



PUBLIC SURVEY



Signal Hill is updating its plans for disasters and wants to hear from you

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Maria Avarro drinks coffee and looks out towards the Los Angeles skyline from Hilltop Park on Jan. 29, 2021.

Samantha Diaz

Managing Editor

The recent downpour that swept through Southern California served as a damp reminder to prepare for natural disasters and hazards in all their forms.

Signal Hill began updating its city-wide preparations outlined in the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan, and is asking residents to contribute through a public survey.

A Local Hazard Mitigation Plan requires all cities, states and tribal territories to create a framework with strategies and approaches designed to reduce the loss of life and property in the event of a disaster. Cities must update their plan every five years due to the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 in order to qualify for certain types of non-emergency disaster assistance.

The main goals of the plan are to protect life and property, enhance public awareness, protect natural systems, encourage partnerships and implement and strengthen emergency services.

Signal Hill Police are leading the update efforts in partnership with multiple City departments.

Signal Hill recently updated its Hazard Mitigation Plan in January 2024, identifying five main hazards

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ELEVATE '28

Long Beach increases four-year infrastructure investment plan to \$758 million



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A couple walks their dogs near the bike path at Shoreline Village that has a view of the Queen Mary on June 7, 2021.

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Managing Editor

Long Beach's Elevate '28 plan received a \$10 million boost at Tuesday's city council meeting, bringing the four-year infrastructure plan to a whopping \$758 million as the city prepares to host the 2028 Olympics.

The increase is being drawn from Measure A funds, which voters approved in 2016 and extended indefinitely in 2020, which increased the sales tax in order to fund infrastructure and public safety services in Long Beach. Historically, the funds have been used on infrastructure improvements such as roads, sidewalks and parks as well as funding the police and fire services.

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THEATER

From high school halls to center stage: Musical Theatre West teams up with local arts school for a dazzling dance ensemble in '42nd Street'

Ryan Hardison

Design Editor

Audiences will be enchanted by the "Lullaby of Broadway" during Musical Theatre West's spirited production of Broadway favorite "42nd Street."

Kicking off MTW's 2024 season, this adaptation of the famed musical will premiere Friday at the

Carpenter Performing Arts Center, located on the Cal State Long Beach campus, and enjoy a two-week theatrical run through Feb. 25.

The Tony Award-winning Broadway production originates from the 1933 Hollywood musical film "42nd Street" — originally adapted from Bradford Ropes' 1932 novel of the same name — and was brought to the theater in 1980.

The story of "42nd Street" is set in Great Depression-era New York and follows the behind-the-scenes making of the musical "Pretty Lady," where wide-eyed chorus girl Peggy Sawyer is thrust into the lead role and forced to save the show. While highlighting the difficulty of bringing a theater production to life, "42nd Street" champions the magical star-making power of the



Courtesy of Musical Theatre West

The tap dance ensemble performs during Musical Theatre West's 2016 production of '42nd Street.'

Broadway stage.

MTW's production of "42nd Street" boasts an extensive cast with several returning performers such as Ricky Bulda and Quintan Craig, and a number of new

faces including Phillip Atmore, April Nixon, and Emma Nossal in the lead role of Peggy Sawyer.

The show will feature ten dance students from the Orange County

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ELECTION

Long Beach voters can start dropping off their mail-in ballots

Samantha Diaz

Managing Editor

Election season officially began for Long Beach and Los Angeles County residents who have started receiving their March 5 Primary Nominating Election mail ballots.

All registered voters should receive a mail ballot with a list of state, county and city council representatives running for nomination, superior court judge seats and state and local measures.

Voters can drop their filled-in ballots off at 17 Long Beach locations, which can be accessed 24 hours a day through March 5 at 8 p.m. Ballots can also be returned by mail with no postage required, to any Vote Center in LA County.

What's At Stake?

In California, the primary election allows voters to narrow down their options for state assembly seats, senators, judges and the presidential candidate. The top two candidates for each position will move on to the general election in November.

In Long Beach, residents can either choose their district councilmember or narrow down the options. If a councilmember receives the majority of the total votes from their respective residents during the primary election, they are elected to that seat. If no one receives a majority, the top two candidates from each district will move on to

the general election in November.

Residents can only vote for councilmembers who represent the district they currently reside in.

The measures on the ballot will be decided through the March 5 election, with no follow-ups necessary. Long Beach residents are voting on measures that will impact hospitality worker wages in the city and mental health resources statewide.

What's on the ballot?

This current voting cycle impacts Long Beach council seats for districts 2, 4, 6 and 8, with all current councilmembers being challenged for their seats.

Local items include:

- State Senator for the 33rd district
- Member of the State Assembly for the 69th district
- United States Representative for the 44th district
- County Supervisor for the 4th district
- Measure RW on raising Long Beach hospitality workers' wages at hotels with more than 100 employees
- District Attorney
- Judge of the Superior Court for Office No. 12
- Judge of the Superior Court for Office No. 39
- Judge of the Superior Court for



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Rain drops trickle down outside of the Walter Pyramid, which will be used as a voting center for the March 5, 2024 election.

Office No. 48

- Judge of the Superior Court for Office No. 93
- Judge of the Superior Court for Office No. 97
- Judge of the Superior Court for Office No. 115
- Judge of the Superior Court for Office No. 124
- Judge of the Superior Court for Office No. 130
- Judge of the Superior Court for Office No. 135
- Judge of the Superior Court for Office No. 137
- Member of the County Central Committee, 69th assembly district
- Measure 1 to allocate \$140 million annually, \$6.38 billion total into mental health treatment facilities
- Presidential nominee
- United States Senator

• Short-term United States Senator

Ballots can be turned in at a drop-off location or can be returned by mail with no postage required, to any Vote Center in LA County.

Long Beach residents can drop their ballots off at over 400 locations within LA County, including the 17 in the city:

- Bixby Park Community Center (130 Cherry Ave.)
- Bret Harte Neighborhood Library (1595 W. Willow St.)
- Burnett Neighborhood Library (560 E. Hill St.)
- Dana Neighborhood Library (3680 Atlantic Ave.)
- El Dorado Park West Community Center (2800 N. Studebaker Rd.)
- Freeman Community Center (1205 Freeman Ave.)
- Heartwell Park Community

Center (5801 Parkcrest St.)

- Houghton Park Community Center (6301 Myrtle Ave.)
 - Long Beach City Hall (411 W. Ocean Blvd.)
 - Long Beach Senior Center (1150 E. Fourth St.)
 - Marina Vista Park (5355 E. Eliot St.)
 - Mark Twain Neighborhood Library (1401 E. Anaheim St.)
 - Michelle Obama Neighborhood Library (5870 Atlantic Ave.)
 - Ramona Park (3301 E. 65th St.)
 - Scherer Park (4600 Long Beach Blvd.)
 - Stearns Champions Park (4520 E. 23rd St.)
 - Veterans Park (101 E. 28th St.)
- To check voter registration status or to request a ballot in a different language, visit lavote.gov. Voters can track their ballots at california.ballottrax.net/voter/.

SIGNAL HILL DISASTER PLANS

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A Signal Hill Public Works vehicle sits outside of Signal Hill City Hall on Aug. 1, 2023.

that pose threats to the city:

- **Earthquake:** Signal Hill is especially susceptible to earthquakes due to its proximity to multiple fault lines
 - **Landslide:** Areas of high elevation in Signal Hill are susceptible to landslides, particularly after a large seismic event or severe rainstorm
 - **Windstorm:** The City is highly likely to experience high winds created by Santa Ana wind events
 - **Drought:** Signal Hill, like much of California, has a history of experiencing drought, with the possibility of severe drought conditions in the future
 - **Flood:** During a major rainstorm, some areas of Signal Hill may experience flooding
- During the most recent rainstorm, the city had to shut down pedestrian access to the Panorama

Walking Trail due to land erosion, and briefly had to shut down Panorama Drive to vehicles.

The plan outlines mitigation goals for each of these risks, such as integrating new earthquake hazard mapping data, encouraging construction design that can be added to steep slopes, encouraging electrical utilities to go underground, exploring the possibility of deepening water wells and identifying locations prone to flooding.

General goals outlined in the 2024 Hazard Mitigation Plan include:

- Developing seismic inventory of at-risk City-owned buildings and infrastructure.
- Installing and improving backup power in City-owned critical facilities
- Maintaining a fully operational



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A mother helps her son balance while he looks through one of the telescopes at the top of Hilltop Park in Signal Hill on Jan. 3, 2024.

Emergency Operations Center

• Providing emergency operations training and conducting exercises

According to City documents, the City was exploring developing mutual aid systems between Signal Hill and surrounding cities for emergency building assessment and training, but the idea was cut due to lack of funding.

Signal Hill has released an online survey for residents to participate in the Hazard Mitigation Plan Update.

Survey questions include:

- Have you been impacted by a hazard?
- What type of hazard have you been impacted by?
- Select the top three hazards that are a concern to you.
- What steps has your household

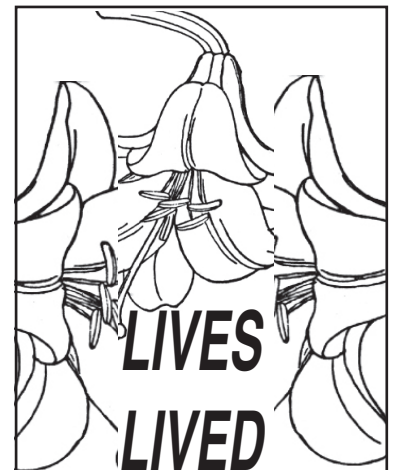
taken to prepare for a disaster?

• What types of hazard insurance policy do you have on your current residence?

• How can the City help you become better prepared for a disaster?

The City is also inviting residents to use the Map Your Neighborhood program, which encourages residents nationwide to coordinate with their neighbors in order to rely on each other during the immediate aftermath of a disaster.

Interested residents can receive a brief one-on-one training session from the Signal Hill Emergency Operations Coordinator. Once that training is completed, residents will be asked to contact their neighbors and give a 90-minute program on how to prepare for, respond to, and recover from a disaster.



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AROUND TOWN

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

What better way to spend Valentine's week than attending community parties, festivals and pop-ups in Long Beach and Signal Hill?

Whether you're one half of a couple, part of a friend group or opposed to recognizing the love-themed holiday altogether, there are events catering to all types of people and desires. There are two wine tastings in Long Beach Saturday, an anti-Valentine's Day party in the evening, a romantic brunch Sunday morning, a flirty bar night and movie screenings fit for romance or horror fans.

Hobbyists can join photo walks Saturday morning or Wednesday evening, both hosted by local residents, take part in a silent book club gathering among fellow introverts Saturday, or learn the basics of bird-watching Tuesday evening.

09 FRIDAY

BILINGUAL STORYTIME

10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Caregivers are invited to bring children between 1 and 3 years old to the Dana Neighborhood Library (3680 Atlantic Ave.) to enjoy stories, arts & crafts and fun activities. Free.

SWING SET OPEN MIC

6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Local creatives are invited to share their work at the LGBTQ Center of Long Beach (2017 Fourth St.) during this open mic. Participants will sign up on a first-come, first-served basis. Participation costs \$5 per person.

10 SATURDAY

GOOD SATURDAYS

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Local makers

and vendors selling vintage items, books, art, clothing and more will be available at this monthly market at Good Time LB (1322 Coronado Ave.). Free.

CHOCOLATE AND WINE FESTIVAL

Noon to 4 p.m. Couples and friends can traverse down Second Street while tasting decadent treats and delicious wine pairings in Belmont Shore's Chocolate and Wine Festival. Residents can purchase tasting tickets and choose which treats to indulge in, or purchase a wrist band and participate in the bar crawl. Tickets start at \$15 and can be purchased online or in front of the Chase Bank (5200 Second St.).

POETRY WORKSHOP

1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. A Long Beach poet will lead this poetry and writing workshop at Ethikli (352 E Fourth St.) where participants can write their work on a typewriter and take it home. Anomaly Coffee will be providing drinks and pre-packaged coffee for sale and there will be sustainable gift boxes for purchase. Free to attend.

MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION

1 p.m. Residents can celebrate the annual Mardi Gras at Shoreline Village event featuring costumes, entertainment, a parade, Zydeco music and more. Free.

GROUP BOCCIA

2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Long Beach non-profit Playmakers will host bocchia group lessons and games, open to people of all ages and abilities, this Saturday and next at the Bay Shore Community Congregational Church (5100 E The Toledo). Free.

ANTI-VALENTINES DAY

7 p.m. Local poet Micah Bournes will be hosting this gathering for

the single and petty, at 4203 Linden Ave. There will be ice cream and an open mic where attendees are encouraged to share their worst date story. There is a \$10 cover charge.

11 SUNDAY

VALENTINE'S DAY BRUNCH

10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Wicked Wolf (2332 Pacific Ave.) will transform into a romantic restaurant inspired by the classic film "Casablanca." Lovers and friends can enjoy this intimate, Moroccan-inspired brunch from chef Melissa Ramsay, mimosas and cocktails followed by a private jazz guitar concert from musician Paul Smith. Tickets are \$45 and can be purchased online.

SUPER BOWL PARTY

Noon to 10 p.m. Friends and family can watch the "Big Game" at Trademark Brewing (233 E Anaheim St.) complete with multiple screens, sound on, BBQ food from Battambang BBQ, vegan options from The Original Herbivore and a bounce house for kids. Open seating will be available, or customers can reserve a table online. For free seating, an advanced RSVP is encouraged, but not required.

FLIRT NIGHT

8 p.m. to 1 a.m. During this romantic night at local bar Black (1800 E Broadway), queer people are invited to meet, flirt, dance and drink. Tickets can be purchased on Eventbrite for a donation amount of your choice.

12 MONDAY

SPANISH STORYTIME

2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Children of all ages will be able to enjoy



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Aaron Hovis (right) throws one of his green cornhole bags towards the board while his practice partner Mike Coil (left) waits his turn to throw at a Long Beach Cornhole tournament at Trademark Brewing on March 9, 2022.

Spanish stories read by staff at the Signal Hill Public Library (1800 E Hill St.). Free.

RADIO PLAY EXPERIENCE

5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The public is invited to listen to the 1938 radio show "The War of the Worlds," at the Signal Hill Public Library (1800 E Hill St.). Refreshments will be served. Registration is required. To register, call (562) 989-7323. Free.

13 TUESDAY

URBAN BACKYARD BIRDING

3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. During this family-friendly event at the Alamitos Neighborhood Library (1836 E. Third St.), organized by the Office of Climate Action and Sustainability, participants will learn the basics of observing and documenting local birds. Children will also be able to create their own handmade binoculars.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH MOVIE NIGHT

5 p.m. to 7 p.m. The public is invited to this screening of the film "Akeelah and the Bee" at the Los Altos Neighborhood Library (5614 Britton Dr.), in honor of Black History Month. Popcorn and refreshments will be served. Free.

14 WEDNESDAY

'THE TASTE OF THINGS'

12:30 p.m. and other select times. The Long Beach Art Theatre (2025 E Fourth St.) will show the Oscar-nominated foreign film "The Taste of Things" for two days only. The French film is set in 1885 and follows a romantic relationship, portraying the beauty of giving and sacrifice. Tickets are \$12 for general

admission and can be purchased on the theater's website or at the door.

LB NIGHT WALKS

6 p.m. to 8 p.m. During this monthly meetup organized by Happily Bearded After, photographers ranging in experience from first-time amateurs to professionals will gather in the East Village Arts District (401 E First St.) to take photos together. Free.

15 THURSDAY

FAIR HOUSING WORKSHOP

2 p.m. to 4 p.m. The City of Long Beach and the Fair Housing Foundation will host a workshop for tenants, landlords, managers, property owners, attorneys and realtors to learn about current rights and responsibilities, state laws, housing discrimination and more. This workshop will be held at the Bret Harte Library Community Room (1595 W Willow St.). Free.

SPARRING & COCKTAILS

8 p.m. One of Long Beach's most unique nightlife scenes is back for one night of cocktails and treats beside a boxing ring for the return of Jackrabbit's Social Club. Those ages 21 and over can sip on spirits while watching sparring matches, dancers and more at Harvelle's (201 E Broadway). Tickets are \$20 at the door and can be purchased in advance on Harvelle's website.

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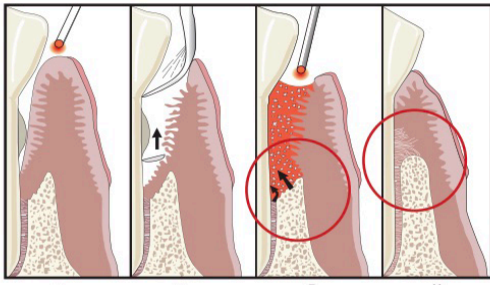
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Courtesy of Musical Theatre West

The tap dance ensemble performs during Musical Theatre West's 2016 production of '42nd Street.'

School of the Arts (OCSA), a 7th through 12th grade public charter school based in Santa Ana with a focus on arts-based education.

Director of OCSA's Commercial Dance Conservatory Nicole Berger spearheaded the collaboration when she reached out to the show's choreographer, Cheryl Baxter, to see if her dancers might have a place in the production.

After getting the go-ahead from the Actors' Equity labor union to include the students in the production, MTW auditioned ten students at OCSA near the end of 2023. All ten dancers were welcomed into the show with open arms.

With "42nd Street" now on the cusp of its premiere, Bren Joy, the show's casting director, said he sees this production as a stepping stone for future partnerships between the theater and student performers.

"It's really our goal to be able to create the beginnings of a partnership with OCSA that might be able to extend to other schools in the future," Joy said. "We can really create a pipeline for students to be able to have firsthand experience with professional theater and inspire them ... and to cultivate the love of an artform that desperately needs people to be involved with it."

OCSA Commercial Dance Conservatory students Olivia Liddi and Ariel Tello jumped at the opportunity to join the "42nd Street" cast. Liddi recalls listening to the musical's soundtrack on the way home from her audition and feeling hopeful.

"I had never even heard of '42nd Street' before, but when Cheryl started teaching the audition combo it really clicked and I could tell that it was going to be really fun," Liddi said.

The heart of "42nd Street" lies in its dynamic tap dancing ensemble. OCSA dancers form this key part of the production, showcasing their skills and providing strength in numbers.

The student dancers, who typically spend a whole semester

learning new choreography for a commercial dance performance, learned their tap dance-oriented parts for "42nd Street" in just nine days.

"The cornerstone thing about '42nd Street' is that it's a big old-fashioned tap dance show and the story is about a member of the ensemble who gets an opportunity to step into the leading role and saves the show," Joy said. "So it is very much an ensemble show, and Olivia, Ariel and all of the kids are very integral to the process."

Since its initial theatrical run, "42nd Street" has enjoyed national tours, a Broadway revival and worldwide theater adaptations as an intriguing hybrid of "backstage" and "jukebox" musical.

Joy notes that while MTW's production will be a mostly faithful adaptation of "42nd Street," director Cynthia Ferrer and Baxter, both of whom have a rich history with the show, are ensuring the production will remain as entertaining as ever.

"They have really been able to steer this path that stays true to the material while still breathing new life into it," Joy said.

Liddi and Tello said that learning alongside their classmates was crucial in making the process more comfortable. Now, they look forward to showcasing what they've learned together with their peers and new theater family onstage.

Musical Theatre West's production of "42nd Street" begins Feb. 9 and will run through Feb. 25 at the Carpenter Performing Arts Center, located at 6200 E. Atherton St.

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An aerial view of the Shoreline Gateway building that overlooks all of Downtown Long Beach with views of the marina and the Queen Mary on March 31, 2022.

Measure A is funding 38% of the Elevate '28 planned improvements, a 10% increase in Measure A funds since the last Elevate '28 update in August 2023.

"The City of Long Beach is wasting no time rolling out the Elevate '28 plan," said Mayor Rex Richardson at the Tuesday city council meeting. "The Olympics are coming in 2028, but these aren't necessarily Olympic facilities."

The Elevate '28 plan lays out improvements for over 180 projects including cultural centers, parks, public facilities and dozens of roads in what will be the largest infrastructure investment the City has ever executed.

Long Beach first introduced the slew of improvements as the \$533 Five-Year Infrastructure Plan in mid-2023, then increased funds and changed the name to Elevate '28 in August 2023.

Councilmembers pointed out that some of the projects laid out in the Elevate '28 plan have already been updated in the past decade, and asked for the plan to differentiate between projects already in progress and those that will begin under the Elevate '28 plan.

Local resident Senay Kenfe pointed out a similar problem, since some of the projects have been in the works for years, such as the Martin Luther King Jr. Park improvements and the MacArthur Park rehabilitation project, which account for four of the eight Elevate '28 projects planned for the

sixth district.

Public Works Director Eric Lopez said his team is working on a website to keep the public updated on timelines and funding for Elevate '28 projects, which will launch in the next month and be updated quarterly.

Projects are broken down into five categories:

- 2028 Olympic Legacy, which focuses on improving already existing structures and neighborhoods, is estimated to cost \$186,277,918
 - \$38.3 million from Measure A
 - \$148 million from additional funding

- Community and Cultural Investments, which include community centers, the Broadway corridor and Cambodia Town, are estimated to cost \$12,150,000
 - \$11.5 Measure A
 - \$650,000 additional funding

- Gold Medal Park Refresh projects, which detail improvements for 26 of the city's parks, are estimated to cost \$31,840,000
 - \$16.7 million Measure A
 - \$15.14 million additional funding

- Mobility and safety improvements, which include major corridor, alley and sinkholes and drainage improvements are estimated to cost \$327,623,000
 - \$100.7 million Measure A
 - \$227 million additional funding

- Park improvements, which are different from the Park Refresh projects, include 45 items such as restrooms, community gardens and playground improvements and are estimated to cost \$46,825,000
 - \$34.4 Measure A
 - \$12.4 additional funding

- Public facilities such as five libraries, police facilities and health facilities improvements are estimated to cost \$46,745,000
 - \$41 million Measure A
 - \$5.7 million additional funding

- Right of way / water quality / climate action adaption plan include projects such as Bluff Park lampposts, median improvements, Colorado Lagoon Open Channel restoration and signage and is estimated to cost \$80,250,000
 - \$46.8 million Measure A
 - \$33.4 million additional funding

- Federal grant match reserves for one-time uses are estimated to be \$25,969,045

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Wednesday, January 31

7:06 p.m., Grand theft, 900 block 33rd St. (suspect arrested)
10:51 p.m., Fire, 2600 block Cherry Ave.

Thursday, February 1

8:05 p.m., Assault with a deadly weapon, 2400 block Cherry Ave.

Friday, February 2

7:45 a.m., Throwing objects at moving vehicles, Cherry Ave./E. 28th St.

Saturday, February 3

1:42 a.m., DUI, E. PCH/Orizaba Ave. (suspect arrested)
1:51 a.m., Intoxicated person, Skyline Dr./Dawson Ave.
11:48 a.m., Burglary, 2500 block E. PCH
2:56 p.m., Injury traffic collision, Obispo Ave./E. Hill St.

Sunday, February 4

6:48 a.m., Injury traffic collision, E. Willow St./Town Ctr E.
8:58 a.m., Injury traffic collision, E. Willow St./Walnut Ave.
1:44 p.m., Identity theft 2200 block Westwind Way
1:57 p.m., Auto burglary, 2700 block Cherry Ave.

Monday, February 5

7:33 a.m., Inflict Corporal Injury on Spouse, 2200 block Jeans Ct. (suspect arrested)
7:52 a.m., Auto burglary, 900 block of Vernon St.
10:10 a.m., Burglary, 2900 block E. PCH
11:33 a.m., Injury traffic collision, Cherry Ave./E. Hill St. (citation issued)
3:44 p.m., Injury traffic collision, E. Spring St./Orange Ave.
11:54 p.m., Injury hit and run, E. PCH/Redondo Ave.

Tuesday, February 6

7:10 a.m., Elder abuse, 2500 block Temple Ave.
7:13 a.m., Contempt of Court protective order; misdemeanor warrant, 3500 block E. PCH (suspect arrested)
12:13 p.m., Auto burglary, 700 block E. Spring St.
3:43 p.m., Auto burglary, 900 block E. 33rd St.
5:49 p.m., Injury traffic collision, Cherry Ave./E. 21st St.
7:54 p.m., Shoplifting; felony warrant, 900 block E. 33rd St. (suspect arrested)
11:03 p.m., Inflict Corporate Injury on Spouse, 2500 block E. Willow St. (suspect arrested)

LBPD reporting area is too extensive to report here, but you can go to their website: longbeach.gov/police. Once there, click on Crime Info, then Crime Incident Mapping Application. Click on Launch Crime Incident Mapping Application and type in an address.

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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: January 19, 26 & February 2, 9, 2024

TST7194 / 2024 006619 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: C & A JANITORIAL SERVICES LLC, 7232 EXETER ST UNIT 6, PARAMOUNT, CA 90723. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: C & A JANITORIAL SERVICES LLC, 7232 EXETER ST UNIT 6, PARAMOUNT, CA 90723. State of Incorporation/Organization: CALIFORNIA. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: DEYRA JUDITH FLORES, PRESIDENT. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in January, 2022. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on January 10, 2024. 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: January 19, 26 & February 2, 9, 2024

TST7195 / 2024 010939 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: 1. PRIMARY INSURANCE GROUP, 2. GRUPO DE ASEGURANZAS PRIMARIAS 146 E 48 TH ST, LOS ANGELES, 90011. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: THE SANCHEZ INSURANCE GROUP LLC, 146 E. 48 TH ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90011. State of Incorporation/Organization: CALIFORNIA. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: EDWARD ELOY SANCHEZ, PRESIDENT. The registrant has not begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in N/A. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on January 17, 2024. 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: January 19, 26 & February 2, 9, 2024

TST7196 Case No. 23LBCP00447 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: GUADALUPE MARILU GONZALEZ for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: GUADALUPE MARILU GONZALEZ has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing her name as follows: Present Name: GUADALUPE MARILU GONZALEZ Proposed Name: GUADALUPE GONZALEZ 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: February 28, 2024; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. 26, Room 5500. 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. January 19, 26 & February 2, 9, 2024 ___/ss/___ Fumiko H. Wasserman, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: October 31, 2023

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: February 23, 2024; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. B, Room 906. 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. January 19, 26 & February 2, 9, 2024 ___/ss/___ Fumiko H. Wasserman, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: October 31, 2023

TST7193 / 2024 006622 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: NLV SERVICES, 14352 ALBURTIS AVE UNIT 3, NORWALK, CA 90650. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: JESUS SALVADOR VEGA, 14352 ALBURTIS AVE UNIT 3, NORWALK, CA 90650. State of Incorporation/Organization: N/A. This business is conducted by: an Individual. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: JESUS SALVADOR VEGA, OWNER. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in January, 2023. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on January 10, 2024. 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

TST7197 / 2024 013209 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: JOHN OSBORN PHOTOGRAPHY, 506 S SPRING ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90013. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: JOHN OSBORN, 506 S SPRING ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90013. State of Incorporation/Organization: N/A. This business is conducted by: an Individual. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: JOHN OSBORN, OWNER. The registrant has begun to use this

fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in January, 2024. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on January 19, 2024. 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: January 26 & February 2, 9, 16, 2024

TST7202 / 2024 013777 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: 1. PRIDEFUL PAWS, 2. PRIDEFUL PAWS PET-SITTING, 3621 OLIVE AVE PRIDEFUL PAWS, LONG BEACH, CA. 90807. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: CHARLIE J NGUYEN, 3621 OLIVE AVE, LONG BEACH, CA. State of Incorporation/Organization: N/A. This business is conducted by: an Individual. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: CHARLIE J NGUYEN, OWNER. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 01/2024. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on 1/22/2024. 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: January 26 & February 2, 9, 16, 2024

TST7203 / 2024 0014769 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: HUMBLE HANDS HAIR CARE, 2041 ROSECRANS AVENUE SUITE 170, EL SEGUNDO, CA. 90245. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: HUMBLE HANDS HAIR CARE STUDIOS LLC, 4856 WEST 117 TH STREET, HAWTHORNE, CA. 90250. State of Incorporation/Organization: CALIFORNIA. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: SHONDA JACKSON, PRESIDENT. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 04/2022. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on January 22, 2024. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fic-

titious 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: January 26 & February 2, 9, 16, 2024

TST7204 / 2024 014766 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: 1. AMORA J SKIN AND WELLNESS, 2. AMORA J STUDIOS, 11912 FIRESTONE BLVD., NORWALK, CA. 90650. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: GG'S WONDERLAND LLC, 11912 FIRESTONE BLVD, NORWALK, CA. 90650. State of Incorporation/Organization: CALIFORNIA. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: GENICE T ZACATENGO, PRESIDENT. The registrant has not begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in N/A. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date). 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: January 26 & February 2, 9, 16, 2024

TST7207 / 2024 025033 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: DIRT DOG, 9414 FIRESTONE BLVD, DOWNEY, CA. 90241. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: YANMAT LLC, 701 E MARKET ST, LONG BEACH, CA. 90805. State of Incorporation/Organization: CALIFORNIA. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: YANET VAZQUEZ MARTINEZ, CEO. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 02/2023. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on February 2, 2024. 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: February 9, 16, 23 & March 1, 2024

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**TST7191 Case No. 24NWCP00015
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR
CHANGE OF NAME**
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 PETITION OF: Natalie Ortiz for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Natalie Ortiz has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing her name as follows: Present Name: NATALIE ORTIZ Proposed Name: NATALIE FLAMENCO 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: March 8, 2024; Time: 9:30a.m., Dept. C, Room 312. 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. January 19, 26 & February 2, 9, 2024 ___/ss/___ Olivia Rosales, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: January 12, 2024

**TST7192 Case No. 23CMCP00198
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR
CHANGE OF NAME**
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 200 W. Compton Blvd., Compton, CA 90220 PETITION OF: Anthony Kahilil Black for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Anthony Kahilil Black has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing his name as follows: Present Name: Anthony Kahilil Black Proposed Name: Anthony Khalil Ross 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons in-

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The Bixbys

Beginning in 1864, a relentless drought hit California, eventually wiping out this area's cattle industry. At that time, the parcel we now call Signal Hill straddled the Ranches of Los Alamitos and Los Cerritos. Both Ranches fell upon hard times because of the drought of the 1860s. Both would pass into the hands of the Bixby family.

In 1866, Rancho Los Cerritos was purchased by Flint, Bixby & Company, a partnership formed by three cousins from Maine. Partners Thomas and Benjamin Flint, and their cousin Lewellyn Bixby, shrewdly took advantage of the collapse of California's cattle ranches to purchase Ranches Los Cerritos, including its fine house and Italian gardens for 75 cents per acre (or \$20,000-for 27,000 acres.)

Lewellyn Bixby's brother, Jotham, was made manager of Rancho Los Cerritos, and began raising sheep for wool. By 1869, Jotham bought into the property and formed his own company, J. Bixby & Co. Jotham Bixby and his wife, Margaret Hathaway, were also from Maine. Together, they prospered on Rancho Los Cerritos. They left the property in 1881.

In 1870, Jotham's cousin, John Bixby, came from Maine to help out at Los Cerritos. There John met and fell in love with houseguest Susan Hathaway, sister to Margaret Hathaway. This Bixby-Hathaway attraction was a family pattern; a total of three Bixby men would marry 4 Hathaway women.

John Bixby and Susan Hathaway were married. They gave birth to Fred H. Bixby in 1875. Three years later they leased Rancho Los Alamitos from Michael Stearns, a bankrupt cattle rancher.

Under the Bixbys, Rancho Los Alamitos supported herds of sheep, cattle, and a cheese and dairy factory. Droughts in 1872 and 1876-77 continued to decimate livestock, despite the use of wells on the property. At its peak, the Rancho supported nearly 30,000 sheep which produced 200,000 pounds of wool annually.

In 1881, John Bixby purchased Rancho Los Alamitos in partnership with I.W.Hellman and the Jotham Bixby Company. They paid \$125,000 in gold for approximately 26,000 acres. The Rancho continued to be managed by John Bixby, until his premature death in 1887, at the age of 39. He was survived by his widow Susan, son Fred, and daughter Susanna.

A year, later, Rancho Los Alamitos was divided three ways. The middle portion, which included the ranch house, went to Susan Bixby and her two children. The name Rancho Los Alamitos stayed with this portion and its structures. By 1910, John Bixby's son Fred had inherited the remaining portion of Rancho Los Alamitos. Fred H. Bixby continued to operate the property as a working ranch until 1952.

*Above article originally published Oct 19, 1990 in the Star Tribune
Written by Julie Bendizick-Sin. Part 5 of 23*

More about the Bixby's from: [wikipedia.org/wiki/Long_Beach,_California](https://www.wikipedia.org/wiki/Long_Beach,_California)

In 1866 Temple sold Rancho Los Cerritos for \$20,000 to the Northern California sheep-raising firm of Flint, Bixby & Co, which consisted of brothers Thomas and Benjamin Flint and their cousin Lewellyn Bixby. Two years previous Flint, Bixby & Co had also purchased along with Northern California associate James Irvine, three ranches which would later become the city that bears Irvine's name. To manage Rancho Los Cerritos, the company selected Lewellyn's brother Jotham Bixby, the "Father of Long Beach".

Three years later Bixby bought into the property and would later form the Bixby Land Company. In 1880, Bixby sold 4,000 acres (16 km) of the Rancho Los Cerritos to William E. Willmore, who subdivided it in hopes of creating a farm community, Willmore City. He failed and was bought out by a Los Angeles syndicate that called itself the "Long Beach Land and Water Company." They changed the name of the community to Long Beach, at that time. The City of Long Beach was officially incorporated in 1897.

Another Bixby cousin, John W. Bixby, was influential in the city. After first working for his cousins at Los Cerritos, J.W. Bixby leased land at Rancho Los Alamitos. He put together a group: banker I.W. Hellman, Lewellyn and Jotham Bixby, and him, to purchase the rancho. The Alamitos Rancho was once the largest cattle ranch in the U.S.

J.W. Bixby began the development of the oceanfront property near the city's picturesque bluffs. Under the name Alamitos Land Company, J.W. Bixby named the streets and laid out the parks of his new city. This area would include Belmont Heights, Belmont Shore and Naples; it soon became a thriving community of its own. J.W. Bixby died in 1888 of apparent appendicitis.

The Rancho Los Alamitos property was split up, with Hellman getting the southern third, Jotham and Lewellyn the northern third, and J.W. Bixby's widow and heirs keeping the central third. The Alamitos townsite was kept as a separate entity, but at first it was primarily run by Lewellyn and Jotham Bixby, although I.W. Hellman (who had the largest single share) had a significant veto power, an influence made even stronger as the J.W. Bixby heirs began to side with Hellman more and more.

When Jotham Bixby died in 1916, the remaining 3,500 acres (14 km) of Rancho Los Cerritos was subdivided into the neighborhoods of Bixby Knolls, California Heights, North Long Beach and part of the city of Signal Hill.



Lewellyn Bixby.



Jotham Bixby

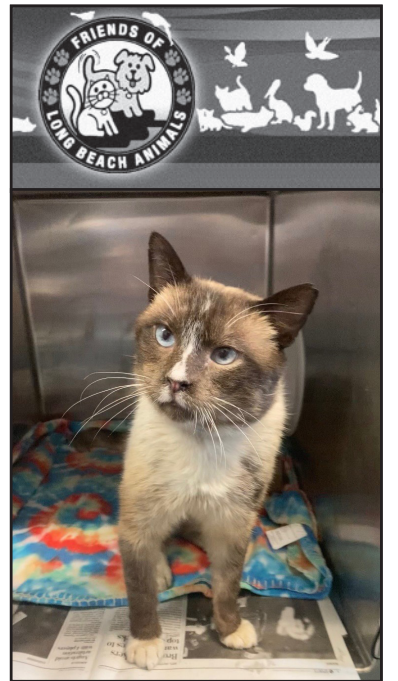
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(This rescue encouraged by the usual suspects.)

PUBLIC SAFETY

Long Beach Public Works responds to fallen trees across the city

Kristen Farrah Naeem

Staff Writer

As rain and gusts of wind pounded Long Beach and Signal Hill from Sunday to Tuesday, workers with the City of Long Beach responded to 39 reports of fallen trees in public right-of-ways, according to the Public Works Department.

The fallen trees caused damage to at least two vehicles, and blocked streets and sidewalks.

City workers from the Public Works Department were preemptively dispatched to remove palm fronds and other debris from Long Beach streets, said Joy Contreras, the Community Relations and Public Information Officer for the Public Works Department.

The City of Signal Hill did not experience any fallen trees during the storm, said City Manager Carlo Tomaino.

The public should exercise caution when outdoors during intense weather due to the potential risks posed by unstable trees and dangling branches.



Richard H. Grant | Signal Tribune

A voter runs as raindrops trickle down outside of the Walter Pyramid on Nov. 7, 2022.

NBCLA published footage of two vehicles that were damaged when a large tree was ripped from the roots and toppled over on De Leon Street. According to NBCLA, the tree also took down power lines as it fell.

Another two reports of downed trees were made during a previ-

ous storm on Feb. 1. More downed trees can reasonably be expected to be reported later this month, as another storm is estimated to hit the Long Beach area from Feb. 17 to Feb. 21.

If residents see a fallen tree, they should call the City at (562) 570-2700, option 4.

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