



City Council Newsletter

From the Office of the City Manager

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.

Project Green Space 2019 Tree Giveaway Nears Full Subscription

There has been a huge response to the "Community Canopy" tree giveaway via utility bill messages, newsletter articles and even a radio interview on Spanish-language station KIQI 1010. Nearly 200 trees have been assigned to residents and an additional 200 will be planted on City-owned medians and public right-of-ways in April.

Residents will pick up a small flag at our Arbor Day Celebration Event on Saturday, April 27 from 9am-12pm at Gellert Park to place on their property where they want the tree planted. West Coast Arborists (WCA) will then plant the trees in the couple weeks following the event. They will also install water saving devices and apply a one-time mulching. Over the course of the next year, WCA will check up on the trees four times.

Tree adopters are invited to our free CA Tree Team Workshop on Saturday, March 9th from 10am-12pm at City Hall to learn more about how to care for their trees, the benefits of trees, urban forestry and how to become a tree leader in Daly City.



The CIRCLE 3.0 partnership is offering a FREE tree education workshop in Daly City! Learn how to become a tree leader in your city!

DATE: Saturday, March 9th, 2019

TIME: 10am - 12pm

**LOCATION: Council Chambers, City Hall
333 90th Street, Daly City CA 94015**

**Come learn about how to plant a tree,
tree benefits, urban forestry, and...
How you can get a free tree in front of
your house!**



Please RSVP to grantinfo@wcalnc.com
Text/Call: (714) 404-8877 if you have any questions



New Recycling Guidelines: Empty. Clean. Dry.™

The City and Republic Services, along with every other waste management company in the country, are carefully reformatting public education on proper recycling due to changes in the global market for recyclable waste. The goal is to avoid undoing decades of work to encourage better recycling habits among Americans. The recycling industry has long relied on China to accept recyclable waste for use in its manufacturing sector. For decades, China was the largest importer of the world's recyclable waste, with the US contributing 40% of the inbound stream.

In late 2017, China announced an effort to clean up its environment, with new rules that dramatically restricted the import of recyclable plastics and paper. Starting in the spring of 2018, these rules prohibited the import of certain types of materials, like mixed paper and mixed plastics, and severely reduced the acceptable contamination level (impurities like food left in a plastic container) from 3% to 0.5%. Even more stringent regulations are expected in 2020.

These changes have directly affected the prices paid for recyclables and have made it difficult for waste management companies to find alternative markets, both abroad and in the US. The number of domestic recycling facilities declined over the past decades as the recycling market went global.

Emerging investment into construction of domestic recycling facilities, sometimes by Chinese investors, is providing some encouragement. In the meantime, much of the non-recyclable plastics will end up being landfilled. San Mateo County and its cities are working together to create policies to reduce the use of single-use plastics. More on that to come!

WHAT YOU CAN DO

1. Know what to throw. Only put those items accepted in our program in your blue Recycle Cart. If you are unsure which cart is best for a waste product, contact Republic at (650) 756-1130.
2. Empty. Clean. Dry.™ Keep all recyclables free of food and liquid.
3. Keep it loose. Never put recyclables in containers or bags (except for plastic bags or film plastic, which should be bagged together to prevent clogged machinery at the recycling facility)

This is a transformational moment for the recycling industry, which has long relied on China. The best thing you can do to help is to reduce your use of single-use plastics from the start! Moving away from a throwaway culture will take time, but here are some steps you can take now to reduce your plastic use:

- Use refillable bottles, cups and mugs.
- Say no to straws and plastic utensils! When ordering take out, let the restaurant know that you will not need utensils or condiment packages.
- Buy in the bulk section at the grocery store – it's more economical and you bypass packaging all together.



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.

Arrest and Gun Recovery

Daly City Officers were assigned to the Countywide Gang Task Force deployment while patrolling the Bayshore district. On February 13, they spotted a subject on a motorcycle acting suspicious and attempted to contact the individual, but he dropped the motorcycle and took off running. Officers gave chase and caught up to the subject, who was detained. While backtracking the foot pursuit route, and near the motorcycle, officers located a loaded Glock handgun. Great arrest!



Crisis Intervention Training Graduation

On Thursday, February 14, Officers Haas, Shoopman, and Jackson-Berrios graduated from the Crisis Intervention Training course. This four-day course is intended to provide an overview as well as educate officers on behavioral signs and potential responses for effectively dealing with subjects that may be mentally ill or may be suffering from substance abuse or suicidal challenges. Additionally, this course focuses on available resources and services in the county, and most importantly de-escalation tactics that hopefully reduce the need for use of force during contacts.



Serial Theft Ring and Conspiracy

On Thursday, February 21, Total Wine on Gellert called to report that subjects had just entered their business who were related to multiple thefts of liquor from other stores throughout the bay area. While officers were responding the reporting party stated the subjects were breaking the glass of the high-end liquor cabinet. Upon arrival, officers detained the get-away driver in front of the store. Two additional subjects were arrested inside, one of which resisted, requiring the use of the Taser. A significant amount of high-end liquor was recovered from their vehicle. All three were booked for organized retail theft (490.4 PC), as well as conspiracy.

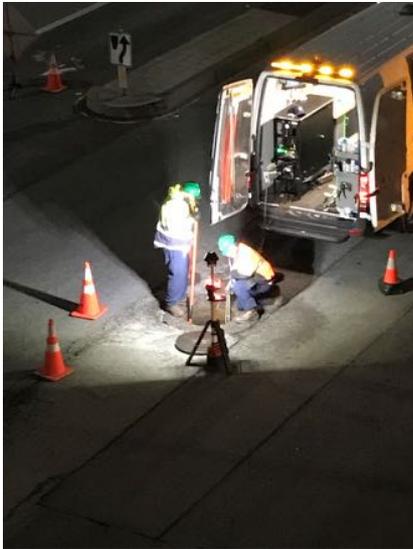
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On Thursday, February 21 at 3pm, Officer Taylor was conducting radar speed enforcement on Highway 35 near Highway 1. This enforcement was in response to reports of ongoing speeding, racing, and a vehicle roll over collision the day before. While conducting the enforcement, Officer Taylor clocked 2 cars racing at over 100 miles per hour! Both vehicles were stopped, and it was determined that the drivers were friends who were racing on their way to school. They received tickets that carry steep fines, and both vehicles were towed for a special racing section that results in a 30-day impound!



Department of Water & Wastewater Resources

Collection System



On Monday, February 11, Collection Division personnel responded to a report of a sinkhole next to a manhole on Junipero Serra Boulevard just south of the Century Theatre. The crew responded and used our Closed Circuit Television Inspection (CCTV) vehicle to inspect the 15-inch sewer main and found no structural problems with it or the manhole. The crew then filled the hole temporarily with base rock and cutback so that traffic could continue to utilize the lane safely. Sinkholes like this can occur due to ground settlement, poor compaction or infrastructure failure. Public Works will excavate the temporary fill



material, then backfill and re-compact and then asphalt the trench for a permanent repair.

Distribution System

The Distribution Division recently replaced a broken valve and upgraded the water meter at Marjorie H. Tobias Elementary School. The work was purposely scheduled last week during the school's Ski Week break so as to not disrupt the students and faculty while school was in session.



Environmental Compliance

Occasionally, you will see in Daly City, large drilling rigs. This one was on Southgate Avenue/ Lake Merced Boulevard last week. Years ago, there was an underground leak in one of the fuel tanks at the nearby gas station. A private remediation company is hired to manage the drillers which bore into the surrounding hardscape at different locations to sample the soil to determine plume travel and soil quality. Best Management Practices (BMPs) were installed to prevent any contamination into the nearby storm drain system when drilling.



Operations

Staff recently installed an odor control system on the roof of Digester 1. This system controls gas odors normally found in the Digester; those odors are hydrogen sulfide and ammonia. The odor control system uses a non-toxic, food-grade, odor neutralizer, which is applied through misters that span the circumference of the Digester railing. The gas odors are eliminated upon immediate contact. Operations have seen a reduction in odor complaints since installation.



Plant and Equipment Maintenance

Pat McGowan of the Plant and Equipment Maintenance Division is working on a valve actuator that is part of the Daly City potable drinking water system. This electronic valve controls the flow of water to a pressure zone of the system and may be adjusted manually on site or remotely through the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system. This valve actuator was due for regular maintenance and Pat was able to access the equipment through a vault built for this purpose. This is a confined space entry which requires him to monitor the oxygen content of the air in the vault and wear a harness attached to a tripod and retrieval winch. He is also wearing the personal protective equipment like a hard hat, steel toe boots and gloves required for working in a hazardous and confined space.



Project Development and Inspection

Park Plaza Drive, Southgate Avenue, San Fernando Way, and Miriam Street Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project Update



Park Plaza Sewer Project in Progress

Work is currently 75 percent complete on the Park Plaza Drive, Southgate Avenue, San Fernando Way, and Miriam Street Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project. The District's contractor, Darcy & Harty Construction Inc., has been able to keep the project on track even through the inclement weather we have been experiencing. Crews have already replaced 670 feet of pipe on San Fernando Ave, 1020 feet on Miriam Street and an additional 725 feet on Park Plaza Dr. These three locations were completed by the pipe burst method. Darcy & Harty will be moving to Southgate Avenue where we will replace another 1350 feet of sewer main. The work on Southgate will be performed by the standard open trench method due to the site conditions. We expect this work to take approximately 2 weeks to complete with another week to complete the restoration on the four project locations.



Department of Human Resources

Welcome New Hire:



Justin Yap, Office Assistant I, Library & Recreation Services

Employee Wellness Efforts

On February 27, employees participated in the monthly Chair Chi session.



Black History Month Celebration: February 16 at Doelger Senior Center



North County Fire Authority (NCFA)

Severe Weather Response

In anticipation of heavy rain and severe weather, NCFA staffed additional personnel and established an incident command team.



New Fire Engines

The Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) transferred to NCFCA two new Type 1 fire engines which are designed to fight structure fires, vehicle fires, vegetation fires and other types of fires. The engines also carry a Type III Urban Search and Rescue equipment cache in the event of an earthquake or other event that requires specialized tools and equipment.



Welcome New Firefighters



NCFCA officially welcomed two new firefighters at the swearing-in ceremony in Brisbane City Hall.

Daly City Firefighters Local 1879 Scholarship Award

Natalie Spinetti was awarded a \$1000 scholarship. The same firefighters who presented her with the check were also the ones who delivered her eighteen years ago.



Earthquake Preparedness Class



NCFCA will conduct a free Earthquake Preparedness Class at the Serramonte Library on March 9 where the attendees will learn how to prepare their homes for the next disaster and how to make a disaster kit.

NORTH COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY PRESENTS
EARTHQUAKE PREPAREDNESS CLASS

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2019 | 9:00- 11:30 AM
 SERRAMONTE LIBRARY | COMMUNITY ROOM
 40 WEMBLEY DRIVE | DALY CITY, CA

LEARN ABOUT:
 HOW TO PREP YOUR HOME FOR AN EARTHQUAKE OR DISASTER
 HOW TO BUILD A DISASTER KIT FOR YOUR HOME/WORK/VEHICLE
 HOW TO USE A FIRE EXTINGUISHER & MORE

Learn how to prepare yourself, your family and your home for the next major earthquake.

CLASS IS FREE, BUT YOU MUST REGISTER TO ATTEND.
 VISIT WWW.NORTHCOUNTYFIRE.ORG & LOOK UNDER "UPCOMING EVENTS"



Department of Library & Recreation Services

Libraries Are a Reliable Tax Season Resource

Library phones ring constantly as residents inquire, “Do you have tax forms in stock?”

In addition to offering the basic 1040, 540, and 540-2EZ forms for pick-up, the Library assists local residents with:

- Understanding which forms are being published this year
- Finding specific documents on the IRS and FTB websites
- Referring residents to tax clinics or helplines for expert assistance
- Printing forms and instructions on demand
- Copying reproducible IRS documents



For students of more complex tax situations, the Library also offers a selection of guidebooks:

[*J.K. Lasser’s 1001 Deductions and Tax Breaks: Your Complete Guide to Everything Deductible*](#)

[*J.K. Lasser’s Small Business Taxes*](#)

[*Every Landlord’s Tax Deduction Guide*](#)

[*Tax Guide for Short-Term Rentals*](#)

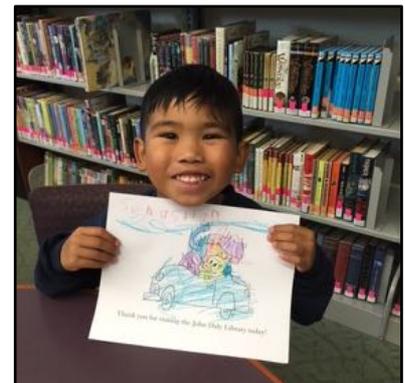
[*The Trump Tax Cut: Your Personal Guide to the New Tax Law*](#)

Coffee with Trustees Kicks-off March 7

The Library Board of Trustees has scheduled their first Coffee with a Commissioner event. New Trustees Theresa Faapuaa and Justine Santos will be conducting a casual constituent meet-and-greet event on Thursday, March 7, 2019 from 10:00 to 11:30 AM at the Serramonte Main Library. This event is part of the Library Board’s initiative to create greater awareness of their work and role in the City. Library visitors will have the opportunity to ask questions, get a free cup of coffee (or cocoa), and communicate their needs to the Board members.

Fieldtrips to the Library Are Favorites of Teachers

The Daly City Public Libraries continue to be popular fieldtrip destinations for local teachers and their students. Before each visit, library staff work closely with the teachers and tailor their presentations to specific interests or topics and student ages. Fieldtrips to the libraries enable the students to have access to materials that they might not have at home or even know exist. Some of the services that staff can provide include issuing library cards, explaining and teaching how to use the digital resources that are available, leading interactive storytimes, and helping students



find that perfect book! Libraries are now thought of as community learning hubs so it just makes sense that local schools and the Daly City Public Libraries are working together, encouraging students to learn about and utilize all of these amazing free resources!

Laureates Speak Poetry: Celebrating Women, Words, and the Power of Poetry

The Library is pleased to be hosting a reading by Aileen Cassinetto, San Mateo County's Poet Laureate and Kim Shuck, San Francisco's Poet Laureate, on Saturday, March 16, 2019 at 2:00 PM at the Westlake Library. Everyone is welcome and light refreshments will be served.



Aileen Cassinetto is the third Poet Laureate of San Mateo County, the first Asian American appointed to the post. She is the author of *Traje de Boda* (Meritage Press, 2010) and *The Pink House of Purple Yam Preserves & Other Poems* (Our Own Voice & Little Dove Books, 2018), as well as three books through Moria Books' acclaimed *Locofo* series. She is also co-publisher of Paloma Press, an independent literary press established in 2016. A poet with a day job, Aileen is a staff member at a diplomatic mission in San Francisco.

"My journey as a poet, as an immigrant, and as a woman has not been without difficulties. I came here almost 20 years ago with the unshakable conviction that I can be a poet in America. The most important lessons I've learned, I've learned from being part of a community, that is, to be a poet is to help build, gather, restore."

Kim Shuck is a poet, weaver, educator, doer of piles of laundry, planter of seeds, traveler and child wrangler. Born in San Francisco in 1966, Ms. Shuck attended San Francisco State University where she received both a Bachelor's (in art) and a Master's in Fine Arts (in textiles) and was a member of the board of directors for California Poets in the Schools. Kim Shuck has taught both at the elementary and college level – teaching Native American studies at SF State University. Proud of her Polish and Sauk and Fox as well as her Cherokee heritage, Kim is a storyteller and poet, drawing from her life experiences.



Your Library offers Ebooks for Kids and Teens

The Daly City Public Library offers a special collection of ebooks for kids and teens from OverDrive. Kids and teens can search for the titles they want or browse subjects such as “Year of the Pig”, “Giggles & Belly Laughs”, “Read-Alongs & Picture Books”, “Series Starters” and “Trending Now” selected to facilitate discovery and encourage a love of reading. Titles are also available in Spanish and Chinese. These ebooks work on almost all platforms including iOS, Android and Kindle.

Daly City Celebrates 27th Annual Black History Month

The Citywide 27th Annual Black History Month Celebration was held at Cafe Doelger on Saturday, February 16. Dimensions Dance Theater provided entertainment, along with tenor vocalist William Wiggins, and Emcee Isaac Stevenson. There was also a performance by the Soul Line Dancers from the Doelger Senior Center. Keith’s Chicken and Waffles tempted the attendants with a full meal while gift vendors were present to sell Afrocentric items.



Vice Mayor Sylvester Crabtivates Audience at Supporter’s Crab Feed

Vice Mayor Glenn Sylvester demonstrated that he is an expert in claw enforcement and knows a thing or two about the hula. He and Councilmember Pamela DiGiovanni attended the annual Crab Feed co-sponsored by the Supporters of Doelger Senior Center, Inc. and the Department of Library and Recreation Services on Saturday, February 23. The Hardly Strictly Hawaiian Ukulele Band, a house favorite at the center, entertained the audience with their unique interpretations of rock ‘n’ roll and pop standards. Vice Mayor Sylvester stole the show with his choreographed hula dance to the song Tiny Bubbles. Head Chef Opal Fuller and Recreation Supervisor David Zetzer collaborated in preparing the meal along with volunteers from the Doelger Senior Center. Westmoor High School's Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) assisted with serving at the afternoon seating and part-time staff and volunteers helped support the evening seating.



Seniors Celebrate 19th Anniversary of Walk About

Daly City seniors joined Councilmembers Juslyn Manalo and Pamela DiGiovanni, along with staff from the Serramonte Center, Seton Medical Center, Daly City Police Department, and the Recreation Division of the City of Daly City to commemorate the 19th anniversary of Walk About on Friday, February 22. Walk About is a program that challenges seniors to keep moving and facilitates group activity in the climate controlled environment of the shopping center. It happens each Wednesday and Friday from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., in the food court area of the center. Seniors warm up with Tere Massey, one of the Doelger Senior Center's longtime instructors, and then choose from various activities: walking the mall, Tai Chi, or line dancing. Participants were celebrated and some were given certificates in recognition of their volunteer contributions. Cake and coffee were served and each participant received a fanny pack from Serramonte Center.



Black History Month and Chinese New Year Observed at Congregate Nutrition Lunch Program

In the month of February, both Black History Month and Chinese New Year were celebrated during the Congregate Nutrition Lunch Program at the Doelger Senior Center, serving over 175 seniors and volunteers at each event.

On Tuesday, February 5, in celebration of Black History Month, Head Cook Opal Fuller and a team of volunteers prepared slow cooked roast beef with rice, gravy, cabbage and bacon, fruit, and pecan pie. The following week, lunch program participants celebrated Chinese New Year. Opal prepared Asian-style pork chops, vegetable lo mein, spring rolls and fruit.

Regular visitors at the Lincoln Park Community Center gathered for a neighborhood Chinese New Year celebration, filled with entertainment, including singing, line dancing, sword and fan dancing. Prior to lunch, Supervisor David Canepa, and Councilmembers Rod Daus-Magbual, Juslyn Manalo, and Pam DiGiovanni cut the ribbon to officially open the main hall at Lincoln following a two-week closure for the installation of a new floor.



Lincoln participants also celebrated Black History Month with entertainment that included the electric slide and the groove, raffle drawings, and singing of the National Anthem and the Negro National Anthem. Recreation Coordinator Angelo Ignacio cooked a special meal for the lunch program that day. There were over 100 people in attendance at each event.

Upcoming Events and Activities

Fun, Health and Safety Fair

Saturday, March 2 – 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Serramonte Center

Free Health Screenings and Department Information

Laureates Speak Poetry

Celebrating Women’s History Month

Saturday, March 16 – 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Westlake Library

Featuring Aileen Cassinetto and Kim Shuck

Teen Spring Showcase

Friday, April 12 – 6:00 p.m.

Pacelli Event Center

Refreshments will be available for purchase.

Spring Fun Day

Saturday, April 13 – 10:00 a.m.

Westlake Park

Games, Activities and an Egg Hunt

Active Adult/Senior Resource and Fitness Fair

Thursday, May 23 – 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon

Pacelli Event Center,

Free health screenings and resources.



Department of Public Works

Emergency Storm Drain Repair on Skyline Drive

On February 13, there was a storm drain failure on Skyline Drive. Public Works/Engineering and DWWP staff worked with a contractor to perform emergency repairs to minimize the extent of damage from the heavy rains. Work was completed with minimal impact to the public.

