Moms, Dads and Kids - You're Invited to a:

FAMILY BIKE SAFETY RODEO

Lafayette Elementary School

2445 Chestnut Avenue Saturday, May 30, 2009

10:00 a.m To 2:00 p.m.

FREE!

Registration from 10 AM to 12 noon

Free Helmets to the first 100 kids registered with their bikes!

- ∂ KIDS, Bring your bicycle to participate in these event activities:
 - · Bike Snail Races
 - · Helmet fitting
 - Bike Safety Inspection
 - · Games

FUN!!

- · Bike Safety Skills Course
- Health and Safety information booths!
- *a Lunch and Refreshments!*
- a Bike licensing by the Fire Department (may be cancelled w/o notice due to work conflict)

For more information, call Jill at (562) 599-1822 or e-mail: wrigleyalliance@msn.com

Funding for this program is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety to the City of Long Beach Neighborhood Services Bureau through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.











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For Graffiti Removal - Call 562-570-2773 For Shopping Cart Retrieval - Call 800-252-4613 Dominguez Gap Wetlands Trail					1	2
ANIMAL CARE SERVICES Micro chip & License Clinic See Pg 2.	4	5 de Mayo	6	WANA CINCO DE MAYO POT LUCK SUPPER MEETING 6:30 PM See pg 1.	8	9 WANA & FoLAR RIVER CLEAN UP 25th & Deforest See below or go to: www.folar.org
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17 Gay Pride Festival	18	19 World Asthma Day	21	22 WANA BOARD MEETING 7 p.m. Call Jill, 599-1822 Members welcome	23	24
24	25 Memorial Day	26 Sixth District Town Hall Meeting 6 p.m. See pg 2 or call 570-6816.	27	28	29	30 WANA BIKE SAFETY RODEO & HEALTH RESOURCE FAIR See pg 5.
31	WANA's <i>Takin' It to the Street</i> joins with Friends of the Los Angeles River (FoLAR) for The Great L.A. River Cleanup — <i>La Gran Limpieza!</i> Join WANA, Community Partner with FoLAR, on Saturday, May 9 from 9 AM until Noon at the Willow Street Estuary to take part in the largest Urban River Clean Up in the nation! It's the 20th Anniversary. T-shirts will be provided to the first 100 participants. Wear clothes you can get dirty in, sturdy shoes, hats and SUN protection. Meet on Deforest Avenue at 25th Street just south of Willow Street, west of Golden Avenue. For more information, call Nancy Risch, FoLAR's Regional Coordinator, at 562-426-5266 or email her at nrisch51@yahoo.com.					

Long Beach Improves Emergency Response Times by Answering Wireless 9-1-1 Calls Made Within City Limits

After four months of rigorous testing, the City of Long Beach is improving emergency response times by directly answering all wireless 9-1-1 calls for service made within the city limits. The CHP will continue answering wireless 9-1-1 calls made from the vicinity of freeways throughout California, regardless of city boundaries.

By answering local wireless 9-1-1 calls directly, City dispatchers are able to save an estimated 30 to 60 seconds per call, because CHP dispatchers are no longer involved in the process. In a life-threatening emergency, every second counts. LBPD is continuing to answer more than 92 percent of all 9-1-1 calls for service within 10 seconds, which is the state standard.

Remember, 9-1-1 calls are for immediate emergencies only. Dial 9-1-1 when lives are in danger, to report a fire, or if someone has a serious injury or medical condition. Never dial 9-1-1 for directory assistance, to ask for directions or to report a non-emergency.

Operation Kids

WANA hearts have joined in the caring project that Tom Hennessy, long-time Press-Telegram columnist, and his wife Debbie started for needy children in Iraq.

Come to the May 7 Meeting and bring small, individually-wrapped sugar-based hard candy (no chocolate), pocket-sized stuffed animals, brightly-colored school supplies, fun T-shirts (they really liked ones with U.S. city names imprinted on them), and small toys like Hot Wheel cars, yo-yos and super balls. The OPERATION KIDS BOX will be right in front of the door at the Jackie Robinson Cafetorium...as you enter. WANA thanks Joan Pizzato for suggesting/ coordinating this effort.

Black and White copies of this issue of WANA NEWS & VIEWS were made free of charge at the Long Beach Neighborhood Resource Center, (562) 570-1010

TIME TO PLAN FOR SUM-MER EMPLOYMENT!

Attention Long Beach, Torrance, Lomita and Signal Hill Area Youth Ages 14 – 24!

The Pacific Gateway Workforce Investment Network's Hire-A-Youth program is currently hosting Work-Readiness Workshops. Check out times and locations at:

www.hireayouth.com or call (562) 570-4700

Another Successful Dominguez Gap Tour

Ken Gore's goal of bringing the Palos Verde Blue Butterfly to Wrigley is another hundred dollars closer to reality thanks to WANA's April Dominguez Gap Tour. Despite the 100 degree heat, about 20 people participated in the event led by **David Sundstrom**, a native plant enthusiast. WANA provided home-baked cookies and made-from-scratch lemonade during a rest period at the southern pavilion, where a Great Blue Heron posed for a picture.







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WANA Members--

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Also, if you'd like your newsletter sent via e-mail, send us a note stating so. Thank You!