



# Neighborhood NewsLetter

September 2011



## Curious about the History of our Neighborhood?

*Did you know there was a strong presence of movie industry people in Bluff Park during the early part of the last century? Did you know that during World War II there were gun emplacements on the bluffs?*

### AGENDA

Local historian Stan Poe will be sharing with us all the fascinating history of the Bluff Park Neighborhood.

Our meeting will also begin with updates from our council person's office and from our police commander on items of interest that pertain to our neighborhood.

*Please join us for our next  
Neighborhood Meeting.  
Updates and Much More!*

**Bluff Park Neighborhood Association  
General Meeting  
Thursday, October 13th  
6:30 pm to 8:30 pm**

This meeting will be hosted at the  
**Back Garden of the  
Zambrano Home**  
2904 East 2nd Street  
Long Beach, CA 90803

**Refreshments provided**

**See You There!**  
**Please invite a neighbor to come with you  
that hasn't joined us previously!**

*Are you aware of what goes on in your neighborhood?*

**We ask you to become active participants  
in your neighborhood activities.**

## Safety Update - "Being Prepared" by Ray VanNatta

Here are some thoughts on being prepared from our Long Beach Fire Department web site and Steve Yamamoto (LBFD).

As we reflect back on some historic events; 9/11, Earthquakes and Tsunamis overseas, flooding along the Mississippi River, Tornados in the Mid-west and Southeast, and the recent hurricane activity, It becomes clear that being personally prepared for any major emergency or disaster is important to us all.

If you have not already done so, now would be a very good time to prepare yourself and your family for any major emergency. You should consider being able to be self-sustaining for at least 72 hours.

### Here are some things to consider when preparing your emergency kit:

- ◆ Emergency contact information for you and your family.
- ◆ Establish a connection point with a family member or with a friend who lives outside the State. Keep that number and all important numbers in your supply kit. (share the contact's phone number with everyone in the family.)
- ◆ Medical prescriptions and items such as a spare pair of glasses
- ◆ Emergency food and water for at least three days.
- ◆ Cash readily available (in small denominations)
- ◆ A plan for your family.

The Long Beach Fire Department and the Long Beach Chapter of the American Red Cross both have materials and training that can assist you in beginning your preparedness efforts. Other options to improve one's knowledge and training for Emergency Response are to take classes or join the local Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program.

The CERT is a team formed by members of a neighborhood who want to be better prepared for the hazards that threaten their communities. With this special training; when a major disaster does strike, you will have the skills & knowledge to assist neighbors, co-workers, and rescue personnel until professional emergency services arrive. The CERT volunteers, in cooperation with the Long Beach Fire Department are committed to the community's disaster preparation.

See the Long Beach Fire Dept's web site for additional information - <http://www.longbeach.gov/fire/default.asp>.

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### **3rd District Council Office Update**

*by Gary de Long, Councilmember*

Due to the high price of oil, the City's Tidelands fund revenues will exceed our budgeted goals. In accordance with City Council financial policy this additional revenue (\$18 million so far this year) is available to be used for one-time capital projects. Tidelands funds can only be used for specific purposes, and cannot be used for General Fund expenses such as Police, Fire, fixing streets and sidewalks, etc.

Some of the 3rd District projects approved by the City Council several weeks ago are:

- ◆ Replacing the beach bathrooms at Bayshore, 62nd Place and the Belmont Pier
- ◆ Repaving beach parking lots and upgrading parking meter technology
- ◆ Continue investing in recreational water quality improvement projects
- ◆ Designing a new Leeway Sailing Center
- ◆ Setting aside funding in a reserve to address future oil property remediation

Additionally, the City is anticipating additional oil revenue next year and following are some of the projects the City Council will be considering:

- ◆ Replacing additional beach bathrooms at Mother's Beach south, Granada and Bayshore
- ◆ Convention Center improvements
- ◆ Expanding our bike path capacity on the beach to reduce overcrowding
- ◆ Continue investing in recreational water quality improvement projects
- ◆ Building a new Leeway Sailing Center
- ◆ Upgrading the Belmont Plaza Pool to address seismic problems
- ◆ Bluff Erosion Repair in Bluff Park
- ◆ Continue to set aside funding in a reserve to address future oil property remediation

While the City will continue to struggle with the General Fund for the foreseeable future, I believe we should invest in the future of our City whenever possible.

### **Admiral Ruff Memorial Project Update**

*by Helena Segelhorst*

Summer is almost over and some projects are completed, among them is the Admiral Ruff Memorial installation and dedication.



On Wednesday, June 22nd at 11a.m. a small group of neighbors and friends gathered together to honor the admiral for his wartime heroism and contributions to our local community and to also witness the installation of the memorial plaque at the Lone Sailor Plaza In Bluff Park.

After reciting some of his accomplishments, several old time friends were asked to share some of their remembrances of him. (There is a short summary of some of the Admiral's accomplishments in the June issue of the Bluff Park Neighborhood News Letter.) The observance was then ended with the singing of the Navy Hymn.



Special thanks were given to friend Lorraine Conley for the important research that she did and the contacts she made for me. Also recognized were Linda Renner for the photograph and family contact that she provided. We thanked the Long Beach Parks and Recreation Department staff for their assistance in bringing the project to completion.

Half of the costs for the project have been covered by the generous donations by residents and friends of B.P.N.A. Those wishing to make additional donations should contact Sasha Witte at 562-434-8824.

You are encouraged to stop by the Lone Sailor monument to see the paver.

### ***First and Loma Update***

*By John Parkin*

In our June report on the status of the mini park located at First and Loma, we reported that the landscaping of the area was on hold until the SurfRider Foundation had an opportunity to review and comment on the landscape plans. This review was completed shortly after our June report and the landscaping was installed, taking into account the SurfRider Foundation's recommendations. This involved lowering the planting level so that rain water run-off will flow into the area, which should absorb significant amounts of water.

The landscaping consists of three sycamore trees and several dozen drought resistant plants and bushes. As hoped, the neighborhood has pretty much adopted the area. We reported in June that the the area does not have an irrigation system, so the neighbors have pitched in and are taking turns watering. The original planting has also been augmented by the neighbors, making it much more attractive.

It is anticipated that this installation will, because of its much lower cost, open the way for this type of landscaping in other areas in the Bluff Park Neighborhood. Bulbouts/Roundabouts anyone? Anything looks better than asphalt.

### ***News From Rose Park Neighborhood Association***

A great place to gather knowledge and information is at the upcoming **4th Restoration Trade Fair & Fundraiser**, slated for Sunday, September 25, 2011, 9:30am-4:00pm at the Luther Burbank School [4th & Junipero in Long Beach, CA].

Hosted by Rose Park Neighborhood Assn. in partnership with the Luther Burbank School, this Rose Park annual event provides the ultimate one-stop resource base. Over 50 specialty vendors and exhibitors will be on-hand as will a variety of non-profit, city, heritage, historic and community groups providing educational services to add color and character to the day. Plus, top-notch local vendors and artisans offering services and consulting in a variety of areas, including landscaping and nursery resources, interior/exterior design, flooring, painting and finishing, and much more! Not sure where to start on a project? The Trade Fair offers lots of opportunities to meet restoration specialists and artisans, so bring photos of your home with a list of questions.

"The theme for this year's fair is the Culture of Restoration," offered coordinator, Gretchen Swanson. "With tight homeowner budgets comes the appreciation of a simpler way of life and the gratification of restoring one's own home. It can often be a intimidating process and the Restoration Trade Fair was created several years ago with the goal of offering resources and education."

### **CITY SERVICE DIRECTORY**

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| New Construction/Enforcement                    | 570-6399     |
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| Airport Noise                                   | 570-2678     |
| Office of Councilmember Gary DeLong             | 570-8756     |
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| Parking Problems (chronic)                      | 435-6711     |
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| Pot Holes                                       | Dial 2       |
| Storm Drains/Waterflow                          | Dial 3       |
| Sandbags  | Dial 4       |
| Traffic Signals                                 | Dial 5       |
| Trees/Sidewalks/Curbs                           | Dial 6       |
| Street Maintenance                              | Dial 7       |
| Street Signs/Traffic Paint                      | Dial 9       |
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| Street Lights                                   | 983-2000     |
| Street Sweeping                                 | 570-2890     |
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### **BPNA BOARD OFFICERS**

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### **Business Spotlight: The Hall of Frame**

By *Sasha Witte*

This week I had the opportunity to sit down with local business owner Ron Roepke to ask him a few questions about himself and his business.

Ron has had his business "Hall of Frame" for thirty three years. It was begun on the corner of Broadway and Orange, where he stayed for his first ten years in business. He then moved into the historic art deco building at 3316 Broadway for another ten years. After moves to both Signal Hill and the East Anaheim Business District over the past few years, he has just recently moving back to Broadway!

**SW:** Have you always lived in Long Beach?

**RR:** I actually went to High School in Riverside and spent my college years in Santa Barbara. I moved to Long Beach in 1972. I then left for a few years and spent time in the military - most of that time was spent in Germany.

**SW:** Where you always interested in art? Is that what your degree was in?

**RR:** Actually, I have always been art inclined, but not with an ability to do art myself. I'm terrible as an artist! But I have a good sense of color and design and I've had the opportunity to spend time in Europe and in a lot of nice homes with great art - and that has influenced my way of seeing art.

**SW:** You've obviously spent a lot of time in this neighborhood - what are some of your favorite things about this area of Long Beach?

**RR:** Definitely the architecture. And also the camaraderie! When I was moving back to Broadway two months ago I was moving into the store at 11 at night and people were walking by and welcoming me back to the neighborhood!

**SW:** Tell me about some of the experiences you've had in your business over the years.

**RR:** Well, frame styles have changed dramatically! There was oak reproduction for a time, then black lacquer was popular, then Southwest...When that look went it did so with an audible thud!.. Italian Renaissance and now we're at a crossroads where they've all collided. Now the name of the game is anything goes - Whatever you want!

**SW:** Anything especially interesting that you've had the opportunity to frame recently?

**RR:** Yes! A feather piece by artist Lorra Lee Rose. You can see her art by visiting [www.featherfantasies.com](http://www.featherfantasies.com).

I was able to see the piece before I left and it is truly spectacular. Ron had framed it into a black shadow box with just a touch of orange matting. It looked fabulous!

Hall of Frame is located at 3344 East Broadway - near the corner of Broadway & Redondo. He can be reached at 562.961.7616.

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### **Bluff Park Neighbor Profile**

**Sasha Witte**

by *Wendy Ham*

Sasha Witte relocated to Long Beach from the Pasadena area in 1993. She first lived in an apartment at the traffic circle, but her dream was to purchase a 1920's Spanish revival four-plex. In 2001, Sasha located the perfect property on 2nd Street in Bluff Park. Due to the property's general disrepair and a poor renovation in the 1960's, she embarked on a three year rehabilitation to restore its Spanish revival charm. She named her new home, La Casa Que Canta (The House That Sings).

Once completed with her property renovation, Sasha moved on to another project that ignited the community activist she is today. In front of her property at 2nd and Redondo, was a triangular green space that was primarily used for garage sales. It had one lovely coral tree that defined the space. When the City removed the coral tree, she was called to action. She was inspired to write then Councilman Frank Colonna. Frank's staff contacted Sasha and put her in touch with Parks and Recreation staff. They encouraged Sasha to develop a park plan, including benches and trees that the neighborhood would support. Sasha needed to raise \$3,000 which Partners in Parks would match. She went door to door requesting donations. Sasha also approached the Bluff Park Neighborhood Association which contributed the balance of the funds needed. The result is the lovely little Trolley Park enjoyed by so many people today.

Since her early involvement in community activities, Sasha has continued her volunteer efforts. She is currently President of the Bluff Park Neighborhood Association, Vice President of One on Broadway, and a newly appointed Long Beach Heritage Board Member.

Sasha currently resides with her partner Wendy and dog Oscar, in a 1913 craftsman home in Bluff Park, which they have been restoring for several years.

In her spare time, she runs a successful home design business and home furniture lighting, art and accessory boutique, at *Sasha's on Broadway*.



Wow, I'm exhausted just interviewing her!!

## ***Bixby Park Update***

*by Claudia Schou*

Security has long been a top concern for residents and visitors to Bixby Park. Three years ago, a city wide park ranger program became a casualty of city cutbacks, making our parks more susceptible to crime and drug use. Bixby Park faces many challenges when it comes to litter, public drinking, public drug use, overnight camping at the band shell and domestic/non-domestic public fighting. This month, our local neighborhood association leaders including Bluff Park Neighborhood Association, Alamitos Beach NA, North Alamitos Beach NA, Bluff Heights NA, Rose Park NA and On Broadway Business Association signed a resolution asking Vice Mayor Suja Lowenthal and Councilman Gary DeLong for assistance in implementing more security measures at Bixby Park, including a park ranger, security cameras and Drug Free Zone signage.



Our goal is to ensure a safe and desirable environment for park visitors by encouraging those who use the park to be compliant of park rules and regulations.

Last month marked one year that neighbors and concerned residents got together for the first time to envision a better future for Bixby Park, and created the name Friends of Bixby Park. Since then the group has arranged placement of banners that encourages park visitors to keep the park clean, hosts monthly park clean ups on the first Saturday of each month, worked with the city to plant new trees around the playground, raised funds to purchase plants to re-landscape around the bandshell and recruited a Garden Club Vice President, the lovely Eliza Solórzano. Friends of Bixby Park also recruited the talent of architect Steve Sennikoff and mosaic artist Nancy O'Neil. A few months ago, Long Beach Parks and Recreation Commission approved Mr. Sennikoff's plan for Parcel 1, where the non-working water fountain is located on Broadway between Cherry and Junipero.

So far, Friends of Bixby Park has raised \$20,000 to date, with an end goal of \$100,000 to break ground on Parcel 1.

Friends of Bixby Park is looking for park sponsors to help us complete our renovation. So why not become a part of the park's history by sponsoring a park bench? Each park bench comes with a personalized plaque! For more information or to sponsor a park bench, please visit [www.friendsofbixbypark.org](http://www.friendsofbixbypark.org).



Special thanks to Bluff Park Neighborhood Association President Sasha Witte and neighbor Nancy O'Neil for hosting a delightful and well-attended fundraiser for the Historic Gardens of Bixby Park at Sasha's – Living with Style! The fundraiser netted over \$2,000 and featured silent auction items donated by several local businesses including Spa Sydney, Belmont Pets, Paradise Café, Olives Gourmet, Sasha's, Pizza Place and Garden Café, Hot Stuff, Polished, Breathe, Rezzano Salon, Heavenly Scents, Red Door Living, Iguana, Van's Hardware, The Loft, Bliss, Consignment Corner, Belsito-Roche Fine Art Gallery, Portfolios, Babcock and Cooke, Ambrosia Café, Maya Trade, Jo Ann Harvey Massage, Rick Harvey Smart Cookies, Art Theater, Park Pantry, Piccalo Flowers, Savor Flavor Dining, The Huntington Library and Botanical Gardens and Stop Staring! Clothing; as well as paintings, jewelry and photography by the following artists: Stephen Lucas, Caron Lowe, Stephanie Han, Alex Blackford, Rev. Sunshine Daye, Carol Swanson, Karen Ambellan, Franes Lai Wang and John Scott.

For upcoming events and fundraisers for Bixby Park, please visit [www.friendsofbixbypark.org](http://www.friendsofbixbypark.org).

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## **Security Report**

*by Ray VanNatta*

We'll start with the crime statistics for the last 4 months for Long Beach Policed Department's East Division reporting districts 433, 432, and 493 (which are bounded on the North and South by Broadway and Ocean.)

There has been an overall increase in Garages being broken into (B&E) as we had 5 reported over this time period. We need to continue to be "good neighbors" and report any unusual observations to our police department.

District 433, between Cherry and Lindero Ave:

Along the Cherry Ave corridor: 1 Assault with a deadly weapon (non-firearm), 3 Grand Thefts, 1 Commercial Burglary, 1 Theft, and 1 act of Vandalism were reported.

2 Thefts and 2 bicycles Thefts were reported along Ocean Blvd. A garage was Burglarized on 1st St. A Petty Theft and a Bike Theft were reported on Broadway.

District 432 between Lindero Ave and Temple Ave:

On Broadway there was one act of battery at Temple and one act of Vandalism. There was a Petty Theft on Molina, and there were 4 B&Es: 1 Apt on 1st St, 2 garages on 1st St, and 1 garage on 2nd St.

District 493 between Temple Ave and Redondo Ave: On Broadway there were 2 Petty Thefts, and 3 incidents of Bike Theft. There was a Petty Theft on 2nd. There was 1 Theft and 1 Petty Theft reported on Redondo and a garage was Burglarized on Redondo. On Ocean a person was Robbed, there was also a Petty Theft and an act of Vandalism reported.

Remember, if you see anything suspicious, you are encourage to call 911 and the operator will direct you to the appropriate help.



## **We Get Mail!**

The Bluff Park Historic District often receives mail and inquiries from our neighbors. We reply as best we can to these calls and mail. The dilemena are the questions posed by our 'Anonymous' neighbors that may not be addressed in our meetings but are broad enough that the answer would be of value to the neighborhood in general.

## **Anonymous Question:**

### **How did the Galaxy Apartments come about?**

*by Ray VanNatta*

There was a citywide zoning change in the 1960's that changed R1 to higher density allowing for larger multiple units; it has been said that one goal of the change was to make Long Beach the "Miami of the West". The plan was not well coordinated, and one result was the Galaxy Tower being built in our Bluff Park waterfront neighborhood in 1967.

There was a large public outcry against the 20 story, concrete and steel structure, and according to the Long Beach Press Telegram, Ruthann Lehrer (a former Long Beach Historic Preservation Officer) noted that "...the construction of the tower is what motivated residents in Bluff Park to form a historic district to stop more towers from being built."

An additional outgrowth of this discontent was the Southeast Area Development and Improvement Plan. The original SEADIP land use plan was born in the 1970s from a partnership that consisted of city officials, residents, businesses and property owners; it was adopted by the City Council in 1977. This plan has governed the height, density and environmental considerations of development on the eastern side of Long Beach since it was approved by the Coastal Commission.

This event was the driving force to preserve and protect this historic district through the creation The Bluff Park Neighborhood Association.

***Fitness Corner***  
*by Jesika Fleming*

***Eating for Weight Loss***

People that want to lose weight often don't realize how important their dietary habits are to fat loss aside from exercise. If you are trying to drop body fat it is very important to eat a diet low in saturated fats, refined sugars and last but not least keep your portions small.

Here is a general guideline to help you lose fat and manage your weight combined with regular exercise. Make sure you check with your doctor before following these suggestions and undertaking any exercise regimen.

1. Eat only lean meats like chicken, turkey, fish or tofu or egg whites if you are vegetarian.
2. Eat plenty of colorful vegetables as a low calorie carbohydrate source as well as being rich in nutrients and fiber.
3. Eat a moderate amount of healthy fats like small portions of raw almonds, avocados, olive oil and fish oils. These help get rid of the bad fats in your body and help maintain healthy brain function and muscle tissue along with a host of other benefits.
4. Avoid all white flour carbohydrates such as white breads and pastries. These spike your insulin levels and in turn your body will store fat.
5. Read labels, something might say 'organic' 'whole grain' and so on, but it doesn't mean it's a pure food, there could be a lot of added sugars and saturated fat in the ingredients.
6. Eat 'clean'. Eat foods that are as unprocessed as possible. Avoid eating foods that are packaged, boxed or pre-made. Obviously there are some exceptions to this rule but the closer you get to nature in your eating habits the more you notice the change in your body and how you feel.
7. Eat snacks and small meals every 3-4 hours to keep your metabolism high and to maintain lean muscle tissue.



*This article should not take the place of medical advice. Always consult your physician before starting any dietary program. The above article is not intended to prescribe, evaluate, prevent, diagnose or treat any condition.*

If you have any questions about food or exercise email Jesika at [info@jesikafleming.com](mailto:info@jesikafleming.com). Jesika Fleming is a certified personal trainer, fitness writer and nutrition consultant. She owns Bodyflex Fitness 1502 E. Broadway, Long Beach 90802 [www.jesikafleming.com](http://www.jesikafleming.com)

***Join the Holiday Spirit  
at Bembridge House***

*By Lee Ann Zambrano*

Every Christmas holiday season, the Bembridge House is adorned with holiday decorations donated and placed by neighborhood volunteers. Long Beach Heritage started a tradition of having each of the historic neighborhoods in Long Beach represented in a different room of the house.



In December volunteer 'elves' descend on Bembridge House with their garlands, ribbons, baubles, beads etc. and transform the house into a holiday haven. And of course, Bluff Park is always part of the festivities. So if you have a couple of hours in early December (date to be announced), like to decorate and have a few laughs with neighbors, we'd love to have you join us.



Plus it's a great way to get a close-up look at this historic treasure.

*For information:  
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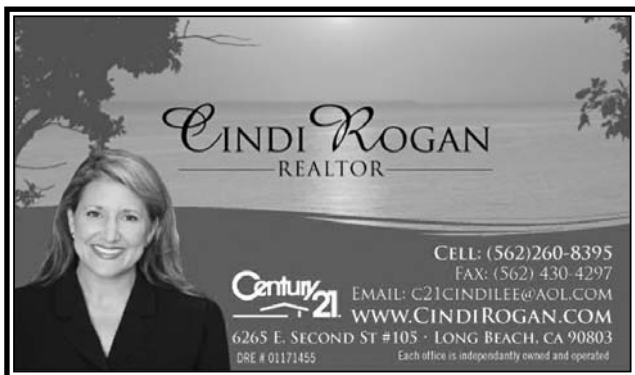
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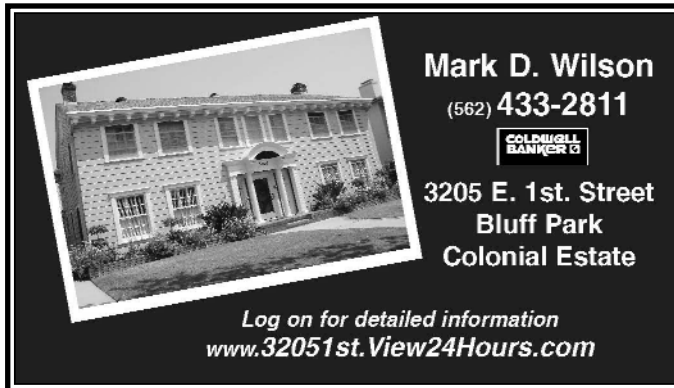
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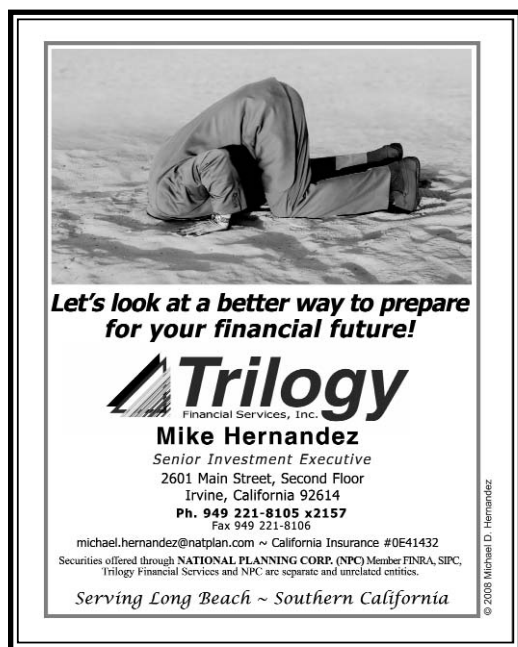
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## Upcoming Events In the Neighborhood:

### Dreams & Journeys Artist Show

Thru October 9th

At Les Jolis Tresors

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This contemporary art show features sculptures and paintings by Lynne Okeon Scholnick, Ramon Rodriguez, Annie Clavel and Joan Skogsberg Sanders.

Visit [www.LesJolisTresors.com](http://www.LesJolisTresors.com) for more information.

### Photography Show – Opening Reception

Saturday, October 15th, 6 to 9pm

At Sasha's – on Broadway

3237 East Broadway, LB

562.434.8824

Featuring work by local photographers Alex Blackford, Roland Ferry, Caron Lowe and Raquel Landworth-Kleinhenz.

Visit [www.SashaWitteDesign.com](http://www.SashaWitteDesign.com) for more information.

### “Blocked” – an Exhibit of Metal Sculptures by Mike Engle

On Display thru October 29th

At Hair & Art

5346 East Second Street, LB

562.434.0048

Visit [www.mrengle.com](http://www.mrengle.com) for more information.

### The Met Opera – Live in HD: Siegfried

Saturday, November 5th

At The Art Theater, Long Beach

2025 East Fourth Street

562.438.5435

The Metropolitan Opera's Emmy and Peabody award winning series of live, high-definition performance transmissions comes to Long Beach. Don't miss the chance to experience the excitement of the Metropolitan Opera, including interviews and behind the scenes features exclusive to the Live in HD Series.

Visit [www.arttheatrelongbeach.com](http://www.arttheatrelongbeach.com) for more information.



### Artist Reception for Michael Allen Punke

Saturday, November 5th, 6 to 9pm

At Sasha's – Living with Style

3237 East Broadway, LB

562.434.8824

Well respected as both an artist and instructor, Punke's most current collection of paintings were inspired during a recent trip to Italy. These watercolors and oil paintings are primarily from the town of Orvieto in the Umbria region and focus on the interplay of light and shadow among the various old buildings.

Visit [www.SashaWitteDesign.com](http://www.SashaWitteDesign.com) for more information.

### To Kill a Mockingbird

Thru November 19th

At The Long Beach Playhouse

5021 East Anaheim St., LB

562.494.1014

Adapted by Christopher Sergel from the novel by Harper Lee.

Visit [www.LBPlayhouse.org](http://www.LBPlayhouse.org) for more information.

### Passport to The Arts

Sunday, November 20th 11am to 5pm

At the Museum of Latin American Art

628 Alamos Blvd., LB

562.437.1689

Create passports, landscapes, maps and much more. The Museum Store will also offer a free chocolate tasting.

Visit [www.molaa.com](http://www.molaa.com) for more information.



## Bluff Park Neighborhood Association

### General Meeting

October 13, 2011

Thursday

6:30pm to 8:30pm

at 2904 East 2nd Street, Long Beach

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