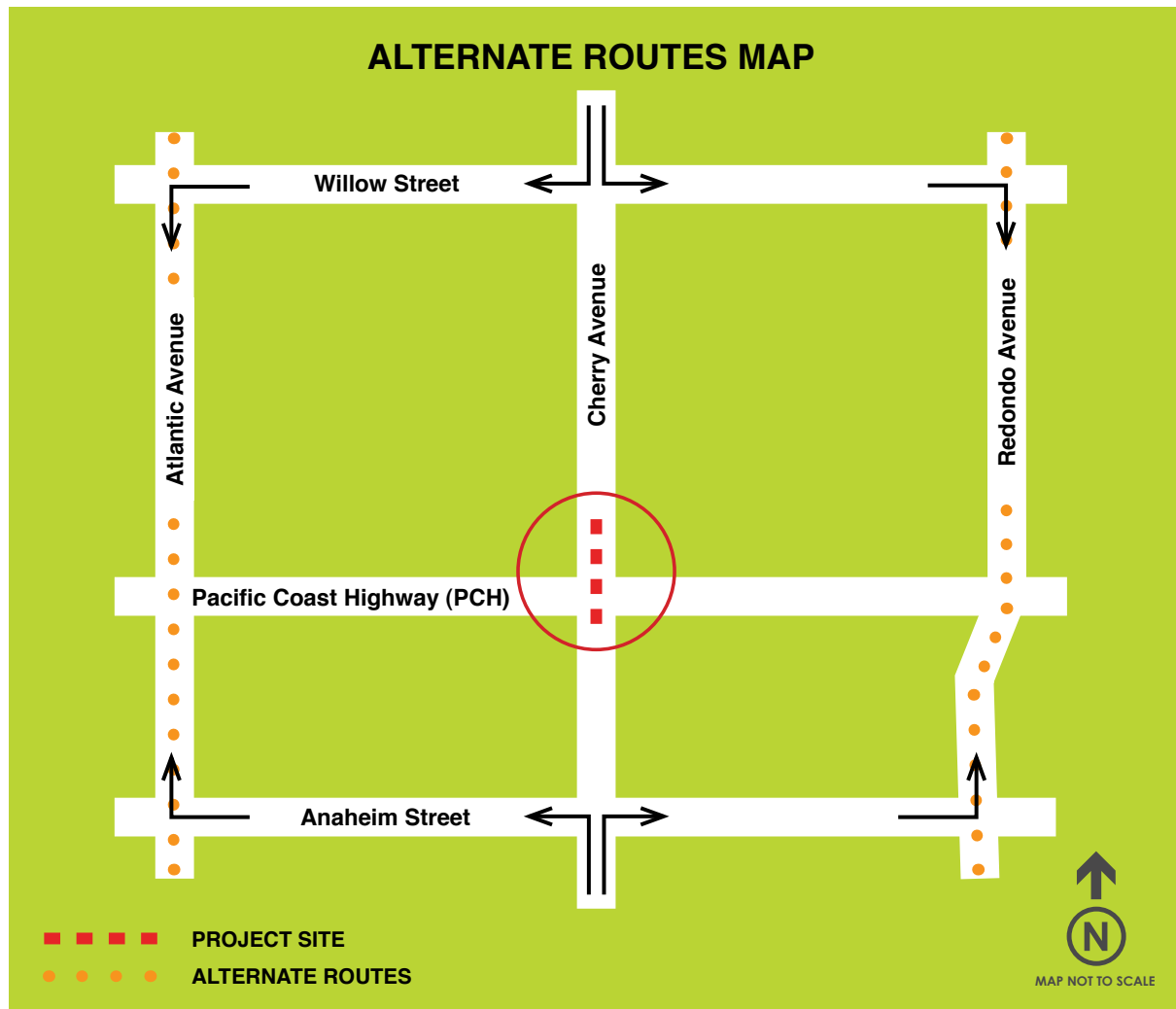


## Cherry Avenue Widening Construction Begins

The City completed the widening of Cherry Avenue within the Signal Hill city limits (Spring Street to 19th Street) in the late 1980's. However, the segment of Cherry Avenue between 19th Street and Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) which is located in the City of Long Beach remains substandard in width. The situation creates a bottleneck causing traffic to back up beyond 20th Street at times during rush hour periods.

The City will begin the 6.7 million Cherry Avenue Widening Project in mid January 2015 and it is expected to be completed by the end of May. During construction, lanes on Cherry Avenue will be reduced to one lane in each direction from Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) to 19th Street on a 24-hour basis. During construction, the City is recommending alternative routes. Specifically, the use of

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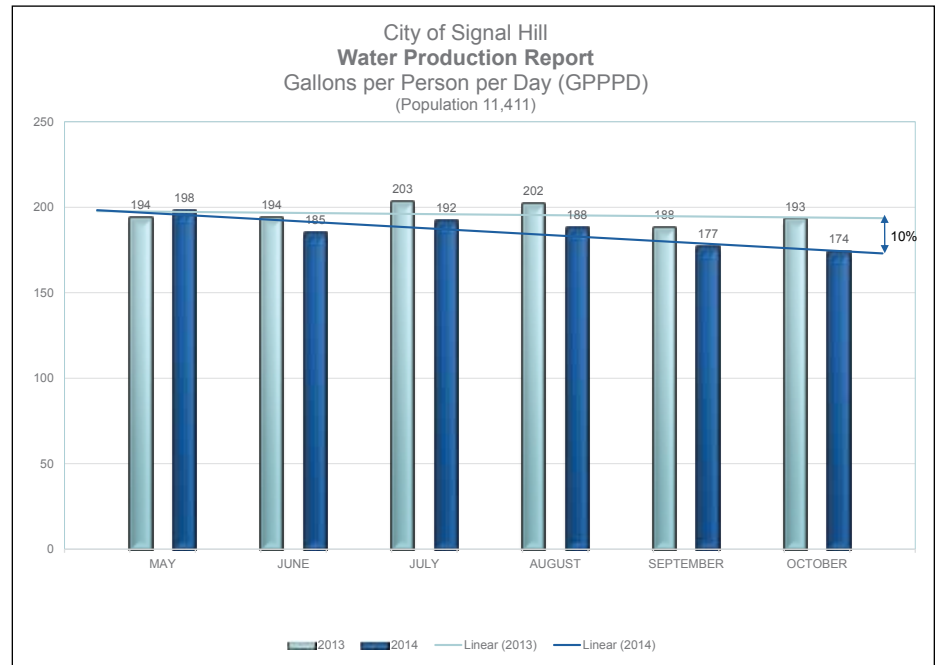
# Signal Hill's Water Conservation Efforts

## How are we doing?

In response to one of the most severe droughts on record, the Signal Hill City Council declared a Level 1 Water Shortage Condition on May 21, 2014. This emergency condition imposes restrictions on water use and requires a 10% reduction in overall water usage.

After six months, how is the community doing? A review of water production data for the period May 1, 2014 through October 31, 2014 shows that the community has embraced water conservation. In June, residents cut back water usage by 4.9% when compared to the previous June. Water usage continued to decrease during the next five months and finally achieved the targeted savings of 10% in October 2014.

The table above shows water usage converted to Gallons per Person per Day (GPPPD). Notice that for October 2013 (light blue), the per person usage per day was 193 gallons. In October 2014 (dark blue),



the per day usage dropped to 174 gallons per day.

Even though the community has had a few storms recently, the total rainfall through January 1, 2015 is 4.04 inches. This is only 27% of what the community would

normally receive. Signal Hill is still considerably below its historical rainfall average of 14.45 inches. The outlook for the drought ending continues to be bleak. The challenge is to maintain the 10 percent reduction by continuing to practice good water conservation. ■

## Register to Vote

### 2015 General Municipal Election Tuesday, March 3, 2015

The General Municipal Election for the City of Signal Hill is scheduled for March 3, 2015. If you are not registered to vote, applications are available at most government offices such as post offices, city halls, and libraries. The last day to register to vote for the March 3rd election is February 17, 2015. Items on the ballot include two members of the City Council, the City Clerk and City Treasurer. For more information on voter registration, election issues and being a poll worker, please visit the website of the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk at <http://lavote.net>. ■

## Five-Year Strategic Plan Update

Efforts to obtain public input from the community for the new Five-Year Strategic plan are complete. In 2014, three community meetings were held to provide the public with an opportunity to contribute their thoughts and suggestions for the new strategic plan. In total, approximately 75 residents and local businesses participated in the meetings. The plan will present the goals and objectives for the upcoming five-year period as well as the implementation strategy. The draft plan will be presented to the City Council for their consideration this spring. ■

# Community Services – Volunteer Recognition

Every year, the City of Signal Hill offers a variety of programs and events to enrich the lives of residents in the community. In 2014, more than 2,000 people attended Spring Fest in April and the Halloween Carnival in October. The Signal Hill Public Library served more than 900 children through the weekly story time activities, summer reading program and teen reading club. Over six weeks in July and August, more than 3,000 people enjoyed the free concerts series in the park.

These programs and activities build a sense of belonging and a sense of pride in our community. From the library, to the parks, to the playgrounds, to the amphitheater, City Staff make every effort to ensure that every resident of Signal Hill has an opportunity to enjoy the events. City staff alone could never produce all these activities without the help from community volunteers and sponsor organizations.

On November 20, 2014, the City held a recognition dinner for the many volunteers who contribute to the success of community events. While there are many volunteers who assist in various ways, three individuals and two organizations stood out this year for their commitment and dedication to the City.

## Youth Volunteers of the Year

This year the City was honored to have two very important youth volunteers who

generously gave their time to special events and the Signal Hill Public Library.



**Alex Honeycutt** has been volunteering for the City the past several years at City-wide special events including

the Halloween Carnival, Cookies with Santa, and Spring Fest. This young man has always been willing to do whatever is asked of him and does so eagerly and with pride.



**Shibani Bhagat** has invested many hours in our library programs by helping with the summer reading

program, tutoring, and special library programs. She has left a lasting impression on staff and patrons, making the City of Signal Hill a better place to live.

## Valued Volunteer Organization The Police Department (PD)



The PD Volunteers have played a major role in many of our events for several years including the Summer Concert Series, Halloween Carnival, Tree Lighting, Spring Fest, and Community Yard Sale. The PD

Volunteers come to City events to help with parking, crowd and traffic control, and the sale of concessions. The Volunteers have also provided identification and fingerprinting for children at our events.

## Celebrated Business Sponsor



American University of Health Sciences has been an

outstanding supporter of the City of Signal Hill this year. This local business donated to our Community Sponsorship Program, and was the event sponsor at the 2014 Spring Fest, where they distributed stuffed animals.

## Community Volunteer of the Year



**Terry Rogers** has dedicated countless hours to this City by volunteering on City committees, special events,

and serving on different nonprofit boards, including several years as President of the Signal Hill Chamber of Commerce. Her years of dedication to the City, and her passion for this community are admirable.

The City of Signal Hill appreciates the work all the volunteers do for the community and the City's programs, and extends a heartfelt thank you to each and every one of them.

## Community Development (CD) – Award Corner

Our community has beautiful neighborhoods and attractive businesses with residents and business owners who care about our planet's precious resources. The City of Signal Hill has two recognition programs and we'd like to highlight the recent award winners in our community.



The Sustainable City Committee's **Sustainability Award** recognizes those who employ sustainable practices and have a positive environmental mentality. In October, Mayor Wilson presented the award to the Seeds of Change Environmental Club from the Jessie Elwin Nelson Academy. The Club has made a positive impact on the school campus, the community and environment. The Garden Club has transformed marginal grounds into fruitful and flower-filled gardens. The Club members daily sort cafeteria waste for composting, recycling, and garbage bins; utilize food waste

and shredded paper for composting; collect uneaten food for donation; recycle bottles and cans; and model healthy eating habits.

The **Beautification Award**, recognizing those who make improvements to their property and enhance the neighborhood, was presented at the Planning Commission in September to the Willow Ridge Community Association (HOA). Over the last several years, the HOA has repaired or



replaced all wood and wrought iron; refurbished the pool, spa, decking and tennis courts; updated exterior lighting; and installed a drip irrigation system, decorative rocks and drought friendly plants. The HOA is planning to strategically reduce grass areas while maintaining the overall park atmosphere by removing approximately 3,100 square feet of grass and installing mulch and shrubs.

In December, an award was also presented to a Hilltop neighborhood



homeowner for construction of a retaining wall, which serves as a foundation

for a 50 foot water feature. The retaining wall showcases flower beds planted with ornamental grasses, which have also been planted in the parkway.

### CD Update



The final building at the Signal Hill Gateway Center was constructed on Spring Street between Atlantic and California Avenues. The development includes an outdoor dining area for patrons to enjoy the views and has a drive-thru for Starbucks customers. Chipotle, Starbucks, Sprint, and a Bank of America ATM kiosk are now open for business. ■

## Cherry Avenue Widening

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Willow or Spring Streets heading east or west and Redondo, Atlantic, or Orange Avenues going north or south.

The City is very pleased that this important street improvement project is becoming a reality and we ask for the public's patience during the construction period. For more information and a complete description, please contact the City of Signal Hill Public Works Department at (562) 989-7351 or visit the City's website at [www.cityofsignalhill.org](http://www.cityofsignalhill.org). You will find a link with up-to-date project information. ■



The grand opening of the new Community Garden in Signal Hill Park was November 22, 2014.



## Signal Hill Public Library

1770 E. Hill Street  
(562) 989-7323  
[www.cityofsignalhill.org/library](http://www.cityofsignalhill.org/library)

### Library Hours:

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Closed Sundays & Holidays

## Recurring Programs

### Story Time

**Wednesdays, 11:00 a.m.**

Babies and Toddlers – Ages 0-2 years old

**Fridays, 10:00 a.m.**

Preschoolers 3-5 years old

Story Time programs are designed to stimulate young minds by introducing literature, music and movement. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to participate to make a meaningful experience for the child. Snacks are included.



### Legos & More

**Saturdays – 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

Ages 5-12



Legos are fun as well as educational. For younger children, Legos develops dexterity along with math readiness skills, such as sorting and patterning practice. Older children sharpen abilities,

such as creativity, problem-solving, three dimensional thinking and teamwork. *Legos & More Saturdays* include Lego building, crafts, games and a story time. Every third Saturday will feature B.A.R.K Dogs who are registered therapy canines. Research shows that children who read regularly to a therapy dog increase their reading fluency from 12% to 20%.

### Books for the Homebound

If you live in Signal Hill and are unable to visit the library, you may arrange for the library to come to you! We can arrange for pickup and delivery of your favorite books or audio visual materials. Please call the library at (562) 989-7323 for more information.

### Book Club in a Bag

Looking to start a book club in your community? We can help! Our *Book Club in a Bag* program provides all you need to start a book club for 10 people. Each bag contains 10 copies of each book and a list of questions for the moderator. *Book Club in a Bag* sets can be checked out for a period of six weeks by patrons who hold a current library card. Titles include *The Book Thief* by Faye Markus Zusak, *Daughter of Fortune* by Isabel Allende, *Devil in the White City* by Eric Larson and *My Life in France* by Julia Child. For a complete list of available titles, go to the library's website at [www.cityofsignalhill.org/library](http://www.cityofsignalhill.org/library), or call (562) 989-7323.

### Special Library Displays



Please visit the Signal Hill Public Library to see our monthly book and media displays, which showcase various items from the collection to highlight special occasions in our community.

January	<i>National Hobby Month</i>
February	<i>Black History Month</i>
March	<i>National Women's History Month</i>
April	<i>National Poetry Month</i>
May	<i>National Photograph Month</i>

### Amnesty Week

Do you have outstanding fines or fees due to overdue books at the Signal Hill Public Library? Signal Hill Public Library wants to welcome you back to the Library and help wipe your slate clean during its first Amnesty Week, March 16 - 21, 2015. The Library is offering this one-time only opportunity to help respond to the economic downturn and reduce further pressure to people who may have library fines or fees, and welcome them back to the Library.

**Signal Hill Public Library Treasure Hunt**

This treasure hunt has been designed to help new and old library patrons learn to use library resources for their research. The hunt has been divided into 10 sections. Patrons may do all sections in order or may be assigned individual sections to complete. To enter the treasure hunt, please visit the library circulation desk for rules and a participation pamphlet. Once completed, return to the circulation desk to claim your prize.

### Special Programs for Adults @ your Library

**Got Computer Troubles? (FREE)**

**Mondays, Tuesdays, & Thursdays: 11:30-12 noon**  
**Wednesday & Friday: 5:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m.**

Sign up for one of our free, one-on-one tutorial sessions where staff will assist you in basic computer skills such as resumes, applications, job hunting, social networking, Microsoft Office tools, etc. Sessions are 30 minutes in length and are available by appointment only. To make an appointment, call (562) 989-7323.

**English Conversation Classes (Free)**

**Tuesdays at 12 noon**

Is English your second language? Come practice your English speaking skills in our weekly conversation class! No sign-up required, just stop by the Library Meeting Room. For more information, call the branch at (562) 989-7323.

**First Friday Book Club (over 18 years)**

**1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month at 11:30 a.m.**

Participants are provided a copy of the books, which alternates between fiction and non-fiction titles that are discussed over a light lunch.

- January 2:** *The Thirteenth Tale* by Diane Setterfield  
**February 6:** *The Last Policeman* by Ben Winters  
**March 6:** *Under the Banner of Heaven: A story of Violent Faith* by Jon Krakauer  
**April 3:** *A night to Remember* by Walter Lord and Nathaniel Philbrick

**May 4:**

*Gone Girl* by Gillian Flynn -  
Participants will view & discuss the movie

**Nite at the Library (FREE)**

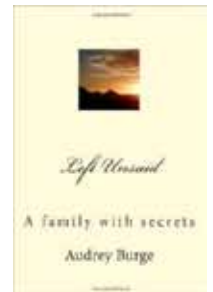
LA Opera community educators will provide an entertaining and informative presentation, giving you the background you need before

you head out to see any of the operas. Opera Talks are 50-minute, interactive presentations. The topics for each talk are different each month. Events will be scheduled on Mondays at 6 p.m. Seating for this event is limited. Register by calling 562.989.7323.

- January 12:** "Introduction to Opera"  
**February 9:** "The Barber of Seville"  
**March 9:** "The Marriage of Figaro"  
**April 13:** "Great Sopranos"  
**May 11:** "Opera and Broadway"

**Wednesday, January 21, 2015 @ 6 p.m.**

Meet Audrey Burge, author and writer from Signal Hill, CA. Ms. Burge will discuss her novel "*Left Unsaid: A Family with Secrets*". Ms. Burge is working on her 2<sup>nd</sup> book. There will be a book signing after the talk and refreshments. Seating for this event is limited. Register by calling 562.989.7323.

**Wednesday, February 4, 2015 @ 6 p.m.**

Spend the evening with Chef Ollie Cigliano learning new recipes to make a delicious chocolate ganache and truffle treat for Valentine's Day. After the food demo, stay for a screening of Lasse Hallström's romance *Chocolat*. Seating for this event is limited. Register by calling 562.989.7323.

### Wednesday, April 15, 2012 @ 6 p.m.

Spend the evening with Chef Ollie Cigliano learning new recipes to make a delicious Italian dish for seniors. After the food demo, stay for a screening of Campbell Scott's comedy *Big Night*. Seating for this event is limited. Register by calling 562.989.7323.

## Special Programs for Families & Youth @ your Library

### Signal Hill Public Library: Bookmark Contest



Do you love books, reading, and drawing? The 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Bookmark Contest is here! This year's theme is "I'm WILD about My Library!!" Entries will be

accepted beginning January 2, 2015 in these categories: Kindergarten – Grade 2, Grades 3 – 5, Grades 6 – 8 and Grades 9 – 12. Please pick up an entry form with the rules and prize information at the library's circulation desk. Entries must be submitted by Friday, February 6<sup>th</sup>. All bookmark entries will be displayed at the Signal Hill Public Library. Bookmarks of entry winners will be given out at the circulation desk.

### Come See the Moon & Planets with the Sidewalk Astronomers

The entire family is welcome to join Sidewalk Astronomer Bob Alborzian, member of the Los Angeles Astronomical Society, who will show you the Moon and Planets through his large telescopes. If cloudy on the evening of the event, the program will be postponed. Please call Signal Hill Public Library at 562.989.7323 for more information.



Tuesday, February 3, 2015  
Tuesday, March 3, 2015  
Tuesday, April 7, 2015  
Tuesday, May 5, 2015

**Time:** 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

### Family Movie Day

Saturday, February 21, 2015 from 3 p.m.-5 p.m.



Join us for a FREE screening of "Box Trolls." The Boxtrolls is a 2014 American 3D stop motion animated fantasy-comedy film

based on the novel *Here Be Monsters!* by Alan Snow. The Boxtrolls follows the adventures of Eggs, a human boy raised by trash-collecting trolls, as he attempts to save them from Archibald Snatcher, a pest exterminator. This movie is rated "PG" and runs for 96 minutes. Popcorn, candy and drinks will be provided. Seating for this event is limited. Register by calling 562.989.7323.

Wednesday, March 11, 2015 @ 6 p.m.

Spend the evening with Chef Ollie Cigliano learning new recipes to make a delicious "movie inspired" dish for families. After the food demo, stay for a screening of Brad Bird's animation comedy *Ratatouille*. Seating for this event is limited. Register by calling 562.989.7323.



### Happy 111th Birthday, Dr. Seuss! (Grades PreK-5)

Saturday, March 7 from 3 p.m.-5 p.m.  
(Library will close at 2:30 p.m. this day)



Join us for Dr. Seuss' Birthday Celebration of his beloved books. We will read "The Cat in the Hat" (1st hour) and "The Lorax" (2nd

Hour) which will be projected on a screen for all to see. Birthday cake will be served. The participants will have the opportunity to make a Red Fish, Blue Fish craft and a Lorax Mustache. Come dressed as a Dr. Seuss character to win a prize! Register by calling 562.989.7323 to reserve your gift bag filled with Dr. Seuss items! This event is limited to 40 children.



### Interactive Titanic Experience (all ages)

**Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

The Titanic sunk 100 years ago in 1912. However, the passage of time has only increased curiosity about the ship. Come to the library and learn interesting facts about the Titanic in this interactive hands-on experience.



a particularly apt theme that illustrates the library's motto: *"Expanding Minds, Enriching Minds!"* Please visit us during National Library Week as we offer various "makerspace" activities at the library.

What's a makerspace? Makerspaces are popping up in libraries of all kinds including public, school and academic libraries. The purpose is the same; to involve library users in creative DIY projects. Stop by the library on these dates at any time to try these FREE activities:

### Shark Feeding Frenzy

**Saturdays 2 p.m. (all ages)**



Witness some of the most legendary and enigmatic animals: sharks—the ocean's ultimate predators! Come to the library to see the Aquarium of the Pacific's largest sharks feed

in the big tank at Shark Lagoon on a live feed from the aquarium.

### Ocean Marine Science Program

**Thursdays March 19, April 30, and May 28 @ 2:00 p.m.**

Come and have fun while learning about marine science and marine life at the Signal Hill Public Library. The Cabrillo Marine Ocean Outreach instructors will bring a memorable experience with hands-on demonstrations, live specimens, and patron involvement to enhance the educational experience. This program is tailored to all grade levels and interested individuals. Seating for this event is limited. Register by calling 562.989.7323.



**Monday, April 13**

IPad/Nook/Tablet Covers



**Tuesday, April 14**

Sun Catcher Collage



**Wednesday, April 15**

Brushbots



**Thursday, April 16**

X-Ray Hand Prints



**Friday, April 17**

Ramekin, Coffee Beans and Tea Lights

### Prince and Princess Storytime

**Saturday, May 2, 2015**



Princes and Princesses ages 3-8 are welcomed to join us for stories, songs, and fun! Participants are encouraged to wear prince and princess costumes. Also, there will be a special guest princess and a

special take home Mother's Day craft. Seating for this event is limited. Register by calling 562.989.7323.

### National Library Week

**April 12-18, 2014**

Since 1958, a week in April has been selected to celebrate the contributions libraries make to our nation. This year's theme is "Unlimited Possibilities @ your Library." For Signal Hill Public Library this is



## ADULT PROGRAMS (for 55 and over)

### Tips for Traveling

**Tuesday, February 10 and Thursday, February 12**

9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Signal Hill Community Center, 1880 E. Hill Street



This **FREE** program reviews planning, budgeting, organizing, and implementing travel for novices to experienced travelers.

Join local expert world travelers, Bob Aronson and Carol Apt, for a free two-part workshop on travel essentials. Participants can benefit in various ways including finding appropriate resources, reducing anxiety, exploring new areas, traveling on a budget, and maximizing their travel experiences. If you have wanted to travel near or far, this is the workshop for you! Instructors will answer any questions you may have and share their extensive travel experiences. Each Workshop provides an assortment of free travel literature, brochures, publications, travel news articles, and session summary sheets. Free travel with disabilities and travel with pets resource guides are available for those interested. Please RSVP to 562-989-7330.

### Signal Hill Social Club 2nd Thursday of each month 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.



Bring your friends for a morning of games, coffee and conversation at the Signal Hill Library during this special time just for adults aged 55 and older. Enjoy a variety of activities, get help with the

computer or spend time browsing books. Free coffee and refreshments.

February:	Tips for Traveling
March:	Bingo for Prizes
April:	Laptop Computer Help
May:	Bingo for Prizes

## EXCURSIONS FOR ADULTS

Please note: All excursions are subject to change.

### Nethercutt Museum & Collection

**Thursday January 22, 2015**

Departs: 9:30 a.m.

Return: 5:30 p.m.

Resident: \$40

Non-residents: \$45

Our first stop will be in Burbank at the Smoke House Restaurant to enjoy a buffet lunch of BBQ Tri Tip, Roasted Turkey Breast, Salmon Fillets, Mashed Potato, Rice Pilaf, Fresh Vegetables, Garden Salad, Dinner Rolls, and Cheesecake. After lunch, we will head to the Nethercutt museum to tour the exquisite cars on our own and then take a guided tour of the Nethercutt Collection. The museum holds a collection of more than 100 fully restored classic cars, antique furnishings, crystals, clocks and watches, and other breathtaking collectibles.



### Irresistible Italy

**Thursday, February 5, 2015**

Depart: 8:45 a.m.

Returns: 4:45 p.m.

Resident: \$60

Non-resident: \$65



Enjoy a taste of Italy on this fun tour beginning at the Graber Olive House in Ontario where we will tour the olive

processing plant. The next stop is lunch at Antonino's. You will have a lunch choice of Lasagna or Chicken Marsala; both come with salad, bread and butter, dessert, and a drink. The day ends with a guided tour and wine tasting at Joseph Filippi Winery, which is a 5<sup>th</sup> generation winery in California.

### USO Variety Show in Palm Springs

**Thursday, February 19, 2015**

Depart: 9:15 a.m.

Return: 7:00 p.m.

Resident: \$90

Non-resident \$95

Round up the troops and hop on board for a fabulous day in Palm Springs! The day will begin with lunch



at the Terrace Restaurant, then a tour of Palm Springs Air Museum. There will be time to explore the exhibits at the Air Museum before taking your reserved seat at the "USO Variety Show" as you sit back relax and remember the good ol' days. All of your favorites will be there from Bob Hope, Bing Crosby, The Andrews Sisters and more. Along with enjoying the show, you are helping support the Bob Hope USO. There is a \$10 donation given on behalf of each person in attendance.

## Huell Howser's San Pedro

**Thursday, March 19, 2015**

Depart: 9:00 a.m.      Return: 4:00 p.m.  
Resident: \$55      Non-Resident: \$60

Visit the locations of two of Huell Howser's California Gold episodes. We will stop at Fort MacArthur and Point Fermin Lighthouse. There will be guided tours at both locations. Lunch will be at San Pedro's Whale & Ale where a "British pub lunch" will be served.



## Fullerton Arboretum & Summit House

**Thursday, April 16, 2015**

Depart: 9:00 a.m.      Return: 4:00 p.m.  
Resident: TBA      Non-Resident: TBA

The Fullerton Arboretum is a 26 acre botanical garden with a collection of plants from around the world, located on the northeast corner of the California State University, Fullerton. The Arboretum's garden paths wander through four major collections: Cultivated, Woodlands, Mediterranean and Desert Collections. A centerpiece of the Arboretum is the Heritage House, which was built in 1894 as the home and office of Fullerton's pioneer physician, Dr. George C. Clark. The group will enjoy lunch at the Summit Restaurant; a fine dining establishment featuring English style fare and a beautiful view.

## Alpacas & Temecula

**Thursday, May 7, 2015**

Depart: 8:00 a.m.      Return: 6:30 p.m.  
Resident: \$55      Non-Resident: \$60



Discover the beautiful Temecula Valley! On this trip, you'll spend the day at some of the Valley's hidden gems. Our first stop will be at the Alpaca Hacienda to learn about these amazing animals. You will have the opportunity to feed the alpacas and make a craft from alpaca fur to take home. You'll be treated to lunch in the heart of Old town Temecula at the Gambling Cowboy Chophouse and Saloon. You will have some time to explore Old Town. The last stop of the day will be at the Temecula Valley Museum.

## CITY EVENTS

### Community Yard Sale Sponsored by the Signal Hill Community Foundation

**Saturday, May 2, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

Signal Hill Park, 2175 Cherry Avenue

Residents of Signal Hill and surrounding areas will have their personal items on display for purchase – all in one convenient location. Come join your neighbors to browse through all of the unique items, uncover gadgets, artwork and albums, and take home precious valuables to add to your collection. Call (562) 989-7330 for more information.



### Hounds on the Hill

**Saturday, June 6, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Signal Hill Park, 2175 Cherry Avenue

### Hounds on the Hill



You can bring your four legged friends and your family for a day of fun at the 5th annual Hounds on the Hill event at Signal Hill Park. This pet friendly event features contests, live music, demonstrations, kids' activities, pet adoptions, and vendors of pet supplies and accessories, as well as a low cost pet vaccination and a microchip clinic.

## YOUTH & FAMILY PROGRAMS

### Spring Fest 2015

**Saturday, April 4**

10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Signal Hill Park, 2175 Cherry Ave.



Signal Hill's annual Spring Fest is the place to bring your children for a fun atmosphere where they can hunt for eggs and candy. A wristband can be purchased for a small fee to cover activities which include: bounce houses, a trackless train ride, multiple crafts, and egg hunts. Signal Hill Police Volunteers

will offer child fingerprinting kits. All participants must bring their own bag or basket to collect egg hunt goodies. Bring your camera for free photos with the Bunny, available from 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Please note that inclement weather will cancel the event.

### Family Excursion –

### California Strawberry Festival

**Saturday, May 16, 2015**

Depart: 9:00 a.m.      Return: 5:00 p.m.

Resident: \$10      Non-Resident: \$15

*California Strawberry Festival*

Spend the day on a great springtime trip aboard the Strawberry Express at the 32nd Annual California Strawberry Festival in Oxnard. This family fun festival features the honored fruit dipped in chocolate, whipped into shakes, and smothered between cake. The event offers gourmet food and wine, arts and crafts, and musical entertainment from jazz to big band sounds on three different stages. You will have time to enjoy the festival on your own.

## OTHER SERVICES

### Animal Control

The City of Signal Hill contracts with the City of Long Beach Animal Control for animal services. All dogs, four months old and older, are required to have a current dog license pursuant to local municipal codes (Signal Hill SHMC 6.08.010). A permanent dog license tag is issued when a license is first purchased (there is a \$5 fee for replacement tags). To purchase a dog license, the owner may come to the Community Services Department at City Hall with the current rabies inoculation certificate (must be good for the entire licensing period), and a certificate of sterility if the dog has been spayed or neutered. The fees are \$95 unaltered, \$20 altered, and \$25 late fee. Seniors (age 60+) have a discounted rate of \$10. This discount is for one altered dog per household only; all others are at regular rates.



### Mayor's Reception

The public is cordially invited to attend the annual Mayor's Reception on Tuesday, March 17, 2015, 7:00 p.m., in the Signal Hill Community Center to welcome the incoming mayor. Outgoing Mayor Edward H.J. Wilson will also be honored for his outstanding service to the community during the past year.

### Bricks on the Hilltop

Become a permanent part of the panoramic view from Signal Hill by ordering a personalized brick that will be placed in Hilltop Park and receive a commemorative certificate. This is a memorable way to celebrate a special occasion, pay tribute to the memory of a loved one, or honor the birth of a child. Your tax deductible contribution to the Signal Hill Community Foundation will also help support building a new Library for our growing community. Call us for information and an order form at (562) 989-7330.





# CITY VIEWS

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## City Hall

2175 Cherry Avenue

### Business Hours:

Monday–Thursday .....7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.  
Friday .....7:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

City Hall (General) ..... 989-7300  
City Council ..... 989-7301  
City Treasurer ..... 989-7319  
Administration and City Clerk..... 989-7305  
Business Licenses ..... 989-7316  
Community Services..... 989-7330  
Signal Hill Park 989-7325

ARC Office..... 989-7329  
Economic Development Projects ..... 989-7379  
Finance ..... 989-7319  
Job Line ..... 989-7385  
Library..... 989-READ (7323)  
Personnel..... 989-7307  
Planning/Community Development..... 989-7340  
Police ..... 989-7200  
Public Works ..... 989-7351  
Service Requests..... 989-7250  
Water Customer Service ..... 989-7315  
Water Conservation Hotline ..... 989-7350  
Water Quality Info..... 989-7250  
Emergency/Paramedics ..... “911”  
Chamber of Commerce ..... 424-6489  
Long Beach Animal Control..... 570-PETS (7387)  
Long Beach City College ..... 938-4353  
Long Beach Gas Dept.

New Service..... 570-5700  
Emergency..... 570-2140  
Long Beach Unified School District ..... 997-8242  
Los Angeles County Fire Station 60..... 595-1620  
Signal Hill Disposal ..... 597-0608  
So. California Edison

New/Emergency ..... (800) 684-8123  
Charter Cable-Home ..... (866) 499-8080 (toll free)  
Charter Cable-Business..... (800) 314-7195  
Verizon ..... (888) 553-1555 (toll free)

## City Facility Locations

City Hall..... 2175 Cherry Avenue  
City Yard..... 2175 E. 28th Street  
Library..... 1770 E. Hill Street  
Police Department..... 2745 Walnut Avenue  
P.R.I.D.E. Bureau ..... 1919 E. Hill Street  
Calbrisas Park ..... 2451 California Avenue  
Discovery Well Park ..... 2200 Temple Avenue  
Hillbrook Park ..... 1865 Temple Avenue  
Hilltop Park ..... 2351 Dawson Avenue  
Raymond Arbor Park..... 1881 Raymond Avenue  
Reservoir Park..... 3315 Gundry Avenue  
Signal Hill Park Youth Center &  
Community Center ..... 1780 E. Hill Street  
Alvarado Elementary ..... 1900 E. 21st Street  
Signal Hill Elementary ..... 2285 Walnut Avenue  
Jessie Elwin Nelson Middle School  
..... 1951 Cherry Avenue

## City Holidays

City Offices will be closed on the following dates:

### Presidents’ Day

Monday, February 16  
(regular trash collection, no street sweeping)

### Memorial Day

Monday, May 25  
(trash collection one day late, no street sweeping)

### Independence Day

Saturday, July 4

## City Council/Commission Meetings

(All meetings occur in Council Chamber of City Hall)

### City Council & Successor Agency

Meeting: 1st & 3rd Tuesday Monthly  
Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Replays: Ch. 3 (Charter) and Ch. 38 (Verizon),  
Everyday 7:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m.

### Civil Service Commission

Meeting: 1st Wednesday Monthly  
Time: 5:30 p.m.

### Planning Commission

Meeting: 2nd Tuesday Monthly  
Time: 7:00 p.m.

### Parks & Recreation Commission

Meeting: 2nd Wednesday Monthly  
Time: 6:00 p.m.

### Oversight Board

Meeting: 2nd Thursday Monthly  
Time: 6:00 p.m.

### Housing Authority and Public Financing Authority (annual meetings)

Meeting: 1st Tuesday annually  
Time: 7:00 p.m.

### Sustainable City Committee

Meeting: 4th Tuesday in January, March, May,  
July, September  
Time: 6:00 p.m.

**Agendas are posted on the City's website:**  
[www.cityofsignalhill.org](http://www.cityofsignalhill.org)

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