City Manager’s Office

The City Council newsletter is an ongoing publication to better communicate updates on the work behind the scenes, across City Departments, to our City Council. The newsletter is organized by Department. Please note that this newsletter is a snapshot of projects and programs and does not encompass all of the wide-reaching work occurring in our City organization. For more information, please contact the City Manager’s Office at (650) 991-8127.

Minimum Wage Ordinance Now in Effect!

The Ordinance went into effect on February 13, 2019. A list of 7,648 businesses were mailed a letter from the City Manager, the Official Notice for posting in workplaces and the Employer/Employee Information Bulletin. Translations of the latter two documents in Chinese, Spanish and Tagalog (completed in-house by City staff) are now available on our website at www.dalycity.org/MinimumWage.

The City of San Jose’s Office of Equality Assurance is currently receiving pushback on taking on new enforcement contracts for other cities. For now, complaints regarding Ordinance violations, as well as any questions, can be directed to the City Manager’s Office and the MinimumWage@dalycity.org address. This information is listed on all the materials.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event

On Saturday, March 9, residents can make an appointment to safely dispose of products like garden chemicals, leftover paint, propane tanks and more by visiting smchealth.org/hhw or calling (650) 363-4718, select option 3. Limit 10 gallons (liquid) or 50 pounds (solid) per appointment. No business waste is accepted.
Police Department
The Police Department responds to an array of incidences and crime in Daly City. This section will highlight only some of the most notable, recent cases. Did you know that PD publishes the Crime Alert and Community Update Bulletin online each week? Past issues are available on the PD website and are regularly posted to NextDoor.

Officer Shane Hart – CHP Master Level 10851 Award and Blue Pin

On February 7, Daly City Police Officer Shane Hart was recognized by Chief Hensley for obtaining the CHP Master Level 10851 award and pin. The California Highway Patrol recognizes officers for efforts in locating and recovering stolen vehicles. The Master Level 10851 award is given to an officer as their 5th consecutive award. To receive a single award, an officer must locate six occupied stolen vehicles leading to an arrest, or recover 12 stolen vehicles, three of which must have been occupied with an arrest. While many officers will receive a couple individual awards during their career, very few officers will achieve the requirements for the Master Level award. Great Work!

Road Rage – Known Felon Arrested with a Gun

On Tuesday, February 5, at 2:11pm, officers responded to John Daly Blvd. and Poncetta Dr. on the report of road rage. The suspect pointed a loaded firearm at the victim during the incident. Officers saturated the area and located a vehicle matching the description of the suspect vehicle. They conducted a high-risk car stop and detained the sole occupant. During a search of the vehicle they located a loaded .22 caliber semi-automatic handgun. The suspect, a known felon to Daly City officers, was arrested and booked into jail for multiple charges!
Humanitarian Aid and Supply Mission in the Philippines

From January 25 to February 8, Captain John Gamez and Lieutenant Matthew Fox traveled to the Philippines with the Filipino American Law Enforcement Officers Association (FALEO). The mission of the group was to provide humanitarian aid/supplies such as medical and educational materials to underserved communities. The delegation also spent time training with the Philippine National Police, focusing on contemporary policing tactics, bicycle patrol and basic life support techniques (CPR/Tourniquet application). FALEO also sent donated police equipment to aid the Philippine National Police in performing their duties. The Daly City POA donated $500, which Captain Gamez and Lieutenant Fox used to present ten (10) $50.00 scholarships to deserving high school students in Quezon City.

Department of Water & Wastewater Resources

Collection System

Collection Division repair crews fixed a broken 10-inch vitrified clay pipe (VCP) that is a combination sewer/storm system main on Bellevue Ave. The break was discovered during preventive maintenance line cleaning in the area. When the street surface was initially jackhammered, there was a void discovered below the roadway. The crew excavated down approximately 12 feet and exposed the broken pipe and made a repair using 10-inch polyvinyl
chloride (PVC) pipe. The importance of requesting an Underground Service Alert (USA) prior to excavating is demonstrated here as there was a water and gas line directly above the broken section of pipe. The USA system requires all utilities to locate and mark their service lines and pipes on the street prior to digging. By following DWWR policies & procedures, the job was completed safely over a two day period.

**Distribution System**

Distribution Systems maintenance crews are upgrading a water meter as well as service and installing a new 6-inch gate valve on Fairlawn Avenue.
Environmental Compliance

Not all discharges to the storm drain system are illegal. There are some discharges that are conditionally exempt under the Stormwater Municipal Regional Permit (MRP). Section C.15 of the MRP allows some unpolluted discharges such as flows from natural springs, uncontaminated groundwater infiltration and pumped foundation drains from crawl spaces and footing drains to name a few. Pictured is a constant stream of naturally draining groundwater on an otherwise, dry and sunny day.

Operations

Senior Treatment Operator, Brandon Wardle, is collecting a bacteriological sample from one of over 30 water quality monitoring sample sites located throughout Daly City. This sample is one of thousands of samples collected annually to ensure the safety of our drinking water.

Plant and Equipment Maintenance

Chris Gabriel and Juan Carvajal from the Plant and Equipment Maintenance Division are repairing the hydraulic pumping system for one of the centrifuges. The centrifuge is a component of the solids handling process at the wastewater treatment plant, separating water from solids. The unit they are repairing pumps fluid at a very high pressure to the main drive of the centrifuge and rotates an internal bowl and scroll in opposite directions. This provides the centrifugal force that separates the water from the solids and creates a dry cake-like product.
Department of Human Resources

Daly City Commissioners’ Brown Act Presentation

On Saturday, February 9, the City hosted a training session for Councilmembers and Commissioners on the Brown Act, which regulates public access to meetings of elected and appointed officials.

1st Annual Rock ‘N’ Roll Flea Market

City staff attended the event on Sunday, February 10.
North County Fire Authority (NCFA)

**Severe Weather Response**

At the start of the month, NCFA staffed additional personnel in preparation for the severe weather storm. Once again, NCFA is currently upstaffing February 12 through February 14 in anticipation of the extreme weather.

**Classes Conducted for the Public**

On February 6, NCFA conducted a successful Fire Extinguisher Class at the Serramonte Library where 15 members of the public attended.

On February 9, NCFA conducted a successful Earthquake Preparedness Class at the Serramonte Library where 17 members of the public attended.

**Multi-Casualty Fatal Vehicle Collision in the City of Pacifica**

On February 9, 2019 at approximately 4:20am, six Fire Companies, one Chief Officer and two transport ambulances responded to a multi-casualty fatal vehicle collision on Hwy 1, North of Sharp Park Bl. in the City of Pacifica.

The first arriving fire company found a passenger vehicle had collided head on with a pickup truck and there were multiple patients. Firefighter paramedics began patient assessment and utilizing extrication equipment implemented operations to free the victims from the heavily damaged vehicles.

Two adults were fatalities and one adult was critically injured in the passenger vehicle, with one adult having moderate injuries and one juvenile with minor injuries within the pick-up truck. Fire paramedics provided advanced life support treatment to the patients and each were transported to a hospital trauma unit.

The incident was mitigated in approximately 1.5 hours. The incident is under investigation by the California Highway Patrol.

**Upcoming Classes for the Public**

On February 20, NCFA will conduct a morning session of Basic First Aid and an afternoon session of CPR & AED training. Both classes are 3.5 hours long and $35 per person per class.
Department of Library & Recreation Services

Communicating Together: Libraries Support English Learners

"Excuse me, could you show me where to find the books to learn English?" This hopeful question is an often-repeated one at the Daly City Library. In a city where the 2010 census lists 55,000 of the 107,000 residents as foreign-born, new community members frequently come to the library to study language learning materials.

The library provides many kinds of resources for self-directed language learners, including:

- Audio kits for listening on the go
- Text and audio sets for focused, multi-hour coursework
- Short stories of approachable length for new readers
- Grammar and vocabulary guides
- Dictionaries
- DVDs with English subtitles (including for native-language feature films in Spanish, Chinese, and Tagalog)
- Referrals to community classes and other local resources

With 30% of residents indicating that they speak English less than “very well,” language-learning resources are an essential community-building asset. The public library freely offers language development resources regardless of income level or national origin, ensuring that all community members can address their language-learning needs in a comfortable, self-paced way.

American Library Association’s 2019 Youth Media Award Winners available from the Library

These award winners were announced January 28, 2019.

**Merci Suárez Changes Gears**

[https://dalycity.bibliocommons.com/item/show/2642992076](https://dalycity.bibliocommons.com/item/show/2642992076)

*John Newbery Medal has been awarded since 1922* for the most outstanding contribution to children’s literature.

“Merci Suárez begins the sixth grade and knows things will change, but she did not count on her grandfather acting strangely, not fitting in at her private school, and dealing with Edna Santos’ jealousy.”

**Hello Lighthouse**

[https://dalycity.bibliocommons.com/item/show/2612449076](https://dalycity.bibliocommons.com/item/show/2612449076)

*Randolph Caldecott Medal* has been awarded since 1938 for the most distinguished American picture book for children:
“Explores the life of one lighthouse as it beams its message out to sea through shifting seasons, changeable weather, and the tenure of its final keeper.”

There were a total of 21 awards announced, with winners and honor titles for each.

As February is Black History Month, we’d like to highlight one of the awards that honors literature related to African-American history and experience.

**A Few Red Drops: The Chicago Race Riots of 1919**

https://dalycity.bibliocommons.com/item/show/2624036076#

*Coretta Scott King Book Award (Author) has been awarded in 1970 recognizing an African-American author and illustrator of outstanding books for children and young adults.*

"Examines the events and forces leading up to 1919 race riots in Chicago."

![A Few Red Drops: The Chicago Race Riots of 1919](image)

**The Stuff of Stars**

https://dalycity.bibliocommons.com/item/show/2646732076#

*Coretta Scott King Book Award (Illustrator) has been awarded in 1970 recognizing an African-American author and illustrator of outstanding books for children and young adults.*

“Illustrator Ekua Holmes uses hand marbled paper and collage to create a lush explosion of color that brings to life the formation of the universe while distinctly reflecting the essence of the African diaspora."

![The Stuff of Stars](image)

**Celebrating Chinese New Year at the Libraries**

Library patrons welcomed the Year of the Pig at the libraries with special storytimes and an I.D.E.A. Lab After School papercraft. Using a die cutter, rubber stamps, embossing powders, and heat tools, kids learned how to make their own red envelopes to give to friends and family to wish them a prosperous and happy new year.

![Celebrating Chinese New Year at the Libraries](image)
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**Black History Month Celebration Set for Saturday, February 16**

Daly City will celebrate Black History Month this coming Saturday, February 16, 2019, at Cafe Doelger from 12 noon to 3 pm. This year's Black History Month Celebration includes a dance performance by Dimensions Dance Theater. The emcee is jazz vocalist and all-around entertainer Isaac Stevenson. You might remember Isaac from past Black History events. He also participated in last year's Love Not Hate event at City Hall.

Come for the entertainment and fellowship, stay for the great food! Keith's Chicken & Waffles will be selling entrees and Yvonne’s Southern Sweets can be purchased for dessert.

Admission is free.

**Rock ‘n’ Roll Flea Market at Pacelli Gym Attracted 800+ Participants Seeking Vinyl Rarities and other Weird Stuff**

Pacelli Gym was the site of what may have been Daly City’s most unusual gathering of 2019. More than 800 people converged on the Rock ‘n’ Roll Flea Market in search of rare records, vintage clothes, and quirky collectibles. Oh, there was music too – 8 bands filled the gymnasium with a din as melodic as it was loud. All in all, it was a fun event that helped raise funds for Daly City’s recreation scholarship program. The Flea Market also resonated with a demographic that is usually not well represented at city events – the not quite retired, but too young to join the senior center. Record collectors in their 40s and 50s made up a considerable percentage of the crowd.

The headline entertainer, Lorenzo Valdambrini, travelled from Italy with his band Surfer Joe. The emcee was Professor Charles Ribak, PhD, who made the trip from Orange County. When he’s not cracking wise, Dr. Ribak teaches at UC Riverside and UC Irvine. You may be familiar with some of his research. Dr. Ribak authored the study *Ultrastructural features and synaptic connections of hilar ectopic granule cells in the rat dentate gyrus are different from those of granule cells in the granule cell layer*, among others.
**Lincoln Park Community Center Ribbon Cutting**

Supervisor David Canepa joined Councilmembers Juslyn Manalo, Rod Daus-Magbual, and Pamela DiGiovanni, at the Lincoln Park Community Center to celebrate the completion of the facility renovations funded by a Measure K program grant from San Mateo County. After the ceremonial ribbon cutting, 150 visitors enjoyed lunch and celebrated Chinese New Year.

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**Upcoming Events and Activities**

**27th Annual Black History Month Celebration**

Saturday, February 16 – 12 noon to 3:00 pm

Café Doelger

No Entrance Fee – Entertainment includes Dimensions Dance Theater. Isaac Stevenson returns as the emcee. Food will be available for purchase from Keith’s Chicken and Waffles of Daly City.

**Supporters of Doelger Senior Center, Inc.’s Crab Feed**

Saturday, February 23 – 12 noon

Café Doelger

No Host Bar, 50/50 Raffle and Door Prizes

$50 for Members / $55 for Non-Members

**Fun, Health and Safety Fair**

Saturday, March 2 – 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Serramonte Center

Free Health Screenings and Department Information

**DCPLA St. Patrick’s Day Luncheon**

Thursday, March 14 – 11:30 am to 2:00 pm

Colma Community Center
**Daly City’s 108th Birthday Celebration**

Thursday, March 14 – 6:30 pm  
Octagon Gallery, City Hall  
Historical Photo Exhibit and Reception  
Screening of the documentary, Daly City: Growing Up in America  
Co-hosted by the Arts and Culture Commission and the Daly City History Guild

**14th Annual Women’s History Month Program (Tentative)**

Thursday, March 21 – 11:30 am to 1:30 pm  
City Hall  
Lunch and Keynote Speakers

**Department of Economic & Community Development**

**One Day Homeless Count**

On Thursday, January 31, San Mateo County conducted its 2019 One Day Homeless Count. The One Day Homeless Count is a point-in-time census of people experiencing homelessness in the community. The information helps with services and resource planning for addressing homelessness in the County and is a funding requirement of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

The Daly City Community Service Center hosted the Daly City deployment site and Lenelle Suligui and Pat Bohm served as Site Captains with County staff. Both arrived at the Center by 4:15am (yes 4:15am!) to set up the deployment site and coordinate the volunteers conducting the homeless count in Daly City and Colma. There were 34 volunteers who were deployed included Dana Ornelas of Police/Records. Volunteers were deployed by 5:45am and the Daly City count was completed by 9:30am. Results from the One Day Homeless Count will be tallied and made available at a later date.