

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

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MARCH 19, 2012

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**COFFEE WITH THE COPS:** Benicia Police Chief Andrew Bidou will be hosting the third Coffee with the Cops on **Thursday, March 22** from 8:00-9:00 am at the Benicia Yacht Club. Chief Bidou and staff will discuss crime trends and other issues. Residents are encouraged to attend and ask questions. – *Police Department*

**JOB OPENING:** The Human Resources Department is accepting applications for the full time position of [Laboratory Tech I/II](#). The position is funded 100% from enterprise funds (50% water and 50% wastewater) and does not impact the general fund. The final filing date is **Thursday, March 22** at 5:00 pm. – *Human Resources*



**CITY TEAM TO RUN FOR EDUCATION:** City employees will be running under the name City Haulers in the 5<sup>th</sup> annual [Benicia Run for Education](#), a 5K/10K fundraiser for the Benicia Education Foundation and the youth of our city. Known as having one of the most scenic courses, the race starts at 8:00 am on Sunday, April 15 at the foot of First Street. Register online or starting at 7:00 am on raceday. Kick off the race with carbo-loading on Thursday evening at the [Pasta Extravaganza](#) at the Camel Barns. If you're interested in joining the City Haulers, contact [Mike Roberts](#). – *Public Works & Community Development*



**UPDATE FROM PUBLIC WORKS:** Take a look at what the Public Works Department was busy with in February...

**Corporation Yard – Streets:**

- Patch paving on Cambridge Drive, Military East, West Seaview, Park Road Bridge approach, West 11th & L Street alley, Tyler & Jackson, and 900 West L Street alley. 72.5 tons total
- Potholes on East 7th & Military alley, West 6th & J Street alley, West K @ State Park, 8 repairs total
- Vegetation Removal on 900 Cambridge Drive, Casa Grande & Vecino, and Steven Circle
- Trash Pick-up on Lake Herman Road @ PD gate 3x, east side of McCallister Bridge storm culvert, Adams Street, and Park Road @ Stone Road
- Storm Drains on West K @ 5th, Banbury Way, St. Augustine, Military East, and Raymond Drive, 6 cleanings, 1 repair
- Sidewalk repair on West Military, 85 sq/ft of sidewalk
- Curb painting on First Street

**Corporation Yard – Collections:**

- 13 service calls
- Main cleanings 8,361'
- Rodding inlet install West 2nd @ K Street
- 4 lift station cleanings
- 4 CCTV inspections
- 1 manhole repair



**Corporation Yard – Fleet:**

- Congratulations are extended to Nate Rankin, Todd Baumgartner and Jose Lustan for their Certificate of Achievement for 5 Consecutive Satisfactory Ratings and 1 Administrative Review since October 26, 1993 in the Biennial Motor Carrier Safety Compliance Inspection Program conducted by the California Highway Patrol.

**Corporation Yard – Water Distribution:**

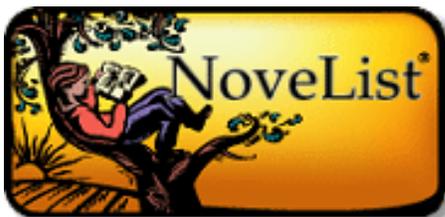
- Repaired 6" fire hydrant line on London Circle
- Repaired 14" water main between Adams & Jackson - Abandoned approximately 100' of 14" main, reconnected 14" main to 6" main for feed to Grant Street. (Performed temporary water main jump from Jackson to Grant to keep businesses in water while repairs were made.
- Abandoned 2 future - 8" valves @ Jefferson & Madison
- 6" water main repaired on Denfield Way, replaced approximately 4' section
- End capped 6" main entering Amports' property 600 block of East H Street
- Replaced 3 - 3/4" water services

**Wastewater Treatment Plant:**

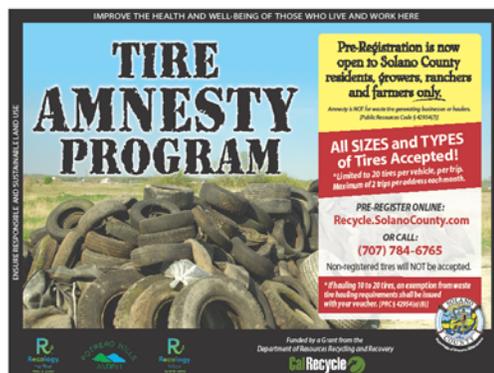
- Staff successfully completed the repair of the effluent pipeline where there had been a leak just inside of the plant boundary. The plant has a recirculating system and storage sufficient to have completed the repair with no discharge to the Strait.

*-Public Works & Community Development*

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**TIRE AMNESTY PROGRAM:** If you have old tires laying around, the Solano County Resource Management Office encourages you to recycle them with their [Tire Amnesty Program](#). All sizes and types of tires are accepted. The program is not for tire generating businesses or haulers and pre-registration is required at [Recycle.SolanoCounty.com](#) or call 707.784.6765. – *City Manager's Office*



**RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECT:** During the week of March 16, the new solar panels started generating power at City Hall/Police Station, Corporation Yard, Community Center, Community Park, Southampton Fire Station, Water Treatment Plant and two water pumping stations. Solar power at the pool will start up in October when it won't interfere with the swim schedule, and progress continues on final land negotiations prior to construction of the last solar array in the project to run a water pumping station at the corner of East Second Street and Rose Drive. Meanwhile, installation of new energy- and cost-saving streetlights continues, including the first of the new light-emitting diode (LED) lights on the 500 block of Lori Drive. – *Public Works & Community Development*



**MARCH IS NATIONAL QUILTING MONTH:** The third Saturday in March is officially designated as National Quilting Day by the National Quilting Association, but quilters have unofficially expanded this celebration to extend through the entire month of March.

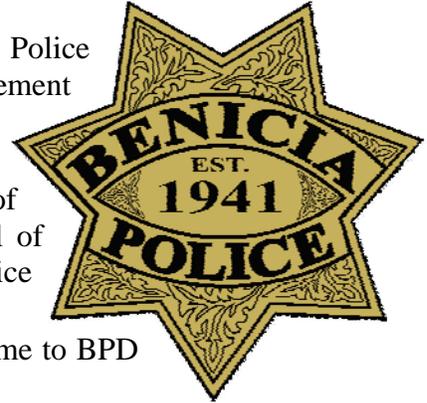
The Benicia Public Library showcases the amazing skills of the Carquinez Strait Stitchers by displaying some of their quilts each year. Come visit the Library to take a look through the end of March. – *Library*



Photo from the National Quilting Association website  
<http://nqaquilts.org/natqday/>

**PROMOTIONS:** The Police Department is pleased to announce the following updates on Police personnel:

- Frank Hartig has been promoted to the position of Police Lieutenant. Frank has spent his entire law enforcement career with BPD and while moving up the ranks of our agency.
- Jimmy Laughter has been promoted to the position of Police Sergeant. Jimmy was hired by BPD in April of 2005 after beginning his career with the Suisun Police Department.
- Officer Jenna Cameron was hired by BPD. Jenna came to BPD from the Dixon Police Department.
- MarJonne Roberson will join BPD in April as a lateral officer from the Fairfax Police Department in Marin County.



- Police Department

**BUSINESS NEWS:** Hip Chick Designs at 946 Tyler Street is an art studio and store selling



vintage items with a funky flair. Right now, [Hip Chick Designs](#) is featuring tutus for adults and children for every occasion or no occasion at all. They're open Wednesday-Saturday, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm. Stop by or call 707.747.5543. – Economic Development

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