



City of Highland Weekly Report

September 02, 2010

Vacancies Remain on Community Trails Committee - Submit your Application

Community Development

There's still time to submit your **Public Service Application**. On July 27, 2010, the City Council declared three (3) vacancies on the Community Trails Committee. Applications can be obtained at City Hall, 27215 Base Line, Highland, CA, 92346, and must be returned to the City Clerk no later than the deadline, **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2010**. You can also find the Public Service Application online under the Volunteering Section portion at the City's Website. The City's Website address is: www.ci.highland.ca.us.

Fall ICSC. Twice a year, Staff attends conferences held by the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC). The first event was held in May where there were more than 42,000 Registrants (and Exhibitors) registered for the Conference. Retailers, brokers and developers from across the nation attended the conference. The second conference held in September is in San Diego. Although this conference is much smaller, attendees are from a concentrated area within the Inland Empire / Southern California area. Currently, other surrounding cities attending the Conference include Barstow, Calimesa, Corona, Fontana,

Hemet, Hesperia, Loma Linda, Montclair, Moreno Valley, Ontario, Palm Desert, Rancho Cucamonga, Rialto, San Bernardino, Yucaipa, Apple Valley, as well as the County of San Bernardino. It is a great opportunity to seek out and meet with the decision-makers from this area. Attendees are familiar with the Inland Empire market and dynamics of the City of Highland.

Volunteer Services



Highland Improvement Team.

Have you heard about the Highland Improvement Team (HIT)? The Highland Improvement Team may be able to help you with some much needed work around the house. We can help with home projects such as yard clean-ups, minor landscaping and garage clean outs. To qualify for a H.I.T. clean-up you must be a Highland resident who is 55 years or over and/or disabled. You must own and reside in the home to be cleaned up. Clean ups typically occur on a Saturday morning from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon.

Would you like to participate in clean-ups with the City's Highland Improvement Team? If you belong to a service group, school or church

group or are a citizen who wants to help with beautification of Highland then joining the Highland Improvement Team is the perfect opportunity for you! The Highland Improvement Team is always looking for volunteers. Your help is ***critical*** to keeping Highland a cleaner and more attractive place to live.

If you would like more information or would like to join the Highland Improvement Team, please contact Denise Garnsey, Volunteer Services Coordinator, at (909) 864-6861 ext. 203.

Public Services



Repete's Wisdom of the Week - Over-watering & Storm Water Pollution. If water flows off your yard onto your driveway or sidewalk, your system is over-watering. Over-watering is not only bad for your lawn, it's a strain on water supplies and often ends up as wasted, excess runoff to lakes and streams which are storm water pollution!

Here are a few tips that will help you conserve water and prevent storm water pollution:

Saving Water Outdoors:

- ❖ Water your lawn only when it needs it. Step on your grass. If it springs back, when you lift your foot, it doesn't need water. So set your sprinklers for more days in between watering. **Saves 750-1,500 gallons** per month. Whenever possible water your lawn and garden by hand to control the amount of water you use.
- ❖ Don't water the sidewalks, driveway or gutter. Adjust your sprinklers so that water lands on your lawn or garden where it belongs--and only there. **Saves 500 gallons** per month.
- ❖ Water lawns during the early morning hours when temperatures and wind speeds are the lowest. This reduces

losses from evaporation. **Saves 300 gallons.**

- ❖ Put a layer of mulch around trees and plants. Chunks of bark, peat moss or gravel slows down evaporation. **Saves 750 to 1,500 gallons** a month.
- ❖ Do not hose down your driveway or sidewalk. Use a broom to clean leaves and other debris from these areas. **Can save up to 100 gallons a week.**
- ❖ Using drip irrigation, soaker hoses or micro-spray systems for flower beds and vegetation can also help reduce your water bill and prevent runoff.
- ❖ Save on water by planting low maintenance, drought-tolerant trees and shrubs.
- ❖ Periodically inspect and fix leaks and misdirected sprinklers.

If you have any questions on what you can do to conserve water and prevent storm water pollution, please contact Public Services Coordinator, Andrea Saavedra at 909-864-8732 ext 271.

Labor Day Holiday Trash Pickup.

Burrtec Waste Industries, Inc. and Cal Disposal Co. Inc. will be closed on Monday, September 6, 2010 in observance of the Labor Day holiday. Therefore, trash pick up will be delayed by one day. Your regularly scheduled service will resume the following day. Please keep in mind that your street sweeping services will also be delayed one day.

Should you have any questions regarding the holiday delay with collection services, please contact:

- ▶ Burrtec Waste Industries, Inc. at (909) 889-1969
- ▶ Cal Disposal Co. Inc. at (909) 885-1023
- ▶ City of Highland, Public Services Coordinator, Andrea Saavedra at (909) 864-8732 ext 271.

Public Works



What's New in Public Works? The following activities were completed by Public Works Crew between 8/17/10 - 8/30/10: Routine landscape/irrigation maintenance of LMDs and City facilities; cleaned storm drains throughout the City; pothole repair at various locations; traffic sign replacement on 9th w/o Central, on Base Line between SR210 and 0.1 e/o Highland Village Plaza, and Palm s/o Cypress; worked on lighting issues at Fire Stations 1 & 2, and at the Environmental Learning Center; worked on estimate for floor cleaning at Fire Station 3; picked-up trash at City parks, Library and YMCA, Corporate Yard; pressure washed bleachers/trash cans/ water fountains/etc. at Community Park; checked USA tickets; repaired sewer line pipe connects and installed a 6" clean-out w/riser in planter at YMCA Athletic Center front parking lot; met with Houston Harris Drainline Cleaners to jet dirt out of sewer line pipe and ran camera thru pipe to inspect condition of inside pipe at YMCA; completed service requests; PARSAC training; worked on electrical ballasts in restrooms at Community Park; checked City Hall for maintenance issues; removed trash/weeds and checked irrigation in orange grove at Aurantia Park; reset parking lot lights at Community Park & YMCA/Athletic Center timers and review video cameras; loaded trash & green waste dumpsters; picked-up furniture/debris/tires at various locations.

Library News

Adult craft turns shoe boxes into treasure boxes! Give new life to old shoe boxes by turning them into a handy container for all those little trinkets you collect. The Highland Environmental Education Coalition (HEEC) and the Highland Environmental Learning Center are pleased to present Creative Crafts



for Adults, "Shoe Box, Treasure Box" on Saturday, September 04, 2010 at 10:00am in the Children's Program Room. Patrons are encouraged to bring their own shoe box with lid (attached or unattached) and learn how to transform that old shoe box into a fancy new re-usable treasure chest. Great for gifts or storing candles, jewelry, scrap booking supplies and much more!

For more information, please contact Lauren Bergh at the Highland Sam J. Racadio Library and Environmental Learning Center at (909) 425-4706 or HGLENV@lib.sbcounty.gov.

Highland Literacy Coalition brings Children's Author to Library. International Literacy Day is September 8, 2010 and to celebrate the Highland Literacy Coalition is hosting Mary Skillings Prigger, a local children's author who is also a professor at California State University San Bernardino. She has written two beloved books by children titled "*Aunt Minnie McGranahan*" and "*Aunt Minnie and the Twister*".

Adults and families are encouraged to attend this wonderful opportunity to meet such a wonderful local children's author at the Sam J. Racadio Library and Environmental Learning Center located at 7863 Central Ave., Highland CA, 92346 at 6:30 PM in the community room.

This program is free and open to the public. Please visit the library and check out what exciting new technology that we have available to help learners read funded by the Highland Literacy Coalition!

Sustainable Landscape Workshop. University of California Cooperative Extension, San Bernardino County, is proud to offer the following workshop at the Sam J. Racadio Library & Environmental Learning Center, 7863 Central Avenue, Highland, CA 92346

Title: ABC's of Sustainable Landscaping
Date: September 11, 2010 (Saturday)
Time: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM (lunch on your own from noon - 1:00 PM)

The workshop is open to the public and will cover important information on:

- How to conserve water in your landscape through proper plant selection and irrigation
- How to make and use compost for soil enhancement
- How to select and apply mulch
- How to grow healthy pesticide-free garden and landscape plants
- How to keep our surface and groundwater clean
- How to conserve energy around and in your home

Bring your family, neighbors and friends! Please RSVP UCCE Environmental Horticulturist Janet Hartin at 951.313.2023 or jshartin@ucdavis.edu

Mark Your Calendar



Monday, September 6, 2010
Labor Day Holiday - City Offices are closed

Tuesday, September 7, 2010
6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Thursday, September 9, 2010
5pm - Community Trails Committee Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, September 14, 2010
6pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Saturday, September 18, 2010
8:00 am to 12 noon - Highland Improvement Team Clean Up, Meet at City Hall - 27215 Baseline

Tuesday, September 21, 2010
6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, September 28, 2010
1:30 pm to 6:30 pm - Community Blood Drive
Jerry Lewis Community Center - 7793 Central Avenue
6pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, October 5, 2010
6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Thursday, October 7, 2010
5pm - Historic and Cultural Preservation Board Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, October 12, 2010
6pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Thursday, October 14, 2010
5pm - Community Trails Committee Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, October 19, 2010
6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, October 26, 2010
6pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

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