



OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

May 23, 2013

To the Honorable City Council  
of the City of Pasadena

Mayor and Councilmembers:

**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

1. **Herkimer Arms Wins Los Angeles Conservancy Preservation Award:**

The recently completed Herkimer Arms affordable housing development was one of eight projects honored for excellence in historic preservation on May 16, 2013 at the Los Angeles Conservancy's 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Preservation Awards Ceremony at the Biltmore Hotel in downtown Los Angeles. The attached memorandum from William K. Huang, Director of Housing provides additional details on the project.

2. **Pasadena Digital History Collaboration Receives Historic Preservation Award:**

The Pasadena Digital History Collaboration (PDHC), a consortium of Pasadena cultural institutions, which includes partner organizations: City of Pasadena Planning and Community Development Department, Pasadena City College's Shatford Library and Pasadena Museum of History, Pasadena Public Library, and The Huntington Library, Collections and Botanical Gardens, was nominated for and will receive a 2013 Historic Preservation Award from the City of Pasadena in recognition of its efforts to support Historic Preservation. The attached memorandum from Jan Sanders, Director of Libraries & Information Services provides additional information.

3. **Pasadena Idol 2013:**

The Human Services and Recreation Department is pleased to provide an update on the 7th Annual Summer Teen Talent Competition, Pasadena Idol.

Auditions were held this past spring with 30 youth (ages 13 to 18) selected to participate in three program workshops. The first workshop will be held on Saturday, May 25th at Jackie Robinson Center and future workshops are scheduled for June 29th at Jackie Robinson Center

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and July 13th at LAMA College for Music Professionals. These workshops are facilitated by the event sponsors to help develop the participant's performing skills, vocal technique as well as introduce them to different careers opportunities in the music industry. Workshops are for selected participants only.

The top 10 performers from these workshops will be chosen to compete for the Pasadena Idol 2013 title on Saturday, August 24th at Paseo Colorado. Attached is a memorandum from Mercy Santoro, Director of Human Services & Recreation with additional details.

**4. Human Relations Commission Sponsors "Cultural Competency":**

The public is invited to attend a three-part workshop/discussion series focused on "Cultural Competency" that is being sponsored by the Pasadena Human Relations Commission. All workshops will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturdays - May 25, June 22 and July 20 - in the Pasadena City Council Chamber at City Hall, 100 N. Garfield Ave., 2nd Floor. I have attached a memorandum from Mercy Santoro, Director of Human Services and Recreation which provides additional information on the workshops.

**5. Rose Bowl Renovation Project Weekly Update:**

Attached is the most current schedule for the Rose Bowl Renovation Project as provided by Darryl Dunn, General Manager of the Rose Bowl.

Respectfully submitted,



**STEVE MERMELL**  
Assistant City Manager

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## HOUSING DEPARTMENT

DATE: May 20, 2013  
TO: Michael J. Beck, City Manager  
FROM: William K. Huang, Housing Director  
SUBJECT: Herkimer Arms Wins Los Angeles Conservancy Preservation Award

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Herkimer Arms at its original Fuller Seminary campus location



Herkimer Arms being moved in pieces to the Villa Parke neighborhood



Herkimer Arms restored



**MEMORANDUM  
LIBRARIES & INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

**Date:** May 22, 2013

**TO:** Michael Beck, City Manager

**FROM:** Jan Sanders, Director, Libraries and Information Services 

**RE:** Pasadena Digital History Collaboration receives Historic Preservation Award

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The Collaboration brings *Pasadena's History to Life* by providing public access to the greatest collection of digitized, historical archives in Pasadena. Founded in 2009 the collections mainly consist of photographs, but also include objects, architectural drawings, city directories, and more. There are currently 7,330 records in the collection with more being added daily. The collection is a wonderful resource for researchers.

One of the PDHC's core goals is to continue partnering with other local cultural institutions that are either in Pasadena or have Pasadena-related collections to further enhance the collection. "We are truly excited and motivated to continue bringing Pasadena's history to the community with just a click of the mouse," said Martha Camacho, Librarian III, Head of Central Library.

To access the collection go to [www.pasadenadigitalhistory.com](http://www.pasadenadigitalhistory.com). For more information on Pasadena Digital History Collaboration contact Martha Camacho at (626) 744-4279 or [info@pasadenadigitalhistory.com](mailto:info@pasadenadigitalhistory.com).



**MEMORANDUM – CITY OF PASADENA**  
**Human Services and Recreation Department**

**DATE:** May 22, 2013  
**TO:** Michael Beck, City Manager  
**FROM:** Mercy Santoro, Director – Human Services & Recreation  
**SUBJECT: PASADENA IDOL 2013**

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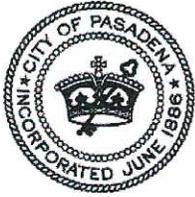
The Human Services and Recreation Department is pleased to provide an update on the 7th Annual Summer Teen Talent Competition, Pasadena Idol. Co-sponsors for this popular event include Paseo Colorado, local production companies Swart Section, S&C Claz, Mike Town Sounds, Martyr Entertainment, Young Black and Gifted (YBAG), Dena Magazine, and new sponsor LAMA College for Music Professionals located in Pasadena.

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The top 10 performers from these workshops will be chosen to compete for the Pasadena Idol 2013 title on Saturday, August 24th at Paseo Colorado. The winner will receive the Idol Demo Pack, which includes 2 original songs written and produced by the event sponsors, 100 compact disks, a music video and an article in Dena Magazine. The runner-up will receive a scholarship to Summer Camp 2014 at LAMA for young aspiring musicians.

This free event was created as a Youth Month activity and this will be the third year the event is staged at Paseo Colorado, Garfield Promenade.

For more information regarding this event, please call Dolores Mendoza at 626-744-7507.



**MEMORANDUM – CITY OF PASADENA**  
**Human Services and Recreation Department**

**DATE:** May 22, 2013

**TO:** Michael Beck, City Manager

**FROM:** Mercy Santoro, Director – Human Services & Recreation

**SUBJECT: HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION SPONSORS**  
**“CULTURAL COMPETENCY”**

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Topics of discussion for each workshop include:

- Workshop 1, May 25, “Access Denied: Technology Bias”

How important is the internet in the United States today? Does the inability to access the internet limit individuals’ ability to grow? How does this affect Pasadena?

- Workshop 2, June 22, “Who am I? Breaking Through Prejudice by Understanding Ourselves”

Why do we judge others? Why are we uncomfortable around certain groups of people?

- Workshop 3, July 20, “Reintegration: Problems Faced by Ex-cons Trying to Find Housing After Released From Prison”

If you can’t go home where do you go? Why is so difficult for ex-cons to find housing? How does this affect a community?

The series is held in conjunction with Banks Consultants. For more information about the series or the Human Relations Commission, please contact Sonya Amos at (626) 744-4234 or [samos@cityofpasadena.net](mailto:samos@cityofpasadena.net).

# PROJECT PLANNING SCHEDULE

5/21/2013

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- May 21- June 4, 2013: McMahon's RV Show (Lot K)
- May 21, 2013: Data/ Communications Training (8am/ Project Trailer)
- May 22, 2013: IMG Weekly Meeting (2pm/ Admin)
- May 22, 2013: Legacy Meeting (3:30pm/ Admin)
- May 23, 2013: HVAC Training (8am/ Project Trailer)
- May 23, 2013: Police Command Staff Meeting and Tour (9am-11am)
- May 27, 2103: Memorial Day- Office Closed
- May 28, 2013: Police Drivers Training Course (7am-4pm/ South Lot F)
- May 28, 2013: Video Surveillance Training (8am/ Project Training)
- May 29, 2013: Fire Alarm Training (8am/ Project Trailer)
- May 29, 2013: IMG Weekly Meeting (2pm/ Admin)
- May 29-31, 2013: Kare Youth Load In
- May 30, 2013: Plumbing Training (8am/ Project Trailer)
- May 31- June 2, 2013: Kare Youth Circus
- May 31, 2013: Pasadena Fire Department Pavilion Walkthroughs
- June 3, 2013: Legacy Coordination Meeting (10:15am/ Admin)
- June 3, 2013: Weekly Update Meeting (11am/ Conference Room)
- June 5, 2013: Local Hiring Meeting (4pm/ Brookside)
- June 6, 2013: Gold Cup All Agency Production Meeting (10am/ Old Media Room)
- June 8, 2013: Pavilion Open House

- June 8, 2013: YPO Graduation Event (Pavilion)
- June 9, 2013: Flea Market