



City of Highland Weekly Report

March 20, 2014

Repete's Wisdom of the Week Free Compost - April 5, 2014

Administration



Repete's Wisdom of the Week- Get Your FREE Compost on April 5, 2014. Highland residents this is an opportunity for you to tackle those lawn and garden projects for Spring. The City of Highland Public Services Division and Burrtec Waste Industries, Inc. are teaming up to host one day compost give-a-way. Join us on April 5, 2014 from 8:00am to 12:00 (noon) at Highland City Hall (27215 Base Line) to pick up your FREE compost.



Here is how it works:

- Open to Highland Residents ONLY (proof of residency will be required).
- This is a self-service program. Therefore participants must provide their own shovels and assistance to load their vehicles
- Available on a first come first serve basis
- A tarp is recommended for open bed truck or trailers
- City reserves the right to end the event at any time due to product availability.

Compost can be used as a soil additive in gardens and flower beds to give plants additional nutrients and acts as a natural fertilizer.

Compost helps grow stronger, healthier flowers, plants and vegetables.

For more information on this event please call the Public Services Division at 909-864-8732 ext. 271.

Redland Bicycle Classic is Back! The City of Highland Circuit Race will take place on **Wednesday, April 2nd**, from **8:00 a.m. to 4:00 pm.** and requires that some streets be closed to all but emergency vehicles, local residents and businesses while the races are in progress. This effort is to provide both a safe racing environment for the participants, while causing a minimum of inconvenience to residents. Here is some important race day information:



► Cyclists will be traveling along the race route at various times during the race. **You are encouraged to watch and enjoy the competition.** Spectators may walk along the roadways to see and enjoy all aspects of this exciting event. Spectators may walk along the outside of the course, however, please be sure to stay off the course itself. The riders will be

exceeding 50 MPH at times, and we want to ensure your safety, as well as the safety of the riders. Please feel free to encourage these athletes in their quest to reach the finish line!

►If you anticipate leaving your business or residence during race time, please expect the possibility of a delay until the course is clear of cyclists. At that time *you will be allowed onto the course in the direction of the race and asked to exit the course as soon as possible.* If you have a particular problem while getting to a location, please contact the nearest Race Marshal or law enforcement official.

►If at all possible, please park your vehicle on a street off of the course. This will enable you to quickly exit the area.

►To reduce the inconvenience to motorists, Race Marshals have been placed in various locations throughout the course to assist you in getting around. It is most important that any vehicle departures from a driveway onto the race course be assisted by a Race Marshal.

►*Loose dogs on a bicycle course present a significant threat to cyclists traveling at speeds in excess of 30 miles an hour.* Please insure that your pet is controlled throughout the event. Please alert gardeners and special delivery people of the potential delays that may be encountered along the race course.

► **Road Closures / No Parking Information** For those who live in the vicinity of the course, temporary no parking signs will be posted several days prior to the race. Vehicles must be removed from the course by midnight on Wednesday, April 2nd (eight hours before the race begins). With safety as our top primary concern, the following local street closures will be in place at various times during the event:

6:00am-5:00pm

- Eastbound Baseline Road between Streater Avenue and Church Street will be closed
- Westbound Baseline Road will be reduced to one lane in this location
- Greenspot Road and Highland Avenue are the best alternate routes
- Immanuel Baptist Church access will be via the Streater Avenue driveway only

8:00am-3:00pm

- Jack Rabbit Lane between Church Street and Foxtail Way
- Foxtail Way between Jack Rabbit Lane and Glenheather Drive
- Glenheather Drive between Foxtail Way and Tonner Drive
- Tonner Drive between Glenheather Drive and Orange Street
- Orange Street between Tonner Drive and Sycamore Drive
- Sycamore Drive between Orange Street and Webster Street
- Webster Street between Sycamore Drive and Baseline Street

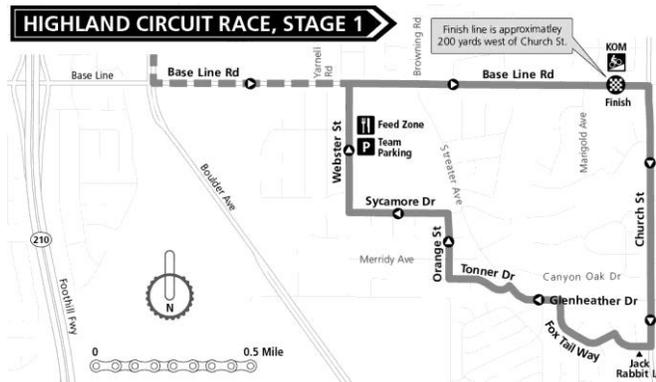
8:05am-2:00pm

- Church Street between Baseline Road and Greenspot Road will be closed in both directions
- Arroyo Verde traffic (including Kindergarten pickup/drop-off) should access the lower parking lot using northbound Church Street from Greenspot Road.
- Church Street will reopen as soon as the race ends to facilitate end-of-school dismissal

Traffic will be impacted in the area of Highland Grove Elementary and Beattie Middle School. Use Orange Street via Greenspot Road and Webster Street via Boulder Avenue to access these schools. As race day approaches,

individual schools will provide detailed instructions through recorded messages.

Please visit www.redlandsclassic.com for a complete list of race schedules, road closures, no parking schedules, volunteer information along with any additional information that you might be interested in. If you have special needs, or are concerned about any aspect of the event, via email at rbchighlandstage@gmail.com or by telephone at (909) 798-0865.



Emergency Preparedness - Family Communications. Your family may not be together when disaster strikes, so plan how you will contact one another. Think about how you will communicate in different situations.

Complete a contact card for each adult family member. Have them keep these cards handy in a wallet, purse or briefcase, etc. Additionally, complete contact cards for each child in your family. Put the cards in their backpacks or book bags.

Check with your children's day care or school. Facilities designed for children should include identification planning as part of their emergency plans.

Family Communication Tips - Identify a contact such as a friend or relative who lives out-of-state for household members to notify they are safe. It may be easier to make a long-distance phone call than to call across town, so an out-of-town

contact may be in a better position to communicate among separated family members.

Be sure every member of your family knows the phone number and has a cell phone, coins or a prepaid phone card to call the emergency contact. If you have a cell phone, program that person(s) as "ICE" (In Case of Emergency) in your phone. If you are in an accident, emergency personnel will often check your ICE listings in order to get a hold of someone you know. Make sure to tell your family and friends that you've listed them as emergency contacts.

Make sure family members know how to use text messaging. Text messages can often get around network disruptions when a phone call might not be able to get through. For more information, please visit www.ready.gov.

Volunteer Services



Blood Drive Committee - Highland will host its second blood drive of the year on Monday, March 24, 2014. Donating blood is a quick and easy process. Blood donation is done in four easy steps, taking only about an hour to complete.

- Step 1: Sign in and health history questionnaire
- Step 2: Free mini physical
- Step 3: Blood donation
- Step 4: Canteen (Refreshments)

The process is pretty simple. Please consider becoming a Highland donor. Highland blood drives are hosted at the Highland Police Station, located at 26985 Base Line Street. Donation times are from 1:30PM to 6:30PM. Please remember to bring a picture ID and drink plenty of water!

Incentives for Highland...You can help Highland increase blood donations! As an added incentive to donate blood, LifeStream will give each donor

at the Highland March blood drive a \$5 Panera Bread gift card!

Should you have any questions or need more information about becoming a new donor or volunteer, please contact Volunteer Services Coordinator, Denise Moreno at 909-864-6861 extension 203.

Highland Improvement Team Historic District Community Cleanup... Join the HIGHLAND IMPROVEMENT TEAM, (HIT) for the Historic District Community Cleanup on Saturday, March 22, 2014 from 8am to Noon. This cleanup is scheduled every year in preparation for the Annual Citrus Harvest Festival. The festival lines many streets in this neighborhood and sprucing up the area before the event



helps maintain a level of cleanliness during the festival and makes cleanup after, a whole lot easier. HIT will help residents in the area by mowing lawns, pulling weeds, picking up litter and hauling away old bulky items in addition to clearing the curb and gutters of weed overgrowth and litter.

Volunteers can begin registering at 7:30am the morning of the cleanup at Community Cross Church - 6695 Palm Avenue.

The City provides all tools and equipment needed for the project. In addition, lunch will be provided following the cleanup for all those volunteering their time.

The HIT Team always welcomes new members and looks forward to seeing you. If you would like to join the HIT or would like more information about the March cleanup event, please contact Denise Moreno, Volunteer Services Coordinator at 909-864-6861, extension 203.

Cleanup Locations Needed... Blight can have an impact on the amount of criminal activity

in a neighborhood. Homes and neighborhoods that are unattended to and not taken care of can attract loitering, vandalism and other crimes. The Highland Improvement Team (HIT) can help decrease crime by keeping our community clean of litter, graffiti and improving the overall appearance of residences.

HIT can be of assistance to you or someone in your neighborhood. We are currently looking for Highland homeowners who need help with yard cleanup, minor landscaping or garage clean out. There are no income eligibility requirements to qualify and there is absolutely no charge to the homeowner. A fabulous team of volunteers completes all work and repair at H.I.T. cleanups.

Here is what is needed to qualify:

- Resident must be 55 years and older (or) disabled
- Eligible resident must live in home

The Highland Improvement Team schedules one cleanup per month. Each cleanup requires enough work to fill the allotted four-hour period, usually from 8am to Noon.

Please contact Denise Moreno, Volunteer Services Coordinator, to see if you qualify or to recommend a resident who may qualify for a residential HIT cleanup. Volunteer Services can be reached at 909-864-6861 extension 203.

Community Development

Public Nuisance Hearing Board (PNHB) Members appointed. On March 11, 2014, the City Council appointed Mr. Wayne Brown as the newest Member of the Public Nuisance Hearing Board with a term expiring in August 2016. Congratulations, Wayne!!!



Engineering

Greenspot Road Bridge Progress -

There has been much accomplished on the Greenspot Road Bridge project in the last month. Topsoil has been removed and stockpiled for use in habitat restoration after completion of the project. Rough grading and roadway excavation to realign the road is well underway. Additionally, excavation and placement of rock to protect the channel slope continues.

Bridge construction is also off to a great start. Footings for bridge abutments 1 and 4 have been excavated, reinforcing steel placed and concrete placed for both footings. This week will see the placement of reinforcing steel and placement of concrete for the back wall of abutment 4. Completion of the back wall for abutment 1 and the excavation, steel and concrete placement for bridge pier footings within the channel are expected to be completed within the next four weeks. The project remains on schedule with completion set for February 2015.

Public Works

Greenspot Road Landscape Maintenance.

The City recently received a grant from the State to install brown recycled rubber mulch. This mulch will reduce long term maintenance and irrigation cost for the City. Public Work staff with the aid of Cal Fire Conservation Camp Program is replacing wood mulch with 1,300 sacks of recycled rubber mulch in two of the City's Landscape Maintenance Districts along Greenspot Road east of Gold Buckle Road. This work began on March 17, 2014. It is anticipated to be completed within one month.

Please check out the improved appearance of these landscape areas, it is very striking. Should the City realize the expected cost savings Staff will pursue getting more grants in the future to

do this work at other locations in City.

Finance

Commercial Business License Applications - There were no new commercial business licenses for the week of 3/17 to 3/21/14.

Mark Your Calendar



Saturday, March 22, 2014

8am to 12 Noon - Highland Improvement Team Cleanup, Community Cross Church

Monday, March 24, 2014

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

Tuesday, March 25, 2014

8:30am - Public Safety Subcommittee Meeting, Upright Conference Room
4:30pm - Finance Subcommittee Meeting, Upright Conference Room
6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Saturday, March 29, 2014

9am to 3pm - Annual Citrus Harvest Festival in the Highland Historic District. Located at the intersection of Palm Avenue and Main Street up to Pacific Street. For further information and Applications, please contact the Highland Area Chamber of Commerce at (909) 864-4073 or the Chamber's Website at the following web address <http://www.highlandchamber.org>

Tuesday, April 1, 2014

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Wednesday, April 2, 2014

8am to 4pm - Highland Circuit Race/Redlands Bicycle Classic, visit www.redlandsclassic.com

Thursday, April 3, 2014

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

Tuesday, April 8, 2014

6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Donahue
Council Chambers

Thursday, April 10, 2014

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

Tuesday, April 15, 2014

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting,
Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, April 22, 2014

6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Donahue
Council Chambers

Saturday, May 3, 2014

8am - 20th Annual Community Trails Day & Ribbon
Cutting Event. The Trails Day Event will take
place at the City of Highland's Natural Parkland
and Trail located at the easterly terminus of
Base Line. In addition, this Event will serve as
the official Ribbon Cutting to mark the
successful completion of the Natural Parkland
Interpretive Trail Project, which has
Interpretative Signage along the Trail sharing
points of interest and facts about local the
environment and local history. After the Ribbon
Cutting Ceremony, you are invited to participate
in the Self-Guided Tour / Trail Route, which is
approximately 1.15 miles in length and follows
unimproved dirt trails. Participants should wear
appropriate clothing and footwear. For more
information, about the Trails Day Event, please
contact Sergio Madera at (909) 864-8732
Extension 259 or drop by the Community Trails
Booth (No. 20) at the Citrus Harvest Festival on
Saturday, May 3rd. You may also visit the City's
Website at www.cityofhighland.org under the
Events Section.

Tuesday, May 6, 2014

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting,
Donahue Council Chambers

Thursday, May 9, 2014

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

Tuesday, May 20, 2014

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting,
Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, March 25, 2014

6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Donahue
Council Chambers

Monday, May 26, 2014

Memorial Day Observance - City Offices are
closed

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