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- May 6 Operation Clean Sweep May 13 Nautical Swap Meet
- July 4 Fourth of July Celebration October 14 Harbor & Seafood Festival
- December 10 Parade of Lights

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for more details

2017 Regular Harbor Commission Meeting Schedule

January 19 July 20 February 16 August 17 March 16 September 21

- April 20 October 19
- May 18 November 16
- June 15 December 21

Harbor Commission regularly meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers

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- Marina One Replacement Seven phases completed
- 2016 Parade of Lights Festive, foggy fun with Wild West Holiday
- **Clean Marina Recertification** Santa Barbara Harbor passes once again
- Harbor Dredging A "new" dredge for Santa Barbara Harbor
- Harbor & Seafood Festival Recap Successful event celebrated local fishing
- **New Maintenance Superintendent** Say hello to Tom Dietz in his new role
- **Need Safety Equipment?** How to take advantage of FEF
- **2016 Waterfront Parking Permits** Get your permit now!
- Self-Pay Parking System Expands Convenient parking at Leadbetter Lot
- **Stearns Wharf Parking Kiosk** 30-year-old kiosk gets an upgrade
- **Fishermen's Listserv** Be in the know - update your information

Mark Your Calendar Event and Harbor Commission schedules

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City of Santa Barbara Waterfront Department

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"only" nine years.

Bellingham Marine Industries (BMI) has been involved since the project's inception and has gradually evolved into a model of efficiency. The first few phases of this eight-phase effort each took months. Phase 7 has taken less than three weeks each for fingers E, F, and G. Even with the addition of four 35' slips on "F" finger, BMI finished sooner than anticipated.

Decorated to the theme of "Wild West Holiday." 30 boats threaded their way through patches of fog on December 11th, creating an eerie and gorgeous 31st annual Parade of Lights. As the final boat passed a judging stand at the Conway Deep Sea Tasting Room on Stearns Wharf, Mayor Helene Schneider lit a 25' Christmas tree on the Wharf's shoreward finger. A five-minute fireworks show followed, casting a gauzy glow over the fog-bound harbor and thousands of spectators lining the breakwater and Wharf.

Waterfront Grill.



2017 PARKING PERMITS ON SALE Cesar Barrios.

Waterfront Parking Supervisor

Annual Waterfront parking permits went on sale December 1st. General permits cost \$100 and slip-permittee permits (one per slip) cost \$70. Permits are valid from the date of purchase through December 31, 2017. General permits are available at the Harbormaster's Office and all Waterfront parking kiosks except Stearns Wharf. Slip-permittee permits may only be purchased at the Harbormaster's Office. Ouestions? Call 897-1965.

SELF-PAY PARKING EXPANDS TO LEADBETTER LOT

Six self-pay parking stations are scheduled for installation in the Leadbetter Parking Lot in January, 2017, along with removal of an existing parking kiosk. The self-pay stations were first implemented in the Harbor West Parking Lot in July 2011, then expanded to Cabrillo, Palm Park and Garden Street lots. They've proven efficient and customer-friendly, accepting cash, coins, or credit cards (Visa, Discover, and MasterCard). Questions? Call 564-5534.

UPGRADING THE STEARNS WHARF PARKING KIOSK

Karl Treiberg, Waterfront Facilities Manager

One million pedestrians and 250,000 vehicles visit Stearns Wharf every year. An iconic landmark, the Wharf is a formidable structure that endures coastal storms and constant damage caused by the marine environment. A parking kiosk near the foot of the Wharf, built in the 1980s, is not immune to these beatings. Parking attendants have endured the kiosk's cold, drafty, wet interior for years and it was time for an upgrade.

The new kiosk is about twice the size of its predecessor and has been located a little further up the wharf to allow more cars to queue up beyond the gate arm, helping vehicles moving off the Wharf when it's busy.

This project was considered about 10 years ago, but the cost estimate for a custom-made booth was a hefty \$100,000. Fortunately, the new kiosk is prefabricated and considerably less expensive (\$35,000).

FISHERMEN'S LISTSERV

Commercial Fishermen have specialized needs for unique information, such as dissolved-oxygen levels in the harbor, breaking fisheries news or dates when the ice machine will be out of service for repairs.

To provide this information, the Waterfront Department maintains a Fishermen's Listserv-a list of emails we use to send a single information "blast" when it's timely and necessary.

Lately, it seems the list has gotten a bit stale. Each time information is disseminated, messages to several intended recipients come back as "undeliverable."

If you are a commercial fishermen in Santa Barbara and wish to receive timely notices about programs, projects or news affecting your operations, especially locally, please consider joining the Fishermen's Listserv. Just email Mick Kronman, Harbor Operations Manager, at mkronman@santabarbaraca.gov and we'll add you to the list.



MARINA ONE REPLACEMENT PROIECT: SEVEN PHASES DOWN. ONE TO GO

Karl Treiberg, Waterfront Facilities Manager

It's hard to believe the Marina One Replacement Project is almost finished. The project was conceived over 12 years ago to gradually replace the marina in 10 phases over 20 years. Once a funding source was identified it became apparent that the project could be completed in

Phase 8 will be constructed next year.

The Waterfront has gradually taken on more debt to construct the project and when Phase 8 is complete, total debt for this effort will be \$12 million. We have negotiated with State Parks' Division of Boating and Waterways to service the debt at an accelerated rate (20-year amortization vs. 30-year), saving the Waterfront Department millions of dollars in interest.

As part of the overall project, a new state-of-theart docking system includes significant upgrades from the previous system, which should minimize maintenance and provide safe berthing for at least 40 years.

FOGGY FUN AT THE 2016 PARADE OF LIGHTS

Mick Kronman, Harbor Operations Manager

Bookends to the parade included a Santa's Village event at 3 pm, where over 400 children and families visited Santa and played amid 10 tons of fresh snow on the City Pier, and a rollicking awards party at the Maritime Museum, complete with a buffet dinner provided by Chuck's This year's first-place award winners were:

Commercial Fishing: *Perseverance;* **Commercial Other:** Channel Cat; **Power:** *Arborleta*: **Sail:** Could Be Trouble: and Human Powered: Peddle Boat Casino Perseverance earned Grand Prize honors, taking a gift pack that included \$500 cash.

This year's event was sponsored by the 2016 Parade of Lights Committee, City of Santa Barbara Waterfront Department, Santa Barbara Harbor Merchants Association, Stearns Wharf Business Association and Santa Barbara Yacht Club. Considering the fun of this event and the rich prize packages, it's not too early to circle your calendar for next year's Parade of Lights on Sunday, December 10, 2017.



City of Santa Barbara Photo: Wild West Holiday-themed vessels lit up the Waterfront at Parade of Lights

Clean Marina Corner

HARBOR EARNS INDUSTRY CLEAN MARINA PROGRAM **RECERTIFICATION -- AGAIN**

Mick Kronman, Harbor Operations Manager

In September, Santa Barbara Harbor earned recertification in a broad industry-managed Clean Marinas Program, marking its second five-year recertification since originally gaining that recognition in 2007.

The Clean Marinas Program is an ongoing endeavor by a marina industry alliance, dedicated to providing environmentally clean facilities and protecting coastal and inland waters from pollution through compliance with best management practices. The recent recertification, overseen by a trained Clean Marina Program inspector, covered 13 subject areas, ranging from emergency spill response to solid-waste storage, bilge water containment, boat sewage containment and more.

Santa Barbara Harbor enjoys the distinction of managing two, separate and robust clean-marina programs, one developed internally at the City level, plus the industry-wide Clean Marinas Program. To date, 130 marinas have been certified under this program.

HARBOR DREDGING: NEW DREDGE, NEW CONTRACT

Karl Treiberg, Waterfront Facilities Manager

arrived at the harbor in early December. Well, not exactly new, but rebuilt to the tune of about \$2 million. It looks nothing like a 1950s vintage dredge hull, and performance has improved about threefold. So that's "new," right?

Pacific Dredge, a subsidiary of Pacific Tug, acquired the dredge from the previous dredge contractor a couple years ago and dedicated themselves to improving its speed and efficiency. Proof came last spring when they dredged the most sand in a single cycle in decades.

Pacific Dredge recently submitted the low bid for the Army Corps of Engineers' three-year Santa Barbara Harbor maintenance dredging contract. West Beach has since seen a flurry of activity, with placement of a new dredge yard

To the delight of Waterfront staff, a new dredge and workers fusing together thousands of feet of dredge pipe. The Corps requires that all dredge equipment, including 8,000' of pipe, be removed every three years before re-bidding the project. Removal of all equipment by an existing contractor creates a level playing field for prospective contractors, ensuring a competitive bidding environment.

> The federal government annually appropriates about \$2.7 million for Santa Barbara Harbor dredging. There is no cost to the City other than a few weeks of disruption on East Beach and West Beach to accommodate the dredging. The City owes a debt of gratitude to the Corps for its commitment to the continued dredging of our harbor.



City of Santa Barbara Photos: The "new" dredge at the start of the fall dredging cycle December 14, 2016

HARBOR FESTIVAL RECAP

Over 15,000 people celebrated this year's Harbor and Seafood Festival on October 15th. As always, fresh seafood, including crab, lobster, ovsters, paella, albacore, clam chowder, fish tacos and more, was the centerpiece of the celebration, which also included free boat rides (1,000+ riders), tall-ship tours (700+ visitors), free Maritime Museum tours (800+ visitors), five bands and over 40 arts-and-crafts vendors. New, popular vendors included the Yacht Club selling lobster rolls and a vendor selling nonalcoholic piña coladas served in pineapples and coconut shells.

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Volunteers, including commercial fishermen, students from Santa Barbara City College's Culinary Arts program, international students from Education First, and UCSB's Circle K International (sponsored by the Kiwanis Club) fueled the Festival's success. Harbor Commissioners Merit McCrea, who labored over a hot albacore barbeque, and Jim Sloan, who was everywhere helping out during the day, also contributed significantly to the event.

Missed the Festival? Loved it? Heard about it from friends? Well, it's never too early to mark your calendar for next year's event on Saturday, October 14, 2017.

Well, the County can help.

A Fisheries Enhancement Fund (FEF), established years ago and funded by oil companies operating offshore Santa Barbara, has already been used to construct our ice machine, fish hoist #2 and interpretive plaques along the breakwater sidewalk. Limited funds remain available for safety equipment, with reimbursements up to \$500 each provided to qualifying fishermen on a first-come, first-served basis.

For FEF program information and safety-equipment reimbursement applications, contact Kathy Pfeifer at the County's Energy Division (805-568-2507). Application forms are also available at the Harbormaster's Office.

Santa Barbara winters are typically mild but it • Sails, roller furlings, rigging, tarps, loose gear doesn't take much wind or rain to cause major problems, including damaging or sinking an unattended boat. Here are some reminders:

· Early Warning: Monitor weather reports. Visit your boat before a storm, not after. If you can't check your boat, find a responsible person who can.

• Dock lines: Visually inspect for chafe, wear and trip hazards (please don't run mooring lines across fingers). Tie lines securely to cleats or pilings; consider chafing gear and doubling-up lines. Replace worn lines.

• Dock obstructions: Don't store kayaks or other items on the dock.

• Bilge check: Test your bilge pump to ensure that 1) it's working; 2) float switches properly activate the pumps; and 3) float switches aren't hindered by debris. Be sure limber holes aren't blocked.

• Clean cockpit drains.

priate-sized fenders.

NEW WATERFRONT MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT TOM DIETZ

Tom Dietz was recently promoted to Waterfront Maintenance Superintendent. His predecessor, Judd Conley, spent 32 years at the Waterfront, so Tom has big shoes to fill, literally and figuratively.

Tom joined Waterfront staff 11 years ago and has steadily moved up through the ranks. A Santa Barbara native, he is married with two grown children also living in Santa Barbara. Tom enjoys fishing in the Sierras and rumor has it he's a decent golfer (although his son is much better).

Tom's broad knowledge of our unique facilities, his quick wit and easygoing personality make him a good fit for the job and a great Waterfront representative. Tom and his staff are quick to respond to the constant repairs necessary to keep our facilities in good working order. How he manages to maintain his sense of humor through it all is a mystery to some of us, but it's greatly appreciated.

In addition to running day-to-day operations on Stearns Wharf and at the harbor. Tom has been instrumental in identifying and planning capital improvements to maintain the Waterfront as one of the City's most important destinations.



City of Santa Barbara Photo: Maintenance Superintendent Tom Dietz



City of Santa Barbara Photo: A family enjoys fresh seafood at the 2016 Harbor & Seafood Festival

SAFETY EQUIPMENT FOR COMMERCIAL FISHERMEN

Mick Kronman, Harbor Operations Manager

Attention commercial fishermen: Need safety equipment? Need your life raft repacked, a new EPIRB or EPIRB batteries, new flares or an immersion suit?

WINTERIZE YOUR BOAT

Steve McCullough, Harbor Patrol Supervisor

• Fenders: Have an adequate number of appro-

- on deck: Store or tightly secure.
- Hatches, ports and windows: Close and secure. Make sure they're water-tight.
- Appliances: Make sure appliances like space heaters are not left unattended.
- Dock boxes: Do not store flammables in dock boxes. In case of electrical short at the power pedestal, fire or explosion could result.
- Consider: Removing valuables and electronics, installing a dehumidifier or moisture absorber, propping up cushions and opening the boat during fair weather to circulate air.
- Contacts: Update emergency contact phone numbers and email address with the Waterfront Department.

For assistance or to report problems, contact Harbor Patrol at 564-5530 or on VHF channels 12 or 16. Here's to a safe winter, in the slip or on the ocean.

