

MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 21, 2016
TO: City Council
FROM: John Pietig, City Manager
SUBJECT: WEEKLY UPDATES

Kristen Berry Honored as the Dispatch Center Supervisor of the Year - Police Department Support Services Supervisor Kristen Berry was awarded “Supervisor of the Year” by the California Public Safety Dispatchers Association at their annual Awards Banquet held on Thursday, April 14 at the Knott’s Berry Farm Hotel. Kristen was selected from an esteemed group of dispatch center supervisors from across Southern California. Her accomplishments, and ability to manage the dispatch center during stressful times, led to her becoming the immediate choice of the group. The Laguna Beach Police and Fire Chief added both of their congratulations to this well deserving public safety supervisor.

Coast Highway Utility Connection - Southern California Gas Company is scheduled to perform gas service connection on Coast Highway from May 2 through 5, between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. The utility connection work will require the closure of the southbound outside travel lane of Coast Highway from Hinkle Place to Montage Resort Drive. One southbound lane will be maintained for travel and northbound lanes will not be affected during this period.

Paint and E-Waste Drop-off Event a Success - The City and Waste Management’s third annual waste collection event held on April 9 was a huge success. Over 900 vehicles drove through the Act V Lot and dropped off approximately 20 tons of waste. Participation from residents and businesses tripled compared to last year’s 270 vehicles and doubled the amount of waste collected. In addition, 6 tons of paper were shredded and recycled. The most popular items collected were approximately 13 tons of paint and over 6 tons of E-waste that included televisions, laptops, and computers. Depending on the type of material collected, some items were processed and recycled in California while other items were sent out of State to be recycled. Thank you to all the residents and businesses that participated in this annual event. Residents who were unable to attend the event can still recycle these items on an on-going basis. Visit the City’s website at www.lagunabeachcity.net/recycling for more information.

REMINDERS:

Verizon Building Underground Storage Tank Removal - On April 18, Verizon began removing an underground diesel storage tank on Beach Street at Broadway. To accommodate the removal operation, lanes have been shifted to the center of Beach Street between Broadway and Ocean Avenue with one lane in each direction still available for traffic. This traffic pattern will be in place 24-hours per day for the three week project duration. Questions and concerns can be directed to Spencer Kissick, Project Manager with Sunwest Engineering Constructors, at (888) 588-8737 ext. 7012.

Utility Repairs on Park Avenue near Bern Drive - On April 25, Southern California Edison will begin replacing an electric vault under the sidewalk on Park Avenue adjacent to Bern Drive. Construction hours will be 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. No traffic impacts are expected, and the work is scheduled to take four weeks to complete.

Parents' Night Out - On Friday, April 29, 2016, the Laguna Beach Community Services Department will be hosting Parents' Night Out. This event will give parents the opportunity to enjoy some adult time to see a movie, have a nice dinner out on the town, or catch up with friends while their children enjoy "kid time" in a safe, fun-filled environment. The cost is \$20 for Laguna Beach residents and \$25 for non-residents with sibling discounts available. Registration is required for this event by visiting: <https://secure.rec1.com/CA/city-of-laguna-beach/catalog/index?search=parents>. If you have questions regarding Parents' Night Out, contact Program Coordinator, Patty Quilter, at (949) 464-9535.

Electric Vehicle Charging Station Replacements - The two electric car charging stations were removed from the Forest/Laguna parking lot for replacement on Monday, April 11. The stations will be replaced and back in service by May 6. The link provided below can be used to locate the next nearest ChargePoint station while the current stations are down for replacement. https://na.chargepoint.com/charge_point

Registration for the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Course - Please register for the upcoming CERT class. Training will begin on Wednesday, May 11, 2016. Classes will then meet weekly from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., including two Saturday morning meetings. Mandatory attendance is required at all classes. To be considered for this training, you must be a resident of Laguna Beach or work within the city limits, be at least 18 years old and have no felony convictions. For questions regarding this press release contact Jordan Villwock, Emergency Operations Coordinator, jvillwock@lagunabeachcity.net, or 949-497-0389. Applications must be submitted through the online recreation class sign-up: <https://secure.rec1.com/CA/city-of-laguna-beach/catalog>.

Heritage Month - Celebrate Heritage Month this May and enjoy the many scheduled activities and events. Activities and tours are scheduled throughout the entire month of May. A calendar of all the events will be posted on the City website at: http://lagunabeachcity.net/cityhall/cd/preserve/heritage_committee.htm.

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