submitting your application, ensure all required information is attached and all supplemental questions have been answered.

4. **Revise the Application when Applying for Different Jobs.** www.governmentjobs.com permits applicants to submit applications for multiple positions. However, applicants should ensure they modify their Master Profile and Objectives sections to reflect the particular position for which they are applying.

5. **Check for Typos**. Always double-check the application for typos or other errors before submitting.

Impressions are important, especially during the hiring and selection process, and submitting a complete, accurate and thorough application conveys genuine interest in a job. If you have any questions about current recruitments or the City's online application process, contact the Recruitment Center at X3298.

LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Library – Cultural Arts

May 6, 2011

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Cynthia Cowell, Library Services Director

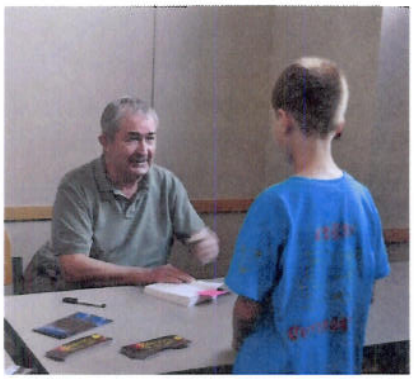
Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Library Services

Board of Trustees

Last Tuesday at the Board of Library Trustees meeting we said farewell to two of our board members whose terms have expired: Kathleeen Peterson and Karen Clark. Both Kathleen and Karen have served two terms and will be greatly missed. We thanked them for their contributions with champagne and cupcakes in a small informal celebration after the meeting.

Author John Flanagan



Children's Services hosted an author visit in collaboration with Whale of the Tale Bookshoppe last Tuesday afternoon. About 70 middle-school age children and their parents came to the event, which featured the author of the popular Ranger's Apprentice series. Mr. Flanagan talked to the young readers about his characters and plots, describing how he developed the books from a series of short stories he had written for his twelve-year old to encourage him to read. Attendees were also able to purchase Flanagan's books and have them signed.

Other children's events this past two weeks included a Hello Kitty party at Mariners, Under the Seas Crafts and Read-a-Palooza at Corona del Mar, and Spring and Mother's Day Crafts at Balboa.

Zov is Back

We will be having our final What's Cooking at the Library for this season on Tuesday, May 17. We are fortunate to have Chef Zov Karamardian returning to host this event. The popular chef and owner of Zov's Bistro and Zov's Café and Bakery will be demonstrating how to make some of her wonderful Mediterranean dishes. We expect to sell out again for this event, but there are currently tickets available. Zov will also be selling and signing her newest cookbook, "Simply Zov: Rustic Classics with a Mediterranean Twist."

Cultural Arts Services

Jerry Muller Exhibition, Reception and Presentation "Bright Lights and Stardust" at Central Library

Photographer, editor, art director, collector, designer and teacher, Jerry Muller now celebrates his 60-year involvement in communications and the arts with a collection of photographs titled "The California Years" at the Central Library for the months of May and June.

Muller's career began in midtown Manhattan, where he worked as assistant to some of America's leading photo-illustrators, helping on accounts like Eastman Kodak, Lord & Taylor, Playtex and Polaroid. After graduating from Marquette University and working on Country Beautiful and Teen Beat magazines in Milwaukee, Muller headed west and, in 1962, was named editor and art director of Orange County Illustrated, a brand new Newport Beach monthly magazine noted for its fine art covers and famous cartoonists.

"Senator Goldwater and Friends, Balboa Bay Club, 1965"

Muller has taught the history of comic and animation art at the University of California, Irvine and for years taught publication design at Orange Coast College, where he developed a series of slide presentations, which he gives at museums, art associations and photography expositions.

Museum Tour and Tea
The Huntington Library, Art Collections and Botanical Gardens

The Newport Beach City Arts Commission hosted a motorcoach excursion for approximately 45 participants from the Newport Beach Public Library to The Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens in San Marino on Wednesday, May 4.

Participants enjoyed a 90-minute (very warm, approximately 90 degrees) tour of the Chinese Gardens, or Liu Fang Yuan, the "Garden of Flowing Fragrance". We learned a great deal about the entire estate, including the art and sculpture that are housed there, and interestingly, the fact that Henry E. and Arabella Huntington only lived at the estate together for a total of 4 months!

Following the tour, the group took part in an English Tea in the Rose Garden Tea Room, where warm scones and jam and hot or iced tea, along with a buffet of finger sandwiches, strawberries and cream, imported cheeses, salads, and desserts were served.

MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

May 6, 2011

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Mark Harmon, Municipal Operations Director

SUBJECT: City Manager's Newsletter

New Valve & Meter Installation

The Water Maintenance & Repair Crew recently replaced two 6" valves and one 6" water meter at The Hyatt on Jamboree Road. To minimize the inconvenience to the hotel guests, the installation was performed between the hours of midnight and 4:00 a.m., as requested by the hotel management. The Crew completed the installation by 3:00 a.m. The new meter will provide more accurate water consumption readings at the hotel.

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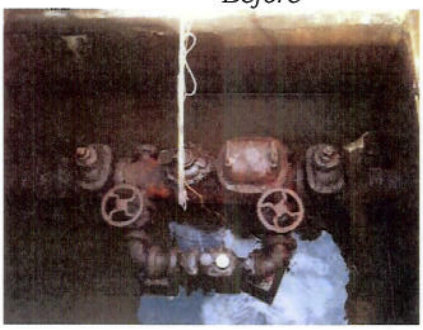

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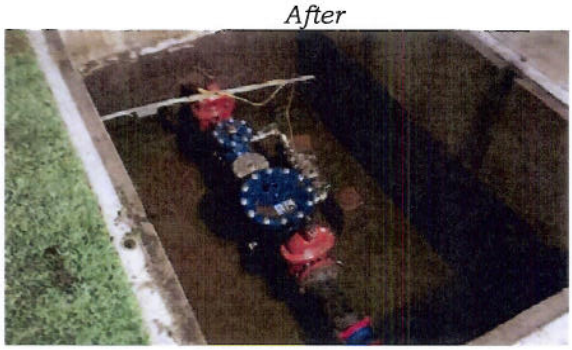


Street Striping and Markings

The Field Maintenance Division maintains a citywide striping plan, which includes the oversight of the contract for striping, crosswalk painting, and all street markings. The plan has the city divided into three sections, with each section scheduled for inspection every three years. The City's striping contractor, Orange County Striping, recently completed re-striping at the following areas: Jamboree Road, MacArthur Blvd, Bonita Canyon Road, and other streets in the Airport area.

Before

After

One-of-a-Kind Water Meter

Each year, the Utilities Division changes out over 1,350 residential water meters that are over 30 years old. Recently, during a change out, the Customer Service Crew found a Phoenix water meter that was installed in 1935. This Phoenix water meter is the oldest water meter in the city, and the only Phoenix meter in the system.

SCBA Training

As required by the Risk Management Plan, the Utilities Division has eight team members who are fit-tested and SCBA-trained (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus). The plan requires the members to complete 12 hours of SCBA and Ammonia handling every year.

During the test and training session, teams of four members were required to enter the 35' deep chlorine-injected vault with a SCBA pack. Once inside the vault, they had to maneuver under the pipe and check for leaks on the opposite side of the room, then climb the ladder out of the vault. The purpose of this training was to try and make each participant a little more comfortable wearing the SCBA in an uncomfortable environment. Training will continue throughout the year with different scenarios.

Balboa Island Beach Restoration

With the summer season approaching, Operations Support staff has shifted gears into preventive maintenance mode. As a result of being in a high-use area and exposed to the marine environment, the 56 donated teak street-end benches on Balboa Island are receiving their annual maintenance treatment, which includes pressure washing, sanding, buffing, and the application of a protective stain coating. This maintenance program extends the life of the benches while reducing the amount of time between major, and more costly, restoration work.

Pesticide Training

Last week, the annual Pesticide Training for City employees who handle pesticides was completed. The training was presented by Parks Maintenance Crew Chief Anthony Petrarca, who is in charge of the City's Pesticide Application. Parks and Trees Superintendent Dan Sereno discussed the importance of the safe use of pesticides. A few of the training items covered were: Hazards of Pesticides, First Aid for Overexposure, Personal Protective Equipment, Environmental Concerns, Laws and Regulations and Employee Rights. The training was attended by team members from the Parks, Operations Support, and Field Maintenance Divisions.

Atta-Boy Letter

Staff recently received the letter below commending the Field Maintenance team for doing a wonderful job, as well as "exceeding expectations" for being careful and caring workers in assisting a resident while installing a wheelchair ramp in Irvine Terrace.

April 21, 2011

Dear Mr. Salazar, Field Maintenance Superintendent

I want to commend you on your team. The guys working at Santanella X Ramona this week are doing a wonderful job.

They are "exceeding expectations" on the whole job. Plus, today as I was carrying groceries from my car (which was parked a ways away) they offered to help me. In these days when people seem to be getting ruder and ruder, it was a pleasant surprise to find out that Newport Beach General Services has a maintenance staff that are careful and caring workers.

Nearly every time I walk through Irvine Terrace I see a healthcare worker pushing a wheelchair patient, sometimes in the street, so we have needed cut down curbs at this corner for a long time.

Thank you,

Mary

Cc Dave Kiff, City Manager
Mark Harmon, General Services Director

NEWPORT BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT

May 5, 2011

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Jay R. Johnson, Chief of Police

SUBJECT: NEWSLETTER

Citizens' Police Academy Graduation

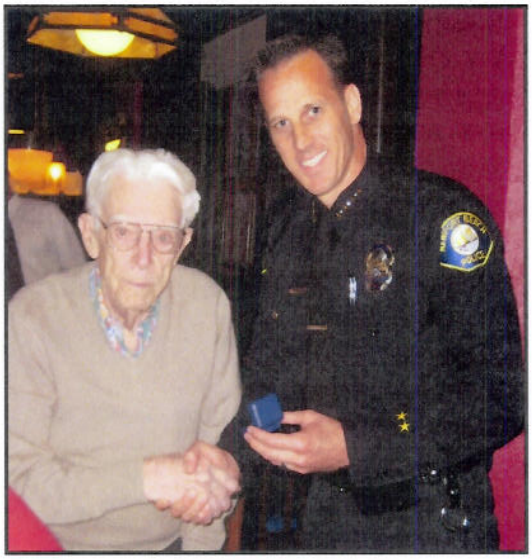
Please join me in congratulating the 34 graduating students of our 29th Citizens' Police Academy. A graduation ceremony was held on Thursday, April 14, at the Newport Beach Public Library. The Academy is conducted twice a year at the Police Department, and classes are held one evening each week for 12 weeks. The students learn firsthand the inner-workings of the Police Department and, upon graduation from the Academy, have the opportunity to apply for the Police Department's Volunteer In Policing (VIP) Program. Over 630 participants have successfully graduated from the Citizens' Police Academy. Attending and participating in this recent graduation were City Manager Dave Kiff, Civil Service Board Members Hugh Logan and Doug Coulter, and former Civil Service Board Member Paula Godfrey.

Class #30 of the Citizens' Police Academy will begin on September 15, 2011, and will conclude on December 1, 2011. This Program is open to all adults in the City over 21 years of age, and applications are currently being accepted. The Teen Police Academy, Class #11, will begin on June 30, 2011, and will conclude on August 11, 2011. This class is open to all teens in the City between 13 and 17 years of age. More information can be obtained by contacting the Community Relations Unit at (949) 644-3692 or by logging onto the Department's website at www.nbpd.org.

Relay for Life

Relay for Life is a 24-hour event sponsored by the American Cancer Society. On May 21 and 22, 2011, members of the "911 Blue Crew" will walk the track at Harbor High School for 24 hours. Participants are encouraged to obtain sponsors willing to donate monetary funds for specific distances walked. This year's goal is to raise $5,000 to assist in the fight against cancer. Once again, Sergeant Shontel Sherwood will be spearheading the charge for the Police Department's "911 Blue Crew." The "911 Blue Crew" is comprised of sworn and non-sworn personnel from the Police Department. This is a great opportunity to come out and show your support for the City and the American Cancer Society

4,000-Hour Pin Recipient



Volunteer Earl Fusselman, pictured right with Chief Johnson, has been a member of our Volunteers in Policing (VIP) Program since 1996 and graduated from the Department's very first Citizens' Police Academy. During our annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner at the Old Spaghetti Factory, Earl received his 4,000-hour pin, which signifies the total number of hours he has donated to the Police Department. Earl, along with his fellow VIP's, have donated over 54,537 hours of their time to the Community since the beginning of the Program. Like his fellow Volunteers, we truly value Earl's contribution to the Police Department and the citizens of Newport Beach. In 2010, the Volunteers donated a total of 5,200 hours to the Community. Below are some of the 2010 statistics showcasing the accomplishments of the Volunteer Unit:

Vacation Checks Conducted:	1,338
Handicap Citations Issued:	84
Fire Lane Citations Issued:	9
Signs Removed:	523
School Checks:	433
Garage Checks:	809

Jay R. Johnson
CHIEF OF POLICE

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

City Manager's Newsletter

To: David A. Kiff, City Manager

From: Stephen G. Badum, Public Works Director

Date: May 6, 2011

Bridge Maintenance Begins

As part of the on-going maintenance effort on the City's bridges, Truesdell Corporation was awarded a construction contract to perform work on seven bridges. Work began this week and includes:

- Repairing cracks in support columns of the Balboa Island Bridge (see photo).
- Repairing spalls (areas where the top layer of concrete have pulled away from the underlying surface), cracks and repainting the guardrail on the Collins Island Bridge.
- Sounding the deck for spalls, repairing spalls, filling cracks, replacing joint seals and reconstructing portions of the approach on the Newport Island Bridge.
- Repairing exposed deck rebar on University Drive over Bonita Creek.
- Installing drainage and regrading the slope under Bonita Canyon Drive over Bonita Creek.
- Sounding the deck for spalls and sealing the deck on two other bridges on Bonita Canyon Drive.

The work will require some lane closures and various traffic control measures. All work is scheduled for completion in mid-July.

Rhine Channel Dredging Contract Scheduled for Award

The long awaited Rhine Channel Dredging project is on the May 10 City Council Agenda with a staff recommendation for awarding to Dutra Dredging Company. We are happy to report the low bid amount of $3,369,555 is 19% below the original engineer's estimate. This important project will remove contaminated sediment from the Rhine Channel and send it to the Port of Long Beach for proper disposal.

Sewage Spill at Balboa Pier

On Tuesday, John Kappeler and Shane Burckle from our environmental section were called out to investigate a sewage spill at Ruby's Diner on the Balboa Pier. Upon arriving it was determined the plumbing from a holding tank was broken and raw sewage was being discharged directly into the ocean. Orange County Environmental Health was notified immediately. The restaurant was temporarily closed to make the necessary repairs. In addition, the beach 1,000 feet up coast and down coast of the Balboa Pier was closed to swimming and surfing. Yesterday, the restaurant and beaches were reopened.

Leadership Tomorrow Event

Shane Burckle and Jamie Hook are both progressing through the Leadership Tomorrow program. This past Saturday it was their privilege to help organize and volunteer in their chosen class project. This year's class felt compelled to focus on The Orange County Foundation for Oncology Children and Families. Both participated in creating a fun day for the kids. It was very encouraging to see the children, who are ill with various forms and stages of cancer, playing and enjoying themselves. A side benefit was for the parents, as they were able to connect with other parents to support each other in fighting this disease. These children are very brave and have a wonderful outlook despite being sick. Should you wish to volunteer or donate to the foundation visit its website at ocf-ocf.org.

OC Marathon Recap

Sunday morning Newport Beach hosted over 10,000 runners for the start and the first 11 miles of the Orange County Marathon and Half Marathon. This year's event incorporated a new route through Dover Shores and Mariners to preserve endangered birds nesting within the Back Bay reserve. The new route did have some challenges associated with closures along significant roadways and within neighborhoods. Public Works staff dedicated over 100 hours to the event to ensure the new route was safe for participants while minimizing the event impacts to residents and businesses.

The success of this event is due to the hard work from several employees and departments. Special thanks goes out to Sergeant Spencer Arnold, Detective Todd Bush, Senior Civil Engineer Brad Sommers, Junior Engineer Bryan Loo, Recreation Supervisor Matt Dingwall, GIS Analyst Scott Watson, and Planning and Research CSO Jennifer Manzella.

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Laura Detweiler, Recreation & Senior Services Director

Date: May 6, 2011

BUSY EARTH DAY FOR MARINE PROTECTION & EDUCATION

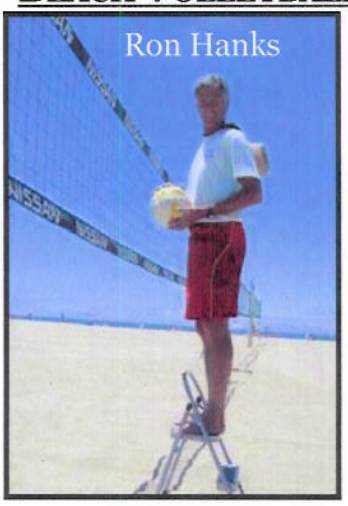
The Marine Protection & Education Division had a busy *Earth Day* weekend on April 16-17. Staff set up their "Drains to the Ocean" booth at the Santa Ana Earth & Health Fest held at Centennial Park on Saturday and were available to answer questions about the Newport Bay watershed and how the actions of residents, even in Santa Ana, affect what drains into the bay and ocean.

On Sunday, staff again set up their "Drains to Ocean" booth, but at the Peter & Mary Muth Interpretive Center. This Earth Day event was sponsored by the Newport Bay Conservancy. Over 1,000 people were at the event and many stopped by the booth. The topic of the day was the problem of trash in the ocean and how even the smallest actions have great impact on the health of the bay and ocean.

Along with discussions of personal responsibility regarding trash in the bay and ocean, the Marine educators spoke about tidepools and proper tidepool etiquette. Staff then encouraged guests to continue their Earth Day adventures by visiting the Back Bay Science Center. If you would like to see the Marine Protection & Education Division in action, they are set up daily in the summer at Little Corona at their Interpretive Table.

Something to think about... Did you know that most of our waste today is comprised of plastic and that this plastic never breaks down? Plastic waste is accumulating in swirling currents called "gyres." The largest of these garbage swirls is roughly twice the size of Texas containing approximately 3.5 million tons of floating trash midway between Hawaii and San Francisco (for more information go to greatgarbagepatch.org).

BEACH VOLLEYBALL AT CDM STATE BEACH



We are deeply saddened to announce that contract instructor Ron Hanks passed away April 9, 2011. Ron has been teaching Beach Volleyball at CdM Beach for over 14 years. Ron is survived by his wife Laura and two children, Summer and Connor and will be missed. Staff observed the class at CdM on April 16 to meet some of the long time students of Ron's, along with the instructor Ed Ratledge. Ed has worked and played with Ron over the last few years and is excited to follow in Ron's footsteps as coach. Ed is teaching two classes with registration full in both.

~ May 2011 Programs at Back Bay Science Center~						May 2011?
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 830AM-130PM Pontoon Patrol 7-9PM OCNHL City of Newport Beach Free Public Program registration recommended		6	7
8			10AM-11AM Newport Seabase (20 students) 1PM-2PM Newport Seabase (20 students)			14 Marine Life Inventory DFG 8-noon Free Public Program registration required
15 COMMUNITY DAY Earthday10-2 City of Newport Beach Free Public Program	16	17 9-2 Eelgrass Program Orange County Coastkeeper	18 830AM-130PM Pontoon Patrol 4PM-6PM Bob Orsi Program	19 Annual Fieldtrip	20	21 ESTUARY AWARENESS DAY
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City of Newport Beach Marine Protection and Education Program for program information call 949-644-3038

- **The OCNHL or Orange County Natural History Lecture** for May will host Restoration Education Manager Matt Yurko of the California Coastal Commision for a talk on the native plants of our local coastal ecosytem and the community based restoration program at Newport Back Bay. Space is limited and advance registration is recommended.
- **Community Day** is a free public event hosted by the City of Newport Beach, inviting everyone to come and explore Back Bay Science Center. No reservations required.

Department of Fish and Game Program for program information call 949-640-9956

Partner Program for program information call Orange County Coastkeeper at 714-850-1965 and Mountain Sea Adventure 310-427-7845

OASIS SENIOR CENTER

- ***Social Services*** - The UCI medical lectures continued at OASIS this month with *The Prostate-from Benign Enlargement to Cancer* by Dr. Michael Louie, a UC Irvine Urologist specializing in the treatment of prostate enlargement and robotic prostate and kidney surgery.

  The California Telephone Access Program will present information on May 13 about adaptive telephone equipment and related services for people who have difficulty using standard telephones because of temporary or permanent hearing, speaking, seeing, moving or remembering issues. Demo equipment will be displayed and information will be provided on how to order the equipment free of charge.

- ***Special Events*** - On April 27, OASIS held its annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon to recognize the many volunteers that drive many of the programs. Over 140 volunteers were in attendance to enjoy lunch and an enthusiastic Polynesian dance performance. Director Laura Detweiler gave opening remarks and the Friends of OASIS President Scott Paulsen recognized each volunteer group and provided insight into their dedication and efforts. City Manager Dave Kiff and Council Member Leslie Daigle were also there to show their support.

- ***Facility Rentals*** - In April, OASIS facility rentals generated $4,236 bringing FY 2010-11 revenue totals to over $36,000. A typical rental of the OASIS Event Center (an average 6 hour event) can generate between $800 and $1200. To date, a strong majority of facility rentals at OASIS are from local non-profits and Newport Beach residents. However rental inquiries continue to grow from groups and individuals from all over Orange County.

FEE CLASSIFICATIONS
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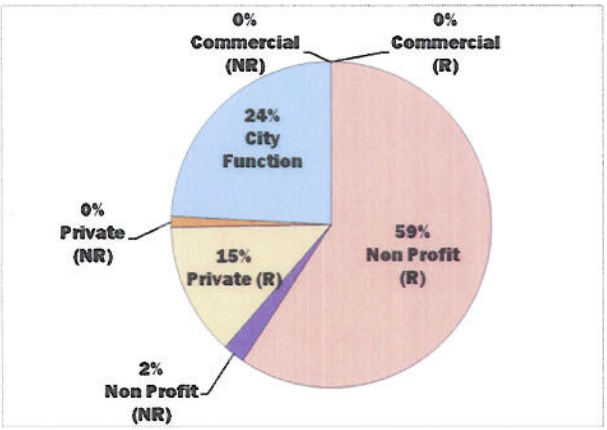

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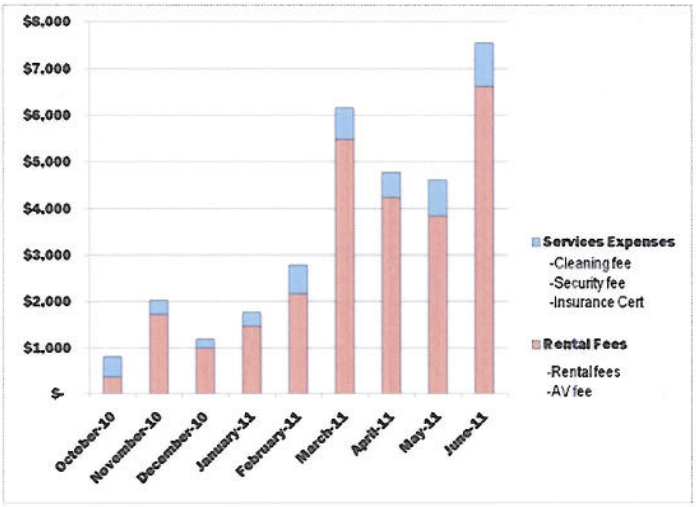

ZUMBA GOLD FLASH MOB AT FASHION ISLAND

The OASIS Zumba classes took Fashion Island by storm on April 30 with a flash mob. Led by instructors Cathy Badum and Sandy McCormick, 40 students from their youth, adult and senior Newport Beach contract classes danced their Latin-based steps to two songs while close to 100 Fashion Island shoppers gathered, took pictures and cheered them on. Well over 100 seniors participate in Zumba classes at OASIS which are offered five days a week.

Quote of the Day

Sometimes the road less traveled is less traveled for a reason.

-Jerry Seinfeld

Upcoming Events	Date	Time	Responsible Staff	Phone	Location
Carroll Beek Grand Re-Opening	*5/20*	*5:30pm*	*Matt Lohr*	*644-3164*	*Carroll Beek*
Summer Class Registration	*5/26*	*8:00am*	*Racquel Valdez*	*644-3151*	
Relay for Life	*5/20-21*		*Relay for Life Team*	*644-3164*	*NHHS*
CdM 5K	*6/74*	*7:00am*	*Janet Cates*	*644-3154*	*Ocean Blvd*
Summer Camps Begin	*6/27*	*all times*	*Racquel Valdez*	*644-3151*	*Locations around the City*

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