



City Council Newsletter

From the Office of the City Manager

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.

Department of Library & Recreation Services

Meet Amy Lewis: San José State University Intern at the Library

Amy Lewis is a graduate student in the Master of Library and Information Science degree program at the San José State University School of Information. She is expecting to complete the program in May of 2020. For her 2019 summer semester, she has been accepted as an intern at the Daly City Public Library, working with Youth Services Librarian, Sarah Spence. Lewis also currently works part-time as a contemporary dancer and choreographer, dancing with Nancy Karp + Dancers, and choreographing dance works under Push Up Something Hidden, a nonprofit performing arts organization founded by Lewis in 2007. Lewis lives in San Francisco, CA, with her husband and two children. In her spare time, she enjoys reading, hiking, and attending music, dance or theater performances.

Due to various physical limitations, Lewis has decided to transition out of professional dancing into another career. Her commitment to become a librarian and enroll in the MLIS program at SJSU stemmed originally from a love of research, conducted as part of her artistic work. Additionally, Lewis volunteered at the library at her children's elementary school, and enjoyed reading to youth and assisting the librarian with circulation tasks. Lewis has always loved being in libraries, and often takes her children to her local library branch.

The internship at Daly City Public Library includes assisting Sarah Spence with outreach for the Summer Learning Challenge. Lewis has visited both elementary and middle schools with Spence, discussing the Summer Learning Challenge with students and offering free books. In addition, Lewis has assisted with the Pop-Up programs, which are open to the public and occur across Daly City's four branches. The internship will provide Lewis with two units towards her MLIS degree, in addition to being an opportunity to apply knowledge learned in graduate school to a public library setting.



“Big Lift Inspiring Summer” Partners with Daly City Library

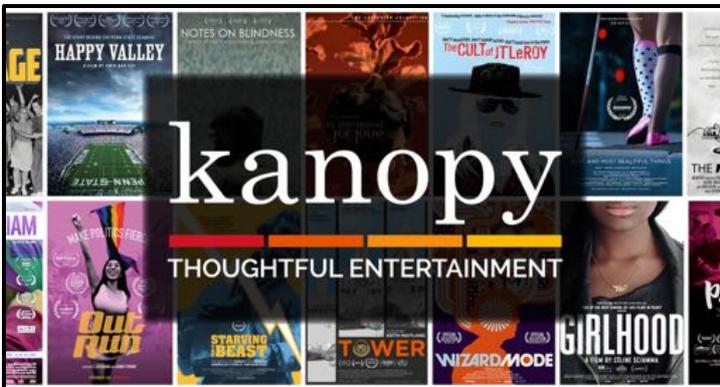


The Big Lift Inspiring Summer (BLIS) camps at Daniel Webster and John F. Kennedy Elementary Schools are finishing up their fourth year providing free, all-day academic and enrichment opportunities for Daly City’s young students.

Daly City Public Library staff signed the BLIS scholars up for the Summer Learning program at the start of the summer, providing each child with a free book for their home library, and the opportunity to enter a drawing for a \$1,000 scholarship. Staff also opened library accounts for those children who did not already have one. A total of 104 children TK through second grade at John F. Kennedy Elementary School and 82 children at Daniel Webster Elementary School received cards.

BLIS is a Measure K-funded partnership of the County of San Mateo, San Mateo County Office of Education, Silicon Valley Community Foundation, BELL (Building Educated Leaders for Life) and the school districts. The camps provide early learning experiences for children about to start school and helps prevent and even reverse summer learning loss in early elementary school students before the start of the next school year.

New Streaming Video Offered by Your Public Library



The popular on-demand video streaming service, Kanopy, is now available for free to patrons of the Daly City Public Library. Stream to any computer, television, mobile device or platform by downloading the app for Apple, Android, AppleTV, Chromecast or Roku.

Offering what the New York Times calls “a garden of cinematic delights,” Kanopy showcases more than 30,000 of

the world’s best films, including award-winning documentaries, rare and hard-to-find titles, film festival favorites, indie and classic films, and world cinema with collections from Kino Lorber, Music Box Films, Samuel Goldwyn, The Orchard, The Great Courses, PBS and thousands of independent filmmakers.

With the motto of "thoughtful entertainment," Kanopy provides Daly City Public Library patrons with access to films of unique social and cultural value; films that are often difficult or impossible to access elsewhere, and programming that features diversity, with a wide array of foreign language films and films on race, and current affairs.



Upcoming Library Activities

Friday, July 19 at 1:00 pm at Westlake Library

Teacher Barb: young library patrons will enjoy an hour of music, movement, singing and instrument play; music teacher Barbara Murphy specializes in music education and entertainment for children 1-6 years old (a Summer Learning Performance)

Monday, July 22 at 3:00 pm at John Daly Library

DIY Kite Mobile: exploring balance and motion, participants will build colorful paper kite mobiles to decorate their homes (a Summer Learning DIY Program)

Tuesday, July 23 at 3:00 pm at Bayshore Library

Take Your Felt Food to Go: participants will learn hand-sewing techniques and construct a trendy pastry-shaped felt keychain (a Summer Learning DIY Program)

Wednesday, July 24 at 3:00 pm at Serramonte Library

You're Tugging at My Heart Strings: participants will create a piece of geometric string art in the shape of a heart, learning about symmetry and pattern while having fun with hammers and nails (a Summer Learning DIY Program)

Thursday, July 25 at 3:00 pm at Westlake Library

Take Your Felt Food to Go: participants will learn hand-sewing techniques and construct a trendy pastry-shaped felt keychain (a Summer Learning DIY Program)

Independence Day Celebration a Hit at the Doelger Senior Center

The Doelger Senior Center was the center of a patriotic celebration on July 3, as more than 300 revelers got a head start celebrating Independence Day. The annual barbecue is hosted by the non-profit group, the Supporters of the Doelger Senior Center, Inc., in cooperation with the Department of Library and Recreation Services. Performances by Elvis impersonator, Rick Torres, and the Daly City All Stars highlighted the festivities.

The Daly City All Stars are comprised of local musicians who gather weekly at the Doelger Center to rehearse. Formed in 1910 in San Francisco's Richmond District, the band previously known as the California Wind Ensemble and the Friday Night Band, has been called the Daly City All Stars for the past 25 years.

A well-to-do building contractor named Johnny Krager built a rehearsal hall for the group in his home on Sanchez Street in San Francisco. Later, the band was managed by Ted Wurm and E.A. 'Doc' Benson, an eye surgeon. The group was forced to disband during World War II, but was revived and led from 1945-1970 by Albert J.



Buchner. Under Buchner's direction, the band rehearsed first in his wife's gift shop and sheet music store at Balboa Street and 5th Avenue, later moved to the Richmond Hall at 4th Avenue and Clement Street, and then a school at 18th and Collingwood Streets, from 1960-1979. In 1979, the Friday Night Band merged with another San Francisco band, playing as the California Wind Ensemble. The band moved to Daly City in the mid-1990s and was renamed the Daly City All Stars. The band has been holding regular rehearsals every Friday night at the Doelger Senior Center ever since.

The All Stars return to the center on Saturday, October 19, to perform a free concert beginning at 12 noon.

Upcoming Events

Saturday, August 3 – **Summer Luau** – Giammona Pool – 12:30 to 2:30pm

Saturday, August 17 – **Fun, Health and Safety Fair** – Serramonte Center – 10:00am to 2:00pm

Saturday, September 14 – **DCPLA Crazy About Cars** – Serramonte Center – 11:00am to 3:00pm

Saturday, September 21 – **LatinX Celebration** – City Hall – 12:00 to 3:00pm

Sunday, October 6 – **Fall Festival** – Doelger Senior Center – 8:00am to 1:00pm

Saturday, October 12 – **Kasayahan Sa Daly City** – Marchbank Park – 11:00am to 4:00pm

Department of Public Works

ADA Curb Ramps 2018-19



The ADA Curb Ramps project is an ongoing annual program to repair and install ADA compliant curb ramps, curb and gutters, and sidewalks throughout the City. The curb ramps provide an accessible route that people with disabilities can use to safely transition from a roadway to a curbed sidewalk and vice versa. The project also assists in managing the City's risk by reducing or eliminating trip and fall hazards from public curbs, gutters and sidewalks.

Engineering staff designed the project in-house with some assistance from interns, resulting in cost saving for the city and a learning opportunity for our interns.

The contractor started construction in late June and has completed seven ADA curb ramps and associated sidewalk, curb and gutter, and brick work. The remaining work to be done is the asphalt conform installation in front of the gutters. Substantial completion is estimated for September 2019. Police Department



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 for Weapons, Narcotics and Child Endangerment

On Sunday, June 30, an officer was conducting a premise check at a local convenience store. The officer noticed two subjects that appeared to be under the influence of a controlled substance. Upon contact the officer located a loaded firearm in the backpack of one of the subjects. Both subjects were arrested for outstanding warrants, weapons and narcotics possession, and for being under the influence of a controlled substance. During further investigation, officers learned the two subjects had left their 7-year old child alone in a local hotel room. Officers located the child safe and contacted Child Protective Services. The subjects were booked for numerous violations.



Arrest for a Warrant, Replica Firearm and Burglary Tools

On Monday, July 8, officers responded to the Westlake Shopping Center on the report of a theft. They contacted a possible suspect, and through investigation were able to determine the subject had stolen items, and it appeared as if he was armed with a handgun while doing so. Officers did recover a firearm but determined that it was a replica. Additional items located on the individual included numerous tools commonly used in burglaries. The subject was booked accordingly.



Blue Commendation for Great Arrest – Officer Nick McCarthy and Officer Rosa Brenes



On Friday, July 12, Chief Hensley provided commendations to Daly City Police Officers Nick McCarthy and Rosa Brenes for their part in an investigation that led to the arrest of a domestic violence suspect and the recovery of numerous firearms during a follow up search warrant. The suspect had a violent history, and the firearms located were determined to be stolen.

Arrest for Multiple Vehicle Burglaries



On Saturday, July 13, officers responded to the report of a vehicle burglary that had just occurred on A Street. Officers located three male subjects (one adult and two juveniles) who were fleeing the area and matched the description of the suspects. Officers were able to detain all three subjects, and through investigative tactics, were able to

confirm that all three were involved in multiple burglaries. Officers confirmed three burglaries in Daly City, and based on property found on one of the suspects, were able to determine the same suspects had committed at least six vehicle burglaries earlier in the day in the East Bay. Vehicle burglaries continue to be a challenging crime to combat, and arrests such as these help to send a message to organized crime rings that are involved in these activities.



North County Fire Authority (NCFA)

Public Outreach

On June 29, NCFA attended the Daly City Colma Chamber of Commerce Business 2 Business Extravaganza at the Serramonte Shopping Center. The department offered the public information on disaster preparedness, emergency kits, fire safety and fire prevention.



Helicopter Rescue



NCFA worked with CHP to facilitate a helicopter rescue on Thornton Beach on June 29. The patient was loaded onto a helicopter and then transported by ambulance to the hospital.



Vegetation Fire



On July 2, NCFA responded to a vegetation fire that burned approximately an acre of land. Crews were able to stop it before it damaged any structures or other property.



Retirement

On July 3, NCFA celebrated the retirement of Deputy Chief Shane Lauderdale after 3.5 years with the department.

Fireworks

Incident Action Plan



North County Fire Authority

Independence Incident
July 4, 2019

Operational Period
0800-0800Hours

On July 4, NCFA staffed additional personnel in preparation for an anticipated uptick of fireworks related calls. Staff encountered illegal fireworks like the one pictured.



Structure Fire

On July 7, NCFA responded to a structure fire that involved six fire companies, three chief officers and one fire investigator. No injuries to fire personnel or residents.

Non-Injury Accident



On July 9, NCFA responded to a non-injury accident involving a van carrying 85 gallons of gasoline. The driver fled the scene.



Hazmat Incident

On July 10, NCFCA and hazmat crews responded to a possible hazmat incident involving a drum. It was determined to be filled with gasoline and was disposed of by Public Works.



Department of Human Resources

Recruitment and Retention Efforts

During this period, staff conducted the following written and oral examinations:

- 1. Library Assistant I/II Written Exam
- 2. Police-DEA Interviews
- 3. Police Records Clerk I/II Oral Exam

Welcome New Hires



Ellen Legaspi, Account Clerk I, Finance



Cathy Wong, Account Clerk I, Finance

Employee Promotion



Fernando Barron, Lead Maintenance Worker (Parks), Public Works



Department of Water & Wastewater Resources

Collection System & Environmental Compliance



One of the biggest obstacles in keeping sewer maintenance holes and mainlines clean is grease. Grease is a combination of everything that leaves homes and businesses and enters into the sewer system. It can form in poorly constructed maintenance hole channels or in mainlines that do not

have enough slope or grade to keep the sewage moving through. When grease forms in maintenance hole channels, it restricts flow, which can lead to blockages. By removing the grease manually or mechanically with a Vac-Con, sewage flows smoothly on its way to the wastewater treatment plant for processing. There are approximately 3,800 maintenance holes in Daly City and each one must be inspected and cleaned regularly. This maintenance hole was cleaned recently on Westpark Drive.

Distribution System

Distribution crews responded to an emergency water main leak on Rio Verde Street. A section of 8-inch C900 PVC pipe had developed a leak at a service saddle. Crews excavated approximately 3.5 feet to expose the main for repair. A tapped, stainless steel, full circle style saddle and new corporation stop were used to complete the repair. The site was then backfilled, compacted and topped with temporary asphalt patch.



Environmental Compliance

Through routine screening, staff found a contractor cutting granite countertops in the front of a house and allowing the washwater from the cutting operation to flow onto the sidewalk, curb, gutter and eventually to the storm drain. The storm drains in this part of Daly City flow to Colma Creek and eventually San Francisco Bay. The contractor was directed to move his operation to the backyard where the washwater will flow to landscape. The contractor was also educated on Best Management Practices (BMPs) and required to clean the area using dry cleanup methods.



Operations



Water Operator, Christopher Broadway, is taking samples at Sullivan Well, to be analyzed for nitrates. Many samples are collected monthly at several ground water wells throughout the City. As part of the Groundwater Storage and Recovery Project, Daly City is doing its part to preserve the ground water in the Westside Basin and as part of a joint agreement, Daly City is getting 100% of its water from SFPUC's surface water supplies. Even though the ground water is currently not being produced, the City is still obligated by its drinking water permit to maintain current sampling data.

Plant & Equipment Maintenance



The PEM Division is responsible for maintaining numerous sites throughout the Daly City and the North San Mateo County Sanitation District service areas. These sites include facilities such as reservoirs, pump stations, regulator vaults, wastewater lift stations and the wastewater treatment plant. Weed abatement and landscaping are both important parts of the maintenance provided by the Division's team. Juan Carvajal is pictured working on landscape management at a potable water pump station.

