



CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH
City Manager's Newsletter

TO: Mayor Selich & Council Members
FROM: Dave Kiff, City Manager
DATE: October 23, 2015

Please enjoy the attached newsletters...



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

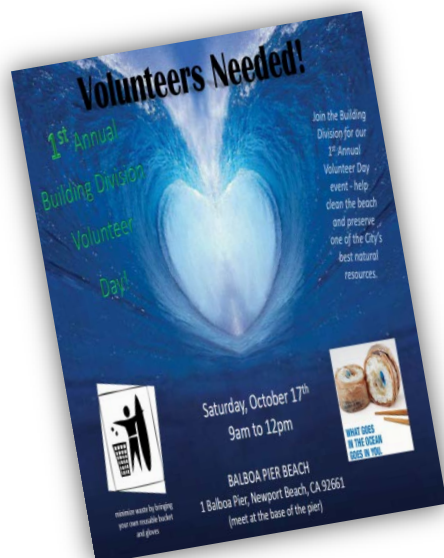
From: Kimberly Brandt, Community Development Director

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

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Date: October 23, 2015

First Annual Building Division Volunteer Event



The Building Division held its first annual volunteer day on Saturday, October 17, 2015, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Staff along with their families came out to help clean the beach and preserve the City's best natural resource. As clean as our beaches are, over 100 pounds of trash was picked up along the sand around the Balboa Pier. Thanks to staff and their families for their participation in this worthwhile event.





COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Seminar with Dr. S.K. Ghosh

The Building Division held its last free public workshop for the year by providing a seminar with Dr. S.K. Ghosh. The topics focused on structural design elements to help the engineering community understand the latest code requirements. The seminar also included a presentation on the City's iPermits and plan review options using outside consultants. Over 50 members of the public attended the four-hour seminar.





Date: October 23, 2015
To: Dave Kiff, City Manager
From: Dan Matusiewicz, Finance Director
Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

City Purchasing Card Program

The City's Purchasing Card Program is currently provided by the Bank of America. The Bank of America has started to transition all cards from magnetic stripe to the new Chip & PIN technology which offers enhanced fraud protection. Notification has been sent to all employees who have a City purchasing card as they will need to register a PIN number with Bank of America when they receive their new card. The Chip & PIN cards still have a magnetic stripe for use with merchants that do not have chip-enabled card readers. Budget Analyst Tam Ho coordinates the purchasing card program, so please direct any questions to Tam at ext. 3273.

Finance Committee Update

The monthly meeting of the Finance Committee was last week and included a review of the June 30, 2015 actuarial valuation for the City's Retiree Health Program. The actuarial valuation was prepared by Marilyn Jones, Consulting Actuary from Nyhart, who was in attendance to answer questions.

The amount of the Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) for the City's retiree health benefits program as of June 30, 2015, is \$42,638,555. The City has accumulated \$14,818,836 in a benefit trust account to prefund the AAL. The Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) as of June 30, 2015, is \$27,747,929. This amount represents the difference between accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets (AVA) of \$14,890,626 accumulated to finance the City's OPEB obligation.

The AAL is based on a discount rate of 7.0 percent, down from 7.25 percent which was used in the June 30, 2013 actuarial valuation, and it assumes that the City will continue to pre-fund its annual required CERBT contribution. The funded ratio at June 30, 2015, was 35 percent; however, the plan is projected to be fully funded in eleven years (June 30, 2026).

A second presentation was made by Recreation and Senior Services Director Laura Detweiler. In furtherance of one of the Budget Framework Tactics, the goal of Ms. Detweiler's presentation was to familiarize members of the Finance Committee with the elements of the FY 2015-16 Recreation and Senior Services Department departmental budget, to provide opportunity for questions, and to gain clarity in the funding allocations for departmental programs.



Newport Beach Fire Department Office of the Fire Chief

DATE: October 23, 2015

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Scott Poster, Fire Chief

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Exercise & Evacuation Drill

On October 15, the City tested our readiness for an earthquake as part of The "Great Shake-Out 2015." Our building was evacuated and the Emergency Response Team Captains tallied personnel at our pre-planned evacuation area. Colleen Gill did a great job her first time as the ERT Captain. It was a good exercise and reminded all City staff of how dangerous an earthquake can be.



Immediately after, the annual EOC Drill was held. The drill "scenario" consisted of several days of steady rain, combined with high tides and flooding, similar to what we may experience this winter with a strong El Niño predicted. The EOC was activated with the Management Section responding first to assess the situation and set the initial objectives. George Murdoch in Unified Incident Command; George did a great job of planning and managing the simulated emergency response from MOD. The rest of the EOC staff was activated and responded thirty minutes later when they were briefed and tasked with creating the Incident Action Plan (IAP) for the following 12 hours. After two hours and many meetings, the EOC staff had completed a comprehensive IAP. Katie Eing, our Emergency Services Coordinator did a great job of coordinating the event.

Thank you to all City staff that participated. Together we are more prepared to respond and recover from a disaster.

TRAINING SERVICES

The month of October has been very busy for Training Services. Fire Operations personnel are currently participating in the final Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) class for the year. Every firefighter in the department is required to recertify their EMT license every two years and our firefighters are going to be recertifying this December. To recertify their license, our firefighters must attend classes throughout the year that cover a variety of topics on medical emergencies. In addition

to the required classes, our firefighters must take written examinations and demonstrate competence in a multitude of medical skills. By the end of the year, all of our firefighters will have completed the two-year recertification process and will start working on the December 2018 recertification process at the beginning of 2016.

On October 19, Training Services welcomed its newest Training Battalion Chief. Chief Stocks brings previous knowledge and experience to the Training Services Section, having served as the Training Captain from January 2013 to April 2015. Chief Stocks recently served as the "A" Shift Fire Battalion Chief based at Station 3. Training Services is looking forward to having Chief Stocks back on the team.

LIFE SAFETY SERVICES



On October 11, the Fire Department celebrated Fire Service Day-Open House at Fire Station 7, in Santa Ana Heights.

The event featured live rescue and fire demonstrations, along with Fire and Lifeguard apparatus displays, including our antique fire engine. Station tours, CERT displays, safety information, a children's jumper house, and face painters kept everyone of all ages busy and entertained. Our Firefighters' Association provided incredible lunch service for all of our attendees.



Our Open House coincides with Fire Prevention Week, which commemorates the great Chicago Fire of 1871. This year's theme is "Hear the Beep Where You Sleep." In support of this important message, the Fire Department provided free detectors.



This year our firefighters also provided attendees a live burn demonstration, which really made a hot day even hotter. Visitors experienced a genuine sense of the heat firefighters must face when working to extinguish uncontrolled fires.

Despite the heat of the day, the event was well attended, and we are already looking forward to next year's event!



MARINE OPERATIONS

During the month of October, Newport Beach weather temperatures have averaged in the mid to high 70's, with many days of the month hitting in the 80's. The water temperatures have averaged in the mid 70's. Let's face it – it's been hot!

Lifeguard Stats for October 1-19, 2015

PUBLIC CONTACT	2,046
ENFORCEMENTS	513
REUNITED PERSONS	2
MEDICAL AIDS	100
PREVENTATIVES	4,644
RESCUES	251
BEACH POPULATION	469,700



Picture taken in West Newport on October 9, 2015. Surf was 4-6 feet.

On October 1, Lifeguard Battalion Chief Mike Halphide, Lifeguard Captains Leeper, Moore, Ure, and Mickley completed a training dive by the Newport Pier.



On October 19, 2015, at approximately 11:00 AM, lifeguards closed the water from 10th Street to 40th Street due to a confirmed 8-foot hammerhead shark sighting in the water at the end of the Newport Pier. At 4:30 PM, the closure was replaced by an advisory warning that a shark was seen in the area, however, did not display any aggressive behavior. On October 20, at 12:00 PM, lifeguards lifted the advisory.





HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

DATE: October 23, 2015

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Terri L. Cassidy, J.D., Deputy City Manager/HR Director

SUBJECT: News and Updates from Human Resources

3rd Quarter 2015 New Hires

Please welcome the City's newest employees!

CITY MANAGER

Melanie Franceschini – Intern

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Alexsundra Captan – Student Aide
Joshua DeLoach – Student Aide
Traci Mackinen – Department Assistant
Savanah Melo – Student Aide
Tracy Najera – Student Aide
Michael Webb – Student Aide

LIBRARY

Elizabeth Aaron – Librarian I
Wendy Frankel – Library Page
Evelyn Hernandez – Department Assistant PT
Helen Medina – Library Assistant
Chelsea Peters – Library Page
Kristen Sonntag – Library Clerk
John West – Library Page
Aric Wu – Library Assistant

POLICE

Helen Chau – Police Cadet
Emmanuel Herrera Centeno – Community Services Officer
Matthew DeRocili – Custody Officer
Steven Oberon – Police Officer
Kristen Picazo – Police Dispatcher
Kyle Ramseyer – Police Cadet
Douglas Simmons – Custody Officer PT
Sara Verschueren – Community Services Officer PT

PUBLIC WORKS

Patrick Achis – Intern
Debbie Elgas – Permit Technician II

RECREATION & SENIOR SERVICES

Madeline Ackley – Recreation Leader
Aimee Arvidson – Marine Naturalist Interpreter
Stephanie Daboub – Recreation Leader
David Mwendapole – Recreation Leader
Mary Nalty – Recreation Leader

3rd Quarter 2015 Promotions

Please congratulate our colleagues on their well-deserved promotions!

CITY MANAGER

Mary Locey – Administrative Analyst

FIRE

Rita Mai – Senior Fiscal Clerk Limited Term

LIBRARY

Hillary Dakin – Library Assistant
Elizabeth McKibbin – Senior Library Clerk

MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS

Brian George – Groundswoker II
Daniel Hill – Utilities Specialist
Harold Link – Groundswoker II
Mark Moritz – Utilities Specialist
Patrick Piersall – Senior Utilities Specialist
James Puglisi – Water Production Operator
Daniel Tovar – Groundswoker II

POLICE

Emily Bledstein – Police Civilian Investigator
Kyle Cammack – Police Sergeant
Josh Comte – Police Sergeant

PUBLIC WORKS

Brittany Ramirez – Administrative Assistant

RECREATION & SENIOR SERVICES

Michael Dobrott – Senior Recreation Leader
Melissa Gleason – Assistant Recreation Coordinator
Molly Patience – Recreation Supervisor
Danny Rice – Recreation Coordinator



LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT



Library – Cultural Arts

October 23, 2015

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Tim Hetherton, Library Services Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

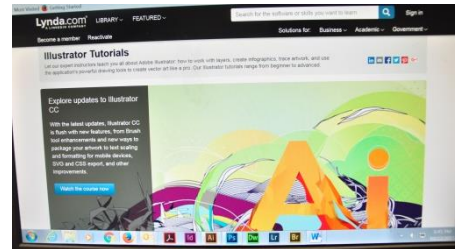
Library Services

Community Outreach

Staff continues to community outreach efforts to keep the public informed about the free resources available at the Newport Beach Public Library. Librarian Joanna Ransom recently represented the Library at the CDM High School Career fair. Joanna reported that at the CDMHS Community Service Fair (sponsored by the National Honor Society) she spoke to 100 plus teens about the library and volunteer opportunities and gave out over 60 volunteer applications.

New Programming for the Media Lab

A new series of workshops has been scheduled in the Media Lab for Tuesday evenings. Beginning November 3, Library Assistant Greg Johnson will introduce customers to Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator and InDesign at four different sessions using the Lynda.com tutorials now available through the Library. Additionally, there will be several Media Lab Open House events on Tuesday evenings in December from 7 -8 p.m. These programs are designed to let Media Lab users know about the many programs available and how to access easy-to-use tutorials to improve skills.



Library Admin Meeting

The Library Admin Team met off site last week to develop new ideas, goals and objectives for the coming year and beyond. Our usage statistics, program attendance and positive comments and support from residents assures us that the Newport Beach Public Library continues to be a valued and relevant resource, but in this fast-paced changing world of information and technology we are always looking for ways to improve and enhance our service to the community.

NBPL Foundation Speakers

The NBPL Foundation held another sold out event last week featuring author and comedian Maz Jobrani. It was a huge hit and coincided with opening ticket sales for the 2016 Witte Lecture Series which we expect to sell out quickly. The line-up is superb so we are encouraging anyone interested in getting a seat to the upcoming lectures to reserve now online at www.nbplfoundation.org

Board of Trustees

Our new Library Trustee Janet Ray was introduced at the Board of Library Trustees meeting on Monday. Additionally, the Board of Library Trustees selected, subject to City Council approval, "[Option D-4](#)" as the layout for the new CDM Branch Library. They also recommended [Exterior Rendering 3](#) (1st choice) and [Exterior Rendering 2](#) (2nd choice) for Council approval. The plans are tentatively scheduled to go to Council for approval on November 24.



Cultural Arts Services

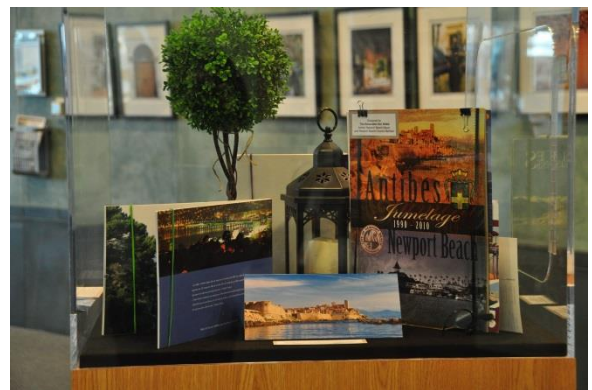
Art in the Park

The Newport Beach Arts Foundation presented another successful Art in the Park on Saturday, October 10. The Civic Green was filled with paintings, sculpture, jewelry and artisan crafts from over 100 artists. Despite the heat, guests enjoyed a relaxing day shopping on Green and creating their own art at the interactive tables set up by the Chuck Jones Center for Creativity.



Sister City - Antibes, France

The City Arts Commission completed a display of photos, significant objects and memorabilia last week in honor of the upcoming visit from representatives from our Sister City Antibes. The delegation of 20 members of the Antibes Jumelages (Sister City) will be visiting Newport Beach October 26 – 29 to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of being Sister Cities.



Art Exhibits at the Library

The current photographic exhibit of California Missions by Ting-Ting Lee will be at the Central Library through the end of this month. On November 2, a new exhibit featuring the work of Joe Lewis, a nationally known artist, arts administrator, educator, and professor of Art at the University of California, Irvine, will be installed. The exhibit, titled "American Alchemy," uses cultural iconography and historical moments: the eagle, the flag, oil rigs, documents, etc., as springboards for the audience to re-investigate their personal relationships with the American historical experience.





MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

October 23, 2015

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

Water Valve Replacements on Flagship

The Water Maintenance & Repair Crew recently replaced three 8-inch water distribution valves on Flagship Road. During the replacement process, six homes were without water for an hour. The Flagship Healthcare Center was provided a by-pass water line so their services were not affected. All three valves that were replaced were installed in 1965 and no longer functioning correctly. The newly installed resilient wedge gate valves are expected to have a 40-year life span with regular maintenance. This upgrade to the City's infrastructure will allow the water main to be isolated during a potential main break.

Poppy Avenue Sidewalk Repairs

Over the past two weeks, the Concrete Crew made temporary repairs to the sidewalks and curbs on Poppy Avenue following last month's tree removals. The temporary repairs were conducted on one side at a time in order to allow traffic to travel on Poppy Avenue.



Root Intrusion

The Wastewater Crew was performing routine maintenance of the wastewater lines along West Coast Highway when they came across extensive root intrusion in a manhole that connects Hoag Hospital to the City's system. The root interference was



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affecting the drainage of wastewater from Hoag Hospital's private sewer line. The amount of root intrusion would result in an overflow if no action was taken. The crew removed the roots and cleared the manhole of debris. Hoag's Engineering Department is working with the City to refurbish the manhole to prevent this problem from reoccurring.



Sandbags for Newport Beach Residents

This week, the Department took delivery of the first shipment of pre-made sandbags. As a courtesy to our residents, the City provides up to ten filled sandbags prior to a significant high tide or heavy rain event. If they have questions regarding our location and hours of operation, residents are encouraged to call the Department's main phone line (949) 644-3055. Since this courtesy is extended only to Newport Beach residents, proof of residency is required when picking up sandbags. Empty sandbags are also available upon request to supplement the filled sandbags. These can be filled with beach sand, and emptied back onto the beach once the rainy season is over.





NEWPORT BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Jay R. Johnson, Chief of Police

DATE: October 23, 2015

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS

Although we hope that Halloween will be a safe and fun evening, the unfortunate reality is that, every year, many children suffer from automobile accidents, falls, cuts, tampered "treats" and other unnecessary miseries. The Police Department would like to share the following tips with parents and Trick-or-Treaters of all ages:

Know Your Child's Plans

If you will not be with your child, these items are important to discuss in advance:

- Establish a specific route for trick-or-treating (so that you can find your child, if necessary).
- Discuss who will be accompanying your child while he or she is trick-or-treating.
- Establish a time that your child should return home.

Focus on Costume Safety

- Makeup is safer than a mask (which can obscure vision).
- Costumes and wigs should be flame-resistant.
- Reflective strips and bright clothing will increase visibility, along with a flashlight.
- Comfortable, well-fitting shoes prevent tripping and other hazards.
- Props and accessories should be made of cardboard, so they will not injure your child if he or she should fall down.

Follow Critical Safety Tips

- Trick-or-Treat in your own neighborhood.
- Trick-or-Treat in a group of two or more, accompanied by a parent or adult.
- Stick to well-lighted areas.



- Stay on sidewalks and look both ways when crossing the street. Never cross the street between parked cars or mid-block.
- Do not allow your child to enter ANY house.
- Parents must inspect all treats. Discard fruit or any candy in loose or torn wrappings.

Talk to your Child about Law Enforcement

- Discuss the importance of respecting the property of others.
- Advise your child that throwing eggs and water balloons, or spraying shaving cream, is inappropriate and could be illegal.
- Curfew in Newport Beach is 10 p.m.
- All fireworks are illegal in Newport Beach.

If you should discover anything wrong with the “treats” brought home, please call the NBPD at 949-644-3717 so other parents can be warned and those responsible can be caught.

For the last few weeks, officers have been distributing glow-in-the-dark bracelets and safety tips to children throughout the community in preparation for Halloween. Additional bracelets are also available at our Front Desk.

Have a happy (and safe) Halloween!

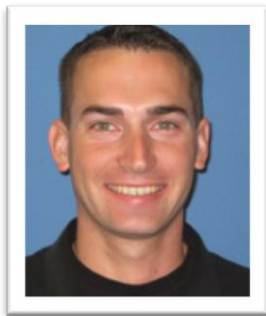
FALLEN OFFICER MEMORIAL RUN & OUR NEWEST NBPD OFFICER

On Wednesday, all members of Orange County Sheriff's Regional Training Academy Class #217 participated in their final group run before graduation, which is designated as the Fallen Officer Memorial Run. The purpose of the Memorial Run is two-fold: to honor the memory of a fallen officer (who is chosen by the class members) and to celebrate the accomplishments and growth of the students as they complete their last run together. This class had chosen to honor fallen Officer R. Miller, Sr. of the Chino Police Department.



Left to right: Lieutenant Damon Psaros, Deputy Chief David McGill, Recruit Jared Hendee and Chief Jay R. Johnson

As a member of class #217, Newport Beach Police Recruit Jared Hendee ran alongside his classmates... as well as some more tenured members of our Department. Deputy Chief David McGill, Lieutenant Damon Psaros, and I also participated in the run, which ended at the Orange County Peace Officers' Memorial. There, the class held a brief memorial presentation to Officer Miller's family.



The next day, Recruit Hendee (pictured, left) graduated from the Orange County Sheriff's Department Police Academy to become our newest Police Officer. He will be assigned to the Patrol Division with a Field Training Officer.

Please join me in welcoming Jared to the NBPD family.

NOTABLE ARREST



Last Sunday, shortly after 3 a.m., a concerned citizen called to report a suspicious vehicle parked in a designated no-parking area near the intersection of Seaview Avenue and Marguerite Avenue. The caller also reported that a suspicious person had exited the vehicle and walked down a nearby alley.

Responding officers located the vehicle and found a man lying down and asleep in the rear seat of the car. Officers saw a revolver (later determined to be a fake firearm) and multiple laptops and electronics in the vehicle.

Because this man did not match the description of the suspicious person, officers continued to search the nearby area for the subject that had been described in the initial call. A man matching the description was located walking northbound on Marguerite Avenue.

Meanwhile, a resident called to report a residential burglary at their home in the 700 block of Larkspur. The victims woke up and discovered that several items from their home were missing. It appeared that the burglar had entered their home through an unlocked front sliding glass door and then fled through a rear door. The loss was listed as: a laptop, iPad, iPhone, wallet, two purses and a wristwatch.

Several hours later, we received a late report of another residential burglary, this time in the 3300 block of Seaview Avenue. The victim woke up after hearing police vehicles outside his house and discovered that a burglar had removed items from his home. The

suspect had entered the victim's residence through an open sliding glass door that had been left open for ventilation. The loss was listed as a laptop, a wristwatch and a garage door opener.

Items matching the descriptions from both of these residential burglaries were recovered from the two suspects and from the vehicle.

Both men were arrested for Residential Burglary and Possession of Stolen Property. One was given an additional booking charge for Sleeping in a Vehicle, which is a violation of the Newport Beach Municipal Code.

Thanks to this timely tip from an observant resident, our officers were able to arrest two burglars and return multiple items of stolen property to their rightful owners. In addition to solving at least two burglary cases, these actions possibly prevented additional burglaries from occurring. We continue to encourage all members of the community to call us at 949-644-3717 to report suspicious activity.



To: Dave Kiff, City Manager
From: David A. Webb, Public Works Director
Date: October 23, 2015

Newport Boulevard Water Main Replacement Construction Update

Public Works contractor TE Roberts was able to install the 24-inch water pipe across 30th Street on Newport Boulevard last week. This was a challenging task as groundwater was encountered approximately a foot and an half below the street pavement. Extensive dewatering wells were installed in order to dry out the trench so that the new 24-inch steel pipe could be installed and welded. In addition, there were many existing utilities in the way such as the large concrete storm drain pipe shown in the photo below.

In order to provide adequate space in the middle of the street for the continuation of the 24-inch water pipe, a portion of Newport Boulevard has been temporarily re-stripped.

We would like to thank everyone for their continued patience throughout this important project.



Police Facility Carpeting Project



After more than eighteen years, the tired and worn carpet in the Police Facility is being replaced by Public Works. The after-hours replacement work, which started this week, will continue through mid-November. When completed, work areas will have a refreshed look and feel.



Before

After



Concrete Replacement on The Alley Just Off of 15th Street

PW Quik-Pix



We're almost done! Public Works will be working through the weekend to have Dover Drive completely open on Monday.

PW Quik-Pix



PW Quik-Pix



Annual Water Quality Report

Every year, City staff submits a Program Effectiveness Assessment Report to the Regional Water Quality Control Board that provides a written account of all water quality improvement and enforcement activities throughout the City. This long and rather complex document includes all the various compliance measures that must be followed when inspecting industrial and commercial sites, as well as private and public construction sites for water quality.

The purpose of these measures is to help reduce runoff and debris from entering our bay and ocean. For example, a residential construction site must have a screened fence placed around the perimeter of the site. Sandbags or straw wattles must also be placed around the perimeter where any soil may escape and all long-term material stock piles must be covered. Throughout the past year, City staff completed 1,250 construction site inspections.

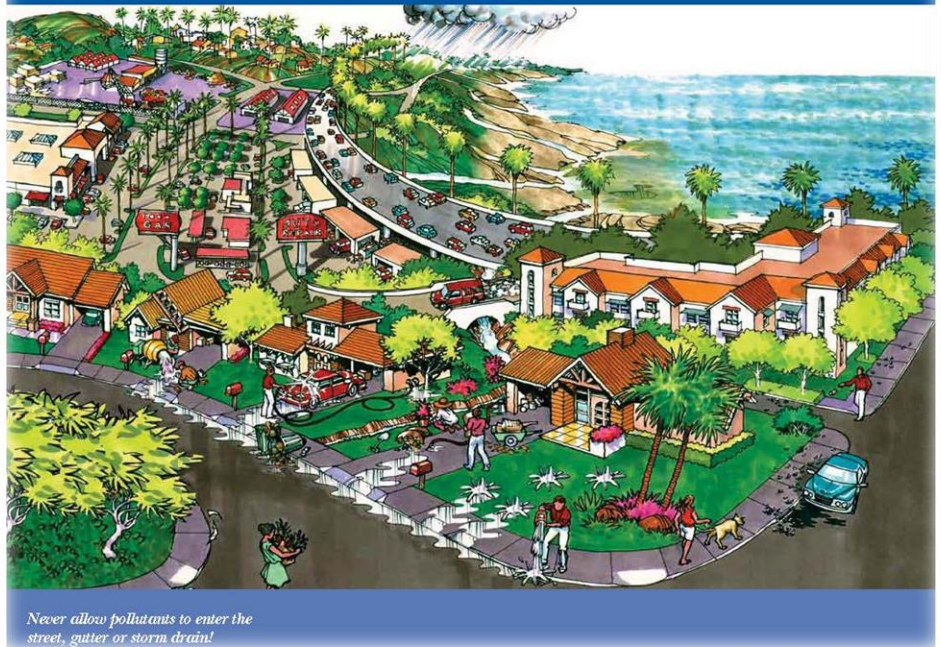
Other Newport Beach Storm Water “Fun Facts” From the Last Year:

- 520 tons of debris from the City’s 3,250 catch basins was removed
- 11,000 tons of debris from over 35,000 total miles of curb sweeping was collected

The Ocean Begins at Your Front Door



The Ocean Begins at Your Front Door



Corona del Mar Branch Library and Fire Station No. 5 Update

On Monday, October 19th, the Library Board of Trustees unanimously selected floor plan D-4 and exterior design 3 as the preferred design concept. City Council will be asked to review and approve the final concept at an upcoming meeting.



Temporary Trial Anchorage

The temporary anchorage area at the west end of the harbor was removed after a two-month trial period. Boaters expressed that they really enjoyed the optional location to drop their anchor and relax. Next steps are for the Harbor Commission to review the trial, and to decide whether or not to recommend a permanent anchorage at that part of the harbor.



RECREATION & SENIOR SERVICES

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Laura Detweiler, Recreation & Senior Services Director

Date: October 23, 2015

Parks
Make
Life
Better!

Staff Updates

The Recreation & Senior Services Department has had a lot of movement! Thanks to a retirement, some turnover and the addition of Marina Park staff positions, opportunities opened up to take on new roles and responsibilities within the Department. A major thank you goes out to Human Resources for working with us over the past six months to make it all happen. See below for a recap!



Brason Alexander takes on preschool programs, Active Kids, Mayor's Youth Council and Civic Center Community Room operations as he promotes to supervisor! Brason started in Newport Beach in December 2014 and has 12+ years of recreation experience including his tenure as a Recreation Supervisor and Program Director overseeing youth programs in the great state of Washington (state bird is the American Goldfinch).

Elizabeth Arciniega was selected for the Marina Park Office Assistant position; where she will coordinate the front office operations, assist with facility rentals and contract class registration. Elizabeth has been working for the Recreation & Senior Services Department for four and a half years. She brings a lot of experience and the knowledge needed to help run a successful front office.



Aimée Arvidson is our new Natural Resource Interpreter. Aimée earned a degree in environmental policy and has previously worked in local government and for the U.S. Senate. Preserving, restoring and educating the public on the environment is something Aimée is passionate about. With Aimée's passion for environmental conservation as well as acting as a catalyst to get others involved in environmental work, she is the perfect fit for Natural Resources. Come say hello to Aimée as she educates our community and visitors every weekend at the tidepools at Little Corona Beach!

Brian Cordiero started with the City of Newport Beach three and a half years ago as a Senior Recreation Leader at Newport Coast and will now supervise the building he has grown to know and love. Brian has proven to be a true asset and has helped with the success of the aquatics program. His duties as a supervisor will include serving as a liaison between the school district coaches, overseeing both pools, as well as taking charge of some special events put on by the Department.





Mary Craig has been with the City for six years and has worked in a variety of different positions including the Aquatics front desk, Newport Coast Community Center, and Beachfront Customer Service. She has also helped with coverage at City Hall's front desk, and the Community Youth Center. Mary's extensive background working as a Senior Office Manager in the private industry for 19 years combined with her recreation experience and one of a kind personality makes her a great fit as the Office Assistant at the Newport Coast Community Center!

Jeremy Engle will be making a lateral move to Marina Park. He has been with the Department for over five years working at OASIS. Jeremy is a Cal State Long Beach graduate with a degree in Recreation and Leisure Studies and a certificate in Volunteer/Non-Profit Management. In his free time he enjoys cycling, hiking, cooking, and eating.



Melissa Gleason is being promoted and welcomed at OASIS as the new Assistant Recreation Coordinator responsible for special events, room rentals and part-time staff supervision. Melissa has been with the City for five years in a variety of capacities including as Recreation Leader and Office Assistant. She has assisted with several special events including *Breakfast with Santa* and *Fourth of July is for Families* in addition to handling rental inquiries and helping with a variety of class-related duties. She has a Bachelor of Science in Health Science and a Master of Science in Educational Counseling. Melissa's excellent customer service, positive attitude and well-rounded experience is a great asset for the Department.



Jonathon Harmon was promoted to Recreation Manager in charge of Classes, Aquatics, Newport Coast Community Center, the Community Youth Center, Front Office Operations, After Class Enrichment (A.C.E.) programs at various sites and more! Jonathon started out with the City in 2006 as a Senior Recreation Leader and has worked his way up the ranks holding the positions of Assistant Recreation Coordinator, Recreation Supervisor and now Recreation Manager! Jonathon has improved processes, participation and quality of each area he has worked with. Congratulations Jon!



Zack Jezulin was promoted to Senior Recreation Leader. His duties include overseeing rentals and events at the Civic Center Community Room (CCCR). Zack graduated this summer from Cal State Long Beach with a Bachelor's Degree in Recreation; following the completion of his rigorous, yet enlightening internship within the Department. Zack, who has worked with the City since July of 2014, has worked in youth programs, coached, and assisted with facilities and special events. We are looking forward to bringing Zack and his experience into the exciting and diverse realm of CCCR facility rentals.

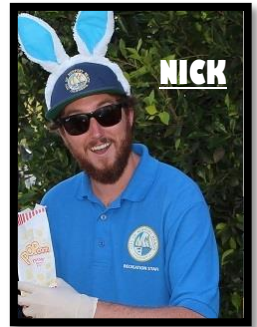
Natasha Khilawan joins the City in her new role as Marketing Specialist. She brings a great talent along with over seven years of experience and a degree in computer science. Natasha was born and raised in Rotterdam—the Netherlands and her hobbies include music production, composing, playing piano and acoustic guitar, building a robot and writing code for engineering mobile application development.





Alyson Luman is receiving a promotion to Senior Recreation Leader at Marina Park. Alyson has been with the department for almost two and a half years, all at OASIS, and worked with the City of Fountain Valley Recreation and Community Services before that. Alyson is majoring in Theory and Practice of Cinema with a focus in editing at Cal State Long Beach. She enjoys snowboarding, cinematography, going to the beach, and the movies.

Nick Locey will be joining the CYC and Contract Class team as Senior Recreation Leader. Nick has been with the City for over two years and has experience in youth programs, facilities, special events, contract classes, and he frequently volunteers to work special events. Nick's go getter attitude, eagerness to learn, and excellent customer service skills will be a great asset to CYC and Contract Classes. In his free time, Nick is a dirt bike riding rock star- he enjoys playing the guitar, camping and carpentry. Congratulations, Nick!



Racquel Valdez, Recreation Manager has been reassigned with her main duties being Marina Park, contract classes, camps and events on the west side of town and Department wide marketing. Racquel has been with the City for ten years and is the right person to lead the charge at Marina Park!

Molly Patience joins the rank of promotees as the Adult & Youth Sports Supervisor overseeing the adult leagues and contracts; youth flag football, the youth track meet, field & court maintenance, field allocations, and field rentals. Molly started on her Newport Beach journey in December 2014 and has over eight years of recreation experience including her time as Sports Coordinator in Los Alamitos.



Danny Rice was promoted back in September as the Marina Park Coordinator and will coordinate facility rentals, Newport El ACE, contract classes on the peninsula and events. Danny has been working with us for nine and a half years. He has worn many hats, he started in Youth Programs and Flag Football, he then moved to CYC to learn contract classes. This past year he gained great experience working at OASIS in facility rentals and special events.

Justin Schmiller was promoted to Recreation Manager overseeing Adult Leagues & contracts, Youth Leagues, Field Allocation, Active Kids, Preschool 101, City camps, Natural Resources and more. Justin began his work with the City four years ago as a part time Assistant Recreation Coordinator running the OASIS Fitness Center. Justin has worked his way up the ranks and is now a valuable member of our management team leading the department!



Jen Schulz is the new Supervisor at Marina Park! Jen will oversee the daily operations of Marina Park, all contract classes on the peninsula, facility rentals, Newport El Ace and Special Events. We were fortunate to have Jen join the Recreation team in September 2012. Jen's excellent customer service skills, adaptability, leadership and skillset will be a great addition to Marina Park.

Melissa Torres was recently promoted to Recreation Coordinator and will oversee the daily operations of CYC, contract classes, and the ACE programs. Melissa started in December 2013 and has a vast knowledge of special event planning and experience working in Active Kids and contract classes. In her free time, Melissa loves to visit Disneyland, go to concerts, and hang with her pet pig, Gordy. Congratulations, Melissa!



Welcome, congrats, and great job to them all!

Fitness Center Deep Clean at OASIS!

The whole staff got together last Friday night to scrub every last detail in the OASIS Fitness Center! From the treadmills to the drinking fountains to every last inch of the free weights; the staff worked diligently to keep the Fitness Center sparkling clean for our members.



Annual OASIS Flu Shot Clinic

On Wednesday, October 14, OASIS hosted its annual flu shot clinic. Over 200 shots were administered in two hours by Hoag Hospital nurses. The clinic is a free service provided by OASIS and Hoag each October to help prevent the flu virus.

Tuesday Night Topics Kicks Off Successfully!

Tuesday, September 29 marked the kickoff of the Tuesday Night Topic lecture series at OASIS where 75 participants joined Randy Case of AFC Tours in a discussion entitled "Secrets of the Seasoned Traveler." Randy gave tips and secrets about the best times to travel, maneuvering travel websites, currency exchange, and much more all with the purpose of sharing how to be a traveler and not a tourist. This lecture marks the start of the TNT lecture series which takes place the last Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. The next lecture is set for Tuesday, October 27 and will cover "The Lure of Entrepreneurship" with SCORE Orange County.

Something to Ponder

"Our work is the presentation of our capabilities." – Edward Gibbon



Things To Do In NEWPORT BEACH:

☐ Fri. 10/23 5:30pm	Movie in the Park "Monsters University" FREE Bayview Park - Off Mesa Dr. near Bay View Park
☐ Sat. 10/24 10am-4pm	Buck Gully Hike - Flora + Fauna FREE OASIS Aux. lot, 5th + Marguerite. (register at www.letsgooutside.com)
☐ 10/26-11/1	Toshiba Classic For more information, visit www.toshibaclassic.com
☐ Mon. 10/26 5:30-7pm	OASIS Self Defense Class \$20/person OASIS-801 Narcissus Ave, (register at newportbeachca.gov/recreation)
☐ Wed. 11/4 1-2pm	Healthy Brain Celebration Lecture FREE OASIS-801 Narcissus Ave, RSVP at 800-400-4624
☐ Sat. 11/7 8-11am	Buck Gully Loop Hike FREE OASIS Aux. lot, 5th + Marguerite. (register at www.letsgooutside.com)
☐ Fri. 11/8 9-11am	Buck Gully Hike - Flora + Fauna FREE OASIS-801 Narcissus Ave, (register at newportbeachca.gov/recreation)



Fall Season is Here!

