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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](#).

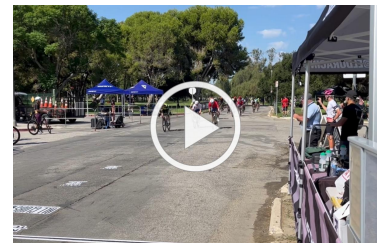
- Councilman Daryl Supernaw



Past and Ongoing Events

Eldo Bike Race Series Finale

We had a full schedule of events last Saturday, and it all started with the Eldo Race Series Finale and All Clubs BBQ in Area III of El Dorado Park East. Thanks to Kenneth Vinson for the invitation and to PRM's Meaghan O'Neill for the great job of organizing. Check out the attached video clip of the finish of the Masters Division race.



Ready Long Beach at CSULB

On Saturday, I attended the READY Long Beach Expo in front of CSULB's Walter Pyramid. Congratulations to LBFD's Jake Heflin, Long Beach CERT and all the City partners for hosting another successful event. The expo featured information booths, emergency preparedness demonstrations, emergency food and supplies for purchase, a kids' fun zone, and emergency response vehicles. This event takes place during Disaster Preparedness Month to help residents prepare for natural disasters and other emergencies. Disaster Preparedness efforts will continue into October, with the Great California ShakeOut drill. Photo credit: Linsey Towles/Daily 49er



CD4 Welcomes Blue Shield and 1,000 Jobs

On Wednesday, Mayor Richardson and I participated in a ribbon cutting event for Blue Shield of California's new state-of-the-art office complex at 3840 Kilroy Airport Way in CD4. More than 1,000 Blue Shield employees will be working in the new office and utilizing neighborhood stores, restaurants, and businesses. Blue Shield is already reaching out to local small businesses about becoming suppliers for the health plan. I presented Kristen Cerf, President and CEO of Blue Shield of CA Promise Health Plan, with a certificate from our office. Go Fourth!



CSULB Environmental Impact Report

Wednesday evening I attended CSULB's Campus Master Plan meeting where they presented the recently drafted Environmental Impact Report. View more information on CSULB's drafted Master Plan [here](#). Questions, comments and concerns can be submitted via this [link](#) before October 16.



CD4 Residents Enjoy a Free Aquarium Night!

Last night, we hosted a free evening at the Aquarium of the Pacific for Council District 4 residents. Judging by the large number of attendees and positive feedback from our residents, the event was a huge success! Thanks to the Aquarium of the Pacific for making it all possible, and thanks to all the CD4 residents who joined us for a really fun night. We'll do it all again next year. Go Fourth! Photo credit: Bill Marshall



Register for Los Altos YMCA Swim Lessons

Whether your child is a beginner or looking to improve their swimming skills, Los Altos YMCA instructors are ready to help. Registration is now open for Fall Group Swim Lessons! To book a free level placement test to identify your child's swim lesson level, call (562) 596-3394 or email Annie Sumioka [here](#) or register and learn more at this [link](#).

STRONG SWIMMERS CONFIDENT KIDS

FALL GROUP SWIM LESSONS

[REGISTER NOW](#)



SEPTEMBER - NOVEMBER 2023

Upcoming Events

Coastal Country Jam Music Festival

September 16th & 17th | Purchase passes [here](#)

Coastal Country Jam returns for its 5th year to Marina Green Park for a two-day event on September 16 and 17. As a social staple for west coast country music fans, this year's festival will take place over 2 days and feature A-List artists, an expanded line dancing area, locally curated craft food, a variety of refreshing beverage options, interactive art installations, a car show, ferris wheel, cornhole tournaments and much more! For more information, visit this [link](#).



Rosh Hashanah

September 15th through 17th

A message from Jewish Long Beach and the Alpert Jewish Community Center:

"As a reminder, the AJCC will be closed this Saturday, 9/16, for Rosh Hashanah. We wish you all a sweet new year and can't wait to welcome you back for another amazing year."



Pet Supplies Plus Adoption Event Tomorrow!

September 16th | 11 am - 2 pm | 2086 N Bellflower Blvd.

Visit the Long Beach Animal Care Services Adoption Waggin' on Saturday, September 16 from 11 am to 2 pm at the monthly Pet Supplies Plus adoption event. Don't miss out on finding your new best friend! For more information on this event, call Megan Ignacio at (562) 570-3094.



Fall Adoption Series @ LBACS

Every weekend in September | 7700 E Spring St.

As a result of overcrowding in the shelter, Long Beach Animal Care Services is waiving adoption fees every weekend in

September. There are no open kennels to take in more animals. Help the shelter make space by adopting today! For more information, please email petadopt@longbeach.gov.



Next on the City Council Agenda

September 19th | 5:00 pm | 411 W Ocean Blvd.

The City Council meeting will start at 5:00 pm in the Civic Chambers on the ground floor of City Hall, located at 411 W. Ocean Blvd. City council meetings are broadcast live online at: LBTv3.com and 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-3: Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to amend Contract No. 36399 with John Gross, dba Financial Management and Systems Consulting, of Scottsdale, AZ, for Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) embedded quality assurance and other sponsor support, to increase the contract amount by \$172,224 for a revised total contract amount of \$337,824 and to extend the term of the contract an additional six-month term to March 31, 2024. (Citywide)
- R-20: Recommendation to request the City Council to receive and file a report on a proposed Long Beach Minimum Wage for Hotel Workers, and direct City Manager on next steps; and Request City Attorney to prepare a ballot measure for consideration during the March 2024 municipal election amending the Long Beach Hotel Worker Wage Ordinance (LBMC Chapter 5.48) to authorize a market pay adjustment that ensures fair and competitive wages for hotel workers. (Citywide)

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

Hojalata Tin Art at El Dorado Library

September 20th | 3 - 4 pm | Ages 6 and up | 2900 Studebaker Rd.

Join librarians at El Dorado Neighborhood Library for a short storytime, followed by making a Mexican hojalata tin craft. Ages 6 and up are welcome to attend. This event is part of LBPL's Hispanic Heritage Month "[Vida Latina](#)" celebration series. Find more information about the event at this [link](#).



Registration Open for the 2023 Ranchos Walk

September 23rd | 7am - 2pm | [Registration Link](#)

Walk and enjoy the 9.4-mile scenic route that will start at Rancho Los Cerritos and end at Rancho Los Alamitos. At the end-of-walk celebration, there will be food from Battambang BBQ and beer



for sale by Beachwood Brewing. Find more information [here](#) and register for the walk at this [link](#).

FREE Shred Event at Vets Memorial Stadium

September 23rd | 8 - 10 am | 4901 E Conant St.

The City of Long Beach Environmental Services Bureau is hosting free shred events to help residents securely dispose of confidential documents. The mobile shredding truck will be on site until the truck is full. There is a 3 box maximum per car, please do not bring bags. For a full list of accepted and not accepted items, please visit this [link](#). For questions and more information, please call (562) 570-2869.



FREE SHRED EVENT

Saturday, 9/23 | 8 - 10 am*

*Mobile shredding truck on site until truck is full.

Veterans Memorial Stadium
4901 E. Conant St.
(corner of Conant St. & Clark Ave.)

3-box maximum per car (box size cannot exceed 10x12x15 dimensions).

- Confidential documents
- Manila file folders, staples, paperclips
- Envelopes and cardboard

Learn more:
bit.ly/shred2023



FREE Household Hazardous Waste Event

September 23rd | 9 am - 2 pm | 2755 California Ave.

Household cleaning products, pesticides, paint, e-waste including batteries, medications, and many other products are considered hazardous waste and should not go in your trash or recycling carts. The next collection event is on Saturday, September 23rd. Learn more at this [link](#).



Free HHW and E-Waste Event!

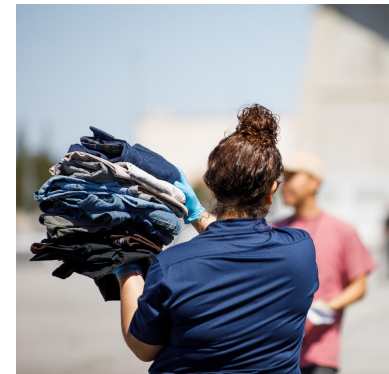


Saturday, September 23rd
9 am - 2 pm
2755 California Ave,
Signal Hill, 90755

Donation Drive Thru Event in CD4

September 23rd | 9 am - 1 pm | 2525 Grand Ave.

The City of Long Beach will host its seventh donation drive thru to collect essential items to distribute to people experiencing homelessness in Long Beach. The event will take place at the Department of Health and Human Services (Health Department) Main Facilities Center, located at 2525 Grand Ave. Donations received during the event will be distributed at the Multi-Service Center (MSC) to people experiencing homelessness and will be available to local organizations to distribute. More info [here](#).



And Finally....

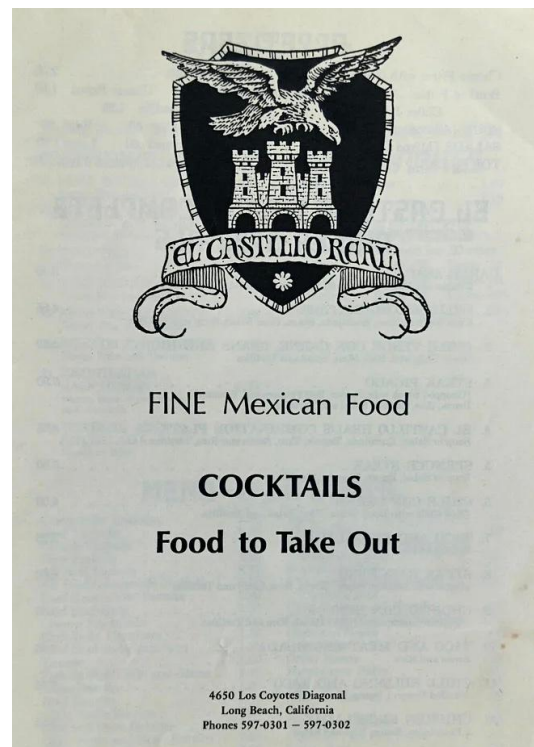
Rich Retail History at Ximeno & LCD

Thanks to Jo Murray for her Grunion article on the new businesses coming to corner of Ximeno and LCD. You can read the article at this [link](#). While most people associate the building at 4650 E. Los Coyotes Diagonal with Polly's Pies, the original tenant in the late 1940's was Thrifty Drug Store. In 1973, the building reopened as El Castillo Real, and it would soon become one of the most popular Mexican restaurants in town. The restaurant owner was Robert "Bob" Castillo who was a quintessential member of the "Greatest Generation". His and the Castillo Family story is a great way to start Hispanic Heritage month.



Robert Anthony Castillo was born in 1923 in Long Beach and was the fifth of ten children. He served in WWII along with five of his brothers. Thankfully, all six returned from the war, and two of Bob's brothers were Purple Heart Recipients. After the war, Bob joined his brothers Al and Phil on the Long Beach Police Department where he served for over 25 years. Bob and his wife,

Gloria, purchased a house on Studebaker and were East Long Beach residents for many years. Their restaurant's popularity happened quickly. Among their regular customers were Los Angeles Rams players and coaches. We wish the new businesses opening at the location all the success enjoyed by Bob Castillo.



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