



City of Highland Weekly Report

January 15, 2010

Looking for a Team to Join? Join the Highland Improvement Team

Volunteer Services

Highland Improvement Team. The Highland Improvement Team (HIT) needs your help! We are currently seeking volunteers to join our team. Our goal is to help beautify the

community of Highland. Our primary focus is to aid homeowners who are 55+ and/or disabled who need assistance in cleaning up the areas outside their home.



This includes yard work, minor repair, painting, landscaping and garage clean out. HIT clean projects take place on the 3rd Saturday of every month unless there is scheduled City event.

Hours volunteers complete with the HIT Team qualify for community service hours with most organizations. This includes volunteer requirements needed for school, work, church and group programs. Certificates are also available upon request from the City's Volunteer Services Department.

The following are upcoming HIT clean ups:

- Saturday, January 16th (Aurantia Park, 29700 Greenspot Rd)
- Saturday, February 20th (Community Park, 27003 Hibiscus)
- Saturday, March 20th (Historic District, Main and Palm)

Each clean up will take place from 8:00 a.m. to noon. The City provides all equipment, tools and water needed. As a token of appreciation, the City hosts a BBQ at the end of each clean up, for all volunteers involved.

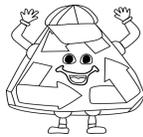
If you would like to sign on for a clean up, join the Highland Improvement Team or recommend your home for a clean up, please contact Denise Garnsey, Volunteer Services Coordinator, at 909-864-6861 extension 203.

Community Development

2010 Census Cautions - This is from the Better Business Bureau. With the U.S. Census process beginning, the Better Business Bureau (BBB) advises people to be cooperative, but cautious, so as not to become a victim of

fraud or identity theft. The first phase of the 2010 U.S. Census is under way as workers have begun verifying the addresses of households across the country. Eventually, more than 140,000 U.S. Census workers will count every person in the United States and will gather information about every person living at each address including name, age, gender, race, and other relevant data. The big question is - how do you tell the difference between a U.S. Census worker and a con artist? BBB offers the following advice:

If a U.S. Census worker knocks on your door, they will have a badge, a handheld device, a Census Bureau canvas bag, and a confidentiality notice. Ask to see their identification and their badge before answering their questions. However, you should never invite anyone you don't know into your home.



Census workers are currently only knocking on doors to verify address information. Do



not give your Social Security number, credit card or banking information to anyone, even if they claim they need it for the U.S. Census. While the Census Bureau might ask for basic financial information, such as a salary range, it will not ask for

Social Security, bank account, or credit card numbers nor will employees solicit donations.

Eventually, Census workers may contact you by telephone, mail, or in person at home. However, **they will not contact you by Email**, so be on the lookout for Email scams impersonating the Census. Never click on a link or open any attachments in an Email that are supposedly from the U.S. Census Bureau.

For more advice on avoiding identity theft and fraud, visit www.bbb.org

It's Getting to be Citrus Harvest Festival Time!!! That's right...it will be here in just three (3) short months and Staff is

excited and is anticipating a great Event!!! The Citrus Harvest Festival will celebrate its Thirteenth Annual Citrus Harvest Festival with March 27, 2010, as the Event Date with a Rain Date of April 3, 2010, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., the sounds of swing music and vision of couples in turn-of-the-century regalia will evoke fond thoughts of historic Highland. Thirteen years of experience, has lead to many refinements in the Festival's events and logistics. The Event will be held in the Highland Historic District at the intersection of Palm Avenue and Main Street.

Public Services

Repete's Wisdom of the Week - "I didn't know that was recyclable!" item is... **CRAYONS!** A quick cleanout of your arts and crafts drawer or your child's old toy bin is likely to yield a box of crayons, which most of us would toss out without a second thought. But believe it or not, there is a National Crayon Recycle Program operated by Crazy Crayons, LLC.

Background - crazy Crayons and the National CRAYON RECYCLING PROGRAM have been in the crayon recycling business for 16 years!

- In April 1993, the first "drop off bin" was placed in the entry way of a grocery store in Troutdale, Oregon. Now the CRAYON RECYCLE PROGRAM is a national success!
- CRAZY CRAYONS soon become a "cause" involving kids with recycling.
- This "recycling" education, community service program has made it possible to **stop** more than **47,000 pounds** of unwanted crayons from going into **landfills** with the help from schools, organization educators and kids across this country.
- When the shipments of unwanted crayons arrive for recycling, the boxes are taken to a local work center, employing people with developmental disabilities. They do a wonderful job of meticulously sorting the crayons. Then the crayons come back to the Crazy Crayon workshop to be melted down,

strained, sterilized and hand poured into beautiful, functional works of art for kids to enjoy.

- CRAZY CRAYONS are NON-TOXIC, because they go through an extensive sorting process to use ONLY crayons certified with the Federal Government (U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission).

Why Should We Recycle Crayons?

More than 12 Million Crayons are made in the US, EVERY DAY! 100 New Crayons equal about 1 pound, let's do some math.



12 Million Crayons equal about 120,000 pounds.

That's 60 Tons of Crayons made EVERY DAY with petroleum based wax that eventually ends up in our landfills and takes many years to biodegrade, when they don't have to!

With drop-off bins nationwide and a mail-back option, Crazy Crayons makes it simple to recycle all of those unwanted and broken crayons. Also, most schools and community organizations will accept unbroken crayons for use in their art programs. Thank you for your efforts to help the Earth!

For more information on the National Crayon Recycle Program, please visit www.crazycrayons.com or call 1-800-561-0922.

For more information on recycling please contact Public Services Coordinator, Andrea Saavedra at 909-864-8732 ext. 271.

General Information

The 27th Annual Highland Run and Duathlon will be held on Sunday, January 31st, 2010 with a 7:30 a.m. Check In.

The event will start at Arroyo Verde Elementary School and will course through Highland with challenging hills, equestrian acres, palm trees, ranch style homes and views of snow covered mountains. Proceeds from this event will benefit the Highland



YMCA Scholarship Program for youth and families.

You can register on line at www.ymcaeastvalley.org or pick up a registration packet at the Highland Family YMCA located at 7793 Central Avenue, Highland, CA 92346. For further information please call (909) 425-9622.

Public Works

Graffiti Report. During the period of 1/4/10 – 1/14/10, graffiti known to Public Works staff, by the following means, was removed:

Reported to Graffiti Hotline: 14th/Victoria, 27255 Messina, Valaria/17th, Victoria/9th, Rockford n/o Western, Highland Storage, 8190 Olive, Olive/13th, Nona/Cole, 27188 Nona, Clifton/LaPraix, Lowe's on Greenspot, 26986 13th, Jeffrey Court/Central, Osburn/Pacific, 25479 Pacific, 6925 Osburn, 25356 Base Line, Cunningham/Base Line, 7330 Cunningham, 7346 Cunningham, 26922 Hibiscus, 7015 Bradford,

Reported by Staff: Victoria/Sparks; **Routine Observation by P.W:** Central s/o Cypress, Fisher/Central, Sterling n/o Jane to Byron, Pacific/Sterling, Sterling north & south of Fisher, Victoria n/o Base Line (empty lot), Church Ave. n/o Main; Base Line (Mac Springs), Seeley Ct./Base Line, 7201 Central, Reedy/Messina, Cole/Messina, 14th/Olive, Cole/13th, Cole/14th, 14th/Orange, 7th/Del Rosa Ave., 7733 Del Rosa Ave., Del Rosa Ave./Union, Golondrina/9th, Guthrie s/o Base Line, Newbury/Jane, Drummond/Cypress, Flamingo/Bonnie, Eucalyptus/6th, Grape/6th, Drummond/Flamingo, Case/Robinson, Seeley Ct./Base Line, Western/Rockford, 7739 Central, Bell/13th, 13th/Villa, 26912 13th, Pacific/San Francisco, 6456 Emerton, 7722 Church, Pacific to Olive, 7739 Central, 7691 Central, 26628 Pacific, Palm Plaza, 9th/McKinley, 7222 Church, 27291 Main, Bonnie/Golondrina, 7499 McKinley, 26037 and 26063 Base Line, Cypress and Church, Main and Church, 6914 Palm, Fisher and Church, Stratford and Church, Bonita and Stratford.

Mark Your Calendar

Saturday, January 16, 2010

8am to 12 noon - Highland Improvement Team Clean Up, Aurantia Park, 29700 Greenspot Road

Tuesday, January 19, 2010

Planning Commission Meeting - canceled

Monday, January 25, 2010

1:30pm - 6:30pm - Blood Drive
Jerry Lewis Community Center
7793 Central Avenue - Highland



Tuesday, January 26, 2010

6pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Sunday, January 31, 2010

27th Annual Highland Family YMCA Run & Sports Festival, Arroyo Verde Elementary School, 7701 Church Street

Tuesday, February 2, 2010

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Thursday, February 4, 2010

5:00pm - Historic and Cultural Preservation Board Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

5:30pm - Joint Study Session with the Historic and Cultural Preservation Board and the Highland Area Chamber of Commerce in the Upright Conference Room

Tuesday, February 09, 2010

6pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Thursday, February 11, 2010

5pm - Community Trails Committee Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Monday, February 15, 2010

President's Day - City Offices are closed

Tuesday, February 16, 2010

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, February 23, 2010

6pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

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