April 29, 2022

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

Old Ranch Parkway On-Ramp Reopens!

On Tuesday, the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) announced the reopening of the Old Ranch Parkway Road onramp to the WB 22/7th Street. This is the popular “back way” from Los Alamitos/Seal Beach Blvd. that provides access to the 7th Street bridge without entering the 405 Freeway. The closure of the ramp was necessitated by the OCTA’s 405 improvement project. You can sign up for project-wide alerts at this link.
Ribbon Cutting at LGB’s New Ticketing Lobby

On Wednesday, I participated in the ribbon cutting ceremony to commemorate the completion of the new Ticketing Lobby and Checked Baggage Inspection System (CBIS) facility at the Long Beach Airport. The official opening day is next Wednesday, May 4th, but the public is invited to an open house preview tomorrow from 10am-2pm (see newsletter item below). The new Ticketing Lobby features common use ticket counters and self-service kiosks for greater flexibility according to flight schedules and demand. Thanks to LGB Administrative Officer (and CD4 resident), Dale Worsham, for demonstrating the new kiosk to me (photo below). The ribbon cutting photo is credited to the LB Business Journal, and their event coverage is at this link.

Upcoming Events

Rancho Los Alamitos Cottonwood Awards
May 26th | 11am - 1pm | 6400 E. Bixby Hill Road

The Cottonwood Awards Luncheon is a month away, but the submission deadline for tribute ads is today Friday, April 29th at 5 pm. To learn more about the Cottonwood Awards Luncheon or purchase tribute ads, tickets, or sponsorships, visit www.rancholosalamitos.org. Proceeds from this event benefit Rancho Los Alamitos’ educational mission.

St. Joseph Parish Fair Opens Tonight!
Fri: 5-11pm | Sat: 12-11pm | Sun: 12-8pm | 6180 E. Willow St.

The annual St. Joseph Parish Fair is back after a two-year pause. It is a 3-day event that includes carnival rides, food and live entertainment. It is also the biggest fundraiser of the year for St. Joseph Parish. You can find additional information at this link.
Nature Journaling at Rancho Los Alamitos
April 30th | 10 am to Noon | 6400 E. Bixby Hill Rd.

Artists and nature lovers: you don’t want to miss this! Spend a morning at the Rancho learning drawing techniques from artist Carly Lake immersing yourself in the site's historic gardens and recording your observations. $25 per person and $20 per RLA member. Additional information at this link.

LGB Invites Community to Ticketing Lobby Open House
April 30th | 10 am - 2 pm | 4100 E Donald Douglas Dr.

The Long Beach Airport (LGB) is commemorating the opening of its brand-new Ticketing Lobby and Checked Baggage Inspection System (CBIS) facility with a Community Open House on Saturday, April 30. The projects are part of a major $110 million Phase II – Terminal Area Improvement Program to make strategic pre-security enhancements to the airport. More information is in the press release at this link.

Cat Adoption Day at Pet Supplies Plus Tomorrow!
April 30th | 11am to 1pm | 2086 Bellflower Blvd (next to Lazy Acres)

Join the City of Long Beach Animal Care Services and Helen Sanders CatPAWS at Adoption Day for Adults & Special Needs Cats at Pet Supplies Plus. CatPAWS will sponsor adoption fees for all eligible cats adopted at the event, and they will provide Pet Supplies Plus gift cards for those who sign up to foster cats with special needs. Kona Ice and free giveaways will also take place to celebrate Pet Supplies Plus's second anniversary. More information at this link.
**LBFD Training Center: Live Burn Schedule**  
May 2nd, 3rd & 5th | Various Times | 2249 Argonne Ave

The Long Beach Fire Training Center will be conducting live fire trainings next week on these dates/times that are subject to change:
- Monday - (5/2) 3:00pm-5:00pm
- Tuesday - (5/3) 7:00am-8:00am & 3:00pm-5:00pm
- Thursday - (5/5) 7:00am-8:00am & 3:00pm – 5:00pm

Live fire training is essential in the development of firefighters and teaches skills needed to perform lifesaving and property saving operations. Thank you for your continued support of the Long Beach Fire Department!

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**Blood Drive at the Nature Center Museum**  
May 2nd | 10 am - 4 pm | 7550 E. Spring St.

El Dorado Nature Center is hosting a blood drive on Monday, May 2nd from 10 am to 4 pm. To make an appointment, please sign up online at [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter sponsor code: ElDoradoLB or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). Help save a life. Schedule your blood donation appointment today.

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**Parks & Rec Summer Class Registration**

Beginning Monday, May 2nd, you can register for summer classes and activities! Long Beach Parks, Recreation & Marine (PRM) will offer a variety of new and existing classes and camps. More that 700 activities in art, music, nature, fitness, special interest subjects, adult sports leagues and aquatics will begin in June and continue throughout the summer months. To browse summer classes the latest issue of Recreation Connection, PRM's programs catalog, visit LBParks.org or at Long Beach Park community centers and Long Beach Pubic Library branches.
Nature Kids Summer Camp Registration

Registration begins Tuesday, May 3rd at 8:00 am for the Nature Kids Summer camp at El Dorado Nature Center. Children will experience nature through investigation, hands-on activities, games and crafts. The 2-hour sessions will take place in June, July and August 2022. Preschool sessions (3-5 years) run from 10am-12pm, and youth sessions (5-8 years) are held at the same time on alternate weeks. For more information, call (562) 570-1745 or visit www.lbparks.org

Next on the City Council Agenda

May 3rd | 5:00 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 some topics that appear on next Tuesday's agenda:

- H12: Recommendation to receive supporting documentation into the record, conclude the public hearing, and grant an Entertainment Permit with conditions for Entertainment without Dancing to Long Beach Tiki, LLC, dba The Bamboo Club, at 3522-24 East Anaheim Street. (District 3) formerly District 4
- R23: Recommendation to adopt resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2022 City Salary Resolution to include a Lateral Police Officer Incentive Program. (Citywide)
- R24: Recommendation to declare ordinance amending the Long Beach Municipal Code by adding Section 16.16.140 to Chapter 16.16 relating to Prohibiting Adults Not Accompanying Children Under The Age of 12 From Park Playgrounds, read the first time and laid over to the next regular meeting of the City Council for final reading. (Citywide)

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

Star Wars Day at Los Altos Library

May 4th | Noon - 6 pm | 5614 E. Britton Dr.

Celebrate May the Fourth, in the Fourth, at the Los Altos Neighborhood Library. Drop by anytime between 12 pm and 6 pm on 5/4 during open hours to make your own lightsaber using a pool noodle. Go Fourth! and May the Fourth be with you!

CSULB Meeting to Review Campus Master Plan

May 4th | 5:30 - 7:30 pm | The Point in the Walter Pyramid

CSULB is inviting the public to provide input on the Draft EIR of Proposed Master Plan Update. The public scoping meeting will be held to obtain input on the scope of the contents of the EIR as well as to present information on the proposed project components. Additional information is available at this link. The meetings will consist of one in-person meeting (May 4th) and one virtual meeting that was hosted on an online platform April 28th.

In-Person Meeting:
Date: Wednesday, May 4th
Time: 5:30pm-7:30pm
Location: The Pointe, located in the Walter Pyramid at CSULB. Free parking will be provided at
Parking Lot G11 adjacent to the Walter Pyramid. Please park in the spots reserved for the Scoping Meeting and follow the signs to The Pointe.

CSULB Japanese Garden Iris Blossom Festival
May 7th | 1 pm - 3 pm | Adjacent to Parking Lot G4

The CSULB Japanese Garden will be hosting the annual Iris Blossom Festival on Saturday, May 7th. This is a free event with free parking in lot G4 only. There will be fun activities to celebrate the Iris Blossom Festival and Children’s Day. You can register at this link.

And Finally

Grand Prix Coverage Provides Beautiful Views of Long Beach

Congratulations to CEO, Jim Michaelian and his team at the Grand Prix Association for staging another incredibly successful race on April 7th. The final numbers reflect there were over 188,000 in attendance for the weekend, and that exceeded the previous high for the pre-pandemic race in 2019. Yesterday, Jim sent me the 6-minute video below to share the beautiful images and complimentary comments included in the opening segments of the NBC network live broadcast. I didn’t realize at the time that I appeared (mostly obscured) in the background of the shot of the three announcers. The spectacular views of our City were seen by several millions both nationally and internationally. The Acura Grand Prix of Long Beach is back, and the Association is already exploring ways to make the 48th version even more attractive when it returns to the streets of Long Beach April 14-16 in 2023. Please note: The video may not be reproduced without the written permission from the Grand Prix Association of Long Beach.

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