

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** January 10, 2013  
**TO:** City Council  
**FROM:** John Pietig, City Manager  
**SUBJECT: WEEKLY UPDATES**

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**Main Beach Boat Clearing** – The 36 foot sailboat on Main Beach will be demolished and removed by the end of this week. There were several inquiries by people interested in salvaging the boat, but upon closer observation of its condition, there were no takers.

**Burn Site Remediation** – Erosion prevention measures have been implemented by the City at the site of the September fire above the St. Catherine’s School. The recent light rains have provided favorable conditions for new vegetation that is beginning to grow on the charred slope. Discussions with SCE regarding reimbursement of costs are ongoing. The mobile home park is scheduled to install wire mesh netting on the steep slope above ‘M’ Street in February.

**Firefighter of the Year** - The Fire Department is proud to announce that Fire Engineer/Paramedic Adam Schulenburg has been selected as the 2012 Firefighter of the Year and Reserve Volunteer Firefighter Matt Rolfe has been selected as the 2012 Reserve Firefighter of the Year. Both will be recognized for their achievement at the Firefighter and Law Enforcement Annual Appreciation Dinner on Saturday, January 26, 2013. This event is hosted by the Mission Viejo/Saddleback Valley Elks Lodge who has supported local Firefighters and Law Enforcement Officers for over 25 years.

**Temporary Sculpture Program** - The Festival of Arts will be replacing the art work, located by the restrooms on Broadway, with the sculpture “Tri-po” by artist Russell Jacques. The sculpture is created of stainless steel and is on loan from the Festival of Arts permanent collection. The sculpture will be on exhibit for three years. This program is funded by the lodging establishments and City of Laguna Beach.

**Artist Designed Bench at Heisler** - Park Artists Larry Gill and Gavin Heath are nearing completion of their artist designed bench titled “Tide Pool Paddleboard.” The bench, created of cast and blown glass in concrete, will be located at the bus stop on Cliff Drive near Jasmine Street. Work will start on replacing the existing concrete pad to accommodate the new installation. This project has been funded through a donation by Beverly Kaye.

**City Hall Exhibition** - An exhibition by the Laguna College of Art and Design will be installed at City Hall on Monday, January 14, 2013. The exhibit will feature the work of the Master of Fine Arts Department and can be viewed through March 9, 2013. An artist reception will be held on Thursday, February 7, 2013 at 5 p.m. This program is funded by the lodging establishments and City of Laguna Beach.

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**Laguna Beach Hosts Advanced CERT Training** - On Tuesday and Wednesday evenings this week, Police Department staff worked together with San Clemente and Newport Beach Emergency Managers to provide an important training class titled *CERT Mutual Aid Program* hosted at the Susi Q. CERT or Community Emergency Response Team members are periodically offered additional classes and training. This course specifically allows participating CERT members to be able respond and assist other cities during emergencies while ensuring our communities ability to request aid from outside CERT groups. Thirty Laguna Beach CERT members attended the class along with members from Newport Beach, San Clemente, Irvine, and Brea.

**Rockledge Sewer System Improvements** - The City will start reconstruction of the Rockledge sewer system in January and the work is expected to be completed by the end of April.

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