

Marina Reader

Long Beach Parks, Recreation and Marine

FROM THE MANAGER

One of the real joys of the Holiday season, is the opportunity to spend time with friends and family, reflect on those things, places, and persons for which we are grateful and have some basic, often elusive FUN. The fun part often gets pushed aside as we try to create that perfect memory.

Growing up that perfect memory was embodied in a Norman Rockwell holiday painting. I can no more remember what a 9-year old me idolized in those pictures than I am willing to share the nonsense I went through, when as a young adult, I attempted to create those images. Thank God, I got over it! I didn't see it then, but I was missing the point.

Which brings me to - I'd like to challenge all of you to spend more time on the water instead of searching for the perfect gift, chasing those Black Friday, Cyber Monday, whatever sales. After all each one of us at some point had owning a boat on our wish list. We are fortunate enough to have been granted such a

wish. Let us hear that holiday music blasting as you sail by our offices.

That is where I'll sign off this month, I'm going to go listen to holiday music. Explore a new sound, the heavenly voices of

Pentatonix's version of "Hallelujah," is how I start off the holiday season. For good American fun, I recommend the Brian Setzer Orchestra, and no, it is not chamber music, his band is most famous for the song the "Stray Cat Strut" in the early 80's. One of my favorites is his rendition of "You're a Mean One, Mr. Grinch." Think I will start with his version of Glenn Miller's "Getting In the Mood For Christmas," in honor of my parents. One of my childhood memories is watching



An enduring a holiday tradition on our waters started in 1949 by Don May

them dance to Glenn Miller and Bennie Goodman.

Wishing each of you peace and joy,

Elvira Hallinan
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December 2016

Upcoming EVENTS

LOW TIDE					HIGH TIDE			
Date	AM	Ht.	PM	Ht.	AM	Ht.	PM	Ht.
1 Th	3:06	2.2	4:38	-0.2	9:19	5.6	11:12	3.6
2 F	3:39	2.4	5:17	-0.1	9:51	5.4	--	--
3 Sa	4:17	2.6	6:01	0.1	12:02	3.5	--	--
4 Su	5:08	2.8	6:49	0.3	12:59	3.5	--	--
5 M	6:25	2.9	7:44	0.5	2:02	3.6	12:05	4.3
6 T	8:11	2.8	8:41	0.7	3:01	3.9	1:25	3.9
7 W	9:49	2.4	9:38	0.8	3:51	4.3	3:02	3.7
8 Th	11:01	1.6	10:32	0.9	4:34	4.7	4:32	3.6
9 F	11:57	0.8	11:22	1.0	5:14	5.3	5:46	3.8
10 Sa	--	--	12:46	0.0	5:53	5.8	6:48	3.9
11 Su	12:09	1.1	1:32	-0.6	6:34	6.3	7:43	4.1
12 M	12:55	1.2	2:17	-1.2	7:15	6.7	8:35	4.2
13 T	1:41	1.3	3:03	-1.5	7:57	6.9	9:26	4.2
14 W	2:27	1.5	3:49	-1.5	8:41	6.8	10:16	4.2
15 Th	3:15	1.6	4:36	-1.3	9:25	6.6	11:09	4.2
16 F	4:05	1.9	5:24	-1.0	10:12	6.2	--	--
17 Sa	5:01	2.1	6:13	-0.5	12:04	4.1	--	--
18 Su	6:07	2.3	7:06	0.0	11:00	5.6	--	--
19 M	7:30	2.4	8:01	0.5	1:03	4.1	--	--
20 T	9:07	2.3	8:58	0.9	11:54	4.9	--	--
21 W	10:36	1.9	9:55	1.3	2:06	4.2	12:58	4.2
22 Th	11:42	1.4	10:47	1.5	3:09	4.3	2:19	3.6
23 F	--	--	12:31	0.9	4:06	4.5	3:53	3.3
24 Sa	--	--	11:31	1.7	4:53	4.7	5:19	3.2
25 Su	12:10	1.9	1:09	0.5	5:32	4.9	6:26	3.2
26 M	12:45	1.9	1:43	0.1	6:05	5.1	7:16	3.3
27 T	1:17	2.0	2:14	-0.2	6:36	5.3	7:57	3.5
28 W	1:50	2.0	2:45	-0.4	7:05	5.5	8:33	3.5
29 Th	2:23	2.0	3:16	-0.6	7:34	5.6	9:07	3.6
30 F	2:57	2.0	3:48	-0.6	8:04	5.7	9:40	3.7
31 Sa	3:34	2.1	4:21	-0.6	8:35	5.8	10:14	3.7
			4:58	-0.5	9:07	5.7	10:50	3.7
					9:41	5.5	11:34	3.7

34TH ANNUAL BELMONT SHORE CHRISTMAS PARADE

Saturday, December 3 • "A Candy Land Christmas"
For information: www.belmontshore.org

PARADE OF 1000 LIGHTS

Saturday, December 10
Long Beach Shoreline and Rainbow Harbor Marina
For information: www.shorelineyachtclub.com

63RD ANNUAL DAISY LANE PARADE

Saturday, December 10 • Wrigley District
For information: longbeach.gov/district7

NAPLES ISLAND HOLIDAY BOAT PARADE

Saturday, December 17
For information: www.naplesca.com

USPS ADVANCED PILOTING

Wednesday, January 11, 2017
For information: marionseaman1@aol.com

USCG CAPTAIN'S LICENSE CLASS

3 Consecutive Weekends - Begins January 27th
For information: SmartCaptains.com

MARINE BUREAU HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

December 24, Christmas Eve

All offices will be open from 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

December 25, Christmas Day

All offices will be CLOSED

December 26, Monday following Christmas

All offices will be open from 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

December 31, 2016, New Year's Eve

All offices will be open from 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

January 1, 2016, New Year's Day

All offices will be CLOSED



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Non Emergency	(562) 435-6711
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Alamitos Bay Office	(562) 570-3215
Rainbow Harbor Office	(562) 570-8636
Maintenance: During working hours	(562) 570-1582
After office hours	(562) 570-3101

CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAYS: DECEMBER EVENTS IN LONG BEACH

It's the most wonderful time of the year! Get in the holiday spirit with these events happening in Long Beach during the month of December.

BELMONT SHORE CHRISTMAS PARADE

The Annual Belmont Shore Christmas Parade takes place on Saturday, Dec 3rd. A tradition in the shore for over 30 years, the parade includes over 100 entries and Santa! This year's theme is "A Candy Land Christmas." The festivities begin at 6:00 p.m. East Second Street will close to vehicle traffic at 5:00 p.m., at which time spectators may set up chairs and blankets for a front row seat to the parade.

Parking: Marine Stadium will be open and FREE to park. Beach parking lots can be accessed from Ocean Blvd. and Granada. For additional information visit: www.belmontshore.org.

HANDEL'S MESSIAH

A chamber version presented by Long Beach Camerata singers with Baroque instrumentation. Sunday, December 4, 4:30 p.m., Beverly O'Neil Theater at the Long Beach Convention and Entertainment Center. For information visit: longbeachcameratasingers.org.

RANCHO LOS ALAMITOS OPEN HOUSE HOLIDAY HOEDOWN AND BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

December 10, 9:00a.m. – noon. Designed for families with children age 12 years and under. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be greeting children. All you can eat breakfast, California Cowboy Band, and pony rides! For information visit: RanchoLosAlamitos.org.

63RD ANNUAL DAISY LANE PARADE

This year's parade is on Saturday, December 10, at 5:00 p.m. Participation in the parade is free of charge. The 63rd Annual Daisy Lane Parade & Holiday Program is a unique tradition in the heart of the Wrigley District in Long Beach. The Daisy Lane Parade is special as it is the only holiday parade that runs down a residential street and not a commercial corridor. For additional information, an application, and to learn more about the inspirational beginning of such a Long Beach tradition visit, <http://www.longbeach.gov/district7>, or call the office of 7th District Councilmember Roberto Uranga at (562) 570-7777.

THE 34TH ANNUAL LONG BEACH CHRISTMAS BOAT PARADE: PARADE OF 1,000 LIGHTS.

This year's parade will take place on Saturday, December 10, at 5:30 p.m. in the Long Beach Shoreline and Rainbow Harbor Marina. This year's theme will be "Christmas Around The World."

The parade is presented by Shoreline Yacht Club of Long Beach and welcomes all boaters to participate. Club membership is not a requirement.

There will be a Mandatory Skippers Meeting at the club on Saturday, December 10, at 11:00 a.m. for all participants. For additional information visit: www.shorelineyachtclub.com.

The parade route will begin outside the Long Beach Shoreline Marina. Best viewing will be in Shoreline Village, Rainbow Harbor, and from the Queen Mary.

LONG BEACH SYMPHONY POPS! PRESENTS: A BROADWAY HOLIDAY WITH ANA GASTEYER

December 10, 8:00 p.m. at The Long Beach Symphony. A nightclub vibe evokes fun loving dames, swinging music, and sultry standards

with adult themes. Gasteyer will perform Broadway hits and holiday pop favorites. For information visit: LongBeachSymphony.org

OLD TIME CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL AT RANCHO LOS CERRITOS

Sunday, December 11th, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Learn about 19th century holiday customs as you tour the beautifully decorated adobe. Listen to Christmas stories and visit with Santa. Enjoy live holiday music and light refreshments. For information: RanchoLosCerritos.org.

NAPLES ISLAND HOLIDAY BOAT PARADE

Saturday, December 17, "A Platinum Celebration" will take place in Alamitos Bay. During the 70th Annual Boat Parade, you can enjoy carolers strolling around the island and homes decorated with holiday spirit.

The Large boat parade starts at 6:00 p.m. and the small boat parade starts at 6:45 p.m. Naples street closure will begin at 5:00 p.m. There will be a mandatory skippers meeting at the Long Beach Yacht Club on Wednesday, December 14, 7:00 p.m. For additional information visit: www.naplesca.com. On parade day radio channel 68 will be available.

A CAMERATA CHRISTMAS

Saturday, December 17, 3:00 p.m., featuring brass instruments, angelic children's voices, Long Beach Camerata singers and a visit from Santa. For information visit: longbeachcameratasingers.org

DAVID BENOIT CHRISTMAS TRIBUTE TO CHARLIE BROWN

At the Carpenter Center, California State University Long Beach, Saturday, December 17, 8 p.m. Classic Vince Guiraldi tunes are sure to put you in the holiday spirit with vocalist Sara Gazarek and the All American Boys Chorus.

THE MUSIC OF JOHAN SEBASTIAN BACH'S 3RD ORCHESTRAL SUITE

A yuletide celebration which includes 3 healding trumpets, timpani and the the Musica Angelica Baroque Orchestra, Saturday, Dec. 17, 7:00 p.m. Long Beach Beverly O'Neill Theater. Info at: Musicaangelica.org.

U.S. POWER SQUADRON ADVANCED PILOTING

Advanced Piloting is the second in the sequence of USPS courses on navigation. It continues to build on coastal and inland navigation skills, allowing the student to take on more challenging conditions-unfamiliar waters, limited visibility, and extended cruises. GPS is embraced as a primary navigation tool while adding radar, chart-plotters, and other electronic navigation tools. As with Piloting, the course includes many in-class exercises, advancing the student's skills through hands-on practice and learning.

Advanced Piloting will be held on Wednesday, January 11 and March 8, 2017, from 7-9 p.m. at Shoreline Yacht Club, 386 Shoreline Dr., Long Beach. The cost is: \$115, USPS and SYC Members: \$85.

To reserve your place contact: Marion Seaman, 310.632.4748 or marionseaman1@aol.com

Time For Boat Owners Association **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

The Long Beach Marina Boat Owners Association (LBMOA or BOA) is a volunteer organization that represents the interests of Long Beach Marina slip holders. BOA has a good relationship with the Marine Bureau, and is in constant contact with City Council Representatives, the City Auditor's office, the Port of Long Beach, the Marine Patrol, and the City of Long Beach Marine Advisory Commission.

As part of our close partnership with the Long Beach Marine Bureau, we helped get your input into the latest revision of the Marina Rules and Regulations. We will continue our relationship with the Bureau to keep subscribers of our mailing list informed. BOA also supported the Marine Bureau in getting the approval of the Coastal Commission for the Alamitos Bay Marina Rebuild and pressed the City Council to commit to find funding for the project.

This is the time of year when BOA will be sending out membership renewal notices to current members and membership invitations to the slip holders in the Shoreline, Rainbow Harbor, and Alamitos Bay marinas, and the dry storage lots. By joining LBMOA and making an annual contribution you are helping the organization accomplish its mission. You can also renew, or initiate, your membership on the BOA website at www.lbmoa.org. And you don't have to be a member to subscribe on our website to receive notices and updates about the Long Beach marinas.

BOA has a number of open Board positions in the areas of Membership Director, Security Director, Public Relations Director, and Marine Advisory Commission and City Council monitors. Positions are also available for writers who would like to contribute to the online journal, Gangway Gazette. For additional information please contact BOA President, Dr. Tom Mayes at tom.mayes@lbmoa.org.

Where Have **YOU BEEN?**

Send us a photo of yourself holding the Marina Reader on your boating and sailing adventures and we may feature you in an upcoming edition!



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Include with your photo: Your name, where you took the photo: city and the country. Include how long you've had a slip in Long Beach and how long it took to reach your destination by water, plus the vessel you own (optional) if it's in the photo.

E-mail your high resolution photo to: Suzanne.Kakehashi@longbeach.gov



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Only in Long Beach: TREES IN THE BAY

Unique to Long Beach, the Trees in the Bay will once again light the waterways with festivity. It used to be that people came to Long Beach to see the Queen Mary, and they still do, but, in addition, many visitors come to our beautiful City during the holidays to see the Trees in the Bay. Photos of the Christmas Trees have been featured in several newspapers, magazines, publications, and on holiday cards, both locally and nationally.

The Trees in the Bay are in place and will light up each evening throughout the entire holiday season beginning on Thanksgiving weekend. This is a glorious sight; over 70 multi-colored and white trees celebrate the essence of the season with their stunning reflections across the water.

The tradition of Trees in the Bay began in 1949 when resident Don May put a live Christmas tree on a float and set it in Alamitos Bay. In 1953 the first of the now familiar triangular wooden structure was used instead of a live tree.

In the 1970s, when budget cuts threatened to cut the program out, residents came to the rescue and began paying the City to build, maintain, and cover the cost of electricity.



Trees in the bay, a Long Beach tradition since 1953.

Today this tradition is still in place due to support from several organizations and individuals. Those organizations include Spinnaker Cove Slip Owner's Association, Alamitos Heights Improvement Association, Peninsula Beach Preservation Group, the Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB), the Downtown Long Beach Business Association (DBLA), and Trees in the Bay.

Donations to support the Trees in the Bay Program are accepted by Partners of Parks (if you want to make a donation, call (562) 570-3209 for information).

The Marine Maintenance staff begins shortly after Labor Day inspecting, repairing, painting, and stringing the lights to ready the trees for placement throughout the bay and in Rainbow Harbor. When all

these elements are completed they are towed to their locations, set in place with lines, weights, and connected to their power source.

The holidays tend to be a busy time of year but do yourself a favor and take some time to visit our nationally recognized waterfront. In addition to the Trees in the Bay many local residents decorate their homes for everyone to enjoy.

Bike and Ped COUNTER

Have you ever wondered how many people use the Shoreline Pedestrian/Bicycle Path?

A new bike and pedestrian counter called Eco-Totem has been installed on the path, just west of the Belmont Pier, to collect more accurate data on the 3.1-mile side-by-side lanes.

During peak times the path can be used by more than 200 bikes per hour, along with approximately 185 pedestrians per hour.

Long Beach is recognized as the 10th most bike friendly city in the nation by Active.com.



Eco-Totem counts cyclists and pedestrians near the Belmont Pier.



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Coast Guard Warning **MARINE SAFETY ALERT**

The Coast Guard has issued a warning to all boat owners and passengers to discontinue the use of Samsung Galaxy Note 7 Smartphones aboard all vessels due to reports of the batteries overheating, causing customer burns and reports of property damage.

The Coast Guard, following Federal Aviation Administration flight requirements recommends immediate powering down and ending the use of the **All Samsung Galaxy Note 7 Smartphones** that have not been updated aboard all vessels. The primary concern is the phone's Lithium-ion battery which may overheat and rupture. The Consumer Product Safety Commission reports at least 92 reports of batteries overheating, 26 reports of customer burns and 55 reports of property damage.

Go to Samsung.com for additional information about replacing the device or contact your wireless carrier or retailer.

We Need Eggnog Now! **RALPH'S DOCKED BOAT GROCERY DELIVERY**

Have you ever run out of soda, water, or snacks while enjoying yourself on your docked boat? Have you ever wondered if there was some convenient way to have those items delivered to you?

Ralph's grocery store is now offering a new service at its Marina Pacifica location called "ClickList." Clicklist is a new application that allows customers to go online and order groceries for pickup at the store. There are over 40,000 items from which to shop from on Clicklist including fresh meat and produce.

The Marina Pacifica Ralph's store has a boat deck across from the Marina and has dedicated one of their boat slips to Clicklist. Customers with boats can order groceries online for delivery to their docked boats!

Go to Ralphs.com and click "Order online."



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