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City of Newport Beach, CA  
**City Manager's Newsletter**

**TO:** Mayor Selich & Council Members  
**FROM:** Dave Kiff, City Manager  
**DATE:** March 20, 2015

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Please enjoy the attached newsletters...



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Kimberly Brandt, Community Development Director 

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Date: March 20, 2015

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### ***LCP Certification Update***



The Planning Division completed a series of community meetings on the certification of the Local Coastal Program (LCP) Implementation Plan. Four community meetings were held in February and March and were attended by well over 125 people. Most questions and comments from the attendees focused on how LCP certification would affect their properties; however, some touched on broader issues, such as sustainability and public access. Generally, attendees were pleased with the prospect of having their coastal development permits processed locally. Staff also spoke to about a dozen people about LCP certification at the monthly meeting of the Bayshores Community Association.

The next step in the public outreach process will be a Harbor Commission study session on April 8 and a Planning Commission study session on April 9.

Coastal Commission staff has signed onto a schedule of monthly meetings to review and collaborate on the draft LCP Implementation Plan. Each meeting will cover specific issues, including public access, resource protection, and priority land uses. City/Coastal Commission staff collaboration on the Draft Implementation Plan is expected to be completed in time for local public hearings in the fall. Should the City approve the Draft Implementation Plan, the Coastal Commission hearing could be held in either March or June of 2016.

### ***4000 McArthur Boulevard***

Building Division staff has been working with two architectural firms to relocate Hyundai Capital from Irvine to their new location at 4000 McArthur Blvd. Hyundai is expected to take all ten floors of the office tower relocating over 500 employees to Newport Beach.

### ***4311 Jamboree Road***

The rough grading permit was issued for the Uptown project located at 4311 Jamboree Road. The Uptown project is a mixed-use residential development project with up to 1,244 residential units. Construction of the first phase of residential units will begin by late summer.



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

### **Public Workshop**

The Building Division hosted a free public workshop on commercial commissioning and acceptance testing. Over 30 members of the public attended the workshop comprising of architects, contractors, and staff. On July 1, 2015 acceptance testing will be required for all commercial tenant improvements and new construction.



### **Community Outreach**

To raise awareness and understanding of the benefits and services provided by the City's Code Enforcement Division, staff met with the Corona Del Mar Residents Association. Staff discussed issues which affect property owners and business owners, highlighted important neighborhood concerns brought to the attention of the Division, and answered a variety of code enforcement related questions. Attending these meetings regularly is a central goal for the Division as this facilitates good

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communication regarding important quality of life concerns affecting the residents. Furthermore, these meetings provide opportunities for staff to educate residents on how the Division operates and further fosters ongoing community involvement in the code enforcement process, thus continuing to preserve the quality of life Newport Beach offers.

To have a code enforcement officer attend your community meeting, please contact the Code Enforcement Division at (949) 644-3215.



Date: March 20, 2015  
To: Dave Kiff, City Manager  
From: Dan Matusiewicz, Finance Director  
Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

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***AND ACTION!***

Newport Beach is home to spectacular ocean views, sandy beaches, stretches of scenic boardwalks and piers and has become one of the select destinations for location scouts, television producers, and commercial photographers. For the film industry, the City offers a picturesque background no matter where cameras are set.

Local filming serves to market Newport Beach, which thereby increases the number of visitors. Increased visitation brings in higher sales and hotel transient taxes.

Most recently, our City has contracted with FilmLA to coordinate and process the City's film permits. FilmLA is a California non-profit public benefit corporation that works with several public sector entities.

FilmLA will continue the City's goal to act as



a liaison between the production company, internal City departments, and the local community to ensure that our residents, tourists and businesses are not overly inconvenienced by any production company; and to ensure the public health, safety and welfare of all.

## Recent Audits

Agencies who provide grant or other funding to cities typically conduct random audits to verify that funds were spent in accordance with specified criteria. The City of Newport Beach is currently undergoing two such audits. AB 2766 funds, named after authorizing Assembly Bill legislation, are granted to local governments to implement programs that reduce air pollution from motor vehicles. During Fiscal Years 2011-2012 and 2012-2013, the City used AB 2766 funds to purchase Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) vehicles, upgrade our CNG fueling station and modify our vehicle repair facility to accommodate CNG Vehicles.

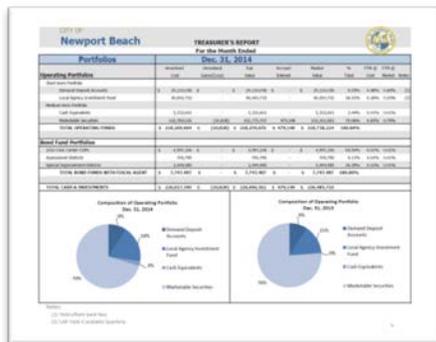
This week an accounting audit firm selected by South Coast AQMD to perform AB 2766 funds audits for Fiscal Years 2011-2012 and 2012-2013, spent two days on-site performing audit field work. The field work audit portion process went smoothly and the auditor was provided all requested information.

In other audit news, the California Department of Transportation (DOT) requested an audit of our Balboa Boulevard/Channel Road Pavement Capital Improvement Project. A designated DOT auditor will perform audit field work in April.

## Treasury Report Update

The December 2014 and January 2015 Treasury Reports are available on the City's website at:

[www.newportbeachca.gov/treasury](http://www.newportbeachca.gov/treasury).



As of January, the City's portfolio totaled just under \$230 million, from all sources. It is invested in broadly diversified high-grade securities with an average credit rating of

AA. Roughly \$65 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 (\$159 million) has a weighted average effective maturity of 1.66 years. U.S. Treasuries experienced selling pressure, driving their yields higher, as signs of improving global economic growth encouraged investors to move out of safe-haven government debt and into riskier fixed income asset classes. Most experts expect yields to begin improving in the next year or so. The total return for the medium-term portfolio in January was 0.461%.



## Newport Beach Fire Department Office of the Fire Chief

DATE: March 20, 2015

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Scott Poster, Fire Chief

**SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER**

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### MARINE OPERATIONS

#### Benjamin M. Carlson Lifeguard Headquarters



On Sunday March 8, the City of Newport Beach dedicated the newly remodeled Lifeguard Headquarters to a fallen hero, Ben Carlson.

Mayor Selich, many Council Members (past and present), our City Manager, and the Carlson family attended the event.

The speeches from our Mayor, Chris Carlson, Rob Williams, friends and family were profound, touching, and stimulated emotions within the crowd of several hundred. It was not an easy event to produce and many hours of work from our Marine Operations Division and City Manager's Office (especially Tara and Mary) went into the preparation for the dedication. It was a wonderful tribute to Ben.



The Benjamin M. Carlson Lifeguard Headquarters is there to constantly remind beachgoers of the dangers of the ocean, and represents the unselfish commitment of our lifeguards to enter dangerous waters to save our lives. Ben Carlson made the ultimate sacrifice on July 6, 2014, as he rescued a swimmer in trouble.



Ben's sudden death has unified lifeguards all over the world and brought a heightened awareness to the dangers hidden in the surf. His sacrifice will result in lives saved and prevent loss of loved ones, which is what Ben would have wanted. Although Ben is not with us anymore, his legacy will remain here forever as signified by his memory in our hearts, and when we are gone, the story posted within the Benjamin M. Carlson Lifeguard Headquarters.

We will never forget.

### **March 13-16, 2015**

FIRST AID	28
MEDICAL AID	4
PUBLIC ASSIST	19
PUBLIC CONTACT	719
RESCUES	66
WET PREVENT	85
SURFER WARNINGS	23
POPULATION	171,000



### **Lifeguard Tryouts**

On March 8, 2015, Newport Beach Lifeguards held tryouts for positions as seasonal lifeguards for this summer. There were 89 applicants, and 61 completed both events, a 1,000-meter swim, and a 1,000 meter run-swim-run. The conditions were excellent, with water temperature of 62 degrees, air temperature of 63 degrees, and the surf was 1-2 feet.

The top candidates were asked to participate in the interview process the following day with Lifeguard and Human Resources staff. Successful candidates from the two-day process were invited to complete the hiring process, including a background check and physical. The 100-hour Basic Lifeguard Academy begins on April 15.

## **Notable Events**

On March 14, just after 2:00pm, lifeguards answered a call for help from a citizen who had accidentally locked their 18-month-old child in their vehicle behind tower 19. Lifeguard Officers Gary Conwell and John Moore responded with their USAR skills and lockout tools to quickly open the door to rescue the child. There was an urgency in getting the child out of the car as outside temperatures exceeded 90 degrees.



On March 15, Newport Beach Junior Lifeguard program conducted its second of three swim tests, where 400 plus participants and their families attended. The last swim test will be March 22.

## **FIRE OPERATIONS**

### **Structure Fire Via Koron**

On Saturday March 14, at approximately 3:00pm, Fire Department units responded to a structure fire in the 100 block of Via

Koron. The first arriving units found a two-story, single-family residence with fire blowing out of a downstairs window.

The occupant was exiting the structure as units arrived. First arriving units quickly upgraded the incident to a working fire. Based on this information, additional units were dispatched to the scene. Crews pulled hose lines and began interior firefighting operations to control the fire.

Fire crews initiated an aggressive interior attack and performed a primary search of the home. During the primary search, crews were able to locate, and rescue, the occupant's dog. The occupant advised that he had an extensive art collection inside the residence. Units were quickly assigned to perform salvage operations to protect the art collection. Due to quick action by crews, the art was protected and removed from danger.

This fire offered multiple challenges for the firefighters. They had to battle detonating ammunition, products of combustion, and an unusually hot day. Two firefighters were injured during the course of firefighting operations. One injury was serious enough to require transport to the hospital.

NB Fire Department Fire Investigators determined that the cause of the fire was accidental in nature, and was caused by discarded smoking materials. Huntington Beach Fire Department and Costa Mesa Fire Department units assisted in firefighting operations.

## TRAINING SERVICES

### Rule of Air Management (ROAM) Training

Several of our crews participated in ROAM training in Huntington Beach earlier this month. Newport Beach fire crews joined with Huntington Beach and Fountain Valley fire crews during the various nighttime drills to improve their air management techniques.

One of the most prominent dangers that both civilians and firefighters face during a fire is the toxic smoke. Smoke and superheated gases from



fire pose numerous short and long-term hazards to our lungs. In order for firefighters to conduct an effective search, firefight, and overhaul of any fire scene, they need to rely on the use of their Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA). As with most pieces of equipment, the types, shapes, and uses change depending on the manufacturer.

Newport Beach has larger SCBA bottles than neighboring Costa Mesa, Huntington Beach, and Laguna Beach Fire Departments. That has pros and cons. They are heavier; however, they provide more air. It also means that Newport Beach Firefighters can remain in hazardous conditions for an extended period of time compared to our neighbors. Again, there are pros and cons. The extended time to work can lead to a greater success rate of performing rescues and fire knock down thus preserving more property. The timed ROAM training, conducted in Huntington Beach and accompanied by a proctor, pushed our firefighters to physical limits while wearing their SCBA.

Our firefighters gained valuable insight as to how much air is required during certain physical evolutions such as lifting ladders, pulling hose, ventilating a roof, carrying a victim, and carrying tools up and down stairs. The training also reviewed past firefighter deaths and injuries related to asphyxiation and how best to avoid such tragedies.

### **Promotional Testing**

We concluded the Fire Paramedic promotional exam. Nine candidates successfully passed the examination and are currently meeting with Chief Poster for interviews. We anticipate promoting the final candidates in April.



Photos of Training Chief Jeff Boyles going through the ROAM obstacle course.

Our Fire Captain promotional testing will conclude on March 25. Candidates have already taken a written exam, performed fire ground simulators, and have had a department evaluation review. The final phase on March 25 will include another fire ground simulator, interview, and employee relations assessment center.

## **LIFE SAFETY SERVICES DIVISION**

### **Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)**

#### **FEMA CERT Program Manager Class**

On March 10, and 11, Life Safety Specialist Matt Brisbois, along with colleagues from Costa Mesa Fire Department and Los Angeles County Sheriff's, served as a lead instructor for the State of California Volunteer Corps sponsored CERT Program Manager class in Garden Grove. The 16-hour CERT Program Manager class is designed for active CERT Coordinators and is taught through FEMA and the National Fire Academy. Twenty-five CERT Coordinators throughout the state participated in the two-day class. The class covered how to manage a CERT program, volunteer expectations and how to promote CERT programs. Matt is one of only two CERT Train the Trainers and CERT Program Manager Instructors in Orange County. Next week, Matt will serve as a lead instructor for the CERT Train the Trainer class that teaches and certifies fire and police personnel how to be effective CERT instructors.

#### **Spring 2015 CERT Programs**

The spring 2015 CERT programs are underway and set to conclude in late March. This spring, the Fire Department hosted three CERT programs, a Tuesday/Thursday evening class, an all-day Saturday class, and a Thursday day class. All three programs will end with the "Drill the Skills" on Saturday, March 28. The next CERT programs will begin in late September and the schedules for those three programs will be available on the City of Newport Beach website in the next few weeks. For additional information on the CERT program, please email [nbcert@nbfd.net](mailto:nbcert@nbfd.net).



## HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

### CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

DATE: March 20, 2015  
TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager  
FROM: Terri L. Cassidy, J.D., Deputy City Manager/HR Director  
SUBJECT: News and Updates from Human Resources

#### **It's That Time of Year for the Newport Beach Ocean Lifeguard Try-Outs!**

Human Resources teamed up with the Fire Department on Sunday, March 8, 2015, to host and proctor the annual Newport Beach Ocean Lifeguard Try-Outs. It was a beautiful, sunny day providing great weather for competition.

Over 80 applicants gathered at the Newport Beach Pier and participated in two events — the 1,000-Meter Ocean Swim and the 1,000-Meter Run-Ocean Swim-Run drills.



*Pictured (left to right): Sr. HR Analyst Sarah Rodriguez, HR Recruiter Evelyn Hernandez, Assistant Fire Chief Rob Williams, and HR Manager Rebecca Redyk*



*On your mark, get set.... GO!*

The top scoring 29 competitors were invited to participate in the next step of the recruitment process.

Thanks to the Fire Department for working so hard with Recruitment in coordinating and facilitating another successful year of NB Ocean Lifeguard Try-Outs!



## LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT



March 20, 2015

**To:** Dave Kiff, City Manager

**From:** Tim Hetherton, Library Services Director

**Subject:** City Manager's Newsletter

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## Library Services

### Popular Library Remodel

Looking for current newspapers, magazines, audio books, DVDs, BluRays, music CDs or video games? You will find all of these items as well as a comfortable area to read and relax on the lower level of the Central Library in an area known as the "Popular Library." New fixtures, furniture, and carpeting transformed the Popular Library this week, creating an inviting environment for customers and staff alike. The new furnishings were funded by the Newport Beach Public Library Foundation and a generous gift from Charles and Suzanne Turner. Painting will be complete next week.



### Customer Service

In a recent evaluation of the Newport Beach Public Library by customer service shoppers the results indicated an average score of 95.27% for all locations. Shoppers noted how helpful and professional everyone is and how clean and organized the libraries are. We are pleased to see that staff efforts to create a positive experience for the public are being recognized.

### Community Outreach

Continuing efforts in community outreach, I spoke last week to a group from The Philharmonic Society of Orange County about what's new at the library, as well as programs and resources that might interest them.



### NBPL Foundation Events Sell Out

It is a regular occurrence now to hear SOLD Out with regards to the NBPL Foundation's popular Witte Lecture Series and Library Live events and this month's events were no exception. The Foundation hosted UC Irvine's distinguished Professor of English and Religious Studies, Jack Miles for a serious discussion of Sunni vs. Shia on March 5 and Dr. Daniel Levitin, neuroscientist, musician and bestselling author of "This is Your Brain On Music" on March 20-21. Both events were sold out well in advance, as is the upcoming April program with author Joyce Carol Oates.

### Friends of the Library Lobby Book Sale

The Friends of the Library are holding a lobby book sale at the Central Library this Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Customers will find super bargains with proceeds benefitting the library.

# Cultural Arts Services

## Art Exhibit

The Central Library is currently featuring some of the art in the City's Collection on the gallery walls of the Central Library lower level lobby. Among the collection are several pieces by noted scene artist Ruth Hynds that were purchased by the Newport Beach Public Library Foundation and given to the Library to decorate the Central Library upon its opening in 1994. The paintings depict local scenes familiar to residents and are an important document of daily life in Newport Beach circa 1980-1994. The exhibit will be on display until April 6.



## Call or Entries: Sculpture in the Civic Center Park Exhibition

Round II of the inaugural *Sculpture in the Civic Center Park* Exhibition has begun with a Call for Entries that went out this week in search of ten sculptures to be added to the current display in Civic Center Park. Artists, private collectors, galleries, and museums/non-profit institutions are invited to submit pre-existing artworks for consideration for temporary exhibition at the City's Civic Center Park. The sculptures will be on loan from August 2015-August 2017. The deadline for applications is May 6, 2015.



## Call for Entries: Newport Beach Art Exhibition

Entries continue to come in for the 51st Annual Newport Beach Art Exhibition. The printed Call for Entries brochure is now available at the NBPL library Locations. The deadline for entries is May 29 but we expect the exhibition capacity to be reached before that so we are encouraging artists to register early. The link to the online Call for Entries can be found on the website [www.newportbeachca.gov/culturalarts](http://www.newportbeachca.gov/culturalarts) under Newport Beach Art Exhibition.



## MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

March 20, 2015

**TO:** Dave Kiff, City Manager  
**FROM:** George Murdoch and Mike Pisani, Co-Directors  
**SUBJECT:** *City Manager's Newsletter*

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### Plant Refurbishment at Grant Howald Park

*Before*



Recently, old, woody plant material was replaced in an area of Grant Howald Park adjacent to Harbor View Elementary School. The replacement plants are a variety of drought-tolerant plants, such as aloes, agaves, and some Sago palms.

*After*



Landscape Crewmembers Marty Colver, John Gemme, Danny Tovar, Harold Link, Brian George, Mark Moritz, Dan Hill, and Ryan Greenwalt did a great job with the plant installation, and the project is a huge upgrade to the Park near the tennis courts and baseball field.

## 16<sup>th</sup> Street Booster Pump Station Facelift

Late in 2013, two variable frequency drives (VFD's) were installed at the 16<sup>th</sup> Street Water Booster Pump Station located at the Utilities Yard. Along with the VFD's, the station received upgraded pumps and motors, new check valves and 16 new air vacuum relief valves. The previous pumps and motors were capable of pumping 2,900 gallons of water per minute (GPM) while the new VFD driven pumps and motors are capable of pumping 4,000 GPM, while using less energy. The increased capacity and lower energy usage is important since approximately 70% of the City's water is pumped through this station. The Water Production Crew recently cleaned and painted the entire station, along with the various equipment inside. The station has never looked or functioned better.

*Before*



*After*



## Turf Restoration at Arroyo Park

Landscape Division staff recently coordinated with City contractors in restoring the turf in the passive areas at Arroyo Park. These turf areas had become thin or bare due to the shade cast from the vigorous growth of the surrounding Podocarpus trees. City tree service contractor Great Scott Tree Services substantially pruned the trees, and City landscape contractor Pinnacle Landscape overseeded and topdressed the turf areas. With regular pruning, this passive area should continue to be a shady place where visitors can lay out a blanket on the grass.

*Before*



*After*





## NEWPORT BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Jay R. Johnson, Chief of Police

DATE: March 20, 2015

**SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER**

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### In Memoriam

Thursday, March 12, marked a significant anniversary for the Newport Beach Police Department. Twenty years ago, just after 4:00 a.m. on Sunday, March 12, 1995, Officer Bob Henry was shot in the line of duty. Bob never regained consciousness and succumbed to his injury 33 days later. In honor and observance of Bob's sacrifice, over 200 NBPD employees, retirees, members of other law enforcement agencies, family, and friends gathered for a brief ceremony at Bob Henry Park in the early morning hours on Thursday. Afterwards, a ceremonial Honor Guard was posted at Bob Henry Park until sundown.



Later that morning, a video remembrance was presented at the Police Appreciation Breakfast (see story below). At the front of the banquet hall, members of the Newport Beach Police Honor Guard watched over an empty chair and unused place setting at a small table: the symbolic place of honor reserved in memory of Officer Henry.

*The Honor Guard watches over a symbolic place setting, complete with Officer Henry's Medal of Valor, which was awarded posthumously.*

With each year that passes, there are fewer and fewer employees at the Police Department who experienced this tragic loss first-hand. Although many of us did not have the privilege of knowing Bob personally, we must remember his dedication and sacrifice. As we carry on in Bob's footsteps, working together to serve and protect this Community, please join us in remembering those who came before us... especially those – like Bob – who paid the ultimate price.

After receiving many requests, and with the permission of the Henry family, we are honored to share the touching video remembrance of Officer Bob Henry, which is hosted on our YouTube Channel [here](#).

### **44th Annual Police Appreciation Breakfast**

On Thursday, March 12, the Newport Beach Chamber of Commerce and the Commodores Club hosted the 44th Annual Police Appreciation Breakfast at the Hyatt Regency, Newport Beach. The event was sponsored by the Maseeh Family, along with Hoag Memorial Hospital Presbyterian and Newport Beach & Company. Members of the Police Department were honored at the breakfast, which was attended by City Staff and Community Leaders.



*Pictured left to right: Chief Jay R. Johnson, Randall Parker Jr., Martin Flink, Emily Bledstein, David Miner, and Dennis Hoo*

Nominations for the Police Department Annual Awards are collected by committees for each award category. Members of the Police Department who receive award nominations are discussed by those committees and then recommendations are submitted to the Chief of Police for consideration. The following members of the Police Department received recognition in the listed categories:

<b>Officer Randall Parker, Jr.</b>	Officer of the Year
<b>Sergeant David Miner</b>	Supervisor of the Year
<b>Community Services Officer Emily Bledstein</b>	Civilian of the Year
<b>Reserve Officer Dennis Hoo</b>	Reserve Officer of the Year
<b>Volunteer Martin Flink</b>	Volunteer of the Year

Additional awards were received as listed below:

**Award of Merit** – Over the past year, the Detectives listed below have displayed commendable work ethic, tenacity, and ingenuity during two complex investigations: one involving a cross-country drug smuggling operation and a second involving human trafficking.

In the first case, the Detectives spent months conducting surveillance, developing evidence, and collecting intelligence as they attempted to identify several suspects in a complicated narcotic conspiracy. After several months of tedious investigation, the Detectives received a tip that one suspect was currently engaging in some suspicious activity. Two of the Detectives followed the suspect into Los Angeles County, contacted him as he unloaded several large crates at a shipping warehouse, and subsequently seized the crates just minutes before the contents could be shipped to New Jersey. The Detectives then obtained search warrants for the crates, as well as for a second suspect's home and a warehouse in Newport Beach. While serving the warrants, they found and seized over 540 pounds of marijuana (amounting to a street value of \$1.3 million) in the crates, over \$400,000 in cash in the home, and a large safe containing dozens of valuable coins and evidence of a large-scale cross-country marijuana shipping operation in the warehouse.

The second inquiry started as a marijuana sales case but expanded into a large-scale human trafficking investigation. While conducting surveillance on a suspected drug dealer, Detectives observed the suspect pick up and drop off several women at various motels throughout Orange County. Months of additional inquiries and surveillance confirmed that the suspect was engaged in a human trafficking enterprise so lucrative that he had amassed a large number of high-priced vehicles (including a Maserati, a Bentley, a BMW, and a Porsche) with the earnings. The Detectives arrested the suspect and charged him with several human trafficking-related charges. Subsequent to the arrest, a friend of the suspect threatened one of the victims against testifying as a witness in the case. Detectives were able to locate and arrest this suspect for witness intimidation. As a testament to the scale of this investigation and the exemplary work of our Detectives, the Orange County Human Trafficking Task Force has incorporated this

case into their human trafficking training classes, which are presented throughout the state.

The Detectives are commended for their professionalism, work ethic, and commitment to the Newport Beach Police Department and to the citizens of Newport Beach.

**Detective Joshua Comte      Detective Elijah Hayward      Detective Jeffrey Perkins**

**Lifesaving Award** – The following Officers received the Lifesaving Award for saving the life of a man who attempted suicide. On Friday, March 21, 2014 at approximately 10:00 p.m., the Officers responded to an underground parking structure regarding an unresponsive male subject inside a parked vehicle. The first Officer on scene discovered that the car was locked, the engine was running, and a hose was directing the exhaust into the car's cabin, where the subject was lying unconscious. The second Officer arrived moments later and successfully removed the hose from the exhaust pipe, while the first Officer broke a window to gain access to the vehicle. Together, they dragged the man from the car and began to render aid. As the subject regained consciousness, he began to fight with the Officers, who were able to subdue him and arrange for him to be transported to the hospital for physical and psychological treatment. Due to the Officers' actions, the man survived the ordeal. The Officers are commended for their quick and decisive efforts, which saved the life of a community member.

**Officer Robert Hufford                      Officer Dallas Lopez**

**Lifesaving Award** – The following Officer received the Lifesaving Award for saving the life of a newborn baby. On Monday, March 31, 2014 at approximately 1:15 p.m., our Dispatch Center received an emergency call that a four-day-old baby had stopped breathing. The responding Officer arrived at the residence to find the frantic and distraught mother holding her son, who was very blue in color, unresponsive, and not breathing. The Officer took the baby and attempted to revive him with a sternum rub, to no effect. The Officer then turned the infant over and began administering firm hand strikes to the baby's back in an attempt to dislodge anything impeding his airway. The baby slowly began to respond and restore his breathing. The infant was transported to the hospital, where he made a full recovery. The Officer is commended for his swift and proper actions in rendering life-saving aid to a four-day-old infant.

**Officer David Sarega**

**Lifesaving Award** – The following Officers received the Lifesaving Award for saving the life of a suicidal teenager. On Friday, July 20, 2014 at approximately 8:45 a.m., a resident reported that a 15-year-old male subject (a friend of the caller's daughter) had threatened suicide and then jumped out of a moving car before fleeing on foot to an

unknown location. The young man had also recently threatened suicide with a firearm. Officers coordinated a perimeter, with assistance from the Sheriff's Department helicopter, as the subject attempted to evade contact. One Officer contacted the teen on his cell phone, but the teen quickly became uncooperative and again threatened to end his life by cutting his throat. When two Officers located the young man, he brandished his knife and then held the weapon to his throat. One Officer was able to negotiate with the subject, who eventually threw down the knife and peacefully surrendered. All three Officers (including one who has since been promoted to the rank of Sergeant) are commended for their tactics, decision-making, and communication skills, which diffused a dangerous situation and ultimately saved the life of a distraught young man.

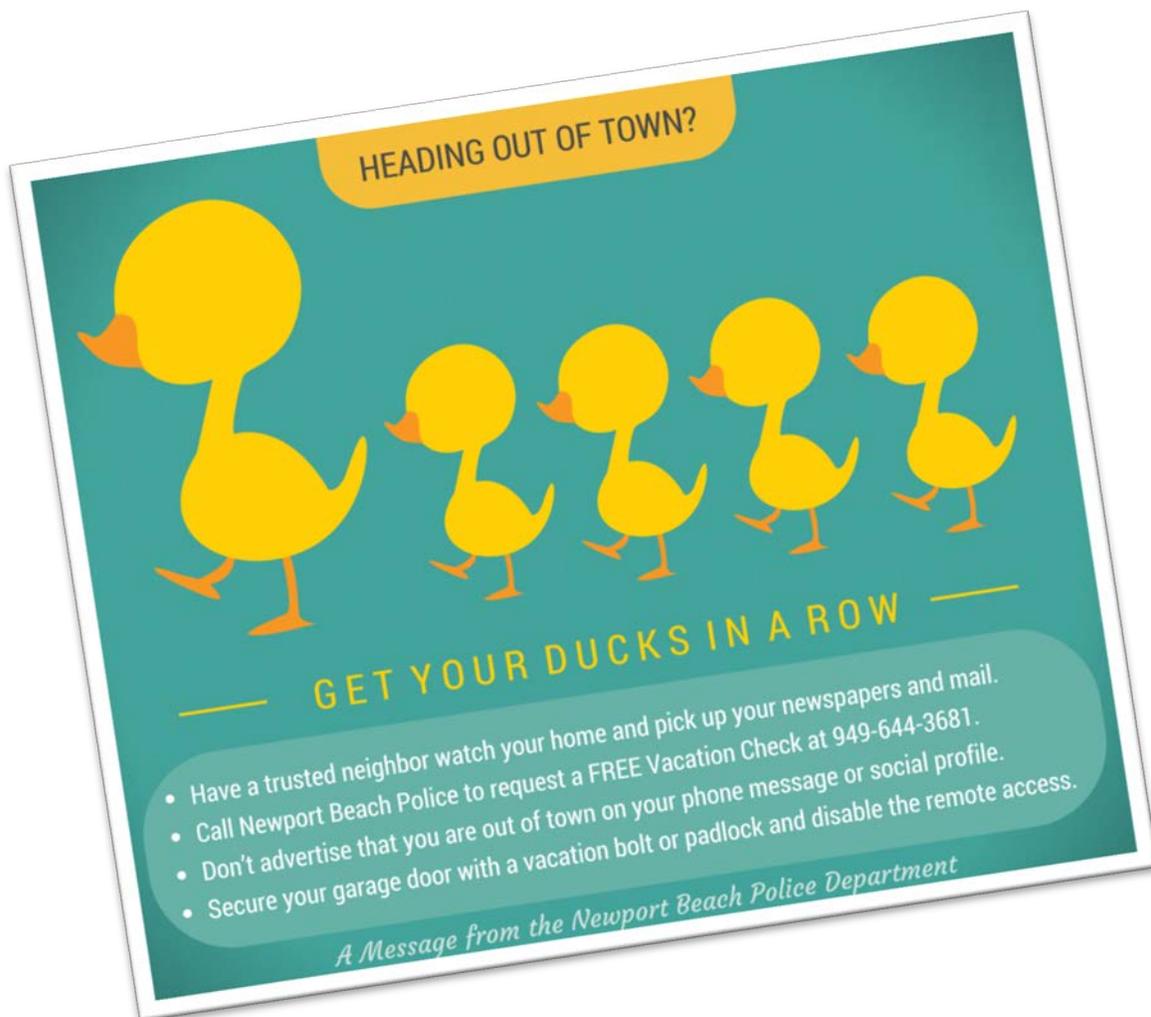
**Sergeant Eric Little**

**Officer Dallas Lopez**

**Officer David Mock**

### **Special Tips for Out-of-Town Travelers**

With Spring Break and Summer Travel Plans on the horizon, the Police Department would like to share a few tips for anyone heading out of town.



- **Reach out to your neighbors:** Have a trusted neighbor keep an eye on your home while you are away. If they see anything suspicious, they can report it to the Police Department immediately. A neighbor can also pick up any newspapers or mail that would otherwise accumulate in front of your home.
- **Request a Vacation Check:** Let the NBPD help keep an eye on your home while you are away. Our Volunteers completed an incredible 2,575 Vacation Checks in 2014 and we anticipate doing just as many (if not more) this year. Vacation Checks can be requested through our website or by calling our Front Desk at 949-644-3681.
- **Keep your travel plans private:** Do not advertise that you are out of town on your phone message or any social media sites.
- **Don't forget about the garage:** Secure your garage door with a vacation bolt or padlock while you are gone. Disabling remote access to your garage adds another layer of security. Always treat your remote garage door opener like it is a key to your home; do not leave the remote where it can be stolen (like inside a car that is parked on the street or in your driveway).

Safe travels!



To: Dave Kiff, City Manager  
From: David A. Webb, Public Works Director *DW*  
Date: March 20, 2015

**BACK BAY DRIVE HAS A BRAND NEW LOOK!**



There is no doubt that Back Bay Drive is one of the scenic “jewels” located within the Newport Beach community. This unique section of roadway is unlike anything else in Orange County, providing a low stress opportunity for users to enjoy the beauty and nature of Upper Newport Bay.

With the goal of improving the experience for all users (pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists), the Public Works and Municipal Operations Departments have recently completed a maintenance project on Back Bay Drive from Shell Maker Road to Eastbluff Drive. The key features of the project included a major reduction in sign pollution by removing unneeded and unsightly signs and deploying new signs with more of a “rural” feel, shoulder vegetation maintenance, drainage improvements, roadway resurfacing, and improved user awareness through new striping and pavement markings to better guide users on the roadway.



Throughout the project, users have praised the revised Back Bay Drive noting the project has greatly increased the pleasure of using this scenic by-way. We invite you to take a walk, ride or drive on this jewel of the Upper Bay!



Before



After

## **YOUTH IN GOVERNMENT DAY**

On Thursday, March 19 the Public Works Department participated in the City's annual Youth in Government Day. Director David Webb mentored Katie Hendrix, a Sophomore from Newport Harbor High School and Nik Hil, a Junior at Corona del Mar High School.

Dave facilitated a tour of the Marina Park Project site where they both had the chance to see our exciting work in action—from conceptual plans to real-life construction and all the steps in between. Upon return to the Civic Center, the students participated in a mock City Council meeting. Public Works looks forward to participating in this program each year and we wish Katie and Nik all the best in their future career endeavors!



## **SO CAL EDISON ENERGY EFFICIENCY PARTNERSHIP**



The City has been replacing older, less efficient streetlight fixtures with new energy friendly light-emitting diode (LED) streetlights since 2010. Following the recent completion of the Streetlight Improvement Project in the Westcliff Neighborhood, the City received an incentive check for \$4,863.66 as part of the City's Energy Efficiency Partnership with Southern California Edison.

The project included retrofitting 133 existing streetlights with new LED lights which consume approximately 50% less energy. This was the City's fifth LED conversion project completed to date. The City expects continued and additional savings through this program. For more information on these streetlight retrofit

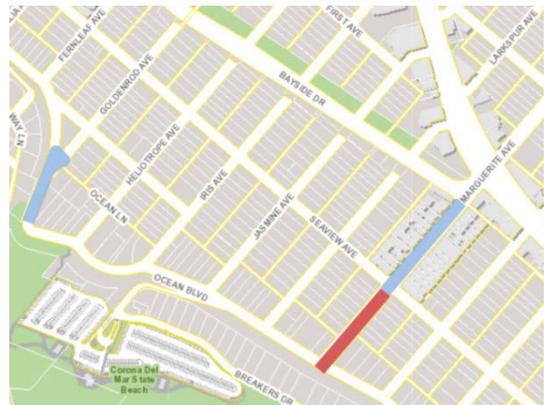
projects, please contact Peter Tauscher at (949) 644-3316.

## **OCEAN BOULEVARD & MARGUERITE AVENUE STREET RECONSTRUCTION**

All American Asphalt has completed the street paving on Marguerite Avenue from Bayside Drive to Seaview Avenue. The next segment of Ocean Boulevard from Lookout Point to Goldenrod Avenue is currently in progress and will be completed by March 22.

The contractor will start on the third segment, Marguerite Avenue from Seaview Avenue to Ocean Boulevard on March 23. The remainder of the street reconstruction on Ocean Boulevard from Marguerite Avenue to Lookout Point will follow in April.

Please note the traffic detour signs as short blocks will be closed to vehicular traffic to facilitate construction. Visit the City website for weekly traffic advisories and updates at: [www.newportbeachca.gov/trafficadvisories](http://www.newportbeachca.gov/trafficadvisories).



## **BAY AVENUE PAVEMENT RECONSTRUCTION BEGINS**

The City's contractor NOBEST started removing and reconstructing deteriorated concrete sidewalks, curb and gutters, and curb access ramps on Bay Avenue from 7th Street to 8th Street and from Island Avenue to Palm Street this week. Street pavement reconstruction will follow in April and is scheduled to be completed by Memorial Day.



Please note the traffic detour signs as vehicular travel lanes may be closed to facilitate construction. For construction updates, please visit the City website at:

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## **SEWER TRUNK MAIN WORK CONTINUES ALONG COAST HWY THROUGH MARINER'S MILE**

The Orange County Sanitation District's (OCSD) contractor on the Newport Force Main Rehabilitation project continues to work under the Newport Boulevard Bridge. Deep buried concrete and timber piles believed to be from an old roadway or railroad bridge have been encountered and are within the alignment of the new sewer pipe that is being tunneled under the bridge. The contractor is working around-the-clock to remove the obstructions to keep the project on schedule.



***Westbound traffic will be down to one lane and the southbound Newport Boulevard ramp to Coast Highway will be closed except during peak weekday traffic hours, between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m., through the end of the month.*** Weekend work will continue during all hours. In addition, westbound reduced lanes and the southbound Newport Boulevard ramp closure will be in effect. Vehicles should detour to Hospital Road, then to Superior Avenue to access Coast Highway as shown on the attached map.

As most West Newport residents and commuters who travel via PCH have noticed, the eastbound lanes have been reduced from three to two lanes for the past few months from Prospect Street to Newport Boulevard as crews work along the side of the roadway. In the next few weeks, crews will begin to restore completed work areas and remove K-rail and traffic cones.

***Starting the week of March 23, westbound Coast Highway between Superior Avenue and Prospect Street travel lanes will have lanes reduced from three to two and K-rail will be placed for this operation that will last for the next couple months.*** OCSD is working closely with City staff to find opportunities to expedite the work and shorten impacts to the community.

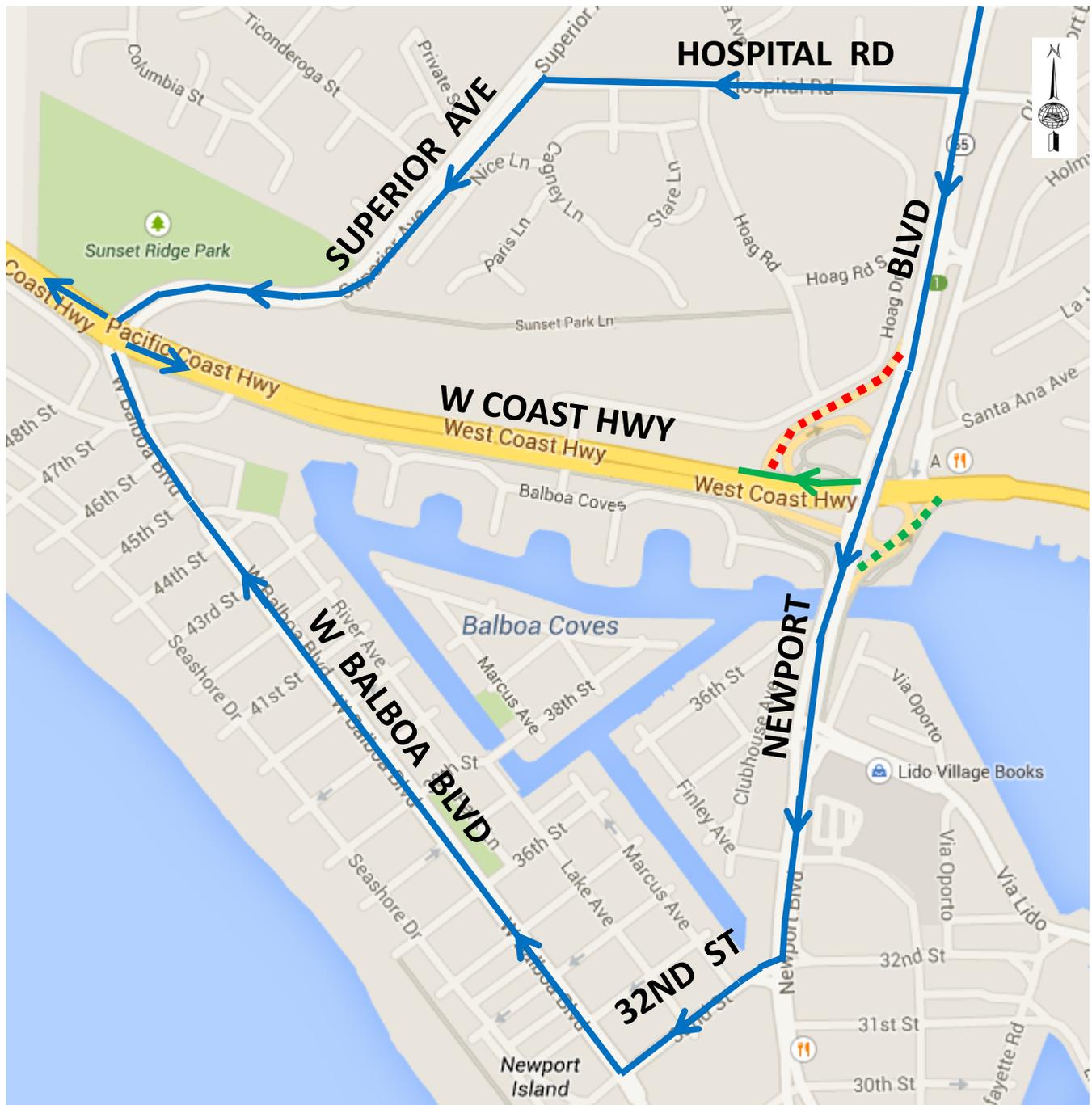
Current work is part of the first phase of a two-phase project. All lanes are still planned to be restored by Memorial Day, if not shortly thereafter before OCSD and their contractor returns again in fall 2015 for the second phase. OCSD thanks the community for their continued patience on this very difficult project. For the most current project information and updates that may impact your commute, please contact our Newport Beach Program Community Liaison on the Construction Hotline at (714) 679-2088.

*Public Works – A Well-Engineered Machine*

# OCSD NEWPORT FORCE MAIN PROJECT

## ROAD CLOSURE DETOUR MAP

*Expect ramp closures through the end of the month from 7 P.M. to 3 P.M. on southbound Newport Blvd to W Coast Hwy*

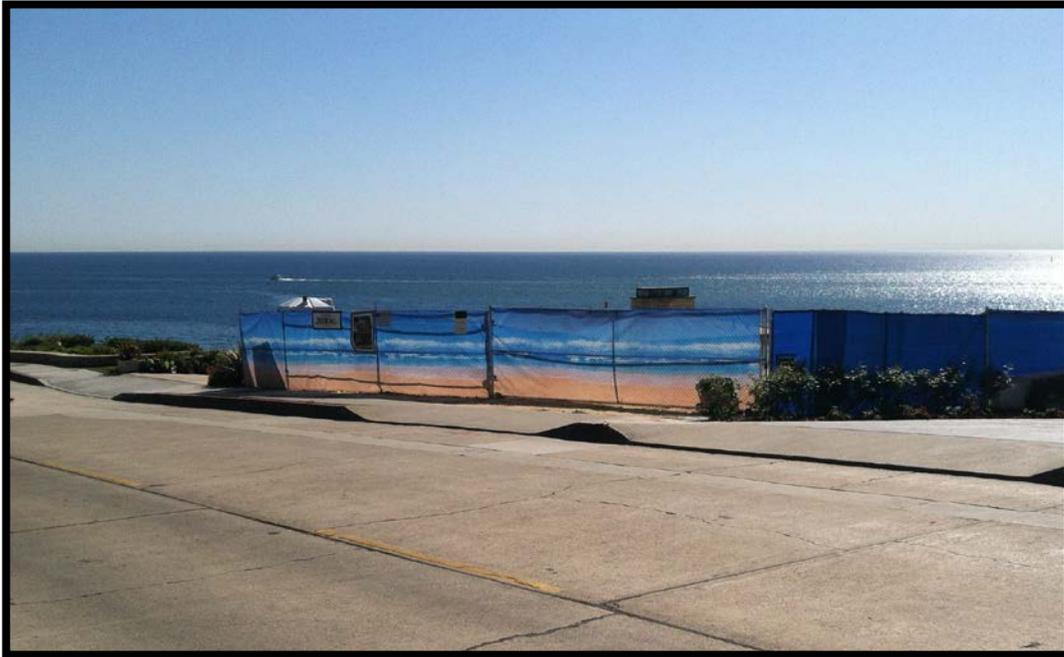


- ROAD CLOSURE (SB NEWPORT BLVD RAMP)**
- INTERMITTANTLY CLOSED (NB NEWPORT BLVD RAMP)**
- DETOURS**
- ONE WB TRAVEL LANE OPEN (7 P.M.— 3 P.M.)**

Note: The SB Newport Blvd ramp & two WB travel lanes will be open for peak traffic from 3 P.M. until 7 P.M. weekdays.

Lane and Ramp closures will be in effect during all hours on the weekend.

**DID YOU SEE?**



*A shot of some fun and creative private construction fencing  
on Ocean Blvd near Poppy Ave!*

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Laura Detweiler, Recreation & Senior Services Director

Date: March 20, 2015

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### **OASIS Manager Wins Award**

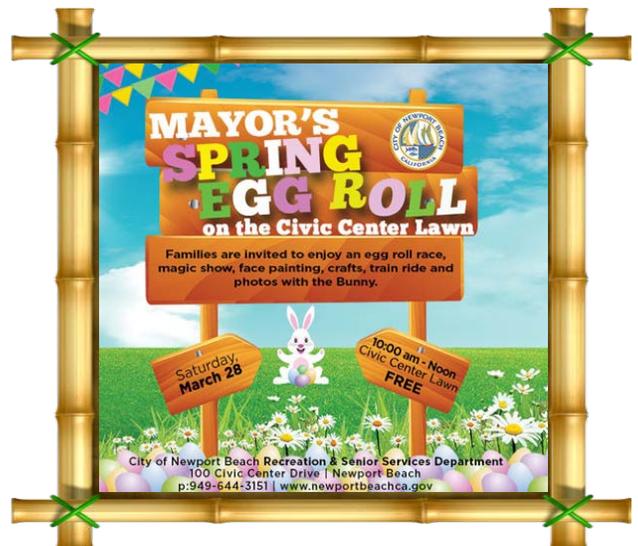
Congratulations to Celeste Jardine-Haug, OASIS Senior Center Manager for being awarded the Professional Champion Award from the California Parks and Recreation Society's Aging Section.

In her 26 plus years as the leader of OASIS, she has helped thousands of seniors navigate the sometimes rocky road of growing older. She is a tireless advocate, passionate activist and emboldened believer in the rights of older adults to have lives of meaning and dignity. Never one to promote "hand holding" or "head patting" of seniors, Celeste instead encourages an attitude of respect and compassion toward those just ahead of us on the road of life.

The Recreation and Senior Services Department is lucky to have such an incredible leader!

### **Mayor's Spring Egg Roll**

Come join us for the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Mayor's Spring Egg Roll on the Civic Center lawn. The event will take place on Saturday, March 28 from 10 a.m. to noon and will include egg roll races for all ages, a magic show, bounce houses, photos with the Bunny, arts & crafts, train rides, face painting and more! There will be a bunny themed story time in the library, and bunny ears for attendees. Donuts and coffee will be provided. Bring your family and friends to an enjoyable morning filled with fun and prizes!



### **Afternoon Tea at OASIS**

Staff planned a lovely afternoon tea time for the members at OASIS. Besides tea, the guests enjoyed tea sandwiches, scones and cookies as they chatted amongst themselves during this time honored tradition. The entertainment was apropos for the day with Jessica Haddy and Goly Lessani playing the piano and violin. Approximately 90 people were in attendance for this enjoyable affair.



### **Camp Newport Expo**

Newport Mesa Spirit Run racers and spectators caught a sneak peak of the 2015 summer camp line up at the annual Camp Newport Expo, held on Sunday, March 15. Attendees mixed and mingled with 22 of our most popular camp instructors, played games, climbed the rock wall, snapped pictures in the photo booth, and participated in a skateboarding demo. Everyone took home their "Passport to Summer Fun"- a complete line up of this year's camp offerings. Didn't make it to this year's event? Don't worry! You can check out the full schedule of summer camps and register today by visiting [campnewport.com](http://campnewport.com).



### **Movie in the Park**

Bring your beach chair, blanket, family, and friends for a movie under the stars, Friday, March 27 at Peninsula Park! The Recreation Department is hosting a free showing of Academy Award winning movie, "Big Hero 6". The movie starts at dusk, but the fun begins at 6pm with family friendly activities, free popcorn, free candy, and the TK Burger Truck will have food available for purchase. For more information, please visit call 949-644-3151 or visit [www.newportbeachca.gov/recreation](http://www.newportbeachca.gov/recreation).

### **Movie in the Park**

Friday, March 27 @ 6pm  
Peninsula Park



City of Newport Beach Recreation & Senior Services Dept.  
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### **Little Fish, Big Sea, We are "One Team"**

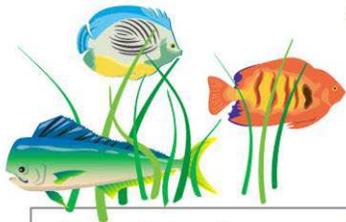
The Department implemented a new peer-to-peer employee appreciation program called *Little Fish, Big Sea, We are "One Team."* Department staff were given cards listing the City's Core Values; Responsibility, Initiative, Excellent Service, One Team, and Integrity. Each month staff awarded one of these cards to an employee in the Department whom they felt exemplified one of these core values with a brief description of when and how that staff member earned the card.

The employees who received all five value cards at the end of the five month period were honored at the Recreation & Senior Services Department Meeting. The cards were collected monthly and the tally is now in. Congratulations go out to Elizabeth Arciniega, Jessica Battoli, Jennifer Schulz and Sonia Villalvazo for exemplifying all five City Core Values!

The appreciation program, put together by a committee in the Department known as the A-Team, including Brason Alexander, Julie Anding, Brian Cordeiro, Shayna Foreman, Kerran Lakin, Molly Patience, Tu Phan, Danny Rice and Laura Detweiler; have begun round two of *Little Fish, Big Sea, We are "One Team,"* so more names to come.

## Something to Ponder

“The greatest test of courage on earth is to bear defeat without losing heart.”  
-Robert Green Ingersoll



## Things To Do In Newport Beach:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Fri. 3/27 6 pm	Movie in the Park "Big Hero 6" Peninsula Park - 100 Main Street FREE
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sat. 3/28 10 am	Mayor's Spring Egg Roll Civic Center Lawn - 100 Civic Center Drive FREE
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sat. 3/28 9 am - Noon	Monthly Beach Cleanup Meets at Big Corona - FREE
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fri. 4/3 9 am - Noon	Habitat Restoration Hike in Buck Gully oASIS - Aux. Lot at 5th & Marguerite FREE
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sat. 4/4 3-5pm	Marine Protected Area Hike "Easter at the ocean" Meets at Little Corona Life Guard Tower FREE
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fri. 4/17 4-8 pm	Youth Track Meet of Champions - CDM High School For more information, visit <a href="http://newportbeachca.gov/recreation">newportbeachca.gov/recreation</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sat. 4/18 4:30-9:30 pm	oASIS Casino Night \$40-\$45/person oASIS - 801 Narcissus Ave, CDM