

## **CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH**

## City Manager's Newsletter

**TO:** Mayor Duffield & Council Members

**FROM:** Dave Kiff, City Manager

**DATE:** June 22, 2018

Please enjoy the attached newsletters...



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Seimone Jurjis, Community Development Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Date: June 22, 2018

#### Western Snowy Plover Management Plan Open House

An open house was held on June 20, 2018, at Marina Park to provide an overview of the draft Western Snowy Plover Management Plan for East Balboa Peninsula Beaches to residents and interested persons. Over 55 community members attended the open house.

Representatives from Community Development and Recreation and Senior Service Departments were on hand to provide an overview of the plan. The underlying goal of the plan is to balance coastal access and shoreline maintenance activities with habitat protection. The plan calls for removing the two unpermitted fence enclosures and replacing them with a system of short bollards, educational and regulatory signage, and native landscaping to delineate the federally designated critical habitat between B and G Streets. The plan also includes educational outreach and best management practices for lifeguards and City maintenance crews that work in and around the critical habitat and the beaches from B Street to the Wedge.





## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

City staff will consider comments received during the open house and determine what changes should be made to the plan. Public comments on the draft plan are welcome. Please email them to <a href="mailto:CDD@newportbeachca.gov">CDD@newportbeachca.gov</a>. Staff will provide updates as the process moves forward on the City's website at: <a href="http://www.newportbeachca.gov/trending/projects-issues/snowy-plover">http://www.newportbeachca.gov/trending/projects-issues/snowy-plover</a>

#### **Brittany Ramirez Promoted to Administrative Analyst**



Please join me in congratulating Brittany Ramirez on her well-deserved promotion to Administrative Analyst. Brittany first joined the City in 2013, bringing ten years of administrative and clerical experience to Community Development. She worked in Community Development for two years as a Department Assistant before being promoted to Administrative Assistant in the Public Works Department. Brittany was able to broaden her administrative skills, as well as overall knowledge of city operations. In 2017, Brittany returned to Community Development as the Administrative Assistant to the Community Development Director and assumed the lead administrative support for the Planning Commission. In her new position, Brittany will become our "gatekeeper" for facilitating and tracking all contracts, insurance, monitoring revenue coming in, expenditures going out, developer deposit accounts, budget preparation, and fee studies. Brittany holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Human

Development from California State University, Long Beach and a Master of Science degree in Higher Education from California State University, Fullerton. She will officially start the week of June 25 and her workstation will be relocated to the back of Bay B. We all look forward to working with Brittany in her new role!

#### Community Development Update to Villa Real Estate

On Tuesday, June 19, Senior Planners Jaime Murillo and Rosalinh Ung presented a 2018 Community Development Project Update to a team of approximately 50 real estate agents and brokers for Villa Real Estate. The presentation included how agents can get more information regarding development projects in the City, including use of E-Select Alerts, interactive project map viewer, and planning case log. They also provided an overview of major development projects currently under review and projects under construction. Lastly, an update was given regarding recent State law and City regulations pertaining to Accessory Dwelling Units. At the conclusion of the meeting, the agents in attendance were very appreciative of staff's time and willingness to answer their questions related to development and trends in the City.



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

### **Engineering Seminar**

The Building Division hosted a structural engineering seminar on Buckling Restrained Braced Frames, a system of structural system used for earthquake design and highly visible in City Hall. Rafael Sabelli, structural engineer, made the presentation to over 50 members of the public design community.





## CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER Finance Department

Date: June 22, 2018

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Dan Matusiewicz, Finance Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

## Congratulations!



The Revenue Division is pleased to announce that Cyntia "Lili" Melero has accepted the full-time Fiscal Clerk position in Customer Service. Lili first started with the City of Newport Beach as a Student-Aide in the Finance Department in November 2016 and then accepted a position as a part-time Senior Clerk for the Revenue Division in January 2018. She has over 5 years experience with customer service. In her spare time, Lili likes to attend concerts and enjoys watching both our hometown baseball teams the Angels and Dodgers win. She is excited about her new position where she sees the opportunity to grow professionally and become a better multitasker. Please stop by Bay 1A and congratulate our newest Clerk.

## Citizens Transparency Portal



Deputy Finance Director Steve Montano and Budget Manager Susan Giangrande attended the Corona del Mar Residents Association meeting on June 21 to give a brief presentation on the City's Fiscal Year 2018-2019 budget. They also gave a brief demonstration of the City's budget transparency portal that improves the way both staff and citizens can access, review and export revenue and expenditures budgets and actual transactions. Members of the community and other interested parties are encouraged to review the portal which can be accessed at <a href="https://www.newportbeachca.gov/openbudget">www.newportbeachca.gov/openbudget</a>.

## **Newport Beach Fire Department**

Safety, Service & Professionalism

DATE: June 22, 2018

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Chip Duncan, Fire Chief

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER



### **FIRE OPERATIONS DIVISION**

#### **Newport Heights Charity Ball Drop**

On June 15, the fire department participated in the Newport Heights Charity Ball Drop. A fire truck went to the Newport Heights campus to demonstrate to students how fire trucks are used in an emergency.







#### Firefighters Train with "Rescue 42"

During this past month, firefighters trained with a tool called "Rescue 42". They stabilize vehicles during traffic collisions to ensure safety for patients and emergency personnel. The department plans on training in Auto Extrication in the month of July, which will consist of safe and efficient extrication methods.



#### **COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM**

#### **Summer CERT class for Sage Hill School**

The fire department hosted a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program for Sage Hill School teachers and administrators. This class was held over two days at fire station 7. The class covered all aspects of the CERT program with a specific emphasis on Sage Hill School's Emergency Plan. This CERT program will officially end during a fall emergency drill at Sage Hill School. The next round of CERT classes begin in late September with a Tuesday-Thursday evening class and an all-day Saturday class. All CERT program information is available at www.nbcert.org.









#### Fireworks Display Training Event at the Honda Center

On June 20, the Life Safety Services personnel assisted the Orange County Fire Prevention Officers (OCFPO) in hosting the Aerial & Theatrical Fireworks Display Training Event at the Honda Center in Anaheim. Every year in June, before 4<sup>th</sup> of July, over 100 Inspectors, Fire Marshals, and Fire Chiefs come from all over California, including out of State, to learn about the requirements of this type of hazard(s). During this training, a Licensed Pyrotechnic Operator teaches the various code requirements to be in compliance.



#### **CERT Booth at Civic Center Concerts on the Green**

The fire department CERT volunteers hosted a community outreach booth at the first library summer concert on Sunday, June 17. The informational booth included information on disaster preparedness, fire safety and the fire department's CERT program. The fire department will have a community education outreach booth at all of the summer concerts.



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

#### Mitigating Health Risks from Toxic Chemical Exposure on the Fireground Workshop

On February 6 and June 13, EMS Division Chief Kristin Thompson trained firefighters from multiple agencies from the Inland Empire and Carlsbad on mitigating health risks from toxic chemical exposure on the fireground to toxic products of combustion. The course also included the review of the latest firefighter cancer research and case studies to reinforce the need for cultural shifts to reduce the negative impacts of smoke on firefighter health. Chief Thompson will be providing training classes to Orange County fire departments, including the Newport Beach Fire department on June 25, 27, and 28 at Fire Station 7.



#### MARINE OPERATIONS DIVISION

June 21 is the first official day of summer, but the crowds over the last few weeks indicate summer started sooner! Even with gloomy mornings, high winds, and the weather and water temperatures in the mid-60s, the crowds still showed up. Lifeguards have been busy with several days of above average rescue activity. Beach crowds on the weekends have been exceeding 50,000 people. Early Southern Hemisphere swells and two hurricanes off the coast of Baja had lifeguards on high alert. During the peaks of those swells, lifeguards made over 150 rescues and nearly 2,000 preventative actions for the first few weeks of June.



#### June 1-19 Stats

Animal Calls	198
Public Assists	3,383
Boat Calls	221
Code Enforcement	996
First Aid/Medical Calls	257
Preventatives	8,210
Rescues	411
Total Calls	13,676
Beach Population	734,500

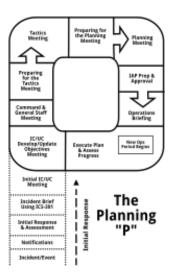


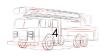
Picture from the Newport Beach Pier on June 20, 2018

#### **Lifeguards Prepare for the 4th of July**

Lifeguards are expecting large crowds for the first big weekend of summer when they implement "A" Level staffing on June 23. Lifeguards will be promoting 13 employees to Lifeguard II, where they will be assigned to a truck or as a mentor instructor in Junior Lifeguards.

Since the 4th of July is quickly approaching, Newport Beach Lifeguards are preparing on the beaches and in the Emergency Operations Center (EOC). Acting Lifeguard Battalion Chief Jon Mitchell and Community Development Department Director Seimone Jurjis led a cross section of employees from the Planning Section in compiling the City's Incident Action Plan (IAP) for ALL city activities for July 4. Planning Section Chief Halphide emphasized the citywide nature of the plan and EOC Manager Katie Eing highlighted the value





of exercising the emergency planning process so we are ready for "the big one". The IAP will be available once it is finalized and approved by Unified Command.

Thank you to all our partners throughout the city for the support in getting everything ready for our summer crowds of 100,000 people per day.

#### **Notable Events**

#### **Lifeguard Rescue at Pirate Cove**

On June 12 at approximately 7:55 p.m., lifeguards responded to a call at Pirates Cove for a swimmer in distress in the harbor behind the rocks of the cove. Upon arrival, fire personnel had assumed command and requested Harbor Department boats and a helicopter to assist with the injured patient. The victim had fallen off the rocks and needed medical care. Lifeguards and fire personnel stabilized the patient, loaded the victim onto the Harbor Department boat, and transported them to the hospital. It was a collaborative effort where all involved worked as a team and provided the best possible patient care.

#### **Junior Lifeguards**

The first day of the Newport Beach Junior Lifeguard Program is Tuesday, June 26. With over 1,300 kids in the program, it will be another super epic year! This year the program is also holding a Ben Carlson Day event from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Friday, July 6.



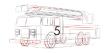
#### **Ben Carlson**

As many of you know, on July 6, 2014, Newport Beach Lifeguard and former JG Instructor, Ben Carlson made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty while saving the life of another. On this day each year, we pay tribute to the sacrifice he made.

As part of the Ben Carlson Day event this year, there will be a running and ocean swim event open to all current Newport Beach Junior Lifeguards. Additionally, there will be other celebration elements to honor Ben and the role of ocean lifeguards in the community.



Be sure to mark your calendars for this epic event! More specifics will be posted at <a href="www.nbjg.net">www.nbjg.net</a> as additional event details are confirmed.



#### **HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT**



#### CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

DATE: June 22, 2018

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Barbara J. Salvini, Human Resources Director

SUBJECT: News and Updates from Human Resources

### **Ioin Our Team!**



Check out the current job openings for the City of Newport Beach! Select a position for more details. The City is currently accepting applications for the following positions:

- City Manager
- Marketing Specialist
- <u>IT Analyst Applications</u>
- Police Mechanic II
- Police Officer Academy-Enrolled/Academy-Graduate/Lateral
- Police Officer Recruit
- Police Cadet
- Building Inspector II PT
- Senior Building Inspector

## Apply Online!





## Health and Safety Tip - Preventing Slips, Trips and Falls

*National Safety Month* is observed every June, sponsored by the National Safety Council (NSC). This campaign focuses on a different topic each week, with an overall goal of improving safety in the workplace and community as a whole.

Week three of National Safety Month focuses on **Falls**. Here are some tips for preventing falls:

- Wear proper footwear for the terrain
- Clean up spills immediately
- Remove clutter from walkways
- Watch where you are walking
- Avoid cell phone use while walking



Additional information on National Safety Month can be viewed on the National Safety Council's website at <a href="https://www.nsc.org">https://www.nsc.org</a>.



## <u>Cal State Fullerton - Leadership Development Program</u>

Please join us in congratulating the newest graduates of the Cal State Fullerton Leadership Development for Public Agencies program:



- Brason Alexander, Recreation Supervisor
- Annika Helmuth, Librarian II
- John Murray, Code Enforcement Officer II
- Brian O'Rourke, Lifeguard Captain



The Leadership Development for Public Agencies program began in 2009 and offers curriculum tailored to the needs of municipalities and special districts. Professionals with extensive experience in the public sector share their knowledge on topics including effective presentations, group facilitation, leading change, financial management and leadership development.

An extra nod goes to Brason for being a class speaker at the graduation... well done!









#### Toastmasters Club Elects New Board Members



A big thank you to the outgoing Toastmasters board members for making our first year as a Club a big success: President Ben Zdeba. Vice-President Education Lucie Delorme. Vice-President Membership Rebecca Redyk, Secretary Marissa Sur and Sergeant-at-Arms Lauren Whitlinger. The club accomplished five goals during the 2017-2018 year and is therefore recognized as a Distinguished Club by Toastmasters International. These goals included adding new members during each of the two evaluation periods, making on-time payment of membership dues, training of club officers and the completion of the Competent Leadership program by one member. Rebecca Redyk was presented with the Competent Leadership certificate at the June 21 meeting.

Please join us in welcoming our new board members elected for the 2018-2019 year:



- President- Rachel Johnson, Police Lieutenant
- Vice-President, Education- Elizabeth Arciniega, Office Assistant (not pictured)
- Vice-President, Membership- Raquel Valdez, Recreation Manager
- Secretary- Jennifer Biddle, Administrative Assistant to Asst. City Manager
- Sergeant-at-Arms- Jonathan Munoz, Code Enforcement Officer I





## **Employee Training: Managing Your Stress**

Forty-four employees attended the "Managing Your Stress" workshop on June 12 presented by Jacquelyn de l'Eau, EdD of CPS HR Consulting. This training was designed to provide employees with the tools needed to achieve a better work-life balance and to learn strategies to overcome stressful situations. Participants were guided through exercises to cultivate calmness and resilience at work and home.





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#### LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT



#### **Library - Cultural Arts**

June 22, 2018

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Tim Hetherton, Library Services Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

## **Library Services**

#### **Summer Reading Program**

The 2018 Summer Reading Program kicks off Saturday with a special opening day event featuring Kids Imagine Nation in an interactive musical show with original songs and stories that entertain and inspire kids to use their imagination! Over 2,000 kids participate in the Summer Reading Program each year.



#### **Central Library Carpet Installation**

Preparation for Central's new carpet installation is underway. The project will be done in phases beginning with the Children's Room. Storytimes and Summer Reading Programs will be held in the Friends Meeting Room June 25-27 in order to minimize the inconvenience. Staff will work closely with customers to assist them in finding and retrieving materials that may be temporarily on book trucks or stacks behind closed off area. Summer Reading Program sign up tables will be easily accessible to the public and kids will be able to pickup game sheets and prizes.



#### **Literacy News**

Our Literacy Services, Newport/Mesa ProLiteracy, recently received recognition as a "Great Non-Profit" for the fifth consecutive year. The GreatNonprofits Top-Rated Awards is the one and only people's choice award where volunteers, donors, and people served by nonprofits are asked to share stories of inspiration, express their appreciation, and potentially help nonprofits earn a spot on the prestigious GreatNonprofits Top-Rated Nonprofits List

#### **YAAC Meeting**

Teen Services thanked the 20 members of the Library's Young Adult Advisory Council for a year of exceptional service at a final meeting and pizza party last week. The middle and high school students from local schools advise library staff on teen programming during the year. This year's group had major impact on the library's college prep programs, which have been expanded to include presentations on selecting colleges, applying for scholarships, and essay writing, in addition to entrance exam practice tests. Teens receiving awards include Caroline West, for most volunteer hours (65) and Dana Levinson for perfect attendance. Dillon McArdell and Sydney Huang were recognized as graduates. A new council will be selected in September.

#### Staff News

Allison Sarnowski will join the Administrative Staff on Monday, June 25 as Department Assistant.

## **Cultural Arts Services**





#### **Newport Beach Art Exhibition**

The Newport Beach City Arts Commission hosted the 54th Annual Newport Beach Art Exhibition on Saturday, June 16, attracting art lovers from all over to the view the impressive collection of over 250 pieces of fine art, including paintings, sculpture, mixed media and photography. The addition of a festive wine, beer and food pavilion, hosted by The Bungalow Restaurant, live jazz music and children's art activities added to the vibrant art scene. City Arts Commission Vice Chair Arlene Greer presented the following artists with awards:

#### **PAINTING: WATERCOLORS**

First Place: Nila Frederiksen, Mary

Second Place: Mary Kay Wilson, Making Arrangements

Third Place: Nancy Byrnes, Escape

#### **PAINTING: OILS & ACRYLICS**

First Place: Elena Kealy, *Hollywood Dream*Second Place: James Gerrard, *Candlelighting*Third Place: Carol Colin, *Yard Party, Night* 

#### **3D ART/SCULPTURE**

First Place: Dino Mehaffie, Last Title Defense

Second Place: Tom Borusky, Keepsake Box 127-Parota

Third Place: Gail Glikmann, Winged Torso

#### **PHOTOGRAPHY**

First Place: Cathy Immordino, *Mother Earth* Second Place: Anne Oechsli, *Sun Flowers* Third Place: Carol Cohn, *Launching an Alien* 

JUDGES CHOICE: Timothy Bakthy, New Hoover Convertible PEOPLE'S CHOICE: Dino Mehaffie, Last Title Defense

#### **Concert on the Green**

Thousands gathered on the Civic Green last Sunday to celebrate Father's Day at the first Concert on the Green of summer 2018. There was lots of picnicking, dancing and socializing as Matt Mauser and the band paid tribute to Frank Sinatra, the legendary crooner whose music has stood the test of time and become classic to generations.







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

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Jon T. Lewis, Chief of Police

DATE: June 22, 2018

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

#### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

At a ceremony in the Community Room on Monday, I had the pleasure of recognizing the accomplishments of several NBPD employees.



Left to right: Chief Lewis, Caroline Staub, Sara Verschueren, Vince Kyzer, Jennifer Kresge, Steven Arnett, Shay Brackett, Connor Miller, Kyle Ramseyer and Ryan Tran

Police Recruits **Steven Arnett, Shay Brackett,** and **Ryan Tran** were all introduced to the Department. Police Recruits **Connor Miller** and **Kyle Ramseyer** are familiar faces, since they were both civilian employees at the NBPD before they became recruits. All five of these young men will begin their training at the Orange County Sheriff's Department Academy later this summer.

**Vince Kyzer** was sworn in as our newest employee. He will be filling the roll of Rangemaster-Armorer, ensuring that our firearms—and our firearms training—are in good hands.

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We also recognized three staff members on their recent promotions. **Caroline Staub** was promoted from the position of Senior Crime Analyst to IT Analyst. **Sara Verschueren** was promoted from the rank of Community Services Officer to fill the role of Crime Prevention Specialist. And, last but certainly not least, **Jennifer Kresge** was promoted from Police Officer to Police Sergeant.

Please join me in congratulating these employees on their new roles at the Police Department.

#### **CHIEF'S CITATION**

At our monthly CrimeStat Meeting last Thursday, I had the honor of recognizing a City employee with a Chief's Citation. On April 15, Park Patrol Officer John Cataldo showed heroic action when he came across a car fire in the area of Old Ford Road and Newport Hills Drive East. John used his vehicle to block the car (which was engulfed in flames) from rolling down the road, and then joined our officers in using fire extinguishers to put out the flames. He was commended for his quick thinking and selfless bravery in the face of a catastrophic incident. Well done, John!



## R.A.C.E.S. FIELD DAY

This weekend, Newport Beach Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (or R.A.C.E.S.) volunteers will be participating in a nationwide annual event known as "Field Day." In Newport Beach, this event will be held at the top of Ridge Park next to East Coastal Peak. From Saturday, June 24 at 11:00 a.m. through Sunday, June 25 at 11:00 a.m., R.A.C.E.S. operators will use several ham radios to participate in practice exercises from the park. If you are interested in R.A.C.E.S., or in ham radio activity in general, please feel free to stop by to say hello.

More information on the Field Day event can be found at this site: www.arrl.org.

## **BURGERS, FRIES AND SMILES**

Last Wednesday, the staff at the NBPD (and Fire Station 3) had an extra reason to smile. At lunchtime, a truck from The Habit Burger Grill visited our back parking lot, and brought delicious burgers and fries for everyone.

Thank you to our friends at Newport Beach Chamber of Commerce for coordinating this lunch, which was very much appreciated by all of us.



## Public Works Department City Manager's Newsletter

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: David A. Webb, Public Works Director

Date: June 22, 2018

## Public Works Prepares for the 4th of July











Beach maintenance crews start at 5 a.m. to prep and clean our beaches.



The Balboa Peninsula
Trolley is ready to provide
free service on July 4<sup>th</sup>.



Traffic Engineering staff is ready to adjust signal timing to maximize green time.

## **Share the Road this Summer**

Public Works has installed "sharrows" (bike lane sharing arrows) on 32<sup>nd</sup> Street from Lafayette Avenue to Newport Boulevard. Please share the road with cyclists in these areas.





Heal the Bay's 28th Annual Beach Report Card provides essential water quality information to the millions of people who swim, surf, or dive in the coastal waters of the West Coast. Newport Beach received four A+ ratings: Balboa Beach at 15th/16th St., Balboa Pier Beach, Corona del Mar Main Beach, and Crystal Cove.

## Great Progress Being Made at the CdM Library and Fire Station Project

Crews poured 200-cubic yards of concrete for the foundation on Friday!





## Public Works Beach Crews Build Berm Up Ahead of Hurricane Tides

As Hurricane Bud formed in the Pacific off the coast of Mexico, potential effects were being anticipated hundreds of miles to the north here in Newport Beach. Our Municipal Operations Division beach crews built up berms to prevent flooding and protect the park and parking lot behind the beach.



## Public Works



#### Potholes

The Municipal Operations Division's Street Maintenance Crew maintains over 270 miles of streets, alleys, bicycle/pedestrian trails, and municipal parking, utilizing a 5-ton hot mix patch truck to repair potholes and utility cuts. While most potholes are caused by rain, sprinkler systems, and manholes, they can also be caused by a poorly compacted subgrade and overweight vehicles. Some of the pothole repairs are quick and easy and are completed in minutes, and larger potholes require a longer process and may need additional staff and traffic control.







Public Works

## <u>Weekend Events – Municipal Operations Division Assists</u>



It was an eventful weekend June 2 & 3 with two events back-to-back. Public Works staff had their hands full but no job too tough for our crews. Saturday, June 2 was the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Corona del Mar Scenic 5K run, including races for men, women, and kids. At the end of the race, before the award presentation, you are welcomed by the famous "restaurant row" and vendor exhibits. Our crews did a great job installing traffic control equipment, setting up "restaurant row", and controlling litter. The 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Balboa Island Parade was on

Sunday, June 3, an Island tradition filled with children riding bikes, island dogs, classic cars, and live music. Hats off to the crews that made both of these events possible. A big thank you to Daniel Tovar, Tom Diaz, Anthony Petrarca, Harold Link, Brian George, Eric Foley, and Ray Gonzalez, Joe Delgado and Michael Auger, and John Salazar.

### New Drinking Fountain at Irvine Terrace Park

Municipal Operations Division has received requests from the public for a drinking fountain at Irvine Terrace Park near the tennis courts. Staff worked with Park West Landscape, the City's contractor, to install a drinking fountain as requested. The project was initiated and completed in less than a week's time. Trenching underground and under the sidewalk from the bathroom to the tennis courts was a necessary step to completing this project. Park and tennis courts users are happy to see this new addition.







## <u>Public Works Welcomes New Employees</u>

Welcome aboard **Ryan Gosselin** and **Ramey Torres** who have joined the Street Maintenance Crew as Maintenance Worker II's. Ryan's previous experiences include being a Refuse Worker with the City's contractor CR&R and a Street Sweeper with the City's contractor Athens Services. Ryan was part of the Youth Employment Program working during the summer as part of the Beach Maintenance Crew. Ramey comes to us from JB Boestick Company with experience performing street maintenance repairs and transporting equipment.



**Part-Time Associate Civil Engineers** 

Sharon Garcia, a licensed Professional Engineer, has a wide variety of experience in water resource and land development projects. She joins the City of Newport Beach from the US Army Corps of Engineers.
 Anna Baldenegro, also a licensed Professional Engineer, has a wide variety of experience in land development and transportation projects. Both are excited to join the City of Newport Beach and look forward to helping Public Works with their mission. Please join us in welcoming Anna and Sharon to the team!

Parker Keil has been hired as our Parks Maintenance Crew Chief (Trees). Parker comes from Great Scott Tree Service where he was a Sales Manager, managing new and existing accounts for commercial and retail entities. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Philosophy from the University of Hawaii at Manoa. Parker is a Registered Consulting Arborist, a Certified Arborist, a Certified Treecare Safety Professional, a Qualified Applicator, and holds his Tree Risk Assessment Qualification.



Alyssa Guerrero is a part-time Intern with the Municipal Operations Division and will be working on solid waste related issues, reporting to Senior Management Analyst Keith Hinckley. She holds a Masters of Public Policy Degree and Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from UC Irvine. She previously worked for a Member of Congress as a field representative, and has interned with a State Senator and served as a caseworker.



To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Laura Detweiler, Recreation & Senior Services Director

Date: June 22, 2018

#### **COMMUNITY CARING**

A group of local women have taken caring to the next level by using yarn that has been donated to the OASIS Senior Center to create beautiful blankets and shawls for home and facility bound seniors in our community. Currenlty, one of our long-time OASIS members, Roe Yates has been hospitalized due to health issues. Thanks to the thoughtfulness of this group of ladies, Social Services Supervisor Susie DiGiovanna was able to bring Roe one of these lovely blankets.



#### FOOD FOR THOUGHT PROGRAM AT OASIS

On June 7, over 20 participants enrolled in the 4-week program designed by

Chuck Jones Center for Creativity and partially funded by a grant from the Arts Commission.

The focus of the program is to exercise memory, the executive brain function, visual function, visual language and association through creative projects to enhance cognitive function within the aging brain.





#### TIME FOR A SWIM

The Department is preparing for a fun and safe summer swim season. The Aquatics staff began their summer in-service trainings on June 8 to refresh and practice on lifeguarding skills, CPR/First Aid, and techniques in teaching swim lessons. These trainings will continue each weekend until we welcome the community to our pools for summer programming beginning June 25.

With the summer heat right around the corner, there is no better way to cool off than to come to either the Corona del Mar Marian Bergueson Aquatic or the Newport Harbor High School Pool. Both locations offer swim lessons and recreational swim during set hours.

#### **WALK WITH A STAFF MEMBER!**

On Tuesday, June 18, OASIS started a new program, "Walk with a Staff Member." Two staff members led a 2.5 mile walk through Corona del Mar with a stop at Starbucks. Participants enjoyed the beautiful weather, views and a chance to meet new people. The next one is scheduled for July 17 at 9am. All are welcome!

#### **FOSTERING INTEREST IN NATURE**

Have you heard? The Recreation & Senior Services

Department is proud to announce that Fostering Interest in Nature (FiiN) will be kicking off February 2019! FiiN is a program that is funded by the Lido House Hotel project that took over the old City Hall location. The funding will allow 350 fifth grade students from Title I schools to visit the overnight program every year for 10 years.

While attending the program, students will camp on the beach at Camp James (located in Newport Dunes), visit the Back Bay Science Center, hike Big Canyon, and participate in many other recreational activities unique to our beautiful Newport Back Bay. The program is free and is held for 10 weeks between February through April. We are excited to host this amazing program come 2019!

#### **COUNCIL OF YOUTH AMBASSADORS**

The first year of the Council of Youth Ambassadors Internship has completed and it was a success! With the help of Marbella Marlo and Sydney Little (both Sophomores at Corona del Mar High School) we were able to create this wonderful program which allowed future doctors, lawyers and politicians to intern with City Staff. Mentors from different departments helped high school students understand and learn about local government work. A few of these students even changed their career goals into jobs in public service.

An ice cream social finish out the year and it was clear that great relationships were made between the City staff and young adults. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to be a mentor and helped make this program great!



#### PHILIP BETTENCOURT - A FRIEND OF OUR PARKS

Ten years ago I started this adventure as the Recreation & Senior Services Director and received my first voicemail on day one of the job. It was from Philip Bettencourt, and he welcomed me to my position. Little did I know the true fan he was of our department and beloved park system. That's very clear to me today as Philip still stays in touch, emailing me updates about what he is seeing in our parks (good or bad), he visits while at City Hall and always has inspirational words about what great things our team is up to. Along Philip's travels with his wife Meredith he visits parks and will share the out of ordinary and even the simple things that are making other's lives better. This past week he dropped off a recent New York Times that had some really neat articles about the importance of fitness and play in our lives. All the things we focus on every day in the Recreation & Senior Services Department to enrich the lives of our residents and visitors. There was a full page add written by the *The New York Times* (credit to them) that put a smile on my face and I hope it does yours as well. The timing of this is perfect to share as we step into summer. Summers are for kids to be carefree and explore the simple things in life that make us happy. Thanks for being our greatest fan Philip and always recognizing the good stuff that brings out the kid in all of us.

#### The New York Times - Sunday, May 27, 2018

The truth is kids want to be part of the conversation.

The truth is kids are more curious than many adults.

The truth is kids know that lies are bad.

The truth is kids think cash is still cool.

The truth is kids don't let differences divide them.

The truth is kids learn something new every day.

The truth is kids are smarter than you think.

The truth is kids can turn any place into a playground.

The truth is kids can make a difference right now.

The truth is kids feel things as deeply as adults do.

The truth is kids don't need candy to feel better.

The truth is kids will inherit the earth.

The truth is kids have big dreams.

The truth is kids want to discover the world.

The truth is kids expect honesty.

The truth is kids think the simple stuff is funny.

The truth is kids bring people together.

The truth is kids appreciate a good story.

The truth is kids can handle the truth.

Celebrate kids and sign them up for one or more of the hundreds of camps we offer this summer at <a href="https://www.campnewport.com">www.campnewport.com</a>. And feel free to be a kid yourself this summer... Laura

# MEWPORT BEACH



MOVIE IN THE PARK DESPICABLE

\*Free popcorn

\*Free Candy

\*TK Burgers 4 purchase

Buffalo Hills Park June 22 @ 7pm

Saturday °
June 23
3-3:55pm





Marian Bergeson Aquatic Center
Parent & Me thru Level 5
MUST REGISTER BEFORE IT FILLS
www.newportbeachca.gov/aquatics



Wednesday 9am-11:30am

MARINER'S PARK INDEPENDENCE DAY
Parade & Celebration
10:30am-1:30pm



Download Agents of Discovery mobile app July 1st

Begin a mission in a Newport

Beach Park

For more information
on events, please email



June 22, 2018

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Steffen Catron, Acting Director

SUBJECT: City Manager's Newsletter

### **A NEW ADDITION**



The Wastewater Division has a NEW addition to its fleet- a wastewater vactor truck. The new wastewater vactor truck is a dual-axle, cab-over monster that stands over 13 feet tall and 38 feet long, making it the largest of the City's three wastewater vactors. This road giant is capable of excavating and removing twelve yards of debris at a time! It also has two different highpressure handguns used to excavate all types of soil. Furthermore, with its hose reel on the front holding 800 feet of highpressure hose, it will have no problem hydro-jetting or root-cutting lines in need.

Above all, safety is the Utilities Department's number one priority. The new vactor truck will certainly help keep our crew safe while completing jobs on time. When out and about, keep your eyes peeled for 5540.

#### **KING TIDES**

Summer is here, and so are the king tides! The term "king tide" is a non-scientific term that is used to describe exceptionally high tides. Tides are the regular rise and fall of the sea surface, which are caused by the moon and sun's gravitational pull and their position relative to earth. When there is a full moon or new moon, which occur when the earth, sun, and moon are nearly in alignment, we get higher than average tides. Furthermore, local weather patterns and ocean conditions augment tides.

King tides can be a nuisance because they often flood streets and wash out beaches, however, our Storm Drain Division is always ready for the king tides. When there are high tides, the Storm Drain Division closes the 36 tidal valves on Balboa Island and the 53 tidal valves on Newport Peninsula, which prevents flooding. They also patrol Balboa Island and the Newport Peninsula in trucks with pumps, ready for any flooding issues.

This summer, we expect three series of king tides events. Last week, the first event of king tides occurred without any significant damage. On Wednesday, June 13 the tides reached 7.8 feet and on Thursday, June 14

the tides reached 7.9 feet. These tides were approximately a foot higher than predicted. We expect the next series of king tides on July 11- July 14 and the last series on August 9- August 11. The series of king tides are an excellent opportunity for the Storm Drain Division to identify where seawall leaks are originating from and thus repair the leaking seawalls.



Tides reached 7.9 feet on June 14.



#### MAIN LINE WATER VALVE REPLACEMENT

On Tuesday, June 12 the Water Maintenance and Repair Division responded to a call about water flowing on the street in the Yacht Coquette residential neighborhood. Once on site, the M&R crew found a 4-inch main line water valve with a packing leak that had caused the valve to no longer be operational.

Staff proceeded to inform residents that water service would be interrupted for repairs. The M&R crew were able to excavate and expose the valve, remove the broken valve and replace with a new 4-inch resilient wedge gate valve. Thanks to the quick response and skilled work by our M&R staff, water service to the affected residents was restored after only 30 minutes. Way to go M&R team!