



City of Highland Weekly Report

August 20, 2009

The Highland Library Invites You To a Family Science Exploration

Library News

The Highland Environmental Learning Center invites adults and children of all ages to their Family Science Exploration on **Saturday, August 29, 2009 (10:30 am - 11:30 am)**. The



whole family is needed to help solve a mystery... Who Polluted the Santa Ana River? In honor of Water Quality month the ELC will lead an imaginary journey up the river to discover exactly who is polluting our water. This program will also include a recycled materials craft as patrons show their commitment to keeping our water clean. This program is **FREE** and open to the public. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

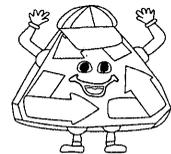
Location: ELC Science Lab at the Highland Sam J Racadio Library & Environmental Learning Center (7863 Central Ave).

The Highland Environmental Learning Center will host a showing of *Rachel Carson's Silent Spring* on **Monday, August 31st at 1 pm**. This movie showing is **FREE!** *Silent Spring* was inspired by Rachel Caron's book *Silent Spring*, a well-known expose of the chemical industry and the harm

chemicals such as DDT can do to the environment. Readings from Rachel Carson are performed by Meryl Streep in the Public Television presentation.

Community Services

REPETE'S WISDOM OF THE WEEK - E-Waste and the Harmful Materials They Contain. Electronic waste accounts for 70 percent of the overall toxic waste currently found in landfills. In addition to valuable metals like aluminum, electronics often contain hazardous materials like mercury. When placed in a landfill, these materials (even in small doses) can contaminate soil as well as drinking water. Here's a breakdown of what toxic materials are found in an average electronic device.



Televisions. Back before there were plasma screen and liquid crystal display (LCD) TVs, we watched our Super Bowls and sitcoms on cathode ray tubes (CRT). While the CRT model effectively provided room for all switches and wires in a box behind the screen, it also stored a great deal of lead.

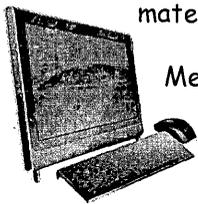
Approximately 20 percent of CRTs are comprised of lead, equivalent to between four and eight pounds per unit. Combine this with the fact that the FCC is requiring all televisions to run a digital signal as of June 12, 2009, and we could be looking at a lot of lead headed for landfills. Even the smallest amounts of lead can be a serious environmental issue.

Cell Phones. While your trusty cell phone may not contain as much toxic material as larger electronic devices like TVs, its shelf life is only about 18 months for the average consumer. With hip new products coming out on a regular basis, it's estimated there are over 500 million used cell phones ready for disposal.

Cell phone coatings are often made of lead, meaning that if these 500 million cell phones are disposed of in landfills, it will result in 312,000 pounds of lead released. However, possibly the most hazardous component of the cell phone is the battery.

Cell phone batteries were originally composed of nickel and cadmium (Ni-Cd batteries). Cadmium is listed as a human carcinogen that causes lung and liver damage. Alternatives contain potentially explosive lithium or toxic lead.

Computers. Lead is present in CRT computer monitors. Also, there are other toxic elements in play when you're recycling that PC or Mac. Many laptops have a small fluorescent lamp in the screen that contains mercury, a toxic material when inhaled or digested.



Mercury is also contained in computer circuit boards, along with lead and cadmium. Circuit boards can also include batteries made of mercury, as well as mercury switches.

In 2005 alone, almost two million tons of e-waste was land filled. While toxic materials comprise only a small amount of this volume, it doesn't take much lead or mercury to contaminate an area's soil or water supply. Keep this in mind when deciding what to do with those old electronic devices.

Code Enforcement



Weekend Update. It is summer, yet Code Enforcement is still out and about. The following action was taken by the Code Compliance Officers:

Shut down five (5) yard sales without a Yard Sale Permit and issued a Notice of Violation at the following locations:

7800 block Golondrina
26400 block of Ninth Street
26300 block of Ninth Street
25400 block of Sixth Street
7800 block of Elm Street

There were six (6) Compliance Inspections for Previous Violations at the following locations:

26300 block of Ninth Street
26000 block of Cypress Street
24900 block of Fifth Street
7800 block Tippecanoe Street
7000 block Bangor Street
29500 block Brightspot

There were two (2) locations with valid Yard Sale Permits at the following locations:

29600 block Lochinvar,
27700 block Timberwood.

RESIDENTIAL RENTAL INSPECTIONS:

There were fourteen (14) Residential Rental Inspections conducted and the following action taken at the following locations:

27000 block of Messina Street: Issued Notice of Violation.
28400 block of Carriage Hill: Issued Notice of Violation.
7000 block of San Francisco: Issued Notice of Violation.
6700 block of Lynwood: Issued Notice of Violation.
7600 block of Griffith Street: Approved.
6600 block Robinson Street: Approved.

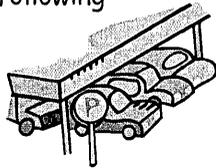
25800 block Base Line: Approved.
 7700 block of Golondrina: Approved.
 7700 block of Merito: Approved.
 7700 block of Ditmar: Approved.
 25100 block of Fifth Street: Approved (2)
 8000 block of Donna Drive: Approved.
 7400 block of Stoney Creek: Approved.

SUBSTANDARD HOUSING / NUISANCE INSPECTIONS: There were three (3) Inspections conducted at the following locations:

7100 block of Central Avenue
 6610 Seine
 6600 block of Robinson Road.

ILLEGAL PARKING: There was one (1) Parking Citation issued at the following location:

Northeast corner of Ninth / McKinley: 1



SHOPPING CARTS PICKED UP: There were three (3) Shopping Carts retrieved at the following locations:

Base Line / Seine: (2) returned to Albertson's.
 Bangor / Thirteenth: (1) returned to Food 4 Less

ILLEGAL SIGNS. There were four (4) illegal Signs removed at the following locations:

Base Line / Seine: (4)

Planning

Applications Submitted. The following Application was submitted to the City for review:

APP 009-005 - Appeal the Planning Commission's denial for upgrading the existing ABC License from Type 20 to Type 21 for M & G Market located at 26710 Fifth Street. Appellant: Ram Singh Mann.

The above referenced Application has to be reviewed by the Planning Staff for completeness prior to proceeding any further in the process. The Application will be scheduled for a future City Council Meeting.

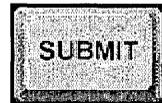
Community Development

Planning Commission determination: At its August 18, 2009, regular Meeting, the Commission considered the following Applications:

1. A Tentative Tract Map Application (TTM-008-002) and a Conditional Use Permit Application (CUP-008-002) to adopt a Planned Development Document and subdivide a 22.92 gross acres parcel of land into 133 detached single-family residential lots with various community amenities. The Project is to be located on the southeast corner Greenspot Road and Orange Street. (APN: 1201-401-01). Representative: Hal Woods, CenterStone Communities, Inc. (Continued from the July 21, 2009, Planning Commission Hearing.)

The Planning Commission continued this Item to the Commission's October 6, 2009, Meeting.

2. CUP-007-008 - The subject Conditional Use Permit Application is for Construction and operation of a thirty thousand seven hundred and seven (30,707) square feet of Retail, Restaurant, Warehousing uses on the Site. The Proposed use of the Site includes two (2) Drive-thru Restaurant Facilities. The Project Site is approximately 3.75 gross acres (163,533 square feet) in size. The proposed Project is located on the southwest corner of the intersection of Boulder Avenue and Greenspot Road (APN: 1201-361-17-0-000) Representative: Bud Thatcher, Thatcher Engineering and Associates, Inc. [Continued from June 16, 2009, and July 21, 2009, Planning Commission Hearings.]



The Planning Commission:

1. Adopted a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring Program and direct Staff to File a Notice of Determination with the San Bernardino County Clerk of the Board; and,
2. Adopted Resolution 09-014 Approving Conditional Use Permit (CUP-007-008), all subject to the recommended Conditions of Approval, as amended, and the Findings of Fact.

The Application may now proceed forward in the process.

3. A Second Submittal by Regency Centers, the Applicant requesting approval of Amendment No. 1 to Conditional Use Permit 007-009 to add a Freeway-oriented Community Business Sign to the previously approved Entitlement for the "Highland Crossroads" commercial Project. The "Highland Crossroads" Project consists of an approximate 8.5-acre Site located on the south side of Greenspot Road approximately 1,300 feet east of the 210 Freeway. Representative: James Dillavou, Senior Manager

The Planning Commission denied Resolution 09-021 for the Amendment No. 1 to CUP 007-009.

4. Toll Brothers is requesting a Revision to the Conditions of Approval for Tract 16914 (SUB 04-001), in particular, deleting Planning Condition No. 11 requiring fifteen percent (15%) of the Units within the Tract be single-story units. Tract 16914 is a sixty (60) Lot Subdivision located on an approximate 54-acre Site on the north side of Oak Creek Channel and east of Plunge Creek at the terminus of San Benito Street. Representative: Brad Hare, Senior Project Manager for Toll Brothers

The Planning Commission denied the Applicant's request of deleting Planning Condition of Approval No. 11 for Tract 16914 eliminating the requirement that fifteen percent (15%) of the Units be single-story units.

5. Determination that the City's Acquisition of Real Property and the Demolition of existing structures therein are consistent with the City's General Plan, or part thereof, in accordance with Government Code Section 65402. The Property locations are as follows: 27159 Base Line (APN: 1192-421-01), and 27169 Base Line (APN: 1192-421-02).

The Planning Commission adopted Resolution No. 09-020 determining the Acquisition and the Demolition of existing structures located at 27159 and 27169 Base Line is consistent with the City's General Plan, or part thereof, in accordance with Government Code Section 65402.

Public Works

What's New in Public Works? The following activities were completed by Public Works Crew between 8/13 - 8/18/09: Routine landscaping/irrigation at City parks and public buildings; maintenance duties at City Hall; repaired irrigation risers/nozzles in orange grove at Aurantia Park; checked USA tickets; replaced light timer in restroom at Community Park; sprayed weeds on Greenspot from "s" turn east, also Greenspot south channel, e/o Weaver to old bridge, Boulder island between Eucalyptus just s/o Greenspot, Red Clover/Cherokee Rose channel, northbound between Church St. & Palomino, and assorted locations; installed bird spikes and loaded trash/ greenwaste at Corporate Yard; picked-up dumped furniture/trash/etc. on west side of City; installed earthquake bracing of file cabinets; picked-up trash at Community Park and library; maintenance of City vehicles; loaded trucks w/supplies for HIT Team; trimmed trees; pressure washed truck bays at Corporate Yard.

F.Y.I.

Graffiti Report. During the period of 8/1 - 8/17/09, graffiti known to Public Works staff, by the following means, was removed: Reported to Graffiti Hotline: Atlantic/La

Praix, 7158 Bangor, 7157 Bangor, 7190 Olive, 7199 Villa, Flamingo/Bonnie, 25519 Pacific, 26770 6th, Riveroak/Church St., Clubview n/o Greenspot, old radio station on Greenspot, Base Line w/o Stoney Creek, Clifton/La Praix, 7487 Elm, Stratford/Orange; **Reported at Counter:** 7275 Boulder; **Reported by Staff:** Community Prk, Corporate Yard, Highland Storage, Stratford/Orange, old library, Palm/Norwood; **Routine Observation by P.W.:** Messina/Cole, Reedy/Messina, Central/Cypress, Central s/o 13th, Clifton/Orange, Boulder at Tutor Time, Boulder/Pacific, Boulder n/o Pacific, Boulder s/o Atlantic, 25490 9th St., 9th/Bonnie, 7085 Palm, Atlantic w/o Boulder to La Praix, 9th e/o Del Rosa Dr., 9th e/o Elmwood, Barnes/Base Line, Base Line e/o Valaria, Boulder (under fwy.) n/o Atlantic, San Manuel Village center median, 27790 Messina, Cunningham/Ward alley, 6th/Cunningham, YMCA, 7739 Central, Lemon/Church, Alta Vista n/o Greenspot, LaPraix/Messina, Seine s/o Messina, Clifton/Orange, Sterling s/o Jane, 25646 Base Line, Mira Vista/Base Line, Del Rosa Dr./9th, 9th St. e/o Del Rosa Ave. to Golondrina, 25979 Base Line, Valaria/Base Line, Victoria/Cypress, 6th/Lankershim, 26590 6th, 6th/Cunningham alley, 27465 Pacific, Boulder at City Creek, Garnet, Cole/Cypress, Spring Meadow/Norwood, Norwood to Church Ave., Carriage Hill, Barnes/Base Line, Reedy/13th, Base Line (Base Line Buggies), 26122 Base Line, Sterling/Jane, Elmwood/Base Line (Church of Yahweh), 8033 Tippecanoe, Tippecanoe/9th, 7th/Del Rosa Ave., 7576 Sterling, Lankershim/9th, 26080 Base Line, 25050 3rd St., Tippecanoe n/o 3rd, Church/Fisher, Church/Pacific, 8099 Tippecanoe, 24927 5th st., 27211 Cypress, Cypress/Lillian, Elm/Base Line (R & R Tires), 7794 Sterling, 7832 Sterling, Norwood/Palm, Main/Palm, Orange/Pacific, 7178-7106-7120-7130-7142 Palm, 6th/Central, Shirley/5th, 8023 Del Rosa Dr., Victoria s/o Union.



Mark Your Calendar



Monday, August 24, 2009

5:00pm to 6:00pm - Blood Drive Committee Meeting (*NEW MEMBERS WELCOME*)
Jerry Lewis Community Center/YMCA
7793 Central Avenue - Highland

Tuesday, September 1, 2009

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Wednesday, September 2, 2009

4pm - Public Nuisance Hearing Board Special Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Monday, September 7, 2009

Labor Day Holiday - City Offices are closed

Tuesday, September 08, 2009

6pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Thursday, September 10, 2009

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

Tuesday, September 15, 2009

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, September 22, 2009

6pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Assembled by: Elena Rodrigues



Summer 2009

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Volunteer Services

City of Highland

Contact: Denise Garnsey, Volunteer Services Coordinator, 909-864-6861 extension 203.

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Highland Improvement Team

Do you know a Highland resident or residence in need of some help? The Highland Improvement Team (H.I.T.) may be able to help. We help with home improvement projects such as yard clean up, minor landscaping and garage clean outs. If you own and reside in your home, are 55 years or older and/or disabled, you may qualify to be the next H.I.T. clean up project.

plan on joining H.I.T. at our next clean up. This could be the perfect opportunity for you! H.I.T. is always in need of volunteers. We need your help to keep Highland a cleaner and more attractive place to live.

The next H.I.T. is scheduled for Saturday, September 19, 2009. Hope to see you there.

Would you like to participate in clean-ups with the City's Highland Improvement Team? Do you need community service hours for a service group, school/church group or are a citizen who wants to help with beautification of Highland. Please

If you would like more information about the upcoming H.I.T. clean up or about joining H.I.T. please contact Denise Garnsey, Volunteer Services Coordinator, at (909) 864-6861 ext. 203.

Dates To Remember

Monday August 24, 2009

5:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Blood Drive Committee Meeting
Highland YMCA/Jerry Lewis
Community Center
7793 Central Avenue

Saturday, September 19, 2009

8:00 am to noon
H.I.T. Clean Up
Meet at Highland City Hall
27215 Baseline

Monday September 28, 2009

1:30 pm to 6:30 pm
Community Blood Drive
Highland YMCA/Jerry Lewis
Community Center
7793 Central Avenue

Blood Drive Committee

Find out how you can be a hero...

Blood Drive

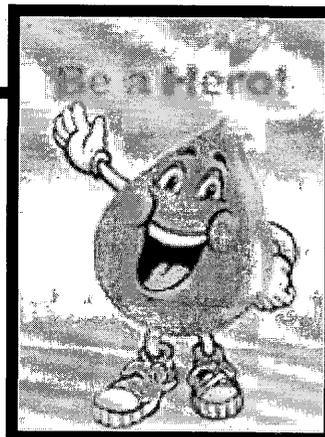
Committee Meeting

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Jerry Lewis Community Center

7793 Central Avenue



Happy Birthday

Chris Oney

&

Sylvia Yzaquarre