

We Create Community



C. DAVID MOLINA PARK OPENS



Officially opening C. David Molina Park with community members are L-R: Parks and Recreation Commissioner Mariela Salgado, Dr. Mario Molina, Janet Molina-Watt, PRM Director Geraldo Mouet, Councilmember Al Austin, Parks and Recreation Commissioner David Zanatta, Mayor Robert Garcia, Parks and Recreation Commissioner Stella Ursua, LBUSD Board of Education member Megan Kerr, Parks and Recreation Commissioner Margo Morales, LBCC Board of Trustees member Uduak-Joe Ntuk and PRM Park Development Officer Meredith Reynolds.

The community celebrated the opening of C. David Molina Park at 4951 Oregon Avenue on August 28. The park is named for Dr. C. David Molina who started the city's first intensive care unit at Pacific Hospital in 1962 and served as the hospital's Emergency Department Director for 21 years.

"Dr. Molina showed compassion to people who needed it the most," said Mayor Robert Garcia. "He cared for patients like they were family, and I'm proud that this park will add to his legacy as a champion of the community."



The 3.3-acre park was built as part of a development agreement with the Riverdale residential tract. It includes a sports field, playground, restroom facility, walking path, parking, and landscaping. The sports field uses synthetic



turf with energy-efficient field lights and fencing, which provide additional hours of play for Long Beach sports organizations. The decomposed granite walking path and fitness stations provide an opportunity for healthy outdoor exercise. The playground features structures focused on children and youth ages 2 to 12, that include a climbing structure, safety surfacing and colorful shade structures. Park benches, bike racks, picnic tables, landscaping, and parking were designed to complement the park use.



The 100 Days of Summer Conclude



The 100 Days of Summer concluded with a finale concert by the band Trinity, who played tributes to the rock sounds of Styx, Foreigner and Journey at Marine Stadium on Friday, August 24.

Prior to the show, families enjoyed the Kid Zone and purchased dinner from food trucks, including the Cheddar Wheel, Chowdown Food and Yogurtland.

"I am proud of the nine-year partnership between Parks, Recreation and Marine and the Long Beach Convention and Visitor's Bureau to promote "100 Days of Summer" events on a user-friendly website calendar," said Mayor Robert Garcia. "Families have benefitted from knowing about all the great free recreation options available throughout the city to 'Stay and Play in Long Beach.'"

Trinity is the result of multi-instrumentalist Rich Graham pulling together players to replicate three of rock's heavy-weight bands, Styx, Foreigner and Journey. He along with vocalist Stu Saddoris, guitarist Sean Michael Clegg, drummer Ty Dennis and bassist Adam Levy, perform the greatest hits of the bands in individual sets.

"This concert was the final event in the '100 Days of Summer' program for 2018," said Parks, Recreation and Marine Director Geraldo Mouet. "Since Memorial Day weekend, residents have enjoyed free concerts and movies, extended recreation hours at City parks, El Dorado Nature Center and historic site events, and spontaneous fun like hiking, biking, golf, tennis, and swimming."



By the Numbers: Community Recreation Services: July 2018

Permits to Gather.....	218	El Dorado Regional Park Paid Entries.....	13,466
Reserved Picnic Sites.....	50	Adult Sports League Participants (Winter).....	36,689
Number of Contract Classes (Winter).....	496	Visits to City Pools.....	51,039
Facility Use Permits Issued.....	46	Youth and Teen Participants.....	22,045
Field Use Permits Issued.....	84	Senior Citizen Participants.....	9,062
El Dorado Regional Park Annual Passes.....	776	Visits to El Dorado Nature Center.....	27,420

All City Beach Day Creates Memories for Long Beach Youth



On August 16, approximately 2,000 youth from PRM park and aquatic day camps, Fun Day programs, WRAP sites and Teen Centers came to Claremont Beach for the Annual All-City Beach Day. The event provided an opportunity for many youth to experience the ocean for the first time, and for all kids to meet campers and program participants from across the city as well as enjoy a day that created life-long memories.

The day was about playing at the beach, bodysurfing, dunking your friends with buckets of water, getting buried in the sand, and having fun with beach games. More than 200 energetic PRM staff kept the events going, encouraged shy kids to try something new, and kept everyone safe. PRM's Teen Volunteer and Counselor in Training participants helped to supervise and lead activities.

All-City Beach Day was supported by the contributions of partners who donated both financial resources and in-kind services to make the event a success.

For the third year in a row, the Los Angeles Kings hockey team sponsored the event. Again this year, they provided a pizza lunch and handed out backpacks and school supplies for each child. Bailey, the Kings' six-foot lion mascot greeted the youth and the Kings' Ice Crew and Chariot organized street hockey games for all the kids to enjoy.

Diversified Production Services, LLC and Live Nation Worldwide Inc. funded the buses to transport the youth from program sites to the beach. The Long Beach Airport distributed flying discs, sunscreen and lip balm. The Long Beach Fire Department added to the excitement by spraying the crowd with water from their rescue boat.

Parks and Recreation Commissioners, and staff from all PRM bureaus helped to set up, serve food, and clean up. Using large bulldozers, Beach Maintenance crews formed a large sand dune for climbing, rolling and jumping.

The event perfectly embodied the 2018 summer camp theme of "creating memories" that will live with thousands of kids for a lifetime.



Parks and Recreation Commissioners David Zanatta and Margo Morales helped to serve lunch.



PRM LA84 Aquatic Programs Conclude

This summer a total of \$30,000 in LA84 Foundation Summer Splash Swim grant funds supported 1,064 youth participants in PRM aquatic programs. This included 216 competitive scholarships to participants in eight-week swim teams for ages 7-17 at City pools and at Cabrillo, Jordan and Millikan High School Pools. Competitive dive teams were held at Silverado and King Pools, and Silverado Pool offered an artistic swim team.

At the Richard R. Miller Novice Swim Meet on July 28, at Belmont Plaza Pool, youth competed in events including 25 to 100 yard swims with butterfly, backstroke, freestyle, breaststroke, and individual medley. The Richard R. Miller Novice Dive meet was held on August 5 at Silverado Park Pool. The top swim and dive team performers qualified to advance in LA84 swim events.

On August 10, PRM sponsored the annual Leeway Sailing Center Sabot Regatta for young sailors to test their boating skills, and also the Model Boat Regatta where participants launched their model boats to test their sea worthiness in Colorado Lagoon.



Artistic Swimming Championships

Artistic Swim Coaches Melissa Miramontes and Elizabeth Preciado worked with their team to build confidence, promote teamwork, and teach basic to advanced concepts of artistic swimming during an eight-week session. Their Belmont team took two first-place, one second-place, and one third-place medal at the LA84 Artistic Swim Festival. The competition was challenging, against agencies like Los Angeles County and the City of Los Angeles. The girls won their number one spot with hard work and dedication. One of the best moments at the competition was when the Belmont Artistic team beat LA County by taking first-place and second-place in their age division group for trios. Although, Long Beach took home two first-place medals, the youngest and newest team lost and is resolved to work harder and be better next year. "You win some, you lose some," said Coach Elizabeth Preciado, RLS V, who quickly cheered up the girls and capped off a memorable summer.



El Dorado Regional Park Hosts Play Days for Day Camp and WRAP Sites

Day Camp Jamboree

On August 1, the Day Camp Jamboree was held at El Dorado Regional Park's Golden Grove. This annual event brings together day camps from across the city to let campers and staff to play together.

This year's Jamboree adopted a "Carnival" theme and featured carnival style games in which campers got the chance to win prizes. Favorites like the giant obstacle course, capture the flag and snow cone treats were included. The highlight once again were performances by each camp that kicked off the day's activities. Groups from El Dorado West, Stearns Champions, Wardlow, Whaley, Pan American, Silverado and Veterans Parks performed for each other with dances and songs alongside the staff. Thanks to Community Services Supervisors Lachonda Harper and Sonny Seng who headed this year's Jamboree Committee, and to the Day Camp Directors and supervisors who put together a fun day for approximately 400 campers.



WRAP Park Day

A total of 650 youth from PRM WRAP (Winners Reaching Amazing Potential) sites descended on Golden Grove on August 15 for the Second Annual WRAP Park Day. Kids from the WRAP sites at Burbank, Edison, Garfield, Grant, Herrera, Starr King and Lafayette Elementary Schools and Hudson K-8 School came together for a fun-filled day at the park.

The day began with all students partaking in a water balloon toss. Throughout the day they participated in face painting, balloon animal making, creative crafts, bubbles, soccer and playground play. They enjoyed snow cones and making edible race cars with the Junior Beach Runners staff. At lunch, three schools performed dance numbers they had choreographed for the event. To finish the day, a "Battle of the Sites" obstacle course with five representatives from each school ran a relay course. The Site Directors were also involved in the last leg of the relay where their team sprayed silly string on them!



Animal Care Services Bureau Update

During August Long Beach Animal Care Services (ACS) staff and volunteers were busy, as usual, promoting pet adoptions throughout the community.



ACS celebrated National Dog Day with a Pet Fair and Open House on August 26 at the Long Beach Animal Emergency Medical Center. The public had the opportunity to meet great adoptable pets from the ACS Adoption Waggin', win prizes and have fun.

On August 25, the Second Annual Music for Mutts and Cats event was held at Steelcraft in Bixby Knolls. It was a fun evening of family and friends of the Long Beach Animal Shelter getting together to listen to great music for a cause. ACS is thankful for numerous donations of blankets, towels, food, treats and toys for their shelter guests. Special thanks to ACS Rescue Partner Ricky Yim (pictured on left below with volunteers and donated goods) for organizing the fundraiser.



Marine Bureau Welcomes Visiting and Resident Boats



The Long Beach Marine Bureau's Harbor Breeze Yacht Charters welcomed the Sir Winston, a new dinner cruise vessel, to Rainbow Harbor on July 24. The Sir Winston is a 130-foot long ship that can accommodate 500 passengers on multiple levels including sunset and sky view decks. The amenities include four bars, eight bathrooms, dance floors, an elevator and banquet seating for 350. The \$5.3 million-dollar state of the art vessel was built in 2017 by Winston Knauss in Florida. The Sir Winston will dock at Rainbow Harbor Dock 3.

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In August, the Greenpeace ship Arctic Sunrise began a two-week visit to Rainbow Harbor. Free ship tours were an opportunity for the crew to share information about plastic pollution in oceans and to promote the idea of reducing the use of fossil fuels. The 163-foot long icebreaker ship has a 16 person crew and can sleep up to 34. It has traveled the world encouraging environmental stewardship.

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By the Numbers: Maintenance Operations Bureau - August 2018

Community Service Workers (CSW) program

Total Number of persons enrolled during August.....	78
Total number of CSW Hours for August.....	1,921
Total number of hours worked at Queensway Bay.....	24
(Water cleanup, debris removal, litter pickup)	
Total number of hours worked at Beach Maintenance.....	454
(Litter pickup on beaches, parking lots, Belmont Pool, Ocean Blvd., Peninsula)	
Total number of hours worked at Marine Maintenance.....	640
(Litter pickup at Belmont Pier, maintenance building, and custodial work)	
Total number of hours worked at El Dorado Park areas.....	246
(Litter pickup, custodial and facility sites including Tree Farm and Night Crew)	
Total number of hours worked at Tree Farm.....	144
(Litter pickup, custodial and facility)	
Total number of hours worked at Los Cerritos Wetlands.....	132
(Litter and vegetation removal of Sims Pond, Golden Shore, Colorado Lagoon)	

Total number of hours worked at special clean-ups.....203
(Neighborhood clean-ups, graffiti paint-outs and community events)

Work orders completed.....574
Restrooms cleaned on a daily basis172
Facilities and Gymnasiums cleaned and stocked daily.....28

Park acres maintained

Park turf.....	814
Park landscape.....	2,310
Street (medians) turf.....	53
Street landscape.....	143

Water Use

Water cost & Consumption for August 2018	
Parks and Street Island Potable.....	41,417
Parks and Street Island Reclaimed.....	73,639
	\$149,218
	\$129,712

Know Your Long Beach Parks: Locust Tot Lot

The 4,050 square-foot “Locust Tot Lot” at 2331 Locust Avenue may be small, but has a big impact on its neighborhood by providing a place for children to play.

The play area opened in 2016 and features a colorful two-to-five-year-old play structure, with climbing and exploratory features and a slide. There is also a set of swings, safety surfacing, and a series of interactive play panels. The seating area will include two benches and two picnic tables connected by an ADA accessible walkway, as well as a bike rack, trees and mulch.

The Locust Tot Lot is part of 26 acres of new parkland to open in the Sixth Council District in recent years along with NAACP Freedom Park, Jenni Rivera Memorial Park, Rosa Parks Park, and the Chittick Field Sports Complex.



All-Inclusive Swings Added at Los Altos Park

Three new all-inclusive swings have been installed at Los Altos Park. The need for playground equipment for children of all abilities was raised by Fourth Council District resident Don Allison. Don had been taking his granddaughter Olivia to playgrounds outside the area to use accessible equipment. The Office of Councilman Daryl Supernaw provided the funding for the new equipment. On August 15, Olivia's family and friends gathered to celebrate the installation.



L-R: Councilman Daryl Supernaw, Olivia's parents April and Marco Avillar, and PRM Director Geraldo Mouet with Olivia and her brothers.



Center: Don and Mari Allison with granddaughter Olivia.

September - October 2018 Calendar of Events

September

Sat. 15:	9 a.m.	California Coastal Cleanup Day	Call 562.570.1745 for locations.
Sat. 15:	10 a.m.	Turtle Show	El Dorado Nature Center
Wed. 19:	9 a.m.	Senior Advisory Commission	Long Beach Senior Center
Th. 20:	9 a.m.	Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting	El Dorado Park Senior Center
Th. 20:	4 p.m.	Low-Cost Pet Vaccination and Microchipping Clinic	Scherer Park
Th. 20:	4 p.m.	Teen Volunteer Open House	Rancho Los Cerritos
Sat. 22:	9:30 a.m.	Culinary Workshop Preserving Your Fall Harvest*	Rancho Los Alamitos
Sun. 23:	4 p.m.	Dancing in Old California Live Music and Dancing*	Rancho Los Cerritos
Fri. 28:	5:30 p.m.	Exhibit Opening "Tibahangna to Today: Stories of the Tongva People"	Rancho Los Cerritos
Sat. 29:	9:30 a.m.	House Docent Training	Rancho Los Cerritos

October

Mon. 1:	Varies	Four Week Monday – Wednesday Swim Lessons Begin	Silverado Park Pool
Sat. 6:	10 a.m.	First Saturday Stewards Cleanup*	El Dorado Nature Center
Sat. 6:	1 p.m.	"Outrageous Orange" Free Youth Art Program	Rancho Los Cerritos
Mon. 8:	Varies	Four-week Monday- Wednesday Swim Lessons begin	Belmont Plaza Pool
Tue. 9:	7 p.m.	Family Nightlife Walk*	El Dorado Nature Center
Wed. 10:	10 a.m.	Parent & Me (18 mo. – 5 yrs.) Workshop Spooky Spectacular*	El Dorado Nature Center
Th. 11:	2:30 p.m.	Marine Advisory Commission Meeting	Long Beach Yacht Club
Sat. 13:	9 a.m.	California Native Plant Sale	El Dorado Nature Center
Sun. 14:	8 a.m.	Audubon Bird Walk	El Dorado Nature Center
Wed 17:	9 a.m.	Senior Advisory Commission Meeting	Long Beach Senior Center
Th. 18:	9 a.m.	Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting	El Dorado Park Senior Center
Th. 18:	4 p.m.	Low-Cost Pet Vaccination and Microchipping Clinic	Scherer Park
Sat. 20:	10 a.m.	Wetland Warrior Cleanup	Golden Shore Marine Reserve
Sat. 20:	10 a.m.	Stories from the Garden: The Plants of Columbia*	Rancho Los Cerritos
Sun. 21:	5 p.m.	Stardusk Dinner Dance Event*	Rancho Los Cerrito
Sat. 27:	2 p.m.	Howl-Oween Festival*	El Dorado Nature Center
Sat. 27:	11 a.m.	Ghostly Tea with crafts, games and fun*	Rancho Los Cerritos
Sat. 27:	Varies	Eight-week Saturday Swim Lessons Begin	Belmont Plaza Pool
Sat. 27:	Varies	Eight-week Saturday Swim Lessons Begin	Silverado Park Pool
Mon. 29:	Varies	Four-week Monday-Wednesday Swim Lessons Begin	Silverado Park Pool
Tue. 30:	Varies	Four-week Tuesday-Thursday Swim Lessons Begin	King Park Pool

* Call for registration and fee information.

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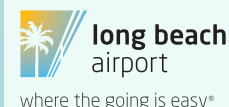
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