



# City of Highland Weekly Report

January 25, 2013

## 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Highland Family Run!!! Sunday, January 27, 2013

### Administration



**30<sup>th</sup> Annual Highland Family Run** - This community event takes place rain or shine in the most beautiful surroundings of Highland, with majestic snow covered mountains, orange groves and tall palm trees lining the course.

Don't miss the Carb Loading Dinner on Jan. 26 from 6pm - 8pm at the Highland Family YMCA. There's a \$5 fee, and participants may pick up their race packets at that time.

Date/Time: Sunday, January 27, 2013 at 7:30am

Open $\frac{1}{2}$ Marathon Run	\$40
Open 10K Run	\$30
Open 5K Run	\$30
Kids Fun Run $\frac{1}{4}$ M (7&under) 1M (ages 8-12)	\$15

REGISTRATION (Pre-Registration ends 1/5/13)  
Highland Run Registration Form will be available soon.

Registration is open at [www.active.com](http://www.active.com).  
Enter event I.D. No. 2060388 in the search bar.

PRE-RACE PICK-UP: Available Saturday 1/26/13  
8:00-Noon at the Highland Family YMCA. Final  
Runner Check-in ends at 6:45am race day.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION - The 30th Annual Highland Family YMCA Run will start at Arroyo Verde Elementary School. The course will take you through Highland (Hwy 30, base of Big Bear Mountain), and includes challenging stretches of hills. Scenery includes citrus groves, palm trees, ranch homes, and snow covered mountains.

\*Awards ceremony for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place finishers in each division for  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 5K, and 10K begins at 9:45am. Participation medals will be given to everyone.

Parking - Parking is in residential neighborhood. Please do not park in the shopping center parking lot. Please allow plenty of time for parking.

For more information or to ask about group rates please call (909) 786-1070 and leave a message or email [HighlandYRun@gmail.com](mailto:HighlandYRun@gmail.com). Rob or Lorena will contact you.

All proceeds benefit the Highland Family YMCA scholarship program to youth and their families who would be unable to participate in programs including Activate America which promotes healthy lifestyles and to reduce obesity and diabetes in our children.

For more information contact: The Highland Family YMCA (909) 425-9622 or email [HighlandYRun@gmail.com](mailto:HighlandYRun@gmail.com)

**Bridging our Community on the Road to Recovery Fundraising Event.** You are invited to a Fundraising Event for the Relay for Life Event. At Relay For Life events, communities across the globe come together to honor cancer survivors, remember loved ones lost, and fight back against a disease that has already taken too much. The funds you raise truly make a difference in the fight against cancer - just ask one of the nearly 14 million cancer survivors who will celebrate another birthday this year!



The relay teams camp out overnight and take turns walking or running around a track or path at a local high school, park, or fairground. Relay events are up to 24 hours in length and, because cancer never sleeps, each team is asked to have at least one participant on the track at all times.

You are invited to a fundraising event on Saturday, February 2, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. An In-N-Out lunch will be served on the Boulder Avenue Bridge. Also there will be an auction featuring a opportunity to win the "first" drive across the new bridge, a plane flight with dinner, a hotel stay getaway and more! Tickets are \$20.00 donation and can be purchased at the following locations: Highland Chamber of Commerce, Highland Senior Center, Century 21, Hampton Inn and Suites and Highland Family YMCA. For additional information please contact Penny Lilburn at (909) 890-8040.

#### **What is Emergency Preparedness?**

Emergency preparedness means taking action to be ready for emergencies before they happen. The concept of emergency preparedness encompasses actions aimed at enhancing safety and stability when an emergency occurs, such as an earthquake, hazardous material spill, or wildfire. Think of it as insurance. A person may

have car insurance, homeowners insurance and health insurance. While these are not items that are used every day, they are there for a reason; to provide a safety net and make life easier in the times that they are needed. Emergency preparation is just another form of insurance.

During a disaster or emergency many systems you rely on may not function as well as they normally do. Familiar landmarks, bridges and roads may be altered or closed. Utilities like electricity, water, gas and phone service may be disrupted. In a situation like this, it will be easy for no one.

However, those that have a stocked emergency kit and a well thought out plan ahead of time will have an easier time dealing with the situation compared to those that have taken no time to prepare at all. The time to get prepared is NOW. Remember, a disaster or emergency can happen at any time. In the meantime, check out [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov) for more information on getting prepared today.

## **Engineering**

**Base Line Town Center Beautification Construction Ongoing.** Construction of the project continues however we had a delay this week due to rain the later part of the week. Upcoming work includes pouring concrete for the remainder of the median curbs, and construction of the interior intersection of Base Line at Church Avenue that previously scheduled. The road closure for Church Avenue at Base Line has been revised for Thursday, January 31, 2013 at 8 pm thru Monday, February 4, 2013. Northbound and southbound traffic on Church Avenue at Base Line will be detoured during this closure. However, eastbound and westbound traffic on Base Line will remain open. Reader board signs are posted on Base Line to alert motorists of this road closure.



For additional project information, including a copy of the detour plan for Church Avenue and Base Line, please visit the City website at <http://www.ci.highland.ca.us/Baseline>.

## Volunteer Services

**Highland Blood Drive - January is National Blood Donor Month!** Join us Monday, January 28 at Highland's first Community Blood Drive of the New Year. Last year, we saw a significant increase in the number of people donating blood in our community. Help us keep our blood donations on the rise by inviting family, friends, co-workers and neighbors to donate the "Gift of Life" at the next Highland Blood Drive!



The first blood drive of 2013 is Monday, January 28, 2013 at the Highland Police Station (26985 Baseline) from 1:30pm to 6:30pm. Walk-ins are always welcome! Remember to bring a picture ID and drink plenty of water prior to donation!

Contact Volunteer Services at 909-864-6861 extension 203 or LifeStream (800-879-4484) to find out more about becoming a blood donor or to make an appointment for donation.

**Highland Improvement Team - Volunteers on the Lookout...** There was a large turnout of volunteers at the Highland Improvement Team (HIT) cleanup this past Saturday. Volunteers hauled old, large and bulky items from the residents' yard, weeded the side of the house, trimmed rose bushes, and worked on the slope in the back yard. Work on the slope included tarping the slope and spreading wood chips and gravel.

There were quite a few volunteers working at the home so a few members decided to think outside the box. They decided to remove weeds from the bus stop area on Baseline...just around the corner from our HIT location. The Highland

Improvement Team has the best volunteers around...always on the lookout to improve and beautify their community!

The next Highland Improvement Team cleanup is a residential yard cleanup and landscaping project on Saturday, February 16 from 8am to Noon. Please, come out and help a fellow neighbor. Volunteers sign in the morning of the cleanup, between 7:30am and 8:00am at City Hall (27215 Baseline). Please remember volunteers need to have their own transportation to and from the cleanup site. An adult must accompany volunteers under 18 years old.

# WELCOME

Again...New volunteers are always welcome to join any cleanup project as well as becoming a regular HIT member. For more information, please contact Volunteer Services at 909-864-6861 extension 203.

### Safe Routes to School - some helpful tips...

#### What Side Of The Road Should I Walk On?

- For a road that has sidewalks on both sides of the road, it is acceptable to walk on the sidewalk on either side of the road (facing oncoming traffic or your back to oncoming traffic) because you are separated from the automobiles.
- For a road with a sidewalk only on one side, it is recommended to use the sidewalk for traveling in either direction (with traffic or against traffic). Again, the sidewalk helps separate you from the automobiles.
- If no sidewalks exist on the road, it is recommended to walk facing oncoming traffic on the same side of the road as the oncoming traffic. Also, you should get as far to the side of the road as possible to provide additional space between you and oncoming cars.

- When bicycling, you will want to ride on the right (going in the same direction as automobile traffic).

*\*Information courtesy of Safe Routes, National Center for Safe Routes to School (saferoutesinfo.org)*

**Volunteers Needed** - Volunteers are key to having successful Safe Routes to School programs in our schools. Volunteers are needed to help with flyers, posters, sort papers, serve as corner monitors as well as becoming "Walking School Bus" drivers...just to name a few. Please contact Volunteer Services to be part of the Safe Routes Team at 909-864-6861 extension 203.



## Public Services

**REPETE'S WISDOM OF THE WEEK - Recycling Tip of the Month.** Re-Pete's New Year's resolution for 2013 is to provide one recycling tip each month to help residents become more efficient recyclers and hopefully address some of those unanswered questions about items you just aren't sure how to handle. These tips will also be featured on the City's Facebook page.

**January's Recycling Tip of the Month: Disposable Plates and Cups.** Planning a party this year? Did you know that plastic cups and plates are recyclable and you can compost paper plates? Yes it's true, those red solo cups everyone knows and loves can be recycled in your cart at home. You can also shred the paper plates and put them underneath your mulch, around the base of your plants and flowers. Paper plates break down after several weeks, and help retain moisture and provide nutrients for your plants.

Stay Tuned for the February Recycling Tip of the Month!

## Library News

**Adult Craft turns single use plastic bags into a reusable shopping bag!** Do you have a pile of plastic bags from the grocery store that you keep forgetting to take back and just aren't sure what to do with them now? Then we have just the solution for you! Join the Highland Environmental Education Coalition (HEEC) on Saturday, February 9, 2013 at 10am in the Community Room as we present Creative Craft for Adults, "Recycled Reusable Shopping Bags." Special guest crafter, Eileen Gutierrez, will show participants how to make a reusable shopping bag out of single use plastic bags with a crochet hook or knitting needle. With a little time and creativity you will have your bag done in no time!

This craft program is FREE to participate and all necessary supplies will be provided. Since it takes approximately 100 plastic bags to complete this craft project, patrons are encouraged to bring as many plastic bags as they have available and either a big crochet hook or a size 10 or 17 knitting needle.

For more information, please send HEEC a message on Facebook or email us at [heecinfo@yahoo.com](mailto:heecinfo@yahoo.com).



## Community Development

**Save the Date for the Citrus Harvest Festival!!!!** The City will soon celebrate its 17th Annual Citrus Harvest Festival. The Festival will be held in the Highland Historic District at the intersection of Palm Avenue and Main Street up to Pacific Street.

Join us on Saturday, March 30 from 10:00 am to 3:30 pm. The Historic District will be filled with crafters, delicious food, antique and classic cars. There will fun for everyone including live entertainment, kids' games and rides, a historic home tour, shopping and much more.

For further details, please contact Kim Stater at (909) 864-8732, at Extension 204. You may also visit the City's Website at [www.ci.highland.ca.us](http://www.ci.highland.ca.us) under the Events Section.

## Finance

**Commercial Business License Applications** - There were no new commercial business license applications for the week of 1/21/13 to 1/25/13.

## Mark Your Calendar

### Sunday, January 27, 2013

7:30am - YMCA 30th Annual Highland Family Run, Arroyo Verde Elementary School, 7701 Church Street

### Monday, January 28, 2013

1:30pm to 6:30pm - Blood Drive, Highland Police Station - 26985 Base Line

### Saturday, February 2, 2013

1pm - Bridging our Community on the Road to Recovery Fundraising Event, Boulder Bridge, Highland

### Monday, February 4, 2013

2pm - City Council Study Session for 2013-2014 Work Program, Donahue Council Chambers

### Tuesday, February 5, 2013

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

### Thursday, February 7, 2013

4pm - Community Trails Committee Special Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers  
5pm - Historic and Cultural Preservation Board Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers  
5:30pm - Historic and Cultural Preservation Board Study Session, Upright Conference Room

### Tuesday, February 12, 2013

6pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

### Wednesday, February 13, 2013

3pm - Street Naming Committee Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

### Thursday, February 14, 2013

5pm - Community Trails Committee Regular Meeting is cancelled

### Saturday, February 16, 2013

8am to Noon - Highland Improvement Team Clean Up, Meet at City Hall - 27215 Base Line

### Tuesday, February 19, 2013

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

### Tuesday, February 26, 2013

6pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

### Saturday, March 30, 2013

10am - 3:30pm Citrus Harvest Festival - Save the Date!!! Located at the intersection of Palm Avenue and Main Street

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