

# City Manager's Report

APRIL 8, 2014

## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- ◆ MAYOR'S CHALLENGE
- ◆ HONORING OFFICERS
- ◆ CHAMBER ECONOMIC CONFERENCE
- ◆ GENERAL PLAN UPDATE

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## Hit and Run

On Sunday, April 6 at about 8:25 p.m. the Huntington Beach Police Department responded to the area of Beach Boulevard and Utica Avenue regarding a hit and run traffic collision involving a vehicle and a bicyclist.

Arriving officers located an injured female lying in the roadway. Huntington Beach Fire Department paramedics responded to render aid to the injured bicyclist. The female, Genevieve Ann Hall, 34 years old, a Huntington Beach resident, had major injuries and was transported to UCI Medical Center. Hall arrived at the hospital in critical condition and later died.



Witness were interviewed at the scene and reported the vehicle involved in the collision did not stop after striking the bicyclist. Officers were unable to locate the vehicle in the area. Based on evidence left at the scene, officers believe the suspect vehicle is a white sedan. The vehicle will most likely have damage to the front portion of the vehicle. Based on the preliminary investigation, it appears the white sedan was traveling northbound on Beach Blvd. and collided with the bicyclist who was traveling eastbound on Utica.

The investigation is ongoing and is being conducted by the HBPD Major Incident Reconstruction Team (M.I.R.T). No citations have been issued and no arrests have been made at this time. Anyone with information about this collision is asked to contact Huntington Beach Police Accident Investigator Tai Huynh at 714-536-5670 or Accident Investigator Robert Barr at 714-536-5666. During non-business hours or on weekends, calls should be directed to 714-960-8825. Anyone wishing to remain anonymous should call Crime Stoppers at 1-855-TIP-OCCS (855-847-6227). Tipsters may also contact Crime Stoppers by texting to phone number 274637 (C-R-I-M-E-S) with a cell phone. All text messages should begin with the letters "OCCS."

## PD Honors MADD Deuce Award Officers



At the April 7 City Council meeting, the following officers were honored for the number of DUI arrests they made in 2103:

Officer Tai Huynh	47 DUI arrests
Officer Doug Demetre	44 DUI arrests
Officer Wade Wilson	43 DUI arrests
Officer Roman Altenbach	33 DUI arrests
Officer Maryjo Gamblin	33 DUI arrests
Officer Stephani Williams	26 DUI arrests
Officer Brian Knorr	25 DUI arrests

We thank you for your dedication and service!

# Public Works Department News

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WYLAND  
FOUNDATION

TOYOTA  
Making a Difference

## Join the Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation! We need your vote!

Mayor Harper recently proclaimed Huntington Beach's participation in the National Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation. Mayor Harper is asking residents to make a pledge to conserve water and energy by taking part in the Mayor's Challenge, aimed at reducing water and energy use across the nation. In return, residents from the winning city in each of the five categories has a chance to win a new Toyota Prius Plug-In, water saving fixtures, and hundreds of other prizes.

The Wyland Foundation's Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation, is held every April 1 to 30, in recognition of Earth Month. Mayor Harper is encouraging Huntington Beach residents to conserve water, save energy, and reduce pollution on behalf of Huntington Beach at [www.mywaterpledge.com/national](http://www.mywaterpledge.com/national).

Huntington Beach currently fluctuates between third and fourth place, but we know that Huntington Beach residents take pride in sustainability and together we all can help make Huntington Beach become the nation's top Water Wise City! 2013 was the driest year on record in California and 2014 is the fifth driest year on record so it is especially important to conserve water right now. Please make the pledge to conserve water and energy. Make every drop count! If you have any questions or comments, you can catch the Water Conservation team at Surf City Nights this month. Stop by the water conservation booth to tell us you've taken the pledge and we will give you a free smart phone carrying case.



**Celebrate Earth Day** by volunteering at the City's beach cleanup event! Students will receive community service hours while protecting the environment. The event will be north of the pier on April 12 from 9 a.m. to noon. Bags and gloves will be provided and parking at the 1<sup>st</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Street lots is free until 1 p.m. Bring your friends, family, and classmates and don't forget sun block! See you there.

# Office of Business Development



HUNTINGTON BEACH  
Chamber of Commerce

## April 16 Chamber Conference

### “Huntington Beach Rising – Success through Collaboration”

The 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Chamber of Commerce Economic Conference is scheduled for **April 16, 2014, from 7:30 a.m. to noon** at Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach.

Speakers will include Dr. Stephen D. Christensen, Concordia University School of Business; Lucy Dunn, President & CEO of Orange County Business Council, a City update by Ken Domer and panels on “Making the Connection – Why Commerce in Huntington Beach Matters and Workforce Development – How to Sustain the Rise of Huntington Beach. For additional information contact <http://www.hbchamber.com>

## Hop into Downtown for Spring Holiday Fun!

Downtown will be hopping (pun intended!) when the Easter Bunny springs into town during Surf City Nights on Tuesday, April 8 and Tuesday, April 15 from 5 to 8 p.m. Bring your camera and don't miss a chance to have your picture taken with this furry, fun friend!

The Strand on 5<sup>th</sup> Street will also be offering great spring holiday fun on Thursday, April 17, with free Easter crafts for kids from 3 to 6 p.m. Come for the free crafts and stay to enjoy the Downtown Artwalk from 6 to 9 p.m., featuring a variety of visual and performing artists, live music, food and fun. For more information about these and other Downtown events, please visit [www.hbdowntown.com](http://www.hbdowntown.com).

ORANGE COUNTY'S LARGEST  
WEEKLY STREET FAIR

Surf City  
Nights

STREET FAIR  
FARMERS' MARKET

& CERTIFIED  
FARMERS' MARKET

SurfCityNights.com

**TUESDAY  
APRIL  
8<sup>TH</sup> & 15<sup>TH</sup>**

**5-8PM**  
HB DOWNTOWN

Surf City Nights  
is Hopping with the  
Easter Bunny

Bring Your  
Camera, Take  
A FREE PHOTO  
With the  
Easter Bunny

## Food Distribution

On Friday April 11 from 8:30 to 10 a.m., low-income, Huntington Beach residents can pick-up USDA food commodities: federal-fund purchased food, and donated food at the Michael E. Rodgers Seniors' Center 1706 Orange Avenue. This program is in partnership with Community Action Partnership of Orange County to end hunger and malnutrition. Food distribution is done on the second Friday of each month. To be eligible, recipients must self-certify that their household income is at or below 150 percent of the federal poverty level, and will need to provide proof of residency. There is no age restriction to receive commodities. For more information, please call the Rodgers Seniors Center at 714-536-9387.



## The Egg Paint

On Monday April 14, from 9:30 a.m. to noon, the Michael E. Rodgers Senior Center will host **The Egg Paint** an intergenerational art event. Seniors along with young people from the Goals program (Growth, Opportunities, Athletics, Learning and Service) and any others who wish to join will have the opportunity to paint and decorate large foam eggs in their holiday best. Artist Jack Knight and his helpers will be on hand to assist with any painting questions and aid with any decorating needs. Come on down and get your creative juices flowing to create an egg masterpiece or just get into the spring spirit with some fun painting and decorating with friends. Please call the Rodgers Seniors Center at 714-536-9387 to RSVP for the event.

# Community Services News

## Adult Softball

Registration for the Summer 2014 Adult Softball leagues is now underway. The registration deadline is April 24, 2014.

Senior Men's leagues are offered on Sunday mornings and Thursday nights; Senior Coed leagues are offered on Tuesday nights; Senior Women's leagues are offered on Monday and Thursday

nights; Men's leagues are offered on Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays; Coed leagues are offered on Sunday afternoons and evenings and Wednesday nights. The leagues will start play May 12 and will conclude in late July or early August. Registration packets are available on the City Adult Softball page. For more details or information, please contact the Community Services office at 714-536-5230.



## Huntington Beach Art Center

The community is invited to join us for the gala celebration of Creative Visions, the annual student art exhibition, opening on April 11 from 6 to 8 p.m. The evening will feature performances by students from the HB City School District as well as the exhibition of art created by students from the HB City School District and the HB Union High School District. Included in the exhibition is the Imagination Celebration presentation of the digital media work of students K-12 from throughout Orange County. For additional information please call the Art Center at 714-374-1650.

# Library Services Department

## 5K Walk/Run and Kids Fun Run

Literacy Volunteers will hold their second annual 5K & Kids Fun Run on **Sunday, April 27**. The event will be held in HB Central Park and includes a newly designed course! The day's activities will start at 8:00 a.m. with the 5K Walk/Run, followed by a Kids Fun Run. Early bird registration is just \$30 through April 15; Kids Fun Run entry is \$5.00. Entry fees include a t-shirt for adults and a medal for the kids' fun run. Stay for after-race snacks and festivities, including a book sale for literacy and story time with Librarian Debra Garcia, accompanied on guitar by Kevin Moran.

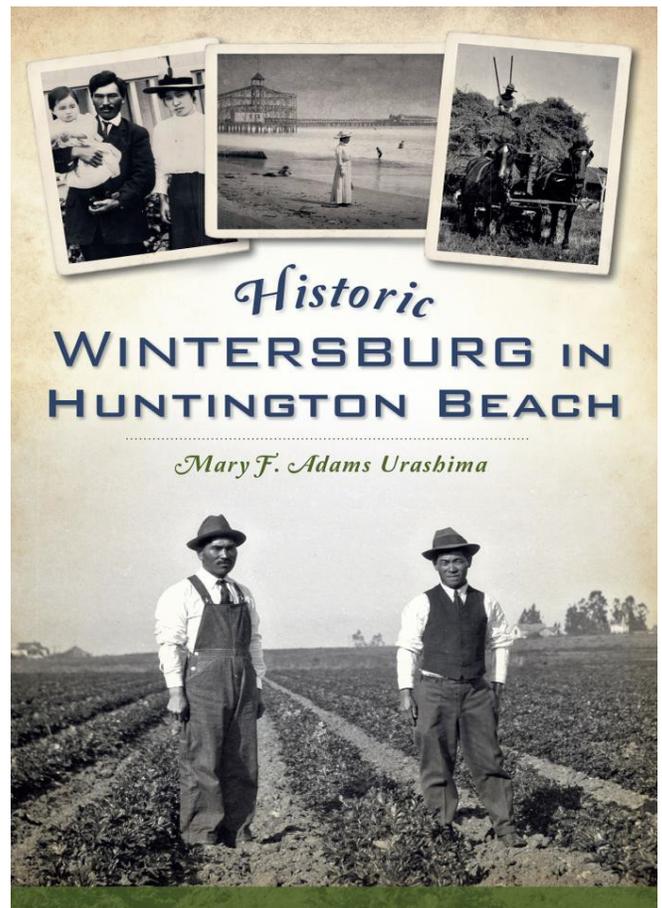
Go to the [5K Walk/Run/Read](#) website and register today at the early-bird registration price! Contact Literacy Services for more information, (714) 375-5102. All proceeds benefit Literacy Services @ the Library.

## Meet the Author of *Historic Wintersburg in Huntington Beach*, Mary Adams Urashima

Wintersburg Village is representative of the Japanese pioneer experience on the West Coast. The history encompasses early aviation, archaeological discoveries, the county's oldest Japanese mission, goldfish farming and the American struggle for civil liberties. Japanese pioneers left an indelible mark on Huntington Beach and on Southern California. Join the author as she uncovers some of Orange County's untold history.

Mary will be discussing her book, *Historic Wintersburg* and signing books at the Huntington Beach Central Library on Saturday, April 19, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Talbert Room.

More information is available at: [www.HistoricWintersburg.blogspot.com](http://www.HistoricWintersburg.blogspot.com)



# Library Services Department

## Spring Programs at the Library

The Children's Library is having two very special events this April, courtesy of the wonderful Friends of the Children's Library. On **April 16**, we will welcome the ever-popular "Wild Wonders" for a live show featuring six different animals from various parts of the world. It's an interactive program so kids may get the chance to pet some of the animals! The show is at 10:30 a.m. in the Tabby Theater and tickets are \$4 per person at the Children's Desk. Space is limited — advanced ticket purchase is highly recommended.

Then, in celebration of Earth Day, we are in for a real treat with "Birdsong and the Eco Wonders." Birdsong is a singer and educator passionate about restoring the earth for future generations. She will join us on **April 22** at 4 p.m. Both of these events take place at the Central Library. [www.wildwonders.org](http://www.wildwonders.org)

For those who visit the library branches, be sure to check out the special display of seasonal books. The librarians have selected both fiction and non-fiction books for children of all ages. For the month of April, it's Easter, bunnies and duckling books. Also, don't forget to look for books on Spring!



# Information Services Department

Did you know the City website contains a page that has popular links to Water and Sewage service information? You can find links to information about our drinking water quality, water conservation program, water rate information, water sources, etc. To find a link to this information, click on the Services navigation tab and then click on the Water and Sewage link.

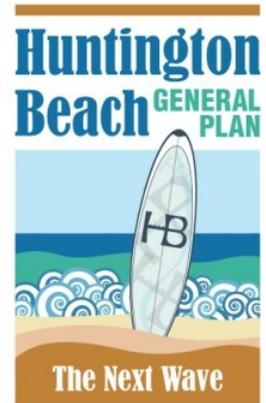
<http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/services/water-sewage.cfm>

# Planning & Building Department

## City's General Plan Update Visioning Workshops a Success!

The City hosted two Visioning Workshops in late March to solicit opinions and ideas for a year 2040 vision for Huntington Beach. Approximately 100 attendees participated in a live polling event and group activities to identify their goals and vision for the community.

City staff will complete the initial visioning outreach with an event at the Easter Egg Hunt and Family Fun Day at the City's Central Sports Complex on April 19 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information on the General Plan Update visit: [www.hbthenextwave.org](http://www.hbthenextwave.org)



# Planning & Building Department

## Design Review Board

On Thursday, April 10, 2014, at 3:30 PM in Room B-8 the following items are scheduled for review by the Design Review Board:

**DESIGN REVIEW NO. 13-023 (TRUEWIND RESIDENTIAL PUBLIC ART)**: To review the design, colors, and materials of a proposed public art element for the Truwind Residential development (formerly Wardlow School site). The project is located at 9191 Pioneer Drive, 92646 (north side of Pioneer Drive, approximately 610 feet east of Magnolia Street. Please contact Jane James, Planning Manager, for more information.

**DESIGN REVIEW NO. 14-003 (METER DATA COLLECTION)**: To review the design, colors, and materials of 34 water meter data collection units to be installed within 300 feet of residential areas located on City-owned sites. The project is city wide. Please contact Kristi Rojas, Contract Planner, for more information.

**DESIGN REVIEW NO. 14-002 (U.S. TACO RESTAURANT)**: To review the design, colors, and materials of storefront improvements for a restaurant with an outdoor dining area. The project is located at 150 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 110, 92648 (east side of 5<sup>th</sup> Street, between Pacific Coast Highway and Walnut Avenue - The Strand). Please contact Ethan Edwards, Associate Planner, for more information.

A copy of the agenda is available on the City's website:  
<http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/departments/planning/PJB/dr1/index.cfm>

Please contact the Planning Division at (714) 536-5271, with any questions.

# April 2014

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## Schedule of Events

- ◆ All month— Mayor’s Water Challenge Campaign
- ◆ All month— Distracted Driving Awareness Month Campaign
- ◆ 4/12—Free Rainwater Harvesting Class
- ◆ 4/16— Chamber of Commerce Economic Conference
- ◆ 4/16 — Wild Wonders at the Library
- ◆ 4/22—Earth Day Celebration at the Library
- ◆ 4/26 — Compassionate Day of Community Service
- ◆ 4/27— Library 5K Fun Run
- ◆ 4/27 — Taste of HB

## City Hall Directory

City Attorney	(714) 536-5555
City Clerk	(714) 536-5227
Passports	(714) 536-1612
City Council	(714) 536-5553
City Manager	(714) 536-5202
Community Services	(714) 536-5486
Beach Operations	(714) 536-5281
Office of Business Development	(714) 536-5542
Finance	(714) 536-5630
Business Licenses	(714) 536-5267
Fire Department	(714) 536-5411
Human Resources	(714) 536-5492
Information Services	(714) 536-5515
Library	(714) 842-4481
Planning & Building	(714) 536-5271
Code Enforcement	(714) 375-5155
Police Department	(714) 960-8811
Public Works	(714) 536-5431

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