

NEWPORT BEACH

Recreation & Senior Services Department Monthly Activities Report

To: PB&R Commission

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Newport Balboa Rotary Youth Track Meet Recognition Dinner

On Friday, April 26, athletes from Newport Beach and the surrounding areas joined us at Newport Harbor High School for the Youth Track Meet of Champions. At this annual event, kids between the ages of 6 and 15 years old compete in multiple track and field events such as the 50m dash, 200m run, and the long jump among other events. A few outstanding athletes who represent Newport Beach were recognized for their accomplishments at the Newport-Balboa Rotary Recognition dinner. At this dinner in honor of Frank E. Anderson, one boy and one girl from each division is presented the coveted Okazaki Friendship Medal for their celebrated achievements at the track meet.



Record Broken at the Youth Track Meet of Champions

At the Youth Track Meet of Champions Milo Cid from Newport Heights Elementary School broke a record. Milo was in the Division 2011 (children 8 years & younger) and broke the long jump record which had been in place since 2003! The old record was a distance of 10 feet 2 inches and his jump was recorded at a distance of 10 feet 6 inches. Something extra special for the Cid family is that Milo now joins his mother Jaycee, who has held a record in Softball Toss since 1995.



Outdoor Basketball Hoop Improvements

Just in time for all the summer activities, a much-needed replacement of the basketball backboards & rims occurred at Channel Place, Mariners, and West Newport Park. Staff monitors the condition of the basketball court equipment and replaces them on an as needed basis.





Improvements to Playground Surfacing

RSS staff attended a Playground Surfacing Symposium in El Segundo to learn how to assess and plan for maintenance needs and make repairs to rubberized surfacing. Commonly referred to as "pour in place", all 32 playgrounds in Newport Beach are equipped with the unitary surface to enhance safety and provide ADA accessibility to the play structure. Repairs to the surfacing are being made this month at Cliff Drive Park, Eastbluff Park and Channel Place Park.

Pictured: Maintenance Worker, Eric Foley; Recreation Supervisor Brason Alexander; Recreation Coordinator Amanda Mahaffey at Training



Another Successful Field Trip Season for Natural Resources

This year, Natural Resources staff ran 15 field trips at the Little Corona tide pools, educating more than 800 students, teachers, and chaperones about our Marine Protected Area. The field trips are offered year round at \$69 per class of 30 students, with February through June seeing the most field trips. Field trips are only offered on low tides during school hours, so a limited number of programs are possible annually. Many of our schools are repeat visitors, with some teachers coming for over ten years in a row! The field trip begins at Big Corona, where we discuss beach ecology, marine protected areas, and beach safety. We then walk students down the beach to Little Corona, where they explore the tide pools with our staff to see the amazing intertidal ecosystem we have right here in Newport Beach.



Pictured: Natural Resource Interpreter Gary Serbeniuk prepares students from Fountain Valley for their hike to the tide pools.

BUCK GULLY AND IRVINE RANCH CONSERVANCY VOLUNTEERS RECOGNIZED

Irvine Ranch Conservancy, the contracted land manager for Buck Gully open space, hosted their annual Volunteer and Partner Celebration Dinner on Friday May 17. Nestled against the hills of Limestone Canyon Regional Park, RSS staff enjoyed dinner and recognition of the programming, education, restoration and trail work done by over 600 volunteers in 400,000 acres of open space throughout Orange County, including Buck Gully.



Movie at Marina Park

A little wind didn't stop staff from pulling off a wonderful event. Who knew that the weather would be cold at end of May? Fortunately, this didn't stop families from attending the screening of Incredibles 2 at Marina Park on Friday, May 17. The community was truly appreciative and enjoyed some fun activities.

During the event, Lighthouse Café served hot chocolate and goodies. The kids were able to create/color their own super hero mask or bandana. There was also a raffle of Incredibles 2 DVDs that were generously donated by PB&R Commissioner Heather Ignatin.

A special Thank You to the whole Marina Park crew for planning a successful event along with the staff at Newport Coast for lending their expertise with the MIP equipment.





OASIS Activities

TNT Lecture: "The Hidden History of Orange County" Presented by Chris Epting, author/journalist/tv host Tuesday, June 4, 6pm, OASIS Event Center, FREE

Award winning journalist and author of 30 books on travel, history and pop culture, Chris Epting will tell little known stories about Orange County - From Elvis to Disney to Babe Ruth and beyond. It's a look at some weird, wonderful, off the beaten track landmarks throughout the OC, with lots of trivia and fun stories culled in part from the author's series of popular books on Orange County history (which will be available for signing at the event)

Behind the Classics: "12 Angry Men"

Wednesday, June 12, 2:30-5pm, Event Center, FREE

Presented by: Theo Siegel, writer, researcher and television professional

We will show the movie "12 Angry Men" in its entirety preceded by a 30-minute informative discussion about the film, its origins, script, casting, production, audience reaction, box office sales, and its legacy.

U.S. Constitutional Law-Preview Lecture Thursday, June 27, 5pm, Room 1, FREE Led by Joshua Stone, MPP In this special preview lecture, Joshua Stone, MPP will give a teaser of his upcoming eight-week collegiate level course that explores United States Constitutional Law. The course will explore some of America's most significant legal and judicial challenges, and the resulting transformations that impact our world today. For information on the eight-week course that will follow this lecture, see our May newsletter.

Lecture: Hoag Medical Lecture: "Meditation for Health & Happiness"

Wednesday, June 5, 1-2pm, Room 2, FREE

Presented by: Ana Pimentel, RD, LCSW, Hoag Hospital

Mindfulness and meditation techniques have been shown to have great benefits for both our physical and emotional health. Stress and anxiety are often part of life and unescapable, but little moments of relaxation and awareness can give us an extra boost to better manage.

Come learn ways to implement meditation and mindfulness throughout your day to promote better health and more happiness!

Park Patrol

The following patrol checks/public contact numbers reflect the Park Patrol daily calls for service as well as issues discovered during normal patrol activities. Due to the timing of the meeting, these monthly summaries will be two months behind (i.e. in June you will receive April summary). During the month of **April 2019** Park Patrol had the following number of contacts:

1. PATROL CHECKS

- 222 with Youth Sports Groups
- 557 Field related issues/checks
- 36 Park/Picnic/reservation issues/checks
- 200 Community Center issues/checks
- 348 Playground checks
- 94 other

Written Warnings Issued – 2 (for parking violations)

Citations Issued – 9 Total (for parking violations, dog off leash and alcohol and glass on beach)

Facility Use

During the period of March 16 – April 15, 2019 were:

- 33 Picnic/Park Area
- 10 Class Rooms
- 5 Fields
- 25 Gym
- 17 Civic Center Community Room
- 11 CYC Facility
- 15 Marina Park Picnic/Park Area
- 19 Marina Park Event Room

Special Event Permits (SEP)

Total SEP's processed as of May 15, 2019 - 11.

Those events of note for period March 16 – April 15, 2019 were:

- NB Film Fest: April 25-May 2, 2019, Fashion Island/Lido Theater, Attendance: 2500
- OC Marathon: May 5, 2019, Fashion Island, Attendance: 10,000

2. Public Contacts

- 242 Education
- 31 Alcohol
- 88 Dog related

• 27 Marina Park Classrooms

• 21 NCCC Gym

• 40 NCCC Classrooms

• 147 OASIS Classrooms

• 47 OASIS Event Center





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