

**SPECIAL POINTS
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- ◆ SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY
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Senior Center in the Park Groundbreaking Ceremony

Wednesday, November 12 marked the official groundbreaking ceremony for the new Senior Center in the Park. It was a wonderful event with more than 300 seniors, community officials, city staff and dignitaries who all partook in the ceremony.

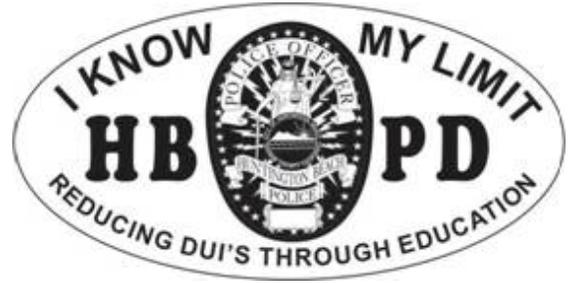
Father Christian Mondor of Saint Simon and Jude Church offered the invocation. Mayor Matthew M. Harper welcomed the crowd and introduced many of the local dignitaries. Huntington Beach Council on Aging President Cathy Meschuk thanked the many contributors to the project, while former Mayor Ralph Bauer spoke on behalf of the community thanking everyone involved for finally being able to make the new center a reality.

With everyone eagerly watching, local officials turned the first dirt with the golden shovels officially marking the start of construction. The construction contract was awarded to Icon West Inc. at the November 17 council meeting. Construction plans to begin in early 2015 with an anticipated opening date of mid-summer/early fall 2016.



Know Your Limit

Last Friday night, Huntington Beach Police Department officers visited several bars as part of our [#KnowYourLimit](#) campaign to reduce DUIs in Huntington Beach. Police officers spoke with customers at the bars who desired to participate in the program. The program allows volunteers to provide a breath test to determine their blood alcohol level, encouraging greater awareness and discussions about alcohol levels with the participants and their friends. Police officers from the Ontario Police Department joined the HBPD officers to learn about the program along with support from Community Service Programs (CSP).



HBPD appreciates all the positive support from everyone who volunteered to participate. This is part of the department's overall DUI strategy of education, prevention and enforcement. Separate from this [#KnowYourLimit](#) last night, police officers arrested two adults on DUI charges. The goal is [#NoDUIinHB](#).

Donate, Donate, Donate!



Join us in supporting the City's adopted 3rd Battalion/1st Marines. Marines from this division will be deploying soon and will be away from their families during the holidays. The Huntington Beach Police Department will collect gently used children's books until Friday, November 21. Marines deploying will be filmed reading these books to their young family members. The books will then be given to the family so the children can read along as they watch the recording of their family member reading the book to them. Books can be donated at the front desk of the Huntington Beach Police Department at 2000 Main St, Huntington Beach, CA.

Please keep in mind all of the men and women serving in the U.S. Armed Forces who will be away from their families during the holidays.

Planning and Building

Zoning Administrator

On Wednesday, November 19, 2014, at 1:30 p.m. in Room B-8 the Zoning Administrator will review the following items:

1. **COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 14-011 (QUIJADA RESIDENCE)**: To permit the demolition of an existing two-story single family dwelling and construction of a two-story single family dwelling with attached garage at 16671 Carousel Lane, 92649 (west side of Carousel Ln. – Huntington Harbour). Please contact Joanna Cortez, Assistant Planner, for more information.
2. **CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 14-027 (HIGH SPIRITS AND CIGARS LIQUOR STORE)**: To permit the establishment of a 2,500 sq. ft. retail store devoted to the sales, display, and storage of alcoholic beverages (more than 10% of the floor area) and other merchandise in an existing shopping center at 6021 Warner Avenue, 92647 (northeast corner of Warner Ave. and Springdale St.). Please contact Tess Nguyen, 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/zal/ZAAgendas.cfm>). Please contact the Planning Division, at (714) 536-5271, with any questions.

Community Services

Please join us for the opening of our next exhibition titled ***Meet the Masters of the Huntington Beach Art League***. The public reception is November 22 , 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. The Members and Patron Preview is 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. The exhibition includes works from over 20 artists who have demonstrated mastery in their chosen media. Several members in the Masters group have gained recognition in regional art circles as well as internationally. Refreshments will be served and a cash bar will be available.

Please call 714.374.1650 for information.

HB Downtown Artwalk Invitational Showcase

HB Artwalk Invitational Showcase is a special event highlighting 50 of the top 150 artists who participated in the Third Thursday Downtown Art Walks from March through October. Held inside the Shorebreak Hotel ballroom, this special FREE event is for artists and public to mix and mingle amongst an eclectic mix of artistic talent. Silent auction and raffle opportunities are part of the evening, along with an awards ceremony, music, and conversations. It's Art Walk without the Walk! Come on down November 20 at 7 p.m. Be sure to come down early or plan to stay afterward to enjoy the outstanding dining and shopping opportunities to be found in the Downtown.

To learn more about the Downtown Artwalk, please visit <http://www.hbdowntown.com/artwalk.html>.



Miracle on Main Street Celebration!

The holidays bring a bright, festive feel to Downtown Huntington Beach. The spirit of the season kicks off this Sunday, November 23 from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. with the annual Miracle on Main Street, brought to you by the Huntington Beach Downtown Business Improvement District. The event starts with entertainment beginning at 2 p.m. with "Tuba Christmas" and the young students from the Orange County Academy of Dance take over the street at 3 p.m.

Performances begin at 4 p.m. with Sunshine Generation, APA's Surf City Singers, and the world-famous All-American Boys Chorus. Santa will arrive at 6 p.m. to help light the Downtown Christmas tree, and plans to stay around for visits with children of all ages for photos and to hear Christmas wishes from children of all ages. Come down for the festivities, hot coco and free treats!

For more information, visit www.hbdowntown.com.

Business Development

Small Business Saturday— November 29

It's certainly not too early to start thinking about fulfilling the wishes of everyone on your holiday gift list. In fact, you may have even started shopping already. But what about your everyday needs? In celebration of the upcoming Small Business Saturday, plan and to find and shop businesses that provide services or carry items you purchase year-round. Make a date to visit them on Saturday, November 29, when other consumers throughout the nation will be doing the same.

If you're not sure who might have what you're looking for, many Huntington Beach businesses have already listed themselves on the Shop Small map at www.shopsmall.com. Other online consumer sites are very effective at helping locate businesses and sharing customer reviews which small businesses rely upon and find very valuable (so if you have a great experience locally, be sure to share!).



Fair Housing Walk—In Counseling

The Fair Housing Foundation, in partnership with the City of Huntington Beach, will provide a free housing counseling walk-in clinic at City Hall on Monday, November 24, located on the Fifth Floor of City Hall. Walk-ins will take place from 10 a.m. to noon. A counselor will be available on a first-come first-served basis to meet individually and discuss tenant/landlord disputes and concerns or to answer questions about Fair Housing laws.

Those with immediate questions or in need of more urgent assistance need not wait until the clinic, as Fair Housing Foundation counselors are available Monday-Friday by calling (800) 446-3247.

Public Works

Thanksgiving Holidays Affect Trash Collection and Street Sweeping

Trash Collection

Trash will be collected per regular schedule Monday, November 24 through Wednesday, November 26. There will be no trash collection on Thanksgiving Day so trash collection on Thursday and Friday will be delayed one day. Residents on Thursday's route should place their trash for collection on Friday. Friday's route will be collected on Saturday.

2014 Thanksgiving Holiday Trash Schedule

Regular Collection Day	Mon 11/24	Tues 11/25	Wed 11/26	Thurs 11/27	Fri 11/28
Holiday Schedule	Unaffected	Unaffected	Unaffected	Fri	Sat

Street Sweeping

Streets will be swept according to the regular sweeping schedule Monday, November 24 through Wednesday, November 26. Street sweeping is cancelled on Thursday, November 27 and Friday, November 28. There is no make-up day for cancelled street sweeping days. Normal sweep schedules and ticketing will resume on Monday, December 1.

If you have questions about the holiday maintenance schedule, please contact the Public Works Maintenance division at 714-960-8861.

2014 Thanksgiving Holiday Street Sweeping Schedule

Mon 11/24	Tues 11/25	Wed 11/26	Thurs 11/27	Fri 11/28
4 th Mon. w/Ticketing	4 th Tue. w/Ticketing	4 th Wed. w/Ticketing	4 th Thu. No Sweep No Tickets	4 th Fri. No Sweep No Tickets

Free California Friendly Landscape Classes:



Does your yard need a makeover? Find out ways to take out your lawn, install California Friendly Plants, and reduce your water usage and maintenance. Why not free up your weekends and help the environment? Rebate programs are available to assist with these costs. Come join us for a few mornings of enlightenment.

This is a three-part series of classes. On **January 24** the topic is landscape design. There are many reasons to consider a shift in landscaping practices, from water intensive lawns often requiring pesticides and synthetic fertilizers, to beautiful and beneficial plants well adapted to our lovely Mediterranean coastal climate.

Then, on **February 14**, the topics are soils, fertilizers, and plants. By drawing on rich California native drought tolerant plant life, we can design and create enchanting gardens that are multi-functional, supportive of the region's biodiversity, and adapted to our climate. Learn about our soils and the proper use of fertilizers to grow healthy plants.

Lastly, on **March 21**, we will discuss irrigation systems, watering and garden maintenance. Learn about the different types of irrigation systems: where each should be used, how they are installed and maintained, and general garden maintenance. Classes are held from 9 a.m. to noon, at the Huntington Beach Utilities Yard located at: **19001 Huntington St., Huntington Beach.**

Register at www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/hbwater/workshop-events or call (714) 536-5921.



Public Works

Free Rainwater Harvesting Class on Saturday, December 6— \$10 Rain Barrels

Huntington Beach Water Conservation is offering another free Rainwater Harvesting Class. Rain barrels are available for \$85, with a \$75 rebate from the Municipal Water District of Orange County, that brings your final cost to just \$10 each! You can purchase up to four (4) barrels per household for the rebate. Purchases must be made in advance by December 3 at www.RainBarrelsIntl.com. A rain barrel hold 58 gallons of water that can be captured and put to use in your garden instead of creating urban runoff. Did you know that you can capture 600 gallons of water from a 1,000 sq. ft roof during a one-inch rainfall?

Join us at the free Rainwater Harvesting class on December 6 from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. followed by the distribution of the rain barrels from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. We'll be discussing the installation and maintenance of the barrels. We are located at 19001 Huntington Street at the southwest corner of Huntington Street and Garfield Avenue.

Sign up for the class by registering at www.RainBarrelsIntl.com. Also, please check the City's website at www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/hbwater/workshop-events/ for upcoming classes and Water Conservation rebate offers.



“The Torus Stone”

According to Webster’s Dictionary, *torus* is defined as “a doughnut-shaped surface generated by a circle rotated about an axis in its plane that does not intersect the circle.” The artifact currently on display at the Library resembles this doughnut shape but is made of polished-beveled stone and dates back to the Milling Stone Period 6- 8,000 years ago. It was found in the mid-1990s by Huntington Beach residents Dick White and Al Campbell on the Bolsa Chica Mesa at the old US Military bunker location during the bunker demolition. Al Campbell, a mathematician who measured the stone many times to assess the reliability and validity of the measurements, called it the “Torus Stone” because its construction is the near perfect result of mathematical analysis. The mathematics underlying its construction is as advanced as the mathematical underpinning of the construction of the Egyptian Pyramids and other ancient monuments. Torus Stones are circular, magic-ritual objects that were masterfully measured and crafted, and found in shaman bundles and in burials of the California Native Americans.



The Torus Stone was donated to the City and the Library, so that it could go on display and give Huntington Beach residents a chance to learn more about the history of their community. With the assistance of the Bolsa Chica Land Trust, the Huntington Beach Public Library is proud to, once again, have this beautiful Torus Stone on display in the lobby of the Central Library. Come by and visit this important piece of our history.

Special Delivery from Santa at the Library



Won't your kids or grandkids be thrilled when Santa stops by your house to deliver this adorable bear and complete collection of Winnie-the Pooh stories? Buy your raffle tickets now in the Children’s Room at the Huntington Beach Central Library for your chance to win this amazing package.

Tickets are \$3 each, 2 for \$5 or 5 for \$10. The winning ticket will be drawn on Friday, December 19 at 3 p.m. Santa’s visit will be Monday, December 22, and the recipient must live within 15 miles of the library.

This raffle is sponsored by the Friends of the Children’s Library and all proceeds benefit the Children’s Library. Winner need not be present to win.

Thanksgiving Safety

The kitchen is the heart of the home, especially at Thanksgiving. Kids love to be involved in holiday preparations. Safety in the kitchen is important, especially on Thanksgiving Day when there is a lot of activity and people at home.

- » Stay in the kitchen when you are cooking on the stovetop so you can keep an eye on the food.
- » Stay in the home when cooking your turkey and check on it frequently.
- » Keep children away from the stove. The stove will be hot and kids should stay 3 feet away.
- » Make sure kids stay away from hot food and liquids. The steam or splash from vegetables, gravy or coffee could cause serious burns.
- » Keep the floor clear so you don't trip over kids, toys, pocketbooks or bags.
- » Keep knives out of the reach of children.
- » Be sure electric cords from an electric knife, coffee maker, plate warmer or mixer are not dangling off the counter within easy reach of a child.
- » Keep matches and utility lighters out of the reach of children — up high in a locked cabinet.
- » Never leave children alone in room with a lit candle.
- » Make sure your smoke alarms are working. Test them by pushing the test button.

Did you know?



Thanksgiving is the leading day of the year for home fires involving cooking equipment.

Have activities that keep kids out of the kitchen during this busy time. Games, puzzles or books can keep them busy. Kids can get involved in Thanksgiving preparations with recipes that can be done outside the kitchen.



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Greetings from Anjo, Japan!

This week, Mayor Harper and his wife Elizabeth have been visiting Huntington Beach' Sister City, Anjo, Japan. They sent a message giving updates and accompanying their update were some wonderful photos showcasing the original documents that established this Sister City Agreement in 1982 signed by then-Mayor Bob Mandic and then-Mayor Pro Tempore Don MacAllister.

We are pleased that Mayor Harper and his wife are having such a wonderful time and wish them safe travels!



Information Service

City of Huntington Beach Web Surfing Tips

Did you know the City website has a very large selection of streaming videos? You can watch a variety of videos such as HBTv3 Live, archived videos of Surf City Highlights, Cityworks, City Attractions, City Events and videos about the City departments. You can find a link to this page from the City site homepage or under the Residents navigation tab.

<http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/videos>

City Hall Directory

City Attorney	(714) 536-5555
City Clerk	(714) 536-5227
Passports	(714) 536-1600
City Council	(714) 536-5553
City Manager	(714) 536-5202
Community Services	(714) 536-5486
Beach Operations	(714) 536-5281
Business Development	(714) 536-5542
Finance Department	(714) 536-5630
Business Licenses	(714) 536-5267
Fire Department	(714) 536-5411
Human Resources	(714) 536-5492
Information Services	(714) 536-5515
Library Services	(714) 842-4481
Planning & Building	(714) 536-5271
Code Enforcement	(714) 375-5155
Police Department	(714) 960-8811
Public Works	(714) 536-5431
Graffiti Removal	(714) 960-8861



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