

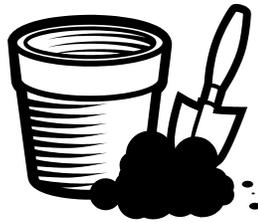


City of Highland Weekly Report

April 4, 2014

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

Public Services



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 a 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 contact Public Services Coordinator, Andrea Saavedra at 909-864-8732 at extension 271.

April 26th is National Prescription Drug Take Back Day. On April 26th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the Highland Police Station and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will give the public its eighth opportunity in three years to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs.

Bring your medications for disposal to the Highland Police Station located at 26985 Base Line Highland, CA 92346. The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked.

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental

poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. Studies show that a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet. In addition, Americans are now advised that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines—flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash—both pose potential safety and health hazards.

For information on how to properly dispose of medications and other materials that could potentially harm the environment, such as cleaning products, paints, fertilizers/pesticides, automotive products like used motor oil and filters, Please contact Public Services Coordinator, Andrea Saavedra at 909-864-8732 at extension 271.

Volunteer Services

Highland Improvement Team - Community Day of Service. The Highland Improvement Team will join other community members at the Community Day Cleanup on Saturday, April 26, 2014. The park cleanup will take place from 8am to Noon.

Several community members, community organizations and churches in Highland will be joining forces to overhaul Highland Community Park. Some of the projects will be painting...lots of painting and extensive work on the baseball fields. Get involved in Highland...come out and join the Highland Improvement Team at this fantastic community project! Contact Volunteer Services for more information at 909-864-6861 extension 203.



Public Safety Appreciation Week...POTLUCK CELEBRATION! Tuesday, April 29, 2014 - Friday, May 2, 2014. The City of Highland will be honoring our Police and Fire Personnel during the City's Annual Public

Safety Appreciation Week. Each day during the week, the City will host a potluck luncheon at one of the stations. The festivities begin on Tuesday at the Highland Police Station, followed by Fire Station #1 on Wednesday, Fire Station #2 on Thursday and Fire Station #3 on Friday. Community members, businesses and organizations are invited to join us at one or all four lunches. Please come out and show your support by contributing a favorite dish to share and by staying to enjoy lunch among Highland's Police and Fire personnel. This is just a small way we can show our gratitude for their commitment to our community...every day.

The DATES and SCHEDULES are as follows:
LUNCH - 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm with Food Prep - 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Tuesday, April 29, 2014 - Highland Police Station - 26985 Base Line - 909-425-9793
Wednesday, April 30, 2014 - Fire Station #1 - 26974 Base Line (west) - 909-862-3031
Thursday, May 1, 2014 - Fire Station #2 - 29507 Base Line (east) - 909-862-1760
Friday, May 2, 2014 - Fire Station #3 - 7649 Sterling Avenue - 909-884-4100

To find out more information, please contact Volunteer Services Coordinator, Denise Moreno at 909-864-6861 extension 203.

Community Development

Planning Commission determination: At its April 1, 2014, Regular Meeting, the Commission Adopted the following Items:

1. Resolution No. 14-006 recommending that the City Council approve the two (2) year Extension of Time (EXT-14-002) for Conditional Use Permit No. 08-002 subject to the Conditions of Approval and Findings of Fact. The Project is for 127 single-family residential lots and three (3) lettered lots located at the southeast corner of the intersection of

Greenspot Road and Orange Street. The Time Extension Application may now proceed forward in the process and will be scheduled for a future City Council Meeting.

2. Resolution No. 14-005 recommending that the City Council Introduce an Ordinance amending Table 16.24.030.A of the Highland Municipal Code to allow Service Stations in the Business Park (BP) Zoning District. The Code Amendment may now proceed forward in the process and will be scheduled for a future City Council Meeting.

Administration

Emergency Preparedness - Earthquakes.

One of the most frightening and destructive phenomena of nature is a severe earthquake and it's terrible after effects. An earthquake is the sudden, rapid shaking of the earth, caused by the breaking and shifting of subterranean rock as it releases strain that has accumulated over a long time.



For hundreds of millions of years, the forces of plate tectonics have shaped the earth, as the huge plates that form the earth's surface slowly move over, under and past each other. Sometimes, the movement is gradual. At other times, the plates are locked together, unable to release accumulated energy. When the accumulated energy grows strong enough, the plates break free. If the earthquake occurs in a populated area, it may cause many deaths and injuries and extensive property damage.

The 2011 East Coast earthquake illustrated the fact that it is impossible to predict when or where an earthquake will occur, so it is important that you and your family are prepared ahead of time.

The following are things you can do to protect yourself, your family and your property in the event of an earthquake.

- To begin preparing, you should build an emergency kit and make a family communication plan
- Fasten shelves securely to walls.
- Place large or heavy objects on lower shelves.
- Store breakable items such as bottled foods, glass, and china in low, closed cabinets with latches.
- Fasten heavy items such as pictures and mirrors securely to walls and away from beds, couches and anywhere people sit.
- Brace overhead light fixtures and top heavy objects.
- Repair defective electrical wiring and leaky gas connections. These are potential fire risks. Get appropriate professional help. Do not work with gas or electrical lines yourself.
- Install flexible pipe fittings to avoid gas or water leaks. Flexible fittings are more resistant to breakage.
- Secure your water heater, refrigerator, furnace and gas appliances by strapping them to the wall studs and bolting to the floor. If recommended by your gas company, have an automatic gas shut-off valve installed that is triggered by strong vibrations.
- Repair any deep cracks in ceilings or foundations. Get expert advice if there are signs of structural defects.
- Be sure the residence is firmly anchored to its foundation.
- Store weed killers, pesticides, and flammable products securely in closed cabinets with latches and on bottom shelves.
- Locate safe spots in each room under a sturdy table or against an inside wall. Reinforce this information by moving to these places during each drill.

- Hold earthquake drills with your family members: Drop, cover and hold on.

For more information about disaster preparedness, please visit www.ready.gov.

Library

It's a month long Earth Day celebration at the Highland Sam J. Racadio Library & Environmental Learning Center!

Weekly Programs:

Tuesdays at 4pm

Crafts and Projects

April 1: Crafty Happy Hoppers

April 8: Going Green Gift Bags

April 15: Recycle for Rainforest Flowers

April 22: Magazine Envelopes

April 29: Up-cycled Journals

Tuesdays 5 to 3:30pm

Discovery Time

April 1: Happy Hoppers: All About Frogs!

April 8: Earthy Magnetism

April 15: Seed Productivity

April 22: A Tall Drink of Water

April 29: Giant Pangea Reptiles

Wednesdays 6:30 to 7:30pm

Master Gardener Workshops

April 2: Companion Planting

April 9: What's Bugging Your Plants?

April 16: Edible Landscaping

April 23: Creative Wildlife Habitats

April 30: Succulents & Cacti

Fridays at 5 to 5:30pm

Animal Ambassadors featuring the following:

April 4: Jeepers Creepers

April 11: Slinkers

April 18: Those Fabulous Furs

April 25: Do You Tweet?

Month Long Recycling Drive: Bring in those empty bottles, aluminum cans and discarded cell phones. The planet will thank you.

DVD & Book Display: Don't forget to check out our special display with Earth Day themed DVDs and books all month long. Book displays feature recommended books for kids from the Earth Day Network.

Main Event - Monday, April 22, 2014 Eco Finale! 4:00pm to 7:00pm

4:00 - 6:00pm Interactive Stations:

- Rainforest Scratchers
- Cloth Pin Chip Clips
- Glitter Face Painting
- Seed Planting
- Garden Stroll & Refreshments (Free popcorn and cotton candy)
- Master Gardeners Q&A Booth
- Andy Ant's in town! Bring your cameras for a photo shoot with Andy Ant or just give a hug!

6:15 - 7:00pm Performer

Wild Life Company: The Mighty Rainforest

Finance

Commercial Business License Applications - There were two new commercial business licenses for the week of 3/31 to 4/04/14. Mendez Signs & Printing located at 25740 Baseline Street and Eddie's Auto Eclectic located at 27437 5th Street.

Mark Your Calendar

Tuesday, April 8, 2014

5:30pm - Finance Subcommittee Meeting, Upright Conference Room

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

Thursday, April 24, 2014

Arbor Day Tree Planting Ceremony - Time and location to be announced

Saturday, April 26, 2014

8am to 1pm - Highland Community Day of Service at Community Park, 27003 Hibiscus Street

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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. You may also visit the City's Website at www.ci.highland.ca.us 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 13, 2014

6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, May 20, 2014

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Monday, May 26, 2014

Memorial Day Observance - City Offices are closed

Tuesday, May 27, 2014

6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, June 3, 2014

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Thursday, June 5, 2014

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

Tuesday, June 10, 2014

6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Thursday, June 12, 2014

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

Tuesday, June 17, 2014

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, June 24, 2014

6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

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