



**Manhattan Beach Centennial Subcommittee Meeting
June 1, 2011 – 8:00 a.m. City Manager’s Conference Room**

Summary of the Meeting

Meeting Topic

Centennial Events:

A Subcommittee meeting was held with Mayor Pro Tem Nick Tell, Staff Members Liza Tamura and Richard Gill, and Events Chairperson Annie Walker. The meeting was held to discuss details and modifications to the Centennial special events calendar.

Because of concerns for inclement weather in January and the costs needed to overcome inclement weather, the Subcommittee is recommending moving the January 2012 “Taste of Manhattan” event to March 2012.

The Subcommittee still believes that a January event is needed but it should be indoors. One idea is to hold a Manhattan Village Centennial Carnival at the Manhattan Village Mall. Stores and open areas would display historical photos and children’s activities could be planned. Staff will contact the Manhattan Village Mall representatives for their interest.

The Subcommittee discussed moving the March “Nostalgia Walk” featuring historical sites in Manhattan Beach using the Polliwog Red House and Historical Society resources to May and coupling this event with a “Centennial Parade” and “Historic Picnic” that will end in Polliwog Park.

The Subcommittee is recommending moving the May “Celebration on the Pier and Downtown” to July where it will be coupled with the Classic Cars event in Live Oak Park.

The Subcommittee discussed the Centennial Gala for September and made no changes or modifications.

The Subcommittee will discuss these recommended modifications with the full Centennial Committee on Monday, June 6, 2011.

Manhattan Beach Centennial Celebration

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Calendar of Events

December, 2011

Holiday Fireworks

The official Manhattan Beach Centennial Celebration will begin at the Holiday Fireworks Show in 2011. In addition to a small area of reserved seating, a Centennial fireworks display will be added to the crescendo of the regular fireworks show.

January 29, 2012

Manhattan Village Centennial Carnival

The Manhattan Village Centennial Celebration will take place January 29, 2012 at the Manhattan Village Mall. The exact location at the mall is to be determined.

People of all ages are welcome to celebrate at the first official Centennial event with this fun-filled, family-friendly day! Admission is free to everyone.

There will be fun activities such as face painting, jugglers, caricature artists, games, food, and much more. Come with a friend, or bring your family to enjoy this celebration of Manhattan Beach's 100th birthday!

February & March, 2012

Manhattan Beach School Art Contest

This community event will invite students from all schools, K-12 in Manhattan Beach to enter a contest to draw or paint a picture of their favorite thing about Manhattan Beach. There will be one winner from each grade level. Each winner will have their artwork displayed at the Historic Picnic May 19, 2012.

March 24, 2012

Taste of Manhattan Beach

This ticketed event will be held in downtown Manhattan Beach and will feature cuisine from local restaurants. Historic Photos will be displayed at the event which will also include live music and entertainment.

May 19, 2012

Manhattan Beach Centennial Parade and Historic Picnic

Community organizations will be invited to create floats, costumes, and marching groups with a parade theme of "100 Years in Manhattan Beach." The parade will end in Polliwog Park with a picnic celebration including "A Walk Through Time" historic photo display, food, and entertainment.

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July (14th, 21st, or 28th), 2012

Manhattan Beach Centennial Festival, Downtown Open House, and Pier Event

The Centennial Festival will be held along Valley Drive and the adjacent park and fields. The event will include a “concourse style” display of cars from decades that have come to symbolize life in “Southern California” from woodies to convertibles. The Manhattan Beach Downtown Business Owners will also hold an “Open House” with historic photos in each of the stores to display the fun history of the buildings, businesses, and history of our wonderful downtown community. The winner of the Concourse will be announced at the Pier at the end of the day, where we will have an award ceremony. Free admission to everyone.

September 24, 2012

Centennial Gala

This formal, ticketed event, will celebrate the 100th Birthday of Manhattan Beach. A tent and formal dinner setting with entertainment will be created on the sand just north of the pier. Black and White photo boards will hang throughout the tent reflecting the history of Manhattan Beach throughout the years. This one in a lifetime event will celebrate our town’s history at the one location that has become synonymous with our town’s legacy, the sand beach. Residents and guests will forever remember this event as an amazing celebration of our town’s 100th birthday.

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