

The Cerritos News

Cerritos Senior Center celebrates 25th anniversary on January 29



The Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park celebrates its 25th anniversary on January 29.

Since 1994, the beautiful Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park has provided a welcome space for Cerritos seniors to socialize, participate in educational programs, receive social services and enjoy recreational activities.

In an effort to serve those citizens who had first settled in the City's new subdivisions and were now over the age of 50, the City opened the \$3.5 million, 22,500-square-foot Senior Center on January 29, 1994. Prior to that, the City's Dial-A-Ride service, a food program at St. John Lutheran Church and the Gadabouts social club were offered to this important group, however, seniors lacked a dedicated City facility.

The City selected Pat Nixon Park as the location for the Senior Center, as it was an attractive site and centrally located. Wolff, Lang, Christopher Architects Inc. was chosen to design the facility, which featured a craftsman-style lodge appearance with natural river rock and wood trellises around the exterior, and detailed wood framework on the windows and doors. Inside, the facility offered two comfortable lounges and ample space for classes, arts and crafts, billiards, computers and other activities. There was room for art and special exhibits, and a large multipurpose area with a stage and kitchen.

A park for outdoor activities surrounded the building and included a patio with barbecue area, pond and grass activity area. Near it was a planter filled with rosebushes, which was once the foundation of the house where First Lady Pat Nixon lived during her youth.

Nixon is one of the City's most famous one-time residents, and the site of her childhood home and her family's truck farm was the perfect location for the Cerritos Senior Center. In 1975, the City honored Nixon by dedicating the Pat Nixon Home and Museum at 12364 South Street. The five-room house was restored and authentically decorated, set on four acres of rolling lawns at Pat Nixon Park.

The home Nixon lived in from 1914 to 1931 was

situated on the corner of South Street and Ely Avenue. Pat Ryan (the future First Lady) spent her childhood in Dairy Valley, walking the dirt roads to school, carrying out neighborhood babysitting duties and making friends. Among her closest friends were Myrtle Franz (née Raine) and Louise Raine, and they became known as "the Three Musketeers."

The Raine family was another early Dairy Valley clan who owned 10 acres near today's Cerritos Senior Center. Myrtle Franz spent the majority of her life in Cerritos, remaining active in the City and at the Senior Center through her 90s. Before her passing in 2012 at the age of 96, Myrtle Raine commented, "This city has changed so much, you wouldn't realize it's the same place. I tell people I live in Cerritos, and they're so impressed. It's grown into a beautiful city. I'm very proud of it."

The City of Cerritos bought the Nixon property from the family in 1967, but the home was destroyed by fire in 1978. In April 1996, the Cerritos City Council approved installing a "life-size, full-body" bronze statue of Pat Nixon in the rose garden of the Cerritos Senior Center. Artist Ivan Schwartz, who had sculpted statues of 10 world leaders for the Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Museum in Yorba Linda, was selected as the statue's

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CCPA kicks off 2019 with Frankie Avalon, The Temptations, Charo and more

The Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA) rings in the New Year with an exciting January lineup.

Kicking off the month is a concert by Dick Fox's Golden Boys Starring Frankie Avalon, Lou Christie and Bobby Rydell on Friday, January 4 at 8 p.m. The popular teen idols of the late '50s and early '60s perform their all-time greatest hits, such as Avalon's "Venus" and "De De Dinah"; Christie's "Lightnin' Strikes" and "Rhapsody in the Rain"; and Rydell's "Volare" and "Wild One." Tickets start at \$80.

Don't miss Peter Yarrow & Noel Paul Stookey of Peter, Paul & Mary at 7 p.m. on Sunday, January 6. Peter, Paul & Mary shook up the 1960s music scene with socially conscious Folk hits, such as "If I Had a Hammer" and "Puff (The Magic Dragon)," earning five Grammys and numerous Gold and Platinum albums. Ticket prices start at \$45.

The Temptations returns to the CCPA on Friday, January 11 at 8 p.m. The Grammy-winning Soul-R&B quintet performs its classic hits, which include "The Way You Do the Things You Do," "My Girl" and "Just My Imagination (Running Away With Me)." Tickets start at \$70.

Produced and led by Brody Dolyniuk (Zeppelin USA), "The Pink Floyd Wall Experience: The Ultimate Pink Floyd Tribute" features a live band re-creating the entire "The Wall" album, note-for-note with state-of-the-art sound, cutting-edge lighting, lasers and spectacular video. Sit back and enjoy the innovation and the iconic hits "Another Brick in the Wall," "Comfortably Numb," "Hey You" and "Run Like Hell." Tickets start at \$30 for the 8 p.m. performances on Friday, January 18 and Saturday, January 19.

Rob Kapilow returns with a "What Makes It Great?" presentation of "Dvorák – American Quartet" with the Viano String Quartet. This show, at 7:30 p.m. on



Kick off the New Year with the Grammy-winning Soul-R&B quintet The Temptations on Friday, January 11 at 8 p.m. at the CCPA.

Wednesday, January 23, is sponsored by George & Bev Ray/LeFiell. Tickets are \$55.

Enjoy "The Best of Doo-Wop Vol. V: The Return of Kenny Vance" when the genre's icons unite on Saturday, January 26 at 8 p.m. Jam with Vance ("Looking for an Echo"), Jimmy Gallagher, the original lead singer of The Passions ("Just to Be With You"), A Tribute to The Drifters ("Under the Boardwalk") and Jimmy Clanton ("Venus In Blue Jeans"). Also appearing are The Fireflies ("You Were Mine"), Chris Montez ("Let's Dance"), and Southern California's top a capella group, The Dukes of Doo Wop. Ticket prices start at \$50.

With her trademark "cuchi cuchi," Charo shook up the world, becoming an international sensation with her Flamenco-inspired Platinum album "Guitar Passion." The guitarist-singer-comedienne comes to the CCPA, joined by acclaimed TV personality and Broadway veteran John Davidson, who is best known for playing Curly in "Oklahoma!," a role that won him the Theater Guild Award. Catch these two on Sunday, January 27 at 2 p.m. Tickets start at \$50.

Tickets are available at cerritoscenter.com or by calling (562) 916-8500. Purchase online and select your own seats. ■

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 25, 2018

- Appointed Karen Wilson to fill an unexpired term on the Community Safety Committee ending March 31, 2019.
- Reviewed an appeal of a decision by the Property Preservation Commission to deny a request to remove a parkway tree adjacent to the property at 12544 Rose Street, Cerritos, California (APN 7025-017-005), and
- Directed staff to prune the roots of the subject tree on the side of the property as necessary.
- Adopted Resolution No. 2018-18, a resolution of the City of Cerritos approving Conditional Use Permit 2018-3, a request by Epicent, LLC, on behalf of property owner The Sedghian Family Trust, to permit a commercial recreation facility use for Sky Zone indoor trampoline park in an existing shopping center located at 10755 South Street, Cerritos. The subject property is zoned neighborhood commercial (CN) (APN 7038-007-007).
- Authorized the City Manager to take all necessary steps to facilitate the modification of the existing First Transit/City contract to include modified contract rates for the Cerritos on Wheels and Dial-A-Ride transportation services, resulting in an increase of \$40,000 per year beginning with the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year through the 2022-2023

Fiscal Year Budget, with no modification to existing Saturday Cerritos on Wheels service.

- Rejected a request to sell City-owned property located at 17423 Studebaker Road, Cerritos, to AutoNation, pursuant to terms of a Letter of Intent (LOI).
- Selected the "Shine" color palette for the proposed playground equipment for Reservoir Hill Park.

November 8, 2018

- Rejected the sole bid for Bid No. 1355-18, purchase and installation of sod at the Cerritos Sports Complex, and directed staff to review alternate approaches to completing the work.
- Waived full reading of and adopted Resolution No. 2018-19, a resolution of the Cerritos City Council authorizing utilization of Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, anticipated to be approximately \$133,689, to improve accessibility to playground equipment located at El Rancho Verde Park and Ecology Park.
- Authorized the Public Works Director to sign the Caltrans De Minimis Impact Finding and receive and file the report.
- Amended the Cerritos Library Card Fees & Application Requirements to include a free library card classification for students of the Bellflower Unified School District.
- Rejected an award of a contract for RFP No. 1354-18, C-2 Well Site Chlorine Room modifications and authorized staff to re-advertise the project at a future date.

Playground equipment approved for Reservoir Hill Park

The City Council recently approved the "Shine" color palette for new playground equipment at Reservoir Hill Park. The equipment includes climbers, interactive elements, a slide and swings designed for children ages 5 to 12.

The Fiscal Year 2018-2019 City of Cerritos Combined Financial Program includes a capital project of \$50,000 for the acquisition of replacement playground equipment at Reservoir Hill Park. With a grant from GameTime, which has designed and provided equipment for several parks in Cerritos, the cost of the equipment was approximately \$46,000. The remainder of the funds will be used to replace the drinking fountain and purchase seating benches to be placed near the playground. ■

Street improvement contracts awarded

The City Council recently awarded contracts for residential street rehabilitation, in the area bordered by 183rd Street, Artesia Boulevard, Bloomfield Avenue and Norwalk Boulevard. The work includes pavement rehabilitation, tree removal and concrete improvements.

A \$376,835 contract was awarded to Sequel Contractors of Santa Fe Springs, which will be performing the asphalt work. Golden West Arborists of Pomona was awarded a contract in the amount of \$70,560 to remove 62 trees, and CJ Concrete Construction of Santa Fe Springs was awarded a contract in the amount of \$500,700 to perform the concrete portion of the project.

The tree removal work and concrete improvements have been completed. The slurry seal work is expected to be finished in the spring. ■

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day ceremony set, youth contest entries sought

In celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the City of Cerritos will host a special ceremony on Monday, January 21 at 10 a.m. in the Sierra Room of the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA). 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. The CCPA is located at 18000 Park Plaza Drive.

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 "Living the Dream for All, Every Day in Every Way." 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 by 8:30 p.m. on Friday, January 4. The library is located at 18025 Bloomfield Avenue.

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 from late-January through 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. ■

Water booster station contract awarded

The City Council recently awarded a contract in the amount of \$89,750 to General Pump Company Inc., of San Dimas, for work on the C-2 water booster pump station located at the Cerritos Corporate Yard (16540 Marquardt Avenue).

The company will supply, deliver and install a booster pump, discharge head and related hardware for Pump #2, which provides about 3,500 to 7,500 gallons per minute of potable water based on the demand of the distribution system. The contract includes a one-year warranty. ■

Permit approved for Sky Zone trampoline park

The City Council recently approved a conditional recreational use permit for Sky Zone indoor trampoline park. The request was made by Epicent, LLC on behalf of the property owner, The Sedghian Family Trust.

Sky Zone offers a combination of family fun, exercise, entertainment and competition. The business will occupy a vacant space in the shopping center at 10755 South Street, on the northeast corner of Palo Verde Avenue.

The existing one-story building has a total floor area of 27,105 square feet. The building's exterior will be painted to match the current approved color scheme, which features dark brown trims and light beige for the main body.

Sky Zone is expected to open in April 2019. ■

Don't miss the annual Festival of Friendship



The 2019 Festival of Friendship will be held on Saturday, February 2.

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 2. 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 stages throughout the mall. Local groups will perform an assortment of cultural songs and dances. A formal ceremony with the Cerritos City Council will be held on the Forever 21 stage at 2 p.m. to commemorate the event's 20-year anniversary.

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

12-month closure scheduled for Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course

Due to easement work being performed by Southern California Edison (SCE), the Cerritos Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course will close for approximately 12 months beginning in early 2019. This includes the time necessary for SCE to complete its work and to restore the affected greens. The driving range at Iron-Wood Nine will remain open during this time. A more specific date of closure will be made available in the coming month. ■

Timely removal of Christmas lights and decorations required

Residents are reminded to kindly 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 11. ■

Christmas tree recycling offered for residents

Residents in single-family homes can recycle their Christmas trees beginning Saturday, December 29 through Friday, January 11 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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sculptor. The statue was dedicated on March 1, 1997. The bricks used in the existing memorial at the site are from the original home's fireplace and chimney.

As a gift to the community for the City's 50th Anniversary, a 5,000-square-foot expansion of the Senior Center was completed in 2006, which included a new wellness/fitness center designed specifically with the community's active seniors in mind. The \$2.4 million project included cardiovascular and weight training equipment, a conference room for wellness and health screenings, a public counter, locker rooms and restrooms.

Today, services provided at the now 27,500-square-foot Cerritos Senior Center include health screenings, exercise classes, tax and legal assistance, health and fitness workshops, a fitness center, excursions and special events. This past year, the façade at the Senior Center was enhanced with the completion of maintenance to the wood features.

Since the Cerritos Center opened in 1994:

- Approximately 527,000 nutritional lunches have been served.
- More than 287,000 home delivered meals have been provided to homebound seniors.
- Nearly 54,000 information and referral questions have been answered.
- Approximately 22,500 seniors have attended

special event dances.

- More than 1 million seniors have attended exercise classes.
- Over 512,000 workout visits have occurred since the completion of the Fitness Center expansion.
- Senior Center volunteers have contributed close to 216,000 hours of service.
- The interior and outdoor areas of the Senior Center have been the site of approximately 3,000 private weekend reservations, hosting more than 470,000 guests. These events have included wedding ceremonies/receptions, anniversary celebrations and milestone birthday festivities.

Designed to meet the special needs of the City's growing senior population, the Cerritos Senior Center continues to provide a focal point for their community involvement. The City looks forward to many more years of serving the senior community of Cerritos.

Cerritos residents can receive a free subscription to the quarterly "Senior Connection" newsletter by calling the Senior Center at (562) 916-8550. Non-residents can receive the newsletter for \$8 a year by subscribing and paying in person at the Senior Center. The newsletter is mailed directly to homes.

The Senior Center, located on 12340 South Street, is open 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays and 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Fridays. ■

TV3 Schedule: January

City Council and Commission Meetings

Cerritos City Council Meetings

7 p.m. on Thursday, January 10 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Friday, January 11 and 9 a.m. on Monday, January 14

7 p.m. on Thursday, January 24 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Friday, January 25 and 9 a.m. on Monday, January 28

Planning Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Wednesday, January 9 (live), rebroadcasts: 10 a.m. on Friday, January 11 and 7 p.m. on Wednesday, January 16

Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Thursday, January 3 (live), rebroadcasts: 7 p.m. on Monday, January 7 and 9 a.m. on Tuesday, January 8

Fine Arts and Historical Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Thursday, January 17 (live), rebroadcasts: 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 22 and 9 a.m. on Thursday, January 24

Property Preservation Commission Meeting

7 p.m. on Tuesday, January 29 (live), rebroadcasts: 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 31 and 7 p.m. on Tuesday, February 5

Program Highlights

In The Mood at the CCPA

4 p.m. on Saturday, January 5; 6 p.m. on Saturday, January 19; and 7 p.m. on Monday, January 21

Author Showcase: Chris Erskine

7 p.m. on Tuesday, January 15 and 7:30 p.m. on Friday, January 18

Riders In The Sky in Concert at the CCPA

6:30 p.m. on Saturday, January 5

Elder Fraud Prevention

4 p.m. on Wednesday, January 23

Night Fever: The Bee Gees Tribute

8:30 p.m. on Friday, January 4 and 4 p.m. on Sunday, January 27

Gold Rush Country in Concert

7 p.m. on Friday, January 4

Cerritos Recycles

5:30 p.m. on Monday, January 14

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

Calendar of Events

- 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 Cheerful Chatters Toastmasters Club**, noon, SELACO Workforce Investment Board, 10900 E. 183rd Street, 3rd Floor, Cerritos. Visitors welcome. Also on January 9, 16, 23 and 30. Contact Larry Lee at (562) 402-9336.
 • **Cerritos Tennis Club**, 6-10 p.m., Cerritos High School tennis courts, members only. Also on January 9, 16, 23 and 30. Contact Allen at (562) 926-9551.
 • **Friends of the 1st CEB**, 6-8 p.m., Liberty Park. Also on January 19, 10 a.m. Contact Dorothy Owen at (562) 926-1092.
 • **Toastmasters International Club 3828: Eclectic Dialectics**, 7:30 p.m., The Grove at Cerritos, 11000 New Falcon Way, Cerritos. Also on January 9, 16, 23 and 30. Contact Jimmy Chan at (562) 565-7676 or Dan Nino at (562) 508-8099.
- January 3 • **Parks and Recreation Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
 • **Cerritos Optimist Club**, 7 a.m., Off Street Café, 11020 Artesia Blvd., Cerritos. Also on January 10 and 24. 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 January 10, 17, 24 and 31. Contact John Hwang at (562) 419-5445.
 • **Cerritos Indo-American Seniors**, 5-8 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on January 10, 17, 24 and 31. 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 17. Contact Flor Carlos at (562) 846-7281.
 • **Formosa Senior Association**, 6:30-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on January 10, 17, 24 and 31. Contact Paul Wei at (562) 397-5797.
- January 4 • **Filipino Seniors of Cerritos**, 1 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on January 11, 18 and 25. Contact Mayette Centeno at (562) 860-6802.
- January 5 • **Cerritos Tennis Club**, 7 a.m.-noon, Cerritos High School tennis courts, members only. Also on January 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26 and 27. 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 January 12, 19 and 26.
- January 7 • **Rotary Club of Cerritos**, noon, Peking Wok, 11203 183rd Street. Also on January 21. Contact Sharun Carlson at (562) 404-1993.
- January 8 • **Iron-Wood Women's Golf Club** plays, 7:30 a.m., Cerritos Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course. Also on January 15, 22 and 29. 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 15, 22 and 29. 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 January 15, 22 and 29. 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 January 15, 22 and 29. Contact Victoria Ilano at (562) 862-2842.
- January 9 • **Planning Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
 • **Soroptimist International of Artesia-Cerritos**, 6 p.m., Mimi's Cafe, 12727 Towne Center Drive, Cerritos. Also on January 23. Contact Lola Rizkallah at (562) 860-4675.
 • **Cerritos Rod & Gun Club**, 7 p.m., Heritage Park. Contact Jay Miller at (562) 926-8521.
- January 10 • **City Council** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
 • **Woman's Club of Artesia-Cerritos**, 11 a.m., Cerritos Park East. 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. Contact Myrna Matsuno at (310) 538-2148.
- January 12 • **Community Open Golf Tournament**, 8 a.m., Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course.
- January 13 • **'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 14 • **Cerritos Gadabouts**, 9 a.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Also on January 28. Contact Eileen Mills at (714) 809-6143.
- January 15 • **ABC Unified School District Board** meeting, 7 p.m., 16700 Norwalk Blvd., Cerritos.
- January 16 • **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. at SELACO Workforce Investment Board, 10900 E. 183rd Street, #392 (3rd Floor), Cerritos. Also on January 22 at the Employment Development Department, 12715 S. Pioneer Blvd., Norwalk. For more information, call (562) 929-9107.
- January 17 • **Fine Arts and Historical Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
 • **La Palma-Cerritos American Association of University Women**, 6:30-8:30 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.
 • **Bellflower Unified School District Board** meeting, 7:30 p.m., 16703 S. Clark Avenue, Bellflower.
- January 21 • **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., Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts Sierra Room.
 • **Hubert Humphrey Democratic Club**, 7 p.m., Mimi's Cafe, 12727 Towne Center Drive, Cerritos. Contact Elaine Duvali at (562) 924-3583 or hhhdemocrats@gmail.com.
- January 22 • **Volunteer attorneys** provide free basic legal advice and referrals for Cerritos residents, 7-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Call (562) 865-8101 for an appointment.
- January 23 • **Let Freedom Ring Committee** meeting, 7 p.m., Cerritos Sheriff's Station/Community Safety Center.
- January 24 • **City Council** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
- January 26 • **Recreation Services Youth Baseball** registration, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sports Complex. Also on January 30, 4-8 p.m. and February 2, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- January 29 • **Property Preservation Commission** meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.
 • **Da' Hawaii Senior Club**, 6-9 p.m., Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. Contact Myrna Matsuno at (310) 538-2148.

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Pay City parking citations online

The community is reminded that all City parking citation payments must be mailed or brought in person to the Community Safety Division, or paid online. The Community Safety Division is located in the Cerritos Sheriff's Station and is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturday from 7 to 10 p.m.

To mail your payment, send it to the Community Safety Division at P.O. Box 3130, Cerritos, CA 90703. All parking citations can also be paid online by going to cerritos.us and clicking on "Pay Parking Citation" under the Featured Links section. ■

Bring a used oil filter and get a new one for free

The City of Cerritos will hold a used motor oil filter exchange event on Saturday, January 26 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Pep Boys on 11944 South Street. In exchange for used motor oil filters, residents will receive vouchers for free new motor oil filters while supplies last.

There is a limit of two vouchers per Cerritos resident. Filter vouchers are valued up to \$12 each. The event is funded by CalRecycle. For more information, contact Kevin Sales at (562) 944-4766. Used oil collection centers can be located by calling 888-CLEAN-LA, or visiting cleanla.com. ■

Free vacation security checks offered

The Cerritos Sheriff's Station/Community Safety Center offers free vacation security checks for residents. While you're away, a deputy or Volunteer on Patrol will check your home for broken windows, open doors or other evidence of suspicious activity.

Residents must fill out the vacation security check request form at least five business days before leaving on vacation. The form is available at safercerritos.com. Under the "Featured Links" section, click on "Crime Prevention: Hardening the Target" then "Vacation Security Check Request Form." If it is less than five business days before the start of your vacation, call (562) 916-1266 to submit a vacation security check request by phone. ■

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH WORKS

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say something.**

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