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**Be Part of the Adventure at Green Port Fest 2008 on October 4 - Rain or Shine!**

Mark your calendar for the Port of Long Beach's Fourth Annual Green Port Fest on October 4, 2008, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. You can tour the Port by boat and train, see the wildlife that lives in the harbor, drive a locomotive simulator and learn about the many environmental and security programs at the Port of Long Beach. Parking is free at the Queen Mary, complete with free shuttles. Or, call (562) 590-4121, request a free Long Beach Transit day pass and take the bus. You can also walk or bike to the event. Find out more at [www.polb.com/portfest](http://www.polb.com/portfest).

- 8/1 **Sea Festival Event: Kids Fishing Rodeo** at the Belmont Veterans Memorial Pier. Call 562.426.7670 for information.
- 8/1 **Sea Festival Event: Crawfish Festival** through 8/3 at the Rainbow Lagoon. Call 562.426.7670 for more information.
- 8/1 **Sea Festival Event: Classic Boat and Yacht Festival** through 8/3 at the Rainbow Harbor and Pine Avenue Pier. Call 562.426.7670 for details.
- 8/1 **Worship Festival 2008** through 8/2 at Queen Mary Events Park. Call 562.499.1628 for more information.

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**The newly renovated Youth Opportunity Center (YOC) recently opened its doors with a grand opening that featured youth, businesses, community leaders and Pacific Gateway Workforce Investment Network partners.**

**Located at 3447 Atlantic Ave., in Long Beach, the new 3,200-square-foot YOC was designed with the input and participation of local youth.**

**"Providing economic opportunities for our young people continues to be a personal passion of mine," said Long Beach Mayor Bob Foster. "More than 94,000 youth between the ages of 15 – 24 live within the Youth Opportunity Center's service area. The Youth Opportunity Center will provide them with the important knowledge, skills and real-world experience employers are looking for."**

**The success of the YOC is thanks to the hundreds of employers who have participated in the YOC internship and employment programs. Speaking at the opening were: Penelope Cornwall, Chief Operating Officer, DCA Civil Engineering Group in Torrance; Maegan Rivas, Executive Assistant, XRT Express Reefer Transport Inc, in Wilmington; John Silvius, Boy Scouts of America, Long Beach Area Council, in Long Beach; and Ron Jones, Manager, Long Beach Clothing.**

**Youth who have changed their lives through their participation in the YOC's internship and employment**

**programs also spoke at the event. Those youth included:**

**Le'Onita Edmonson, Summer 2008 Inspired Internship Program**

**A junior at Cabrillo High School, Le'Onita is currently enrolled in our Summer 2008 Inspired Internship Program and is working at the Youth Opportunity Center.**

**Cristina Varela, Spring 2008 Inspired Internship Program**

**Cristina interned with the City of Long Beach's Housing Authority. She recently graduated from Cal State University Dominguez Hills with a Bachelor of Science in Public Administration and in January will begin her Master of Public Administration graduate studies at CSUDH. Cristina is now working, through AppleOne, full time at the Youth Opportunity Center.**

**Viet Trinh, Spring 2007 Inspired Internship Program**

**Viet interned with the Employment Development Department of the State of California and is now an employee with the agency. He recently graduated from Long Beach Poly High School and will be attending the University of California at Riverside, with a major in Chemical Engineering, in the fall.**

**Thaddeus "TJ" Wimes, Inspired Internship Program**

**T.J. recently graduated from Long Beach Poly High School and will be attending Long Beach City College in the fall. During his internship he enrolled in a course through Long Beach Unified School District and received 10 elective credits towards his high school graduation. T.J. put in 50 hours of classroom time and then interned at Long Beach Clothing. T.J. so impressed**

**the staff at LB Clothing that before he finished the internship they offered him a part time job. T.J. worked as a sales associate and managed LB Clothing's Myspace web page. He is currently working for 6th District Councilmember Dee Andrews.**

## **Youth Opportunity Center (YOC)**

**The YOC provides an array of resources and tools to help youth in Long Beach, Torrance, Lomita and Signal Hill find education, experience and employment. Through the YOC, youth have invaluable access to job-search tools, online resume posting, resume development, work readiness training, computers, Internet and email access, career coaching and exploration, internships, apprenticeships and volunteer opportunities, as well as assistance with diploma completion and preparation for entry into college. For more information, visit [www.HireAYouth.com](http://www.HireAYouth.com).**

- 8/9 **Sea Festival Event: The Great Beach and Sand Castle Contest** at the beach near Granada Ave. Call 562.426.7670 for more information.
- 8/9 **Sea Festival Event: The Richard Miller Novice Swim Meet** at the Belmont Plaza Pool. Call 562.426.7670 for information.
- 8/9 **Alamitos Bay Beach Water Polo event** at Alamitos Bay through 8/10. Call 562.644.3883 for more information.
- 8/10 **The Long Beach HI Performance Auto Parts Show and Sale** at Long Beach Veterans Stadium. Call 714.557.5979 x102 for more information.
- 8/10 **Sea Festival Event: Novice Dive Meet** at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Park pool. Call 562.426.7670 for details.
- 8/11 **Sea Festival Event: Rowing Nationals** through 8/17 at Marine Stadium. Call 562.426.7670 for details.
- 8/12 **Sea Festival Event: Youth Beach and Ocean Days** at the beach and Aquarium of the Pacific. Call 562.426.7670 for details.
- 8/13 **Sea Festival: Moonlight Movies on the Beach** at the beach near Granada. Call 562.426.7670 for information.
- 8/14 **Sea Festival Event: Sabot Regatta** at the Leeway Sailing Center. Call 562.426.7670 for more information.
- 8/15 **Sea Festival Event: Clyde W. Ellerman Memorial Model Sailboat Races** in the Colorado Lagoon. Call 562.426.7670 for more information.

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**Mayor Foster showcases a pothole repair truck with Art Cox, Mike Conway, Jerry Sims and David Candlish.**

### **‘Night at The Village’ with Rachael Ray added to Women’s Conference 2008**

This year, The Women’s Conference has added a new event. The "Night at The Village" will transform the Long Beach Convention Center into over 160,000 square feet of interactive experiences, connecting women with information, shopping, food and fun. The "Night at The Village" is from 5:00 to 9:00 pm on October 21, and features book signings by First Lady Maria Shriver, Caroline Kennedy, Mario Lopez and Dr. Mehmet Oz. Rachael Ray will be the inaugural guest on the main stage.

- 8/15 **Sea Festival Event: Flicker Cup Regatta** at the Belmont Veterans Memorial Pool. Call 562.426.7670 for details.
- 8/16 **2008 Long Beach Grand Cru** at the Rainbow Lagoon. Call 562.304.2529 for information.
- 8/16 **Sea Festival Event: Capture the Wind Festival** at the beach near Granada Ave. Call 562.426.7670 for details.
- 8/16 **Float and Serve** sports event on the beach near Granada Ave. Also to be held on 8/23 and 8/30. Call 562.394.7124 for details.
- 8/16 **Sea Festival Event: Long Beach Jr. Open Tennis Tournament** at the Billie Jean King & El Dorado Park Tennis Tournament through 8/21. Call 562.426.7670 for information.
- 8/18 **Sea Festival Event: Youth Sailing on American Pride** at the Rainbow Lagoon through 8/22. Call 562.426.7670 for details.
- 8/20 **The Belmont Shore Business Association's Stroll and Savor** will be held through 8/21 on 2nd St. Call 562.434.3066 for more information.

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## Reverse 9-1-1 System

### EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION

The City of Long Beach has implemented an Emergency Notification System called Reverse 9-1-1 that can deliver emergency messages via telephone to every landline in the city or in a targeted area during a public safety incident. All landline telephone customers in the City are automatically in the system. The emergency notifications can also reach cell phones, TTY/TDD service or Internet phone service, but those numbers must be registered first, and the City of Long Beach strongly recommends that those numbers are registered.

- 8/22 **The Belmont Shore Business Association's Semi-Annual Clearance Sale** will be held through 8/24 on 2nd St. Call 562.434.3066 for more information.
- 8/23 **Sea Festival Event: Tiki Beach Festival (Polynesian Spectacular)** at the beach near Granada Ave. through 8/24. Call 562.426.7670 for details.
- 8/23 **Sinjin-GAV Championships Doubles Volleyball Tournament** at Alamitos Beach. Call 310.913.0108 or visit [www.sinjinvolleyball.com](http://www.sinjinvolleyball.com) for details.
- 8/24 **Rose Park 2008 Picnic in the Park event** at 8th St. and Orizaba. Call 562.433.1739 for details.

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## Are you ready for the Digital TV Transition?

On February 17, 2009, all full-powered television stations will begin broadcasting only in digital, as required by law. If viewers who receive free over-the-air programming (with a roof-top antenna or "rabbit ears") have a TV with an internal digital tuner, it will continue to work the same. However, viewers with an analog television will need a digital-to-analog converter box to continue to watch broadcast television.

Cable and satellite TV subscribers with analog TVs hooked up to their cable or satellite service should not be affected. For more information, and money-saving coupons go to:

<http://www.dtv.gov>

- 8/30 **The Long Beach Blues Festival** at the Rainbow Lagoon. Visit [www.jazzandblues.org/events](http://www.jazzandblues.org/events) for more information.
- 8/30 **Sinjin Collegiate Volleyball** at Alamitos Beach. Call 310.913.0108 or visit [www.sinjinvolleyball.com](http://www.sinjinvolleyball.com) for details.
- 9/2 **World Trade Center's Farmers' Market** every Tuesday in the World Trade Center Courtyard. Call 818.591.8161 for more information.
- 9/3 **Farmers' Market** every Wednesday at Marine Stadium. Call 562.449.9299 for details.
- 9/4 **Uptown Farmers' Market** held every Thursday on Atlantic and 45th St. Contact 562.301.3202 for details.
- 9/5 **Long Beach Lobster Festival** at Rainbow Lagoon Park through 9/7. Call 562.495.5959 for more information.