

MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 27, 2015
TO: City Council
FROM: John Pietig, City Manager
SUBJECT: WEEKLY UPDATES

Know Your Limits Campaign - The police department will be contacting people in the downtown area on Saturday, August 29 for the educational component of the Office of Traffic Safety Grant, after last week's DUI check point. The goal is to educate the public on understanding their alcohol limit and not drinking and driving when they are above their limit. ABC will also be working alongside our downtown walking beat.

Police Department Partnership with Alcohol Beverage Control - The police department hosted the ABC Licensee Education on Alcohol and Drugs (LEADS) training for all local restaurants and bars. This training is essential for locations where alcohol is served and the training was free of charge with a hosted lunch to the participants. This training focused on the identification, detecting and preventing illegal activity. We hope to provide this training on a yearly bases.

Mountain Road Urban Runoff Diversion Project - The Mountain Road Urban Runoff Diversion Project is scheduled to start on September 14, 2015. The work includes construction of an urban water diversion structure at the end of the cul-de-sac on Mountain Road south of Gaviota Drive. The installation will be the 23rd structure maintained by the City to protect the ocean's water quality. These structures capture non-storm water and redirect the flow to the sewer system. The devices prevent common pollutants such as cigarette butts, brake dust, oil, hydrocarbons from tires, fertilizers, and pesticides from discharging to the ocean. At least eight tons of solid pollutant debris is captured and diverted away from the beach every year.

REMINDERS:

Off-Season Trolley Service - Though summer may be coming to a close, the City's popular trolley service will continue to operate on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays year-round. The free trolleys will begin operating on Friday, September 4. The "Coastal Route" includes a loop along Coast Highway extending from the Ritz-Carlton in Dana Point to Cajon Street in North Laguna. Hours of operation are Fridays from 4:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m., Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m., and Sundays from 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Special Labor Day trolley service will be offered on Monday, September 7, from 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. along Coast Highway only. The Mainline bus service will not run on Labor Day. Residents are encouraged to take the free trolley rather than park downtown.

2015 Juried Fine Art Exhibition - The Arts Commission is currently accepting submissions to the annual Juried Fine Art Exhibition at City Hall. The competition is open to Orange County artists 18 years of age or older with two dimensional works. The juror will be Malcolm Warner, Executive Director of the Laguna Art Museum. The first place winner will be awarded \$1,000. Applications must be made on-line with a non-refundable entry fee of \$25. The deadline for submissions is September 8, 2015. <http://www.lagunabeachcity.net/civicax/filebank/blobdload.aspx?BlobID=11229>

August 27, 2015

Weekly Updates

Page 2

Tell Us What You Think! - The City of Laguna Beach invites you to participate in three surveys that are important in planning for our future. Please participate in surveys relating to the Cultural Arts Plan, the Downtown Specific Plan Update and the Village Entrance Project. Thanks in advance for helping to shape the future of Laguna Beach!

- Village Entrance Interactive Survey (available through August 31, 2015):
<https://villageentrance.metroquest.com/>
- Cultural Arts Plan Community Survey (available through October 5, 2015):
<http://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/2251774/Laguna-Beach-Survey>
- Downtown Specific Plan Retail Survey (available through October 5, 2015):
http://lagunabeachcity.net/cityhall/cd/planning/downtown_specific_plan_amendment/survey.asp

###