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The President's Inbox

Annie Greenfeld-Wisner

Please note, our meeting occurs much later than normal this month due to the Labor Day holiday. Our next meeting is September 14th. At our September meeting we host Meredith Reynolds from the Sustainability Commission to talk about the master plan and how they plan to implement it.

Welcome to our newest board member. It was with a heavy heart that I reluctantly accepted Jennifer Beaver's resignation from the Wrigley Board this past month. Lisa Wibroe was selected to join the board based on the election results last June. We are awaiting her response as to whether or not she will serve on our board.

Check out our newest event that you will want to put on your calendar every month. The Taste of Wrigley starts Wednesday, September 16th at Buono's, read more on page two and put it on your calendar now.

Please welcome our newest Business member, El Paisano Market on PCH. This is a great family owned store that is a quicker and often cheaper alternative to other grocery stores in the area, stop in the next time you need some bananas or milk and give them the opportunity to win your business.

I also wanted to let you all know about the 11th Annual Neighborhood Leadership Conference "Are You Prepared for a Disaster?" This free community resource fair and disaster preparedness workshop will be held at St. Mary Medical Center's Parr Center at 1055 Linden Avenue. I have attended this conference in the past and they are always interesting and well organized, call the NRC at 570-1010 for more details.

As always, before the meeting begins, gardeners will swap their fruit and vegetable bounty at our ongoing fresh produce exchange.

Yours in service,

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Calendar Items

Sept 7.
Labor Day

Conquer the Bridge
5 mile race across
the St. Vincent Thomas Bridge

Sept 14.
Wrigley Assoc. Mtg.

Sept 16.
Taste of Wrigley
Meets @ Buono's,
6:30pm

Sept 17.
NAG meeting

Sept 19.
Talk Like a Pirate
Day

River Runners
Thurs. at Buono's

SAVE PAPER!

(and postage for
the association)

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in your email box.

Email

[wrigleyvillage@
att.net](mailto:wrigleyvillage@att.net)

Next Meeting: September 14th, 7pm



Gavin Mc Kiernan

Taste of Wrigley

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The Taste of Wrigley is the simple concept that has been very popular in Bixby Knolls. One Wednesday a month everyone in the community comes out and meets for a meal at one of our fine eating establishments in Wrigley. The third Wednesday of the month (usually a slower day for restaurants) will be the date and our first event will be September 16th at Buono's. Buono's is a great place with plenty of room, good pizza as well as many other Italian dishes. Buono's is also working on adding some vegan options on its menu in time for our event!

Thanks to former State Senator, Assemblywoman and current Wrigley member Betty Karnette for getting the ball rolling on this idea. Come out and thank Betty in person, chat with your council person or meet a new neighbor on the 16th. This will be a monthly event so block out the third Wednesday on your calendar now for each month so you don't forget and be prepared to join your neighbors at one of local dining establishments.

This will provide a boost to the local economy while growing the connections we have to one another in the community, please come out and make this effort a success. RSVP is not required but if possible please do RSVP by calling Gavin at 213-403-1306 or emailing wrigleyvillage@att.net so we have an idea of how many people to expect.

Wednesday, September 16th, 6:30pm. Buono's 401 W. Willow Street.

Important Numbers

When you see Graffiti, or any other problems, please report them, don't count on others to do it for you!

Graffiti hotline, on private property (562) 570-2773, Graffiti in City Parks (562) 570-4895, Graffiti on Caltrans property (freeways and highways) (213) 897-3656, Graffiti on County flood control channel (562) 256-1920

Police, toll free, anonymous, Gang Tip (866) 426-4847, Police Dispatch (from a cellular phone) (562) 435-6711

Animal Control Center (562) 570-7387,

Pot Hole Patrol, reporting street pot holes (562) 570-3259,

Maintenance for City Traffic Signs (562) 570-5264,

Abandoned shopping carts removal (800) 252-4613

(6th District) – Dee Andrews (562) 570-6816

(7th District) – Tonia Reyes Uranga (562) 570-6139

Long Beach Businesses:

There are many businesses that generously support the Wrigley Association and its events. Businesses that are members of the Wrigley Association are listed throughout this issue. Contact wrigleyvillage@att.net if you have questions about business memberships.



Buono's Pizzeria
 401 W. Willow Street
 Long Beach, CA 90806
 562-595-6138
www.buonospizza.com/

Wrigley Leader



PCH and Pine
562-218-0500
 8am - 11pm Sun-Thu,
 8am - 12pm Fri & Sat

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Support your local newspaper with a voluntary subscription, Call 562-427-8678.

Wrigley Association Members get 10% off advertising when they buy ad space in the Signal Tribune.



El Paisano Ranch Market
245 W. Pacific Coast Hwy
Between Pacific and Cedar
562-599-0101

Altus Realty Solutions
 Scott Rhinehart, Broker
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scott@altusrealtysolutions.com,
 562-331-1919

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Long Beach Transit is proposing changes to its service to go into effect in February. There will be a public hearing on Monday September 28th from Noon to 2pm at City Hall for those who have concerns or who would like to make comments. Maps detailing the proposed changes are available at <http://lbtransit.com/Services/Proposed-Changes.aspx>. Comments can also be made by calling (562) 489-8485, or made via email to servicechange@lbtransit.com, or mailed to Long Beach Transit, ATTN: Service Change, PO Box 731, Long Beach, CA 90801. All comments must be received by 5pm on Monday, October 5, 2009.



West Division Police Blotter

Commander Luman and Staff would like to thank everyone who attended the Commanders Community Leadership Forum on August 26, 2009.



The Long Beach Police Department would like to remind all residents to practice appropriate safety measures, including keeping their doors and windows locked at all times. For additional safety tips and information, please visit the L.B.P.D.'s Crime Prevention website page at www.longbeach.gov/police/crime_prevention.

On August 7, 2009, the Long Beach Police Department's Traffic Enforcement Section conducted a DUI Saturation Patrol throughout the City of Long Beach. This saturation patrol operated from 6:00 p.m. Friday night, until 2:00 a.m. Saturday morning. During the eight-hour operation, eight additional police officers patrolled the city looking for impaired drivers where five (5) were arrested for DUI, (6) cars were towed, four (4) were arrested for robbery, one (1) was arrested for possession of narcotics, one (1) was arrested for an outstanding misdemeanor warrant, one (1) gun was recovered and 46 drivers were issued traffic citations.

DUI Saturation Patrols are a vital component in the fight against impaired drivers. Nationally, impaired driving caused by alcohol or drugs causes one death every 30 minutes. Saturation Patrols have been proven to reduce impaired driving-related collisions by removing these drivers from our streets. The average American has a 30% chance of being killed or injured by an impaired driver.

Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. "When more people drive sober and safely, lives are saved. It's just that simple," said Christopher J. Murphy, Director of the Office of Traffic Safety. He continued ... "This grant will help make Long Beach just that much safer of a place to live and work."

On 07/17/2009, a robbery occurred in the 2600 block of Pacific.

On 07/29/2009, a burglary occurred in the 2000 block of Maine.

On 08/01/2009, a burglary occurred in the 2900 block of San Francisco.

On 08/05/2009, a burglary occurred in the 2600 block of Golden.

Three burglaries occurred on Magnolia between Hill and Spring. A 33-year-old Male/Hispanic was arrested with burglary tools in his possession and loss from other burglaries.

For more info on crime in our area visit www.crimereports.com. Type in an address and see detailed reports of many things including the pictures and addresses of convicted sexual predators as well as info on crimes, arrests and other sometimes startling info.



Shoshanah Siegel, Your Color Diva

Flea Market Finds

In last months column I wrote about saving money and resources by searching out bargains at yard sales or flea markets. The following are some items you may want to bring with you and how to go about getting what you want at a fair price.

What to Bring

- Tape measure
- Magnifying glass
- Flashlight
- Illustrated guidebooks with manufacturer's marks and prices, such as The Garage Sale & Flea Market Annual
- Lunch and snacks
- Cash (personal checks and credit cards are usually not accepted)

How to Haggle

The question, "Will you take \$X for this?" is acceptable at garage sales, but the amount must be reasonable. In all situations, from flea markets to big-city antiques shows, simply ask the dealer, "Is this your best price?" Neither buyer nor seller should be embarrassed, and 75 percent of the time you can, in fact, get a better buy. "Firm" on the ticket means the dealer must have that amount. Multi-item purchases may bring a better price for the entire lot.

Where to Find Listings for Garage Sales and Swap Meets

Garage Sales: Check for posted notices in your own neighborhood, the newspapers, and don't forget about checking listings on Craigslist.com. Many religious groups and organizations have group sales to raise money, or to donate to organizations for the upcoming holidays.

Swap Meets: Pasadena: Rose Bowl Flea Market and Swap Meet- Year-round, second Sunday of the month. 2,200 dealers. Admission: preview/VIP, 5 a.m. to 7 a.m., \$20; early, 7 a.m. to 8 a.m., \$15; express, 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., \$10; general, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. \$7. Call 323-560-7469 for directions and more information.

The Radium Open Air Market- 2500 Redondo Beach Blvd. Torrance, CA 90504. Open 7 days a week, from 7a.m. until 4p.m. Go to Radium.com for more information.

Long Beach Antique and Collectibles Market at Veteran's Stadium- Year - around, 3rd Sunday of every month. Admission and Hours: \$10 from 5:30 a.m. to 6:30 a.m.; \$5 from 6:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Children under 12 are free. Discount coupons available on the web site or on flyers are good after 8 a.m. Faculty Ave & Conant St; Long Beach 90808, between Lakewood Blvd. and Clark. Telephone: (323) 655-5703.

To find more swap meets in this area, or in other cities, just **Google** it. Most of all, have fun!

Shoshanah Siegel, "Your Color Diva", yourcolordiva@aol.com, www.yourcolordiva.com

7th District Update

A happy Labor Day Weekend to everyone! We are approaching the end of the budget process in September. I am asking everyone to contact us through email, letters and phone calls regarding your priorities and concerns regarding the 2010 Proposed Budget before September 15th when the City Council will adopt the budget. I value your opinion and urged you to attend all workshops, meetings and hearings being held at the City Chambers in the afternoons or in the evening. The next budget workshop is from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm on September 8th. And the Budget Hearing is from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm on September 8th. To find out more information about the proposed budget, please visit www.longbeach.gov/district7.

The city is hosting a Foreclosure Counseling Fair on September 12, 2009 from 10 am to 4 pm. There will be confidential foreclosure counseling with hud-certified counselors, lenders, and other agencies. The fair will take place at 6500 Atlantic Avenue at Jordan High School. RSVP at 888-895-2647 or at rsvp@lanhs.org. Registration begins at 9 am. For more information go to www.lanhs.org or at www.lbhdc.org.

As the Chair of the Honorary Committee, I would like to invite you our very First Annual Latin American Parade and Festival. The celebration begins with a parade down Pine Avenue at 3 p.m. As the parade progresses through the heart of Downtown Long Beach, it will end in the East Village Arts District, where the festival will be in full swing from 4 p.m. - 10 p.m. The festival features a food court, dance classes, art lectures, vendor booths, kids' activity area and more, all celebrating the beauty and historical legacy of Latin America. Contact my office for application to participate at (562) 570-6139.

I'm calling all youth who want to make a difference in our community to participate in the governmental process and become Youth Leaders. I'm looking for young men and women who want to prepare great projects for the upcoming academic year. Youth Leaders will be addressing the needs, concerns, and problems of their peers to the Commission of Youth and Children and to the rest of the city of Long Beach. You can be a leader for events, fundraisers, and service learning projects. Contact my office at 562-570-6139 for more details.

Also, Labor Day is approaching. Please have a save and fun Labor Day weekend. Here is a schedule for the Libraries during Labor Day Weekend. On Saturday, September 5, 2009, El Dorado, Bret Harte, Mark Twain and North Neighborhood Libraries are open while Main, Alamitos, Bach, Bay Shore, Brewitt, Burnett, Dana, and Los Altos Neighborhood Libraries are closed. On Sunday, September 6, 2009, all Libraries are closed. And on Monday, September 7, 2009, all Libraries are closed. All libraries will reopened on Tuesday, September 8, 2009.

As always, please feel free to contact me by via e-mail at district7@longbeach.gov, or reach my office phone at (562) 570-6139.

Welcome to September and Happy Labor Day!

As you may know, Labor Day is an [annual holiday](#) celebrated nation-wide that resulted from the labor movement, to celebrate the [economic](#) and [social](#) achievements of American [workers](#). We celebrate this historic holiday because it commemorates the huge contributions the workers have made to the strength, prosperity and well-being of our nation.

Some teenagers and young adults view Labor Day as the last weekend for fun before returning to school. And then there is the football fans, like myself, that mark Labor Day as the beginning of the NFL, college, and high school football seasons but here at City Hall, we all view it as budget time.

As you know we are down to the grind and unfortunately, some cuts will have to be made again this year. The entire world is experiencing a melt down. Just as many residents and businesses are dealing with the worst recession in decades, the City of Long Beach is facing severe budget challenges resulting from rigorously reduced income and escalating costs.

If you would like to get more involved in the budget process please attend one of the budget workshops and hearings held at City Hall this month.

September 8, 2009, 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm, Workshop, Council Chambers

September 8, 2009, 7:00 pm, Hearing, Council Chambers

September 15, 2009, 7:00 pm, Hearing, Council Chambers (if necessary)

This month I would like to invite you attend the following event....

6th District Youth Forum, on September 18th, from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm, at Long Beach City College, 1305 E. Pacific Coast Hwy. The forum is for 8th – 12th graders. Pre-registrations is required. For more information contact my office at (562) 570-6816

In closing, I would like to salute all of my neighbors who have contributed to our community. I am very grateful to have such wonderful people in my surroundings that take the time to make a difference in our city. For all the time that you volunteer, cook, and serve, I am very grateful.

I send a special thank you to everyone that came out to the 6th District FREE Summer Events in August. I had a wonderful time-sharing ideas and laughs with you.

Together we serve,

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

Ask your neighbor to join, there is strength in numbers!

The Wrigley Association will not sell, loan or give membership information to anyone, under any circumstances, unless compelled by law.

Name(s) _____

Email Address _____

Address _____

Telephone Number _____ FAX _____

As a member, I/We agree to abide by the Association By-Laws

Membership Year is June 1, 2009 through May 31, 2010

Annual Membership Fee: \$15.00, Make Check payable to Wrigley Association

Optional Contributions: \$_____ For Wrigley Landscape Project

\$_____ For Wrigley is Going Green

\$_____ Donation

\$_____ Total Payment

Type of Membership: Resident____ Business____ Associate____

Please check if you are interested in volunteering for Association Activities____

