



OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

July 18, 2013

To the Honorable City Council
of the City of Pasadena

Mayor and Councilmembers:

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

1. North Arroyo Boulevard Water Main Break:

On Friday, July 12, 2013, a contractor working for Pasadena Water and Power (PWP) on North Arroyo Boulevard hit a 16-inch water main. The main break washed out approximately 40 feet of road just south of the Behner Water Treatment Plant, the west slope downhill towards the Jet Propulsion Lab (JPL) parking lot, and part of the east slope uphill. According to Phyllis Currie, General Manager Water and Power, a PWP on-call construction crew immediately responded to the break and fixed the broken main. Large amounts of dirt had to be removed from the JPL parking lot as well. Customers in the Gould pressure zone did not have water service for approximately 3 to 4 hours.

The road, which was already closed to vehicular traffic, has been blocked off for safety reasons to prohibit access to hiders and bikers who frequent the area. The contractor, who broke the main, was a geotechnical firm performing soil borings to establish percolation rates for the Arroyo Seco Canyon Project, a water resources enhancement project. Temporary repairs are being made while permanent solutions are evaluated for reconstructing the area.

2. Showdown in the Desert Boxing Tournament:

During the week of July 8th through July 13th, six members of the Villa-Parke Community Center Boxing Club competed at the Desert Boxing Showdown World Championships in Indio, CA. Four of the competitors were able to reach the finals with three boxers coming home with Championship belts. Participating in the tournament were over 800 competitors from 20 different states and international representatives from Tahiti, Japan, and Canada. I have attached a memorandum from Mercy Santoro, Director of Human Services and

Recreation which provides the names of the community members who competed in their respective weight classes. In addition, Ms. Santoro would like to acknowledge Fausto De La Torre, Boxing Coach at Villa-Parke for his outstanding work and leadership with these young boxers.

3. NFL Punt, Pass & Kick – Skills Competition:

You are invited to attend the National Football League (NFL) Punt, Pass, & Kick National Skills Competition on Saturday, July 20, 2013 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Robinson Park Recreation Center Multipurpose Field, 1081 North Fair Oaks Avenue. This skills competition will be one of several events taking place during the Robinson Park 4th Annual Summer Festival. The skills clinic is open for children 6 to 14 years of age. Participants must register for this event online at www.nflppk.com/competitions/register/index or in person at Victory Park Recreation Center, 2575 Paloma Street, from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

According to Mercy Santoro, Director of Human Services and Recreation, the NFL PUNT, PASS & KICK Program is a national skills competition for boys and girls between the ages of 6 and 15 and allows them to compete more successfully. Established in 1961, the PUNT, PASS & KICK Program is the oldest NFL Youth Football program. Participants in five separate age divisions (6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, and 14-15) compete against each other in punting, passing and place kicking in a fun and engaging forum. Ms. Santoro is especially encouraging girls to register and take part in this event.

This free competition is sponsored by the Pasadena Human Services and Recreation Department – Citywide Recreation Division. For more information, please contact Justice Bolden at Jbolden@cityofpasadena.net or (626) 744-7506 or Leonardo Chavez at Lchavez@cityofpasadena.net or (626) 744-8336.

4. 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,


JULIE A. GUTIERREZ
Assistant City Manager

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MEMORANDUM – CITY OF PASADENA
Human Services and Recreation Department

DATE: July 17, 2013
TO: Michael Beck, City Manager
FROM: Lisa Fowler, Communications – Human Services & Recreation
SUBJECT: **Showdown in the Desert Boxing Tournament**

During the week of July 8 through July 13, 2013, six members of the Villa-Parke Community Center Boxing Club competed at the Desert Boxing Showdown World Championships in Indio, CA. Participating in the tournament were over 800 competitors from 20 different states and international representatives from Tahiti, Japan, and Canada. The following Pasadena community members competed in their respective weight classes:

- Fatima Martinez, (Washington Middle School), category 13-14 years, 178 lbs. Champion
- Christian Camarena, (Pasadena High School.) category 17-18 years, 141 lbs. Quarter Finals
- David Mijares, (Pasadena High School) category 17-18 years, 141 lbs. 2nd Place – Silver Medal
- Tamara Espinet, category 19-40 years of age, 119 lbs. - Champion
- Brandon Newberry, 19 – 40 years of age, 141 lbs. - Quarter Finals
- Louis Davis, 19 – 40 years of age, 200 lbs. - Champion

Four of the competitors were able to reach the finals with three boxers coming home with Championship belts. Mercy Santoro, Director of Human Services and Recreation, also wanted to acknowledge Fausto De La Torre, Boxing Coach at Villa-Parke, for his outstanding work and leadership with these young boxers.

Participation in tournaments such as the Desert Showdown is essential for amateur boxers in their growth and development while building a solid foundation for their boxing career. Competition not only builds confidence and strong character, but it teaches important life lessons about how to win and lose.

For more information, please contact Bill Davis at bdavis@cityofpasadena.net.

For more information about Recreation programs within the City of Pasadena, please visit www.cityofpasadena.net/humanservices.

PROJECT PLANNING SCHEDULE

7/8/2013

July							August							September						
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- July 15, 2103: Weekly Update Meeting (11am/ Conference Room)
 - July 15, 2103: NFL All Access Event (6-9pm/ Field)
 - **July 16-17, 2103: East Concourse Paving**
 - July 19-20, 2013: Ride and Drive (Lots F/ K)
 - July 20, 2013: Quinn Emanuel Event (Field)
 - July 21-27, 2013: Concert Load in
 - July 28, 2103: Concert
 - July 31, 2013: Finance Meeting (8am/ Conference Room)
 - July 31, 2013: Safety Committee Meeting (Noon/ Conference Room)
 - August 5-9, 2013: Video Board Cleaning
 - August 8, 2103: Neighborhood Meeting (7:30am/ Brookside)