

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA WATERFRONT DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

Date: November 17, 2011
To: Harbor Commissioners
From: Scott Riedman, Interim Waterfront Director
Subject: Harbor Operations Report

Man in Wheelchair Falls off Stearns Wharf

On Thursday afternoon, October 27th, a 40-year-old man fell into the ocean with his wheelchair from the west side of Stearns Wharf, just south of the bait shop. Two fishermen jumped in the water to assist him (helping keep his head above water) while Harbor Patrol sped to the rescue in Patrol Boat 1. Patrol Officers reported that the victim was without a pulse upon their arrival, but regained a pulse after being loaded on the boat and receiving emergency CPR. The victim was then transported to the passenger loading ramp, where he was taken back up to the Wharf with assistance from paramedics and City firefighters and on to Cottage Hospital. At this writing he remains hospitalized.

Annual Parade of Lights—Sunday, December 11th

On Sunday, December 11th, boats will decorate to the theme of “Candy Cane Holidays” during the 26th annual Parade of Lights. Activities begin at 3:00 p.m. with a Santa’s Village event on the City Pier, where Santa Claus and his elves will treat kids to goody bags and a 10-ton snowfield. The parade begins at 5:30 p.m., followed by an awards party at the Maritime Museum. Best views of the Parade are from Stearns Wharf and the breakwater. See you there!

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