

The Cerritos News

Cerritos Library presents Smithsonian traveling exhibition celebrating Asian Pacific American history

In commemoration of the important history of Asian and Pacific Americans, Cerritos Library will present the exhibition "I Want the Wide American Earth: An Asian Pacific American Story" from Sunday, January 3 through Sunday, February 28, 2016. The exhibition was created by the Smithsonian Asian Pacific American Center and the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service (SITES) and is part of a national tour. The exhibition is supported by a grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation. The Cerritos Library is a Smithsonian Affiliate.

In this first exhibition of its kind, the Smithsonian celebrates Asian Pacific American history across a multitude of diverse cultures and explores how Asian Pacific Americans have shaped and been shaped by the course of the nation's history. The exhibition will be complemented by the display of historical and cultural objects loaned by the City of Riverside from the Riverside Metropolitan Museum. Information about craft workshops, cultural performances and author presentations to be offered in conjunction with the exhibition is included in the enclosed January edition of the "Cerritos Library News."

"I Want the Wide American Earth" tells the rich and complex stories of the very first Asian immigrants, including their participation in key moments in American history: Asian immigrants panned in the Gold Rush, hammered ties in the Transcontinental Railroad, fought on both sides in the Civil War and helped build the nation's agricultural system.



Artwork chosen for Plaza 183

The Cerritos City Council has approved four pieces of artwork for the newly renovated Plaza 183. The sculptures are part of the City's Art in Public Places program.

The Plaza 183 renovation adopts a Santa Barbara-inspired architectural style, featuring bright whites and beige stone and brick veneers. The art pieces selected all pay tribute to the rich and diverse California plant life. Artists were chosen based on their use of material and unique interpretations of the California Native Flora.

The City's Art in Public Places program requires property owners/developers to provide a piece of artwork or donate 1 percent of the building permit valuation to a trust fund dedicated to artwork and its maintenance when constructing developments with a value of \$250,000 or more. Centercal Properties will pay the sculptures' costs.

Contemporary and classical, Deanne Sabeck's "California Poppy" honors the state flower. Utilizing stainless steel and red and orange Dichroic Glass, the \$40,000 piece changes colors depending on the angle of the sun or light. Mounted on concrete, the sculpture stands 8 feet by 5.5 feet.

Brian Keith's "California Yarrow" features three sculptures of various sizes. The contemporary \$60,000 collection, composed of steel, bronze and yellow resin, will be mounted on concrete.

Kon Dimopoulos' "Grasslands" is a three-piece kinetic sculpture. Each pod is 2 square feet and mounted on separate concrete pads. The \$52,000 work showcases blades of grass (each 8 to 10 feet high) that sway with the wind.

The contemporary "Live Oak Tree," by Chris Puzio, combines the geometry and free-flowing nature of the oak tree. Utilizing aluminum rods of various thicknesses, the piece is mounted on concrete and stands 10 feet high and 9 feet wide. The sculpture costs \$94,000.

Accent lighting will highlight all the pieces at night. The sculptures will be located at various points throughout the shopping plaza. Landscape will complement the artwork and protect the sculptures from pedestrian traffic and vandalism. ■

The banner exhibition is complemented by an e-book, which is a 14-page illustrated adaptation of the exhibition. Produced in collaboration with SI Universe Media, creators of the first-ever Asian Pacific American comics anthology, the e-book tells the Asian Pacific American story in graphic narrative, featuring work by seven Asian Pacific American comic artists. The e-book is free to download and is viewable on all tablet devices and e-readers. The Cerritos Library's website, cerritoslibrary.us, includes a link to the e-book download page.

The exhibition also features a free mobile tour app (available on the App Store under "Wide Earth"), which includes interviews with prominent Asian and Pacific Americans. A set of educational posters based on the exhibition is available for download on the SITES website, which can be reached through a link on the Cerritos Library's website.

Curated by Lawrence-Ming Bui Davis, Smithsonian Asian Pacific American Center Initiative coordinator, "I Want the Wide American Earth" is a moving, dramatic and evocative narrative of Asian Pacific American history and culture.

The Smithsonian Asian Pacific American Center produces programs and exhibitions about the Asian Pacific American experience and works in partnership with organizations across the Smithsonian and beyond to enrich collections and activities about the Asian Pacific American experience.

The Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service has been sharing the wealth of Smithsonian collections and research programs with millions of people outside Washington, D.C., for more than 60 years. SITES connects Americans to their cultural heritage through a wide range of exhibitions about art, science and history, which are shown wherever people live, work and play. ■

Tips for hiring a contractor

Planning on making home improvements? Follow these tips from the Contractors State License Board (CSLB) on hiring the right person for the job:

Only hire state-licensed contractors. By law, any contractor performing a project valued at \$500 or more (for total labor and materials) must be licensed by the CSLB. Since 2005, all new contractors are also required to pass a background investigation that includes a criminal background check. Check out the contractor's photo ID and the "pocket license," which lists the type(s) of trade for which the contractor is licensed. Make sure the license is still valid and in good standing on cslb.ca.gov or by calling (800) 321-2752.

Find out about permit requirements. Check with the City's Building and Safety Office whether the project needs a building permit. If so, confirm that the contractor will obtain all necessary permits.

Check the contractor's insurance. Ask whether the contractor carries general liability insurance and worker's compensation insurance for employees.

Don't rush into repairs. Get at least three bids and request references on work that the contractor has completed in the local area. If possible, check out the contractor's past projects in person.

Have a written contract. All project materials and expectations (including cleanup, debris removal and site security) should be spelled out clearly in writing. Changes to the contract must be done in writing and signed by both parties. Keep a file of all project papers and payments. Never sign a contract without fully understanding the terms.

Don't pay in cash. Contractors cannot ask for deposits of more than 10 percent of the total cost of the job or \$1,000, whichever is less. Stick to the agreed schedule of payments. Don't make the final payment until you are satisfied with the job.

For information on a contractor's license history and disciplinary actions, call CSLB at (562) 345-7656. Free complaint forms are available at cslb.ca.gov or (800) 321-2752. ■



The Cerritos Nissan dealership renovation is expected to be completed in May 2016.

Cerritos Nissan dealership renovations approved

The Cerritos City Council recently gave the green light to a remodeling plan for the Cerritos Nissan car dealership.

The project, expected to commence late December, includes demolishing the existing service writers and reception offices. A customer waiting area will be added to the current showroom building. Other changes include an interior and exterior remodel to the general office, body shop and car-service area. The project includes refurbishing existing landscape and upgrading parking to comply with the Americans With Disabilities Act. The renovations are expected to be completed in May 2016.

The exterior will have a contemporary design. The body shop building will be painted in a grey color scheme to match the showroom, office and service building. Cerritos Nissan is located at 18707 Studebaker Road. ■

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day ceremony and youth contests planned

In celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the City of Cerritos will host a special ceremony on Monday, January 18 at 10 a.m. at the Cerritos Civic Center. The public is invited to attend this free event, which will include remarks by the Cerritos City Council and community involvement through songs and comments. Light refreshments will be served.

In honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the Cerritos Library is sponsoring art and writing contests for students. The art contest is open to students in kindergarten through grade 12. Participants may submit one art entry, no larger than 12" X 18," using any drawing or painting materials.

The writing contest is open to students in grades 7 through 12. Participants may submit one writing entry, which may be a poem or an essay with no more than 300 words, preferably typed on letter-size paper.

All art and writing contest entries should represent the theme of "Be the Peace You Wish to See in the World." Contest entry forms are available at the Cerritos Library and on the City's website at cerritos.us. Completed art and writing entries must be dropped off at the Cerritos Library's Children's Help Desk, 18025 Bloomfield Ave., by 8:30 p.m., Monday, January 4.

After judging, selected entries will be displayed at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Ceremony. Selected authors may be invited to present their entry during the ceremony and selected art entries will be on display at the Cerritos Library throughout January and February.

For more information about the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day ceremony or the art and writing contests, call the Community Participation Division at (562) 865-8101. ■

City Council Recap

City Council/Successor Agency meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Thursday of every month at City Hall. For details, call the City Clerk's Office from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday at (562) 916-1248.

October 22, 2015

- Appointed Mark W. Bollman to serve on the Board of Trustees of the Greater Los Angeles Vector Control District for a four-year term.
- Awarded Bid No. 1220-16 to The Greenery Design, Inc. for the weekly service and maintenance of interior and select exterior plants in and around various City facilities for a term of three years in the amount of \$2,800 monthly.
- Awarded Bid No. 1222-16 to Barbizon Lighting for the purchase and installation of a new stage lighting control system in the amount of \$86,953.46.
- Awarded Bid No. 1224-16, Project No. 14088, to Sequel Contractors for street improvements in residential streets in the amount of \$492,472.20; and
- Authorized staff to negotiate with Sequel Contractors for additional street improvements with available budgeted funds for a total combined project cost not to exceed \$600,000; and
- Authorized the City Manager or his designee to execute any project-related change orders.
- Adopted Ordinance No. 998 amending Title 22 of the Cerritos Municipal Code relating to the establishment, location, and/or operation of electronic cigarette retail establishments, herein referenced as Development Code Amendment 2015-3.
- Adopted Ordinance No. 999 amending Chapter 5.35, Tobacco Retail Licensing Regulations, of the Cerritos Municipal Code, adding a definition for electronic cigarettes and clarifying licensing requirements for retail establishments that sell or distribute electronic cigarettes, herein referenced as Development Code Amendment 2015-4.
- Adopted Resolution No. 2015-26 amending Resolution No. 2014-39, revising Section 18, Sick Leave, to provide for certain adjustments in the employment system and the personnel policies for full-time exempt employees and full-time confidential employees.
- Adopted Resolution No. 2015-27 declaring the City's intention to grant a pipeline franchise to SFPP, L.P.; and
- Set November 12, 2015 at 7 p.m. as the date and time of the public hearing at the Council Chambers of City Hall to consider the granting of a franchise to SFPP, L.P.
- Adopted Resolution 2015-28 authorizing utilization of Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Community Development Block Grant funds to improve accessibility to playground equipment located at Friendship Park and Brookhaven Park.
- Approved the tennis court allocation formula for Class A and Class B organizations; and

- Reviewed the requested tennis court usage by the Cerritos Liberty Tennis Club.
- Appointed Jim Edwards as the voting delegate to the National League of Cities 2015 annual business meeting to be held on November 7, 2015.
- Approved the recommendation of the Fine Arts and Historical Commission to restore the "Join the Parade" artwork to the original eight-piece set at a cost of \$45,000, and authorized the expenditure of this amount from the Art in Public Places Trust Fund.
- Approved the recommendation of the Fine Arts and Historical Commission to approve the sculptures titled "Flame" by Lyle London and "Joker" by Jeff Zischke for display in the Cerritos Sculpture Garden for a period of two years and award each artist a stipend of \$2,500.
- Continued the consideration of the award of a contract for maintenance of Cerritos arterial, center median and additional public landscaped areas, Bid No. 1225-16, to a date certain, November 12, 2015.

November 12, 2015

- Awarded Bid No. 1223-16 to Integrated Technology for support and maintenance of the Nortel/Avaya Telecommunication System for a one-year term with an option to renew on a yearly basis up to a total of three additional years based on the rates set forth as follows:
 1. Monthly Maintenance \$1,405.91
 2. Monthly Avaya Subscription \$655.12
 3. Labor Rates Standard TDM Voice \$105.00/Hour
 4. Applications (CallPilot, AACC, etc.) \$125.00/Hour
 5. IP Telephony \$140.00/Hour
- Awarded a contract for design services for groundwater treatment at the Cerritos Civic Center parking structure to ES Engineering, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$44,020 under the terms as specified in the agreement; and
- Authorized the City Manager or his designee to execute said agreement on behalf of the City of Cerritos, including any contract modifications that may be necessary to complete the specified scope of work.
- Adopted Resolution No. 2015-29 approving Precise Plan 97 8(A)(2015) amendment, a proposal by Berkshire Hathaway Automotive (Cerritos Nissan), on behalf of property owner Auto Square 18707, LLC, for demolition of service writers/reception offices; an addition to the existing showroom building to include a customer waiting area; an extension to the service canopy and a new car delivery canopy; a remodel of the interior and exterior of the existing general office and showroom building; minor exterior improvements to the existing body shop building; and refurbishment of existing landscaping throughout the property located at 18707 Studebaker Road (showroom) and 10906 Auto Square Drive (body shop). The subject property is zoned Development Area Five (ADP-5) (APN Nos. 7038-011-020, 7038-011-022 and 7038-011-023).
- Introduced Ordinance No. 2015-1000 granting to SFPP, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, a franchise to install, operate, maintain, replace, abandon in place and/or remove pipelines for the transportation of oil, gas, petroleum, liquid hydrocarbon products and other substances, in, under, along and across certain public streets as set forth in said ordinance within the City of Cerritos.
- Introduced Ordinance No. 2015-1001 amending Ordinance No. 802 to transfer a pipeline franchise originally granted to Santa Fe Pacific Pipeline Partners, L.P. to SFPP, L.P.
- Rejected all bids for Bid No. 1225-16, maintenance of Cerritos arterial, center median and additional public landscaped areas; authorized staff to re-advertise the project; and authorized all contractors to bid on the re-advertised project, including contractors who initially withdrew their bids.
- Approved the recommendation of the Fine Arts and Historical Commission to approve the four art pieces, entitled "California Poppy," "California Yarrow," "Grasslands" and "Live Oak," as proposed for Plaza 183, with the total cost to be born by Centercal Properties as part of the Art in Public Places Program.
- Awarded a contract for Cerritos Park East baseball field renovation design services to MIG under the terms as specified in the agreement in an amount not to exceed \$27,800; and
- Authorized the City Manager or his designee to execute said agreement on behalf of the City of Cerritos, including any contract modifications that may be necessary to complete the specified scope of work. Contract modifications may include costs for construction documents, assistance with the bidding process and construction administration in an additional amount not to exceed \$44,875 should the City Council allocate funding for the construction phase of the project in a future fiscal year.
- Directed the City Manager to obtain further information from the Contract Cities Association and, if the opt-out date is not extended and the Contract Cities Association is recommending contract cities to opt-out, then the City Manager is authorized to either take the necessary steps and execute any required documents or send any required notices to withdraw from the LA RICS JPA or remain a member of the LA-RICS JPA if forthcoming information supports that decision.
- Adjourned in memory of Bruce Robert Buell, Robert Houska and Bob Mills.

CCPA kicks off 2016 with exciting January acts



"Celtic Nights—Spirit of Freedom" will take place at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts on Friday, January 29.

The Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA) welcomes the New Year with a January lineup filled with a variety of entertainment!

The quintessential entertainer Donny Osmond performs Saturday, January 9 at 8 p.m. Since his teen-heartthrob years, during which he charmed America with the hits "Go Away Little Girl" and "Puppy Love," Osmond has delighted generations of fans as a Broadway star, actor, on-air personality, television host, record producer and author. He has sold more than 100 million albums worldwide; 33 of them Gold records. This year he released his 60th album, "The Soundtrack of My

Life," which pays homage to the songs that have influenced him. Ticket prices start at \$55.

Enjoy "The Best of Doo-Wop Vol. II" when the genre's icons unite on Saturday, January 16 at 8 p.m. Jam with the Vocal Group Hall of Fame band The Duprees ("Have You Heard," "My Own True Love" and "You Belong to Me"). The lineup also includes Jimmy Clanton ("Just a Dream," "A Letter to an Angel" and "Venus in Blue Jeans"); Milton Love, the original lead singer of the Solitaires ("Walking Along"); and Tony Middleton, original singer of the Willows ("Church Bells May Ring" and "My Dear Dearest Darling"). Freddy "Boom Boom" Cannon ("Tallahassee Lassie" and "Palisades Park") also performs. Tickets start at \$35.

Come see The Lawrence Welk alumni club at "Reunion of the Champagne Music Makers." The all-star show features the iconic variety television show's regulars, including Ralna English, who thrilled fans with duet partner Guy Hovis. Also performing are dancer Arthur Duncan, dance team Bobby and Elaine, singer-dancer Mary Lou Metzger and singer-songwriter Gail Farrell. The Champagne Music Makers Orchestra provides musical accompaniment. Tickets start at \$40 for the event, scheduled for Sunday, January 17 at 3 p.m.

Let tight harmonies and slick dance moves take you back to an era of sharkskin suits, flashy cars and martini shakers. Hot new vocal quartet Under the Streetlamp performs classics from the American radio songbook on Friday, January 22 at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$50. With the rapport of a modern-day Rat Pack, the group (including leading cast

members of the Tony-winning musical "Jersey Boys") delivers Doo-Wop, Motown, old-time Rock 'n' Roll and favorite songs from The Drifters, The Beach Boys, The Beatles and the Four Seasons.

Fiesta Mexico-Americana "A Celebration of Mexican American Heritage" spotlights the Mexican-American experience through song, dance, music and film. Grammy winner Los Lobos and Ballet Folklorico Mexicano dancers unite to celebrate the traditions and notable achievements of Mexican-Americans throughout history. Tickets start at \$40 for the show, which takes place Saturday, January 23 at 8 p.m.

Direct From Ireland "Celtic Nights—Spirit of Freedom" showcases the story of Irish independence, beginning 100 years ago with the 1916 Easter Rising. In an evening of music, song, dance and storytelling, the show highlights the rich Irish heritage and turns the spotlight on the struggles of a people fighting to gain freedom, independence and true democracy. The show is on Friday, January 29 at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$40.

Moscow Festival Ballet Presents "Cinderella" on Saturday, January 30 at 8 p.m. In an exuberant production featuring exquisite costumes, lush scenery and a rhapsodic score, the Moscow Festival Ballet brings to life the timeless tale of Cinderella. Featuring the grand music of Sergei Prokofiev, the production effortlessly unites romantic storybook Ballet and hearty physical comedy (think funny evil stepsisters) in this Russian spin on the favorite fairy tale. Tickets start at \$30.

Tickets are available at cerritoscenter.com or by calling (562) 916-8500. ■

Trash pilfering is illegal

The City of Cerritos' three barrel trash system requires residents to separate regular trash, yard waste and recyclables. This system benefits the environment and lessens the volume of items destined for landfills. Unfortunately, the recyclable barrels also attract individuals who pilfer for self-gain.

The Cerritos Sheriff's Station/Community Safety Center periodically receives complaints of late-night trash rummaging in various parts of the City on the night before trash pick-up day.

Cerritos Municipal Code Section 6.08.070 (d) reads: "No person, other than the owner thereof, his agents or employees or an officer or employee of this city or any person holding a contract with this city for the collection or disposal of refuse, his agents or employees authorized for such purposes, shall tamper or meddle with any refuse or rubbish container or the contents thereof, or remove the contents of any container or remove any container, from the location where the same shall have been placed by the owner thereof or his agent."

Once your trash cans have been left on the curb, the contents belong to the City's trash hauler, CalMet Services. Anyone pilfering trash is guilty of a misdemeanor and may be subject to arrest or a citation.

Residents who leave items out for scheduled pickups by non-profit groups should clearly mark the bag or item for pickup by the designated organization. Pickup from non-profit groups should be scheduled for a specific time of day, if possible. Some groups are willing to call a resident's home when they are a short distance away from the location so the items do not have to be left unattended for a lengthy period of time.

If you observe someone stealing items from a curbside trash can or a resident's property, call the Cerritos Sheriff's Station at (562) 860-0044. It is important to provide a description of the suspect and vehicle, if applicable. Residents may want to consider placing all three barrels or just their recyclable barrel out by 7 a.m. on the morning of trash collection day. This reduces the timeframe for pilfering and drastically lowers the chances of it occurring. ■

Illegal and unsafe drop-off of schoolchildren may result in a hefty citation

Illegally or unsafely dropping off or picking up schoolchildren from vehicles onto roadways near schools is a traffic violation and is subject to a citation.

In the interest of public safety, a Cerritos ordinance implements a \$25 fine for the violation; additional State and County penalties bring the total fine to more than \$135.

Adults are routinely seen walking their children to school across busy streets outside of crosswalks. Some drivers illegally park, often in the middle of the block, and allow their child to cross the street. This practice poses a safety risk, especially to young children. Some drivers block driveways and fire hydrants in residential areas to unload passengers or walk their children to school.

The Cerritos Municipal Code states:

- No driver may stop, park or leave his or her vehicle for the purpose of loading or unloading passengers unless the vehicle is legally parked.

Sign up to receive E-News from the City

The City of Cerritos E-News service provides residents with access to the latest City news and information. Participants can sign up for e-mails, text messages or both. Subscribers can choose to receive notifications on a variety of topics, including agenda postings, recreation information, crime information, job openings, street closures and many more.

The Cerritos E-News service makes it easier for the public to automatically receive information on the topics they specify.

To sign up for the Cerritos E-News service, click the "E-News" red envelope link on the homepage of the City's website at cerritos.us. ■

Beware of residential burglars

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department encourages Cerritos residents to take extra precautions to protect themselves from residential burglars.

The "If You See Something, Say Something" campaign urges residents to call the Sheriff's Dispatch Center immediately at (562) 860-0044 if they see strangers loitering, sitting in a parked car or knocking on doors with no apparent business or social purpose. A Sheriff's deputy will be dispatched to check your neighborhood.

Residents with valuables, such as jewelry or rare collectibles, are encouraged to rent a bank safety deposit box to store the items when they are not in use. Home alarm systems and owning dogs are excellent residential burglary deterrents. Always lock doors and windows when you are not home. In addition, do not leave the garage door open if you are inside your home.

For more residential burglary prevention tips, call the City's Community Safety Division at (562) 916-1266 or visit the Safer Cerritos website at safercerritos.com. ■

Apps offered by City of Cerritos

The City of Cerritos offers various apps to make life easier for residents.

GoRequest: Available for iPhones and Android phones, the app allows residents to make service requests. It is micro-browser friendly for Blackberry phones. Download the app from the Android Market/Google Play or iPhone App Store by searching for "GoRequest." Residents can report issues in the following categories: graffiti; trees – trim, roots or inspection; pothole or street issue; sidewalk or gutter; streetlight, street sign or traffic signal; debris or trash; weeds or overgrown vegetation; animal issue; code enforcement; water issue; or other.

The app uses the phone's GIS information to record the location of the service request. Photos of the area can be attached to the service request. Once an issue is reported through the app, City staff will track it and send status reports to the resident. For more information, call the City's Public Works Department at (562) 916-1220.

Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA) App: With the CCPA app for Apple and Android users, theater happenings are at your fingertips. With just a click or a swipe, users can check out the entire season, search for specific events and entertainers, purchase tickets and watch performer videos.

To access the CCPA's user-friendly app, search "Cerritos Ctr Performing Arts" in your device's app store and download the app. The app is also accessible on cerritoscenter.com.

Cerritos Library To Go App: The free app offers a tour of the library and access to the eCatalog, event calendar and the library's YouTube videos. The app's BookLook Mobile™ feature allows users to scan or enter a book's ISBN barcode data to see if the book is in the library's collection. With the app's Smart Prefix™ search, parts of words (such as "har pot ch" when looking for "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets") can be entered to easily search the eCatalog.

Cerritos Library cardholders can access their accounts and the library's research databases, download eBooks and eAudio Books and place books on hold through the app.

To download the app, visit the iTunes App Store, Android Market/Google Play or the Windows Store. For more information, call the Cerritos Library at (562) 916-1342.

Cerritos on Wheels App: The free app allows passengers to check the location of buses in real-time and the arrival time of each bus in service at any point along the route. It can be downloaded from the City's website at cerritotransit.com or from Apple's App store or the Android Market/Google play. (To download from the App Store or Google Play, search for TransLoc Rider.)

The app is provided as part of the City's contract with First Transit, the COW service operator. For more information, visit cerritotransit.com or call (562) 916-1202. ■

Timely removal of Christmas lights and decorations required

The City would like to remind residents to remove all Christmas lights and decorations in a timely fashion. The Cerritos Municipal Code requires that decorations and lights be removed within 15 days after a holiday to maintain the City's park-like appearance. Therefore, lights should be removed by Friday, January 15. ■

TV3 Schedule: January

City Council and Commission Meetings

Cerritos City Council Meetings

7 p.m. on Thursday, January 14 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Friday, January 15 and 9 a.m. on Monday, January 18

7 p.m. on Thursday, January 28 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Friday, January 29 and 9 a.m. on Monday, February 1

Planning Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Wednesday, January 6 (live), rebroadcasts: 10 a.m. on Friday, January 8 and 7 p.m. on Wednesday, January 13

Fine Arts and Historical Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Thursday, January 21 (live), rebroadcasts: 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 26 and 9 a.m. on Thursday, January 28

Property Preservation Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Tuesday, January 26 (live), rebroadcasts: 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 28 and 7 p.m. on Tuesday, February 2

Program Highlights

The Bronx Wanderers in Concert at the CCPA

7 p.m. on Tuesday, January 12; 7 p.m. on Friday, January 22; and 7 p.m. on Sunday, January 24

Te Vaka in Concert at the CCPA

6 p.m. on Sunday, January 17 and 10 a.m. on Wednesday, January 27

Lucy Woodward in Concert at the CCPA

7:30 p.m. on Friday, January 8

Cerritos Water Recycling

7 p.m. on Tuesday, January 5

From Dairy Valley to Cerritos

5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 5

Cerritos Library Author Showcase: Lisa See

10 a.m. on Wednesday, January 13

For Cerritos TV3 schedule and streaming video, visit: cerritos.us/RESIDENTS/tv3.php

Calendar of Events

- December 31 • **Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course and Community Centers closed at 4 p.m.**
• **Library and Senior Center closed at 5 p.m.**
- January 1 • **New Year's Day**
• **City Hall, City Clerk's Office, Library, Senior Center, Community Centers and CCPA Ticket Office closed**
- January 2 • **Cerritos Certified Farmers' Market**, 8 a.m.-noon, northwest parking lot of the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts. Also on January 9, 16, 23 and 30.
• **Cerritos Tennis Club**, 7 a.m.-noon, Cerritos High School tennis courts, members only. Also on January 3, 9, 10, 16, 17, 23, 24, 30 and 31. Contact Allen at (562) 926-9551.
- January 4 • **Rotary Club of Cerritos**, noon, HomeTown Buffet, 11471 South Street, Cerritos. Also on January 11, 18 and 25. Contact Sharun Carlson at (562) 404-1993.
- January 5 • **Iron-Wood Women's Golf Club** plays, 7:30 a.m., Cerritos Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course. Also on January 12, 19 and 26. Contact Sharon Hamel at (562) 598-6165.
• **Cerritos Chinese-American Senior Citizens Association**, 2-5 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on January 12, 19 and 26. Contact Janet Liang at (562) 331-1028.
• **Classic Estates Toastmaster Club**, 6 p.m., Century 21 Classic Estates, 13217 South Street. Also on January 12, 19 and 26. The public is invited to attend. Contact Soledad Almarinez at (562) 865-2922 for more information.
• **Souful Seniors of Cerritos**, 6-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Contact Louida Shaw at (562) 412-7448.
• **The "Original" Happy Seniors of Cerritos**, 6:30-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on January 12, 19 and 26. Contact Victoria Ilano at (562) 862-2842.
• **ABC School District Board** meeting, 7 p.m., 16700 Norwalk Blvd., Cerritos. Also on January 19.
- January 6 • **Planning Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
• **Cerritos Cheerful Chatters Toastmasters Club**, noon, SELACO Workforce Investment Board, 10900 E. 183rd Street, 3rd Floor, Cerritos. Visitors welcome. Also on January 13, 20 and 27. Contact Larry Lee at (562) 402-9336.
• **Friends of the 1st CEB**, 6 p.m., Liberty Park. Also on January 23 at 10 a.m. Contact Dorothy Owen at (562) 926-1092.
• **Cerritos Tennis Club**, 6-10 p.m., Cerritos High School tennis courts, members only. Also on January 13, 20 and 27. Contact Allen at (562) 926-9551.
• **Toastmasters International Club 3828: Eclectic Dialectics**, 7:30 p.m., Vintage Cerritos, 11000 New Falcon Way, Cerritos. Also on January 13, 20 and 27. Contact Pat Lozano or Nick Kim at (562) 281-7332.
- January 7 • **Cerritos Optimist Club**, 7 a.m., Off Street Café, 11020 Artesia Blvd. Also on January 14 and 28. Contact Gary McHatton at (562) 883-5821.
• **Happy Seniors of Cerritos Association**, 2-5 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on January 21. Contact Emma Chupinghong at (562) 400-1075.
• **Cerritos Indo-American Seniors**, 3:30-5:30 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on January 14, 21 and 28. Contact Jashbhai Patel at (562) 382-7611.
• **Fil-AM Seniors of Cerritos**, 6-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on January 21. Contact Flor Carlos at (562) 879-9880.
• **Formosa Senior Association**, 6:30-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on January 14, 21 and 28. Contact Chai Tsuan Liang at (562) 382-7769.
- January 8 • **Filipino Seniors of Cerritos**, 1 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on January 15, 22 and 29. Contact Mayette Centeno at (562) 860-6802.
- January 10 • **'Ahaui 'O Lili'uokalani Hawaiian Civic Club of Southern California**, 10 a.m., John Jensen residence. Contact John Jensen at (562) 926-2286 for more information.
- January 11 • **Cerritos Gadabouts**, 9 a.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on January 25. Contact Josie Garcia at (562) 926-1225.
- January 12 • **Cerritos-Artesia Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1846**, 6:30 p.m., Heritage Park. Also on January 26. Contact Jeffrey Enomoto at (714) 292-2985.
• **Cerritos Republican Club**, 7 p.m., Cerritos Library Skyline Room. Contact Matt Kauble at (562) 743-1855, or visit the website at cerritos-republican.org.
• **Volunteer attorneys** provide free basic legal advice and referrals for Cerritos residents, 7-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on January 26. Call (562) 865-8101 for an appointment.
- January 13 • **Soroptimist International of Artesia-Cerritos**, 6 p.m., Coco's, 11510 E. South Street, Cerritos. Also on January 27. Contact Pat Law at (562) 924-6222.
- January 14 • **Cerritos Rod & Gun Club**, 7 p.m., Heritage Park. Contact Mike Van Scoy at (562) 926-4392.
• **City Council** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
• **Woman's Club of Artesia-Cerritos**, 11 a.m., Cerritos Library Skyline Room. Contact Joanne Witt at (562) 860-2036.
• **Cerritos Senior Dance Club**, 6-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on January 28. Contact Juanita Cantano at (562) 926-2912.
- January 15 • **Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.**, Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter. Please call Chapter voicemail at (714) 517-7909 for meeting time and location.
- January 18 • **Martin Luther King Jr. Day**
• **City Hall, City Clerk's Office, Library, Senior Center and CCPA Ticket Office closed**
• **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day ceremony**, 10 a.m., Civic Center.
• **Hubert Humphrey Democratic Club**, 7 p.m., Coco's, 11510 E. South Street, Cerritos. Contact Tina Cho at (562) 822-5950 or hhdemocrat@gmail.com.
- January 20 • **Community Safety Committee** meeting, 7 p.m., Cerritos Sheriff's Station/Community Safety Center.
• **Veterans Workshop Seminars**, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., SELACO Workforce Investment Board, 10900 E. 183rd Street, #392 (3rd Floor), Cerritos. Also on January 26 at the Employment Development Department, 12715 S. Pioneer Blvd., Norwalk. For more information, please call (562) 929-9107.
- January 21 • **Fine Arts and Historical Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
• **American Association of University Women**, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Cerritos Library Skyline Room. Contact Mary Ann Quinn at (562) 924-1888.
• **Cerritos Optimist Club**, 7 p.m., Café n' Stuff, 9306 E. Firestone Blvd, Downey. Contact Gary McHatton at (562) 883-5821.
- January 26 • **Property Preservation Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- January 27 • **Let Freedom Ring Committee** meeting, 7 p.m., Cerritos Sheriff's Station/Community Safety Center.
- January 28 • **City Council** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
• **Philippine Society of Southeast Los Angeles**, 7 p.m., Liberty Park. Contact Nimfa Castro at (562) 822-3633.
- January 30 • **Recreation Services Youth Baseball** registration, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sports Complex. Also on February 3, 4-8 p.m. and February 6, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
• **Mystery on the Menu** luncheon, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Library Skyline Room.

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Festival of Friendship planned

The community is invited to celebrate Cerritos' rich cultural diversity at the City's Festival of Friendship from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday, February 6. The City of Cerritos and the Let Freedom Ring Committee, in conjunction with the Los Cerritos Center, are presenting the event. The festival will be held in the Los Cerritos Center.

The Festival of Friendship will feature a variety of cultural entertainment on various stages. Local groups will perform an assortment of ethnic songs and dances.

Special commemorative gifts will be distributed at each stage. For more information, call the City's Recreation Services Division at (562) 916-1254. ■

Parking prohibited during street sweeping

Street parking in Cerritos is prohibited during specified days and times designated for street sweeping.

Street-sweeping days in Cerritos are scheduled weekly on the day after trash is collected. Signs indicating the restricted day and four-hour time period of prohibited parking are posted at the entrances to each residential housing tract.

Violators of the ordinance are subject to a \$25 ticket for each offense. The restriction will not be enforced during weeks when there is an official holiday and City Hall is closed.

Maps indicating street-sweeping days and times in Cerritos are available at cerritos.us. For more information, call the Community Safety Division at (562) 916-1245. ■

Ban on new e-cigarette businesses approved

The Cerritos City Council recently approved an ordinance prohibiting the establishment of new electronic cigarette businesses in the City.

Citing potential health risks associated with electronic cigarettes, the City Council is also requiring all businesses that sell e-cigarettes, including convenience stores and gas stations, to obtain a tobacco retail license from the City of Cerritos in addition to the State of California. ■

Christmas tree recycling offered

Residents in single-family homes can recycle their Christmas trees beginning Saturday, December 26 through Friday, January 15 by placing them at the curb for pick-up by 7 a.m. on their trash collection days. The trees will be composted or used for the Los Angeles County Sanitation District's daily landfill cover.

Trees to be recycled should not contain any lights, tinsel, nails, metal stands or decorations, and should not be placed in bags. Trees more than 4 feet tall should be cut in half. Flocked trees will be accepted.

Businesses in Cerritos or residents living in apartments or condominiums can place trees next to their trash bin for collection. For more information, call the City's Public Works Department at (562) 916-1220. ■

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