



CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH
City Manager's Newsletter

TO: Mayor Dixon & Council Members
FROM: Dave Kiff, City Manager
DATE: March 4, 2016

Please enjoy the attached newsletters...



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Kimberly Brandt, Community Development Director

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "KB", is written next to the name Kimberly Brandt.

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Date: March 4, 2016

Coastal Commission to Consider a New Clubhouse for the Newport Harbor Yacht Club

On Thursday, March 10, 2016, in the Santa Monica Civic Auditorium, the California Coastal Commission will consider a new, replacement clubhouse requested by the Newport Harbor Yacht Club. The 23,163-square-foot proposal located at 720 West Bay Avenue was approved by the City in February 2014. Coastal Commission staff is recommending approval subject to several special conditions of approval, including a \$350,000 contribution to the City of Newport Beach to construct a new public dock at the end of Central Avenue in the Lido Marina Village area. Commission staff is also recommending enhancement of an existing driveway through the site that provides public access to the bay. The yacht club is in agreement with all of the special conditions suggested by Commission staff. Community Development staff will attend the meeting to answer questions and to support enhanced public access to the bay. Additional information about this meeting and the project can be found at the California Coastal Commission website: <http://www.coastal.ca.gov/mtgcurr.html>





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Water Quality Enforcement

With more visitors expected to hit the City's beaches this summer, ensuring these water bodies remain fishable and swimmable is a top priority for City staff. The Code Enforcement Division plays a vital role in the City's Water Quality Program by preventing and responding to prohibited materials being sent into the City's storm drain system. A key part of this program is conducting annual inspections of restaurants and other eating and drinking establishments to ensure that all fats, oils, and grease as well as trash are properly contained and disposed of.



This winter, staff is focusing on restaurants along the Coast Highway commercial corridor, utilizing public outreach and gentle enforcement to bring attention to this critical issue. Restaurants are encouraged to regularly inspect their outside storage areas to ensure that grease containers and interceptors are secured, trash enclosures are clean and covered, and storage areas are kept free of accumulated trash and debris.

Additionally, restaurant owners are encouraged to wash mats, tables, and other furniture in an approved location where the water can be reclaimed or properly disposed of.

For additional information on the City's Water Quality Program or to report any prohibited liquid or materials, please visit the website at www.newportbeachca.gov or contact the Code Enforcement Division at 949-644-3217.



Unlicensed Group Home Enforcement

Last fall, Code Enforcement staff were alerted to the presence of two unlicensed residential care facilities on the Balboa Peninsula and the Newport Heights area that were opened in violation of the City's municipal code regulations.

With the assistance of the City Attorney's Office, Code Enforcement staff met with the operator and the affected property owners to discuss various options for compliance.



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It was mutually agreed by all parties that the best course of action was for the facilities to close by March 2016, resolving this concern in a timely fashion. This week, Code Enforcement staff determined that the facilities had in fact closed as agreed.

California Residential Energy Requirements Workshop

Building Division staff hosted a free residential energy workshop to the design community. The focus of the workshop was to educate the design community on the strict State energy standards. The standards affect all types of residential development from new homes to remodels. Over forty members of the public attended the workshop.



Building Update - Newport Heights Medical Campus

The rough grading permit was issued for the Newport Heights Medical Campus located at 20350 Birch Street. The project consists of two medical office buildings, one of them at 20,000 square feet and the second at 44,000 square feet.





CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER
Finance Department

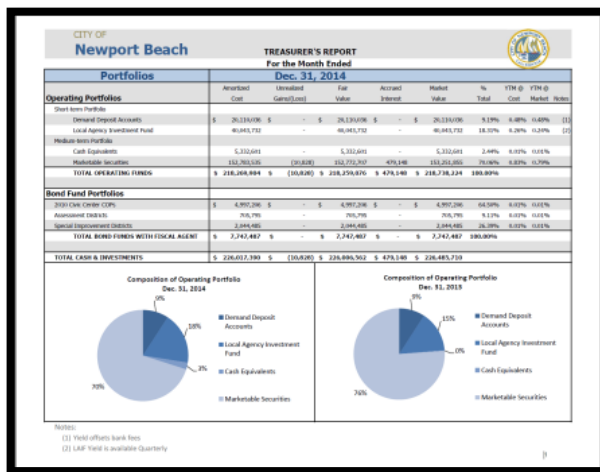
Date: March 4, 2016

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Dan Matusiewicz, Finance Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Treasury Report Update



The January 2016 Treasury Report is available on the City's website at: www.newportbeachca.gov/treasury.

As of January, the City's portfolio totaled just over \$222 million, from all sources. Roughly \$35 million of this portfolio is highly liquid, meaning that it is available for cash flows associated with day-to-day operations and cash funding of major construction expenditures.

The medium-term portfolio (\$170 million) has a weighted average effective maturity of 1.84 years. The total return for the medium-term portfolio for the trailing twelve months was 0.81 percent. This return compares favorably to our benchmark for the same period, the BAML 1-3 Year Treasury index which returned 0.65 percent.

State Mandate Reimbursements

A State mandate is any legislative or executive order which requires local government, school districts or community colleges, to establish or modify its activities or programs that are funded by local revenues. The State of California has a process by which school districts, local governments and the Commission on State Mandates determine which mandated activities are reimbursable by the State.

The Legislature is responsible for selecting mandates eligible for filing and for budgeting funds to pay mandated costs. Mandated program costs are never fully funded by the Legislature.

The City of Newport Beach annually files for eligible mandate reimbursements. The majority of the eligible mandate filings are for Police Department programs, such as, administrative license suspensions and domestic violence arrests and victim assistance.

In Fiscal Year 2016, the City filed for \$70,445 in State mandate reimbursements. So far in Fiscal Year 2016, the City has been reimbursed \$39,746 for previously filed mandates. In Fiscal Year 2015, the City received \$744,366 for mandates filed for claim years between 1994 through 2004. The City received \$55,319 mandate reimbursements in Fiscal Year 2014. Fiscal Year 2015 had an extremely high reimbursement payout and is an anomaly due to a Fiscal Year 2015 State budget provision to pay pre-2004 filings, by local governments, if the State revenues exceeded forecasts. The average mandate reimbursement is typically \$40,000 per year.



The City continually pursues filing these state-mandate claims that can be placed back into the General Fund.



Newport Beach Fire Department Office of the Fire Chief

DATE: March 4, 2016
TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager
FROM: Scott Poster, Fire Chief
SUBJECT: **CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER**

FIRE OPERATIONS

We Need Your Blood!

It's that time again for our Second Annual Newport Beach City Employees Blood Drive. The goal last year was to collect 65 pints of blood. We had 36 people donate at the last event and we were able to collect 34 pints. Although we fell short of our 65 pints, we still made a decent showing for our first time out. This year we are shooting for our goal from last year – 65 pints of blood.

This year's blood drive is scheduled for Wednesday, March 30, 2016, from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., at the Civic Center Community Room. Walk-in donations are accepted, but to save time we are encouraging everyone to register on line at www.redcrossblood.org and use the sponsor code **NBCivicCenter**. You can also call the Red Cross at (949) 439-0551 to schedule your appointment.

Please consider giving the gift of life and donate your blood on March 30.

Electrical Fire

The Newport Beach Fire Department responded to a residential structure fire just after 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 18. Initial crews found the residence locked and filling with smoke. Firefighters gained access and quickly knocked down the fire before it was able to spread to other parts of the home. The fire is still under investigation, but it appears to have been electrical in nature causing an estimated \$25,000 in damage.

Newport Beach Fire received mutual aid from Orange County Fire Authority and Costa Mesa Fire Departments.

EMS DIVISION

EMT Recertification

Firefighters have completed their Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) recertification. All Newport Beach firefighters are State certified EMTs, which requires 24 hours of medical and skills validation training every two years to renew their license with the State.

Elite Electronic Patient Care Report (ePCR) Training



In 2012, Newport Beach Fire Department transitioned from paper to an electronic patient care reporting system. This month, NBFD began training on new upgraded electronic patient care reporting software called 'Elite,' which complies with national standards.

The upgraded system includes switching to improved hardware, allowing us to better document patient care and improve data collection. A majority of the cost of this upgrade has been funded through grants. Fire Captain Adam Novak and Paramedic Meghan Smith will be training fire personnel on the use of this new system. Newport Beach will be the first fire department in Orange County to begin utilizing Elite.

MARINE OPERATIONS

Lifeguard Stats for February 2016

PUBLIC CONTACT	1,508
ENFORCEMENTS	49
MEDICAL AIDS	73
RESCUES	16
PREVENTATIVES	453
TOTAL CALLS	2,549
BEACH POPULATION	574,012

Lifeguard Promotions

On February 20, Newport Beach Lifeguards welcomed Mark Herman as their new Lifeguard Captain. Mark was hired as a seasonal lifeguard on May 21, 1988. He was promoted to a unit operator in 1999. Mark also worked as a Junior Lifeguard instructor for six years and was promoted to dispatcher in 2002.

Congratulations Mark!





Brandon Hodding (left)

Adam Yacenda (right)

Newport Beach Lifeguards would also like to welcome two new part-time Lifeguard Officers, Adam Yacenda and Brandon Hodding, effective February 20. Adam was hired as a seasonal lifeguard on June 10, 1995, and was promoted to a unit operator in 1999. He was then promoted to a rescue boat operator in 2005.

Brandon was hired as a seasonal lifeguard on April 3, 1998. He was promoted to a unit operator in 2004 and later promoted to a rescue boat operator in 2007.

Congratulations Brandon and Adam!

On Wednesday, February 24, Newport Lifeguards had their first of seven recertification classes. The class filled up quickly with students recertifying their first aid skills, spinal immobilization, teamwork and leadership skills. There will also be several mock water rescue and recovery drills.

Lifeguard Tryouts

Newport Beach Lifeguards will be holding their seasonal lifeguard tryouts on Sunday, March 13. The seasonal lifeguard will attend classes in Newport Beach's Basic Lifeguarding Academy in order to learn skills and techniques used in ocean rescue, emergency decision making, first responder medical treatment, and public assistance. No experience is required; however, applicants must be 16 years of age as of April 1, 2016.

Please visit the City's website to view the job flyer and to apply online. This position will remain open until Tuesday, March 8, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.



HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

DATE: March 4, 2016
TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager
FROM: Barbara J. Salvini, Human Resources Director
SUBJECT: News and Updates from Human Resources

NOW HIRING FOR SUMMER POSITIONS

Are you or someone you know looking for a fun and fulfilling part-time job for the summer?

The City is now hiring for seasonal positions including Recreation Leader, Pool Swim Instructor Trainee and Lifeguard Trainee.

The ideal candidate for these positions is enthusiastic, friendly, customer service savvy and excited to contribute to the great programs offered by the City. Click on the following link to see what it is like working in the City of Newport Beach ([video](#)).

View all current employment opportunities and apply online today for these rewarding positions at www.newportbeachca.gov!





LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Library – Cultural Arts



March 4, 2016

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Tim Hetherton, Library Services Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Library Services

Teen Tech Week: Create It at Your Library

In celebration of National Teen Tech Week, March 6-12, 2016, Newport Beach Public Library will host events that showcase all of the great digital resources and services that are available at the library to help teens succeed in school and prepare for college and twenty-first century careers. Our library in particular has a lot to share with teens. Library Assistant and resident techie Greg Johnson will present a special "Create It at Your Library" program for teens on March 9 in the Media Lab. He will be showing them how to use their creativity and the fantastic array of resources in the Media Lab and Sound Room to learn new skills and turn their dream projects into reality.



Electronic Village

Dave Curtis and Natalie Basmacyan have been working on a revitalization project for the computer area upstairs at Central. Thanks to a funding package from the NBPL Foundation, new computer desks have been ordered and will be ready to install sometime in April. The new furniture will be very similar to the desks located in the expansion area which have been very popular.

Staff News

Our new part-time Library Assistant, Sarah Emerson, begins working at Central and Mariners next week and we will be conducting second interviews for the Librarian I for Children's Services next week as well. Part-time Library Assistant Susan Groux will be transferring to the NBPL Foundation staff as the Director of Programming. Susan has done a great job hosting the Manuscripts Book Discussion Group this past year and will be an excellent addition to the Foundation staff.

March Crafts and Activities

There are always lots of activities for children at the library, and this month seems to be busier than ever. Our own version of March Madness began last week with Leaping Leprechaun crafts at Corona del Mar, followed by Lego "Block" parties, Art in the Spring Workshops, Dr. Seuss Crafts (to celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday), Fairy Tale Crafts, a Spring Gardening program, a Sleeping Beauty Ballet performance and Windy Crafts all coming up in the next couple weeks.



WiNN

Several of the non-profit organizations at the Library participated in last week's WiNN (Women in Newport Networking) event at the Civic Center. Newport/Mesa ProLiteracy, Friends of the Library and the NBPL Foundation hosted tables and distributed materials to prospective supporters and volunteers at the event.

Cultural Arts Services

Sculptures Added to Joan Irving Brandt Art Exhibit

A new display of sculptures was added to the Joan Irving Brandt Exhibit this week in anticipation of the Centennial Celebration event on Saturday, March 5. Known as a significant figure in the California Scene painting movement, Brandt also excelled at sculpture as is evident by this display. Several different media are represented including sculptures in bronze, wood and terracotta.



The City Arts Commission is looking forward to the big event on Saturday celebrating the life and art of sharing the Joan Irving Brandt. The public is invited to learn more about the artist at the program which begins at 2 p.m. A wine and cheese reception will follow, giving guests an opportunity to talk with some of the art experts, friends and family of Brandt.

On exhibit through March 31, 2016



Newport Beach Art Exhibition

Staff was trained this week to use CaFÉ, the new online Call for Entries system that will be used for this year's Newport Beach Art Exhibition. CaFÉ is a regional nonprofit arts service organization that easily and cost-effectively manages artist applications and the jury process for art exhibition and other events. In addition, to providing the management system for entries, CaFÉ will also include news about the Art Exhibition in their bi-weekly newsletter which goes to artists throughout the country.



The Call for Entries prospectus is expected to open on March 8. This is the 52nd annual Newport Beach Art Exhibition and the City Arts Commission anticipates that it will be even bigger and better than last year.



MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

March 4, 2016

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: George Murdoch and Mike Pisani, Directors

SUBJECT: *City Manager's Newsletter*

Drought Extended

On February 2, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted a revised emergency regulation extending the current water use regulations through October 2016. The required reductions remain essentially the same. The revised regulation, however, allows a water supplier to apply for credits to reduce the conservation standard up to eight percentage points. The City has applied for a 7.2 percent decrease, and if the application is approved, the City's target would be reduced to 20.8 percent.

Various Projects at Sunset Ridge Park



Over the last several months, the Landscape Division has completed a number of projects at Sunset Ridge Park. In preparation of El Niño weather conditions, two of the projects involved the installation of jute netting and drainage improvements to alleviate erosion issues on the park's steeper slopes. The other major project consisted of enhancements to the park's California native plant palate. Additionally, large boulders were installed to accent the planting.



Before



After





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Water System Services Activities

In February, the Water System Services Division completed 141 water meter tests, over three times the normal monthly amount. The purpose of a meter test is to ensure the meter is working properly, that the previous meter reading is correct, and that there is no water leak on the property. Over 2,000 notices of violation were sent out in January by Code Compliance for high water consumption, leading to the increase in requests for meter testing. Overall, 103 meters had correct reads with no leaks on property, 37 meters indicated there was a leak on property, and one meter had been misread. All the meters were found to be working properly, so none required replacement.

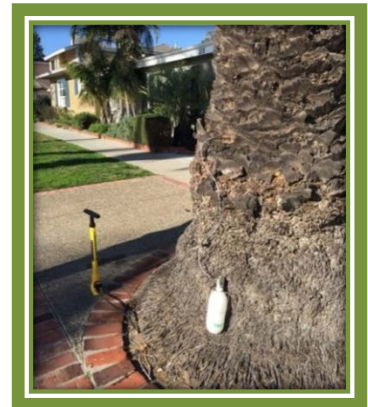
Palm Treatment Trial



For many years, the City has known of a fungus, *Fusarium oxysporum*, growing on the Canary Island Date palms along Marguerite Avenue in Corona Del Mar. At this time, there is no known cure for this fungus, and many of the trees have succumbed to the disease. Arborjet, a well-known pesticide injection company, approached the City last summer and proposed a trial treatment on 43 selected palms.

Last month, Arborjet scientists injected the selected palms with safe and effective fungicides currently in use. They also applied a new granular fungicide to the root zone below the soil level. We are hoping that the fungus decreases in the next year, so we can save these massive palms and find a treatment for similar trees dying from this fungus throughout Southern

California. These trees have lined Marguerite Avenue since the 1930s.



Storm Preparation



This week, Storm Drain staff entered the Santa Ana River to clear sand and debris from the storm drain outlet during an extreme low tide. This drain channels water from West Coast Highway into the river; however, sand had built up in front of the duckbilled check valve. If the sand and debris are not routinely removed, it prevents water from draining off the Highway during a storm. Staff removed debris such as tennis



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balls, soda cans, water bottles, and a four-by-four wooden post from the drain. Staff can only clear the sand and debris from this storm drain during very low tides.

Pest Management Program

The City uses an Integrated Pest Management Program (IPM) that reduces the amount of pesticides and fertilizers in the maintenance of the City's landscaped areas. This approach combines limited pesticide use with more environmentally friendly pest control techniques that focus on the long-term prevention of pests (weeds, rodents, and insects) and the damage they cause. Some of the techniques utilized in IPM include:

- Planting drought-and pest-tolerant plant material
- Proper fertilizer applications based on annual agronomic soil testing
- Higher mowing heights
- Removal of diseased wood
- Manual weed abatement
- Biological parasites

The Landscape Division currently has nine employees with Qualified Applicator Certificates/Licenses and two employees with Pest Control Adviser Licenses. These certificated employees have the ability to recognize the signs of pest and disease activity and recommend the safest materials to treat the landscape.



NEWPORT BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Jay Johnson, Chief of Police

DATE: March 4, 2016

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

PLAQUE PRESENTATION

On Tuesday, February 23, several representatives from the Fairmont Hotel and Towne Park visited the Police Department to honor Detective Jenny Kresge. We welcomed three men from the Fairmont Newport Beach (General Manager Karl Krueger, Director of Operations Max Compagnon and Parking Manager Nathan Raaz) and two from Towne Park (Market Vice President Mal Kenney and Sam Islas).

Detective Kresge was presented with a plaque in recognition of her dedication and success of an investigation she conducted. General Manager Krueger emphasized that she proceeded quickly with the investigation, and he was impressed that she made an arrest within two weeks.

The group also donated a two-night stay in an Executive Suite at the Fairmont Hotel to an event hosted by the Special Olympics in her honor.



***Detective Kresge (holding plaque) with representatives
of the Fairmont Hotel and Towne Park***

Please join me—and the grateful staff of the Fairmont—in congratulating Detective Kresge on her diligence in this investigation.

STEP UP STARTS AGAIN

The spring session for Step Up has started in the Newport-Mesa Unified School District. Step Up is a 10-week program based on John Wooden's Pyramid of Success. The curriculum reinforces important character building skills, helping each student make good choices. The main goal is to promote students to "Step Up" the Pyramid to their "Personal Best."

The Step Up program covers topics such as Peer Pressure, Bullying and Cyber Safety, as well as general education on hazardous substances. Lessons are designed as an overview of the topic, which tend to spark further questions, generating an opportunity to follow up at home.

Crime Prevention Specialist Erica Bloom is the current instructor for the Step Up program. She interacts with the students to engage them in conversation and shares relevant stories and video clips to reinforce her teachings.



CPS Bloom, center, with Step Up students

NOTABLE ARREST



On Sunday, February 28, at approximately midnight, a witness called the Newport Beach Police Department's Dispatch to report a possible drunk driver. The caller witnessed the vehicle hit a street sign at E. Coast Highway and Bayside Drive, and then saw the vehicle flee from the scene. The witness was able to provide a thorough description of the truck and direction of travel.

Officers were able to locate a vehicle that fit the caller's description and initiated a stop on Jamboree Road and Camelback Street. Upon approaching the vehicle, the officers noticed front end damage to the vehicle, as well as damage on the rim of the front

driver's side. When officers spoke to the suspect, they distinctly observed symptoms of alcohol intoxication. After a thorough DUI investigation, it was determined that the suspect was severely impaired, and he was placed under arrest for suspicion of DUI.

During an inventory search of the vehicle, an officer located two fully-loaded, unregistered handguns. One handgun was stored under the suspect's seat, and the other one was in the center console.

Thanks to the timely information from an observant citizen, our officers were able to locate and remove this intoxicated driver—and his weapons—from the safe streets of Newport Beach. We encourage all members of the community to call us at 949-644-3717 to report drunk drivers.



To: Dave Kiff, City Manager
From: David A. Webb, Public Works Director
Date: March 4, 2016

No Autographs Please

Two members of the Public Works team were the first guests on a new show called **"The Village Green"**, produced by Newport Beach and Company for NBTV. Watershed and Conservation Specialist Shane Burckle spoke about drought resilient landscaping and water thrifty features and irrigation planning. Senior Engineer John Kappeler spoke about a new ocean water quality



project at Little Corona Beach that will soon be underway. The Village Green is hosted by former Mayor Nancy Gardner. It's a program about all things environmental in Newport Beach. There are lots of projects and programs to showcase. Look for it on NBTV, Channel 3 and 30.



Marina Park Takes the Award as the Outstanding Architectural Engineering Project of the Year!

While the success of Marina Park has already been demonstrated by high community interest and the increasing number of park users, the Public Works Department is pleased to announce that the project is also gathering critical acclaim. Within the past few weeks, Marina Park has been recognized by both the Orange County American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) and the Orange County Engineering Council (OCEC) for exceptional engineering. Specifically, the Park was named as an Outstanding Engineering Project, Outstanding Airport and Ports Project, and Outstanding Architectural Engineering Project.

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Project Manager, Iris Lee, receives an award for Marina Park at the Orange County Engineering Council

PW Quik-Pix



Director Dave Webb, Project Manager Iris Lee, and Harbor Analyst Shannon Levin alongside staff from Architect Team accepting two awards for Marina Park from the American Society of Civil Engineers.

PW Quik-Pix



Eric Loke, Project Manager, inspects new traffic signal poles and arms waiting for installation on Coast Highway as part of the East Coast Highway Traffic Signal Rehabilitation Project.

The Bridge is coming...The NEW Park Avenue Bridge is Coming...

After many years of permitting, funding, and design efforts, the existing 86-year old Park Avenue Bridge will soon be removed to make space for a new, slightly wider, and more user friendly replacement that will carry over much of the same looks and feel. The City Council at its February 23, 2016 regular meeting awarded the construction contract to John S. Meek Company to construct a temporary bridge across the Grand Canal at Balboa Avenue, while its crews replace the Park Avenue Bridge. The City Council also awarded a contract to FountainHead Corporation to assist staff in administering and managing this complex project.

The tentative start of construction is planned for the end of March continuing into early 2017. Public Works has assembled an experienced project team to deliver this multi-faceted project with the public's interest at the top of the list.

As with the past and the most recent community meetings held at the Balboa Island Fire Station a couple weeks ago, the Public Works Department will be hosting many more meetings with the Community to provide project updates as well as receiving suggestions for improvements.



Please join the Project Team at the next Project Info Meeting scheduled for Saturday, March 12, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. at the Balboa Island Fire Station to learn about the exciting upcoming construction activities.

Beach Sand Activities

This past week, the County of Orange Maintenance and Operation crews undertook an operation to remove excess amounts of sand deposits from the Santa Ana river mouth. This is a regular effort to keep the river mouth open and operational in the event of significant rainfall and related river flows so as to prevent flooding of low lying properties near the Santa Ana River. The County used heavy equipment to conduct the operation and the displaced sand was deposited on beach areas on either side up of the river mouth to nourish the sandy beach.





RECREATION & SENIOR SERVICES

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Laura Detweiler, Recreation & Senior Services Director

Date: March 4, 2016

**Parks
Make
Life
Better!**

CAMP NEWPORT

What happens when 5,000 kids meet 500 camps? CAMP NEWPORT! Summer is right around the corner and it's time to register for Newport Beach summer camps! Registration opens online March 5 at 8 a.m. on campnewport.com. Remember, the early bird gets the worm and in this case the discount as well. Contract camps are offering the early bird discount starting at 8 a.m. on March 5 and ending at the end of the day on May 9. There are camps for kids of all ages and interests including adventure, discovery, science, surf, performance and more. Check out what this summer has in store by visiting campnewport.com.



JAMBOREE (EXPO EVENT) :

Camp Newport representatives will promote all things summer camps at the 10th Annual Jamboree on Saturday, March 5 – “Get Cubed or Be Square!” *Parenting OC* magazine has partnered with Discovery Cube in Santa Ana, which will be hosting the event in the Argyros Showcase Theater. The Jamboree event features various exhibitors specializing in summer fun and learning opportunities for families. Free children's passes to the Discovery Cube will be given out on the day of the Jamboree event, which is also free!

For more information on the Jamboree, please call 714-630-4510 x6.

LET'S NOT SKIP SPRING

With the excitement of summer it's easy to let spring just slide by, so let us make it easy and tell you that registration for spring programs began Thursday, March 3 at 8 a.m. Visit newportbeachca.gov/recreation and check out the Spring Navigator with all the activities we offer for all ages from infants to seniors.

Looking for a camp during the spring break week of April 4-8? We have lots for you to choose from; including the City run Spring Break Camp at the Community Youth Center. Children will experience a fun filled week with indoor and outdoor games, crafts and other structured activities. Campers will take an excursion to Knott's Berry Farm. Spots are filling up so register today!



PARKS & RECREATION STUDY:

Democrats, Republicans, and Independents may not agree on much, but they all agree that PARKS MAKE LIFE BETTER! A recent national survey conducted by Penn State researchers found an overwhelming bipartisan support for parks and recreation!

Key study findings:

1. The majority of Americans asserted that they and their community benefitted from local parks.
2. Americans are in agreement that the National Recreation & Park Association's Three Pillars- Conservation, Health & Wellness and Social Equity-are chief priorities for local parks.
3. Four out of five Americans believe their local parks are well worth the average amount of \$70 per person paid in local taxes every year with over 30% believing they are worth even more.
4. The passion for local parks has gone unabated over the past 25 years, even with dramatic demographic shifts in the United States and the ways technology transformed how we interact with others and entertain ourselves.

Americans agree that local, state and national leaders need to dedicate financial resources to support, sustain and expand local park and recreation agencies in order to help transform our neighborhoods, towns and cities into vibrant communities. To view the actual study visit: <http://www.nrpa.org/americans-support-parks/>



KUDOS TO FITNESS CENTER COORDINATOR, JULIE ANDING!

On February 18, OASIS received the following letter from a fitness center member:

BILL SUTTON
3521 Lilac Ave
Corona del Mar, Ca 92625

Ms. Celeste Jardine-Haug
OASIS Manager
2-18-2016

RE: JULIE ANDING

Hi Celeste:

Just a note to tell you how pleased everyone is with our "new" Fitness Center Manager. Julie is just a delight, full of sunshine and cheer, bubbly and fun. The facility lights up these days.

I have belonged to several such facilities in past years, none here, and the managers did not go out of their way to learn names and engage in friendly banter. She clearly has the respect of her staff (they take friendly pills, too) and it's fun to see her interact with the members.

Anyway, we're glad to have her; she seems to be very happy in her "new" environment.

Best to you and thanks for the "good hire!"



STAFF GETS CPR/FIRST AID/AED CERTIFIED



Accidents can happen anywhere and at any time. Being prepared in these situations can make a huge difference in the outcome of an injury. In order to prepare staff for situations that may arise, a class was led by Recreation & Senior Services Supervisor Leslie Hardy and Coordinator Julie Anding. Both of these staff members are certified instructors who trained and certified 35 people from Recreation & Senior Services Department during the month of February.

Thanks ladies for promoting a safe environment!



A HIKING WE WILL GO!

Every month, Natural Resources staff invites the community to explore nature by joining a Marine Protected Area Hike. Ginny, a Natural Resources Interpreter, guides an enthusiastic interactive hike. Hikers learn facts about the natural landscapes and species found in Newport Beach and the surrounding areas. This is one unique way we educate the community about the environment and encourage people to get out in nature. Come join the next hike and partake in the adventure!



For more information on upcoming Marine Protected Area Hikes please e-mail nri@newportbeachca.gov.

KID TALK!

Kids from our programs sharing their insight on important and fun topics.



Q: WHAT IS THE MOST AWESOME THING YOU'VE SEEN?

A: A SCORPION! IT GLOWS IN THE DARK!

-LONDON, AGE 5



Q: WHAT IS LOVE?

A: IF YOU ARE IN LOVE WITH SOMEONE AND THEY'RE IN LOVE WITH YOU, YOU GET MARRIED - LIKE MY MOM AND DAD

-MOLLY, AGE 6



CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH
Recreation & Senior Services Department



Things To Do In Newport Beach:

<input type="checkbox"/>	2/1-3/31	CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION: JOAN IRVING BRANDT - ART DISPLAY Central Library - 1000 Avocado Ave
<input type="checkbox"/>	FRI. MAR 4 5:30pm	MOVIE IN THE PARK 'MINIONS' FREE Channel Place Park - 4400 Channel Place Park
<input type="checkbox"/>	SAT. MAR 5 8-11am	BRIDGES OF BUCK GULLY HIKE FREE OASIS Aux. lot on the corner of 5th + Marguerite
<input type="checkbox"/>	SAT. MAR 5 8am	SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION BEGINS To register visit campnewport.com
<input type="checkbox"/>	SAT. MAR 5 10am-3pm	10TH ANNUAL JAMBOREE 'GET CUBED OR BE SQUARE' FREE Discovery Cube - for more information call 714-630-4510 x6
<input type="checkbox"/>	TUE. MAR 8 6-7pm	OASIS LECTURE: YOUR HEALTH AFTER PROSTATE CANCER FREE OASIS - 801 Narcissus Ave. RSVP at 949-644-3244
<input type="checkbox"/>	3/12-3/13	CHILDREN'S SPRING JUBILEE WITH THE EASTER BUNNY FREE Roger's Gardens, for more info call 949-640-5800
<input type="checkbox"/>	SAT. MAR 12 10am-2pm	SPRING HOP - FASHION ISLAND ATRIUM LAWN FREE For more information, visit www.visitnewportbeach.com/events
<input type="checkbox"/>	MON. MAR 14 2-3pm	OASIS LECTURE: PRESERVING FAMILY MEMORIES FREE OASIS - 801 Narcissus Ave. RSVP at 949-644-3244
<input type="checkbox"/>	3/18-3/20	REFLECTIONS - CRYSTAL COVE ALLIANCE SPRING ART SHOW For more information, visit www.visitnewportbeach.com/events
<input type="checkbox"/>	3/18-3/19	ROBERT BRUSSEL ART SHOW For more information, visit www.visitnewportbeach.com/events
<input type="checkbox"/>	SAT. MAR 19 10am	MAYOR'S SPRING EGG ROLL FREE Civic Center Green -100 Civic Center Drive
<input type="checkbox"/>	SUN. MAR 20	NEWPORT-MESA SPIRIT RUN For more information visit nmspiritrun.org
<input type="checkbox"/>	SUN. MAR 20 6:30am	CAMP EXPO Event is held at the Spirit Run



Something to Ponder

"The best way to predict the future is to create it."
-Peter Drucker