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**CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH**  
**City Manager's Newsletter**

**TO:** Mayor Muldoon & Council Members

**FROM:** Dave Kiff, City Manager

**DATE:** May 5, 2017



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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

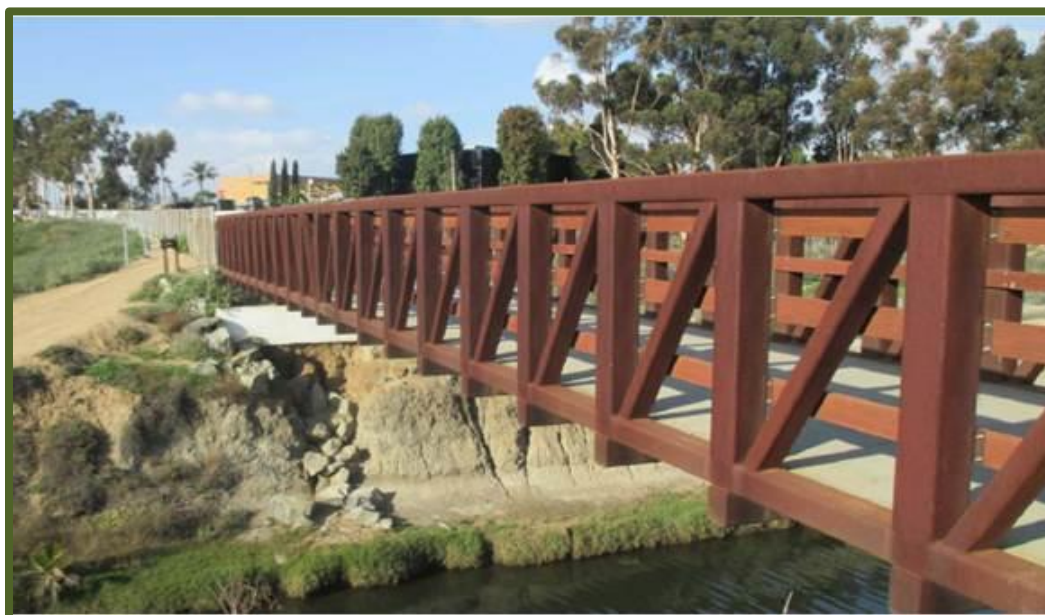
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### ***City Issues First Emergency Coastal Development Permit***

On April 27, the Planning Division issued an emergency coastal development permit to the County of Orange for temporary repairs to the Bay View Bridge. The pedestrian bridge is located in the Upper Newport Bay Nature Preserve near the Muth Interpretative Center. Winter storms caused heavy erosion at the abutments and compromised their ability to hold up the bridge, placing life and property at risk. The proposed work involves reinforcing the abutments and new tie-downs on the south abutment.

The County originally submitted an application to the Coastal Commission on March 30; however, the Coastal Commission determined that the bridge abutments were located within the City's permit jurisdiction. The County then contacted the City and the permit was issued the next day. This is the first emergency coastal development permit submitted to the City since the Local Coastal Program certification in January.





## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

### ***Accessibility for Existing Buildings and Facilities Workshop***

The Building Division hosted a free public seminar on April 26. The instructor, Tim McCormick, P.E., CBO, CASp, is a frequent presenter of accessibility training for professional associations and building departments throughout Los Angeles and Orange Counties. Approximately 85 people attended this popular training.



### ***Abandoned Property Cleanup!***

Although not a common occurrence, Code Enforcement staff need to locate property owners/banks after a house has been abandoned due to foreclosure or tenants moving out. Recently, Code Enforcement staff tracked down a property owner who was overseas when his tenants moved out and left a huge pile of furniture and other possessions in the alley. Additionally, the landscaping in the front yard was not maintained.

With the owner unable to address these problems, a property management company oversaw the cleanup of the property. All the trash was removed and a gardener cleaned up the landscaping within four days after the Code Enforcement Division received the complaint from a concerned neighbor.





Date: May 5, 2017

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Dan Matusiewicz, Finance Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

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## *Farewell Cindy Harris*

May 12 will be a sad day in Finance because it's the day we say good-bye to Fiscal Specialist Cindy Harris who is retiring after almost 17½ years with the City.

Cindy started her City career in Public Works, but Finance soon realized that she belonged in Payroll. Payroll is a unique combination of routine processing balanced with unusual or irregular events such as holidays, tax changes, and retroactive salary adjustments.

Cindy handles every aspect of her job with grace and a commitment to the City and its employees. She ensures pertinent information is distributed to all affected employees and is proactive, anticipating issues that require more attention. She routinely schedules her vacations around the payroll schedule and is willing to work on weekends and holidays to produce accurate and on-time paychecks every other week.

We will miss Cindy's presence in Finance, and wish her a long and happy retirement!





## City Manager's Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Proposed Budget

City Manager Dave Kiff has released his Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Proposed Budget, which can be found [here](#).

The proposed budget is balanced and provides for \$5,397,520 in General Fund Capital Improvement Projects and the following transfers:

- \$8.5 million to Facilities Financing Plan Fund
- \$6 million to the Harbor and Beaches Capital Fund
- \$1 million to the Facility (Major) Maintenance Fund
- \$500K to the 800 MHz Radio Fund

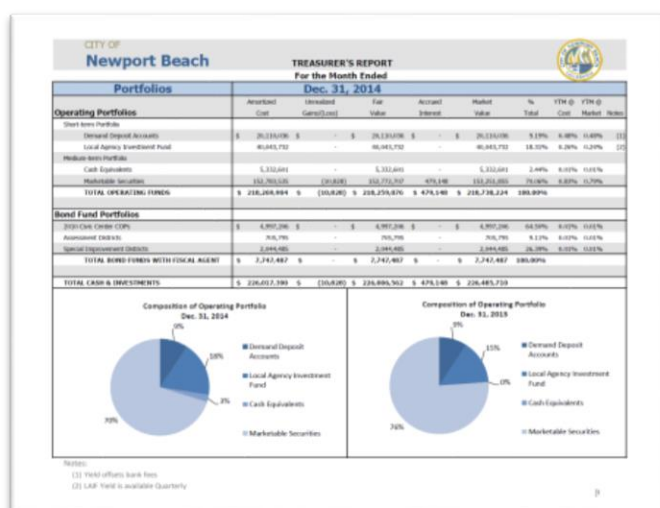
It also proposes an additional discretionary payment of about \$9 million that would go towards our unfunded liability.

Staffing is proposed to increase by 5.58 part-time positions. As to full-time positions, the budget document and a related checklist item should result in no new FT position increases.

The Finance Committee will review the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 City Manager Proposed Budget at their meeting on Thursday, May 11, at 3:00 p.m. and there will be a joint meeting of the Finance Committee and the City Council on Tuesday, May 23, at the Council Study Session. The Finance Committee will meet once more on June 8 for a final discussion of the proposed budget. The City Council is scheduled to hold a public hearing to consider adopting the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget on Tuesday, June 13.

If you have any questions about the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget, please contact City Manager Dave Kiff at 644-3001 or Finance Director Dan Matusiewicz at 644-3123.

## Treasury Report Update



As of March, the City's portfolio totaled just over \$231 million, from all sources. Roughly \$34 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 (\$173 million) has a weighted average effective maturity of 1.88 years. The total return for the medium-term portfolio for the trailing twelve months was 0.52%.

This return compares favorably to our benchmark for the same period, the BAML 1-3 Year Treasury index which returned 0.25%.



## Newport Beach Fire Department Office of the Fire Chief

DATE: May 5, 2017  
TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager  
FROM: Chip Duncan, Fire Chief  
SUBJECT: **CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER**

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### FIRE OPERATIONS DIVISION

#### We have a NEW Fire Chief!



Chip Duncan began his career in 1986 as a seasonal firefighter for the California Department of Forestry (Cal-Fire). He is a 31-year veteran of the fire service, with 30 years serving the Newport Beach Fire Department. During his time here, he has worked as a Firefighter, Fire Paramedic, Fire Captain, Fire Battalion Chief, and Assistant Chief of Fire Operations.

Chief Duncan is our first Fire Chief promoted from within in the last 28 years! He oversees Fire Operations, Emergency Medical Services, Marine Operations, and Community Education (including the fire department's CERT program). He understands and appreciates the unique challenges of managing emergencies in the all-risk environment. He is grateful

for the opportunity to lead a Department steeped in tradition, filled with history, and vested in the community it serves. Furthermore, he will continually look to maintain and improve best in class service delivery for those who live in and visit our beautiful city.

#### Message from the Chief

*"Our operating principles will continue to be **Safety, Service and Professionalism**. Safety, always and uncompromising for the public and ourselves. Service, to help and benefit those we serve ("no call too small"). Professionalism, always act with good judgment and polite behavior to all we encounter both internally and externally. I am excited about the future of our Fire Department."*

### **Vegetation Fire in Newport Coast**

April 29, early Saturday morning at approximately 2 a.m., the Newport Beach Fire Department responded to a working brush fire in the hills of Newport Coast. The fire was located in a remote area and approximately one acre in size. Mutual aid from surrounding agencies responded and assisted with the vegetation fire.



The Orange County Fire Authority helicopter made several water drops to isolate the fire, while Type 3 Engines came in afterwards to provide mop up. The pictures are of Newport Engine 64 providing a water point for OCFA Helicopter 2 during the water drop operation.

### **Donate Life 5K Run/Walk**

On Saturday, April 29, Newport Beach fire personnel participated in the Donate Life 5K Run/Walk in honor of fallen Newport Beach Firefighter Kevin Pryor. Kevin passed away in June 2008 following a strike team deployment in Northern California; and donated multiple organs, including his heart, lungs, kidneys, and liver. The event benefited the OneLegacy organization. The Pryor Family participated in the event with the Newport Beach fire personnel.



### **Community Emergency Response Team**

#### **CERT Neighborhood Drill**

On Saturday, April 29, the fire department held the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual CERT Neighborhood Drill. This year twelve Newport Beach neighborhoods participated: Lido Isle, Central Peninsula, Balboa Island, Bayside Village, Dover Shores, Irvine Terrace, Corona Del Mar Village, Jasmine Creek, Cameo, Crystal Cove, and Tesoro. CERT volunteers from surrounding neighborhoods participated. The focus this year was on community preparedness outreach. Each of the twelve neighborhoods had set up disaster preparedness informational booths (three on Balboa Island alone).





CERT volunteers distributed a new preparedness door hanger that was created for the neighborhood drill; over 5,000 copies were distributed on Saturday.



A CERT Neighborhood drill “Hotwash” meeting was held on Thursday, May 4 to review with all participating neighborhoods’ lessons learned from the drill and what each neighborhood can do to improve or change for next year.

## **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) DIVISION**

### **PUBLIC HEALTH INFORMATION (PHI)**

Newport Beach Fire Department made it on the front cover of the Journal of Emergency Medical Services’ (JEMS) magazine. Why? The City’s EMS Division entered into a groundbreaking pilot program. We are the **first** Fire/EMS agency in the State to do this and the second in the Nation to access a health information network. Twenty of our paramedics are trained to access patient healthcare records within seconds. They can download medications, allergies, and recent diagnosis into our Electronic Patient Care Report system (ePCR). Our ePCR then goes directly into the patient’s medical record forever! This is the same process a physician or hospital would use when looking up a patient’s medical records.





As first responders, EMS personnel often have to make quick, lifesaving decisions without any patient health information during emergencies due to patients or family not being able to tell us. Health Information Exchange (HIE) in EMS now gives EMS an advantage that was not previously available to our paramedics. Access to health information leads to better care through efficient transitions of care, improved outcomes and experiences. Connecting EMS to the broader health care system through HIE is necessary, and an inevitable part of the system.

### **MARINE OPERATIONS DIVISION**



May has been a beautiful start for the upcoming summer. In the first three days of May, the water temperatures have risen to the 60s and the weather temperatures have been in the 70s.

#### **Lifeguard Statistics, May 1-3**

ANIMAL CALLS/ENFORCEMENTS	313
PUBLIC ASSISTS/PREVENTATIVES	682
BOAT CALLS	3
MEDICAL AIDS	18
RESCUES	4
TOTAL NUMBER OF CALLS	1,035
Beach Population	61,000

On April 20, lifeguards were informed of a large whale carcass off the Newport Pier. The 55-foot carcass was about one mile from shore. Lifeguards towed the dead whale seven miles out to sea. The following day the whale carcass had drifted close to Laguna Beach. Newport lifeguards again towed the whale fourteen miles out to sea. The carcass was of a Humpback whale known as Scarlet. Municipal agencies have a Federal EPA permit, which authorizes the transport of marine mammal carcasses for the disposal at sea. This “blanket” permit was issued after the travels of “Wally” the whale from last summer.



*Photos courtesy of Mark Girardeau seen in the April 20, 2017 OC Register on-line article*



Wednesday, May 3 marked the tenth day of training for the new lifeguard trainees. They are just ten days from their final testing. They have had several hours of rescue techniques, spinal immobilization, CPR, and first aid training. Teamwork is emphasized, as it plays an important role in an emergency.



### **Junior Lifeguards**

Registration for the Junior Lifeguard Program has closed. This year will be another epic summer with 1,349 participants. Starting June 3, participants will be able to pick up their uniforms at the Junior Lifeguard Headquarters located at 100 A Street, Newport Beach, CA 92661. Who will be the first to see the new Junior Lifeguard uniforms for the 2017 summer program?





## HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

### CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

DATE: May 5, 2017

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Barbara J. Salvini, Human Resources Director

SUBJECT: News and Updates from Human Resources

### **DOROTHY PALEN – EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR** **TOP 5 NOMINEES**

After 47 years of dedicated service to the City of Newport Beach, Dorothy Palen retired in 1993 from the City of Newport Beach Finance Department. Every year since her retirement, and in honor of her service, the City recognizes an employee who demonstrates the characteristics valued by this award: initiative, integrity, dependability, judgment and cooperation.

Congratulations to the top 5 candidates of the Dorothy Palen - Employee of the Year award! Each of these employees is a role model for all City employees. Their hard work and organizational contributions have not gone unnoticed!



Roger Bartholow,  
Facilities  
Maintenance  
Worker II,  
Recreation &  
Senior Services



Anne Donnelly,  
Police Dispatcher,  
Police Dept.



Joe Harrison,  
Fire Paramedic,  
Fire Dept.

Faz Kiatkwankul,  
Senior IT Apps  
Analyst, City  
Manager/IT



Gregg Ramirez,  
Senior Planner,  
Community  
Development  
Department

The winner will be announced at the Employee Service Awards Luncheon on June 15.





## **ALL EMPLOYEE SAFETY TRAINING**

The City has revised its OSHA compliant Injury and Illness Prevention Plan (IIPP) and established a Citywide Safety Committee to provide a forum for management and employees to discuss safety matters. One component of the IIPP is documenting the City's safety-related education and training. This week, Risk Management distributed safety training to all employees for their review. This mandatory training outlines the goals of the IIPP and the employees' role in making the plan successful. Next time you log in to [Employee Self Service](#), please take a moment to review the safety training and complete the acknowledgment indicating that you have completed your review.



## **EFFECTIVE BUSINESS WRITING**

Forty-four employees attended the Effective Business Writing workshops presented by Steven Belisle of Belisle & Associates on Thursday, April 27, 2017 in the Community Room. Participants learned the Principles of Business Communication (minimizing miscommunication, audience and purpose, reading level), ACE Principle (Accuracy, Conciseness, Emphasis), Strategies for paragraph and document development, and techniques for editing and proofreading. The training also incorporated the City of Newport Beach Writing Style Guide from the City Manager's Office, Public Information section. Attendees received a comprehensive workbook and the Associated Press Stylebook.





## LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

### Library – Cultural Arts



May 5, 2017

**To:** Dave Kiff, City Manager  
**From:** Tim Hetherton, Library Services Director  
**Subject:** City Manager's Newsletter

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## Library Services

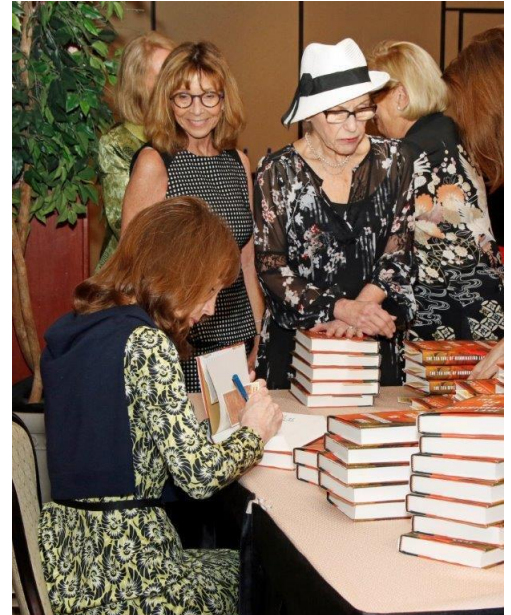
### Special Programs

Last week it was exceptionally busy at the Central Library with special programs. A Sunday Musicale, Film Festival seminars, Medicine in Our Backyard lecture, Tuesdays @ 2 and Let's Talk Tech classes, Beyond the Canvas art lecture, a Genealogy workshop and the Foundation's final Witte lecture of the season were all held in addition to regular children's storytimes, Lego block parties and craft programs. Library programs run the full gamut of interests for our community

### Gift of Literacy Luncheon

Book lovers and library supporters turned out Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup> in support of literacy services and to see popular author Lisa See. Attendees all received a signed copy of See's newest novel, "Tea Girl on Hummingbird Lane," which takes readers on a journey from the ancient tea tree groves of rural China to a modern day story of an adopted young girl in America.

A record 250 guests attended the event at the Radisson Hotel in Newport Beach which raised nearly \$30,000 to support the literacy programs and high school diploma opportunities for our community. Adult learner, Negar Pourasad, spoke about her journey to America and how she found comfort at the library by becoming part of the literacy program. Platinum sponsor, and STARCARE Associates President, Richard Hearn spoke about the guiding principles and importance of being literate and then introduced his longtime friend and featured author, Lisa See. It was a wonderful event and great show of support for the program.



### Friends of the Library Book Sale and Book Appraisal Clinic

The Friends of the Library are busy preparing for this weekend's quarterly book sale which is a major source of funding for library programs. We are always amazed at the volume of books sold and grateful for the hard work and dedication of the Friends members.

The Friends are also booking appointments for their second annual Book Appraisal Clinic to be held on Saturday, May 20. Individuals with old books are encouraged to make an appointment to have up to five books appraised by PBA's rare book specialist Greg Jung. This is an incredible deal, free for Friends members and only \$10 for anyone who becomes a member (includes membership in Friends of the Library).

## Cinco de Mayo

Staff enjoyed a potluck fiesta on Cuatro de Mayo with chili, tacos, guacamole and chips.

## Cultural Arts Services

### Happy 110<sup>th</sup> Birthday John Wayne!

The City Arts Commission is working with John Wayne Enterprises to present a selection of 15 modern archival prints of John Wayne by legendary photographer John R. Hamilton this summer at the Central Library. Opening on what would have been John Wayne's 110th Birthday on May 26th, the exhibit will feature rare and never before seen images from such films as *The Searchers* (1956) directed by John Ford, *The Horse Soldiers* (1959) directed by John Ford, *The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance* (1962) directed by John Ford, *The Sons of Katie Elder* (1965) directed by Henry Hathaway, *El Dorado* (1966) directed by Howard Hawks, and *Hellfighters* (1968) directed by Andrew V. McLaglen. This is a rare opportunity to view this lost archive of John Wayne images on set, with the film crew, and with his family.



In conjunction with the exhibition, a special program will be held on Sunday, June 11 at 2 p.m. in the Friends Meeting Room at the Central Library. The program will be hosted by exhibit curators Laurie Kratochvil and Amy Shepherd. Laurie Kratochvil is a photography dealer, appraiser, consultant and the Former Director of Photography for *Rolling Stone Magazine* and *InStyle Magazine*. Amy Shepherd is the Vice President of John Wayne Enterprises and the Executive Director of the John R. Hamilton Archives.

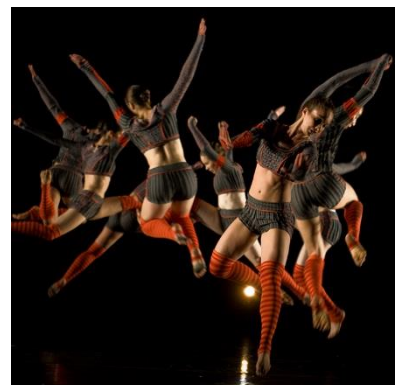
### Newport Beach Art Exhibition

The committee met last week to discuss the upcoming Newport Beach Art Exhibition to be held at the Civic Center on Saturday, June 17. The layout and arrangement of exhibit was reviewed and plans made for entertainment and refreshments. Entry submissions continue to come in via [CallforEntry.com](http://CallforEntry.com) and Francine Jacome has been busy handling questions and applications. We are preparing for an onslaught of entries in the last couple weeks, as occurred last year. The Call for Entries closes May 26.

### Dance on the Green

The City Arts Commission is excited to have Backhausdance performing a specially choreographed dance program on the Civic Green on May 20 at 2 p.m. The highly-acclaimed Orange County dance company received a grant from the Arts Commission to assist them in producing the upcoming show.

Backhausdance was formed in 2003 by Jennifer Backhaus. The company has received 15 nominations and 10 Lester Horton Awards from the Dance Resource Center of Los Angeles for achievements in choreography, design and performance.







## MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

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May 5, 2017

**TO:** Dave Kiff, City Manager

**FROM:** George Murdoch and Mike Pisani, Directors

**SUBJECT:** City Manager's Newsletter

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### Arbor Day Celebration

The 2017 Arbor Day Celebration was held at Andersen Elementary School on Thursday, April 27. Staff planned the event with the assistance of School Principal Dr. Shannon Bray and NMUSD Board President Karen Yelsey. Landscape Manager Dan Sereno emceed the event and provided a presentation on the transformation of Newport Beach over the past 70 years, showing how it converted from an area with very few trees to one containing the vast and diverse urban forest of today.



To celebrate the occasion, Council Member Jeff Herdman presented an Arbor Day Proclamation to Principal Bray and the Student Council President and Vice President. Marie Marston, Chair of the Parks, Beaches, and Recreation Commission, spoke on the importance of trees as a natural resource. California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection's Urban Forester Lynnette Short presented the Tree City USA Flag to the Student Council President and Vice President.

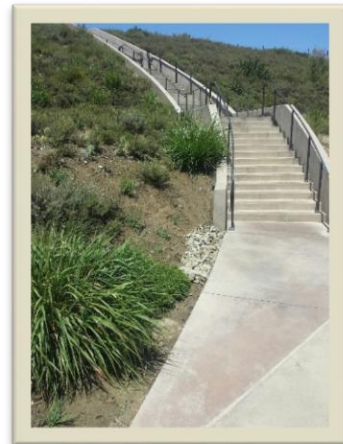
After the ceremony, the third grade students assisted the City Arborist Kevin Pekar and his crew in planting three trees at

Buffalo Hills Park. This was an outstanding celebration of Arbor Day!



### **Sunset Ridge Park Erosion Control**

Jute netting and French drains were recently installed on the slope areas at Sunset Ridge Park to help with erosion control. California native plants were also installed to enhance ground coverage and the appearance of the slopes. The City's landscape contractor Mariposa Landscape completed the project.



### **Aquatic Center Beach Area Received Sand!**

Field Maintenance crews recently added sand to the Aquatic Center beach area that was washed out and rutted by the winter rains. An estimated 1,200 tons of sand was delivered from the Santa Ana River and graded by MOD crews.



## DOC Drill

On Wednesday, May 3, the department participated in a drill headed by Katie Eing of the Police Department to test the effectiveness of the City's DOCs (Department Operations Centers). The drill consisted of a simulated citywide power failure, which would trigger our staff's response to backup power systems being activated, field generators being deployed, assisting with traffic intersection signage and more.

The Municipal Operations Department is in the process of constructing a new DOC located at the Utilities Yard. Although there is still work to be done, these exercises provide opportunities to test processes and the new facility layout. Storm Drain – Street Sweeping Supervisor Tom Miller was designated as our Incident Commander for the drill. All staff involved did a great job and we feel confident we can handle any real emergency in the future. Many thanks to everyone who participated in the event and those who continue to develop our new DOC under the guidance of Water Manager Steffen Catron.







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

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Jon T. Lewis, Chief of Police

DATE: May 5, 2017

**SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER**

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### **MADD AWARDS**

On Tuesday, April 25, representatives from Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) honored three of our officers for their efforts to reduce injuries and deaths resulting from impaired driving. Officers Jacob Khor and Michael Striek (pictured, next to Chief Lewis) were presented with the "Deuce Award" for making more than 25 DUI arrests each last year. (Officer Neal Schuster also earned the Deuce Award, but he was unable to attend the presentation.)



Next month, MADD will also host a Law Enforcement Recognition Luncheon and honor Officer Bill Hume, who made 43 DUI arrests in 2016.

Please join me in congratulating these officers on their excellent work to keep our streets safe.

### **TRAINING SEMINAR: MISSY O'LINN**

The NBPD hosted a one-day training seminar featuring Attorney Missy O'Linn, Senior Partner with Manning & Kass. Attorney O'Linn discussed the legal issues and challenges facing law enforcement agencies today and shared her experiences in defending high-profile use-of-force cases and other law enforcement litigation.

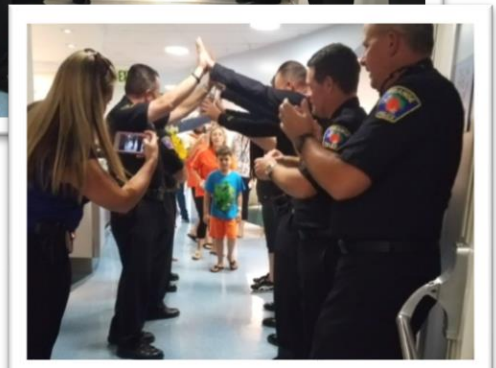
The event was open to active law and justice staff, and we had an excellent turn out. We were also extremely honored to host Attorney O'Linn, who recently received the California POST (Peace Officer Standards & Training) Lifetime Achievement Award for Excellence in Law Enforcement Training.



## CELEBRATING WITH NIKO

On Tuesday, a little boy named Niko celebrated a huge milestone: he received the last required IV injection of his chemotherapy treatment. During his three-year battle with B-cell Acute Lymphocytic Leukemia, Niko endured numerous operations, countless injections and endless tests. As he prepared to take his final injection, Niko had one wish: to have a "Law Enforcement Tunnel" to cheer him on as he walked out of CHOC and put chemo behind him.

Members of the NBPD joined Orange Police Department staff to make Niko's wish come true. I had the pleasure of meeting Niko before his "grand exit" and giving him a gift from all of us to mark this momentous occasion. As Niko left the outpatient center, we lined the halls and sang



"Happy Last Chemo to You" to the tune of "Happy Birthday to You." It was a touching experience for everyone involved.

I would like to thank NBPD Parking Control Officer Heather Rangel, who coordinated this event through her non-profit organization, RAngel's Little Ones. PCO Rangel is dedicated to working with children fighting pediatric cancer and their families. I applaud her for her dedication to this cause.

We were all honored to be a part of Niko's celebration.



## **VIRTUAL RIDE-ALONG: ANIMAL CONTROL EDITION**

On Monday, May 8, we will be conducting a "Virtual Ride-Along" with an Animal Control Officer. Throughout the ACO's 10-hour shift, we will post regularly to our Twitter account (@NewportBeachPD) to give the public a little insight into how Animal Control works and the variety of tasks they handle.

You do not need to have a Twitter account to enjoy this event. Anyone can see the ride-along at [www.twitter.com/NewportBeachPD](https://www.twitter.com/NewportBeachPD), and refresh the page throughout the day for updates. You can also follow along on the [Twitter Tab of our Facebook Page](#).



**NBPD**  
ANIMAL CONTROL  
VIRTUAL  
RIDE-ALONG





## VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION WEEK

Last week was National Volunteer Appreciation Week, and we had 30 outstanding volunteers to celebrate. Our theme this year was "Volunteers Rock"... and they sure do. Our Volunteers in Policing and Mounted Enforcement Volunteers donated over 8,300 hours to their Department and Community in 2016. Last year, they completed almost 5,000 vacation checks on homes while residents were out of town, and they distributed more than 8,000 crime alerts to areas where thefts or burglaries had recently been reported. They serve the Department in countless ways and ask for nothing in return.

Although we appreciate them every day of the year, we honored our Volunteers with special touches throughout the week, including notes of gratitude and small gifts of appreciation.



## CITY DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS CENTER DRILL

The annual City Department Operations Center (DOC) Drill was held on Wednesday, May 3. During the drill, the following DOCs were activated: Community Development Department, Fire, Municipal Operations Department, Police and Public Works. The morning started with departments conducting field damage assessments, and then key employees staffed their respective DOCs.

The scenario this year was a major power outage which lasted 12 hours. The “incidents” ranged from traffic signal outages, loss of power at City facilities, such as Marina Park, and medical facilities with patients on lifesaving equipment. Departments were tasked with prioritizing incidents, assigning field units, requesting mutual aid and communicating with each other.



*Above: Lieutenant Fischbacher  
and Police Department  
Operations Center staff*

Although large emergencies do not happen every day, it is important that we prepare for the unexpected. I would like to personally thank Emergency Services Coordinator Katie Eing for organizing the drill as well as several City team members for being great simulators for the drill: Lifeguard Battalion Chief Mike Halphide, Lifeguard Captain Adam Yacenda, Matt Brisbois, Brandon Hodding, Brittany Ramirez, Spencer Smith and Scott Watson.



*Right: City Emergency  
Operations Center and drill staff*





To: Dave Kiff, City Manager  
From: David A. Webb, Public Works Director  
Date: May 5, 2017

### **Irvine Avenue Pavement & Median Rehabilitation Update**

Work on the Irvine Avenue Pavement & Median Rehabilitation Project is nearing completion. With final paving and striping in place, the roadway is driving smoother and quieter, and it looks great, too! The new drought-tolerant median plants are adapting well, and together with the new water efficient irrigation system, will continue to pave the way for efforts to cut down on water usage.



### **Ocean Avenue Update – New Concrete Pavement**

Public Works is replacing the concrete pavement on Ocean Avenue from Marguerite Avenue to Narcissus Avenue. Crews placed 500 cubic yards (50 trucks) of concrete in one day and used an innovative machine called a laser screed, which allows them to double their quantity of concrete production. This laser screed electronically grades the wet concrete to exact grades using a laser referenced to a fixed point. In order to meet the OC Marathon schedule, the City specified a high strength concrete mix so the road will be cured and open for marathon runners this Sunday!





## **Excellent Traffic Signal Response**

Managing 122 traffic signals is a challenging job. When done well, the public moves along safely and efficiently while, behind the scenes, Public Works staff quietly monitors the traffic signal system, fixes issues and streamlines the timing, when necessary. Generally, no comment from the public means we are doing a great job; however, every once in a while, we get caught in the act. Traffic Engineer, Bryan Loo's, quick response and outstanding service was recently noted by a resident who was kind enough to send the below email:

**Subject:** Traffic Signal Malfunctioning

**Sent:** Friday, April 28, 2017 6:57 AM

**To:** Loo, Bryan

**Subject:** Re: Traffic Signal Malfunctioning

Dear Mr. Loo,

I could not believe how fast you responded to my query. I had to wait until today, because I just couldn't believe the problem had been addressed that day. But it had!

It is so much more efficient for everyone now at the corner.

Thank you. And again, you all are definitely doing an outstanding job for the community.

Regards

## **Public Works ramps up for Race Day Preparations at Marina Park**



*Newport to Ensenada sailors preparing at the Marina Park marina*

## Public Works Sand Replenishment on Balboa Island



*Public Works and City Contractor came up with an innovative method for sand replenishment on Balboa Island. Notice the white tires on the bobcat mini loader and notice the custom reverse bucket on the mini-excavator!*



## Polyphagous Shot Hole Borer Update

Last month we reported on efforts to eradicate the polyphagous shot hole borer within the Big Canyon Restoration project area. This invasive beetle, originally from South America, had infested all the willows in the project area west of Big Canyon Creek. Per recommendation of botanists at UC Riverside, all willows in the project site were cut down and chipped to pieces smaller than an inch. The chipped mulch material was stockpiled, covered with plastic, and left to decompose over the past three months. Last week the stockpile was uncovered and two biologists searched the material for evidence of any live beetles. None were found! The mulch material can now be beneficially used on site.



## Public Works Welcomes Patricia Kharazmi (Part Time Assistant Engineer) and Matthew Webb (Intern)



Public Works is excited to have Patricia join and help the Public Works team. **Patricia** completed her Master's degree in Civil Engineering from Stanford University. She previously worked as a Project Management Intern at San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, and as a Graduate Teaching Assistant at Stanford. She also holds a Bachelor's in Civil Engineering from UC Irvine.

**Matthew** comes to Public Works from the Community Development Department, where he worked as a student aide.

He has a Bachelor's Degree in Business Management from CSULB and is currently working on a second Bachelor's Degree in Engineering.







# RECREATION & SENIOR SERVICES DEPARTMENT

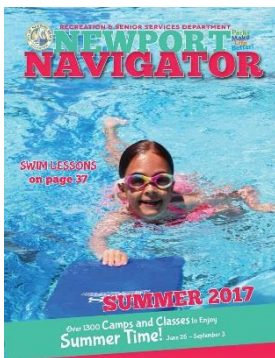


To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Laura Detweiler, Recreation & Senior Services Director

Date: May 5, 2017

Parks  
Make  
Life  
Better!



## SAND, SUN, & FUN - SUMMER HAS ALMOST COME!

June is right around the corner and the Recreation & Senior Services Department has lined up over 1300 camps and classes to keep residents and visitors alike busy all summer long! From art classes to surfing lessons to kickball leagues and enrichment programs, there is plenty for you and your family or friends to create memories, learn new things, and stay active. Registration for classes begins on **Thursday, May 18 at 8 a.m.**

To see all that we have in store from indoors to the shores, be sure to visit [newportbeachca.gov/recreation](http://newportbeachca.gov/recreation) or be on the lookout for a copy of the Newport Navigator class brochure coming your way soon!



## CAMP NEWPORT EARLY BIRD SPECIAL ENDING SOON

Summer camps are filling quickly and your opportunity to register and save is almost gone. For s'more fun than you can handle, sign up by Monday, May 8 and take advantage of the early bird discount. We have a variety of camps for all ages and interests, ranging from court sports and culinary classes to dance, gymnastics and yoga. Hike on over to the [campnewport.com](http://campnewport.com) and register NOW!

## COMMUNITY YOUTH CENTER (CYC) ART WALL

The arts and parks are making life better at the CYC! Participants from Active Kids were given the opportunity to contribute to the art world by creating their own masterpieces for display on the new Art Wall at CYC. Tomorrow's artists are today's kids. This allows them a fine environment to grow creatively.

Drop by CYC and check it out along with many of the classes that we offer to help you and the artists in your life grow.





## OASIS VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION LUNCHEON

On Wednesday, April 19, we honored the OASIS Volunteers at our Annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon. It was a fun afternoon and a time to express some major gratitude!

Council Members Jeff Herdman and Diane Dixon joined us in saying "thank you," to the Volunteers and in recognizing the many hours they put

in to making OASIS a wonderful facility. Staff served 140 guests who were able to enjoy a delicious lunch from Mario's. Entertainment was also provided from a Frank Sinatra tribute performer.



Thank you to all who helped make this day special.



## ANNUAL REPORT FOR TAX YEAR 2016 OASIS SENIOR CENTER TAX-AIDE PROGRAM

The 2016 tax year was a challenging one for the OASIS Tax Team with the transition to a completely new tax preparation software package called TaxSlayer. The 2016 tax team consisted of Site Coordinatory Gary Pattengil, Counselors Robin Boyd, John Hollenbeck, Grace Brennan, Delane Thyen, Phyllis Leshowitz, Jack Harney, Cathy Tokuyama and the "front-office" team of Vicki Chin, Babette Kelly and Anne Dougherty.

With this team in place, we were able to complete 276 tax returns for our clients. Their combined efforts made sure our tax year went smoothly and that our clients had a positive experience. Thank you for all your hard work Tax Team!

## NEWPORT- BALBOA ROTARY DINNER 2017

The Newport-Balboa Rotary Club hosted their annual recognition dinner at the Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club to honor outstanding athletes from the Newport Beach Youth Track & Field Championships, which took place on Friday, March 31st at Corona Del Mar High School. Over 400 athletes competed in our meet and based on individual performances, we selected 20 athletes to attend the dinner. Their combined results include 22 1st place finishes. The night included a keynote speech from Coach Bill Sumner and the athletes in attendance received the coveted Okazaki Friendship medal from our Sister City in Japan.



## CPRS SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

At the California Parks and Recreation Society (CPRS) District 10 Awards & Installation Banquet in April, Recreation Leader Karyn Piedad received a \$500 scholarship. Karyn is currently pursuing a post baccalaureate in Recreational Therapy at California State University of Long Beach.

Karyn, who early on made it her mission to promote healthy living through play and leisure, believes that she had been preparing for the Recreation profession all her life. Karyn believes that at any age or stage in life, people should enjoy the sense of wonder and imagination. Karyn can be found running games and assisting with homework at Community Youth Center and Newport Elementary in our Afterschool Programs.





## **INTRODUCING: RAUL CANO SENIOR SERVICES SHUTTLE DRIVER**

The OASIS Senior Center welcomes Raul Cano as our new P/T Senior Services Shuttle Driver. Raul has finished his training and is now confidently on the road as a part of the incredible Transportation team at OASIS.

Raul has worked and continues to work at the Ayres Hotel for the past 17 years as a Bell Captain, where his duties include being responsible for scheduling and managing eight bell persons and drivers. When Raul is not working, he enjoys spending time with his family. He is an active father with his sixteen-year-old daughter's Venturing Crew and the Assistant Scout Master for his thirteen-year-old son's Boy Scout Troop. Raul also enjoys nature through hiking, biking, and camping.

Please join us in welcoming Raul to the City team!

## **NEW CONTRACT CLASS RECREATION SUPERVISOR**

Molly Patience has changed hats moving into the vacant Recreation Supervisor position in Contract Classes as of May 1. This is a lateral move from the Youth and Adult Sports Division. The Department is confident that her knowledge, creativity, and interpersonal skills will be a perfect fit as we prepare for a great summer of classes and camps.

Molly is adventurous and enjoys outdoor activities such as hiking, being active and traveling to places like Iceland.

Congratulations Molly!



## **RECREATION SUPERVISOR PROMOTION**

Cody Huson has been promoted from Recreation Coordinator to Recreation Supervisor! In his new role he will oversee Adult and Youth Sports Programming, year round field allocations, serve as lead to the City's Youth Sports Commission, and maintain our partnership and continued efforts with the Parks Division.

Cody was hired with the City of Newport Beach in January 2016 as a Recreation Coordinator for Adult and Youth Sports. He has also worked with the City of Orange and City of Irvine in sports capacities. He currently serves as the A-Team President, OCSCMAF Treasurer and CPRS D10 Scholarship Committee Chair. Cody is also starting coursework for his Master Degree at Cal State Fullerton this Fall.

Congratulations Cody!