



CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH
City Manager's Newsletter

TO: Mayor Muldoon & Council Members

FROM: Dave Kiff, City Manager


DATE: March 10, 2017

Please enjoy the attached newsletters...



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Kimberly Brandt, Community Development Director 

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Date: March 10, 2017

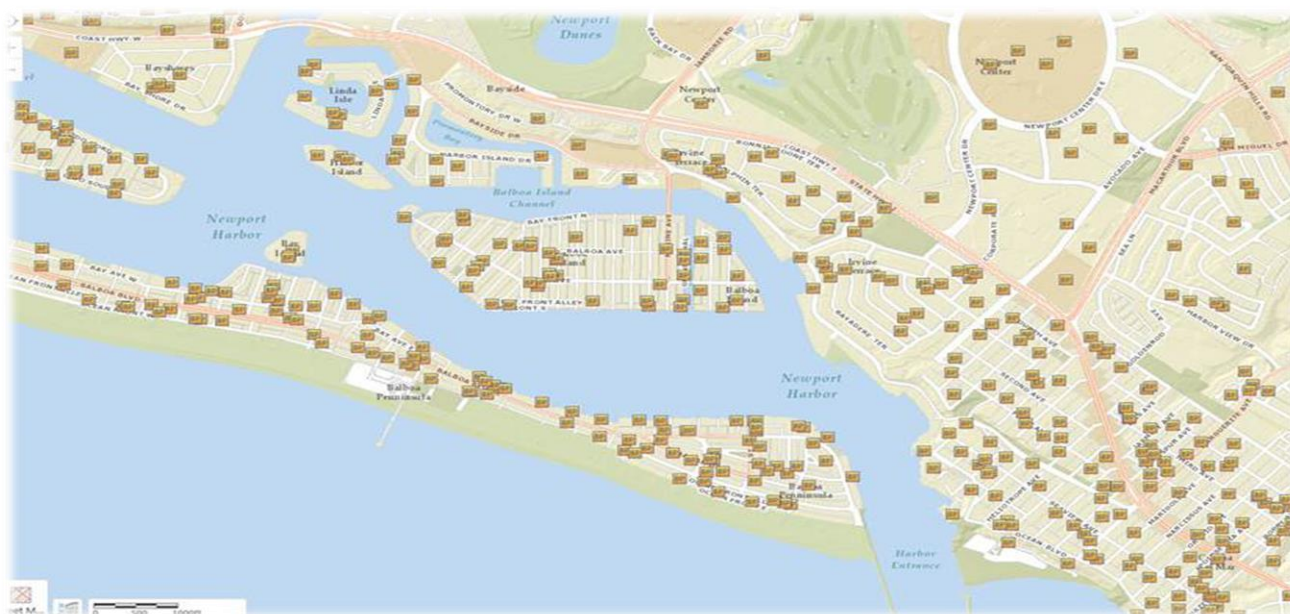
Coastal Commission Approves City's Post Certification Permit Jurisdiction and Appeals Map

On March 8, the Coastal Commission unanimously approved the City's Local Coastal Program Certification Permit and Appeal Jurisdiction Map. This map delineates where the City has Coastal Development Permit authority and where City-issued permits can be appealed to the Coastal Commission. The map also delineates the areas where the Coastal Commission retains permit authority.

The Coastal Commission action is final and we expect to get a notarized copy of the map next week which will be posted on the City's website. Any questions regarding the new map can be directed to Planning Program Manager Patrick Alford at 949-644-3235.

Record Development Activity

Construction throughout the city continues at a strong pace with a record of 2,300 different construction projects taking place at a permit valuation of \$745 million. This is equivalent to \$1.5 billion invested in the community.





COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Free Seminar on Significant Changes to the 2016 California Residential Code



The Building Division hosted a free seminar on the Significant Changes to the 2016 Residential Building Code. Paul Armstrong of CSG Consulting was the guest speaker and provided the overview of the changes to the code. Over 55 members of the public consisting of architects, inspectors, and engineers attended the presentation.

New Additions to **iPERMIT**

In order to better serve the community, we have expanded the types of permits that can be obtained online. The new online permits include: windows and doors (sliding) replacement permits and reroof permits.

For more information, please visit <http://www.newportbeachca.gov/onlinepermitting>.





Date: March 10, 2017
To: Dave Kiff, City Manager
From: Dan Matusiewicz, Finance Director
Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

CSMFO Honors City with 2017 Innovation Award

City of Newport Beach is honored with the 2017 California Society of Municipal Finance Officer's (CSMFO) Innovation Award for the Pension Cash Flow Modeling.

Long-term cash flow modeling is an essential element in making wise financial decisions. For decades, local agencies have focused solely on annual CalPERS rates and have not had the tools to analyze long-term expected cash flows. This obstacle has severely hampered their ability to evaluate more cost effective payment strategies.

The excel-based model enables local government entities to analyze their long-term cash flows associated with their unfunded pension liabilities identifying and quantifying the most efficient payment options.

Since 2013 the CSMFO Innovation Award is given to recognized local governments in finance that implement innovative ideas.



[CSMFO Magazine Article](#)

Moody's Reaffirms City's Rating

Moody's Investors Service reaffirmed the City's AAA rating on Friday, March 3, 2017. This report concludes their most recent periodic credit surveillance of the City. The report is now public and has since been made available to capital market participants. The Moody's report follows their most recent report, upgrading the City's COP/Lease Revenue Obligation from Aa1 to Aa2 October 11, 2016, and their initial Issuer Credit Rating (ICR) of Aaa for the City October 21, 2010.

Fitch and Standard & Poor's had last affirmed the City's ICR of AAA August 1, 2014, and March 3, 2014, respectively. Fitch is currently in the middle of another City credit surveillance and expects to issue an updated report on or about April 5, 2017.

The moody's report is very positive summarizing the City's financial position as follows:

Credit Overview

Newport Beach has an extremely strong credit position, and its Aaa rating is much higher than the US city median of Aa3. The rating reflects a superior socioeconomic profile with an extensive tax base, and a very healthy financial position. It also takes into account a negligible debt liability with a heavy pension burden.

Moody's noted two areas of weakening in our financial position since their last surveillance:

- 1) Lower available fund balance as a percent of Operating Revenues. This is largely due to the spend down of resources to build Marina Park and concerted efforts to use surplus funds to pay down our pension liability.
- 2) Higher Net Pension Liability to Operating Revenues. This is attributable to an increasing pension liability due to mortality improvements and underperforming pension investments.

The complete report is available at the following link www.newportbeachca.gov/bonds - "Moody's Issuer Comment - March 2, 2017"



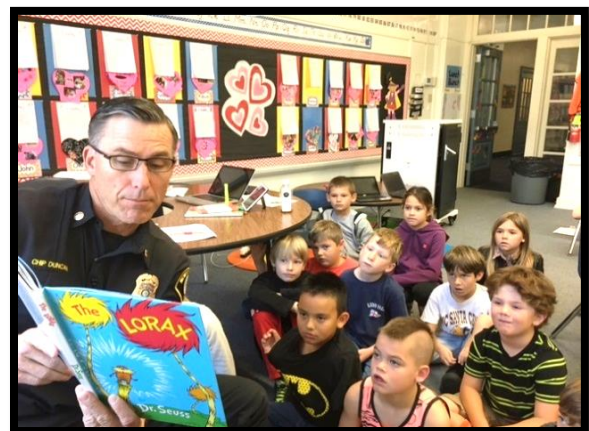
Newport Beach Fire Department Office of the Fire Chief

DATE: March 10, 2017
TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager
FROM: Chip Duncan, Acting Fire Chief
SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

HAPPY BIRTHDAY DR. SEUSS!



We celebrated Dr. Seuss week with the local kids from Newport Elementary. We were asked to participate in reading to the kids from 10 different classes. As luck would have it, the day chosen was an extremely busy day for the fire department. We had a significant amount of training going on, so Acting Fire Chief Duncan, Acting Assistant Chief Jeff Boyles, and Training Battalion Chief Justin Carr volunteered to read to the kids. We thoroughly enjoyed our time with the kids, and they were glad we could get them out of math class for a while!



FIRE OPERATIONS DIVISION

At 11:27 a.m., Friday, February 24, the Newport Beach Fire Department responded to reports of a roof collapse in the 4300 block of Birch Street. Crews arriving on scene found a large awning portion of the roof, which had collapsed onto three cars adjacent to the structure. The roof was under construction due to sagging in the days prior.

Three parked and unoccupied vehicles were damaged by debris. The building's rear-side and a wood fence were also damaged by tumbling rubble.

The building's structural integrity was evaluated by inspectors and deemed safe for inhabitants. The cause of the collapse had not been determined Friday.



On Tuesday, March 7th at 8:56 am the Newport Beach Fire Department was dispatched to a reported structure fire at a first floor apartment unit at 1220 Park Newport. Upon arrival, first in units located a large amount of smoke in the hallway of the four story building and were able to quickly determine the exact location of the fire.

Due to the large number of residential units in the building and the potential life safety threat, a second alarm was called for additional units. While fire personnel were extinguishing the fire they were also able to assist with evacuations for both the occupant of the unit as well as occupants in the surrounding units. Fire personnel were able to completely extinguish the fire and evacuate all impacted occupants by 9:15 am, just 19 minutes after the initial call was received. As a result of the quick actions of the initial responding crews, the fire was contained to the first floor unit of origin thus preventing the fire from spreading throughout the entire four story building.



The origin of the fire was located in the kitchen area of the unit. The cause of the fire and amount of damage are currently under investigation. Over 42 fire personnel were dispatched to the two alarm structure fire, including Newport Beach Battalion 6, Newport Engine 64, Newport Engine 65, Newport Engine 63, Newport Truck 62, Newport Truck 63, Newport Medic 63, Newport Medic 65 and Newport EMS 7. Costa Mesa Fire, Orange County Fire Authority and Newport Beach Police Department also responded to assist with the incident.



FIRE OPS 101

On February 25th, the fire department hosted our second version of FIRE OPS 101 in less than a year. Participants included Councilman Jeff Herdman, City Manager Dave Kiff, Community Development Director Kim Brandt, and Civil Service Board Members Robyn Grant and Sharon Wood. Unlike our CERT program, this is by special invitation only. The intent of the program is to educate our city officials and dignitaries about the fire department. We provide answers to some of the most frequently asked questions such as, "Why do they send a big fire engine, and an ambulance for a sick relative?"



We take the opportunity to show them just how many hands it takes to effectively handle a medical emergency. Participants get hands on experience with auto extrication using the “jaws of life” to remove victims from a compromised vehicle. Next they learn how to navigate a smoky environment and perform a search and rescue mission in our training tower utilizing theatrical smoke. Lastly, they learn about fire behavior and different methods of fire attack with a live fire exercise.

All in all, it's a fun filled day for everyone involved and we truly appreciate the opportunity to share our knowledge and expertise with our city officials. Each participant received their own leather fire helmet with a personalized shield to take home as a commemorative piece. The next FIRE OPS 101 will most likely take place in the late fall, or early 2018.



Special thanks goes out to our participants for taking time out of their busy schedules to join us. As well as Captain Ron Gutierrez and Battalion Chief Nick Stocks and all fire personnel for coordinating the day.

FIRE TRAINING

The fire department has made a commitment in 2017 to train all floor personnel to the basic level of Terrorism Liaison Officer. This is an awareness class designed to help members notice details that may be suspicious when out in public. Because of our special access to peoples' homes, the fire department has a unique opportunity to see things that are hidden from public. The program helps to increase the safety of the community as the more eyes we have watching out for terrorism, the better off we are.

Annual fitness testing through our partnership with Santa Ana College is well under way. Each member of the department has the opportunity to be tested in multiple facets of health such as strength, flexibility, endurance, lung capacity, cardiac stress test, and body composition. In addition to the physical testing, a medical exam is offered as well. Results are shared with each member and their respective physician. This program, which is administered by Captain Mike Liberto, allows each person to track their health over a career. In years past it has caught some life threatening issues for our members who are thriving today because of it.

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT)

CERT Booth at Fletcher Jones Safety Fair

On Saturday, February 25th the Fire Department's CERT booth team participated in a Safety Fair at Fletcher Jones Mercedes. The event was very well attended by both the public and Fletcher Jones staff. The fire department's booth provided disaster preparedness information as well as a practical station on "hands-only" CPR.



CERT Mandatory Recertification Training Class #2

On Tuesday, February 28, the Fire Department held the second CERT mandatory recertification class from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Newport Beach Central Library Friends Room. At the end of 2016, the Fire Department mailed letters to all CERT volunteers that have completed the program since its inception in 1999. The letter informed them that there would be mandatory recertification training starting in 2017. The February 28 class had over 60 CERT volunteers and was the second recertification class of seven being offered throughout 2017. Thus far, over 140 CERT volunteers attended one of the first two recertification classes. The class covered all of the CERT program paperwork, how to contact the CERT program, and reviewed all of the CERT events for 2017. The class concluded with a review of how to control bleeding and how to properly use a tourniquet. The next mandatory recertification class will be held on Wednesday, March 15.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DIVISION



FEBRUARY

Total Dispatches of All Types.....	884
Medical Aid Dispatches.....	645 = 77% of 884
Total Medic Transports to Hospital.....	478

CUSTOMER SATISFACTION SURVEYS

Magnificent Mentions:

"I called 911 last night because my wife wasn't breathing. I'm now calling to tell the Chief your firemen are dang good it's scary and they are dynamite." This is world class and this is why I live in Newport Beach.

"You need a whole new category designating 'Angels in Blue Uniforms' they are all terrific!! family."



CRITICAL INCIDENT STRESS MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CISM)

The Fire Department, in conjunction with Lifeguards and our Police Department, is developing a CISM Program to address the mental well-being of our public safety personnel. One of the components is the implementation of a Peer Support Team within each department. Firefighters, Lifeguards and Peace Officers have been chosen by their peers, passed an interview process and the teams have been chosen. The joint three-day class training starts March 13 on how to be effective Peer Supporters.



PUBLIC HEALTH INFORMATION (PHI)

EMS Division has entered into another groundbreaking pilot program. Twenty of our paramedics attended training and are now able to access patient healthcare records, download medications, allergies and recent diagnosis into our Electronic Patient Care Report system (ePCR). Our ePCR is also going directly into the patient's medical record. We are the **first** Fire/EMS agency in the State to do this and the second Fire/EMS agency in the nation to be accessing a health information network. We will be using the same process a physician or hospital would use when looking up medical records.

MARINE OPERATIONS DIVISION

LIFEGUARD STATS FOR FEBRUARY 2017

ANIMAL CALLS	275
PUBLIC ASSISTS	902
BOAT CALLS	8
ENFORCEMENTS	22
MEDICAL AIDS	24
PREVENTATIVES	245
RESCUES	3
TOTAL NUMBER OF CALLS	1,619
BEACH POPULATION	393,000

On February 18, 2017 at around 5:30 p.m. a citizen called regarding a surfer in distress near Tower 22. Captain George Leeper was shown by a bystander of the two victims clinging to the end of the Newport Pier pilings. Captain Leeper jumped from the pier into the water to assist. The victims' paddle board leashes were wrapped around the pilings. Lifeguard Officer Andy Matsuyama also entered the water from the shore to assist, as well as off-duty Lifeguard Captain Brian O'Rourke. There was a heavy rip current running through the pier. Lifeguards were able to steer the victims carefully through the pier. Thanks to their quick actions and a strong team effort, all three lifeguards and two victims made it safely to shore.

Saturday, March 4, 2017 Newport Lifeguards held tryouts for positions as seasonal lifeguards this summer. There were 90 applicants and 60 competed a 1000-meter swim and a 1000-meter run-swim-run. Chris Carlson started the 1000-meter swim event, and Councilman Brad Avery started the run-swim-run event. The weather cooperated with us with partly cloudy skies and 58-degree water. 31 candidates were asked to participate in the interview process on Monday, March 5, 2017.



JUNIOR LIFEGUARDS

The Junior Lifeguard program is off and running for the 2017 season. What better way to start off the new Junior Lifeguard season than with acknowledging our 2016 Junior Lifeguard of the year, Zoe Ziebarth. Zoe was presented with her Junior Lifeguard of the year award at the Newport Beach City Council meeting by Mayor Kevin Muldoon on Tuesday, February 28, 2017. Throughout the Junior Lifeguard program, Zoe showed great leadership and a strong competitive drive. Zoe's performance at Regionals proved her never-quit spirit and dedication to the success of the team. During a paddleboard event she got caught inside 6 to 8-foot surf, never let go of her board, and finished the race. Aaron Peirsol said it was one of the most inspirational performances he's ever seen!



Lifeguard Captain Brian O'Rourke, Mayor Kevin Muldoon, Zoe Ziebarth, Chief Lifeguard Rob Williams



The first of three swim tests was completed on Sunday, March 5, 2017. The Junior Lifeguard staff and lifeguards worked from 9am until 1pm, without stop, processing and passing 657 potential Junior Lifeguards. The fastest Junior Lifeguard qualified in less than 1 minute. The next two swim test dates are Saturday, March 11 and Sunday, March 19, 2017 at Corona del Mar High school. Keep Swimming!



AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION INSTRUCTION TRAINING CLASSES

On Wednesday, March 8th, Newport Beach lifeguards hosted an American Heart Association Instructor training class for fire department personnel and CERT volunteers. This is the first of two instructor training classes being led by Lifeguard Captain John Moore to expand the fire department's CPR instructor pool for both our professional responders as well as all of the other city employees that need or are interested in CPR training.





HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

DATE: March 10, 2017

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Barbara J. Salvini, Human Resources Director

SUBJECT: News and Updates from Human Resources

NEWPORT BEACH OCEAN LIFEGUARD TRY-OUTS

Human Resources teamed up with the Fire Department on Saturday, March 4, 2017, to proctor the annual Newport Beach Ocean Lifeguard Try-Outs. Fifty-five applicants gathered at the Newport Beach Pier to participate in two events — the 1,000-Meter Ocean Swim and the 1,000-Meter Run-Ocean Swim-Run.

The 31 top-scoring competitors were invited to participate in the next step of the recruitment process, oral interviews, which were held on Monday, March 6. Congrats to the Lifeguard Trainee candidates moving forward to possibly start in the Basic Lifeguard Academy. A special thanks to the Fire Department for working diligently with HR to coordinate and facilitate another successful year of NB Ocean Lifeguard Try-Outs!



Pictured (left to right): Sr. HR Analyst Sarah Rodriguez, HR Specialist Stephanie Godfrey, Council Member Brad Avery, Lifeguard Captain Brian O'Rourke, HR Manager Rebecca Redyk, Assistant Fire Chief Rob Williams, Acting Assistant Fire Chief Jeff Boyles

CYPER-SAFE TRAINING



Another successful training on Cyber-Safe Best Practices was conducted on Tuesday, March 7. The training gave employees tips on how to protect computer data from being hacked and from cyber-attacks, which is a rising trend. Many of the employees attended the training and were very pleased with the information and knowledge received. Remember to keep changing your passwords and to use multiple characters and symbols!

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME – SPRING FORWARD

It's always nice to have extra daylight after work to enjoy the evening and we're about to get another hour as we spring forward into Daylight Saving Time. Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 12. The time change officially takes place at 2 a.m. So don't forget to move your clocks ahead 1-hour Saturday night or Sunday morning!





LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT



Library – Cultural Arts

March 10, 2017

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Tim Hetherington, Library Services Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Library Services

HAPPY BIRTHDAY DR. SEUSS

Schools and libraries around the country celebrated the birthday of Children's literature icon Dr. Seuss last week. Here at the Central Library we had a full-on party with stories and crafts, followed by cupcakes in the Children's Garden for all who attended. The event coincided with "Read Across America Day" which is a nationwide celebration that takes place annually on March 2.



LITERACY NEWS: Ticket sales for the Gift of Literacy Luncheon featuring Lisa See are going strong and Literacy Services expects to be sold out well before the event date of April 21. Bestselling author Lisa See will be introducing her new book, "The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane," and a signed copy of the book is included with the purchase of a luncheon ticket. She has a huge following so we are very pleased that she has chosen this as one of her early events following the new release.

MUSIC AT THE LIBRARY

As part of our mission to be the educational, informational and cultural heart of the City, the library has a long history of hosting musical programs. Last week we had another very well attended Sunday Musicale, featuring two very talented sisters, Esther and Joanna Lee, playing piano and violin. Like most master musicians, the Lee sisters began playing as very young children, which leads to our performance this week. We are very pleased to showcase young talent and inspire future musicians at the library. A Family Concert this Saturday, March 11, will do just that. It features ensembles from the Community Youth Orchestra of Southern California in an hour-long program that the whole family will enjoy. All ages welcome!



MEDIA LAB CLASSES

Library Assistant Sarah Emmerson, who holds a certificate from Boston University's Genealogical Research Program, had a full house in her first of a series of workshops on creating family trees using the library's ancestry and HeritageQuest databases. Waiting lists are growing for this series which will delve into more specific ways to search for ancestor documents in the future workshops. Tuesdays @ 2 and Let's Talk Tech classes also continue to build a following. Next week they will focus on exploring some of the library's other very valuable databases, including Reference USA, Medline.gov and Lynda.com

Cultural Arts Services

PAINTING DONATED BY ARTIST MARK LEYSEN

The City Arts Commission recently accepted a donation of a Mark Leysen's painting, "Shifting Currents" into the City Art Inventory. The painting was a highlight of his recent exhibition at the Central Library and currently hangs on the entry wall in the Central Library Administration Office. Future placement will be determined by the City Arts Commission. Mark Leysen is an acclaimed local artist whose art has been exhibited throughout California and Mexico in various exhibitions, including: the UCLA Hammer Museum, the Laguna Art Museum, Orange County Museum of Art, Museo de Arte in Queretaro, Mexico, and the Los Angeles County Museum of Art and others.



CALL FOR ENTRIES: NEWPORT BEACH ART EXHIBITION

The Call for Entries for the 53rd Annual Newport Beach Art Exhibition opened on March 6 at CallforEntry.org and within an hour we had our first entry. Artists (18 and older) can enter their artwork and upload photos of each piece through the online site. An invitation to participate was sent to all artists that have participated in the last two events. Additionally, an email was sent to a large subscriber list and posted on social media, so the word is out and by all indications this will be a very successful event, with over 150 artists participating.

Dance on the Civic Green

The City Arts Commission is very excited about two upcoming dance performances that will be held outdoors on the Civic Green. The outdoor venue presents a relaxed environment conducive to introducing all ages to different cultural arts events, including music, theatre and dance.

Don Quixote Ballet for Kids

Saturday, March 25, 12-1 p.m.

Join the gallant Don Quixote on his knightly quests across old-world Spain in Festival Ballet Theatre's shortened rendition of this beloved tale. It's an exciting, adventure-packed ballet the whole family will enjoy.

Backhausdance on the Civic Green

Saturday, May 20, 2 p.m.

Backhausdance will present an engaging, athletic and entertaining outdoor performance, specifically created for the Civic Center venue by Artistic Director Jennifer Backhaus. Dance lovers of all ages are invited to dress comfortably and enjoy this unique interactive dance experience.

The City Arts Commission Presents
**THE 53RD ANNUAL
NEWPORT BEACH
ART EXHIBITION**
Saturday, June 17, 2017
Call for Entries



DEADLINE: FRIDAY, MAY 26

Awards Categories

- Painting: Watercolors (includes pencil, ink and charcoal)
- Painting: Oils & Acrylics
- Photography
- 3D Art (includes sculpture & 3D mixed media)
- Juror's Choice
- People's Choice

FOR ARTISTS 18 YEARS AND OLDER
View entry eligibility guidelines at:
www.newportbeachca.gov/culturalarts
or callforentry.org.

**Enter your artwork
at callforentry.org**
Questions?
Call (949) 717-3802

THE CITY ARTS COMMISSION PRESENTS



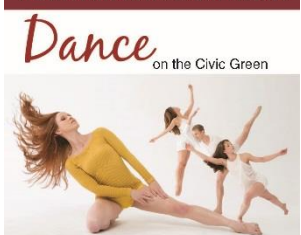
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Bring a picnic and beach chairs and sit on the grass,
outdoors in front of the Central Library.

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Saturday, May 20, 2pm
Outdoors on the Civic Green
100 Civic Center Drive

Backhausdance will present an engaging, athletic and entertaining outdoor performance for the community to enjoy. In addition to two repertory works, this critically-acclaimed Orange County contemporary dance company will introduce a new dance specifically created for the Civic Center venue by Artistic Director Jennifer Backhaus.
Dance lovers from around Orange County are invited to dress comfortably and enjoy this unique interactive dance experience. It's a family afternoon of dance suitable for audiences of all ages.

Funding provided by the City Arts Commission.
Bring a picnic and beach chairs to enjoy the performance
outdoors in front of the Central Library.

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MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

March 10, 2017

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

Chainsaw Safety Training

This week, MOD staff and crew members received hands on training from Great Scott Tree Services and Stihl USA on proper use and safety procedures in operating chainsaws. The information we gained will enhance our response to tree failures and increase safety awareness.



Kudos to the MOD Team

In recent days, MOD has received kudos from residents and property owners on how we do our day-to-day business. We attached some emails:

From: Chandler, Dean
Sent: Wednesday, February 22, 2017 2:17 PM
To: Pekar, Kevin
Cc: Doreen Chandler; Sereno, Dan; Bennett, Brenda; Isaac Ozuna
Subject: RE: Altura Tree's

Hello Kevin, I just wanted to thank you for removing the tree in front of our house. I was able to get the drain pipe repaired which kept my garage from flooding again last weekend. The people who removed the stump were also great and very responsive. Thanks again!

Dean Chandler

From: Steve Dendinger
Sent: Saturday, January 14, 2017 5:33 AM
To: Ramirez, Paul
Subject: Re: Tree Donation

Paul,

I want to thank you and your crew for the installation of the tree & plaque for my wife. I greatly appreciate the professionalism, proficiency and competence that went into the effort. Gabi & I would spend many hours at the Newport Upper bay. We would walk our dogs, watch the birds, and relax in the parks near the bay. You and your crew's efforts have created a beautiful tribute.

Thank You.

Steve Dendinger

A Section from the Canyon Crest Estates HOA NEWSFLASH
March 2017

KUDOS to City of Newport Beach (NB) & Park West

At the request of the HOA to the City of NB, Dan Sereno and his landscaping team installed more plants and trees in the adjacent city yard to obscure our exposure to this site.

Canyon Crest is grateful to Dan Sereno, City Landscape Manager; George Murdoch, City Utilities Director; Kim Pederson, City Crew Chief; Anthony Petrarca, City Park Supervisor; and Park West's Ralph Vasquez & his very hard-working crew. We appreciate our fair City's responsive solutions.

From: Judith Nelson
Sent: Saturday, February 11, 2017 11:48 AM
To: Sereno, Dan
Cc: Pekar, Kevin
Subject: Re: Ficus Trees at 328, 326, and 324 Marigold Avenue, CDM

Hi, Sir:

I've thought of Kevin many times. And, I want to make it perfectly clear that I think he did a fabulous job, regarding me and the above-identified trees.

Kevin was thoughtful, informative, gracious, and timely. He did what I requested, always. For example, I requested of him that the city would treat the ficus trees. This is because I believed they were infested with multiple infestations. It was in no way his fault that the treating company didn't plug the trees, that's for sure. And, nothing related to the trees' treatments was his fault. As to the actual trimming of the trees, there was nothing that he did there to fault him on, either.

If I were to grade Kevin, I would give him an A+. He did a great job for me.

Sincerely,
Judith L. Nelson



NEWPORT BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager
FROM: Jon T. Lewis, Chief of Police
DATE: March 10, 2017
SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

NBPD STAFF AND HONOR GUARD ATTEND TWO MEMORIAL SERVICES

Last week was a difficult time for our extended law enforcement family; there were two memorial services in as many days for officers who lost their lives in the line of duty. Members of our department attended these services to express our respect and solidarity for the agencies, and our heartfelt sadness at the loss of two dedicated public servants. I am proud to say that members of our Honor Guard also participated in both services as a formal and dignified expression of those same sentiments.

Last Friday, a memorial service was held for Whittier Police Department's Officer Keith Boyer, who was shot and killed while responding to a traffic collision. Deputy Chiefs Dennis Birch and Jeff Brouwer, Deputy Director Jonathan Stafford, Lieutenants Jay Short and Rachel Johnson and Officers Nathan Farris and Jeff Perkins joined me in attending this service, along with Officers Chris Kimble, Ricardo Adame and Tony Olivas serving as Honor Guard.

*Images from the memorial service
for Whittier Police Department's
Officer Keith Boyer*



Saturday brought the memorial service for Officer Lucas Chellew of the California Highway Patrol, who died after a traffic collision in an on-duty pursuit. Lieutenant Rachel Johnson and Officer Nathan Farris went to Sacramento to serve as Honor Guard and to represent the men and women of the Newport Beach Police Department for his memorial service.



I would like to thank our employees for ensuring that the families, coworkers and loved ones of Officers Boyer and Chellew know that NBPD stands with them during this time of tragic loss. Both of these men gave their lives while protecting the public, and their sacrifices will not be forgotten.



Images from the memorial service for California Highway Patrol's Officer Lucas Chellew

NOTABLE ARREST



Last Sunday shortly after 10 a.m., an officer patrolling the peninsula noticed a Mercedes drive past him with expired registration and a cracked windshield. He also noted that the vehicle appeared to be driven aimlessly throughout the area. He initiated a traffic stop for the vehicle code violations, and the car pulled over in the parking lot of Marina Park.

Once the Mercedes stopped, a man exited the rear driver's side door and tried to leave the area. Under orders from the officer, he returned to the car, but the occupants refused to comply with the officer's request to keep their hands in the air where they were visible.

Other officers arrived as backup due to the suspicious and evasive actions of the vehicle's occupants. They identified the driver as an unlicensed minor and spotted open containers

of alcohol in the vehicle. A more thorough search of the car yielded methamphetamine pipes, methamphetamine, small bags, a digital scale and a false compartment in the car that appeared to have been used in the past to conceal narcotics.

After a thorough investigation, the juvenile driver was taken into protective custody, and the three passengers of the vehicle were arrested for a list of various charges, including: Possession of a Controlled Substance, Possession of Narcotics Paraphernalia, Transportation of a Controlled Substance with Intent to Sell, Manufacturing a False Compartment in a Vehicle, Possessing an Open Container of Alcohol in a Vehicle and Presenting False ID to a Police Officer. The juvenile driver also had an outstanding warrant.

This case highlights the dedication and observation skills of our officers, as well as the thoroughness of their field investigations. From a simple equipment violation and suspicious behavior, the officers were able to discover evidence that led to four suspects being removed from our streets.

NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

Last Thursday, March 2, Crime Prevention Specialist Andi Querry and Sergeant Corey Wolik addressed a group of residents from Corona del Mar and surrounding areas. An incredible 200 Community members attended the meeting, which was hosted at the OASIS Senior Center. They discussed recent crime trends, home security and Neighborhood Watch.

Attendees also received a Home Security Checklist and were encouraged to evaluate their homes and “harden the target” as needed. If you are interested in evaluating your own home security, or want to forward the information along to a friend, family member or another member of the community, you can download your own Home Security Checklist on our website [here](#).



SANDCASTLE COMPETITION

What happens when the Fire Department, Lifeguards and the NBPD Running Team plan a sandcastle competition? We can't wait to find out!

We hope you will join us at our Community Booth at Marina Park on the morning of Saturday, March 18, before the "Agility Sandcastle Build-Off and Fundraising Event." Once the contest begins, there will be some good-natured (but fierce!) competition—and a few laughs—all in the name of fundraising. Proceeds will support the Ben Carlson Memorial & Scholarship Foundation, as well as the NBPD Running Team in their upcoming Baker to Vegas Relay Race event. More information is available on the Running Team's Facebook event [here](#).





To: Dave Kiff, City Manager
From: David A. Webb, Public Works Director
Date: March 10, 2017

Award Winning Newport Boulevard Widening Project

Each year, the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) Orange County branch hosts an event to recognize outstanding projects in various engineering categories. The recently completed Newport Boulevard Widening Project was selected as the 2017 Outstanding Roadway and Highway Project of the Year. The award banquet was at Celebrations in Costa Mesa and was well-attended by ASCE members, including three staff members from the Public Works Department. It is gratifying to be recognized for all the hard work and dedication that was involved with this project.



SS Catalina...A Little Fun Fact



The SS *Catalina*, also known as *The Great White Steamer* and the U.S. Army FS-99, a 301-foot steamship built in 1924, carried more passengers than any other vessel anywhere. The ship provided passenger service between Los Angeles and Santa Catalina Island from 1924 to 1975, but between August 25, 1942 and April 22, 1946, the ship was used to provide transportation services to more than 800,000 military personnel from the San Francisco Port of Embarkation to departure piers.

The ship is shown here in Newport Harbor in 1978, in front of Lido Marina Village.

Irvine Avenue Update



The plants are going in on Irvine Avenue!

MacArthur Boulevard Construction Nearing Completion

After several challenging weeks of grinding and overlaying the asphalt pavement on MacArthur Boulevard, we are happy to inform everyone that the pavement rehabilitation operation is now complete. Needless to say, this was a difficult project, given the high volume of traffic on this major arterial and the large amount of inclement weather we experienced this winter. Although the most impactful work is now behind us, there are still work items that need to be completed such as pavement striping, utility lid adjustments, and installation of traffic signal detector loops. These minor items should be completed in the next couple of weeks and will only require intermittent lane closures. We want to thank everyone for their continued patience. Hopefully everyone will enjoy the new, smooth and quieter ride for years to come.



Poppy Avenue Update

Poppy Avenue reconstruction is in full swing! The first phase has started and the remaining trees have been removed to make way for new sidewalk, curb and gutter, and new parkway trees. Work on the odd-numbered side of Poppy Avenue will continue through the end of March.



For more information and current schedule visit: www.newportbeachca.gov/poppy

Protect Our Ocean Reminder! Clean Up After Your Pets



It might not seem like a stormwater problem, but animal waste is one of the many seemingly small sources of pollution that can add up to big problems for water quality, and even human health. Animal waste contains two main types of pollutants that harm local waters: nutrients and possible pathogens. When this waste ends up in water bodies, it decomposes, releasing nutrients that cause excessive growth of algae and weeds. This makes the water murky, green, smelly, and even unusable for swimming, boating, or fishing. The pathogens, disease-causing bacteria and viruses, can also make local waters unfishable, and have caused severe illness in humans.

As you can see, animal waste doesn't simply decompose. So, the easiest way to avoid these problems is to clean up after your pet each and every time, and dispose of the waste properly and protect our ocean!



RECREATION & SENIOR SERVICES DEPARTMENT



To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Laura Detweiler, Recreation & Senior Services Director

Date: March 10, 2017



PREPARED, AWARE, AND EQUIPED

The Department, along with Katie Eing from the Police Department, planned a very successful Disaster Preparedness Training for staff. There are many programs and classes being run at different parts of the city throughout the day, and knowing how to behave, and what your priorities are during a disaster can be overwhelming. With this in mind, the training was put into place to teach staff how to not only handle themselves in a stressful situation, but how to properly lead people to safety and shelters.



An important aspect of being prepared is being aware of your responsibilities, your environment and being able to think through practical plans of action. The session, which was half day, began with a test of the call out system, a tour of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and explanation of the City's EOC process. The group was then moved to the Community Room where representatives from Red Cross explained how they run and how we will work together in sheltering the public. Staff was also given the opportunity to view the Red Cross commissary truck and shelter trailer that would be used during a disaster.

In order to know how to help protect the public and each other, staff also learned about Active Shooters. Officer Vlad Andersen gave a meaningful talk which included examples of situations to make it easier to understand. One of the situational scenarios included our after school sites.

Thanks to this training staff can be better prepared, aware and equipped for these stressful situations in order to better serve the community.



SENIOR SCAM LECTURE

Unfortunately, there are many seniors in our community who continue to fall prey to scams in various forms. To bring awareness and hopefully prevent this from happening in the future, OASIS will be hosting a seminar:

DON'T GET SCAMMED!

Wednesday, March 15 in Room 1 @ 1:00 pm

Join Andi Query from NBPD for an informative presentation on SCAMS, what to look for, what to listen for, and how to respond to online inquires. Find out what types of SCAMS we are seeing in Newport Beach and learn how to protect yourself.

CRITICAL HOME REPAIRS FOR INCOME RESTRICTED SENIORS

Staff had the opportunity to share information about our SHARP program with the Fire Department at their morning meetings. Kristen, with the Fire Department, felt it was worthwhile for the fireman who see seniors struggling in the community to have information about a program that could be of help to them. We were very appreciative of this opportunity to spread the word.

The Newport Beach SHARP Program is a collaboration between OASIS and Habitat for Humanity of Orange County. The program aims to help income-restricted seniors in need of critical home repair or modifications due to accessibility needs, safety concerns, health and wellbeing, or citation by Code Enforcement. Eligible participants must meet a list of requirements including but not limited to: a Newport Beach homeowner living in the home in need of repair, age 60 or older, income restricted, and home repair is of critical nature. For additional information including full eligibility requirements, how to qualify and apply, please contact OASIS staff at 949-644-3244 or [click here](#).



PRE-SCHOOLERS CELEBRATE DR. SEUSS' BIRTHDAY

On Thursday, February 23, Marina Park Pre-school celebrated Dr. Seuss' Birthday. Pre-schoolers were invited to come do crafts, read stories, and have some yummy treats. The students all enjoyed their morning and some had such a good time, they enrolled in the pre-school classes for March. For more information about programs and upcoming events at Marina Park please call 949-270-8150.



SPORT AMENITY IMPROVEMENTS

As the rain forecasts clear and youth sport seasons kick off, Recreation Staff worked to make the following improvements in City parks:

- RSS Maintenance Staff replaced, sanded and painted 19 backstop boards at Bob Henry Park
- Infields at Bonita Creek Park, Arroyo, CYC and Coastal Peak were repaired and prepped from heavy weather damage
- Four Bonita Canyon Sports Park baseball field backstops and batting cages were repainted
- New windscreens were installed on tennis court fencing at West Newport Tennis Court
- Three tennis courts at San Joaquin Hills were resurfaced and re-stripped
- Arroyo Park outdoor basketball court was resurfaced and re-stripped



CPRS CONFERENCE

Leslie Hardy gave a wonderful presentation at the CPRS conference in Sacramento this past week. The topic was Senior Health and Wellness, Preparing for the Next Generation. There were 100 people in attendance and the evaluations of her presentation were fantastic. Leslie is our Health and Wellness Supervisor at the OASIS center and has developed many new successful activities and classes since joining the Department in 2010.



MBAC WELCOMES NEWPORT BEACH JUNIOR GUARDS

The Marian Bergeson Aquatic Center opened its doors to be the host site for the Newport Beach Junior Lifeguard tryouts on March 5th, 11th, and 19th. The tryouts always bring hundreds of excited families to the pool deck as they cheer on their Junior Lifeguard through their timed swim test.

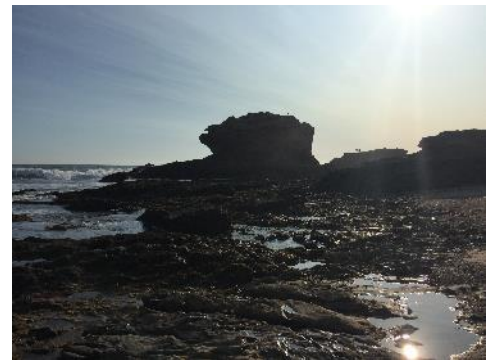
MARINE PROTECTED AREA HIKES (MPA HIKES)

The Natural Resources (NR) staff lead free hikes for the community approximately once a month at the Little Corona tidepools during the lowest tide possible. These hikes are a fun way to spend time with family and friends while receiving a great workout in nature and learning about tidepools. Older kids enjoy the experience of climbing through a “cave-like” opening to move from one small beach to another.




All hikes begin with meeting an NR staff member at the lifeguard tower on the Little Corona beach at the designated time and the group is then led southeast toward Crystal Cove. Hikes are scheduled to begin at the lowest possible tide to enable access around the jutting rock outcroppings that line the approximate mile and a half of coastline stretch from Corona del Mar to Crystal Cove. The low tide also allows for great tidepool viewing along the way. As the hikers proceed, our NR staff member points out interesting biological facts as well as historical information about the area.




If you are a serious tidepooler or photographer you may want to carry binoculars or a camera to preserve some memories from this beautiful trek. Check out the Newport Navigator for the next scheduled hike! We hope to see you out there! (This hike is a mid-level hike and not appropriate for young/small children).



Movie in Marina Park




Friday April 7, 2017
6:30 p.m.

**FREE
POPCORN**

**FREE CANDY
&
ACTIVITIES**

**FOOD FOR
PURCHASE**

Marina Park
1600 W Balboa Blvd, Newport Beach, CA 92663

MOVIE IN MARINA PARK

Save the date, Friday, April 7, Marina Park will be showing “Finding Dory” during Movie In Marina Park. Come out to this fun free community event with family and friends. Enjoy some time outside while playing games, activities and receiving free popcorn and candy. Food will be available for purchase.

- Please bring lawn chairs, blankets or towels to sit on.
- Parking will be free during the event.

For any questions on this event or for more information, please call 949-270-8150.

THINGS TO DO IN
Newport Beach
 RECREATION & SENIOR SERVICES

<input type="checkbox"/>	2/11-3/18 9am-Noon	<i>Citizen Science Academy-Voyager Program</i> For more info on program and cost, email mclemente@newportbeachca.gov
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sat. 3/11 9am-12:30pm	<i>Bridges of Buck Gully Hike</i> Registration required at www.letsgooutside.org
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sat. 3/11 11am-3pm	<i>Saturdays at Lido (Lido Marina Village)</i> For more information visit, www.lidomarinavillage.com/events
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sun. 3/12 6:30-11:30am	<i>NMUSD Spirit Run & Camp Newport Expo</i> For more information, visit www.nmspiritrun.org/expo
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tue. 3/14 6pm	<i>HOAG Lecture: Sinus Solutions</i> OASIS - 801 Narcissus Ave, for more info call 949-644-3244.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wed. 3/15 5pm	<i>OASIS St. Patrick's Day Event \$5/person</i> For more information, call 949-644-3244.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fri. 3/17 9-11am	<i>Buck Gully - Flora and Fauna Hike (OASIS Shuttle) Free</i> Registration required at www.letsgooutside.org .
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sun. 3/26 3pm	<i>Sunday Musicales - Trio Accento Free</i> Central Library - 1000 Avocado Ave, Newport Beach
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fri. 3/31 4pm	<i>Youth Track Meet of Champions</i> -in memory of Frank E. Anderson CdM High School, for more info visit www.newportbeachca.gov/sports
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mar. 31- April 30	<i>NTAC presents "How the Other Half Loves"</i> For more information and tickets visit, www.ntaconline.com .
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fri. 4/7 6:30pm	<i>Movie in the Park "Finding Dory" Free</i> Marina Park - 1600 W. Balboa Blvd., Newport Beach
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sat. 4/8 9am	<i>Mayor's Egg Roll Free</i> Civic Center Green -100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach

Something to Ponder
"Never argue with a fool, onlookers may not be able to tell the difference."
 - Mark Twain