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 contacting us at: district4@longbeach.gov.

- Councilman Daryl Supernaw

Past Events

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Yesterday, in a proactive effort to minimize COVID-19 exposure, the City of Long Beach expanded on the guidance issued by Governor Gavin Newsom with regard to the management and subsequent cancellation and/or postponement of events with an estimated attendance of 250 or more people. The full press release is available here. For the latest updates on Coronavirus, check our Health Department's site at this link.

LBUSD Schools to Close March 16 & Resume April 20

FROM LBUSD: After careful deliberation, the Long Beach Unified School District has decided to close schools beginning Monday,
March 16. School will resume Monday, April 20. The closure is an extra measure of protection to help prevent the spread of the new coronavirus, or COVID-19. We do not have any presumptive or confirmed cases of the new coronavirus in our schools, but we are taking this step to help protect public health. This closure includes our Friday, April 10 Admission Day holiday and our spring recess from April 13 to 17. The press release is available at this link.

Community Hospital Update

On Tuesday, MWN issued a press release with latest details concerning CHLB’s reopening. It covered the latest information on state licensing, hiring of the management team, restoration of the hospital's exterior and future hiring. You can read the entire press release at this link.

Wilson's "Woody" Meets the Chick-fil-A Cow

Congratulations to CD4’s Stanford Middle School and Wilson High School on winning Chick-fil-A’s 4th Annual Battle of the Schools. The contest ran from November 1st to January 31st and was co-sponsored by CFA Traffic Circle’s Kristie Bergstrom and CFA Town Center’s John Howard. Stanford MS received a check for $1,628 and Wilson HS received a check for $1,300. Great job Stanford and Wilson, and thanks to both Kristie and John for supporting our students.
Upcoming Events

Long Beach Organic Spring Fundraiser
March 14th | 9 am - 12 pm | 3709 E. 10th St.

LBO is celebrating its 25th anniversary! Please join them for the "Go Plant Me!" Spring fundraiser at the Zaferia Junction Community Garden. Organic seedlings including tomatoes, kale, collards, salad greens and more will be available with a minimum donation of $3 per six-pack.

CANCELED: Household Hazardous Waste Events
3/14, 3/28, 4/11 | 9 pm - 2 pm | 2755 California Ave., Signal Hill
POSTPONED: Long Beach Shaves for Kids
TBD | 10 am - 3 pm | 2201 Cherry Ave

Long Beach Firefighters Association 372 are shaving their heads to raise money for childhood cancer research on, Saturday, March 14th. The St. Baldrick's Foundation has raised more than $200 million toward childhood cancer research. Events specifically occurring in Long Beach have raised more than $1 million. To learn more about the event or to donate please visit their website.

POSTPONED: 50th Annual CSULB Pow Wow
TBD | Begins at 11 am | CSULB Central Quad

CSULB's annual Pow Wow, an American Indian social celebration, returns to the campus on March 14-15. Event hours are Saturday: 11am-10pm, Sunday: 11am-6pm. The largest spring event of its kind in Southern California, the Pow Wow at Cal State Long Beach is focused on displaying the university's strong American Indian presence. Admission is free, but a $10 parking permit must be purchased each day to park on campus. Check out the event flyer at this link.

Next on Council's Agenda
March 17th | 5 pm | 411 W. Ocean Blvd
The City Council meeting will start at 5 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 also available on Channel 3 for Charter cable subscribers and Channel 21 for FIOS subscribers. Here are topics that appear on next Tuesday's agenda:

- There will be a presentation for Play Streets at the beginning of the meeting
- Recommendation to receive application of Compound F&B, LLC, The Compound, for an original application of an Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) License, at 1395 Coronado Avenue; submit a Public Notice of Protest to ABC; and, direct City Manager to withdraw the protest if a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) is granted.

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

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**Coffee With a Cop**
**March 18th | 9 am - 10 am | 6560 E. Spring St.**

The mission of Coffee with a Cop is to break down the barriers between police officers and the citizens they serve by removing agendas and allowing opportunities to ask questions, voice concerns and get to know the officers in your neighborhood. Join the LBPD East Division on Wednesday, March 18th at Starbucks, 6560 E. Spring St., beginning at 9 am.

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**Caltrans Quarterly Meeting**
**March 18th**

On Wednesday, March 18th, our office will be attending the quarterly Caltrans meeting with council districts. We will be getting updates on local projects as well as reporting any issues related to Caltrans properties. Please let us know if you have any issues you'd like discussed with Caltrans. Residents can also report graffiti, weeds, broken fences and more directly [online](#).

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**SOUNDLIGHT: First Responders Group**
**March 19th | 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm | 2250 Clark Ave.**

Our council office is pleased to help spread the word about a unique opportunity for First Responders in Long Beach and beyond. The program is called SOUNDLIGHT: First Responders Group - "A Service for those who Serve". It is a time for connection, networking and encouragement for those serving in the police department, fire department, ER/EMT medical teams and dispatch. Services will be taking place at Bethany Church on the third Thursday of each month. The first service is scheduled on March 19th with LBPD Chaplain, Eric Hubbard. The April event will feature guest
POSTPONED: 4GIRLS Empowerment Workshop
TBD | 8 am - 4 pm | 2180 Obispo Ave

FROM THE ORGANIZER: It is with a sad heart that 4GIRLS announces to our community that, due to the ongoing health concerns related to COVID-19, 4GIRLS has decided to postpone the 2020 Long Beach Workshop to a future date. We are monitoring recommendations from the state and local public health agencies and the CDC. We will work with our volunteers and stakeholders to find a new weekend, as it becomes clear that the new date is both helpful and time-appropriate related to the outbreak. Thank you for your understanding. Please feel free to contact us at administrator@inspiration4girls.org

POSTPONED: Beach Streets University
TBD | 10 am - 4 pm | Atherton, Bellflower, Los Coyotes & Spring St.

CANCELED: Open Studio Art Party
Free Tax Return Preparation by CSULB Students
Now thru March 27th | 1250 Bellflower Blvd.

Have you heard of the VITA program? Every year, certified English and Spanish speaking CSULB student volunteers provide free income tax return preparation for taxpayers with an income level of $54,000 or less. The event runs through March 27. More information is available at this link.

POSTPONED: Cambodia Town Parade & Culture Festival
TBD | 9 am - 5 pm | Anaheim St. from Junipero Ave. to MacArthur Park

The public is invited to join the Cambodian community to celebrate the rich traditions of Cambodia and ring in the Cambodian New Year 2564, Year of the Rat. Starting at 9:00 am at Anaheim and Junipero, the Grand Parade will showcase the diverse cultures of Long Beach, including Hmong, Laotian, African American and Hispanic customs. This year honors the Spirit of Apsara-celestial dancers commonly depicted in Khmer mythology. The parade ends at MacArthur Park where festivities will continue with the Cambodia Town Culture Festival. The open-air festival will feature hands-on demonstrations of a variety of art forms from Cambodia’s rich and ancient history.
And Finally

COVID-19 Not LBUSD's First Health Crisis

Today's press release from LBUSD (see link in item #2 above) stated, "We are facing an unprecedented health crisis in our community, and new information is surfacing rapidly." While the term "unprecedented" could be debated, COVID-19 is certainly not the first health crisis faced by LBUSD. The newspaper headline below is from April 15, 1952, and the photo was taken at Buffum School in the 4th council district. The story covers the immunization of 10,000 LBUSD first and second graders who were about receive two free polio vaccines. The article also states that the City’s plans had been perfected to enable Long Beach children to be among the first in the nation to be protected against the crippling disease.
Calendar of Upcoming Events

3/14 - LBO Spring Fundraiser, 9 am, Zaferia Junction Community Garden
3/14 - Book Club, 10 am, Los Altos Library, 5614 Britton
3/15 - Yoga, 11 am, El Dorado Nature Center
3/17 - Writer's Workshop, 4:30 pm, Los Altos Library, 5614 E. Britton Dr.
3/17 - City Council Meeting, 5 pm, City Hall, 411 W. Ocean Blvd.
3/18 - Kids Cafe: Book Club, 3:30 pm, Brewitt Library, 4036 Anaheim St.
3/19 - Coloring for Adults, 3 pm, Los Altos Library, 5614 Britton
3/19 - Soundlight: First Responders Group, 6:30 pm, Bethany Chruch
3/19 - El Dorado Audubon Society Meeting, 7:30 pm, El Dorado Nature Center
3/20 - Toddler Storytime, 10 am, Los Altos Library, 5614 Britton
3/20 - Toddler Storytime & Playtime, 10:30 am, Brewitt Library, 4036 Anaheim St.
3/20 - Pre-school Storytime, 11 am, Los Altos Library, 5614 Britton
3/21 - Shakespeare Aloud, 1 pm, Los Altos Library, 5614 Britton

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