

The Cerritos News



Tower of Power performs at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts on Saturday, April 20.

CCPA welcomes The Texas Tenors, Tower of Power and more in April

Spring is in the air with a lively April lineup at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA).

Forget drums, pianos, backing tracks or electronic trickery – it's just catchy, foot-stomping tunes on ukuleles when George Hinchliffe's Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain returns to Cerritos. Expect anything – from Tchaikovsky to Lady Gaga and Nirvana via Otis Redding. Get ready for "sheer fun and outright daffiness tied to first-rate musicality and comic timing," says "The New York Times." Tickets start at \$35 for the 8 p.m. show on Friday, April 5.

The CCPA pays "Tribute to Glenn Miller & Gene Krupa" on Sunday, April 7 at 3 p.m. The Tex Beneke Orchestra, led by Gary Tole, will play Glenn Miller hits, such as "Moonlight Serenade," "String of Pearls" and "In the Mood" and pay special tribute to Gene Krupa ("Sing Sing Sing" and "Boogie Blues"). Also appearing are Vocal Group Hall of Fame ensemble The Mills Brothers of the hits "Up a Lazy River" and "Paper Doll," The Satin Dollz and comedian Dick Hardwick. Tickets start at \$35.

In a musical tribute to the legendary Frank Sinatra and his timeless roster of hits, Matt Mauser & The Sinatra Big Band are back by popular demand to perform Ol' Blue Eyes' biggest tunes, which include "That's Life,"

"Come Fly With Me," "My Kind of Town" and "New York, New York." They perform at the CCPA on Saturday, April 13 at 8 p.m. Ticket prices start at \$40.

Recently named one of the Top 10 Classical artists in the world by "Billboard" magazine, The Texas Tenors tackles Broadway tunes, Country songs and hits from Bruno Mars to Puccini with breathtaking vocals, humor and cowboy charm. Since its debut on "America's Got Talent," the group has garnered awards and an international network of fans with chart-topping albums and its Emmy-winning PBS special "You Should Dream." Don't miss them on Friday, April 19 at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$40.

The R&B-based Tower of Power has wowed generations of fans with the "Billboard"-charting "You're Still a Young Man," "So Very Hard to Go" and "Don't Change Horses (in the Middle of a Stream)." The Soul-Funk group Average White Band continues to please with the timeless hits "Pick Up the Pieces," "Cut the Cake," "A Love of Your Own" and "Nothing You Can Do." Average White Band will perform first, followed by Tower of Power on Saturday, April 20 at 8 p.m. Ticket prices start at \$90.

The month of May will feature Broadway Performance Partner 3-D Theatricals' "The Secret Garden."

Visit cerritoscenter.com to purchase tickets and select your seats or call (562) 916-8500. ■

Youngsters invited to enjoy Easter Egg Hunts

Children ages 18 months to 10 years old are invited to participate in the City's Easter Egg Hunts at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 20 at Don Knabe Community Regional Park. Children can search for colorful, surprise-filled eggs in designated areas according to the following age groups: 18 months to 2 years, 3 to 4 years, 5 to 7 years and 8 to 10 years.

One adult will be permitted to assist their child in the 18 months to 2 years and the 3 to 4 years hunt. Children should bring a basket to carry their goodies.

The free event will also feature jumpers, games and a craft area. Light snacks and beverages will be available for a nominal fee. For more information, call the City's Recreation Services Division at (562) 916-1254. ■

Town Hall meeting on public safety set for April 24

The community is invited to attend a Town Hall meeting on Wednesday, April 24 at 7 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers. The meeting will be televised on Cerritos TV3.

Representatives from the Cerritos Sheriff's Station/Community Safety Center will present detailed information about crime in Cerritos and noteworthy investigations. Additionally, Neighborhood Watch block captains will share their strategies and successes. Members of the public will have an opportunity to ask questions about public safety and crime. For more information, call the Community Safety Division at (562) 916-1266. ■

Attend the Community Spring Festival April 26–28

Cerritos residents are invited to attend the City's Community Spring Festival & Fireworks Spectacular celebrating the City's 63rd anniversary at the Cerritos Sports Complex from Friday, April 26 to Sunday, April 28. 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 63rd anniversary during a formal ceremony on Saturday, April 27 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 28.

Admission is free, but there are nominal fees for some attractions. Individual ride tickets are 50 cents each. All-day wristbands are available for \$25 at Cerritos City Hall if purchased by Thursday, April 25. Starting Friday, April 26, all-day wristbands cost \$35.

For more information, call the City's Recreation Services Division at (562) 916-1254. To volunteer, call Heritage Park by Monday, April 1 at (562) 916-8570. ■



The Memorial Day Ceremony will be held near the Cerritos Veterans Memorial in the Cerritos Civic Center on Monday, May 27.

City's Memorial Day Ceremony set for May 27

The City of Cerritos invites the community to attend a Memorial Day Ceremony on Monday, May 27 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. ■

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 24, 2019

- Waived reading of and adopted Resolution No. 2019-1, a resolution of the City of Cerritos adopting a small wireless facility policy manual for use and reference by wireless telecommunication entities, in connection with the installation of a small wireless facility in the City of Cerritos, and amending the City of Cerritos Master Fee Schedule to add a fee for the processing of small wireless facility permit applications, and
- Approved Development Code Amendment 2019-3, a request to amend Chapter 22.42, Wireless Telecommunications, of the Cerritos Municipal Code, adding a definition for a small wireless facility and clarifying requirements and regulations for small wireless facilities; and
- Waived full reading of and adopted Ordinance No. 1023, an urgency ordinance of the City of Cerritos amending Chapter 22.42, Wireless Telecommunications, of the Cerritos Municipal Code, adding a definition for a small wireless facility and clarifying requirements and regulations for small wireless facilities, herein referenced as Development Code Amendment 2019-3; and
- Waived reading of and introduced Ordinance No. 1024, an ordinance of the City of Cerritos amending Chapter 22.42, Wireless Telecommunications, of the Cerritos Municipal Code, adding a definition for a small wireless facility and clarifying requirements and regulations for small wireless facilities, herein referenced as Development Code Amendment 2019-3.
- Approved the ABC Unified School District's proposed project to construct a parking lot at Pat Nixon Elementary School.

February 14, 2019

- Waived full reading of and adopted Ordinance No. 1024, an ordinance of the City of Cerritos amending Chapter 22.42, Wireless Telecommunications, of the Cerritos Municipal Code, adding a definition for a small wireless facility and clarifying requirements and regulations for small wireless facilities, herein referenced as Development Code Amendment 2019-3.
- Approved Development Code Amendment 2019-2, making the findings set forth in Cerritos Planning Commission Resolution No. 2019-2; and
- Waived full reading of and introduced Ordinance No. 1025, an ordinance of the City of Cerritos amending Title 9 of the Cerritos Municipal Code by adding Chapter 9.83, establishing regulations for sidewalk vendors in the City of Cerritos, and amending Chapter 9.48 of the Cerritos Municipal Code

in response to California Senate Bill 946 (2018), herein referenced as Development Code Amendment 2019-2.

- Authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to lease City-owned property located at 17423 Studebaker Road, Cerritos, California, 90703 consistent with the Letter of Intent and such further negotiations as the City Manager shall approve; and
- Authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute, acknowledge and consent to the lease documentation for the subject property located at 17423 Studebaker Road, Cerritos, California, 90703, in such form as prepared by the City Attorney and as the City Manager shall deem appropriate, including a lease agreement, and all related documents required or appropriate in connection with the completion of this lease transaction.
- Recognized the donation of public safety equipment to the Cerritos Sheriff's Station deputies from the Picerne Family Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization.
- Authorized the City to purchase two very-low income housing units within the City-subsidized Emerald Villas affordable senior housing community, with property addresses 19427 Topaz Court, Unit G, Cerritos, California, 90703 and 19423 Sapphire Court, Unit N, Cerritos, CA 90703 utilizing restricted Low and Moderate Income Housing Asset Funds; and
- Authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute, acknowledge and consent to all purchase documentation for the subject properties located at 19427 Topaz Court, Unit G, Cerritos, California, 90703 and 19423 Sapphire Court, Unit N, Cerritos, CA 90703, in such form as the City Manager shall deem appropriate, including a Purchase and Sale Agreement, and all related escrow documents required or appropriate in connection with the completion of the sales transactions; and
- Authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to restore the two units to their original condition, extend the existing affordability and occupancy covenants for said units, and to re-sell the subject properties located at 19427 Topaz Court, Unit G, Cerritos, California, 90703 and 19423 Sapphire Court, Unit N, Cerritos, CA 90703, to qualified senior residents in accordance with recorded Agreement and Covenant Concerning Use and Resale of Residential Units and Right of First Refusal to Purchase documents.
- Received and filed an informational report on Senate Bill 998 (Dodd, D-Napa), the Water Shutoff Protection Act, and its potential impact on the City of Cerritos.
- Awarded a contract in the amount of \$298,928.85 for Gridley Park and Reservoir Hill Park improvements, Project Nos. 19102 and 19104, Bid No. 1357-19, to RE Schultz Construction, Inc. and rejected all other bids, and
- Authorized the City Manager or his designee to execute any project-related change orders.
- Adjourned in memory of Ed Santos.

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 ad-

dition 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. ■



The City of Cerritos has promoted Torrey Contreras to the position of Senior Assistant City Manager.

Torrey Contreras appointed Senior Assistant City Manager

The City of Cerritos has promoted Torrey Contreras to the position of Senior Assistant City Manager. Contreras is responsible for supporting the management and oversight of all City operations, and serves as the primary backup to the City Manager. He will also continue to serve as the Director of Community Development.

Contreras first joined the City of Cerritos in June 1991 as a Current Planning Intern. He was hired full-time as the City's Planning Assistant and then promoted to Advance Planning/Redevelopment Manager before being named Director of Community Development in May 2005.

As Director of Community Development, Contreras manages the Current Planning, Advance Planning, Economic Development, Geographic Information Systems, Building and Safety and Public Transportation Divisions. He has been instrumental in the design, development and revitalization of numerous commercial retail projects in the city, including the Cerritos Auto Square, Los Cerritos Center and Plaza 183 and Lincoln Station shopping centers. He has been involved in the management and preparation of the Cerritos General Plan Update and Economic Development Strategic Plan.

Contreras also represents the City of Cerritos on the Gateway Cities Council of Governments Economic Development Committee, which is charged with steering the future of economic development in the southeast region of Los Angeles County.

Contreras is local to Cerritos and a graduate of St. John Bosco High School. He has a Master of Public Administration degree from California State University, Fullerton, and a bachelor of science degree in landscape architecture from California State Polytechnic University, Pomona. ■

City to lease Studebaker Road property to AutoNation

The Cerritos City Council recently approved leasing a property on Studebaker Road to AutoNation.

The City-owned property, located at 17423 Studebaker Road, is currently vacant. The 1.19-acre land will be leased to Bargain Rent-a-Car doing business as AutoNation Lexus of Cerritos, which will use the property to store surplus automobiles slated for sale at the Cerritos Auto Square pursuant to the issuance of a City of Cerritos Temporary Use Permit.

Under the terms of the 10-year lease, AutoNation will pay the City a monthly rent of \$10,561.25, with annual increases based on the Consumer Price Index of the previous year. AutoNation will also pay all taxes, maintenance and insurance costs during the term of the lease, which features an option to extend for another 10 years.

The agreement is expected to provide the City with more than \$125,000 a year in new revenue. ■

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.

The session runs from Monday, June 17 to Saturday, July 27. The program is open to students who will be at least 13 years old in the summer of 2019. Students must have a valid Cerritos Library card in good standing and are required to pass a criminal background assessment in accordance with City policy.

There will be a Parent Information Night on Tuesday, April 9 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the Skyline Room, which will discuss the goals of the program, policies and the application process. Applications for the summer session will also be available at this session before they are available to the general public on Wednesday, April 10, when they can be picked up at the Cerritos Library Circulation Desk.

For more information, call (562) 916-1338 or e-mail volunteer@cerritos.us. ■

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 13. 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. ■

Gridley Park and Reservoir Hill Park improvements approved

The Cerritos City Council recently awarded a \$298,928.85 contract to RE Schultz Construction, Inc. for improvements at Gridley Park and Reservoir Hill Park.

The project includes upgrading the playground equipment and resurfacing the playgrounds at both parks. Because the work complies with the Americans With Disabilities Act, funds from the Community Development Block Grant will be used to pay for the playground surfacing.

The work is expected to be completed by June. ■

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 a three-day supply of food, water, clothes, medical supplies and necessary equipment for everyone in the family.
- Make sure everyone knows where to find the 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 during 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. They are usually some 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. ■

City establishes additional regulations for sidewalk vendors

In response to the State of California's Vending Act enacted in September, which requires local jurisdictions to allow sidewalk vending operations on public property, the City of Cerritos has recently established new regulations for such vendors.

To minimize the potential impact of sidewalk vendors on public health and safety, the City already prohibits both stationary and roaming sidewalk vending within all street medians; the Civic Center; Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course; the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts; in parking lots at city parks and public facilities; and on streets that don't have sidewalks. Stationary sidewalk vendors are also prohibited in residential areas. However, roaming vendors are permitted by State law to operate in

residential areas during certain hours and at locations where public sidewalks exist.

The new regulations now require vendors to have a valid sidewalk vending permit and a City business license prior to operating. Vendors selling food are required to have Los Angeles County Department of Public Health approval and must maintain minimum distances from crosswalks, intersections, freeway on- and off-ramps, fire hydrants, public transportation facilities, automatic teller machines, building/structure entrances, driveways, public and private schools, daycare facilities, certified farmers' markets and special events authorized by a City of Cerritos Temporary Use Permit.

For more information, call the Community Development Department at (562) 916-1201. ■

TV3 Schedule: April

City Council and Commission Meetings

Cerritos City Council Meetings

7 p.m. on Thursday, April 11 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Friday, April 12 and 9 a.m. on Monday, April 15

7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 17 (live): Mayoral Transition

7 p.m. on Thursday, April 25 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Friday, April 26 and 9 a.m. on Monday, April 29

Planning Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 3 (live), rebroadcasts: 10 a.m. on Friday, April 5 and 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 10

Property Preservation Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 30 (live), rebroadcasts: 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 2 and 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 7

Program Highlights

Cerritos Library Volunteers

6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 17; 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 25; and 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 30

Cerritos Resident Talent Show 2019

7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 23; 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 27; 6 p.m. on Sunday, April 28; and 7 p.m. on Monday, April 29

Town Hall Meeting: Public Safety

7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 24 (live), rebroadcasts: 3 p.m. on Monday, April 29

Author Showcase: Victoria Riskin

7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 9; 9 a.m. on Thursday, April 11; 7 p.m. on Monday, April 22; 8 a.m. on Sunday, April 28; and 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 30

Riders in the Sky in Concert at the CCPA

8 p.m. on Saturday, April 6

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

Calendar of Events

- March 29 • **Filipino Seniors of Cerritos**, 1 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on April 5, 12, 19 and 26. Contact Mayette Centeno at (562) 860-6802.
- March 30 • **Cerritos Tennis Club**, 7 a.m.-noon, Cerritos High School tennis courts, members only. Also on March 31, April 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, 27 and 28. Contact Allen at (562) 926-9551.
- **Cerritos Certified Farmers' Market**, 8 a.m.-noon, northwest parking lot of the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts. Also on April 6, 13, 20 and 27.
- April 1 • **Rotary Club of Cerritos**, noon, Peking Wok, 11203 183rd Street. Also on April 15. Contact Sharun Carlson at (562) 404-1993.
- April 2 • **Iron-Wood Women's Golf Club** plays, 7:30 a.m., Cerritos Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course. Also on April 9, 16, 23 and 30. 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 9, 16, 23 and 30. Contact Cindy Yen Chen at (562) 762-6750.
- **Classic Estates Toastmaster Club**, 6 p.m., Century 21 Classic Estates, 13217 South Street, Cerritos. Also on April 9, 16, 23 and 30. 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 9, 16, 23 and 30. Contact Victoria Ilano at (562) 862-2842.
- April 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 April 10, 17 and 24. Contact Larry Lee at (562) 402-9336.
- **Cerritos Tennis Club**, 6-10 p.m., Cerritos High School tennis courts, members only. Also on April 10, 17 and 24. Contact Allen at (562) 926-9551.
- **Friends of the 1st CEB**, 6-8 p.m., Liberty Park. Also on April 20, 10 a.m.-noon. Contact Chuck Sooter at (562) 860-8174.
- **Toastmasters International Club 3828: Eclectic Dialectics**, 7:30 p.m., The Grove at Cerritos, 11000 New Falcon Way, Cerritos. Also on April 10, 17 and 24. Contact Jimmy Chan at (562) 565-7676 or Dan Nino at (562) 508-8099.
- April 4 • **Cerritos Optimist Club**, 7 a.m., Off Street Café, 11020 Artesia Blvd., Cerritos. Also on April 11 and 25. 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 11, 18 and 25. 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 11, 18 and 25. Contact Jashbhai Patel at (562) 382-7611.
- **Happy Seniors of Cerritos Association**, 6-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on April 11, 18 and 25. Contact Emma Chupinghong at (562) 400-1075.
- **Formosa Senior Association**, 6:30-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on April 11, 18 and 25. Contact Paul Wei at (562) 397-5797.
- April 5 • **Friends of the Library Spring Book Sale** pre-sale for members, 6-8 p.m., Library Skyline Room.
- April 6 • **Friends of the Library Spring Book Sale**, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Library Skyline Room.
- **Cerritos Resident Talent Show**, 6 p.m., Cerritos Park East.
- **La Palma-Cerritos American Association of University Women**, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., Cerritos College. Contact Carol Marsh at (714) 995-6141.
- April 7 • **Friends of the Library Spring Book Sale** \$3-a-bag sale, 1:30 to 3 p.m., Library Skyline Room.
- April 8 • **Cerritos Gadabouts**, 9 a.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on April 15 and 22. Contact Eileen Mills at (714) 809-6143.
- April 9 • **Cerritos Republican Club**, 7 p.m., Cerritos Park East. 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 23. Call (562) 865-8101 for an appointment.
- April 10 • **Soroptimist International of Artesia-Cerritos**, 6 p.m., Mimi's Cafe, 12727 Towne Center Drive, Cerritos. Also on April 24. Contact Lola Rizkallah at (562) 860-4675.
- **Cerritos Rod & Gun Club**, 7 p.m., Heritage Park. Contact Jay Miller at (562) 926-8521.
- April 11 • **City Council** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Woman's Club of Artesia-Cerritos**, 11 a.m., Liberty Park. Contact Gail Grossman at (562) 926-8487 or Delores Eveland at (562) 618-5438.
- **Da' Hawaii Senior Club**, 1:30-4:30 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on April 23, 6-9 p.m. Contact Myrna Matsuno at (310) 538-2148.
- **Bellflower Unified School District Board** meeting, 7:30 p.m., 16703 S. Clark Avenue, Bellflower.
- April 14 • **'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.
- April 15 • **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 • **Mayoral Transition**, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- **Veterans Workshop Seminars**, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at SELACO Workforce Investment Board, 10900 E. 183rd Street, #392 (3rd Floor), Cerritos. For more information, call (562) 929-9107.
- April 18 • **La Palma-Cerritos American Association of University Women**, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Cerritos Park East. Contact Beverly Zwick at (562) 943-6149.
- **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.
- **Easter Egg Hunts**, 10 a.m., Don Knabe Community Regional Park.
- April 20 • **Library closed**
- April 21 • **63rd Anniversary of the City's Incorporation**
- April 24 • **Town Hall** meeting on public safety, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- April 25 • **City Council** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- April 26 • **Community Spring Festival & Fireworks Spectacular Celebrating the City's 63rd Anniversary**, 5-10 p.m., Sports Complex. Also on April 27, 1-10 p.m., and April 28, 1-9 p.m.
- April 30 • **Property Preservation Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.

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Children invited to participate in Cerritos Kids Fishing Derby

The 2019 Cerritos Kids Fishing Derby will be held on Saturday, June 1 at Don Knabe Community Regional Park. The annual event is sponsored by Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn, the City of Cerritos, the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation and the Cerritos Rod and Gun Club.

The event begins at 7 a.m. with a free pancake breakfast followed by the fishing derby from 8 to 11 a.m. Children, ages 5 to 15 years old, can participate in free fishing and angler safety lessons sponsored by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. Each child will receive a free T-shirt while supplies last. Children will be eligible to compete for prizes in various categories. ■

Cerritos named a Tree City USA for 21st straight year

For the 21st 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. ■

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