## WANA NEWS

WANA invites you to the

2nd Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 11, from 2:00 to 4:00 PM

# Caster on Daisy Lang!

20th Street and Daisy Avenue

Bring a basket for all the eggs you find! Bring some money to buy a dessert at our Bake Sale fundraiser

Take pictures with and Caster Egg Hunts: Ages 2-6 2:45 pm Sharp hug the WANA Bunny! Ages 7-12, 3:00 PM Sharp Plastic Eggs filled with: Face Paintin Coins Candy Prizes Family Fun!!\*

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Call 562-599-1822 for Information/Questions or e-mail: wrigleyalliance@msn.com
\*Everything is FREE except for baked goods.

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### Environmental Report: Update on Proposed Rail Yard Project in West Long Beach

By Joan Greenwood, Environmental Chair

Opposition to the ICTF Modernization and Expansion Project proposed by the Union Pacific Rail Road is fierce. Many groups, including WANA, are opposed to this project due to the potential doubling of truck traffic on PCH and in West Long Beach neighborhoods. All of us favor an on-dock loading with direct ship to rail transfer instead of near-dock facilities like ICTF. The purpose of going to the public meetings is to make sure that this alternative is analyzed in the Environmental Impact Report that is currently being prepared. There is another rail yard expansion being planned for the BNSF facility also in a West Long Beach neighborhood.

While several WANA members have participated in a series of public meetings in West Long Beach, Maria Norvell and I have been following and supporting the West Long Beach Association by also attending JPA meetings. At the last one held in early March, WANA submitted strong scientific evidence from the most recent issue of the Journal of Chemical Health and Safety on the harmful effects of nanoparticulates like diesel exhaust.

Despite the science, business groups favoring the expansion project keep saying that the exhaust is mostly carbon, which is not toxic. The papers WANA submitted say otherwise. It is also important to remember that the Health Risk Assessments being done were not designed to consider asthma risk, one of the most common health impacts of diesel exhaust.

The Intermodal Container Transfer Facility (ICTF) located adjacent to the intersections of the 405 and 710 Freeways at 2401 East Sepulveda Boulevard in Long Beach is a near-dock, international shipping facility serving multiple shipping lines. It's operations are overseen by the ICTF Joint Powers Authority (JPA).

If you have questions or would like to car pool to these meetings, please contact me at (562) 599-0812 or send email to me at wrigleyalliance@msn.com.

### SAVE THE DATE

Family Bike Safety Rodeo & Health Fair

Saturday, May 30, 2009, 10 am - 2 pm Lafayette Elementary School 2445 Chestnut Avenue

Registration from 10 am to 12 noon

Free helmets to the first 100 kids with bikes who sign in.

For more information, call Jill at 599-1822 or e-mail: wrigleyalliance@msn.com.



### **Activities Planned:**

- Bike Safety Skills Course
- Bike Snail Races
- Helmet fitting
- Bike Licensing by LB Fire Department
- Bike Safety Inspection
- Games
- Resource & Informational tables

Fun for the whole Family!

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	April WANA Palos V Butterfly	ds Tour on 19 to help A bring the Verde Blue y to Wrigley. page 7.	Happy 20th Anniversary to Connie & Will Chick! April Fool's Day	2 WANA Public Meeting See front page.	3	4
5	6	7	8 Passover Begins at Sundown	9	10	2nd Easter on the Lane & Bake Sale See pg 2.
12	13	14	15	16 GRAND PRIX See below.	17 GRAND PRIX	18 GRAND PRIX Earth Day City Cleanup litterfreelb.org
GRAND PRIX WANA WET- LANDS TOUR See pg 7.	20	21 Happy Birthday Dolores!	22 EARTH DAY	23	24 ARBOR DAY	25
26	27	6th District Town Hall Mtg. Call 570-6816 for details.	29	30	Next WANA Public Meeting: Thursday, May 7, 2009	





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### **Toyota PRO/Celebrity Race**

Adrien Brody, Keanu Reeves, Luke Wilson, Raven-Symone, and Alex Trebek are among the stars set to get behind the wheel of race-ready Scion tCs for charity on Saturday, April 18. For more information go to www/gplb.com; go to: ticket@gpalb.com for tickets or contact:

Grand Prix Association of Long Beach

Tickets: (888) 82-SPEED Phone: (562) 981-2600 F

(562) 981-2600 Fax: (562) 981-2616 Thursday pre-race events: Free Admission. No tickets required! Dominquez Gap Wetlands Tour to Benefit WANA's Project Bring the Palos Verde Blue Butterfly to Wrigley

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When: Sunday, April 19 at 1: 30 p.m.

Where: South Side of Del Amo Boulevard
At Oregon Avenue Entrance

Hosted By: Wrigley Area Neighborhood Alliance, Inc. (WANA)

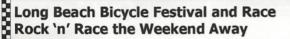
The guided tour will be a two-mile, round trip walk on a path surrounded by a glorious display of native wild flowers. At mid-point, we'll stop for light refreshments and a question and answer session before heading back. Facilities at Dominguez Gap include constructed, treatment wetlands; pedestrian and horseback trails; two bird observation decks; woodland and riparian habitat; and a rest station.

Suggested Tax-Deductible Donation: \$5.00 Single, \$7.50 Couple/Family

Make Checks Payable to Friends of WANA (ID # 74-3222323) P.O. Box 6370, Long Beach, California 90806

For more information, call Joan Greenwood at (562) 599-0812 or send E-mail to: wrigleyalliance@msn.com.

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from bikelongbeach.org web page

Recreational and competitive cycling is set to take over the streets of Downtown Long Beach for a two-day event, April 3-4, 2009. This **inaugural event** will consist of anything and everything bicycle-related: from vendors to fashion shows, from fixed gear demonstrations to criterium road races. Family friendly activities will include a bounce house, climbing rock wall, wild life petting zoo, DJ and live band.

The event marks the launch of **Bike Long Beach**, an innovative plan to make Long Beach "the most cycling friendly urban city in the United States." The festival is sponsored by the Downtown Long Beach Associates (DLBA), the Long Beach Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, and the Long Beach Redevelopment Agency. For more info, go to the web page or contact event producer DLBA at (562) 436-4259.





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