Dear Neighbor,

Thank you for taking the time to read our Fourth District newsletter. It is emailed every Friday afternoon and provides updates on past and future events throughout our council district. Please encourage your neighbors to sign up to receive our publication by contacting us at: district4@longbeach.gov.

- Councilman Daryl Supernaw

A Belated

HAPPY Thanksgiving

Hot Topics

Community Hospital Update
An update regarding the Community Hospital re-opening plan was presented to City Council in a closed session last Tuesday. After receiving the update, the City Council authorized staff to continue with negotiations with the hopes of reaching a responsible deal that will address State seismic requirements. We anticipate the proposed agreement will be presented in a public City Council meeting in mid-December and hope to follow-up with another "stakeholder input" meeting before the holidays. Stay tuned for the date/time/location.

Past Events

City Council Meeting Streamlining Survey

On October 23rd, I introduced a council agenda item asking city staff to examine ways to streamline our City Council meetings. Now, we would like to hear from you! City Council meets on a weekly basis on Tuesdays (except for the last Tuesday of each month). On average, Council meetings in 2018 ran four hours and twenty minutes. However, one-third of the meetings this year lasted six and a half hours or more - concluding at 11:30 pm or later. What are some ideas you have that you would like to share? The result of this effort will be recommendations to the City Council to consider on how to shorten, streamline and improve our meetings. Click here for the survey.

Long Beach Public Library Hours Survey

All 12 LBPL libraries are currently open Tues.-Sat. Four branches are open a 6th day, on Sundays, from 12-4PM, which are planned to end Dec 31, 2018. Please take a moment to complete a brief survey regarding your preference for five-day open library hours beginning Jan. 2019. Click "More" to access the survey in Spanish or Tagalog.

The Gladys Avenue Urban Farm is Back!

For many years, the Gladys Ave. Urban Farm was operated by Captain Charles Moore at 1336 Gladys Avenue in the 4th district. It became inactive for some time, but it is now coming back into full operation. Laura Som, Executive Director of the MAYE Center (also in CD4), has leased the property and plans to return the farm to its former glory. That will include an educational component with (K-12) schools, bringing in restaurants, chefs, eaters, feeders, and seeders together. I stopped by the farm earlier this month for a community planning event and tour. Thank you to Laura Som and Charlie Moore for your vision and investment in this wonderful 4th district asset.
Planet Fitness Grand Opening

Last week, I attended the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Planet Fitness at 1890 Ximeno in the Vons Circle Center. During the grand opening ceremony, Planet Fitness presented the Boys and Girls Club of Long Beach a check for $2,500. For information on Planet Fitness memberships and hours of operation, please visit their [website](#).

New Flashing Beacons on 10th Street at Orizaba

Willard Elementary students and surrounding neighbors will be able to cross 10th Street at Orizaba with newly installed flashing beacons. We teamed up with the Second Council
District Office to fund this new safety feature on the 10th Street corridor.

Upcoming Events

Small Business Saturday
November 24 | Various Locations

Tomorrow, November 24th, retailers across the 4th district will be promoting "Small Business Saturday". It is a national shopping holiday held on the Saturday after Thanksgiving to kick off the "brick-and-mortar" shopping season. This week, the Grunion posted an article covering the merchants within the historic Zaferia Business Association. They'll be promoting Small Business Saturday along the East Anaheim Street Corridor. You can read the article at this link.

LBFD Training Center: Live Burn Schedule
November | 2249 Argonne Ave

The Long Beach Fire Department Training Center is conducting training for their new Recruit Firefighters. Next week there will be a live fire training exercise on:

- Tuesday, November 27 from 2 pm to 5 pm

Live fire training is an essential part of development for the Recruit Firefighters. It allows the training staff to teach skills needed for survival in potentially life threatening situations and the protection of life and property for the residents of Long Beach.

* Fire times/dates are subject to change without notice and may result in loud noises

Zaferia Lunch Series
November 27 | 12 pm - 1 pm | 5021 E. Anaheim

The Zaferia Business Association will continue their Zaferia Speaker Series Lunch Program Tuesday, November 27th at 12 pm at the Long Beach Playhouse. Hear from special guest speakers Tracy Colunga from the Office of Civic Innovation for the City of Long Beach and strategist Steven Chaparro who together led the Smart Cities Collider Series. They will
discuss next steps for determining solutions for issues of Mobility, Technology, and Placemaking as they pertain to Anaheim Street. Please visit Zaferia's website to RSVP and to learn more information.

**Whaley Park Playground Grand Re-Opening Ceremony**
**November 28 | 3:30 pm | 5620 E. Atherton**

Bring the kids and celebrate the new playground at Whaley Park next Wednesday. The playground was designed with an arts and sciences theme to enhance the strong programming at Whaley Park. The Long Beach Symphony will bring its Instrument Petting Zoo to the grand re-opening celebration. We hope to see you there!

**CD4 Community Meeting**
**November 28 | 5 pm - 6 pm | 5614 E. Britton Dr.**

Please join us next Wednesday at the Los Altos Library for our monthly community meeting. Our special guest speaker will be Gerardo Mouet, Director of Parks, Rec & Marine. He will provide updates on our 4th district parks and answer audience questions. Hope to see you there!

**Belmont Shore Christmas Parade**
**December 1 | 6 pm - 9 pm | 2nd St. in Belmont Shore**
4th Annual Lighting of the Letters  
December 2 | 3:30 pm - Dusk | Whaley Park North

Mark your calendars for the 4th Annual Lighting of the Letters at Whaley Park on Sunday, December 2nd at 3:30 pm. There will be a neighborhood potluck, holiday cheer and a visit from Santa Claus! Please bring an unwrapped toy or game for the CA Children's Services Toy Drive. We hope to see you there!

Lazy Acres Cookie Decorating Event  
December 15th | 10 am to 2 pm | 2080 Bellflower Blvd.

Bring your little elves, and join us behind Lazy Acres Market for some holiday cheer! You will find live music by DJ HoneyMee & Kymberly Stewart Music, cookie decorating, Santa's elves craft center, a winter inspired photo booth, Winter Wonderland sensory center and some special visitors straight from the North Pole. Inside the store, Santa will
be greeting visitors and offering photo opportunities. This is a totally free community event hosted by Macaroni Kid Long Beach and Lazy Acres Market.

Cookie Decorating and fun fair with Santa

FREE EVENT!  SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15TH, 10AM
     LAZY ACRES

And Finally

Joe Jost's Annual "Lighting of the Antlers"

Next week, Joe Jost's will have their annual "Lighting of the Antlers" on Saturday, December 1st. Part of the annual tradition is to guess how many of the 15 lights will actually light up. If you'd like to venture a guess and enter an opportunity drawing in the process, please fill out the following form. If you correctly guess how many of the 15 lights light up, you will win a chance for a free Joe Jost's baseball cap. The top 5 winners will be announced in our December 7th Go Fourth! Friday newsletter.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

11/23 - Coloring Club for Adults, 3 p.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
11/28 - Whaley Park Grand Re-Opening, 3:30 pm, Whaley Park, 5620 E. Atherton
11/30 - Toddler Storytime, 10:30 a.m., Brewitt Library, 4036 E. Anaheim St.
11/30 - Family Playtime, 11 a.m., Brewitt Library, 4036 E. Anaheim St.
11/30 - Coloring Club for Adults, 3 p.m., Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
12/1 - Belmont Shore Christmas Parade, 6 pm, 2nd Street
12/2 - Lighting of the Letters, 3 pm, Whaley Park North, 5620 E. Atherton
12/4 - City Council Meeting, 5 pm, Long Beach City Hall, 333 W. Ocean Blvd.
12/7 - Toddler Storytime, 10:30 am, Brewitt Library, 4036 E. Anaheim St.
12/7 - Family Playtime, 11 am, Brewitt Library, 4036 E. Anaheim St.
12/7 - Coloring Club for Adults, 3 pm, Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
12/8 - Artist Trading Card, 12 pm, Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
12/11 - City Council Meeting, 5 pm, Long Beach City Hall, 333 W. Ocean Blvd.
12/13 - Paper Airplane Mini Golf, 3:30 pm, Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
12/14 - Toddler Storytime, 10:30 am, Brewitt Library, 4036 E. Anaheim St.
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