

CITY OF SAN MARINO

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

CITY HIGHLIGHTS

Save the date for Fourth of July celebration

he City of San Marino's
Fourth of July Celebration is quickly approaching!
The community is invited to attend this patriotic event on Friday, July 4 at Lacy Park, featuring food booths, a fun zone, a community parade, entertainment and a fireworks display at approximately 9 p.m.

The Virginia Road entrance to Lacy Park will open at 7 a.m. No entrance will be allowed via St. Albans Road until 3 p.m. Guests may reserve areas using blankets and chairs; no stakes or ropes will be permitted.

All guests must have a wristband to enter the park. Children ages 2 years and under are free.

Pre-sale wristbands will be available to San Marino residents for \$5 each. Proof of residency is required and residents must present an identification card with their address or a utility bill. Pre-sale wristbands will be available for non-residents for \$15 each.

Wristbands can be purchased Monday, June 23 through Thursday, July 3 at the locations listed below. Please note that times vary according to the location.

Recreation Department

• Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Crowell Public Library

• Monday-Thursday 10 a.m. to



9 p.m., Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

City Hall

• Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

All wristbands purchased on Friday, July 4 are \$20 each. Children ages 2 years and under are free.

For more information, call (626) 943-2627. ■

Bicycle & Pedestrian Improvement Plan meeting set

he next public meeting to discuss the City's Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvement Plan will be conducted with the San Marino Traffic Advisory Commission on Monday, May 19 at 7 p.m. at the San Marino Center, located at 1800 Huntington Drive.

Copies of the draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvement Plan will be available through the City Clerk's Office, the Crowell Public Library and the City's website at www.cityofsanmarino.org.

For questions or comments regarding the plan, please contact

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Pavilion 101 planned for July 4 in Lacy Park

The Tradition Continues!

an Marino's Fourth of July Pavilion will continue into the City's Second Century on July 4, 2014. The community is invited to participate.

The Pavilion is an exclusive, premium area in Lacy Park. Participants will enjoy community socializing, entertainment, dinner and beverages without the stress of early morning stake-outs and wayward wagons loaded with the evening's provisions.

The Pavilion will open at 5 p.m. and will be available through the fireworks display, which will end about 9:30 p.m.

When the Centennial Year opened in 2012, nearly 300 people enjoyed the festivities. In 2013, 400 people joined us in the Pavilion. The maximum for 2014 will again be 400, so make your reservations early. The deadline is Monday, June 23. Redeem your reservation by

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Become a more water wise gardener at free upcoming workshop

ur state is in one of the worst droughts in recent history. You can do your part to conserve water by learning to plant a water-wise garden.

Reserve your seat for a free California Friendly Gardening class to be held on Wednesday, May 21 from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Crowell Library Barth Room. The course is sponsored by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California.

Speakers Paula Henson of Terra Bella Water and Master Gardener Debbie Figoni will show you, among other things, how to take a holistic approach to gardening, how to sow the right plant in the right place and how to manage the irrigation of your garden.

Henson is an award-winning landscape designer and holds a Certificate in Gardening and Horticulture from UCLA Extension. She is EPA Watershed Academy certified, Project WET facilitator trained and an American Rainwater Catchment Systems Association Accredited Professional.

Figoni has been working in the

environmental field for nearly two decades. For 12 years she worked on recycling, hazardous waste and composting programs in the Bay Area.

Please RSVP at least one week before the class. Contact Jasmin Elepano at (626)300-0871 or email her at jelepano@cityofsanmarino.org.

If you have a comment, question or idea for the newsletter, please email Community Services
Director Sue Cobb at sacobb@cityofsanmarino.org.

GREEN CORNER

Hazardous/ E-Waste Round-Ups ...

Two hazardous/
electronic waste recycling
events will be held throughout the San Gabriel Valley this
month. Items such as computers, laptops, televisions, monitors, VCRs, DVDs, cell phones,
household and automobile batteries and other types of waste
will be accepted.

- Saturday, May 17, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., West Covina Maintenance Yard, 825 Sunset Avenue
- Saturday, May 31, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., El Monte Airport, 4233 North Santa Anita Avenue

Spotlight on Trees: Polyphagous Shot Hole Borer

The Polyphagous Shot Hole Borer (PSHB) is a relatively new pest in Southern California and has been confirmed in trees in San Marino and surrounding cities. It's related to the ambrosia beetle and drills into trees, bringing with it a fungus.

Symptoms of PSHB infection differ among tree species. The beetle produces a very precise, perfectly round, tiny entry hole in most trees. Infection can cause a dry or wet and oily dark stain surrounding the entry holes, discolored wood, leaf discoloration and wilting and dieback of entire branches. In box elders and avocados, a white crusty ring of sugar can be produced. Wood dust from boring may be produced, but because this can quickly dissolve in water it can be easy to miss. If the bark is scraped away, dark dead tissue may be found around the galleries.

To date, control has not been successful and the short-term and long-term effects to landscape trees are still being evaluated. If you suspect that you have found this beetle on your property, please contact the County Agriculture Commissioner Office at (949) 341-

1955. You can also contact Dr. Akif Eskalen at the University of California, Riverside at (951) 827-3499 or akif.eskalen@ ucr.edu. For more information, visit acwm.lacounty.gov/scripts/pestpdf.htm or ucanr. edu/sites/socaloakpests or call or email Ron Serven, Environmental Service Manager/City Arborist, at (626) 300-0789 or rserven@cityofsanmarino.org. HERO Rebate Program

HERO provides home and business owners with a new way to finance energy and water efficiency projects. Among the most popular upgrades are home heating and cooling (HVAC), solar power panel installations, energy-saving windows, roofing and insulation. Visit HEROprogram.com to get started or call (855) HERO-411.

To submit a comment about the "Green Corner," please contact Environmental Services Manager Ron Serven at (626) 300-0789 or rserven@cityofsanmarino.org.

LIBRARY NEWS

Men Are From Mars/ Women Are From Venus

Join us Saturday, May 17 from 2 to 4:30 p.m. for this relationship workshop, presented entirely in Mandarin. The course, offered in partnership with the United Charity Foundation, offers tips on how to keep your relationship from turning into Star Wars.

San Marino Historical Society Speaker Series

On Monday, May 19 at 7 p.m., the San Marino Historical Society presents a lecture focusing on the history and culture of our town.

Teen Anime Club (Grades 7-12)

Calling teen otaku! Enjoy anime with your friends and fellow fans at our free Tuesday screenings of popular anime television shows and feature

films. Snacks will be served. Celebrity Illnesses With Dr. Cary Presant

Celebrities are important in our lives and when they become ill, their challenges give us reasons to examine our own health. On Thursday, May 22 at 7 p.m., Dr. Presant will discuss many celebrities and their conditions and give tips about how their struggles can inspire us to get better health today.

Barks and Books

Elementary school children are invited to the Crowell Public Library on Tuesday, May 27 at 3 p.m. to practice their reading skills by reading to Spencer, a gentle Basset Hound.

Music at Crowell: San Marino Jazz Quartet

Our live music series, sponsored by the Friends of the Crowell Public Library and the San Marino Music Center, continues on Thursday, June 5 at 7 p.m. with guitarist John Axume and his group.

Summer Reading Club Kickoff

Beginning Monday, June 9 at 2 p.m., we're kicking off the Summer Reading Club with a show by Wild Wonders, featuring the animals in "Our Big Backyard." Come see live, native North American animals, featuring many from our own beautiful area.

Summer Reading Club

The Crowell Public Library invites families to gallop, crawl, slither or fly to the library for "Paws to Read!" Research has shown that reading over the summer prevents reading skill loss. For the first time ever, the Summer Reading Club is open to all ages, including infants. Registration begins Tuesday, June 10 and runs through Saturday, July 19. For more information, call (626) 300-0777 or visit crowellpubliclibrary.org.

TRECREATION HAPPENINGS!

Preschool Summer Camp -June 9 through August 15

Your child will have fun exploring a different theme each week through stories, art, free play and organized games. There will be water play Monday through Thursday. Preschool Summer Camps are for children 2 to 5 years old. Our 2-year-old camps are offered monthly and our 3- to 5-year-old camps are offered weekly. For all camps you may pick any two, three or four days of the week or attend all five days with limited hours. Registration is currently underway.

Preschool Fall Registration

Registration began in March for our 2014-2015 school year, but some spots may still be available. Please call the Recreation Department at (626) 403-2200 for details and availability.

Camp Lacy Jr. Adventurers & Trailblazers

Experience a fun and enriching summer with Camp Lacy! Our summer day camp at Lacy Park offers an exciting blend of activities and experiences for children entering kindergarten through fifth grade. Under the guidance and supervision of experienced staff, campers learn

new skills, build self-confidence and establish new friendships. Sessions are divided by week, between morning, afternoon and full day, among different age groups. For a complete overview of Camp Lacy, please refer to the Summer Recreation Guide. Registration for Camp Lacy is currently underway.

Camp Lacy Freewheelers

Our Freewheelers camp is an exciting yet physically challenging program designed for campers entering into fourth through eighth grade. The Freewheelers travel a 2-mile radius on their bicycles and travel from (Continued on back page)

City Council

Dennis Kneier, Mayor Eugene Sun, Vice Mayor Dr. Richard Sun, Councilmember Dr. Allan Yung, Councilmember Richard Ward, Councilmember John Schaefer, City Manager

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Recreation Happenings

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Lacy Park to local areas of interest, including the San Marino High School Pool, Starbucks and Ultra Zone. Campers will receive bicycle safety lessons from experienced staff and guidance from the San Marino Police Department. Freewheelers also get to enjoy weekly field trips to places such as Knott's Berry Farm, an Angel's baseball game and more. For a complete overview of the Freewheelers program, please refer to the Summer Recreation Guide. Registration is currently underway.

Jr. Titan Sports Camps

Our Jr. Titan Sports Camps are designed to offer specific skill building fundamentals and age-appropriate drills and modified games for children ages 6 through 12 years old. Our experienced and fun-loving coaches offer encouragement and motivation, which builds confidence and self-worth. These camps are the perfect complement to summer school in conjunction with our lunch ride program. Our campers end each day with fun at the pool. For a

complete overview of the Jr. Titan Sports Camps program, please refer to the Summer Recreation Guide. Registration is currently underway. *July Senior Trip*

Spend a summer day at the World Famous Sawdust Art Festival on Thursday, July 10. Experience the artistic wonders of more than 200 local artists. Since 1966, the Sawdust Art Festival has drawn numerous art enthusiasts looking for original artwork, including paintings, ceramics, jewelry, photography, textile arts, wood and metal sculptures, handblown and fused glass and more. On the way home, we will stop at Roger's Garden, known as "America's most beautiful home and garden center," located in Newport Beach. The nursery offers one of the most

extensive varieties of foliage and flowering plants found anywhere. Make your reservations by Monday, June 30.

For more information about these activities, call the Recreation Department at (626) 403-2200.

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Assistant City Manager Lucy Garcia at (626) 300-0708 or at lgarcia@ cityofsanmarino.org. Following the Commission's discussion of the plan, comments or recommendations will be submitted to the City

Council for consideration.

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checking-in at a will-call tent at the Virginia Road entrance to Lacy Park.

Enclosed with this newsletter is an invitation card and reservation envelope. The cost is \$70 for adults and lesser amounts for others. The prices include the \$5 City wristband fee. Beer and wine are available at a nominal additional charge.

Pavilion 101 is organized by the San Marino City Club with the cooperation and assistance of the City of San Marino. ■