



GO FOURTH! FRIDAY NEWSLETTER

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Thank you for taking the time to read our weekly newsletter. Every Friday afternoon at 1:30 pm, we distribute this publication to provide updates on past and future events throughout our council district. Please encourage your neighbors to sign up for the Go Fourth! Friday newsletter by filling out the form at this [link](#).

- Councilman Daryl Supernaw



Past and Ongoing Events

Congressman Garcia's District Celebration

On Saturday, I attended a reception and toast for Congressman Robert Garcia at the Anna W. Ngai Alumni Center on the CSULB campus. The event at this beautiful setting was held to celebrate Congressman Garcia's recent installation into the U.S. House of Representatives. Our former mayor, Dr. Robert Garcia, is now among the ranks of other Long Beach area congressmen who had very strong ties to CSULB including Professor of Psychology, Dr. Alan Lowenthal, and University President, Dr. Stephen Horn.



Black History Month at the Los Altos Library

Saturday evening, Los Altos librarians hosted a musical performance by George Makinto in honor of Black History Month. Mr. Makinto presented three musical assemblies composed around the theme of civility, kindness, diversity, solidarity, acceptance, and community values. There were also

crafts for children and light refreshments. Thanks to all the attendees, library staff and George Makinto for a great evening.



CD4 Community Meeting at Los Altos Library

On Tuesday, we hosted a Council District 4 community meeting at the Los Altos library. Utilities Department General Manager, Chris Garner provided an update on the cost of gas and available discount programs for eligible account holders. In addition to our guest speaker, we had a surprise visit by Mayor Rex Richardson. He gave a brief update on his 100 Day Plan (The Opportunity Beach Agenda). You can find more information [here](#), and we hope to see you at our next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 28th. More details to come.



LB Search & Rescue Recruit Graduation

On Tuesday, Long Beach Search & Rescue hosted the 2022 Basic Rescue Recruit Academy graduation at the David Rosa Regional Training Center in the Fourth District. 34 young adults completed a 16-week training program on ropes and knots, radio communications, search operations, traffic control, fire behavior, fire suppression and extinguishment, along with first aid and CPR. Their work is not done! They will continue training in firearm safety, vehicle extrication, ladder and hose operations, helicopter operations, Basic Life Support, rope rescue systems, and hazardous materials awareness. Search & Rescue is a volunteer-based unit that responds to emergency incidents at the request of LBPD and Lbfd. Congratulations recruits!



Fireside Chat Featuring Attorney Skip Keesal

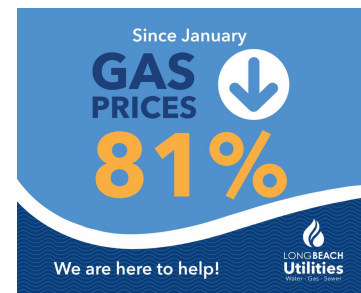
Wednesday night, I was back at the Anna W. Ngai Alumni Center on the CSULB campus for a very special event. Skip Keesal '61 is one of CSULB's most distinguished alums, and a fireside chat was the perfect venue on a very cold night to learn about his distinguished legal career and positive impact on the Long Beach community. Skip and his wife Beth are incredibly kind and caring people, and it was a pleasure to spend part of the evening with them. You can read Skip's Keesal, Young & Logan bio at this [link](#).





Natural Gas Prices Drop

Residents and businesses will see continued relief from high natural gas bills, with a second consecutive month of significant price decreases. The cost of the gas commodity has dropped by 81 percent since California's record-breaking highs in January, decreasing by 45 percent from February to March. The natural gas wholesale market price for March is \$0.7063, down from \$1.2805 in February and \$3.8101 in January. Read more at this [link](#).



Spring Street Storm Channel Clean-Up

This morning, LBPD's Quality-of-Life Unit, LB Health Dept., LB Public Works, LA County Department of Public Works, and other teams joined forces to conduct a clean-up of the Spring Street storm channel. Over the past few weeks, our office received several calls about the encampment, illegally dumped items, hazardous waste and abandoned shopping carts in the channel. While the storm channel maintenance is under the jurisdiction of the LA County Department of Public Works, we were happy to be able to partner with them in bringing resources to the area. The teams are now headed to the San Gabriel River to continue their efforts south from Carson Street to 7th Street.





Upcoming Events

Mobile Access Center Coming to Los Altos

Long Beach will continue to deploy its Mobile Access Center (MAC) through March. This outreach will continue to allow Homeless Services Bureau staff to conduct meaningful engagement and continue to build relationships, an essential component in increasing access to resources and services. To read the full press release, visit this [link](#). Beginning Monday, March 6, the MAC will be stationed at the following Los Altos locations from 9 am to noon.

- **Mondays** – Los Altos Market Center, parking lot southeast of Stearns Street and Bellflower Boulevard intersection.
- **Thursdays** – Area of Bellflower Boulevard and East 23rd Street, just north of Bellflower Boulevard and Stearns Street intersection.



El Dorado Library Storytime Events

Thursdays & Fridays | Various Times | 2900 N Studebaker Rd.

El Dorado Library hosts its Children's Storytime events every week. Children will participate in singing, stories, and other activities. For more information call (562) 570-3136.

- **Infant Storytime (0 - 9 mos)** Fridays 12 -12:30 pm
**pre-registration is required by calling (562) 570-3136*
- **Toddler Storytime (9 mos - 3 yrs)** Thursdays 10 - 10:45 am or 11:15 am to 12 pm
- **Preschool Storytime (3 - 5 yrs)** Fridays 10:30 - 11:15 am



Girl's Day Celebration at EBM Japanese Garden

March 5th | 1 - 3 pm | Free parking in CSULB lot G4

Join the Earl Burns Miller Japanese Garden for a Girl's Day celebration! Girl's Day or "Doll Festival" is celebrated every March in Japan to pray for the health and happiness of young girls. The EBM Japanese Garden event is FREE, and parking is FREE in lot G4.

Pre-registration required at this [link](#) and is good for groups up to 6.



Rancho Los Alamitos Internship Opportunities

March 6th deadline | 6400 E Bixby Hill Rd. | [Information Here](#)

Rancho Los Alamitos is seeking two temporary, part-time interns to support the organization's diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) goals. The successful applicants for this exceptional opportunity will be upper-level undergraduate or graduate students at CSULB and will work from June 2023 into fall 2023. The time commitment is approximately 5-10 hours weekly (130 total), and each intern will receive a \$2,000 scholarship. Find more information [here](#), the application deadline is Monday, March 6th.



Next on the City Council Agenda

March 7th | 5:00 pm | 411 W. Ocean Blvd.

The City Council meeting will start at 5:00 pm in the Bob Foster Civic Chambers on the ground floor of City Hall, located at 411 W. Ocean Blvd. City council meetings are broadcast live online and are available on Channel 3 for Charter cable subscribers and Channel 21 for FIOS subscribers. Comments can be submitted by email to: CityClerk@longbeach.gov. Items on Tuesday's meeting agenda include:



- C-1: Recommendation to increase appropriations in the General Fund Group in the City Manager Department by \$1,500, offset by the Fourth Council District One-time District Priority Funds transferred from the Citywide Activities Department to provide support to Long Beach Little League for their recently launched Girls with Game Initiative; and Decrease appropriations in the General Fund Group in the Citywide Activities Department by \$1,500 to offset a transfer to the City Manager Department.
- R-21: Recommendation to approve the Fiscal Year 2023 first departmental and fund budget appropriation adjustments in accordance with existing City Council policy. (Citywide)
- R-22: Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to amend Contract No. 36153 with Los Angeles Engineering, Inc., of Covina, CA, for construction work on the El Dorado Duck Pond Rehabilitation Project, to increase the contract amount by \$1,097,384, for a revised contract amount not to exceed \$6,584,302. (District 4)

The entire agenda can be found [here](#). To see the schedule and agenda for all upcoming city meetings, click [here](#).

Filming in the Fourth

March 8th | 6:00 am - 6:00 pm | El Dorado Park East, Area III

Stills will consist of exterior shots of talent against scenery. Scenes will include talent riding bikes, parents giving lessons to their kids, stopping for water breaks, exercising, and petting a leashed dog. Production has obtained a permit through Animal Care Services.

Production to enter/exit through the Wardlow Rd. gate. Production must have someone "man"



the Wardlow gate when it is unlocked and leave a 4-foot pedestrian access on sidewalks/walkways at all times. Production may not have camera, equipment, or persons in the street/parking lot and may not disturb other park patrons or wildlife at any time. Production must follow park rules and traffic laws at all times. Truck parking on shoulder shall not park on the grass or impede traffic/bike lanes at any time.

CSULB Learning Institute Spring Classes

[Registration](#) begins March 13th for the Spring Session

Long Beach State's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) hosts non-credit courses for persons 50 years of age or older. Courses run from April 3rd to May 27th in hybrid formats, in-person or on Zoom. Registration for the Spring session will open on March 13th. Get more information at this [link](#) and register [here](#). The OLLI support line [\(562\) 985-2398](tel:5629852398) is open from 11 am - 4 pm.



CSULB 50th Annual Pow Wow Next Weekend

March 11 - 12 | Sat. 11 am - 10 pm & Sun. 11 am - 6 pm [CSULB Central Quad](#)

On Saturday and Sunday, March 11-12, CSULB's annual Pow Wow, an American Indian social celebration, returns to the campus' central quad. The two-day event, which will feature American Indian dancing, arts, crafts and food begins at 11 am each day and runs until 10 pm on Saturday and 7 pm on Sunday. Admission and parking are free. It is strongly recommended that spectators bring folding chairs. You can view the event flyer [here](#) and visit this [link](#) for more information.



And Finally....

March is Women's History Month

Photo credit: Eugene Tapahe

Photo caption by Lakota Man:

"Navajo women - the real monuments of Monument Valley, AZ"

The inspiration for featuring today's photo comes from three sources: (1) last week's City Council vote to end the COVID-19 emergency, (2) this week marking the beginning of Women's History Month, (3) next week's return of the CSULB Pow Wow. Fine arts photographer Eugene Tapahe's idea for "Art Heals: The Jingle Dress Project" came to him in a dream. Legend has it the jingle dance originated from an Ojibwa man who dreamt of its healing power during the Spanish Flu epidemic of 1918. Four dresses were made by his wife, and the dance was used to heal his daughter. Eugene Tapahe traveled the west throughout the COVID-19 pandemic photographing his daughters and friends in National Parks and Monuments as a way to reclaim indigenous spaces and bring healing to the world.





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