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VENTURA HARBOR VILLAGE - VENTURA, CA
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Timely News & Information for the Media

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Oh What Fun it is to Ride....

FREE Trolley Ride – New Hours for January, February & March 2015

The complimentary Ventura Downtown- Harbor Trolley announces new operation hours for January, February & March of 2015 running daily 11 a.m.– 8 p.m. Sunday – Wednesday, 11 a.m. -11 p.m. Thursday – Friday, and 11 a.m. – midnight on Saturdays. The Ventura Downtown Harbor Trolley offers 45 minutes round trip stops from Downtown Ventura and select Ventura hotels to The Rhumb Line Restaurant in Ventura Harbor and the vibrant Ventura Harbor Village. Visitors can delight in car free travel to shop, dine and enjoy the scenic beachfront and downtown Ventura. www.venturatrolley.com /www.venturaharborvillage.com

Thar She Blows!!

Hop aboard one of Island Packers vessels for a chance to see the magnificent gray whales up close and personal as they migrate south for the winter. Every year the Pacific gray whales migrate 6,000 -10,000 miles to secluded lagoons in Mexico to breed and bear their young, then they journey back to their feeding grounds in the Bering Sea. Island Packers out of Ventura Harbor offers half-day whale watching tours through mid-April. www.islandpackers.com Top off the whale watching visit by dining seaside in the Ventura Harbor Village just steps from the boat. www.venturaharborvillage.com

Socially Fun Offers

Check out Ventura Harbor's Facebook page for weekly travel specials at Ventura Harbor for #TravelTuesdays –specials may include overnight stay packages, whale watching excursions, Harbor boat tours, or dine and shop offers. Or, check out what guests are saying about the Ventura Harbor Village with #FanFridays on Facebook, and a weekly guest post & photos.

Party After the Party on the Waterfront

It's a Friday and Saturday night in January – and you're looking for something to do late night- come to the **Party after the Party** at The Greek at the Harbor! The Greek at the Harbor throws a dance party every Friday and Saturday night spinning DJ's tunes and a Small Bites Menu until 1:30 a.m. www.GreekattheHarbor.com

The Epiphany Celebration & Blessing of the Waters Ceremony on the Waterfront in Ventura Harbor Village

Join for the annual celebration held at Ventura Harbor Village hosted by St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church for the Epiphany Celebration & Blessing of the Waters Ceremony on Sunday, January 11 at Noon. The ocean waters are blessed to protect those who sail on it, and divers vie for a cross that is believed to provide special blessings for the rest of the year. The public is welcome to join the St. Demetrios congregation dockside at Ventura Harbor Village just out front of The Greek at the Harbor Restaurant. After the ceremony there's a celebration for all with food, music and dancing in the restaurant. For information about the celebration and after party call 805.482.1273. www.venturaharborvillage.com





Experience Adventure & Lore Seaside as Historical Ships Sail & Dock into Ventura Harbor, January 13 - February 4, 2015

The historical Tall Ships Lady Washington & Hawaiian Chieftain embark on their annual visit to Ventura Harbor from January 13 – February 4, 2015. Catch the mystical sight of the Tall Ships during the grand arrival January 13, 2014 at noon- a photographer's delight! Open to the public from January 14 the Dockside Tours will take place each week (Wednesdays-Fridays) from 4 PM – 5 PM and Saturday (2 ships) and Sunday (1 ship) from 10 AM – 1 PM; PLUS OPEN Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Monday, January 19 and Tuesday, February 3. Dockside tours offer a look into an authentic 18th-century sailor's view of what it was like traveling by ships for months and adventuring to new lands - perfect for history buffs of all ages! Grays Harbor Historical Seaport recommends a \$3 donation for Dockside Tours. www.venturaharborvillage.com

Looking for more Tall Ship adventure at sea from Ventura Harbor?

Three-Hour Battle Sails or Two-Hour Adventure Sails complete with firing cannons and hoisting of the main sails are just the ticket with the Tall Ship visit to Ventura Harbor January 13 – February 4, 2015! The Lady Washington & Hawaiian Chieftain commence with Battle Sails for the public to enjoy featuring a naval skirmish with close quarters maneuvers - available Saturdays & Sundays, January 17 & 18, 24 & 25, and January 31 & February 1, 2 PM – 5 PM. Adventure Sails take place on Sundays, January 18, 19 & 25 and February 1, 11 AM – 1 PM out in the channel to experience life on the high seas. For Battle and Adventure Sail ticket reservations call 800-200-5239 or visit www.historicalseaport.org. Tickets are on sale now. Visit www.venturaharborvillage.com for event information and schedules.

Holiday & Travel Memories Captured on Tile

Capture those special holiday moments and travel photos on tile – perfect for Valentine Day gifts for family and friends. Visit Cory Tile Art in the Ventura Harbor Village to turn your photos into tiles of different shapes and sizes. Love your kid's art work? Take a jpeg photo of the artwork to convert to tile to accent a room, use as coasters, or hang in the bedroom or bath. For details call 805-644-8453, CoryTileArt.com

Warm Yourself Seaside with Clam Chowders & Handcrafted Soups

Winter months are perfect for enjoying a bowl of handcrafted clam chowders and soups down by the waterfront overlooking the boats in Ventura Harbor Village. Featuring over 6 varieties of clam chowders served at Ventura Harbor restaurants to homemade soups daily such as: Chicken Tortilla Soup, Miso Soup, French Onion, Abondigas, Lentil Bean Soup, Avgolemono Soup (Lemon Chicken Orzo), Minestrone Soup, Lobster Bisque, Tomato Basil, along with soups of the day. Ventura Harbor Village's sweeping mountain and harbor views with spectacular winter sunsets make it a wonderful winter destination to dine seaside. Visit a listing of restaurants on www.venturaharborvillage.com

On Assignment? Ventura Harbor Village Public Relations Department can arrange for accommodations, meals, activities, and exciting interviews and/or a short list of angles for journalists on assignment. Contact sbejeckian@gmail.com or maris@somervillepr.com.