Deforest Park Neighborhood Association

October 2016

Neighborhood Newsletter



Events Calendar

- Oct 24@6:30-8:30pm: Dine-Out 90805 Sal's Gumbo Shack
- Oct 29@3-5pm: We Love Long Beach Citywide Pumpkin Potluck
- November 3rd@5:30pm: State of the 9th District
- November 5th@10am: Veteran's Day Parade and Celebration
- November 20@12:30-3pm: Stories and Craft Workshop

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Join us **Thursday, October 20 from 7- 8:30 pm** for our monthly meeting. Come out and get the report from DeForest Park's **Paranormal Investigation!** A representative from **Anubis Paranormal Research Organization** will be on hand to walk us through the findings and answer questions.

October Speaker

On September 30, DeForest Park Neighborhood Association hosted a paranormal investigation of DeForest Park. The investigation was lead by the Anubis Paranormal Research Organization. It was a hands on investigation, where participants were trained on how to use paranormal research equipment.

A representative from Anubis Paranormal Research Organization will be back this month to formally present the findings of the investigation and answer any questions.

> See you Thursday, Oct 20 @ 7pm in the DeForest Park Community Center!

Dine-Out 90805 Part 2:

Sal's Gumbo Shack

Join your neighbors and community at Sal's Gumbo Shack, 6148 Long Beach Blvd on Monday 10/24 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Sal has been serving up classic Louisiana cuisine since 2011 and opened up shop on Long Beach Blvd in 2012. This local gem has been honored on several top 10 lists for best creole food!

Because Sal's prides itself on its food, it will take time to cook. Sal's asks that you please call or order online before you come. Make sure to let them know you are a part of "Dine-Out 90805" and whether you will "Dine-In" or "Take Out". You can order online at

salsgumboshack.com or call 562-422-8100.



DeForest Park Neighborhood Association needs you help!!!



- Have you been thinking about getting more involved?
 DPNA needs your
- We are asking for residents to volunteer a few hours a month to help their neighborhood

help!

 There are roles for everyone regardless of ability!

- We have several committees that need <u>YOUR</u> special skills including:
- (1) **Join Events**: Do you like planning events? Would you like to help organize events like Dine-Out 90805 or the Chili Cook-off. Let us know!
- (2) **Join Fundraising:**Are you good at fundraising and have some creative idea? We

- need you!
- (3) **Join the Welcome Wagon:** Do you like meeting new people?
 Help us meet and greet new neighbors!
- (4) **Join our Green Team:** Do you value a clean and litter free community? Help us organize our neighborhood clean-ups!

STATE OF THE 9TH DISTRICT - NOVEMBER 3 5:30-8PM @ MICHELLE OBAMA NEIGHBORHOOD LIBRARY



Join you Vice Mayor and Councilmember Rex Richardson as we celebrate what we've accomplished together over the last year and look ahead at what's to come.

The Uptown Renaissance is in full swing and there is so much more to come! See you there!

The event will be held at the newly opened Michelle Obama Neighborhood library (5870 Atlantic Ave).

Schedule:

5:30 PM- Garden Party Reception Honoring Empower Uptown Award Winners

6:30 PM- State of the 9th District Program Begins

Thinking of buying or selling? Get a free market consultation!



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City of Long Beach Updates and Requests for Feedback!

1. The City of LB has replaced approx. 1,750 high-pressure sodium streetlights with LED, completing the phase 1 of a citywide project to save money & reduce carbon dioxide emissions.

Phase 2, which began last month, involves re-

placing approx. 24,000 high-pressure sodium streetlights with LED.

The Energy Network says the retrofit will save about 9.6 million kilowatt-hours of electricity each year, reducing LB's overall energy consumption by almost 10 %.

2. LB needs you input on design a welcoming & effective signage for gateway entries to the city. The design for these signs will reflect the community's values and identity. Please take a few minutes to complete a brief survey: www.lbds.info/wayfindingsignage



20th Annual Veterans Day Parade and Festival— November 5, 2016 @ 10am

The purpose of the Long Beach Veterans Day Parade is to honor and recognize veterans who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States.

This annual celebration tic to 56th Street then brings the community together to show appreback to Harding.

ciation for the Veteran men and women that have fought for our freedom.

The Parade starts at 10 am from Harding and proceeds south on Atlantic to 56th Street then returns north on Atlantic back to Harding.

The Festival follows immediately after at Houghton Park (Corner of Atlantic Ave. and Harding St.)

Come out to enjoy the festivities and most importantly, to say thanks to our local Vets.



Uptown Word and Arts: Stories and Craft Workshop—November 20 12:30-3pm

Participants will learn some basics of creative writing and write short poems or stories in response to writing exercises. Then they will learn how to make one-of-kind covers for their composition books using fabric scraps and Mod Podge.

The event is open to any one 10 years of age or older and no experience is necessary! Children should be accompanied by an adult.

You must RSVP via e-mail to beneathbone@yahoo.com

Sunday, November 20 at 12:30 PM - 3 PM at the (Old) Uptown BID office (5643 Atlantic Ave)

The workshop is FREE. Materials are provided for FREE to participants.

Space is limited so reserve you spot today!!!



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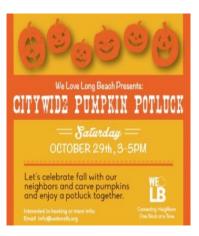
DeForest Park is the one of the first neighborhoods in North Long Beach to form its own neighborhood association. There is an actual 24-acre park here running alongside the LA Riverbed with a club house, rest rooms, baseball diamonds, basketball, tennis and racquetball courts, sand volleyball court, horse trails, a nature trail and a bike path that can take you to the Aquarium of the Pacific or downtown LA.

DeForest Park is tucked away in North Long Beach .We're only 20 miles from downtown LA and only 7 miles from the Pacific Ocean! This is a safe and quiet neighborhood unknown to many residents of our fine city. That's why some consider us "The hidden treasure of Long Beach."

We Love Long Beach City Wide Pumpkin Potluck—Oct 29 3-5pm (all over LB)

We Love Long Beach is a nonprofit 501c(3) with a vision for Connecting Neighbors One Block at a Time. We Love Long Beach is looking to partner with neighbors like you to build and strengthen the fabric of trust and relationship on your block. They believe neighborliness is the answer to many of the needs and problems that individuals, families, and communities face every day in our city.

Would you like to host a "We Love Long Beach" Citywide potluck. Its not too late to sign up! And all the materials for promotion as well as pumpkins are supplied for free!



Are you already hosting one in the DeForest Park Neighborhood or elsewhere in North Long Beach? Let us know and we can help you promote it!

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