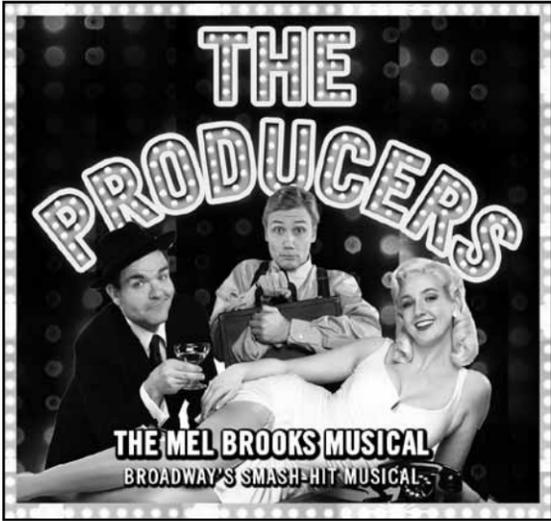


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CCPA's February lineup offers exciting acts



"The Producers" is playing at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts on Friday, February 12 and Saturday, February 13.

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. ■

City to observe Presidents' Day

Cerritos City Hall, Cerritos Library, Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park and the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts Ticket Office will be closed on Monday, February 15 in observance of Presidents' Day. All park facilities will maintain regular hours. Trash collection schedules will not be affected. The City's street sweeping parking ordinance will not be enforced from February 15 to 19. ■

Local Hazard Mitigation Plan draft available for review

The City of Cerritos has updated its Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) as mandated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. A current LHMP allows the City to reduce the costs associated with disaster response and recovery by implementing hazard mitigation strategies.

Beginning Friday, February 12, a final draft of the LHMP will be available for review at the Public Works counter at City Hall and on the City's website at cerritos.us. The City Council will conduct a public hearing to discuss the draft at the February 25 City Council meeting. ■

The Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA) offers a taste of Broadway and classical and rock concerts in February.

In a three-part format at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 3, Rob Kapilow dissects Ludwig van Beethoven's "Kreutzer Sonata" with violinist Blake Pouliot and pianist Hsin-I Huang. Tickets start at \$55.

Based on comic veteran Mel Brooks' Oscar-winning film, "The Producers" is the story of a down-on-his-luck theatrical producer and his mousy accountant. The two concoct the ultimate scam: Raise more money than needed for a sure-fire Broadway flop and pocket the difference. This comedic masterpiece, which holds the record for the most Tony Awards garnered, is presented at 8 p.m. on Friday, February 12, and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Saturday, February 13. The production contains mature content and is recommended for age 14 and older. Ticket prices begin at \$40.

The Band of the Royal Marines and The Pipes, Drums, and Highland Dancers of the Scots Guards celebrate the music of Scotland, England, Ireland and Wales on Saturday, February 20 at 8 p.m. The family-friendly show features a unique blend of music, pageantry and history highlighted by traditional Folk music and military tunes. Tickets start at \$35.

Bassist Lee Rocker was one of the founders of the Grammy-winning Rockabilly group Stray Cats, which pounced up the music charts with the hits "Stray Cat Strut," "(She's) Sexy + 17" and "Rock This Town." One of the biggest acts to emerge from Australia, Little River Band broke into the U.S. market with a string of gems – including "Reminiscing," "Lady," "Lonesome Loser" and "Take It Easy on Me." The groups perform on Saturday, February 27 at 8 p.m. Ticket prices start at \$50.

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

Long Beach Animal Care Services handles animal control

The City of Cerritos contracts with Long Beach Animal Care Services for animal control services. The agency provides the following services to the community:

- Dog licensing;
- Investigating cruelty to animal complaints;
- Picking up and impounding stray dogs upon request;
- Providing traps with a refundable deposit for feral cats and other animals, such as opossums;
- Maintaining and operating a public animal shelter to service the City of Cerritos; and
- Enforcing all animal control regulations adopted by the City of Cerritos.

To obtain an animal trap, residents should contact Long Beach Animal Care Services. A refundable deposit is required to borrow an animal trap. If no traps are available, residents

may call the City's Community Safety Division at (562) 916-1266 for further assistance. Residents can also call the City's Community Safety Division to report animal problems. City staff will then forward the information to Long Beach Animal Care Services.

The City of Cerritos handles barking dog investigations. Residents with a barking dog concern should contact the Cerritos Community Safety Division at (562) 916-1266. Matters relating to stray dogs, vicious dogs, deceased dogs, animal bites, etc. are the responsibility of Long Beach Animal Care Services.

For more information, contact Long Beach Animal Care Services at (562) 570-7387. Please note that the Long Beach facility is closed on Monday and Tuesday. Any inquiries on those days should be made to the City's Community Safety Division. ■

Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts presents free concert by Jazz Ambassadors of the U.S. Army Field Band

The Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts is hosting a free, family-friendly concert by the Jazz Ambassadors of the U.S. Army Field Band on Tuesday, March 15, 7 p.m.

Tickets for the free concert will be issued on the day of the performance on a first-come-first-served basis. For more information on the concert, call (562) 916-8500 or go to cerritoscenter.com.

The Jazz Ambassadors is the official touring big band of the United States Army. Formed in 1969, this 19-member ensemble has received great acclaim at home and abroad performing America's greatest original art form: jazz. The band's diverse repertoire includes standards, big band swing, bebop, Latin, contemporary jazz, pop, dixieland and patriotic selections, many of which are written or arranged by members of the Jazz Ambassadors.

The Jazz Ambassadors has appeared in all 50 states, Canada, Mexico, Japan, India and throughout Europe. Recent notable performances include concerts at the Toronto Jazz Festival, the Richmond Jazz Festival at Maymont, the Kennedy Center Honors, the Jazz Education Network Conference and an appearance on the Colbert Report.

Gordon Goodwin, Bobby Shew, Ernie Watts and the Dave Brubeck All-Star Quintet are just a few of the outstanding Jazz artists who have shared the stage with the Jazz Ambassadors.



The Jazz Ambassadors of the U.S. Army Field Band perform at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts Tuesday, March 15 at 7 p.m.

The band has been featured in joint concerts with Marvin Hamlisch and the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, the San Diego Symphony Orchestra, the Seattle Symphony Pops, the Colorado Pops Orchestra and the New York Pops at Carnegie Hall. The band's rigorous touring schedule and reputation for excellence has earned it the title of "America's Big Band." ■

Calendar of Events

- 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.
- **Cerritos Certified Farmers' Market**, 8 a.m.-noon, northwest parking lot of the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts. Also on February 6, 13, 20 and 27.
- **Mystery on the Menu** luncheon, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Library Skyline Room.
- **Cerritos Tennis Club**, 7 a.m.-noon, Cerritos High School tennis courts, members only. Also on January 31, February 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, 27 and 28. Contact Allen at (562) 926-9551.
- February 1 • **Rotary Club of Cerritos**, noon, HomeTown Buffet, 11471 South Street, Cerritos. Also on February 8, 15, 22 and 29. Contact Sharun Carlson at (562) 404-1993.
- February 2 • **Iron-Wood Women's Golf Club** plays, 7:30 a.m., Cerritos Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course. Also on February 9, 16 and 23. 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 February 9, 16 and 23. Contact Emma Tung at (562) 924-8730.
- **Classic Estates Toastmaster Club**, 6 p.m., Century 21 Classic Estates, 13217 South Street. Also on February 9, 16 and 23. The public is invited to attend. Contact Soledad Almarinez at (562) 865-2922 for more information.
- **Soulful 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 February 9, 16 and 23. Contact Victoria Ilano at (562) 862-2842.
- **ABC School District Board** meeting, 7 p.m., 16700 Norwalk Blvd., Cerritos. Also on February 16.
- February 3 • **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 February 10, 17 and 24. Contact Larry Lee at (562) 402-9336.
- **Friends of the 1st CEB**, 6 p.m., Liberty Park. Also on February 20, 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 February 10, 17 and 24. 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 February 10, 17 and 24. Contact Pat Lozano or Nick Kim at (562) 281-7332.
- February 4 • **Parks and Recreation Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Cerritos Optimist Club**, 7 a.m., Off Street Café, 11020 Artesia Blvd. Also on February 11 and 25. 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 February 18. 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 February 11, 18 and 25. Contact Jashbhai Patel at (562) 219-0770.
- **Fil-AM Seniors of Cerritos**, 6-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on February 18. Contact Flor Carlos at (562) 879-9880.
- **Formosa Senior Association**, 6:30-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on February 11, 18 and 25. Contact Chai Tsuan Liang at (562) 382-7769.
- February 5 • **Filipino Seniors of Cerritos**, 1 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on February 12, 19 and 26. Contact Mayette Centeno at (562) 331-0938.
- **Southern California Philippine U.S. Veterans Association**, 7:30 p.m., Liberty Park. Contact Pedro Dionisio at (562) 881-3480.
- February 6 • **Festival of Friendship**, noon, Cultural Entertainment, Los Cerritos Center.
- February 8 • **Cerritos Gadabouts**, 9 a.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on February 22. Contact Josie Garcia at (562) 926-1225.
- February 9 • **Economic Development Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Cerritos-Artesia Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1846**, 6:30 p.m., Heritage Park. Also on February 23. 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 February 23. Call (562) 865-8101 for an appointment.
- February 10 • **Ash Wednesday**
- **Soroptimist International of Artesia-Cerritos**, 6 p.m., Coco's, 11510 E. South Street, Cerritos. Also on February 24. Contact Pat Law at (562) 924-6222.
- **Cerritos Rod & Gun Club**, 7 p.m., Heritage Park. Contact Mike Van Scoy at (562) 926-4392.
- February 11 • **City Council** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Cerritos Senior Dance Club**, 6-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on February 25. Contact Juanita Cantano at (562) 926-2912.
- February 12 • **Lincoln's Birthday**
- February 13 • **Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation** free tax preparation through Saturday, April 9, Norwalk Social Service Center, 11929 Alondra Blvd., Norwalk. To make an appointment, call (562) 929-5961.
- February 14 • **Valentine's Day**
- **'Ahahui '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.
- February 15 • **Presidents' Day**
- **City Hall, City Clerk's Office, Library, Senior Center and CCPA Ticket Office closed**
- **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.
- February 17 • **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 February 23 at the Employment Development Department, 12715 S. Pioneer Blvd., Norwalk. For more information, please call (562) 929-9107.
- February 18 • **Cerritos Optimist Club**, 7 p.m., Café n' Stuff, 9306 E. Firestone Blvd., Downey. Contact Gary McHatton at (562) 883-5821.
- February 19 • **Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.**, Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter. Please call Chapter voicemail at (714) 517-7909 for meeting time and location.
- February 20 • **American Association of University Women** Funds Brunch, 11 a.m., Flo Buchanan's Tanglewood Community Room, 4247R Via Largo, Cypress. Contact Mary Ann Quinn at (562) 924-1888.
- February 22 • **Washington's Birthday**
- February 23 • **Property Preservation Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- February 25 • **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.
- February 28 • **Cerritos Resident Talent Show auditions**, noon-4 p.m., Cerritos Park East.

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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.

November 23, 2015

- The City Council voted to support an appropriation of \$20,000 in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Combined Financial Program to facilitate the Cerritos on Two Wheels Community Bike Ride to be held on Saturday, October 1, 2016.
- Awarded Bid No. 1227-16 to Don Peterson Contracting, Inc. for the supply of a heat exchanger for engine 3 of the C-2 Water Booster Station located at 16540 Marquardt Avenue in the amount of \$39,429.00.
- Rejected awarded Bid No. 1217-16 to Goodspeed Distribution for the supply of engine oil on the grounds that the bid was non-responsive; and
- Awarded Bid No. 1226-16 to Goodspeed Distribution for the supply of several grades of engine oil and grease for a three-year term, as specified with the following unit prices:

Item Description/Comparable Item	Goodspeed Distribution Hesperia, CA
Gas Engine Oil SAE 40/ Chevron HDAX 5200 LA 40 wt GEO	\$721.20/55 gallon drum
DTE Oil, Light Bearing/ Chevron GST Oil 32	\$672.04/55 gallon drum
DTE Oil, Heavy Medium/ Chevron GST Oil 68	\$703.21/55 gallon drum
Extra Heavy Bearing/ Chevron Regal R&O 150	\$923.23/55 gallon drum
EP2 Grease/ Chevron Multifak EP2 Grease	\$27.37/case of 10 tubes

- Received and filed an informational report on the status of the implementation of the citywide Bikeway Master Plan.

Free tax preparation offered for qualifying households

The Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation is offering free tax preparation for taxpayers who meet the following qualifications for 2015: total income less than \$54,000; interest income less than \$10,000; fewer than five stock transactions; self-employment expenses less than \$5,000; and no rental income.

Tax preparation will be offered in 2016 from Saturday, February 13 through Saturday, April 9 at the Norwalk Social Service Center at 11929 Alondra Blvd, Norwalk, CA 90650. Assistance for English, Chinese, Spanish and Vietnamese speakers is available. To make an appointment, call (562) 929-5961. ■

Options for feral cat control

There are options for residents who are dealing with a roaming cat problem. Many roaming cats are feral cats that live off of pet food left out by residents. Do not leave any cat or dog food out on patios or porches overnight or for extended periods of time. Put out an animal trap and capture cats that wander into yards. Trapped cats can then be turned over to an animal care officer.

Cats with identification tags will be returned to their owners, who may face penalties, including a \$35 impound fee; a \$35 state penalty fee if the cat is unaltered; a \$15 vaccination fee; a \$10 fee for a rabies shot if a rabies certificate isn't presented; a \$25 microchip fee if the cat is not microchipped; and \$15 per day for boarding and care.

Residents are encouraged to outfit their cat with a collar and an ID tag that includes the owner's name, address and telephone number. A microchip is also helpful and greatly increases the chance that a cat will be returned safely if found.

The City of Cerritos contracts for animal control services with Long Beach Animal Care Services Bureau. The Bureau's officers will not go on private property to trap or impound stray cats, but they will loan traps to Cerritos residents after a refundable deposit is paid. The traps are available at the Bureau's shelter at 7700 East Spring Street in Long Beach.

For more information, contact Long Beach Animal Care Services Bureau at (562) 570-7387. ■