

VETERANS DAY SPECIAL ISSUE

COMMUNITY

Long Beach nonprofit Our Generation Cares is training the next generation of entrepreneurs

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The palm trees and painted bamboo fences that surround Coco Beach Presents on Pacific Coast Highway only tell part of the story behind the Latin fusion-inspired restaurant. Inside is a community effort like no other: youth from throughout Long Beach are learning how to run a business through the hands-on vision of Our Generation Cares (OGC).

Alba Danley and Shelly Guevara not only saved an immigrant-run Long Beach business from closing its doors during the COVID-19 pandemic, they have also turned it into a “youth incubator” over the last year.

“The biggest thing I’ve noticed with this generation is they want change, they want things to be better but they don’t know how to do that,” said Guevara, co-founder of OGC. “We’re trying to create this platform of—we’re gonna teach you how to be your own entrepreneur and how you can make a difference in your community.”

Members of the program, ages 14 to 24 and many from low-income communities and foster care, are taught kitchen skills from professional cooks, financial literacy from professional accountants and the power of community through the multiple small businesses they pour their time and passion into.

Since opening Coco Beach Presents in June, OGC has been able to offer paid hands-on skills training



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Anna Alma Lorenzano, 18, practices using the register at Coco Beach Presents while her mentor and a founder of Our Generation Cares (OGC), Shelly Guevara, watches over her shoulder on Nov. 1, 2022. Alma Lorenzano is in her third week of working at the restaurant as part of the OGC youth employment program.

for its youth within a number of industries including car detailing, restaurant-style cooking, mobile pet grooming and party bus driving. They also learn credit building, bookkeeping, merchandising, branding, design, electrical work, reading spreadsheets, artistic direction and more.

“They’re very young and they started this organization, and they’re helping people affected by COVID-19 and it showed me that I can also do something similar,” said Erick Garcia, a 23-year-old member of OGC. “I learned that I can do a little bit of everything and I hope to one day start my own business.”

Garcia was the third member to join OGC, and one of the oldest

volunteers. He has learned how to transform his passion for graphic design into merchandise for OGC, and how to talk to people more confidently. He has also learned about bookkeeping and balancing spreadsheets during his time with the nonprofit.

“I never thought that I would be able to learn how to cook or be involved in a lot of important things...like event planning and coordinating and running a restaurant or venue,” Garcia said.

As the pandemic forced many businesses to permanently close their doors, Danely and Guevara searched for ways to help members of their community stay afloat. They began volunteering full-time

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ELECTIONS



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An election worker hands an “I Voted” sticker to a voter after turning in their ballot at the Signal Hill Community Center voting center on Nov. 7, 2022.

2022 Long Beach general election results, so far

Staff Report
Signal Tribune

Long Beach voters showed up to the polls in spite of the sporadic rain on Tuesday. A little over 28% of registered voters in Long Beach cast their ballots in the 2022 general elections, according to Political Data, Inc. Critical positions in Long Beach were on the ballot in this year’s general election such as mayor, several city council positions and five measures.

The Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder is still tallying up votes. They were last updated at 3:35 a.m. Nov. 9. Vote-by-mail ballots are counted first, which accounted for roughly 65% of total ballots casted.

Mayoral race: Rex Richardson has taken the lead in the mayoral race so far with 53.40% of the votes. Suzie Price has 46.60% of the votes so far.

Former Long Beach Mayor Robert Garcia secured his position on the United States Congress

with 63.80% of the votes, beating out his opponent republican John Briscoe, who only attained 36.20% of the votes. He is the first LGBTQ immigrant to hold a seat in Congress.

Measure BB: It’s likely that the gas, water and sewer facilities will be consolidated in Long Beach into a single, publicly-owned utility. 63% of Long Beach voters have approved the measure so far, while 37% voted against the consolidation.

Measure E: Long Beach’s Citizen Complaint Commission will now be Long Beach’s Police Oversight Commission and will add the position of Police Oversight Director, after voters approved the change with 57.61% of yes votes and 42.39% of no votes. The Director will have the authority to audit police department complaint investigations, review major use of force incidents and make recommendations to the police department on policies, procedures and

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Raindrops collect onto a sign leading voters towards the Walter Pyramid at Cal State, Long Beach, which is used as a voting center for the Nov. 8, 2022, election.

audit police department complaint investigations, review major use of force incidents and make recommendations to the police department on policies, procedures and training.

Measure LBC: In an effort to address low voter turnouts, City elections will be moved to align with State elections in even-numbered years. Voters passed this measure with the majority so far; 73.12% yes votes and 26.88% no votes.

Third district councilmember: It seems as though Long Beach's third district will be represented by Kristina Duggan, who is holding on to her lead with 60.22% of the votes. Her opponent Kailee Caruso has 39.78% of the votes.

Fifth district councilmember: The race for the fifth district council seat is still too close to call, with former Long Beach Unified School District board member Megan Kerr hanging on to a lead with 50.53% of the votes so far. Ian Patton is trailing close behind with 49.47% of the votes.

Ninth district councilmember: The ninth district council seat will likely be held by Joni Ricks-Oddie, who has attained 64.99% of the votes so far. Ginny Gonzalez trails with 35.01% of the votes.

Long Beach Community College district member,

board of trustees area three: Sunny Zia is leading the way for the board of trustees spot with 72.51% of the votes so far. Marianne Case has secured 27.49% of the votes for the seat.

Long Beach Community College district member, board of trustees area five: Virginia L. Baxter has secured her spot on the board of trustees with 60.30% of the votes so far. Juan Cepeda-Rizo is trailing behind with 39.70% of the votes.

LBUSD district one: The contest for first district in the LBUSD is still too close to call, with Maria Isabel Lopez leading the way with 54.59% of the votes so far. Trailing close behind is Nubia Flores, who has attained 45.41% of the votes.

LBUSD special election Measure LBU: The races for LBUSD primary and general elections will now align with State elections, held in even-numbered years. Voters supported this measure so far with 71.13% yes votes and 28.87% no votes.

LBUSD special election Measure Q: Voters supported the authorization of \$1,700,000,000 in bonds, which will be paid back by the City \$105,000,000 annually, with 57.71% of yes votes and 42.29% no votes. The bonds will be used for various classroom repairs, science lab updates, safety and security improvements and more.

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to help small businesses with their bookkeeping, accounting and management needs. Resources from the City were scarce, they explained, especially for businesses located in low-income areas.

One of Danely's clients had bought his business, a Mexican restaurant named Malika's Grill, weeks before the pandemic hit. He had poured his life savings into the location, but by June 2020 costs began piling up, and he was nearly forced to close.

Danely started a GoFundMe page for the restaurant which amassed nearly \$60,000 in donations to help keep the business afloat, mainly from business owners ages 17-24. She was inspired by the response from the community and poured her life savings into investments at Coco Beach Presents with the belief that once people in Long Beach heard about OGC's potential, they would lend a helping hand.

"Things will be okay," Danely said. "I'm going to one day be able to breathe and not be in so much financial debt. But every day we've been pushing through."

Miraculously, Danely said, youth from the community found them first. As the two women were working on reestablishing Malika's Grill as Coco Beach Presents and completing renovations to the exterior, young people from the surrounding neighborhoods noticed and wanted to help.

"After that, we both realized our generation cares," Danely said. "It's the youth, who are these entrepreneurs, who will make a difference in our low-income communities."

OGC takes community volunteering to the next level, creating an "ecosystem of community growth," where the volunteers are gaining just as much as the businesses they're working with. One of the most important aspects of the program is learning how to balance finances to grow generational wealth, something often overlooked in low-income communities.

When members enter the program, they fill out a form explain-

ing the skills they have, what they want to learn and their income along with all of their expenses; their net income. It's a jumping-off point to help the students learn how to manage their finances while giving them the tools and resources they need to transform their interests into a growing business for themselves.

"Impacting the youth is the only way that we're going to help our community not have a fallout like what happened with the pandemic, is teaching that next generation of business owners how to be well prepared, how to set themselves up, connecting with their banker, learning about how to find different resources within your city," Guevara said.

OGC is now in the works of partnering with Los Angeles nonprofit Elevate and Long Beach nonprofit Pacific Gateway to expand their paid internship opportunities.

The organizations will help funnel youth members into more diverse internships with opportunities to earn more than minimum wage.

With so many projects and innovative plans, it's been difficult to explain their vision to outsiders.

"The next big innovative idea sometimes can be scary, because not a lot of people understand the amount of love that we have put into this business," Danely said. "This is our baby. We didn't do it for the money, we did it because it was the right thing to do when all the social injustice around us was going on."

Growth has been slow, Danely explained, due to hurdles from the City. Coco Beach Presents has been attempting to switch from a sole proprietorship to a corporation for almost two years and is facing obstacles in obtaining a business license for the nonprofit. These issues have kept OGC from qualifying for numerous grants that would help propel its vision.

Along with bureaucratic struggles, Coco Beach Presents also faces issues with Rotary Centennial Park, with whom they share a lot. The park's outdated equipment offers very little light at night, and OGC has had to call the non-emergency police line multiple times due to "altercations" with people

who stay at the park overnight.

During the year-long process of revamping Coco Beach Presents, the restaurant has been unable to get proper internet access. The cost to get the internet installed has been estimated at over \$40,000. The lack of resources makes it impossible to install high-quality security cameras which would increase the safety of the staff and members of OGC.

"The community partnership with small businesses, that's no problem. That's really what has fueled us and what keeps us going," Danely said. "I have not seen the same love and care from people who are in higher positions who have more power or more of a platform to share. I don't see the follow through and it's a little disappointing... I don't feel the same from the City of Long Beach which has been our biggest setback."

OGC was able to attain a second location back in July at the Grace on 3rd Community Center (2325 E Third St.) in Downtown Long Beach. They have partnered with Coach Cameron, a Long Beach-based youth sports program for children ages 10 to 16. The community center focuses on its younger members of the program. It offers a youth learning center, a basketball gym, a stage for students to perform and an enrichment center with desks and Chromebooks "to build career pathways and entrepreneurial skills."

Youth in Long Beach who are interested in joining Our Generation Cares should email info@og-careslabs.com or message them on social media @ourgenerationcares. The restaurant hosts community vendors for a pop-up market featuring live music each Thursday evening and will be hosting a fundraiser on Nov. 20, where they will be giving away tamales to celebrate the World Cup.

To support OGC, stop by Coco Beach Presents at 2300 E Pacific Coast Highway Tuesdays and Wednesdays from noon to 8 p.m., Thursdays through Saturdays from noon to 10 p.m. and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ELECCIONES

Resultados para las elecciones generales de Long Beach de 2022, hasta ahora

Carlos Omar

Spanish Translator

Los votantes de Long Beach visitaron los centros de votación, a pesar de la lluvia esporádica del martes. Un poco más del 28% de los votantes registrados en Long Beach han emitido su voto en las elecciones generales de 2022, según Political Data, Inc. Este año, puestos críticos en Long Beach estuvieron en la boleta electoral en las elecciones generales. Estos puestos incluyen alcalde, varios puestos en el concejo municipal y cinco medidas.

El registrador del condado de Los Ángeles sigue contando los votos. Se actualizaron por última vez a las 3:35 a.m. del 9 de noviembre. Las boletas de voto por correo se cuentan primero, lo que representó aproximadamente el 65% del total de boletas submitidas.

Carrera para ser alcalde: Rex Richardson ha tomado la delantera en la carrera de alcalde hasta ahora con el 53.4% de los votos. Suzie Price tiene el 46.6% de los votos.

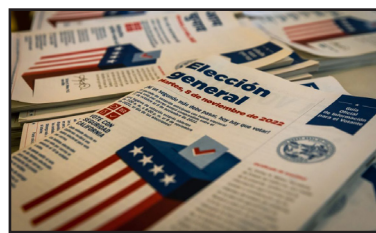
El ex alcalde de Long Beach, Robert García, aseguró su puesto en el Congreso de los Estados Uni-

dos con el 63.8% de los votos, superando a su oponente republicano John Briscoe, quien solo logró el 36.2% de los votos. Es el primer inmigrante LGBTQ en ocupar una posición en el Congreso.

Medida BB: Es probable que las instalaciones de gas, agua y alcantarillado en Long Beach se consoliden en un solo servicio público. Desde el momento, el 63% de los votantes de Long Beach han aprobado la medida, mientras que el 37% votó en contra de la consolidación.

Medida E: La Comisión de Quejas con Policía de Ciudadanos de Long Beach ahora será la Comisión de Supervisión de la Policía de Long Beach y agregará el puesto de director de supervisión de la policía, después de que los votantes aprobaron el cambio con un 57.61% de votos a favor y un 42.39% de votos en contra. El director tendrá la autoridad para auditar las investigaciones de quejas del departamento de policía, revisar incidentes importantes de uso de la fuerza y hacer recomendaciones al departamento de policía sobre políticas, procedimientos y capacitación.

Medida LBC: En un esfuerzo



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Election information in various languages is set up on a table in the voting center at the Signal Hill Community Center on Nov. 7, 2022.

por abordar la baja participación de votantes, las elecciones municipales se moverán para alinearse con las elecciones estatales. Los votantes aprobaron esta medida con la mayoría; 73.12% votos a favor y 26.88% votos en contra.

Concejal del tercer distrito: Parece que el tercer distrito de Long Beach estará representado por Kristina Duggan, quien mantiene su liderazgo con el 60.22% de los votos. Su oponente Kailee Caruso tiene el 39.78% de los votos.

Concejal del quinto distrito: La carrera por el asiento del quinto distrito del concejo municipal aún está demasiado reñida, con Megan Kerr, miembro de la Tabla del

Distrito Escolar Unificado de Long Beach, manteniendo la ventaja con el 50.53% de los votos. Ian Patton la sigue de cerca con el 49.47% de los votos.

Concejal del noveno distrito: Joni Ricks-Oddie parece destinada para representar el distrito nuevo en el concejo municipal. Ricks-Oddie ha obtenido el 64.99% de los votos hasta el momento. Ginny González se queda atrás con el 35.01% de los votos.

Miembro del distrito de Long Beach Community College, área tres de la junta directiva: Sunny Zia lidera el camino para el puesto con el 72.51% de los votos. Marianne Case ha obtenido el 27.49% de los votos.

Miembro del distrito de Long Beach Community College, área cinco de la junta directiva: Virginia L. Baxter ha asegurado su lugar en la junta directiva con el 60.3% de los votos. Le sigue Juan Cepeda-Rizo con el 39.7% de los votos.

Distrito uno del LBUSD: La carrera por el primer distrito del Tabla de Educación de LBUSD aún está demasiado reñida. María Isabel López lidera el camino con el 54.59% de los votos hasta el

momento. Le sigue de cerca Nubia Flores, quien ha conseguido el 45.41% de los votos.

Elección especial de LBUSD Medida LBU: Las elecciones primarias y generales de LBUSD ahora se alinearán con las elecciones estatales, ocurriendo en años pares. Los votantes han apoyado esta medida hasta el momento con 71.13% de votos a favor. 28.87% de votos se han submitido en contra de la medida.

Elección especial de LBUSD Medida Q: Los votantes apoyaron la autorización de \$1,700,000,000 en bonos, que la Ciudad devolverá \$105,000,000 anualmente, con 57.71% de votos a favor y 42.29% de votos en contra. Los bonos se utilizarán para varias reparaciones de aulas, actualizaciones del laboratorio de ciencias, mejoras de seguridad y más.

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VETERANS

This group is fighting to add names of 74 lost Navy sailors to Vietnam Veterans Memorial

Kristen Farrah Naeem
Staff Writer

The names of 74 Navy sailors who boarded the USS Frank E. Evans in Long Beach during the Vietnam War and never made it back home are etched beneath the United States flag flying above Shoreline Park.

While memorialized in stone here, these names have been excluded from the Vietnam Veteran Memorial in Washington D.C. Their surviving shipmates have continued a decades-long campaign to rectify this.

“They earned their place on that wall,” said Steve Kraus, retired Navy sailor and president of the USS Frank E. Evans Association. “And so survivors, relatives of the lost, have agreed, ‘Hey, we’re not going to quit. We’ll keep pushing the issue until the right people finally wake up to the fact that yes, they belong on the wall.’”

During its time in service, the USS Frank E. Evans and her crew provided naval gunfire support for South Vietnamese, South Korean and U.S. Marine Corps troops on the ground in Operation Daring Rebel. The ship responded to 86 calls for gunfire support and used over 3,500 rounds of ammunition.

Kraus was among the crew that boarded the USS Frank E. Evans in Long Beach in March 1969 to serve in the Vietnam War. He witnessed the moment the ship was struck by the Australian HMAS Melbourne: a disastrous accident that would split the USS Frank E. Evans in half and cut short the lives of 74 crew members.

“I’m one of a small handful of people that actually saw it happen,” Kraus said. “I saw it developing at the last minute, when I knew that they were going to hit us.”

In 1982, Ann Armstrong Daily was invited to participate in a ceremony at the Vietnam Veteran

Memorial where the names of those killed in the war would be read aloud. She agreed, and wanted to read the name of her brother Herbert Daily—but no one could find it on the wall.

“That was the very first inclination that we knew, wait a second, their names are not on the wall,” Kraus said.

In 1985, the family of late Navy sailor Thomas Belue Box took a vacation to Washington D.C. where the highlight of the trip was supposed to be visiting the Vietnam Veteran Memorial to read Thomas’ name. But his parents Frances and Daniel, and sisters Julie and Sara couldn’t find it.

After the experiences of the Daily and Box families, it became clear that the names of all 74 Navy sailors were missing from the memorial wall. To get these names added to the memorial, some of the surviving crew and families of the lost formed the USS Frank E. Evans Association in 1992.

The association has been reaching out to politicians in Washington D.C. to advocate for the addition of the 74 Navy sailors’ names. Kraus believes the association has faced roadblocks because people think there’s no more space on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. According to Kraus, there are thousands of names people want added to the memorial. And while Kraus says there may not be space for all of these, there is enough room to add the names of 74 lost onboard the USS Frank E. Evans.

“They should take the 74 because, to our knowledge, we’re one of the oldest and largest groups,” Kraus said.

The USS Frank E. Evans was struck on its way back from rearming in Manila, outside of the combat zone.

Kraus said the association believes, “If you volunteered and you signed up, you were trying to fly to

Vietnam, and you died as a result of anything associated with that. In our opinion, you are a fatality of the war.”

As an example, the USS Frank E. Evans Association points to the 58 marines who died in a crash flying back from a recreational trip to Hong Kong. While not originally included in the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, their names were added in 1985 under the direction of President Ronald Reagan.

“What the public should realize is that our military people make a huge commitment to this country when they sign up,” Kraus said. “It’s an offering to defend the country, whether it’s in war or it’s in peace. [...] And then when they give their life in service to their country, as citizens, we can’t turn our backs on honoring them in the proper way. And by not allowing those 74 names on the wall, it’s almost like saying, ‘Well, what you did didn’t count. It didn’t count as much as this person over here or this person over there.’ And to me, that’s not true.”

On June 3, the members of the USS Frank E. Evans Association will have their annual memorial in Shoreline Park at the engraved names of the 74 lost Navy sailors to remember and honor them. They plan to continue their fight to have the names added to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial for as long as it takes. To help fund their efforts, the association has set up a GoFundMe campaign.



Image Courtesy | USS Frank E. Evans Association
A photo of half of the USS Frank E. Evans after the ship was split in half by a collision with the Australian HMAS Melbourne.

ELECTIONS



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A sign guides voters to the voting center at the Signal Hill Community Center for early voting a day before the 2022 election on Nov. 7, 2022.

Signal Hill general election results, so far

Staff Report
Signal Tribune

Voters in Signal Hill took to the polls Tuesday to decide on two city council seats, the City Clerk and City Treasurer. Measure N came into effect on Nov. 3, 2020, aligning the city’s elections with State-wide elections every even-numbered year.

The Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder is still tallying up the votes. The last update was at 3:35 a.m. on Nov. 9.

Terms for city council, clerk and treasurer last for four years. There were two city council seats on the ballot, which will be in the running to be appointed as mayor and vice mayor. City Councilmembers will designate the mayor and vice mayor in December.

The positions will be filled “at the pleasure of the city council,” according to the Signal Hill City Charter. The vice mayor will fulfill the position of mayor in their absence.

City Clerk: Carmen Brooks ran uncontested, receiving 1,375 votes in her favor.

City Treasurer: David Hopper ran uncontested, with 1,377 votes in his favor.

City council: The two seats up for grabs were won by Signal Hill Mayor Keir Jones with 37.01% of votes and Tina L. Hansen with 36.55% of votes. Hanses was first elected to the council in 1994 while Keir was first elected in 2019. Richard Daskam secured 15.43% of the votes, while Salvador Hernandez received 11% of the votes.



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Thursday, November 3

9:41 a.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 1800 block Raymond Ave.
1:39 p.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, Lime Ave./E. Willow St.
3:14 p.m., Stolen vehicle – recovered, 2300 block California Ave.
8:52 p.m., Identity theft, 900 block E. Spring St.

Friday, November 4

7:52 a.m., Burglary, 1000 block E. 32nd St.
1:34 p.m., Identity theft, 2500 block Cherry Ave.
4:17 p.m., Identity theft, 2700 block Walnut Ave.

Saturday, November 5

No information available at time of printing

Sunday, November 6

6:09 a.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 2600 block Lime Ave.
7:22 a.m., Auto burglary, 2100 block E. 21st St.
7:08 p.m., DUI, 2300 block Obispo Ave. (suspect arrested)
9:55 p.m., DUI, Cherry Ave. north of E. Willow St. (suspect arrested)

Monday, November 7

12:04 a.m., Fire, 2700 block Cherry Ave.
8:28 a.m., Felony spousal abuse, 2200 block Walnut Ave.
8:47 a.m., Auto burglary, 1000 block E. Willow St.
9:59 a.m., Auto burglary, 1000 block E. 32nd St.

Tuesday, November 8

No information available at time of printing

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THE ARMY

The Army is the oldest branch of the U.S. military that provides land-based military operations. Their mission is to fight and win wars by providing prompt, sustained land dominance across the range of military operations and spectrum of conflict in support of commanders. They accomplish missions assigned by the President, Secretary of Defense and Combatant Commanders.

The Army is led by a Civilian Secretary of the Army, who conducts all affairs of the Army under the authority, direction and control of the Secretary of Defense. The Chief of Staff is the highest-ranked military officer in the Army. This person is the military advisor and executive agent for the secretary of the Army along with a Joint Chiefs of Staff member, a body of the Service Chiefs from each of the Department of Defense military services who advise the President, Secretary of Defense and National Security Council.

The Army also has both an operational and institutional portion. The operation Army consists of armies, corps, divisions, brigades and battalions that conduct a full spectrum of international operations. The institutional Army trains, equips, deploys and ensures readiness to support the operational army.

It began as the Continental Army in 1775, formed by the second Continental Congress in response to the Revolutionary War. George Washington was its Commander-in-Chief. Prior to this formalized National Army, there were only cobbled-together, local militias without a chain of command. Washington described his new army as, "A mixed multitude of people under very little discipline, order or government."

With the Revolutionary War over, the Continental Congress disbanded the Continental Army in 1784. Congress did not wish the United States to have a standing army during peacetime. However, conflicts with Native Americans spurred Congress to allow and create the Legion of the United States. Its four sub-legions would go on to become the first four regiments of the U.S. Army.

The Army went on to fight the British in the War of 1812, then afterwards was heavily involved in U.S. western expansion, fighting Native Americans and winning the Mexican-American War in 1848. The Civil War began in 1861 and split the nation, and the Army. The Army recombined in its aftermath and won the Spanish-American War in 1898, followed by victory in the Philippine-American War, which lasted from 1899 to 1902.

As America entered the 20th century, it entered both World War I and World War II. Next came the Korean War amid the larger Cold War, followed by the Vietnam War.

The 1990s saw the Persian Gulf War in response to the invasion of Kuwait. The 2000s witnessed the military occupation of Afghanistan and Iraq in the wake of 9/11.



FUN FACT: The U.S. Army is older than the country itself. The Continental Army was created on June 14, 1775, a year before the Declaration of Independence was signed.



MARINE CORPS

The United States Marine Corps (USMC) serves as an expeditionary force in readiness. Their mission is primarily responsible for: the seizure or defense of advanced naval bases and other land operations to support naval campaigns; the development of tactics, technique and equipment used by amphibious landing forces in coordination with the Army and Air Force; and other duties directed by the President.

A committee of the Continental Congress formed two Marine battalions on Nov. 10, 1755 to combat the British—and so began the Continental Marines. In the peacetime that followed the end of the Revolutionary War, the Continental Marines were dissolved.

The U.S. agreed with Britain to remain a neutral trader in Britain's war with revolutionary France; France, though a former ally, was furious and seized American ships trading with Britain. An attempt at negotiation began with French diplomats attempting to extort America via bribery in the infamous XYZ Affair. This incensed the American public and sparked the Quasi-War with France, so called because a formal war was never declared. Congress mobilized the armed forces, such as the Navy, and in 1798 established the Marine Corps. The treaty ended the Quasi-War in 1800.

The First Barbary War tested the new republic. Pirates from the Barbary Coast captured American merchant ships and enslaved their crews. America paid off the countries to stop the piracy save for one country, Tripoli—and the two nations went to war. In 1805, a force combining Marines and mercenaries captured the Tripolitan city of Derna, forcing the ruler to agree to end hostilities and return captured Americans in exchange for ransom.

The Mexican-American War further cemented the Marine Corps' reputation. The two wars brought the Marines glory, now immortalized in the opening lines of the Marines' hymn: "From the Halls of Montezuma/ To the shores of Tripoli." The Barbary War also began another Marine Corps tradition, the Mameluke sword. Worn by Marine officers today, the first Mameluke sword was a present from Prince Hamet Bey for the Marines' victory at Derna; Bey was rightfully restored as ruler of Tripoli from the victory.

John Philip Sousa joined the Marine Band at age 13 and headed the Marine Corps band in 1880. He would go on to compose the official march of the Marines, "Semper Fidelis," and the national march of the U.S., "The Stars and Stripes Forever."

Marine Corps aviation began in 1912 with the nation's earliest aviation camp. World War I struck soon after, and the Marines began Parris Island, their first base dedicated solely to training, which remains today. In 1918, Opha Mae Johnson became the first enlisted female Marine, though she did not survive the war zone. That same year, Marines legend says they earned the nickname "Devil Dogs" from their German enemies after victory at the Battle of Belleau Wood.

Next came World War II. Between 1942 and 1949, the first wave of Black Marines enlisted as America slowly desegregated. Women made further strides with 1943's formation of the Marine Corps Women's Reserve—their roles were expanded into manufacturing and assembly. Photographer Joe Rosenthal froze the Marines and the Battle of Iwo Jima in time with his iconic photo featuring five marines and a Navy corpsman mounting the national flag.

The Marines went on to fight both the Korean War and the Vietnam War; more Marines were deployed in service during the Vietnam War than World War II. The Marines joined the other branches of the armed services post-9/11 in U.S. operations in the Middle East, especially the Iraq War.



THE NAVY

The mission of the Navy is to maintain, train and equip combat-ready naval forces capable of winning wars, deterring aggression and maintaining freedom of the seas.

The department of the Navy has three principal components: The Navy Department, consisting of the executive offices mostly in Washington, D.C.; the Operating Forces, including the Marine Corps, the reserve components and, in time of war, the U.S. Coast Guard (in peace, a component of the Department of Homeland Security); and the shore establishment.

The names of commissioned U.S. Navy ships are prefixed with the letters "U.S.S.," which stands for United States Ship. Each ship also has a letter-based symbol for classification to indicate the vessel's type and number.

The Navy began as the Continental Navy. Soon after the end of the Revolutionary War, the last ship was sold and the Continental Navy was disbanded. The Continental Navy was founded on Oct. 13, 1775, which was the day of the passage of the resolution of the Continental Congress at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Eleven years later, conflicts between American merchant shipping and pirates in the Mediterranean Sea led to the Naval Act of 1794, which created the U.S. Navy. The Department of the Navy was established on April 30, 1798.

The first victory for the U.S. Navy was on July 7, 1798, when the U.S.S. Delaware captured Le Croyable, a French Privateer during the Revolutionary War. The first victory over an enemy warship was when the Frigate Constellation captured the French Frigate l'Insurgente on Feb. 9, 1799.

Over the next 20 years, the Navy fought the French Navy in the Quasi-War, Barbary states in the first and second Barbary Wars and the British in the War of 1812. On Dec. 7, 1941, the Navy fought in World War II after the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. Soon after, the Navy fought in the battle of the Coral Sea, the Battle of Midway and the Battle of Leyte Gulf.

The U.S. Navy's Sea, Air and Land teams (SEAL) are that branch's principal special operations force and a part of the Naval Special Warfare Command. They originated sometime during the second World War, when the U.S. Navy fought the need for the covert connaissance of landing beaches and coastal defenses.



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FUN FACT: In 2001, the Marines introduced a new program to train service members in martial arts like taekwondo, karate and Brazilian jiu-jitsu.

AROUND TOWN

A WEEKLY LIST OF THINGS TO DO IN LONG BEACH AND SIGNAL HILL



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Residents participate in a do-it-yourself arts and crafts booth at the annual Patchwork Festival.

With election season almost behind us (votes are still being counted, which could take a few weeks), and the holidays looming ahead, it's a perfect time to celebrate community and all the things that make Long Beach, Long Beach. Inside this week's edition of Around Town, you will find chances to donate, honor various cultures and learn new hobbies.

Residents can spend Friday getting their hands dirty caring for plants at Willow Spring Park, taking part in the Asian World Film Festival at the Aquarium of the Pacific or letting loose at a comedy show at Ficklewood Ciderworks. There are also a handful of Veterans Day events throughout the city, which will begin Friday morning.

Saturday offers more opportunities to surround yourself with nature, either at the two-year anniversary for Foliage plant shop or at a cannabis cultivation workshop hosted by Highline Nursery. Shop from local vendors at the Eastside Night Market, then dance into the night while donating to the local unhoused community at El Barrio After Dark.

11 FRIDAY

RESTORATION FRIDAYS

3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Every second Friday of each month, the public is invited to Longview Point in Willow Spring Park (2745 Orange Ave.) to help tend to the native habitat by watering plants, pulling invasive weeds, picking up litter and more. Volunteers are encouraged to bring water bottles, apply sunscreen and wear comfortable shoes. Free.

CAMBODIA DAY RED CARPET GALA

5 p.m. The Asian World Film Festival is hosting the inaugural Cambodia Day Red Carpet Gala at the Aquarium of the Pacific (100 Aquarium Way) for the world premiere of "La Beauté Du Geste," a film celebrating the Cambodian Royal Ballet. The film will be screened at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$100.

THE FRIENDZONE COMEDY SHOW

7 p.m. Comedians from Long Beach, Los Angeles and Orange County will be performing at Ficklewood Ciderworks (720 E Broadway). The event is free to enter, but there is a two-drink minimum. Seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration can be made on Eventbrite.

12 SATURDAY

2-YEAR BUSINESS ANNIVERSARY

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Local plant shop Foliage (205 Long Beach Blvd.) will be celebrating two years in business with a two-day celebration on Saturday and Sunday. The celebration will include giveaways, raffles, prizes and rare plants. Free to attend.

FALL INTO HEALTH & WELLNESS

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Women-Shelter of Long Beach invites the public to 4201 Long Beach Blvd. for dental screenings, giveaways and family-friendly activities. Free.

KHMER, COME ALL!

2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Author Mayly Tao will hold a discussion about her book "An American Dream, With Sprinkles" at the Mark Twain Neighborhood Library (1401 E Anaheim St.). Attendees will have the opportunity to ask Tao questions after the discussion. Copies of the book will be available for purchase. Free to attend.

CANNABIS CULTIVATION WORKSHOP

4:20 p.m. to 8 p.m. Highline Nursery and the Long Beach Collective Association will be hosting a cannabis cultivation workshop for cannabis industry professionals as well as cannabis consumers. To register for this event and receive the location, visit thelbca.com/highlinehighlights. This workshop is appropriate for those 21 and older. Free.

EASTSIDE NIGHT MARKET

6 p.m. to 10 p.m. A variety of independent vendors will be selling their products at 2300 E Pacific Coast Highway.

EL BARRIO AFTER DARK

10 p.m. to 1:45 a.m. Marcella's Community Outreach invites those 21 and older to 1731 E 4th St. to dance late into the night and donate to their unhoused neighbors. Donations of money, hoodies and jackets will be collected from attendees to be donated to local unhoused people. Free to attend.

13 SUNDAY

PATCHWORK SHOW FESTIVAL

11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Over 200 of Long Beach's local artisans and makers will be selling handcrafted items and teaching do-it-yourself (DIY) crafts in the Marine Stadium parking lot (490 Bay Shore Ave.). Free to attend.

CHRIS PERONDI'S STUNT DOG EXPERIENCE

2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Former rescue dogs turned canine athletes will delight the audience with a variety of tricks and physical feats at the Carpenter Performing Arts Center (6200 E Atherton St.). Tickets can be purchased on www.carpenterarts.org/tickets for between \$15 to \$25.

14 MONDAY

RESEARCH FOR STARTING, MANAGING, AND GROWING YOUR BUSINESS

11 a.m. to noon. Entrepreneurs and business owners are invited to learn how to use Reference Solutions, a free program available at the library, to help them start, manage and grow a business. Registration is required for this event. To register, visit <https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/6932781878054041870>. Free.

SPANISH STORY TIME

12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Parents and caregivers are encouraged

to bring children to enjoy stories told in Spanish at the Signal Hill Public Library (1800 E Hill St.). Free.

3D PRINTING FOR KIDS

4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Children 5 years and older are invited to learn the basics of 3D printing during this workshop at the Signal Hill Library (1800 E Hill St.). Only 10 spaces are available. To register a child, call (562) 989-7323. Free.

SANKOFA PARENT VILLAGE

5:45 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. Parents and caregivers of Black children attending LBUSD schools are invited to this support group organized by the Black Student Achievement Initiative in Jordan High School's Community Room (6500 Atlantic Ave.) The event will include a light dinner, childcare, tutoring and giveaways. Email Elyssa Taylor-Stewart etaylor@lbschools.net for more information. To register, visit lbsud.co/Sankofa. Free.

15 TUESDAY

MAKE A DIFFERENCE THROUGH GOVERNMENT RESPONSIBILITY

4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Poet Tony Wallin-Sato will lead a discussion on civic responsibility at the Los Altos Neighborhood Library (5614 Britton Dr.). Free.

CITIZENSHIP 101

4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Immigrant community members are invited by Centro CHA to the Burnett Neighborhood Library (560 E. Hill St.) to learn more about the path to citizenship. A presentation will cover the steps of naturalization. Participants will have a chance to ask questions at the end. Free.

16 WEDNESDAY

HIV TESTING

8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. HIV testing will be provided at Houghton Park (6301 Myrtle Ave.) Call (562) 570-4289 for more information. Free.

BABY'S STORYTIME

10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Parents and caregivers are welcome to bring babies between 0 to 15 months old to the Signal Hill Public Library (1800 E Hill St.) for stories, rhymes, music and play. Free.

SENSORY STORY TIME

10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Parents and caregivers are invited to bring children to this inclusive storytime at the Bach Neighborhood Library (4055 N. Bellflower Blvd.). Children of all abilities will use their senses to read, create, and learn through stories, songs, and play. Free.

17 THURSDAY

CUENTOS Y CANTOS BILINGUAL STORYTIME

10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to bring young children to read, talk, sing and play in English and Spanish at the Billie Jean King Main Library (200 W. Broadway). Free.

ARTLAB

4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. An art exploration program for children ages 7 to 12 at the Michelle Obama Neighborhood Library (5870 Atlantic Ave.). Free.

ROMANCE COMEDY BOOK CLUB

6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Book lovers are invited to discuss "By Any Other Name" by Lauren Kate at the Signal Hill Public Library (1800 E Hill St.). This book club is available for those 16 and older. Registration is required. To register, call (562) 989-7323. Free.

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CELEBRATE VETERANS DAY IN LONG BEACH

Following four years of fighting between the Allied Nations and Germany, the first World War came to a pause of hostilities on the eleventh hour on the eleventh day of the eleventh month. Millions of soldiers had lost their lives to the "Great War," and the Treaty of Versailles which marked the end of the fighting was still a year away from being signed.

America celebrated Armistice Day that year and every year that followed with parades, public gatherings and a break from school and work. The national holiday was officially renamed Veterans Day by President Dwight D. Eisenhower on June 1, 1954.

Long Beach has a longstanding history of honoring its veterans. Although the annual Veterans Day

Parade stopped being hosted in 2020, there are still multiple ways to honor those who have served our country in Long Beach.

11 FRIDAY

RECLAIM ARMISTICE DAY

10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Multiple organizations will be celebrating veterans and worldwide peace at Admiral Kidd Park (2125 Santa Fe Ave.) with the traditional ringing of 11 bells at 11 a.m. There will also be speakers, youth skits, prizes, live music crafts, food distribution and more. Free.

VETERANS DAY COMMEMORATION

11 a.m. The Alpert Jewish Community Center (3801 E. Willow St.) will be hosting a Veterans Day commemoration and exhibit where residents can hear from local veterans, guest speakers and clergy from Temple Israel. Attendees can learn about Jewish American military heroes and Medal of Honor recipients at the Jewish American History exhibit in the Gatov Gallery, which is on display throughout the month of November. Light refreshments will be provided. Free.

12 SATURDAY

VETERANS DAY FESTIVAL

11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. U.S. military

service members will be celebrated at Houghton Park (6301 Myrtle Ave.) for the City's annual Veterans Day Festival. There will be live musical performances by Knight Ryder and Long Beach DJ Dennis Owens, a resource fair, a kid zone, an obstacle course, beer garden and multiple food trucks. The event is hosted in collaboration with the Long Beach Running Club, People of the Earth and the Long Beach Veterans Day Committee. Free.

13 SUNDAY

2ND SUNDAY IN THE CHAPEL

3 p.m. to 5 p.m. The St. Isidore Historical Plaza will be continuing its tradition of celebrating Veter-

ans Day with the community. Residents are invited to view the display of armed service and war memorabilia in the Hall and enjoy a patriotic song performed by Los Alamitos Unified School District elementary school students. A light lunch will be provided. The event is free and accepting donations.



Emma DiMaggio | Signal Tribune
A mural honoring veterans at Houghton Park in Long Beach.

AIR FORCE

According to the National Security Act of 1947, the Air Force's mission is to prepare the air forces necessary for effective prosecution of war unless assigned otherwise and, in accordance with integrated joint mobilization plans, for the expansion of the peacetime components of the Air Force to meet the needs of war. The Air Force is one of three military departments within the Department of Defense. It is managed by the civilian secretary of the Air Force and under the control of the Secretary of Defense.

Their jobs include explosive ordnance disposal, combat rescue, pararescue, security forces, combat control, disarming bombs, rescuing downed or isolated personnel, calling in air strikes and setting up landing zones in forward locations.

The U.S. Army Signal Corps began the Aeronautical Division in 1907, in the wake of the Wright brothers' flight at Kitty Hawk in 1903. The division experimented with aircraft and mostly explored balloons and dirigibles. In 1914, the Army started the Aviation section of the Signal Corps, and soon thereafter World War I began. However, all the other European combatants' aerial technology outstripped American technology.

President Woodrow Wilson took notice and established the Army Air Service, placed directly under the War Department, on May 24, 1918. The air service grew to more than 19,000 officers, 178,000 enlisted men and 11,754 aircrafts. Post-war demobilization and a name change resulted in the Air Corps, a modest peacetime operation.

Then World War II came. The Department of War created the Army Air Forces (AAF) and deemed it equal to the Army Ground Forces. The Air Corps remained a branch of the Army, subordinate to the AAF. The AAF fought in every theater of war and had 80,000 aircraft and 2.4 million personnel at its peak. Again, America demobilized post-war and the U.S. Air Force finally earned its independence from the Army on September 18, 1947.

The increased power of new aviation technology, the Vietnam War and the Cold War arms race accelerated the capabilities of the U.S. Air Force. The Air Force also began to explore space with the advent of launch vehicles and orbital satellites. In the 1970s, the Air Force focused on modernizing its fleet and missiles. The Iran Hostage Crisis spurred America to further develop the Air Force. By the 1990s, a collapsed Soviet Union led the U.S. to streamline the Air Force and downsize it overall.



NATIONAL GUARD

The National Guard is the designated militia force of the United States. It's both the oldest military branch of our nation and one of the oldest military units in the world, dating back to 1636.

The Army National Guard and Air National Guard are the two main components of the regiment. Combined, the soldiers and airmen of this militia force are vital facets that have helped shape the dramatic history of our nation with valiant efforts.

The Air National Guard was assembled in the 20th century in the wake of increased technological and organizational innovations. The Army National Guard made its debut on Dec. 13, 1636, the National Guard's birthday, when the three-month-old militia was assembled by the general court of the Massachusetts Bay Colony for their first drill in Salem, Massachusetts.

Since that December day in 1636, the National Guard has played an active part in any conflict or war of our nation. It wasn't until post-World War II that the National Guard's aviation units assembled officially to become the Air National Guard. Certain aviation units were active in World War I, but weren't deemed an official title until later.

In 1916, these units, once referred to as "the militia," earned their title as the National Guard—initiating almost 400 years of service to the nation's community and state.

From 1961 to 1962, the National Guard battled through the Cold War, sending both soldiers and airmen to fight in Korea during the Berlin Crisis. Throughout the Vietnam War, almost 9,000 militia forces were sent to Vietnam and 23,000 were called for active duty.

Though the National Guard has been active in every battle pursuit since the 1600s, they also played a role in Desert Storm during 1991 and responses in 1990s to Haiti and in Iraq. They've since been called for peace-making attempts in various countries.

Since the terrorist attacks in New York City on Sept. 11, 2001, the National Guard has carried a new meaning for the defense of our nation. While rescue and recovery were two vital components of this mission, the National Guard was also there to protect, secure and ease our nation into security. The National Guard may be called in a variety of instances to protect, serve or secure our nation.



COAST GUARD

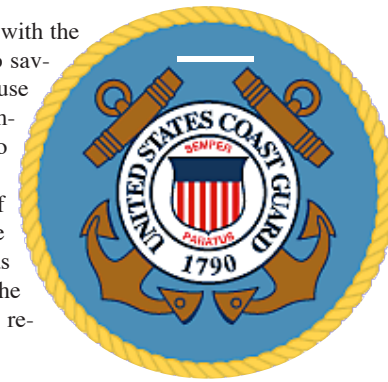
George Washington authorized and began the Coast Guard then known as the "cutters" on Aug. 4, 1790 as part of the Tariff Act. Ten vessels would enforce federal and tariff laws and stop smuggling. As the infant nation grew, the scope of the "Revenue Cutter Service" grew. The U.S. Coast Guard was founded then, but it was established on Jan. 28, 1915 to be an official military branch. There are 11 missions dealing with ports, waterways and coastal security, drug interdiction, aids navigation, search and rescue, living marine services, marine safety, defense readiness, migrant interdiction, marine environmental protection, ice operations and other law enforcements. There are 38,000 active-duty men and women, 8,000 reservists and 35,000 auxiliary personnel who serve in a variety of job fields ranging from small-boat operators to aviation mechanics.

The Coast Guard was created after five separate federal services were combined; the U.S. Lighthouse Service, the Revenue Cutter Service, the Steamboat Inspection Service, the Bureau of Navigation and the U.S. Lifesaving Service. IN 1915, a congressional act combined the Life-Saving Service and Revenue Cutter service to form the Coast Guard. The service was placed under the control of the Treasury Department until 1967, when an executive order transferred the Coast Guard to the newly formed Department of Transportation.

Currently, the Coast Guard operates under the Department of Homeland Security during peacetime, under the Navy during wartime or by special presidential order. In addition to protecting our nation's waterways, the 43,327 active-duty members of the Coast Guard perform search and rescue, law enforcement and environmental cleanup operations.

In 1915, a congressional act merged the Revenue Cutter Service with the U.S. Life-Saving Service, another governmental agency devoted to saving the shipwrecked, and thus made the Coast Guard. The Lighthouse Service joined the Coast Guard in 1939. Congress moved the Commerce Department's Bureau of Marine Inspection and Navigation to the Coast Guard in 1946.

The Coast Guard has been involved in wars such as the War of 1812, the Mexican-American War and the American Civil War. The last time the Coast Guard operated as a whole within the Navy was during World War II. Usually, military and combat units within the Coast Guard will operate under Navy or joint control while others remain under the Department of Homeland Security.



MERCHANT MARINES

The United States "Mariners" are the dedicated men and women of our nation who are tasked with helping move passengers, goods and cargo between regions in and outside the country.

The Mariners are a part of the United States Merchant Marine (USMM), which is the fleet of U.S. merchant vessels that facilitate the distribution and transportation of goods during peacetime and wartime. During peacetime, they transport cargo and passengers. During wartime, the USMM acts as an auxiliary to the Navy, providing troops, supplies and a variety of services to the military. This service is also activated during national emergencies.

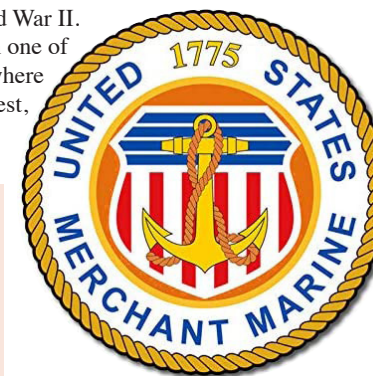
Though the Mariners do not partake in combat, they play a large role in protecting vital cargo, facilitated by the U.S. Coast Guard, the Department of Transportation and the U.S. Maritime Administration (USMA).

In addition, Mariners' duties involve worldwide waterway operations, maintaining and controlling a plethora of vessels. They also regulate shipbuilding, water and land transportations and ports.

According to the USMA, the mariners have played important roles in national conflicts since 1775, especially during World War II. The USMM corps were founded on March 15, 1938, overseen by John F. Kennedy's father Joseph P. Kennedy. Initially, they were trained on government ships. Eventually President Franklin D. Roosevelt recognized their importance and ordered mass amounts of liberty ships to help establish the U.S. Maritime service during World War II.

President Roosevelt stated, "[The Merchant Marines] have written one of its most brilliant chapters. They have delivered the goods when and where needed in every theatre of operations across every country in the biggest, most difficult and dangerous job ever undertaken."

FUN FACT: World War II mariners weren't given veteran status until 1988 because mariners are not considered part of the military.



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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: YOUR ORNAMENT SHOP, 550 ORANGE AVE UNIT 139, LONG BEACH, CA 90802. Registrant: COCO DEAN, 550 ORANGE AVE UNIT 139, LONG BEACH, CA 90802. This business is conducted by: an Individual. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: COCO DEAN, OWNER. The registrant has not begun to use this fictitious business name. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on October 18, 2022. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Pub. The Signal Tribune: October 21, 28 & November 4, 11, 2022

**TST6831 Case No. 22PSCP00500
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR
CHANGE OF NAME.**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, POMONA, CA 91766 PETITION OF: Sandra Kaye Simms, for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Sandra Kaye Simms has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing her name as follows: Present Name: Sandra Kaye Simms Proposed Name: Sandy Kay Simms 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: December 14, 2022; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. O. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755, October 21, 28 & November 4, 11, 2022 ___/ss/___ Peter A. Hernandez, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: October 14, 2022

**TST6833 Case No. 22LBCP00358
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR
CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, GOVERNOR GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN COURTHOUSE, 275 MAGNOLIA, LONG BEACH, CA 90802 PETITION OF: Erika Mojica, for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Erika Mojica has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing her name as follows: Present Name: Erika Mojica Proposed Name: Erika Mujica 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: November 18, 2022; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. 27. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755, October 28 & November 4, 11, 18, 2022 ___/ss/___ Mark C. Kim, Judge of

CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

**TST6848
NOTICE OF ORDINANCE ADOPTION**

Ordinance No. 2022-09-1541 was introduced by the Signal Hill City Council at their meeting of Tuesday, September 13, 2022 and adopted by the City Council at their meeting of November 8, 2022. A summary of the ordinance is as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, APPROVING ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT 22-05, AMENDING TITLE 20 OF THE SIGNAL HILL MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD CHAPTER 20.25 ENTITLED "SP-25, AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES AND THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY RESEARCH ACADEMY (AUHS/AURA) SPECIFIC PLAN", AND AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP TO CHANGE THE ZONING DESIGNATION OF AN APPROXIMATE 3.75-ACRE SITE AT 1600 E. HILL STREET FROM "COMMERCIAL OFFICE (CO)" TO "AUHS/AURA SPECIFIC PLAN (SP-25)" (APN 7215-009-005), CONTINGENT ON THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPTION OF THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

The ordinance was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: MAYOR KEIR JONES, VICE MAYOR TINA L. HANSEN, COUNCIL MEMBERS ROBERT D. COPELAND, EDWARD H.J. WILSON, LORI Y. WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

A copy of the full text of the ordinance is available in the City Clerk's Office and on the City's website: www.cityofsignalhill.org.

_____/ss/_____
Carmen R. Brooks
City Clerk

Published in the Signal Tribune newspaper on November 11, 2022.
Posted at City Hall, Discovery Well Park, Reservoir Park, and Signal Hill Public Library on or before November 11, 2022.

the Superior Court Dated: September 22, 2022

**TST6834 Case No. 22LBCP00390
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR
CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, GOVERNOR GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN COURTHOUSE, 275 MAGNOLIA, LONG BEACH, CA 90802 PETITION OF: Maria de los Angeles Chiquete Tirado, for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Maria de los Angeles Chiquete Tirado has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing her name as follows: Present Name: Maria de los Angeles Chiquete Tirado Proposed Name: Mary Angelica Chiquete 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: December 1, 2022; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. 26. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755, October 28 & November 4, 11, 18, 2022 ___/ss/___ Michael P. Vincencia, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: October 20, 2022

TST6835

Termination of Parental Rights Matter
State of Minnesota District Court County of : St. Louis Court File Number: 69DU - JV - 22 - 237 Judicial District: Sixth District Case Type: CHIPS - Permanency In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of: Mollie Sebok and Gregory Lide Summons and Notice Termination of Parental Rights Matter (CHP - 115) **NOTICE TO: Gregory Lide, Above - named parent(s) or legal custodian(s).** 1. A Termination of Parental Rights Petition has been filed in the Juvenile Court alleging that parental rights of the above-named parent(s) or legal custodian(s) to the child(ren) named in the petition should be permanently severed. 2. This is your notice that this Termination of Parental Rights case is scheduled for a remote hearing before the Juvenile Court located at 100 North 5th Avenue West Duluth Minnesota 55802-1285, on December 12, 2022 at 2:10 pm or as soon after as the case can be heard. Please contact court administration to get the remote hearing information. 3. **YOU ARE ORDERED** to appear before the Juvenile Court at the scheduled time and date. 4. You have a right to be represented by counsel. 5. If you fail to appear at the hearing, the Court may still conduct the hearing and grant appropriate relief, including permanently severing the parental rights of the above named parent(s) or legal custodian(s) or taking permanent custody of the child(ren) named in the

Petition. BY: Dated October 21, 2022 St. Louis County Court Administration 100 North 5th Avenue West Duluth Minnesota 55802 - 1285 218 - 221 - 7560

**TST6838 / 2022 234097
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: 1. KUBO, 2. KUBO LONG BEACH, 3. KUBO LB, 345 E. CARSON ST., LONG BEACH, CA 90807. MAILING ADDRESS: 2106 ARTESIA BLVD., #1006, TORRANCE, CA 90504. Registrant: KUBO COLLECTIVE LLC, 2106 ARTESIA BLVD., #1006, TORRANCE, CA 90504. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: JENNIFER ESTACIO, CEO. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in October, 2022. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on October 26, 2022. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Pub. The Signal Tribune: November 4, 11, 18, 25, 2022

**TST6841 Case No. 22CMCP00192
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR
CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, COMPTON COURTHOUSE, 200 W. Compton Blvd, Compton, CA 90220 PETITION OF: Andrea Teresa Torres, for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Andrea Teresa Torres has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing her name as follows: Present Name: Andrea Teresa Torres Proposed Name: Theresa Andrea Torres 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: January 10, 2023; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. A, Room 904. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755, November 4, 11, 18, 25, 2022 ___/ss/___ Michael Shultz, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: October 31, 2022

CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

**TST6840
NOTICE INVITING BIDS**

The City of Signal Hill ("City") will receive electronic bids only for the Police Station Interior Painting Project, no later than 2:00 pm on November 21, 2022. The electronic bid management system will not accept late bids. Bids will be opened November 21, 2022 at 2:00 pm in the Council Chamber at City Hall, 2175 Cherry Avenue, Signal Hill. Bids shall be valid for 90 calendar days after the bid opening date.

Bids must be submitted on City's Bid Forms, available to registered vendors through the City's electronic bid management system, PlanetBids at:

<https://pbsystem.planetbids.com/portal/36746/bo/bo-search>

Interested bidders may participate by selecting "Bid Opportunities" on the home page. The Contract Documents may be downloaded at no charge. Electronic modifications to or withdrawal of bids may be made by the bidder prior to the bid closing deadline. Contract Documents will not be available for sale at City Hall.

Bids must be accompanied by cash, a certified or cashier's check, or a Bid Bond in favor of the City in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the submitted Total Bid Price.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish City with a Performance Bond equal to 100% of the successful bid, and a Payment Bond equal to 100% of the successful bid, prior to execution of the Contract. All bonds are to be secured from a surety that meets all of the State of California bonding requirements, as defined in Code of Civil Procedure Section 995.120, and is admitted by the State of California.

The Director of Industrial Relations has determined the general prevailing rate of per diem wages in the locality in which this work is to be performed for each craft or type of worker needed to execute the Contract which will be awarded to the successful bidder, copies of which are on file and will be made available to any interested party upon request at Signal Hill Public Works Department or online at <http://www.dir.ca.gov/dlsr>. A copy of these rates shall be posted by the successful bidder at the job site. The successful bidder and all subcontractor(s) under him, shall comply with all applicable Labor Code provisions, which include, but are not limited to the payment of not less than the required prevailing rates to all workers employed by them in the execution of the Contract, the employment of apprentices, the hours of labor and the debarment of contractors and subcontractors.

Pursuant to Labor Code sections 1725.5 and 1771.1, all contractors and subcontractors that wish to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, or enter into a contract to perform public work must be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations. No bid will be accepted, nor any contract entered into without proof of the contractor's and subcontractors' current registration with the Department of Industrial Relations to perform public work. If awarded a Contract, the Bidder and its subcontractors, of any tier, shall maintain active registration with the Department of Industrial Relations for the duration of the Project. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the contractor registration requirements mandated by Labor Code sections 1725.5 and 1771.1 shall not apply to work performed on a public works project that is exempt pursuant to the small project exemption specified in Labor Code sections 1725.5 and 1771.1.

This Project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. In bidding on this project, it shall be the Bidder's sole responsibility to evaluate and include the cost of complying with all labor compliance requirements under this contract and applicable law in its bid.

Each bidder shall be a licensed contractor pursuant to the Business and Professions Code and shall be licensed in the following appropriate classification(s) of contractor's license(s), for the work bid upon, and must maintain the license(s) throughout the duration of the Contract: Class C-33 Painting License. In addition, the successful bidder will be required to self-perform at least 80% of the work.

Award of Contract: The City reserves the right to award a contract to other than the lowest monetary bidder, if determined to be in the best interest of the City. The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bids or in the bidding process.

For further information, contact Margarita Beltran, Public Works Superintendent, at (562) 989-7254 or mbeltran@cityofsignalhill.org.

Posted in the Signal Hill Tribune Newspaper: November 4, 2022 and November 11, 2022

Posted in accordance with S.H.M.C Section 1.08.010 on or before: November 4, 2022
Published on PlanetBids: November 4, 2022

**TST6842 / 2022 239131
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: BERTH 55 SEAFOOD, 555 PICO AVE., LONG BEACH, CA 90802. Registrant: SRM CORPORATION, 555 PICO AVE., LONG BEACH, CA 90802. This business is conducted by: A Corporation. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: LAWRENCE MAE-HARA, CFO. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in October, 2022. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on November 1, 2022. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Pub. The Signal Tribune: November 4, 11, 18, 25, 2022

**TST6844 / 2022 240385
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: MOOWON CERAMICS, 351 1/2 HERMOSA AVENUE, LONG BEACH, CA 90802. LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registrant: WAYSTAR, LLC, 351 1/2 HERMOSA AVE, LONG BEACH, CA 90802. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed:

MONICA KIM, MEMBER. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in October, 2022. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on November 3, 2022. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Pub. The Signal Tribune: October 28 & November 11, 18, 25 & December 2, 2022

**TST6845 / 2022 238300
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: MAKE IT SPARKLE CLEANING SERVICES, 2682 EUCALYPTUS AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA 90806. LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registrant: WAYSTAR, LLC, 351 1/2 HERMOSA AVE, LONG BEACH, CA 90802. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: MONICA KIM, MEMBER. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in October, 2022. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on October 31, 2022. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious

business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Pub. The Signal Tribune: October 28 & November 11, 18, 25 & December 2, 2022

**TST6849 / 2022 244485
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: POINT BY POINT STUDIO, 1016 E 36TH ST., LONG BEACH, CA 90807. Registrant: GHERMAYN LLOYD BAKER, 1016 E 36 TH ST., LONG BEACH, CA. 90807. This business is conducted by: a Married Couple. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: GHERMAYN LLOYD BAKER, HUSBAND. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in November, 2022. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on November 9, 2022. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Pub. The Signal Tribune: November 11, 18, 25 & December 2, 2022

**TST6843 Case No. 22CMCP00065
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR
CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, GEORGWE DEUKMEJIAN COURTHOUSE, 275 Magnolia, Long Beach, CA 90802 PETITION OF: Israel Antonio AGUILAR, for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Israel Antonio AGUILAR has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing his name as follows: Present Name: 1. Israel Antonio AGUILAR, 2. Israel Antonio AGUILAR MARTINEZ, 3. Israel Antonio MARTINEZ AGUILAR, 4. Israel Aguilar MARTINEZ, 5. Antonio AGUILAR Proposed Name: 1. Israel Antonio Martinez, 2. Israel Antonio Martinez, 4. Israel Antonio Martinez, 5. Israel Antonio Martinez 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: December 13, 2022; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. 26. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755, November 11, 18, 25 & December 2, 2022 ___/ss//___ Michael P. Vicencia, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: October 31, 2022



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TST6846/Order No: 11825
Auto Lien Sale
On 11/24/2022 at 1856 E 65TH ST LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2018 KIA
VIN: 5XXGT4L36JG242388
STATE: CA LIC: 8VRV268 at 8 AM

TST6847/Order No: 11845
Auto Lien Sale
On 11/24/2022 at 8629 GARVEY AVE UNIT 12 ROSEMEAD, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2018 CHEVROLET
VIN: 1GCPTDE1XJ1212124
STATE: NY LIC: at 10 AM

TST6850/Order No: 12295
Auto Lien Sale
On 11/30/2022 at 21882 ARAPAHOE AVE APPLEVALLEY, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2019 FORD
VIN: 3FADP4AJ9KM127704
STATE: CA LIC: 8JYJ383 at 10 AM

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