

The Cerritos News

New online registration system to offer improved service

The City of Cerritos is pleased to announce that a new, upgraded online registration system for recreation, library and senior center activities, classes, excursions and services will soon be available. The new system, RACER Powered by CivicRec, is a robust product that offers many exciting new features. RACER (Register for Activities, Classes and Excursions Rapidly) will also be used by City staff to manage all facility reservations.

RACER provides excellent processing speed and capacity, so patrons will not experience a delay in the online registration process. The RACER web page has a responsive design and can be accessed through cell phones, tablets and computers. The course catalog is easy to search and can be filtered by the program type, location, age group or day of the week. Once registration for activities is completed, the information can be shared with the patron's Google Calendar or Microsoft Outlook account. The registration receipt is also enhanced with line item descriptions for each charge.

To use the new system, patrons will need to first register for RACER accounts for themselves and their family members. (To ensure the system has accurate, current information, accounts in the Class/eConnect system will not be transferred into RACER.) The following schedule will apply:

- RACER accounts need to be activated by Tuesday, July 31, 2018 to register for Cerritos Library and Recreation Services Division activities starting in August.
- To register for Cerritos Senior Center programs starting in the fall, accounts need to be activated by Saturday, September 1, 2018.

An e-mail address is required to open a RACER

account. The Cerritos Senior Center will offer patrons assistance with opening free e-mail accounts.

RACER account registration will be offered in May at the following locations and times:

- Cerritos City Hall Recreation Services Counter, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Cerritos Library, Mondays and Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Cerritos Senior Center, Mondays and Wednesdays, 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- Heritage Park, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Registration will continue during June and July.

Patrons have the option of going online to start the registration process. Patrons can enter names, addresses, birth dates and special medical information for their family members on a web page that will be announced. To complete the registration process, patrons must visit one of the facilities listed above so City staff can verify information and activate the accounts. For patrons who go online to start the registration process, RACER offers a social media sign-on feature, giving users the option to log in with their Facebook or Google username and password. If this option is chosen, Facebook and Google policies will apply to the account. For example, Facebook's Data Policy states in part, "We receive information about you and your activities on and off Facebook from third-party partners, such as information from a partner when we jointly offer services or from an advertiser about your experiences or interactions with them."

RACER account activation requires patrons to present documentation to establish their city of residence and age. The residency documentation helps ensure

Cerritos residents receive priority registration. Please bring the required documentation to City Hall, Cerritos Library, Cerritos Senior Center or Heritage Park to complete the account activation process. Adults must provide the following documents:

- A valid California Driver's License, California ID or government-issued ID with current address
- One of the following items postmarked within the last 60 days:
 - Utility bill
 - Rent receipt, tax bill or escrow papers
 - Credit card or bank statement
 - Car registration

Note that both items presented for residency verification must show your name and have the same street address. The system cannot accept a P.O. Box as the residence or mailing address.

To register a child age 17 or younger, his or her parent's information from the above section is required. In addition, one of the following documents is required to verify the child's date of birth: birth certificate, passport, baptism certificate, current year tax form, insurance paperwork, school emergency card with birthdate or school ID with birthdate.

RACER was selected by the City to replace the Class/eConnect registration system that has been in use since 1999 because Class software is no longer supported by the vendor. The City is delighted to offer an upgraded online registration system and appreciates the cooperation from residents and patrons in registering for RACER so they may continue enjoying the City's many outstanding programs. For more information about RACER, call the Recreation Services Division at (562) 916-1254. ■

Cerritos Sheriff's Station is safe zone for online transaction exchanges

The City of Cerritos would like to remind the community that the Cerritos Sheriff's Station lobby and parking lot are available as safe locations for buyers and sellers to meet to complete online transactions. The Cerritos Sheriff's Station lobby is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

While online buying and selling can be easy and convenient, the practices also come with risks. Allowing a stranger to come to your home or other location to pay for and pick-up an item can be a threat to your safety.

When meeting people to buy or sell items, heed the following tips:

- Meet at a reasonable time of day, preferably during daylight.
- Don't meet alone or with children present. Have someone accompany you.
- Don't hand over the item until you have the cash in hand.
- Avoid meeting at your home. If the item is too large to transport easily, consider placing it in the garage or on the porch/entry way. Arrange a meeting in a public place first (and bring a friend) to see proof of identity. If you're comfortable, allow the person to follow you home. If the buyer has brought someone, keep them together in your presence. The less they see or have access to your home and personal belongings, the better.

- If you agree to meet at a neutral location, consider a well-lit area with people around and video surveillance cameras, such as the Cerritos Sheriff's Station lobby or parking lot. Don't meet in an area that's unfamiliar or uncomfortable to you. If the other party is not willing to meet you in a place you feel safe, don't meet.
- When purchasing items, inspect them for accuracy and be sure you're getting what you want. It's okay to change your mind and not purchase the item(s).
- If a deal seems too good to be true, it usually is. There are a lot of stolen items sold online. Drug users may sell things at extremely discounted prices just to get money quickly. Contact the Cerritos Sheriff's Station at (562) 860-0044 if you think something is stolen.
- Be careful with your money. Don't open your wallet and pull money out in front of the seller. Have the exact amount agreed upon in a specific pocket.
- If paying online, use credit cards or secure payment services instead of debit cards.
- When making online purchases in public, use your mobile phone network instead of WiFi.

The Cerritos Sheriff's Station is located at 18135 Bloomfield Avenue, next to City Hall. The phone number is (562) 860-0044. For more crime prevention and safety tips, visit safercerritos.com. ■

City's Memorial Day Ceremony set for May 28

The City of Cerritos invites the community to attend a Memorial Day Ceremony on Monday, May 28 at 10 a.m. near the Cerritos Veterans Memorial in the Cerritos Civic Center.

The event is held in honor of those who have given the ultimate sacrifice while defending our nation's freedom as members of the United States armed forces.

The Memorial Day Ceremony will begin with prelude music at 9:45 a.m. The ceremony will include a presentation of colors; comments by the City Council; laying of wreaths; and a moment of silence. Light refreshments will be served following the ceremony.

For more information, contact the Community Participation Division at (562) 865-8101. ■

Traffic signal design contract awarded

The Cerritos City Council recently awarded W.G. Zimmerman Engineering of Huntington Beach a \$47,756.90 contract to design the traffic signal at Bloomfield Avenue and 166th Street.

The improvements include modifying the existing light to make it a fully protected signal for drivers making left turns. A \$54,000 grant from Caltrans will fully fund this project. ■

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.

January 22, 2018

- Authorized the City Manager or his designee to execute the document(s) to facilitate, acknowledge and consent to the transfer of the ground leases of the Cerritos Towne Center retail component from GARP to Cerritos TC Property LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Metropolitan Life Insurance Company and the Utah State Retirement Investment Fund, in such form as the City Manager shall deem appropriate, including any estoppel certificates, assignment consent, or related implementing documentation required or appropriate in connection with completion of such assignment in the forms attached with the agenda or such other form as the City Manager shall deem appropriate.
- Authorized the City Manager or his designee to negotiate the final terms and sale price, entering the City into an agreement of sale of the Cerritos/Astor Museum collection for a minimum of \$1,087,000 to Browning Automotive Group and to encourage Mr. Browning to arrange for public viewing and educational enrichment of the collection.
- Awarded a contract in the amount of \$270,599 for Heritage building annex demolition (base bid and

alternatives No. 1 and No. 2), Bid No. 1329-17, to BWV & Company; and

- Authorized the City Manager or his designee to execute any project-related change orders.

February 8, 2018

- Continued to a future meeting the item regarding amending the Cerritos General Plan Land Use Map by changing the land use designation of approximately ± 1.98 acres of land located at 12616 183rd Street (APN No. 7030-002-902) from public and quasi-public to office professional commercial, herein referenced as General Plan Amendment 2017-1.
- Continued to a future meeting the item regarding amending the Cerritos Development Map by changing the zone classification of approximately ± 1.98 acres of land located at 12616 183rd Street (APN No. 7030-002-902) from open space to commercial office professional, herein referenced as Development Map Amendment 2017-2.
- Awarded a contract for Cerritos Sports Complex field renovation design services to PRZ Consulting in an amount not to exceed \$12,000; and
- Awarded a contract for Cerritos Sports Complex site survey work to Community Works Design Group in an amount not to exceed \$37,740; and
- Authorized the City Manager or his designee to execute any contract modifications that may be necessary to complete the specified scope of work.
- Adjourned in memory of Ralph Barbero.

Minimize attraction of outdoor pests

While Los Angeles County Vector Control reports that Cerritos has one of the lowest numbers of pest complaints, outdoor animals such as rats, opossums and raccoons are occasionally seen within the city. To help residents better understand these animals and minimize their exposure to these pests and the fleas they carry, the City offers the following facts and tips.

Outdoor pests can be found in many residential areas where natural foliage provides them with an ideal place to live and make their homes. Fruit, avocado and nut trees provide an excellent source of food. If a rodent is seeking shelter, it can easily enter a home by climbing adjacent trees, gnawing through wood siding and partitions or crawling through even the smallest holes or vents.

Rodents live in burrows or holes in the earth, and also above ground. They will hide in attics, basements or other buildings on your property, in addition to piles of trash or wood. Trees and dense shrubbery also act as nesting sites.

Practice safe flea control and do not allow pets to roam freely where they can come into contact with infected fleas. When purchasing pesticides to treat yards and homes, use only materials which state "fleas" on the label and follow all label directions carefully.

Signs to look for

Signs that outdoor pests may be nesting on your property include:

- Seeing them – in trees or on wires and fences. Rats are usually less than a foot long and are dark gray, black or brown in color. Opossums are typically the size of a house cat and have coarse, gray hair, a white snout and a long pointed muzzle with many teeth. Opossums are most active at night, usually scavenging for food.
- Droppings – found most often around the animal's nesting sites, runways or feeding areas.
- Noise – thumping, scraping or squealing in walls or attics.
- Damage – gnaw marks on fruit or branches. Also, inspect for chewed wood, cloth, paper or bags.
- Smudges – black marks on exposed runway surfaces made when a rat rubs its dirty fur against a structure.
- Tracks – five-toed and up to one inch in length.

Getting rid of them

Aside from unnerving residents, outdoor pests can become nuisances by chewing through wiring, rummaging through garbage and carrying disease. A qualified exterminator can take care of rat problems, or the pests can be trapped with poison or other bait. Do not attempt to capture and relocate animals to other areas. This practice violates California Fish and Game laws, spreads disease and is considered inhumane.

If you catch an opossum in your yard that has not been trapped, do not corner it or attempt to pick it up. Instead, try to scare it away with a flashlight or loud noise. Opossums often play dead when startled. Leave it alone and it will eventually scurry away.

Tips to minimize exposure

The following tips can help keep outdoor pests away from your home:

- Keep ivy, shrubs and other ground cover trimmed back.
- Don't leave anything in your yard overnight that could serve as food or water for rats and opossums, including pet food, water dishes or birdseed.
- Pick up pet droppings regularly from your yard.
- Use plastic garbage bags and close the lid tightly on outdoor trash cans.
- Seal or cover all possible entrance holes in your home measuring one-quarter inch or more in size.
- Keep any woodpiles at least 18 inches above the ground.
- Pick up any fruits and vegetables that have fallen from backyard trees or plants.
- Consider removing fruit trees or plants that attract outdoor animals.
- When cleaning nesting areas, spray the area with disinfectant and wear protective equipment such as a particle mask or respirator, goggles and gloves.

If you need help with rodent problems, call the Los Angeles County Environmental Health Division at (626) 430-5450. For problems with insects such as mosquitos, call the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District at (562) 944-9656. ■

Community Spring Festival set for April 27–29

Cerritos residents are invited to attend the City's Community Spring Festival Celebrating the City's 62nd Anniversary at the Cerritos Sports Complex from Friday, April 27 to Sunday, April 29. The festival takes place Friday from 5 to 10 p.m.; Saturday from 1 to 10 p.m.; and Sunday from 1 to 9 p.m. Entertainment features local talent and professional acts. Gourmet food trucks will provide specialty items for purchase.

The Cerritos City Council will officially recognize the City's 62nd anniversary during a formal ceremony on Saturday, April 28 at 4:30 p.m. Fireworks will commemorate the special occasion that evening at 8:30 p.m. The Spring Dance Recital will be held at 4 p.m. on Sunday, April 29.

Admission is free, but there are nominal fees for some attractions. Individual ride tickets are 50 cents each. All-day wristbands are available for \$20 at Cerritos City Hall if purchased by Thursday, April 26. Starting Friday, April 27, all-day wristbands cost \$35.

For more information, call the City's Recreation Services Division at (562) 916-1254. ■

Overnight parking permits available online

City of Cerritos overnight parking permits are available online as a convenience for Cerritos residents.

To obtain a one-night temporary online permit, residents first need to submit a registration form to the Cerritos Sheriff's Station/Community Safety Center. Registration forms can be obtained at the Community Safety Center or online at parking.cerritos.us. Completed registration forms may be submitted in-person at the Community Safety Center or mailed to the Cerritos Community Safety Division, 18135 Bloomfield Avenue, Cerritos, CA 90703.

In addition to the completed registration form, each applicant must provide a photocopy of his or her driver's license. The driver's license number will serve as the Personal Identification Number (PIN) and is required whenever an online permit is requested. Residents are notified by mail once their registration form is processed and they are able to access the online permit system.

For additional information, call the Community Safety Division at (562) 916-1266. ■

Cerritos named a Tree City USA for 20th straight year

For the 20th year in a row, Cerritos has been named a Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation.

The honor is given to select cities throughout the country for their outstanding community forestry programs and commitment to their urban forest. Among the program requirements are the existence of a tree board or department, a tree care ordinance, a comprehensive forestry program and an Arbor Day observance.

Since the City's incorporation in 1956, the Public Works Department has planted more than 30,000 trees along City sidewalks and medians, next to freeway ramps and throughout the City's many parks and recreation facilities. In Cerritos, nearly every home has a City tree planted in its parkway. Approximately 250 young trees are planted each year to replace those that are damaged by storms, age or accidents. Trees help clean the air and have also been shown to increase property values.

Residents are encouraged to properly care for the trees in their front and back yards.

For more information on street-tree care or the City's tree ordinance, call the Public Works Department at (562) 916-1220. ■

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. 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.

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

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. ■

Earth Day event offers family fun

Cerritos residents are invited to attend the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County Earth Day celebration on Saturday, April 14. The free event offers fun and educational activities for all ages and will be held at the Sanitation Districts main office at 1955 Workman Mill Road in Whittier.

The celebration will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and features water-reclamation plant tours, Earth-friendly arts and crafts, face-painting and music and dance performances. Exhibitors will provide information and demonstrations on ways to help protect the planet.

For more information, call (562) 908-4288, extension 2311 or visit lacsdc.org. ■

Earthquake preparedness tips offered

April is Earthquake Preparedness Month, and the City of Cerritos offers residents the following earthquake-preparedness tips from the California Emergency Management Agency.

After a major emergency, there is a good chance that traditional emergency response teams will be too busy to take care of you and your family. You need to prepare your home and neighborhood.

Prepare now

- Stock up on at least three days' supply of food, water, clothes, medical supplies and necessary equipment for everyone in the family.
- Make sure everyone knows where to find supplies.
- Decide where and when to reunite with family when disaster strikes.
- Choose a person outside the immediate area to contact if family members are separated. Long distance phone service will likely be restored sooner than local service. Do not use the phone immediately after a major emergency.
- Know school and daycare policies. Make plans to have your children picked up if you are unable to get to them.
- For a non-English-speaking family member, prepare an emergency card (written in English) with the person's identification, address and special needs (medication and allergies). The person should keep the card with him or her at all times.
- Conduct earthquake drills – duck, cover and hold – every six months with the family.
- Practice stop, drop and roll drills for fire, as well as emergency exit drills in the house regularly.
- Know the safest place in each room because it will be difficult to move from one room to another dur-

ing an earthquake or explosion.

- Locate the shutoff valves for water, gas and electricity. Learn how to shut off the valves before an emergency. Do not shut off utility valves unless directed to do so by the utility company.
- Make copies of vital records and keep them in a safe deposit box in another city or state. Store the originals in a safe place.
- Establish all the possible ways to exit the house. Keep those areas clear.
- Know the locations of the nearest fire and Sheriff's stations.
- Take photos and/or videos of your valuables. Make copies and keep them with a friend or relative in another city or state.
- Include the babysitter and other household help in your plans.
- Keep an extra pair of eyeglasses and house and car keys on hand.
- Keep extra cash and change on hand. If electricity is out, ATM machines do not work.

During an earthquake

- Stay away from heavy furniture, appliances, large glass panes, shelves holding objects and large decorative masonry, brick or plaster such as fireplaces.
- Keep hallways clear. It is usually one of the safest places to be during an earthquake or explosion.
- Stay away from kitchens and garages, which tend to be the most dangerous places because of the many items kept there.

For more information, visit safercerritos.com and click on Emergency Preparedness under the Featured Links section. ■

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;
- 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.

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. ■

TV3 Schedule: April

City Council and Commission Meetings

Cerritos City Council Meetings

7 p.m. on Thursday, April 12 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Friday, April 13 and 9 a.m. on Monday, April 16

7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 25 (live): Mayoral Transition

7 p.m. on Thursday, April 26 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Friday, April 27 and 9 a.m. on Monday, April 30

Planning Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 4 (live), rebroadcasts: 10 a.m. on Friday, April 6 and 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 11

Property Preservation Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 24 (live), rebroadcasts: 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 26 and 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 1

Program Highlights

Yamato in Concert at the CCPA

6 p.m. on Saturday, April 14; 7 p.m. on Sunday, April 15; 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 17 and 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 19

Cerritos Resident Talent Show 2018

7 p.m. on Friday, April 20; 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 21; 7 p.m. on Sunday, April 22; 7 p.m. on Monday, April 23 and 10 a.m. on Friday, April 27

Elder Fraud Prevention

7 p.m. on Thursday, April 5; 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, April 8; 7 p.m. on Monday, April 9 and 4:30 p.m. on Monday, April 16

Residential Burglary Prevention

5 p.m. on Wednesday, April 4

The Late Night Band in Concert

4 p.m. on Friday, April 27

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

Calendar of Events

- March 30 • **Filipino Seniors of Cerritos**, 1 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on April 6, 13, 20 and 27. Contact Mayette Centeno at (562) 860-6802.
- March 31 • **Cerritos Certified Farmers' Market**, 8 a.m.-noon, northwest parking lot of the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts. Also on April 7, 14, 21 and 28.
 • **Easter Egg Hunts**, 10 a.m., Don Knabe Community Regional Park.
 • **Cerritos Tennis Club**, 7 a.m.-noon, Cerritos High School tennis courts, members only. Also on April 1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28 and 29. Contact Allen at (562) 926-9551.
- April 1 • **Library closed**
- April 2 • **Rotary Club of Cerritos**, noon, Rosewood Family Restaurant, 10769 South Street, Cerritos. Also on April 16. Contact Sharun Carlson at (562) 404-1993.
- April 3 • **Iron-Wood Women's Golf Club** plays, 7:30 a.m., Cerritos Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course. Also on April 10, 17 and 24. 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 April 10, 17 and 24. Contact Cindy Yen Chen at (562) 762-6780.
 • **Classic Estates Toastmaster Club**, 6 p.m., Century 21 Classic Estates, 13217 South Street, Cerritos. Also on April 10, 17 and 24. 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 April 10, 17 and 24. Contact Victoria Ilano at (562) 862-2842.
- April 4 • **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 April 11, 18 and 25. Contact Larry Lee at (562) 402-9336.
 • **Friends of the 1st CEB**, 6 p.m., Liberty Park. Also on April 21, 10 a.m., Heritage Park. Contact Dorothy Owen at (562) 926-1092.
 • **Cerritos Tennis Club**, 6-10 p.m., Cerritos High School tennis courts, members only. Also on April 11, 18 and 25. Contact Allen at (562) 926-9551.
 • **Toastmasters International Club 3828: Eclectic Dialectics**, 7:30 p.m., The Grove at Cerritos, 11000 New Falcon Way, Cerritos. Also on April 11, 18 and 25. Contact Jimmy Chan at (562) 565-7676 or Dan Nino at (562) 508-8099.
- April 5 • **Cerritos Optimist Club**, 7 a.m., Off Street Café, 11020 Artesia Blvd., Cerritos. Also on April 12 and 26. Contact Gary McHatton at (562) 883-5821.
 • **Cerritos (Mid-City) Korean-American Senior Citizens Association**, 9 a.m.-noon, Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on April 12, 19 and 26. Contact John Hwang at (562) 419-5445.
 • **Cerritos Indo-American Seniors**, 5-8 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on April 12, 19 and 26. 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 April 19. Contact Flor Carlos at (562) 846-7281.
 • **Formosa Senior Association**, 6:30-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on April 12, 19 and 26. Contact Paul Wei at (562) 397-5797.
- April 7 • **Cerritos Resident Talent Show**, 6 p.m., Cerritos Park East.
 • **Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation** free tax preparation, Norwalk Social Service Center, 11929 Alondra Blvd., Norwalk. Also on April 14. To make an appointment, call (562) 929-5961.
 • **La Palma-Cerritos American Association of University Women Academic Achievement** awards and Albert Brose Memorial Scholarship presentations, 9:30 a.m., Cerritos College Board Room, 11110 Alondra Blvd., Norwalk. Contact Carol Marsh at (714) 995-6141.
- April 8 • **'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.
- April 9 • **Cerritos Gadabouts**, 9 a.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on April 16 and 23. Contact Eileen Mills at (714) 809-6143.
- April 10 • **Cerritos Republican Club**, 7 p.m., Cerritos Library Skyline Room. Contact Becky Lingad at (562) 243-2135, 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 April 24. Call (562) 865-8101 for an appointment.
- April 11 • **Soroptimist International of Artesia-Cerritos**, 6 p.m., Mimi's Cafe, 12727 Towne Center Drive, Cerritos. Also on April 25. Contact Jennifer Elliott at (267) 257-8504.
 • **Cerritos Rod & Gun Club**, 7 p.m., Heritage Park. Contact Mike Van Scoy at (562) 926-4392.
- April 12 • **City Council** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
 • **Woman's Club of Artesia-Cerritos**, 11 a.m., Cerritos Park East. Contact Marilyn McGorman at (562) 860-8944 or Joanne Witt at (562) 860-2036.
 • **Da' Hawaii Senior Club**, 1:30-4:30 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on April 24, 6-9 p.m. Contact Carole Roxas at (562) 884-2890.
 • **Cerritos Senior Dance Club**, 6-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on April 26. Contact Juanita Cantano at (562) 926-2912.
 • **Bellflower Unified School District Board** meeting, 7:30 p.m., 16703 S. Clark Avenue, Bellflower.
 • **Hubert Humphrey Democratic Club**, 7 p.m., Mimi's Cafe, 12727 Towne Center Drive, Cerritos. Contact Elaine Duvali at (562) 924-3583 or hhdemocrats@gmail.com.
- April 16 • **ABC Unified School District Board** meeting, 7 p.m., 16700 Norwalk Blvd., Cerritos.
- April 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 April 24 at the Employment Development Department, 12715 S. Pioneer Blvd., Norwalk. For more information, please call (562) 929-9107.
- April 18 • **La Palma-Cerritos American Association of University Women**, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Cerritos Park East. Contact Thea Siegel at (562) 926-3667.
 • **Cerritos Optimist Club**, 7 p.m., Café n' Stuff, 9306 E. Firestone Blvd., Downey. Contact Gary McHatton at (562) 883-5821.
 • **Philippine Society of Southeast Los Angeles**, 7 p.m., Liberty Park. Contact Nimfa Castro at (562) 822-3633.
- April 19 • **62nd Anniversary of the City's Incorporation**
 • **Property Preservation Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
 • **Mayoral Transition**, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
 • **City Council** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- April 25 • **Community Spring Festival Celebrating the City's 62nd Anniversary**, 5-10 p.m., Sports Complex. Also on April 28, 1-10 p.m., and April 29, 1-9 p.m.
- April 26 • **Friends of the Library pre-sale for members**, 6-8 p.m., Library Skyline Room.
- April 27 • **Friends of the Library book sale**, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Library Skyline Room.
 • **Friends of the Library \$3-a-bag sale**, 1:30-3 p.m., Library Skyline Room.
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Cerritos Library seeks teen volunteers

The Cerritos Library Volunteer program is seeking responsible, dependable and enthusiastic teens to help with the Summer Reading Program, library programs, shelving and workstations.

Applications for the 2018 summer session will be available on Monday, April 9 at the Cerritos Library Circulation Desk. The session runs from Monday, June 18 to Saturday, July 28.

The program is open to students who will be at least 13 years old in the summer of 2018. Students must either reside in Cerritos or attend school in Cerritos or the ABC Unified School District.

Applicants must also have a Cerritos Library card in good standing and are required to pass a criminal background assessment in accordance with City policy. For more information, call (562) 916-1338 or e-mail volunteer@cerritos.us. ■

City saves drinking water by irrigating with recycled water

Committed to the preservation of the environment and conservation of water, the City of Cerritos has taken steps to conserve natural resources through a recycled-water distribution system. Cerritos irrigates more than 200 acres of City-owned property – including most parks, parkways, decorative fountains and medians – with recycled water.

The use of recycled water saves about 815 million gallons of potable drinking water annually and is billed monthly at about half the cost of drinking water. In addition to being used on City-owned property, the recycled water is used to irrigate schools, a county park, a City of Lakewood park, cemeteries, freeway landscaping and some privately owned landscaped areas. Originating from industries, businesses and homes, the waste water is treated by a three-stage process by the Sanitation District before being used for irrigation.

For more information about the City's recycled water system or water conservation, call the Water Division at (562) 916-1223. ■

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