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NEW CITY MANAGER AND DEPUTY CITY MANAGER

Please join us in welcoming our new City Manager and Deputy City Manager!



Hannah Shin-Heydorn is the new City Manager. Ms. Shin-Heydorn began her career with the City of Signal Hill in 2016 as the Deputy City Manager. She has over 20 years of experience in both the public and private sectors. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in English from the University of California Berkeley and a Master's Degree in Management from the Naval Postgraduate School.



Scott Charney is the new Deputy City Manager. Mr. Charney began his career with the City of Signal Hill in 1989 in the Community Development Department. During his tenure, he has worked on major projects including the Gateway Center, the Signal Hill Auto Center, Las Brisas I and II, and Zinnia Workforce Housing. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from the University of Redlands.

We congratulate Hannah and Scott on their new roles with the City, and we look forward to this new and exciting chapter in Signal Hill history.

HAPPY RETIREMENT TO CITY MANAGER CHARLIE HONEYCUTT



We wish a happy retirement to City Manager Charlie Honeycutt. Mr. Honeycutt retired as City Manager in November after a 32-year career with the City. We are grateful for his extraordinary leadership and his unwavering dedication to making Signal Hill a great place to live, work and play.

EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR



Halie Simmons is the City's 2019 Employee of the Year. The Employee of the Year embodies excellence in not only their specific job duties, but in demonstrating an attitude that reflects Signal Hill's spirit of teamwork, dedication, and commitment to excellence.

Halie serves as the Administrative Assistant in the Public Works Department. Halie is efficient, energetic, helpful, and extremely hardworking. She has contributed to the success of multiple Public Works projects including the new Public Library and the Los Cerritos Channel. Halie also volunteers on the Employee Wellness Committee, showing her commitment to employee morale and engagement. Congratulations, Halie!

IN MEMORIAM: ASHLEIGH WILLIAMS-PEARCE



The City honors the life and legacy of the late Ashleigh Williams-Pearce, a beloved staff member in the Community Services Department. Ashleigh had a bright smile, a quick wit, and a kind heart that led her to serve others. Ashleigh worked tirelessly to put on the City's special events, including the Concerts in the Park Series,

Spring Fest, and more. She also led the City's Active Adults program, planning special outings and excursions, as well as overseeing park and facility rentals. Ashleigh was known around the City for her outstanding work ethic, her ability to get along with everyone, and her passion for baking. She will be truly missed.



NEW SIGNAL HILL PUBLIC LIBRARY OPENS

The new Signal Hill Public Library opened its doors in August. The brand-new, 14,000 square-foot facility features plenty of space for reading and recreation, a large children's area featuring Daisy the Dinosaur, a large Community Room, the Zinnia outdoor courtyard, and the outdoor Signal Point Terrace with remarkable views of the surrounding area. The Library is located at 1800 E. Hill Street.

The building is a LEED Gold Certified facility, with 198 rooftop solar panels, energy efficient features, and an EV charging station.

LOOKING BACK ON 2019



CALBRISAS PARK UPGRADES

Early in 2019, Calbrisas Park received a new ADA-accessible rubberized play surface and new playground equipment. If you haven't enjoyed the upgrades for yourself, stop by! Calbrisas Park is located at 2451 California Avenue.



SPRING FEST

This family-friendly celebration, held annually in April, included a visit from the Spring Fest bunny, arts and crafts, a petting zoo, and more.



E-NEWSLETTER WINS AWARD

In 2019, the City of Signal Hill E-Newsletter received the Excellence in Public Information and Communications (EPIC) Award from the California Association of Public Information Officials for Best Newsletter/Magazine, Small Population.



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

The 36th annual National Night Out brought Signal Hill together for an evening of neighborhood camaraderie, police-community fellowship, and family fun. Thank you to the Signal Hill Police Foundation for making this event possible.

CONCERTS IN THE PARK

Signal Hill packed the park this year! Six great performers rocked Signal Hill Park each Wednesday night in July and August. The Voice of Signal Hill singing competition preceded each concert, featuring local middle and high school students. Congratulations to this year’s winner, Emma LaFleur.



MAYOR’S CLEAN-UP

The Fall Mayor’s Clean-Up event, hosted by the Sustainable City Committee, was a great success. We had one of the best volunteer turnouts in the ten-year history of the Mayor’s Clean-Up. More than 60 volunteers met at Reservoir Park to clean up the North End Neighborhood. Thank you to Signal Hill Petroleum, American University of Health Sciences, Long Beach City College’s Human Services Club, and Michael Baker International for providing volunteers.

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EV CHARGERS

The City installed three public EV charging stations at the Civic Center – two in the upper City Hall parking lot, and one at the new Public Library.



HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

The annual Halloween Carnival was a spooky success! Costumed children and their families enjoyed Halloween carnival games, contests, crafts, candy, train rides, and more!



ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

A little rain didn’t stop us from kicking off the holiday season! The community enjoyed a festive celebration at the Signal Hill Public Library, with a visit from Santa, treats, music and more.



SIGNAL HILL’S 95TH ANNIVERSARY

The City celebrated its 95th anniversary in 2019. While the City was officially incorporated in April 1924, we celebrated this milestone all year long with special giveaways and more.

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LOS CERRITOS CHANNEL SUB-BASIN STORMWATER CAPTURE PROJECT

The Los Cerritos Channel Sub-Basin Stormwater Capture Project expands the volume of stormwater the City can capture, store and treat. Effective stormwater management protects our environment and our water quality. The new retention facility has the capacity to handle 31-acre-feet of stormwater from the Los Cerritos Channel, further decreasing groundwater pollution, runoff, and localized flooding.

DOWNLOAD THE GO SIGNAL HILL APP TODAY!

Have you downloaded the City of Signal Hill's official app, Go Signal Hill? You'll get quick access to City information, online bill pay, service requests, and more, all from your smartphone. The app is currently available for both Android and Apple smartphones. Simply visit the Apple App Store or Google Play Store from your smartphone and search "Go Signal Hill".



DON'T MISS OUT! SUBSCRIBE TO THE CITY E-NEWSLETTER TODAY

Don't miss out on all the fun happening in Signal Hill! Sign up for our award-winning e-newsletter to receive monthly updates from the City of Signal Hill, sent directly to your e-mail. You'll get valuable information about upcoming events, City news, important tips, and more. Visit www.cityofsignalhill.org/enewsletter to sign up!



THANK YOU TO OUR 2020 HOMELESS COUNT VOLUNTEERS

The City extends its gratitude to the community volunteers who joined City staff and officers from the Signal Hill Police Department to participate in the annual Signal Hill/Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count in January.

The annual Homeless Count helps officials determine the number of homeless individuals and families on any given night in Los Angeles County. The Count is important because it raises awareness about the state of homelessness in the County, and helps bring vital community resources to where they're needed most. For more information on how you can help our homeless neighbors, and more information on the annual Homeless Count, visit <http://www.lahsa.org>.



NEW HOMELESS LIAISON OFFICER AT SIGNAL HILL POLICE DEPARTMENT



The Signal Hill Police Department is proud to announce its new Homeless Liaison Officer, Thomas Nadal. The Homeless Liaison Officer position was created with the intent to have a police officer solely assigned to address homelessness issues in and around the City.

Officer Nadal has been with the Signal Hill Police Department for five years. He is regularly out in the community interacting with homeless individuals, working to gain their trust and connect them with services and assistance. He works closely with agencies such as the Los Angeles Homeless Service Authority (LAHSA) and the Long Beach Multi-Service Center. These agencies and others offer housing, job placement, mental health treatment, and more.

Although these resources are available, there is a process involved with connecting an individual. It is not illegal to be homeless. Therefore, law enforcement cannot force people to use the available resources. However, officers do enforce laws pertaining to illegal camping, park hours, etc.

Please remember, if you need immediate police assistance, Signal Hill Police Dispatch operates 24/7 and can be reached at 562-989-7201.

CELEBRATING SIGNAL HILL'S OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS AND SPONSORS

In January, the Community Services Department honored volunteers who supported Signal Hill programs and events in 2019 at their annual Volunteer and Sponsor Recognition Dinner. Award recipients were recognized for their unwavering commitment and dedication to the City and the community.

Ashleigh Williams-Pearce Spirit Award

MARY LAMO-PUTNAM

Mary believes in giving back to the community, and has been a huge supporter of Signal Hill events. She works with the Junior League of Long Beach and we are grateful for her involvement with us. Her team approach, pure heart and kindness are infectious. Mary's presence sets a successful tone for community events throughout the year.

Exceptional Project Partner Award

LYN HUTCHISON

Lyn assisted in several library events, including Family Movie Night, Chef Demo program, and a Succulent Plant Craft workshop for adults and seniors. Lyn is very energetic and a great team player. Her passion for helping others has been a great asset to the Signal Hill Public Library.



We rise by lifting others



Valued Volunteer Organization of the Year

SIGNAL HILL POLICE DEPARTMENT VOLUNTEERS

Our Police Department Volunteer group has always been ready to help when asked to secure any special events. They embody excellent customer service, respect and dedication. Their services are very important to the success of our events, and we are grateful for their efforts.

Community Volunteer of the Year

ROSE RICHÁRD

Rose Richárd has served the City of Signal Hill for over 20 years. Rose started volunteering as a Signal Hill Police Volunteer in the 90's and currently serves as the chair of the Planning Commission. In addition, Rose volunteers at many City events including Spring Fest and the Mayor's Clean Up.

Celebrated Business Sponsor of the Year

STARBUCKS

Starbucks graciously donated coffee and hot chocolate to our annual Tree Lighting Ceremony, and included cake pops to distribute to our attendees. Their employees attended the event and personally served beverages to hundreds of people from the community. Their positive attitudes and gratitude made for a fun and successful event.

CITY STAFF HONORED FOR YEARS OF SERVICE

We honor the following City staff for their years of service to the City. Congratulations!

5 YEARS:



Joe Balon



Thomas Nadal



Sylvia Soong



Myles Taylor

15 YEARS:



Carly Fisher



Erik Grove

30 YEARS:



Scott Charney



BE COUNTED ✓
census.lacounty.gov

Be Counted: The Census counts ALL people who reside in the United States, regardless of citizenship or immigration status.

Get Ready for the 2020 Census – Coming in March

The U.S. Census is just around the corner – your invitation arrives in the mail this March!

What is the Census? The Census counts all people who reside in the U.S., regardless of citizenship or immigration status.

Why should I participate? A Census count is much more than statistics. Census data is used to determine where schools, roads, hospitals, child care centers, and senior centers should be built. Census data also determines how federal money will be distributed. This money directly impacts Los Angeles County residents like you, through public services including education, health care, senior nutrition, road repair, housing, and much more. Without an accurate count, we risk cuts to projects and programs important to our community. An accurate count also ensures fair political representation.

Who gets to see the data? The Census is completely confidential. Your responses are sealed and can only be used by the U.S. Census Bureau to produce statistics. No other government agency can see or use Census responses. Your response to the Census does not affect your eligibility for government benefits or assistance.

How can I participate? It is very important that everyone fills out the Census online, by mail, or by phone, before April 1. This is the first year that you can fill out the Census online – in 13 languages! Your invitation, arriving in March, will include instructions. This year, there will also be Census Action Kiosks, located across the County. These dedicated computer stations will allow you to fill out your Census on the go. Visit <http://census.la.county.gov> to find a Census Action Kiosk near you.

Anything else I should know? There may be potential scams that will try and appear to be legitimate Census efforts. The U.S. Census Bureau and its employees will never ask for a social security number, money or donations, political party affiliation, bank or credit card information, or your mother's maiden name.

It is important to respond by April 1! Households who have not responded to the Census by late April 2020 will be mailed a printed Census to return by mail. Households who do not respond to the Census after that will receive a visit from a Census worker. We hope you will join all of us and Be Counted.



VOTING SOLUTIONS FOR ALL PEOPLE (VSAP)

New Voting System Debuts in March

Beginning this March, voters in Los Angeles County will experience a new and improved voting experience. Here's what you need to know.

■ HOW YOU VOTE



The Ballot Marking Device uses technology to give voters an easy and accessible voting experience. You will make your selections electronically, with more than 30 languages to choose from. Accessibility is further enhanced

with audio ballot reading, advanced screen settings, and more. You will have multiple chances to correct errors or make changes to your selections. Once you've made your final selections, the Ballot Marking Device will then print out a paper ballot as your official submission, to ensure the security and integrity of the election.



The Interactive Sample Ballot will save you time at the polls. It is a digital sample ballot that you mark electronically on a smartphone, tablet or computer, prior to casting your ballot in-person. Your device will then

generate a unique QR code called the Poll Pass. You can bring your electronic Poll Pass to any vote center within the County and scan it right at the Ballot Marking Device. The Device will then generate all of your selections from the Interactive Sample Ballot and load them into the official ballot. You can then decide to make changes to your ballot, or submit as-is.

■ WHEN YOU VOTE



All Los Angeles County voters will be able to start voting in-person 10 days prior to Election Day. You will no longer be restricted to vote in-person on a single Tuesday.

■ WHERE YOU VOTE



You will be able to cast your ballot at any of the 1,000 vote centers located throughout the County within the 11-day voting period. Electronic Pollbooks available at each location will verify the registration eligibility of any County

voter. Additionally, you will be able to register to vote and update your voter registration in-person at any vote center.

■ VOTE BY MAIL



If you prefer to Vote by Mail, you may have noticed the changes that rolled out to Vote by Mail in 2018. Vote by Mail ballots are now easier to understand and complete. Additionally, Vote by Mail voters are no longer

required to pay for postage for their return envelope. If you prefer to drop off your Vote by Mail ballot in-person, you can do so at any vote center or drop-off location in the County.

THE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION IS TUESDAY, MARCH 3

On Tuesday, March 3, voters will head to the polls to select their choice in the Presidential Primary Election. **The Signal Hill Public Library will serve as a Vote Center for this election. The Library's Community Room will be open for public voting from Saturday, February 29 – Monday, March 2 from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., and Tuesday, March 3, with extended hours from 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.** Please visit <http://www.lavote.net> for updated election information and additional Vote Center locations.

EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING



The City's Finance Department recently received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association. This certificate is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and was awarded to the City for its 2018 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Congratulations to the Finance Department on this achievement!

TEXT TO FIX: NEW MAINTENANCE NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

**NEED TO REPORT A CITY
MAINTENANCE CONCERN?**

**TEXT "REPORT"
TO 562-330-1582**

AND FOLLOW THE PROMPTS



Now you can text the City of Signal Hill to report issues such as potholes, graffiti, abandoned items, street light issues, and other related Public Works issues. Simply text "REPORT" to 562-330-1582 and follow the

prompts. You will receive responses that will guide you through identifying your particular issue, providing a description, and uploading related photos.

WATER RATES

Reminder: The City's new 2020 water rates will go into effect on March 1, and will appear on your water bill starting in April. To view the Water Rates study, visit our website or stop by City Hall.

GET INVOLVED: ATTEND THE ANNUAL BUDGET WORKSHOP

City operations are guided by the City's Two-Year Budget, with the next one in development for Fiscal Years 2020-22. We invite you to participate in the budget process and learn more about how the City operates. The annual Budget Workshop, coming this May, is an excellent opportunity to get involved and connect with City staff. Stay tuned to our website, social media, and e-newsletter for details.

CONVENIENT WAYS TO PAY YOUR WATER BILL



Enjoy the convenience of auto-debit payments, paperless billing, or online bill pay with your Signal Hill water utility account! To get started, visit our website at <http://www.cityofsignalhill.org/waterservice>. You'll find information and instructions on how to sign up for online utility billing and auto-draft/paperless billing. You can also stop by the City Hall Finance Counter, or call the Water Customer Service line at 562-989-7315.

SEEKING AWARD NOMINATIONS

The Community Development Department is looking for nominations for Beautification Awards, Sustainability Awards, and Kickin’ Grass Awards.

Do you know a business or homeowner that is doing their part to go green or address environmental issues? Have they installed solar panels, ditched wasteful packaging, began a recycling/compost program, or made another kind of environmentally-friendly change? They could be eligible for a Sustainability Award, and we want to hear about it!

Do you have a neighbor who recently re-painted, or put up a beautiful new fence? Have they made aesthetic improvements or added new features? They could be eligible for a Beautification Award, and we want to hear about it!

Residents who have recently overhauled their landscaping to become drought-tolerant and/or use less water are eligible for a Kickin’ Grass Award. Nominate them today!

To submit a nomination, download a nomination form at www.cityofsignalhill.org/awardprograms, or contact Community Development at 562-989-7340 or comdev@cityofsignalhill.org.



SAVE THE DATE: SPRING MAYOR’S CLEAN-UP



Stay tuned for upcoming dates for the Spring Mayor’s Clean-Up. We hope to hold our next clean-up event sometime in May. For more information, please contact the Community Development Department at 562-989-7340.



PREPARE FOR RAINY WEATHER

In the event of rain, sand and sandbags are available at the City Yard, 2175 E. 28th Street, Monday – Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. There is a limit of ten sandbags per residence, first-come, first-serve. Proof of City residency is required. In the event of major storm activity, additional sandbag stations may be deployed at different City sites. Call the Public Works Yard at 562-989-7250 for information on secondary locations.



PREPARING YARD WASTE FOR STREET SWEEPING

Did you know? After cleaning or sweeping your sidewalk, piling the debris and leaves in the street as pictured makes cleanup more difficult for the street sweeper. We ask that you scatter the leaves to make it easier for the sweeper to clean and collect the debris.

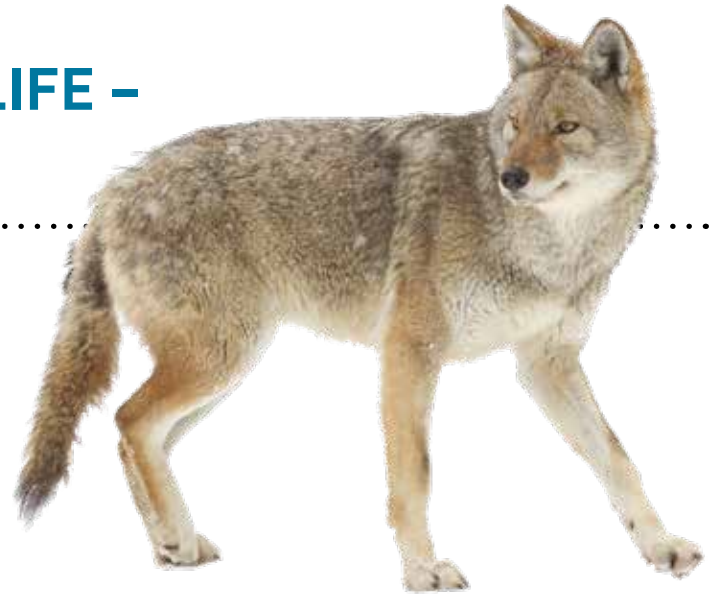
LIVING WITH URBAN WILDLIFE – COYOTES IN SIGNAL HILL

Coyotes are a part of the ecosystem in Southern California and have flourished in recent years due to an abundance of resources provided by humans.

Coyotes are by nature fearful of humans. However, they are smart and resourceful. If they are given access to resources such as food, water, and shelter, they will lose that fear and caution. The following tips support community coyote management efforts:

- Remove easy access to resources. Remove all sources of water, food, and shelter from the exterior of your property. Make sure garbage is in tightly closed containers that cannot be tipped over, and even better, stored in the garage.
- Do not leave pets unattended outdoors. Always keep your pets on a short leash and stay close to them at all times when outside.
- If you see a coyote, one thing you can do is try to scare the animal away. This is called “hazing”. Yell, make as much noise as you can, throw rocks or small objects, and try to appear threatening. Continue to aggressively haze the coyote until it leaves your immediate area.
- Do not run away from the animal. Maintain eye contact, back away slowly and get to a safe place.

It’s everyone’s responsibility to help manage urban wildlife and mitigate conflict. We encourage you to work together with your neighbors to report coyote activity and follow the above tips. Coyote sightings can be reported via telephone or online.



Long Beach Animal Care Services (LBACS)

562-570-PETS (7387)

<http://longbeach.gov/acs/wildlife/coyote-report/>

<https://www.cityofsignalhill.org/animalcontrol>

Reports received by LBACS are reviewed daily, and updated on LBACS’ Coyote Activity Map on a monthly basis.

Additionally, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife offers Wildlife Watch, a program which provides support and training to community groups to help them form a sustainable plan to manage urban wildlife. The Wildlife Watch program is similar to a Neighborhood Watch program. Interested residents receive training on coyote behavior and management from CDFW, then train their neighbors. This program empowers neighborhoods to proactively manage wildlife in their own area. If you are interested in forming a Wildlife Watch program in your neighborhood, please reach out to Signal Hill Police Lt. Kelli Crigler at 562-989-7210 to get started.



PUBLIC WORKS DELIVERS AWARD-WINNING PROJECTS

The Southern California Chapter of the American Public Works Association recently honored the City’s Public Works Department with two 2019 B.E.S.T. Awards for the following projects:

Storm Water Quality Award: Los Cerritos Channel Stormwater Capture Project

This project was a partnership between the cities of Signal Hill and Long Beach, together with Caltrans and Los Angeles County.

Facilities Award: Signal Hill Public Library

The Signal Hill Public Library project resulted in a sustainable, LEED Gold Certified, state-of-the-art resource center for patrons of all ages.



SPOTLIGHT ON SIGNAL HILL SMALL BUSINESSES

DRAMATIC RESULTS



Dramatic Results is a non-profit organization that supports youth development and student success by offering a wide range of learning programs for kids that integrate core curriculum, providing in-class and out-of-school educational opportunities, and building collaborations that empower community organizations to offer their resources to underserved youth. A key focus is on STEAM learning and math skill improvement. Visit their website at <http://www.dramaticresults.org> or call 562-595-4600.

ROSSMOOR PASTRIES



Rossmoor Pastries includes a retail bakery, a custom cake studio and a wholesale division that supports the food service industry. Talented bakers and decorators can create specialty cakes and wedding cakes that are designed especially for you and your event/celebration. "The Shoppe" is Rossmoor's retail bakery, offering cookies, cakes, and other sweet treats for your enjoyment. Rossmoor Pastries is located at 2325 Redondo Avenue, open Monday - Saturday, 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Visit their website at <http://www.rossmoorpastries.com> or call 562-498-2253.

FISH-O-LICIOUS



Fish-O-Licious is a fast-casual fish and seafood restaurant, specializing in fresh grilled fish. Fish-O-Licious aims to offer the same quality of fine dining while creating an affordable, healthy and fast meal solution. Menu items include fried or grilled fish and seafood, tacos, wraps, and more. Visit Fish-O-Licious' Signal Hill location at 2594 Cherry Avenue, open Monday - Saturday 11:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. and Sunday 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Visit their website at <http://www.fisholicious.com> or call 562-989-8226.

HARBRO EMERGENCY SERVICES & RESTORATION



HARBRO is a full-service mitigation, restoration and reconstruction provider for properties damaged by water, fire, flood and other disasters. HARBRO's mission is to provide victims of disaster with immediate restoration service with the utmost integrity, dedication to quality, and outstanding customer service. HARBRO's experienced team can restore virtually every type of structure. HARBRO is located at 2750 Signal Parkway. Visit their website at <http://www.harbro.com> or call 562-528-8000.



SIGNAL HILL PUBLIC LIBRARY

Signal Hill Public Library: (562) 989-7323



CONTACT INFORMATION:

New Location:
1800 E. Hill St., Signal Hill, CA 90755
www.cityofsignalhill.org/library
Text the library: (562) 284-2766
(to renew books or ask questions)
Library Program Online Registration:
<https://secure.rec1.com/CA/signal-hill-ca/catalog>

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 and City Holidays

Library News

NEW AWE PLATINUM COMPUTERS

Come try our new AWE Early/Bilingual Spanish Literacy Computers in the Library's Children's Area. Each computer features interactive games, coding, STEAM, handwriting, E-Books and more. These computers were generously donated by L.A. County Supervisor Janice Hahn.

LEARN A NEW LANGUAGE WITH MANGO LANGUAGES



Try Mango Languages, our free online language-learning program. Languages include Spanish, French, Italian, Chinese (Mandarin and Cantonese), Arabic, Korean, Russian, Tagalog, Greek, Latin, and more. Visit the Library's website

or download the Mango Language app and sign up with your Library card.

HOMEWORK HELPERS

Homework Helper volunteers are available weekly from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. to help students with homework assignments. Check with Library staff for more information on the Homework Helpers schedule, and be sure to bring a specific homework assignment or project.

Regular Programs



STORY TIME

Babies and Toddlers – Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m.

Pre-schoolers – Fridays, 10:00 a.m.

Location: Children's Area

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.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

3rd to 5th Graders

Tuesdays, 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Learning Center

Elementary students can enjoy STEAM crafts, gaming and social activity.

LIBRARY DROP-IN PROGRAM

6th to 9th Graders

Thursdays, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Location: Learning Center

Middle School students can enjoy STEAM crafts, movies, gaming and more!

FIRST FRIDAY BOOK CLUB

1st Friday of each month

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Ages 16+

Location: Community Room

Participants are provided a copy of the selected books, which alternate between fiction and non-fiction titles. Dessert and beverages are served.

Special Events

Free Health & Wellness at the Library through May

BEGINNER YOGA

Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m.

Location: Signal Point Terrace

All levels and ages are welcome to this slow moving, gentle practice. Bring your own yoga mat.

CHAIR YOGA

Wednesdays at 11:30 a.m.

Location: Signal Point Terrace

Move your whole body with Lacey Marsac through a complete series of seated and standing yoga poses.

FAMILY YOGA

2nd Saturday of every month at 11:30 a.m.

Location: Signal Point Terrace

Bring your family (all ages welcome) for some yoga fun with Lacey Marsac. Bring your own yoga mat.

UFO CLUB: UNFINISHED OBJECTS

Every 1st Saturday of the month, starting January 4

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Ages 18 +

Location: Community Room

Do you like to knit or crochet? Join the UFO Club every first Saturday of the month for hours of knitting and crocheting fun! Share your ideas, patterns, tricks, and techniques with others who enjoy knitting and crocheting. All levels of experience are welcome. Bring your own needles, hooks, and yarn.

BOOK TASTINGS

Every 2nd Monday of the month, through May 11

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Ages 18+

Location: Community Room

Come read and rate new books at the Library. Once a month, staff will setup a selection of acclaimed books for patrons to review, comment, and discuss among guests. Refreshments will be provided.

DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS CLUB

Every 2nd Saturday of the month, through May 9

12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Age 15+

Location: Community Center

Join our ongoing group of D&D-ers. Don't know how to play? Come learn! All levels welcome. We will be playing Dungeons and Dragons 5th Edition. Open to all Dungeon Masters. Space is limited. Sign up online or by calling 562-989-7323.

BARK DOGS

Every 3rd Saturday of the month

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

All Ages

Location: Children's Area

In partnership with an all-volunteer group called BARK Dogs, this program encourages children to increase their reading skills and self-confidence by reading aloud to a certified therapy dog. Sign up at the Circulation desk or register online.

MEGA MAKERS 3D DESIGN CLUB

Every 4th Saturday of the month, through May 23

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Ages 10+

Location: Learning Center

Come and learn how to design your own objects to be printed out on our 3D printer. We will provide the computers and teach you the basics. Space is limited. Sign up online or by phone.



THEATRE WORKSHOPS

Fridays, 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Ages 6+ (Children under 10 years old must be accompanied by a parent)

Location: Community Room

Learn the art and fundamentals of stage performance and theater production with Jewel Box Children's Theatre Company! No experience necessary.

AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY CELEBRATION

Saturday, February 22, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

All Ages

Location: Multiple Library Rooms

Celebrate African American History Month at the Signal Hill Public Library! Join us for educational and fun events throughout the day with activities such as art, story times, and live entertainment. While you're here, discover our resources to learn more about African American history and culture.

**READ ACROSS AMERICA –
HAPPY BIRTHDAY DR. SEUSS!**

Saturday, March 7

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

All Ages

Location: Community Room

Celebrate reading and the inspiring characters and stories of Dr. Seuss with crafts, music, cake, and a story time. Come dressed as your favorite Dr. Seuss character! Pre-registration is required, and space is very limited. Please register by visiting or calling the Library.

**LAST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH FILM SERIES**

Every last Tuesday of the month, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Ages 10+ (Children under 10 years old must be accompanied by a parent)

Location: Community Room

We'll provide the snacks.

February 25 – *A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood* (PG)

March 31 – *Frozen 2* (PG)

April 28 – *Little Women* (PG)

May 26 – *Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker* (PG-13) (Children under 13 years old must be accompanied by a parent)

**KHMER ARTS ACADEMY CAMBODIAN
NEW YEAR KICK-OFF**

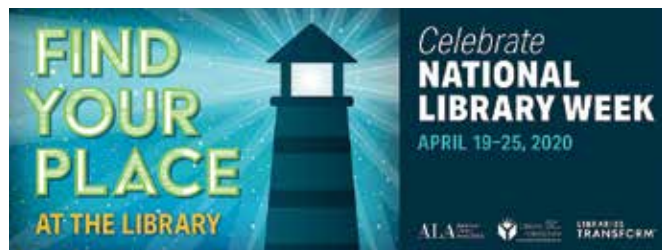
Saturday, April 18

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

All Ages

Location: Community Room

Enjoy Cambodian classical dance performances by the Khmer Arts Academy at Signal Hill Public Library. Like western ballet, Khmer classical dance is a technically complex and aesthetically beautiful style of dance. This show is a visual treat.

**NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK**

April 18 - 25

Celebrate National Library Week with the theme, "Find Your Place at the Library." National Library Week celebrates all that libraries offer, from books and computers to story times and thought-provoking programming for all ages! The Signal Hill Public Library is a vibrant community hub, and we invite you to celebrate with us all week. Be sure to follow our Facebook page for updates on the exciting events we'll have throughout the week.

L.A. OPERA NIGHTS

Thursday, April 23 and Thursday, May 21

Starts at 6:00 p.m.

All Ages

Location: Community Room

Join us for an interactive presentation given by one of L.A. Opera's Community Educators!

April 23: Roberto Devereux

May 21: The Marriage of Figaro

DRAWING CLASS

Wednesdays, May 6 – May 27, 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Age 13+

Have you ever wanted to give art lessons a try? Register for this free four-week beginner class. No experience necessary or expected. This class is for adults and independent teens.

MOTHER'S DAY TEA PARTY

Saturday, May 2, 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Join us for our special Mother's Day tea party. You'll enjoy hot tea in a real teacup that you can take home. Try it with lemon, sugar, or milk. There will also be finger foods, games, and crafts to take home. Royal attire is encouraged. Space is limited, please register. Children must be accompanied by an adult.





COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Call (562) 989-7330 for more information or visit www.cityofsignalhill.org

CONTACT INFORMATION:

New Location at the Signal Hill Public Library
1800 E. Hill Street, Signal Hill, CA 90755
www.cityofsignalhill.org/communityservices

HOURS:

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

ADULT PROGRAMS (55 and over)

SIGNAL HILL SOCIAL CLUB

2nd Thursday of every month
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Signal Hill Public Library

Bring your friends for a morning of games, coffee and conversation. Enjoy a variety of activities, get help with the computers or spend time browsing books. Free coffee and snacks are provided.

FOLDING GROUP

3rd Tuesday of every month
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Signal Hill Public Library

Folding Group meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month to fold the Active Adult monthly newsletters. It's a great time to catch up with friends and meet new people.

EXCURSIONS FOR THE ACTIVE ADULT

Please note: All excursions are subject to change.
Call 562.989.7330 for more Information

RONALD REAGAN LIBRARY: EGYPT'S LOST CITIES

Wednesday, February 19
Location: Simi Valley
Depart: 8:00 a.m. Return: 5:00 p.m.
Resident: \$75 Non- Resident: \$80

Travel back in time when two ancient Egyptian cities were known throughout the world as cultural centers of power, wealth, trade, and artistry. This trip includes a docent led tour of the Reagan portions of the museum, the Air Force One Pavilion and a self-guided tour through the Egypt's Lost Cities Exhibit. Lunch is included (menu TBD).



THE FLOWER FIELDS AT CARLSBAD RANCH

Wednesday, March 25
Location: Carlsbad, CA
Depart: 8:00 a.m. Return: 5:00 p.m.
Resident: \$25 Non-resident: \$30

Enjoy a guided tour of the Flower Fields at Carlsbad Ranch on a tractor-driven wagon ride. You'll learn about the history of the Flower Fields, planting process, and growing cycle. There is also an optional walking tour of the hillside path. After the tour, enjoy lunch on your own and shopping at the Carlsbad Premium Outlets.



SHAMBALA PRESERVE

Saturday, April 18
Location: Acton
Depart: 10:00 a.m. Return: 5:00 p.m.
Resident: \$50 Non-Resident: \$55

Attendees will follow a docent on an informative "safari" through the world of big cats, all of which are endangered or threatened. This is a 3-hour planned program, including a 1-hour walking tour. After the tour, enjoy a leisurely lunch alongside Shambala Lake. Wear comfortable flat shoes, long pants, dress in layers, and bring a hat and water. Please bring your own sack lunch.



PHYSICAL ACTIVITY KEY



= Light



= Moderate



= Rigorous

EXCURSIONS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

CALIFORNIA STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL**Saturday, May 16****Location: Oxnard****Depart: 8:00 a.m. Return: 5:00 p.m.****Resident: \$10 Non-Resident: \$15**

Spend the day aboard the Strawberry Express at the annual California Strawberry Festival in Oxnard. This fun festival features strawberry sweets and treats, baked goods, smoothies and much more. The event also offers gourmet food and wine, arts and crafts, and musical entertainment. You will have some time to explore on your own.

CITY EVENTS

**ELLEN WARD COMMUNITY YARD SALE SPONSORED BY THE SIGNAL HILL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION****Saturday, May 2****8:00 a.m. – 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 and browse through all of the unique items. Uncover precious valuables such as gadgets, artwork and albums to take home and add to your collection. Vendor spots available starting March 2 for residents. Call 562-989-7330 for more information.



COMMUNITY INFO

ANIMAL CARE SERVICES

The City of Signal Hill contracts with the City of Long Beach Animal Care for services. All dogs, four months old and older, are required to have a current dog license by 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 the Public Library 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.

CAN WE HELP YOU WITH TRANSPORTATION?

The Signal Hill subsidized transportation program is available by application to Signal Hill residents who are over the age of 62, OR are 18 years and older and can provide a proof of disability signed by a licensed physician. The program allows a reduced fare monthly bus pass for Long Beach Transit buses or Dial-A-Taxi voucher books allowing subsidized use of the Yellow Cab service. Applications for these programs are available at the Community Services Department.

Dial-A-Lift Long Beach is a curb-to-curb, shared ride transit service exclusively for the mobility impaired residing in Signal Hill and traveling throughout the cities of Long Beach, Lakewood and Signal Hill. Contact 562-989-7330 for all transportation questions.

COMMUNITY GARDEN

Join the Community Garden and meet your neighbors while reaping the benefits of your seasonal harvests. There are a limited amount of plots available at this time. Plots are \$95 per year and measure 10'x12'. If you are interested in a plot, please call the Community Services Department at 562-989-7330.

BRICKS ON THE HILLTOP

Be a part of Signal Hill history by purchasing a brick to be engraved at Hilltop Park. With picturesque views of the surrounding areas, this is a perfect opportunity to celebrate any occasion.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Scholarships are available for residents to participate in the Community Services Department's activities and programs. Please call 562-989-7325 for more information.

YOUTH PROGRAMS



Like us on Facebook www.facebook.com/signalhillcommunityservices

AFTER SCHOOL RECREATION CLUB



Signal Hill Youth Center, 1780 E. Hill Street
Kindergarten Hours: Monday - Friday, 1:30 - 6:00 p.m.
Grades 1st - 5th Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, 2:00 - 6:00 p.m. and Thursday, 1:30 - 6:00 p.m.

ARC registration for the 2020-2021 school year begins May 12 for Signal Hill residents and July 14 for non-residents. Any resident child who will be attending PM Kindergarten through 5th Grade for the 2020-2021 school year can enroll. Space is extremely limited. For more information, please call 562-989-7329.

SIGNAL HILL TWEEN PROGRAM



Signal Hill Youth Center, 1780 E. Hill Street
Grades 6th - 8th
Monday - Friday
4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Space is limited. Registration begins July 14 for the 2020-2021 school year. Call 562-989-7329 for more information.

CO-ED YOUTH SPORTS PROGRAM



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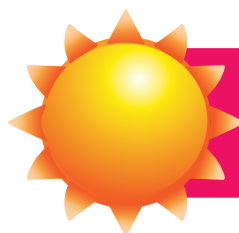
Signal Hill Youth Center, 1780 E. Hill Street
Registration: February 3 - March 9 or until teams are full

New athletes must provide proof of birthdate at the time of registration. A \$10 registration fee for each participant must be paid to the City of Long Beach Parks Recreation & Marine Department. Space is limited. To be added to the program or be placed on a waitlist, please call 562-989-7329.

SPRING CAMP

April 13 - April 17
Signal Hill Youth Center, 1780 E. Hill Street
Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Kindergarten - 5th Grade

Resident Registration Begins: March 3
Non-Resident Registration Begins: March 24
Cost: Residents: \$66 per week / Non-Residents: \$100 per week
*Excursion on April 16 is an additional cost



Look for our
2020 SUMMER FUN GUIDE
in mailboxes in April!

SUMMER PROGRAMS

Resident Registration Begins: April 21
Non-Resident Registration Begins: May 26

\$15 per week deposit due at time of registration.
Deposits are non-refundable and non-transferable in case of cancellation. Balance of camp fees must be paid in full 1 week prior to the camp start date.

Themes and excursion information for all Summer Day Camps will be available in April.

ITTY BITTY DAY CAMP AGES 3-5



June 15 - July 10 (closed 7/3)
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Discovery Well Park Community Center, 2200 Temple Avenue
Resident: \$65/week Non-Resident: \$85/week
***Children must be potty trained**

SPORTS CAMP AGES 7-12



July 6 - 10
8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Signal Hill Park and Spud Field
Resident: \$66/week Non-Resident: \$100/week

SUMMER DAY CAMP GRADES 1ST - 5TH



June 15 - August 21 (closed 7/3)
8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Signal Hill Community Center, 1780 E. Hill Street
Resident: \$66/week Non-Resident: \$100/week
Excursions are an additional cost

TWEENS SUMMER DAY CAMP GRADES 6TH - 8TH



June 15 - August 21 (closed 7/3)
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Las Brisas Community Center, 2399 California Avenue
Resident: \$35/week
Non-Resident: \$55/week
Excursions are an additional cost

SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are available for residents to participate in the Community Services Department's Youth Programs. Call 562-989-7329 for more information.



CITY VIEWS

News from the City of Signal Hill

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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 Treasurer989-7319
Administration and City Clerk.....989-7305
Business Licenses989-7315
Community Services.....989-7330
ARC, Tween, & Youth Sports Program989-7329
Economic Development989-7379
EDCO597-0608
Finance989-7319
Job Line.....989-7385
Library.....989-READ (7323)
Personnel.....989-7307
Planning/Community Development.....989-7340
Police989-7200
Public Works.....989-7351
Service Requests.....989-7250
Water Customer Service.....989-7315
Water Conservation Hotline.....989-7350
Water Quality Info989-7250
Emergency/Paramedics.....“911”
Chamber of Commerce1-888-687-1718
Long Beach Animal Control570-PETS (7387)
Long Beach City College938-4353
Long Beach Gas Dept.
 New Service570-5700
 Emergency570-2140
Long Beach Unified School District.....997-8022
Los Angeles County Fire Station 60595-1620
 Business line – Non Emergencies
So. California Edison
 New/Emergency (800) 684-8123
Spectrum Cable(888) 438-2427 (toll free)
Charter Cable-Business..... (800) 314-7195
Frontier (800) 921-8101
M-F 7 am – 7 pm, Sat/Sun 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

CITY FACILITY LOCATIONS

City Hall 2175 Cherry Avenue
City Yard..... 2175 E. 28th Street
Library..... 1800 E. Hill Street
Police Department..... 2745 Walnut Avenue
Calbrisas Park2451 California Avenue
Discovery Well Park 2200 Temple Avenue
Hillbrook Park 1865 Temple Avenue
Hilltop Park 2351 Dawson Avenue
Panorama Promenade..... 2398 Dawson Avenue
Raymond Arbor Park 1881 Raymond Avenue
Reservoir Park 3315 Gundry Avenue
Signal Hill Dog Park.....3100 California Avenue
Sunset View Park 2300 Skyline Drive
Signal Hill Park Youth Center &
Community Center 1780 E. Hill Street
Alvarado Elementary1900 E. 21st Street
Signal Hill Elementary..... 2285 Walnut Avenue
Jessie Elwin Nelson
Middle School..... 1951 Cherry Avenue

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CITY HOLIDAYS

City Offices will be closed on the following dates:

Presidents Day: Monday, February 17 (regular trash collection and street sweeping)

Memorial Day: Monday, May 25 (trash collection delayed by one day, no street sweeping)

CITY COUNCIL/ COMMISSION MEETINGS

(All meetings occur in Council Chamber of City Hall)

City Council & Successor Agency

Meetings: 2nd & 4th Tuesday Monthly
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Replays: Ch. 3 (Charter) and Ch. 38 (Frontier),
Everyday 7:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m.

Civil Service Commission

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

Planning Commission

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday Monthly
Time: 7:00 p.m.

Parks & Recreation Commission

Meetings: 3rd Wednesday Monthly
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Housing Authority and Public Financing Authority

(annual meetings)
Meeting: 2nd Tuesday annually
Time: 7:00 p.m.

Sustainable City Committee

Meetings: February 4, May 5, July 7, October 6
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Agendas are posted on the City's website:
www.cityofsignalhill.org

SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL

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