Olympians and novices agree: the Santa Monica Swim Center has made a big splash with the community. Since opening in July 2002, over 1,000,000 visitors – including Olympians Lenny Krayzelburg, Janet Evans, Ian Crocker and Michael Phelps – have taken the plunge at our award-winning facility located on the Santa Monica College campus at 16th Street and Pico Boulevard.

Recognized by Los Angeles Magazine as the Best Swimming Pool, the Swim Center's splash pool and Olympic-sized fitness pool are home to aquatics programs for all ages and skill levels. Swim Center staff are equally as impressive – in addition to receiving consistently high marks for customer service, our lifeguards have taken first place in the Southern California Public Pool Operators Association annual competition for the past five years.

Haven't been to the Swim Center? There's no better time than now to dive in! Celebrate with us at Big Splash 2012 (page 10) then keep the fun going – check Recscape (page 23) for upcoming classes, or visit www.smgov.net/swim for hours and fees.

Visit www.smgov.net/swim for more information.

SANTA MONICA SWIM CENTER: A PERFECT TEN!

Five-time Olympic medalist Ian Crocker visits with Santa Monica Swim Center staff.

SWIM FOR FUN OR FITNESS – OR BOTH – THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

• Learn-to-Swim Classes
• Synchronized Swimming
• Water Polo
• Diving
• Low-impact Water Fitness Classes
• Family Fun Events
• Teen Nights
• Sharks Youth Swim Team
• Recreational Swim
• Lap Swim

The Swim Center is also a great place for camp field trips and birthday bashes. Call 310.458.8700 for more information.
The final design for the new Colorado Esplanade is complete. The city has been working with renowned landscape architecture firm Peter Walker Partners, the community and local stakeholders since last summer to achieve a design that celebrates Santa Monica's natural beauty while accomplishing critical infrastructure improvements. This exciting capital improvement project will improve one of the main gateways to the city, integrate the future Expo Light Rail Station at 4th Street and Colorado Avenue, and streamline circulation for cars, pedestrians and bicyclists along Colorado Avenue between 4th Street and Ocean. Combining wider sidewalks, festival lighting and welcoming landscapes, it will also feature the city's first cycle track – a two-way, separated and buffered bicycle route.

Arrival of the Expo Light Rail will bring thousands of new pedestrians to the station area daily. The Esplanade will welcome all users by adding sidewalk space, wayfinding and clear connections to all adjacent uses. Removing street clutter to enhance sight lines to downtown, the pier and the new parks currently under construction, the Esplanade will create new vistas down Colorado and from the elevated platforms at the light rail station. This project will also enable the alignment of Main and 2nd Streets, a community priority built into the Civic Center Specific Plan.

The Colorado Esplanade and the Station Plaza will elegantly orchestrate arrival and departure for drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians and offer a memorable experience. Construction on this project is expected to begin next year and be completed by 2014, in time for the arrival of Expo Light Rail in 2015.
Changes Coming to the 405 – Plan Your Commute

It may not be as widely publicized as “Carmageddon”, but the I-405 Sepulveda Pass Improvement Project is continuing through the summer and may affect your travel plans or your daily commute. On June 22, contractors for Metro began demolishing the first two of eight ramps joining Wilshire Boulevard and the 405.

Now closed:
- I-405 North off-ramp to westbound Wilshire Blvd.
- Westbound Wilshire Blvd. on-ramp to I-405 N

The contractor anticipates rebuilding these two ramps in 90 days. Reconstruction of all eight Wilshire ramps is expected to take more than one year. Planning ahead is the best option to avoid possible traffic delays.

Alternate Work Schedules: Adjust your schedule to arrive and depart before or after rush hours.

Telecommute: Work from home or a satellite office one or more days a week.

Try mass transit: Big Blue Bus and Metro are offering transit solutions for commuters affected by the closure. Visit their websites www.metro.net and www.bigbluebus.com, or call Metro at 323.GOMETRO or Big Blue Bus Customer Service at 310.451.5444.

Carpool or Vanpool: Share your commute – it gets more cars off the road and reduces the stress caused by traffic when you share the ride. If you are interested in finding a vanpool or carpool partner, visit www.metro.net.

Stay Informed: Sign up to receive 405 closure alerts via e-mail, Facebook or Twitter at www.metro.net or call 5-1-1 for traffic information.

At Public Meetings, Choose Civility

A majority of Americans believe that civil discourse is becoming increasingly, well, uncivil. In Santa Monica we are committed to a democratic process, inclusive of individual rights of expression, robust debate and tolerance for disparate views. It is in that spirit, and in keeping with a trend towards policies encouraging respectful and productive debate being enacted in cities across the nation, that Council has adopted a resolution endorsing standards of behavior at public meetings. The primary tenets of this resolution are as follows:

- Treat everyone courteously.
- Listen to others respectfully.
- Exercise self-control.
- Give open-minded consideration to all viewpoints.
- Focus on the issues and avoid personalized debate.
- Embrace respectful disagreement and dissent as democratic rights, inherent components of an inclusive public process and tools for forging sound decisions.

This resolution was adopted by City Council on December 13, 2011 and presentations were given for the City’s boards and commissions. These principles are excellent guidelines for any public meeting such as neighborhood meetings, HOA meetings and other forums where controversial issues or passionate debate may arise. The written policy is available at the City Clerk’s website at www.smgov.net/cityclerk.

For more information, please contact the City Clerk’s Office at 310.458.8211 or email clerk@smgov.net.

CityTV highlights

Summertime means music and fun at the world famous Santa Monica Pier! Once again CityTV will be there to capture all the highlights from this year’s TWILIGHT CONCERT SERIES – come out and join us and take in some world-class music! If you miss the shows live, you can still catch the best of the Twilight Concert Series from past years every night on CityTV channel 16 at 11 p.m. at www.citytv.org. Look for this summer’s shows to premiere in the fall.
Household Hazardous Waste Collection Comes to Your Home

Household Hazardous Waste Home Collection is a safe, convenient, and easy to use service where the haz mat technicians come right to your home!

Free to all Santa Monica residents – no limit.

HOME COLLECTION:
Call 1 (800) HHW-PKUP (1.800.449.7587), Monday-Friday, 8 AM to 5 PM; or e-mail atyourdoor@wm.com to get started.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:
Beginning July 7, 2012, the Household Hazardous Waste Center will be open on the first Saturday of the month ONLY: 9 AM to 2 PM

For additional information or feedback please visit sustainablesm.org/hhw or call (310) 458-2213

Provided by the Office of Sustainability and the Environment and Waste Management

Household Hazardous Waste

Water Wisely

July is Smart Irrigation Month – a reminder to conserve water by taking control of your garden watering and following these tips:

- **TIME IT RIGHT.** Program your irrigation system to account for the type of sprinkler, sun exposure and specific plant needs. Ideal irrigation systems are zoned by differing plant types.
- **CONSIDER SOIL TYPE.** Soils absorb water at different rates. Watering more than the soil can absorb causes runoff and waste. Find out what type you have and water accordingly.
- **WATER ONLY WHEN NEEDED.** Saturate root zones and let the soil dry. Watering too much and too frequently results in shallow roots, weed growth, disease and fungus.
- **BREAK UP SINGLE WATERING TIMES.** For example, instead of watering for 15 minutes, set your system to run for five minutes three times with a soak-in period between intervals. This allows for the soil to absorb more water, reducing runoff.
- **WATER AT THE BEST TIME.** Watering during the heat of the day may cause losses of up to 30 percent due to evaporation. Water before 9 a.m. or after 4 p.m. any day of the week.
- **ADAPT WATERING TO THE SEASON.** Adjust the watering schedule regularly based on seasonal weather conditions. A smart controller does this work for you, and if you install one now you may be eligible for a rebate (see below).
- **DON’T SEND WATER DOWN THE DRAIN.** Set sprinklers to water plants – not your driveway, sidewalk, patio or buildings. Retrofitting existing spray heads to efficient rotary nozzles can help and you can get a rebate.
- **CHECK OUT OUR GARDENS.** Visit the city’s newest demonstration gardens at 3200 Airport Avenue next to the Museum of Flying to see raised veggie gardens, beautiful plants, permeable pathways, and more.

For rebates up to $200 for qualified irrigation parts and a watering schedule, visit www.bewaterwise.com.

Smart Irrigation Month is an initiative of the Irrigation Association, a nonprofit industry organization dedicated to promoting efficient irrigation. Learn more at www.smartirrigationmonth.org

Pick It Up for Happier Neighbors and a Healthier Bay!

Each month, Los Angeles County residents walk their dogs without picking up after them more than 117,000 times. This creates a perilous situation not only for nose and foot, but also for the long-term health of the Santa Monica Bay. Many pet owners may not realize that when rain and dry weather runoff pick up pathogens from pet waste left on a lawn or sidewalk and carry them into the Bay, bacteria like E. coli ends up in the coastal waters where people are relaxing on the beach and swimming in the water. When Santa Monica Bay beaches receive poor grades from Heal the Bay’s Beach Report Card, microorganisms found in animal wastes are often responsible. Plus, no one relishes having pet droppings left on their lawn.

While the city has taken measures to reduce urban runoff pollution, pet owners need to help by removing pollution sources from landscapes and hard surfaces. And, it’s the law – pet owners are required to carry a visible means of removing their pet’s droppings and can be fined for their failure to do so (SMMC 4.04.370, 4.04.380 and 4.04.385). So, please, keep your neighbors happy and our bay healthy – pick it up when you walk your dog!

For more information about urban runoff pollution prevention, contact the city’s Urban Runoff Management Coordinator at 310.458.8223.
A Clean Beach is Within Reach

The City of Santa Monica and Heal the Bay worked together to prepare 400 new trash cans in time for the summer season at Santa Monica State Beach. The cans feature eye-catching artwork that reflects the playful nature of a day at the beach, while reminding the community about the need to keep trash in its proper place.

The colorful new wraps feature a QR code linking smart phone users to the latest mobile-friendly version of Santa Monica Beachcast. Users have access to a variety of local beach content, including tips on how to keep the beach clean, a chance to sign up for beach cleanups with Heal the Bay, water and beach report cards, community Twitter updates, and important information about the beach, Santa Monica Pier and emergency contacts.

The SM Beachcast also invites users to upload and share their favorite beach photos through Instagram. Images tagged #SMBC will be added to the SM Beachcast online visual gallery, and are viewable on the site. The interactive gallery highlights the beauty of the beach and provides the community with a stronger sense of pride and connectivity to the beach and each other. Two advertising firms, DDB LA and Axis Graphics, donated their inspiration and talents to the effort.

To check out the Santa Monica Beachcast, scan a can the next time you visit the beach or scan this QR code with your smart phone.

BE SAFE ON THE BEACH TRAIL!

The beach trail is ours to share. Please respect others on the path.

- Keep to the right, except when passing.
- Yield to slower-moving people.
- Pass with care – look and let people know you’re coming by voice, bell or horn.
- Watch out for people crossing.
- Move off the trail if you need to stop.
- Choose the best route. Walkers, consider using a walk way to avoid bicyclists. Bicyclists, use a street to ride faster.

COMING SOON! Safety-enhancing signage and striping will help all users of the beach paths – bikes, peds and skates – keep moving more easily together by pointing out where paths are shared and where they’re not.
27th Annual Health and Fitness Festival

JULY 28, 11 AM – 4 PM
THIRD STREET PROMENADE

The Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce is proud to present the Health and Fitness Festival, Saturday July 28 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the Third Street Promenade. Over 60 businesses and non-profits will share expert advice, offer free screenings and tests, teach classes and give demonstrations, sample and sell their products and showcase their causes. Featuring live music, Local Healthy Living grand prize raffle, activities for families, and special appearances, including contestants from The Biggest Loser.

This event is free to the public and giveaway bags will be given to the first 300 attendees.

For more information, please visit www.smchamber.com/healthandfitness or call 310.393.9825.

SAMOHI Seniors Take the Buy Local Santa Monica Challenge

On June 7, over 80 seniors at Santa Monica High School gathered to give end-of-year presentations on their service learning projects for their California Literature class. The topic: Buy Local Santa Monica.

Over the course of the school year, under the leadership of teacher Jenna Gasparino, the students read literary classics by California authors like John Steinbeck, which often have themes of community activism, the environment and equality. Then the students became active participants in the Buy Local Santa Monica campaign by interviewing local businesses owners, employees and farmers; writing monthly blogs about their favorite local businesses; and holding events at the campus to inform fellow classmates about the campaign and its importance to the community.

To read the blogs and leave a post of your own, visit www.buylocalsm.com/buylocalchallenge.

Volunteer Santa Monica

When the kids go back to school, do you have more time to serve the community? The city's Animal Shelter, Westside Special Olympics, Farmers Market and Senior Center are on the lookout for volunteers. Get started today by calling 310.458.8300 ext 5265, or email vol@smgov.net.

Virginia Avenue Park is always in need of tutors, reading partners, event support or Saturday Kidz Zone helpers. Call 310.458.8688 for more info.

We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.

~ WINSTON CHURCHILL
After School Adventures (Ages 6-14)
Join Virginia Avenue Park's After School X-Press! This program provides free educational, recreational and cultural arts programs at Virginia Avenue Park. After School X-Press offers a safe, fun, nurturing space for children in grades 1-5. A quiet area, supplies and staff are available to assist students with homework, engage children in a variety of activities and celebrate the end of the school week on Fun Fridays! Virginia Avenue Park's after-school programming takes place Monday through Friday from 3 to 7 p.m. in the Thelma Terry Building.

Saturday Kidz Zone
A very popular spot for kids and families, the Kidz Zone provides supervised activities for youth up to age 11 every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Parents can enjoy shopping at the Farmers Market while children participate in arts and crafts, sports, cooking and much more! No sign up required.

Teen Center
The Teen Center at Virginia Avenue Park is open to youth ages 14 - 24 that live or attend school in Santa Monica. Our programs include: Academic Assistance and college counseling to support you in your educational goals. We have exceptional tutors and professors at your service Monday through Thursday, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Job Readiness Jewish Vocational Services and Chrysalis both keep office hours at the park to help you search and apply for work and help you get ready for interviews.

Cultural Arts The Teen Center has six different artists in residence. Learn from talented artists and share your creative ideas in urban art, digital media, silk screening and deejaying every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday night.

Leadership We have youth leadership opportunities for you – join the Teen Center Leadership Group and get involved in your community!

Recreation The Teen Center also offers sports programs including bowling, golf, basketball and volleyball.

For more information, visit www.smgov.net/vapark or call the park at 310.458.8688.

WHEN A DISASTER STRIKES, DO YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO?

Are you prepared to help yourself and your community in the time of a disaster or citywide emergency? Sign up now for free classes and services that will help you be informed and ready for anything.

Coming this fall, the City of Santa Monica's Office of Emergency Management will begin offering Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) free to anyone 18 years and older who lives or works in Santa Monica. CERT is a nationally recognized community emergency response training program which teaches emergency skills such as disaster preparedness, fire safety, medical operations, basic search and rescue methods, and disaster psychology and terrorism awareness. Classes will meet for six hours on three consecutive Saturdays, with sessions scheduled in August and October. Register online at www.smgov.net/oem or call 310.458.2263.

SM Alerts, Santa Monica's community notification system, is available to all who live, work and play in the City of Santa Monica. To sign up and stay informed, visit www.SMAlerts.net. In the event of an emergency, such as an earthquake or police activity, you’ll receive vital safety information via text, email or even on your home phone. You can also select from a range of community updates, including construction and traffic information, Big Blue Bus detours, and when the next Seascape is available online! The community updates are generally sent via email only, and you can add more categories or unsubscribe at any time. People with disabilities may sign up offline by calling the Office of Emergency Management at 310.458.2263.

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THE 28TH ANNUAL TWILIGHT CONCERT SERIES CONTINUES

THURSDAYS THROUGH SEPTEMBER 6 AT THE SANTA MONICA PIER | 7-10 PM | FREE

JULY 19
Los Angeles-based indie acts HAIM and WILDCAT! WILDCAT!

JULY 26
Organic jam rocker JACKIE GREENE

AUGUST 2
Australian country singer-songwriter KASEY CHAMBERS

AUGUST 9
PARADE Collective – Jam sessions featuring musicians from CIRQUE DU SOLEIL®

AUGUST 16
African Rock from Mali’s AMADOU & MARIAM paired with Portland Scene-stealers Y LA BAMBA

AUGUST 23
Cuban singer-songwriter ALEX CUBA and the Salsa sounds of LUCKY 7 MAMBO

AUGUST 30
New Orleans’ own HOT 8 BRASS BAND and Louisiana funk band THE GUMBO BROTHERS

SEPTEMBER 6
Southern California indie breakout act BEST COAST and NO

Concerts are free and open to the public. Parking near the pier is limited – walk, bike or take the Big Blue Bus this summer! Free bike valet will be located on the beach south of the pier.

For more information on the concerts, visit www.twilightseries.org or call 310.458.8900.

Looking for something for your kids to do? There’s still time to sign up for our summer camps www.smgov.net/summer

OR SEE RECSCAPE FOR MORE INFO

28th Annual California Coastal Cleanup Day

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
9 A.M. TO NOON

Santa Monica Convention & Visitors Bureau (SMCVB) congratulates Heal the Bay for receiving the California Travel Association’s Tourism Stewardship of the Year Award for its significant contributions towards preserving our shared natural resources. The Santa Monica-based environmental advocacy nonprofit has been a pioneer in preserving California’s coastline and improving water quality at California beaches for over 20 years. Heal the Bay’s team of passionate scientists and advocates monitors pollution levels at California beaches with its weekly Beach Report Card, leads beach cleanups, and educates coastal and inland communities on the importance of protecting our watersheds. Heal the Bay also encourages ocean stewardship at its Santa Monica Pier Aquarium, which welcomes more than 70,000 visitors each year.

Protecting our beaches is good for the environment and keeps our beaches safe and enjoyable, but in addition, it helps maintain Santa Monica’s reputation as a world-class beach tourist destination, ensuring a vital and sustainable economy for our community. Help preserve our beaches by participating in the 28th Annual California Coastal Cleanup Day. It’s the largest volunteer day on the planet!

Visit www.healthebay.org for more information and to sign up.
Pedestrian Safety Starts with You

Pedestrians have the right of way on Santa Monica streets, but carelessness can cause injuries and deaths. Be street smart! Follow these tips when walking around town and arrive safe and sound.

10. Know WHERE to cross – cross at intersections or marked crosswalks. Crossing mid-block is unsafe unless there is a marked or signalized crosswalk.

9. Know WHEN to cross – cross only with the green light or when the “walk” sign is activated; the walk sign may change but the light is timed to give you enough time to continue on safely before opposing traffic approaches.

8. Pay attention while walking. Drivers are not the only ones who can be inattentive.

7. Be visible! Wearing light colors isn’t always enough – wear reflectors and carry a flashlight when walking at night.

6. Don’t assert the right of way with a fast moving vehicle – you could lose. Allow vehicles enough time to stop.

5. Use extra care when crossing with children. Remember drivers may not see little ones – hold their hand while crossing.

4. Be cautious in parking lots, too – they can be just as dangerous as the street.

3. Disconnect. Wearing headphones and listening to music while walking reduces your hearing and can be distracting.

2. Drivers have blind spots and can’t always see pedestrians. Make eye contact with the driver and be sure he/she is stopping before you cross.

1. Remember when your parents taught you to look both ways before crossing the street? It’s the best advice. Watch the road.

Visit www.smgov.net/watchtheroad for more on the pedestrian safety campaign, as well as tips for cyclists and drivers.

Downtown Santa Monica & Third Street Promenade Celebrate Fashion’s Night Out

On Thursday, September 6, Downtown Santa Monica & Third Street Promenade will once again be transformed into an exciting fashion playground in celebration of Fashion’s Night Out! Fashionistas, designers and Downtown shops come together from 6 to 11 p.m. to host an extraordinary evening of shopping, entertainment and neighborhood-wide fashion events during this global shopping celebration.

Come out and support local businesses while enjoying unique fashion events, exclusive discounts and contests for shoppers, with live DJs, refreshments and more. The evening will feature a variety of events, all within walking distance throughout Downtown Santa Monica and Third Street Promenade.

CYBERNEWZ More Mobile Payment Solutions

No need to dig for quarters! Staying at the forefront of technology, Santa Monica now offers mobile payment at all on street meters spaces and pay stations. Customers can pay for parking with their cell phone using Parkmobile applications for the iPhone®, Android™, Windows Mobile and Blackberry™.

Drivers register for free by setting up an account at www.parkmobile.com and download one of the native mobile apps. Once registered, customers can use the mobile app, the Internet, or a toll-free 800 number to pay for parking. Credit/debit card and coin service is still offered at meters and pay stations as well.

For more information, visit www.smgov.net/parking or call 310.458.829.

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@ The Miles: 6th Annual MixMatch Dance Festival

AUGUST 24-26 | AUGUST 31-SEPTEMBER 2
1130 LINCOLN BOULEVARD | REED PARK

Curious audiences can expect an evening packed with excitement and energy at this showcase for all forms of dance – jazz, ballet, modern, contemporary, tap, belly, pole, lyrical, hip hop, folk, dance on file and much more. Hart Pulse Dance Company will captivate audiences in this series of six shows that bring together dance companies & artists from all backgrounds and specialties. Over 50 works will be presented! Please contact HartPulseDance@yahoo.com for more information.

Located at 1130 Lincoln Boulevard in Reed Park, the historic Miles Playhouse is a cultural resource offering performance opportunities for youth and community groups that all ages will enjoy. Please visit www.milesplayhouse.org for more information.

Coming Soon to the Civic Auditorium

AUGUST 4-5  Moksha Festival (www.mokshafestival.com)
AUGUST 25-26  Santa Monica Cat Show (www.cfasouthwest.org)
AUGUST 31-SEPTEMBER 2  International Gem & Jewelry Show (www.intergem.com)

GET MORE OF THE PALETTE! The Palette is a weekly email sent each Wednesday highlighting a handful of art and cultural events happening in Santa Monica. To sign up, visit www.smgov.net/arts.

Jazz On The Lawn  Continued from page 1

AUGUST 12  ZANE MUSA QUARTET  Combining his roots in traditional jazz with music of the contemporary era, Zane Musa's music knows no stylistic boundaries or musical limitations.

AUGUST 19  THE RONNIE GUTIERREZ BAND FEATURING LESLIE PAULA

A versatile and talented percussionist, Gutierrez mixes Cuban, Puerto Rican and Brazilian beats in his treasured classics and breath-taking originals. Leslie Paula's soaring range and sultry, sexy sounds have landed her center stage at major gigs worldwide. Free salsa lesson from 4:30-5 p.m. taught by Francisco & Stacey Martinez from The Dance Family Studio.

AUGUST 26  ROGELIO MITCHELL

Rogelio Mitchell draws from the musical styles of the Caribbean islands to create a sound rich in rhythm and harmony. With his unique blend of calypso, reggae, soca and jazz, Mitchell has toured extensively throughout Central and South America and has appeared at such festivals as the Santa Barbara Jazz Festival and the Distant Accords Awards.

For more information, visit www.smgov.net/jazz.
COMING THIS FALL
- JULIA MORGAN 2012 celebration with special tours, exhibit, panel event and workshops for all ages exploring the life and legacy of architect Julia Morgan and her lasting impact on the Annenberg Community Beach House
- BEACH WALKS with the Los Angeles and Santa Monica Audubon Societies, exploring Santa Monica State Beach, habitat to a wide array of wildlife
- HAPPY BIRTHDAY MARION! celebrating the multi-faceted life and legacy of actress, philanthropist, and business woman Marion Davies

SOAK IN SOME CULTURE AT BEACH=CULTURE EVENTS
All Beach=Culture events are free but reservations are required. Please visit www.annenbergbeachhouse.com/beachculture for details and to sign up.
- TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Red Hen Press Reading with Gabrielle Calvocoressi, Natalie Diaz, and Carolyn Guinzio
- THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 6-8 p.m. Opening reception for new exhibit celebrating Julia Morgan's legacy and female architects of Los Angeles

ENJOY THE LAST DAYS OF SUMMER AND GET READY FOR FALL AT THE ANNENBERG COMMUNITY BEACH HOUSE.

POST-SEASON POOL SCHEDULE
The pool will be open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on September 8, 9, 16, 22 & 23. Reservations are not available after Labor Day. All pool passes are available on a first come, first served basis. $10 adults / $5 seniors (60+) / $4 youth (1-17) / $24 family (2 adults + 2 youth)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE FIRST-EVER CARDBOARD YACHT REGATTA
Saturday, August 25, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Take part in our first-ever Cardboard Yacht Regatta! Teams will construct yachts from corrugated cardboard and duct tape, then two-person crews will paddle their way to the finish line. Awards will be given in a variety of categories. Preregistration required. $15/yacht. All ages and spectators welcome!

Through August 12 at the Beach House Gallery: SKYSCAPES
Featuring the work of Bruria Finkel, Chris Garland and Lita Albuquerque, three accomplished artists come together in their fascination with the sky and explore its myriad of natural configurations—highlighting the sky’s beauty and its ability to inspire dreams and self-reflection. Check www.annenbergbeachhouse.com for hours.

LET’S STAY IN TOUCH!
Receive up-to-date information on pool openings, new programs, classes and opportunities. Like us on Facebook and sign up for the Beach House e-newsletters! For complete information on seasonal hours, classes, parking and more visit www.annenbergbeachhouse.com, call us at 310.458.4904 or email us at beachhouse@smgov.net.

The Annenberg Community Beach House is wheelchair accessible and ADA compliant. For disability related accommodations, please call Guest Services at 310.458.4904.
ADULT PROGRAMS FALL 2012

MAIN LIBRARY
All Main Library events held in the MLK Jr Auditorium unless otherwise noted.

Westward Hol Visualizing the Frontier in Santa Monica  Shana Klein presents a fascinating illustrated talk about the earliest landscape photographs of Santa Monica. Tue 7/17, 7 p.m.


Staged Reading: The Learned Ladies  Santa Monica Rep presents a staged reading of Molière’s satire on academic pretention, female education and preciousness. Sat 8/4, 2 p.m.

Write to Sell  Best-selling local author Cy Tymony leads this informative workshop for authors on fine-tuning, publishing and marketing their writing. Thu 8/9, 7 p.m.

Glenn Ford: A Son Remembers  Peter Ford presents a biography of his father, film legend and Santa Monica native Glenn Ford. Tue 8/14, 7 p.m.

The Political is Personal Film Series: Miss Representation  Documentary that challenges the media’s limited and often disparaging portrayal of women and girls. Wed 8/15, 7 p.m.

Dolphin Confidential  Field scientist Maddalena Bearzi delivers a multimedia presentation on her studies in marine biology. Sat 8/18, 3 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BRANCH LIBRARY

Fairview Literature Book Group
Saturdays, 11 a.m. 7/14 Brideshead Revisited by Evelyn Waugh; 8/11 Adventures of Huckleberry Finn by Mark Twain.

Summer Movies at Fairview
Tuesdays, 7 p.m. 7/31 Big Miracle; 8/21 Friends with Kids.

Composting 101  Turn your kitchen and garden waste into rich, fertile soil. Sat 8/25, 11 a.m.

MONTANA AVENUE BRANCH LIBRARY

Book Group
Wednesdays, 7 p.m. 7/18 Sex, Mom and God by Frank Schaeffer; 8/15 Top Secret America by Dana Priest and William Arkin.

Summer Film Series
Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m. 7/17 London Boulevard; 7/24 The Future; 7/31 Everything Must Go; 8/14 Circumstance; 8/21 I Love You, Phillip Morris; 8/28 Drive.

Mystery Book Group  Cover Her Face by P.D. James. Wed 8/8, 7 p.m.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

MAIN LIBRARY

Story Time Saturdays: Giggles and Wiggles  Stories and crafts for the whole family. All ages welcome. Sat 8/11, 11 a.m.

August Family Flicks  Movie fun for everyone. Wednesdays at 2 p.m. 8/1 Puss in Boots; 8/8 The Muppets; 8/15 Hugo. MLK Jr. Auditorium.

Family Fun Week  Mon 8/13 – Thu 8/16. Spend the end of summer enjoying family time at the library! Ages 5 & up. Programs start at 2 p.m.

Musical Story Time  “Dream Big” finale with songs, musical stories & rhythm fun. Ages 2–5. Sat 8/25, 10:30 a.m.

Programs for Teens

Game On! Wii Summer Games  Grade 5 and up. Enjoy a fun afternoon playing Wii games, including the NEW Mario & Sonic at the London 2012 Olympics! Fri 7/27, 2-4 p.m.

Nerd Rock Concert  Rock out to music and songs inspired by books, including the Harry Potter series and The Hunger Games trilogy! All ages. Tue 8/21, 6-8 p.m. MLK Jr. Aud.

Teen Advisory Council Meet & Greet  Learn how you can gain leadership experience and help plan programs at the library. For students in grades 9 to 12 who live or attend school in Santa Monica. Mon 9/10 at 4 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BRANCH LIBRARY

Gaming Unplugged  Hang out and play board and card games. All ages welcome. Mon 7/23, 3:30-5 p.m.

Programs for Tweens/Teens

Game On! Wii Summer Games  Enjoy a fun afternoon playing Wii games, including the NEW Mario & Sonic at the London 2012 Olympics! For grades 5 & up. Fri 8/3, 2-4 p.m.

TALK IT UP  Snacks and a book discussion of a title selected from SMMUSD’s middle school summer reading list. Contact the branch for titles and to sign up. Grades 6–8. Mon 8/6, 3:30 p.m.


MONTANA AVENUE BRANCH LIBRARY

Paws to Read  Practice your reading skills and read to a therapy dog for 15 minutes. Sign up at the branch. Readers ages 5 & up. Thu and Sat, 7/5 – 8/11, 2 – 3 p.m.

Dream Big Movie: The Muppets  Ages 3 & up welcome. Fri 8/10, 2:30 p.m.

Programs for Teens/Tweens

Iron Chef Challenge: Ice Cream  Who can make the best ice cream? For grades 6 & up. Mon 8/13, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

OCEAN PARK BRANCH LIBRARY

Toddler Puppet Dreams  A dreamy morning of puppets and stories for toddlers 18 – 36 mos. Tue 7/31, 10:30 a.m.

Programs for Teens

T-Shirt Crafts  Make scarves, belts and accessories out of old T-shirts. For grades 4–7. Thu 8/9, 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.
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CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Santa Monica City Council regularly meets at 5:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month in Council Chambers, located at City Hall, 1685 Main Street. Upcoming City Council meetings are scheduled for:
* July 24
* August 14, 28
* September 11, 25

Visit www.smgov.net/council for more information or to check the status of upcoming agenda items. City Council meetings are broadcast live on CityTV cable channel 16 and streamed at www.citytv.org. Regular meetings air on 89.9 KCRW from 8 p.m. to midnight.

City Council meetings are open to the public. Public comment may be made in person at the City Council meeting, or prior to the meeting via regular U.S. mail, e-mail, or by fax to:

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29TH ANNUAL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
TUESDAY, AUGUST 7 | 6 TO 8 P.M. | OLYMPIC DRIVE BETWEEN MAIN AND 4TH
(near the Public Safety Facility)

Join the fun at our annual block party and meet our new Chief of Police, Jacqueline Seabrooks! There will be free hot dogs and live entertainment, plus the chance to get an up-close look at some of our specialized units, including SWAT, Harbor, Motorcycles, Mounted Patrol, K9, the Paddy Wagon and more! Free parking will be available in the Civic Center Parking Structure located directly across the street from the Public Safety Building.

For more information regarding this event please call the S.M.P.D. Community Relations Unit at 310.458.8474 or visit our website at www.santamonicapd.org.
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