

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA WATERFRONT DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

Date: April 16, 2009
To: Harbor Commissioners
From: John N. Bridley, Waterfront Director
Subject: Harbor Operations Report

Operation Clean Sweep May 9th

On Saturday May 9th, the Waterfront Department, in partnership with several volunteer organizations will conduct its fourth annual Operation Clean Sweep, during which divers and dock workers will remove seafloor junk from the harbor. After similar efforts in Marinas 2, 3 and 4, this year's cleanup will target fishing-boat docks in front of the Waterfront Center Building, plus Fish Floats north and south and the City Pier. Staff will report "catch results" from this year's Clean Sweep effort at the Harbor Commission meeting in May.

Cruise Ship Visit May 10th

Princess Cruise's *Sapphire Princess* will visit Santa Barbara on Sunday, May 10th, bringing nearly 3,000 passengers and crew ashore to enjoy our city and stimulate the local economy. The 943-foot-long ship will anchor about a mile offshore around 7:00 a.m., then tender passengers ashore at Sea Landing. Visitors will be greeted by representatives of the Downtown Organization, Chamber of Commerce and Conference and Visitors Bureau, then embark on wine tours, walking tours, trolley rides and more during their day-long visit to the area. The ship will depart around 4:00 p.m.

Santa Barbara enjoys good relations with cruise lines, which have brought nine ships to the city since 2002. Typically, we see no more than two per year—enough to stimulate business without disrupting the City's charm or normal harbor operations.

Harbor Swap Meet and Hazmat Turn-In Day May 16th

- **Harbor Swap Meet:** The Harbor Swap Meet, sponsored by the Waterfront Department and Harbor Merchants Association, returns to Santa Barbara Harbor on Saturday, May 16th, from 8:00 a.m. to noon. Come to the Marina 3 parking lot to buy, sell, peruse or to just enjoy good company or coffee and donuts at this uniquely local event. Typical sales items include sailboat rigging, fishing gear, outboard motors, surfboards, kayaks and all manner of boat parts. Signups for vendor spaces (\$10 apiece) will occur at the Harbormaster's Office beginning Monday, April 13th.

- **Hazmat Turn-In:** And while taking inventory of what you need to buy or sell, check your dock box, too, since this year's event is again coupled with a Hazmat Turn-In Day. Located next to the Swap Meet, you'll find a marked disposal area for hazardous materials you may wish to get rid of before boating season begins—items like old cans of varnish, lacquer or paint, or small amounts of gasoline or diesel. In an effort to limit the Hazmat event to harbor boat owners only, an "entry ticket" will be included in May's slip billing. The ticket entitles the slip permittee to dispose of any appropriate items that are in his or her boat or dock box. No ticket is necessary to participate in the Harbor Swap Meet. Questions? Call Mick Kronman, Harbor Operations Manager, at 805-897-2587.

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