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Minimum Wage Increase Means Maximum Impact on Small Business

The City of Los Angeles recently passed a minimum wage increase that will eventually result in a minimum wage of $15/hr for all employers that have operations in Los Angeles. Now, the County of Los Angeles is entertaining the same minimum wage ordinance that the city has recently adopted in an effort to create a uniform higher minimum wage throughout the region.

You may ask, “how does this impact me in Redondo Beach?” Well, these efforts could prove to be a great opportunity for local businesses, as well as a great threat for the region.

First, the opportunities. In an ideal world, many businesses would like to remain in California and specifically in the South Bay. In addition to the great weather and overall quality of life, we boast having one of the best talent pools for employers from in the world. If Redondo Beach is able to keep a lower minimum wage than surrounding cities in the region, we have the opportunity to attract many smaller businesses and have them relocate within our city limits, adding to our tax base. The Galleria would also be poised to attract stores and businesses that are looking for the more favorable hiring conditions. In fact, depending on how many of our surrounding cities adopt similar policies, Redondo Beach could be poised to become the regional home of many of the service based businesses in the South Bay.

That being said, there are many threats. $15/hr would be the highest minimum wage in the nation. For those businesses that do not need to be located in our region, they may consider moving or stop considering our region for new operations. An increased minimum wage means an increased cost of living as the increase cost for businesses is passed through to consumers. It will most likely mean higher unemployment, increased qualifications needed for entry level jobs, and increased costs for tourism services.

Increasing the minimum wage to overcome poverty is like putting a band-aid on a gunshot wound to stop the bleeding. The only way to curb poverty in our region is to fix the problems. High cost of living, lack of affordable housing, and lack of employment opportunities. The focus should be on attracting businesses and investing in Career Technical Training to have a stronger more skilled workforce.
Chair of the Board Leads Delegation of Local Representatives to Sacramento

I had the opportunity to lead a delegation of local South Bay Chamber representatives to Sacramento for the California Chamber of Commerce’s annual Legislative Summit at the State Capitol.

For those of us who are familiar with the inner-workings of the legislature and the legislators who represent us here in the South Bay, it was an opportunity to thank them for their support of the issues our local Chambers believe in and an opportunity to remind them of our presence in their legislative districts.

The one thing that impressed me the most was a back-to-back, non-stop, three-hour session inside one of the legislative committee hearing rooms with four legislators, a cabinet official within the Governor’s Office, and the leadership from the state’s largest manufacturing trade group. Our delegation of 16 business leaders filled every seat where legislators normally sit while our “guests” sat where testimony on legislation is normally given by legislative advocates and experts presenting their “spin” on pending legislation.

For those of us up on the dais, it was an opportunity to share our concerns on three specific issue priorities facing the SBACC here in the South Bay: 1) preserving the Los Angeles Air Force Base; 2) maintaining funding for the career technology training provided by the S. California Regional Occupation Center; and 3) increasing the transportation infrastructure investments at the Ports of L.A. and Long Beach.

For those new to Sacramento and to the way in which things are run inside the Capitol, it was an impressive experience that will last for years to come. If nothing else, this experience will lead to more trips to Sacramento in the years ahead to advocate for issues that are important to our local business community and provide an opportunity to be part of the legislative process.

Board of Directors 2015/2016

The newly elected officers were sworn in at the Installation & Awards Program on June 12 however, they will began their duties on July 1, 2015. The Chamber is pleased to present member business leaders who were installed to lead the chamber in 2015-2016.
Senate Passes Bills Increasing Fuel Costs, Regulatory Burden

June 2015, the Senate passed two California Chamber of Commerce-opposed “job killer” bills that, if signed into law, may increase costs for California businesses and create regulatory burdens throughout the state.

**SB 32 (PAVLEY; D-AGOURA HILLS)**

Slows Economic Growth — Increases costs for California businesses, makes them less competitive and discourages economic growth by adopting further greenhouse gas emission reductions for 2030 and 2050 without regard to the impact on individuals, jobs and the economy.

**SB 350 (DE LEÓN; D-LOS ANGELES)**

Costly and Burdensome Regulations — Potentially increases costs and burdens on all Californians by mandating an arbitrary and unrealistic reduction of petroleum use by 50%, increasing the current Renewable Portfolio Standard to 50% and increasing energy efficiency in buildings by 50% — all by 2030 without regard to the impact on individuals, jobs and the economy.

**SB 32: SLOWS ECONOMIC GROWTH**

SB 32 mandates a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions to 80% below 1990 levels by 2050 with no consideration of the economic side effects.

AB 32 was passed and signed into law in 2006 to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels by 2020, equivalent to a 30% reduction in emissions compared to a “business as usual” trend. Through a combination of command-and-control and market measures, along with the economic recession, California can meet that goal. What is not known is whether these goals have been met in a cost-effective manner, and what the economic and environmental side effects have been.

Before extending the greenhouse gas reduction mandate beyond 2020, the Legislature should independently evaluate the cost and benefit of the state’s current climate change programs to better understand what has and has not worked.

**SB 350: INCREASED FUEL COSTS**

SB 350 provides broad and undefined authority to the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to adopt regulations, standards and specifications “in furtherance of achieving a reduction of petroleum use in motor vehicles by 50% by January 1, 2030...” This bill does not specify whether CARB should adopt and implement policies that have an impact on the demand for petroleum fuels, or whether it should adopt and implement policies that affect the supply of transportation fuels. SB 350 provides a blank check delegation of authority to CARB, and in doing so, gives no consideration to the cost or job loss associated with this to-be-determined regulation.

The bills now go to the Assembly and will be assigned to policy committees for hearings soon.

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President **MESSAGE**

By Marna Smeltzer
President & CEO

**Chamber Supports Assembly Bill 306**

The L.A. Air Force Base (LAAFB) is a key part of the foundation supporting the Southern California aerospace industry. The Los Angeles Air Force Base is home to the Air Force Space and Missile Command (SMC). SMC is the Air Force’s command center for researching, developing, acquiring and launching military space systems. Some of SMC’s major programs are integral to modern life, particularly its GPS and weather satellites. Other SMC satellite systems support military communication and surveillance efforts.

The SMC’s mission is to deliver resilient and affordable space capabilities. The center is responsible for on-orbit check-out, testing, sustainment and maintenance of military satellite constellations and other Department of Defense space systems. SMC is headquartered at Los Angeles AFB in El Segundo, CA. The center employs an estimated 5,879 people including military, civilians and contractors at LAAFB and other locations worldwide.

With nearly a $1.7 billion impact on the Los Angeles County economy, keeping the LAAFB active and viable is a communitywide effort. This is why the Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce is supporting Assembly Bill 306 by South Bay Assemblyman David Hadley. AB 306 would make LAAFB more attractive to the Pentagon and military families considering deployment to LAAFB — an important goal given that our military bases are always at risk in the next base closing commission or could lose functions and jobs to other bases in lower-cost areas. AB 306 would allow active duty military families to send their kids to public school districts of their choice without a “veto” of the home school district.

This bill recently received bipartisan support from local South Bay legislators Assemblywoman Burke and State Senator Allen, who after meeting with base leadership, signed on as cosponsors of AB 306. This bill was recently passed an Assembly floor vote with 78-0 in support. This bill has now been referred to the Senate chambers and will be heard in the Senate education committee. With continued support from the area community we can pass this vital bill.
July 1 Compliance Alert

California Employers: You must post the revised CFRA notice on July 1, 2015 if you are a:

• Private-sector employer with 50 or more employees in 20 or more workweeks in the current or preceding calendar year, including a joint employer or successor in interest to a covered employer; or
• Public agency, including a local or state government agency, regardless of the number of employees you employ.

Be sure to display a poster in each business location where employees can easily see it and read it. You’ll need both English and Spanish poster versions if you have Spanish-speaking employees.

- Required California and Federal Employment Notices:
  - (New) Healthy Workplaces/Healthy Families Act of 2014 - Paid Sick Leave
  - Equal Employment Opportunity is THE LAW
  - Notice to Employees (EDD: UI, DI and PFL)
  - California Minimum Wage
  - Federal Minimum Wage
  - Your Rights Under USERRA
  - Safety and Health Protection on the Job (Cal/OSHA)
  - Notice to Employees-Injuries Caused by Work (Division of Workers’ Compensation)
  - California Law Prohibits Workplace Discrimination and Harassment (DFEH)
  - Your Rights and Obligations as a Pregnant Employee
  - Family Care and Medical Leave (CFRA Leave) and Pregnancy Disability Leave
  - Employee Rights and Responsibilities Under the Family and Medical Leave Act
  - Whistleblowers are Protected
  - Time Off to Vote
  - Employee Polygraph Protection Act
  - Emergency Contacts
  - Payday Notice

If you would like to purchase an updates poster call the Chamber at 310.376.6911

Is Your Advertising Strategy Hitting Your Target?

The Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce has partnered with Profile Display now on its second year. The Information and Resource Display and web-based touch screen kiosk project. It’s a proven fact that visitors search on-line first before leaving their home or office. Web-based on line marketing is what business owners are looking for.

A web-based, touch screen kiosk hits visitors when they are most receptive. Rotating, full color advertisements really attract a lot of attention to the 23” touch screen computer.

All the same information is on line, available through an exclusive “touch” website. Anyone searching on a computer, tablet or even a smart phone will find detailed information about members or local businesses. Members or local businesses will be featured on the touch screen with high impact, full color advertisements and this program includes the latest technology like QR codes, Google directions and e-coupons.

We feel this project is essential to ensuring that our Chamber members get the exposure they need to stand out above the rest. We are pleased to provide Redondo Beach Chamber members with a way to help their businesses thrive.

Advertise on the Kiosk and your business can appear on the rotating display, too!
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For more information go to www.touchredondobeach.com or call 310.526.0767

Profile Display will be contacting you soon to discuss the details of this project.
**Improved Coastal Access is a Must for the Ultimate Summer Vacation!**

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**WE BELIEVE IN THE IMPORTANCE OF COASTAL ACCESS**

Our favorite part of Redondo Beach is the waterfront, and we want to make it as easy and enjoyable as possible for members of the community to access the beautiful coastline. We believe that everyone should be able to see and reach the coast as much as possible, and that’s why we made it a priority in our plans.

**THE CURRENT STATE OF COASTAL ACCESS IN REDONDO BEACH**

Right now, the coastline is difficult to access by all modes of transportation – foot, bicycle and vehicle—because the area is not well connected and many parts, like Seaside Lagoon are fenced off or simply off limits for part of the year. The waterfront area is supposed to be where residents and visitors alike can enjoy the gorgeous coastline that Redondo Beach has to offer.

**HOW THE WATERFRONT WILL INCREASE COASTAL ACCESS**

The Waterfront will better connect the currently disjointed coastline so that pedestrians and bicycles can access and enjoy much more of it as well.

For instance, pedestrians and bicycle riders will be able to enjoy more high quality walking and biking paths that run continuously along the entire coastline. The project will also include a bike and pedestrian bridge from one side of the project to the other. No matter how you like to enjoy the waterfront, your experience will be improved.

**A MORE ACCESSIBLE COASTLINE MEANS EVEN MORE ENJOYABLE EVENTS**

With the opportunity to enjoy events so much closer to the water, Redondo’s already well known summer events will be even more fun! There are already so many fantastic events happening down there this summer that we are excited to be part of, including the Redondo Beach Pier Summer Concert Series. The waterfront has always been about bringing together and celebrating community, especially through these events, and we want to make sure that it stays that way.

We envision The Waterfront, once it is completed, to be the perfect place for friends and families to gather, enjoy the beautiful coastline and attend these wonderful events. There is so much potential in the waterfront area and with your help, we can bring new life to it!

We encourage you to take a look around our website (The-WaterfrontRedondo.com) to learn more about how we plan to improve coastal access with the Waterfront. We’d love to hear your thoughts any time so that we may continue working together to create an unforgettable, awe-inspiring waterfront.

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**Yelp Is Useless**

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By Harry Munns

I know. That’s a severe headline but please allow me to explain. Like so many flawed ideas for making tons of money on the Internet, Yelp attempted to improve a commonplace activity with technology. It failed.

I believe people involved in the early days of Yelp had a conversation similar to the following. “Suppose you’re about to go into an unfamiliar restaurant and you see people leaving. If they look reasonable and trustworthy, you might ask how they liked their meals, what they ordered and whether it was worth the money. If someone you know and trust ate at the same restaurant, you might ask that person’s opinion. Wouldn’t the Internet make this process more thorough and efficient?”

Yes and no. Yes because you can’t wait outside every business you might want to access to ask customers how they liked it. Nor do you want to wait until you find a trusted friend who can render an opinion. By posting lots of people’s opinions online, we can all get information before we make important decisions.

Here's the no and it's a big no. Don't the people who offer the opinions matter as much or more than the opinions themselves? In your everyday life, you don’t make decisions based on the advice of angry, intoxicated, ignorant people. I’d never suggest that a majority of Yelp users are any of those things but I guarantee the Yelp community has more than a few posters whose reviews are based on some or all of those conditions. The major flaw with online opinions is that you don’t get to interrogate the opinion-giver in any meaningful way. You know who they want you to believe they are but you have no idea how much of the personal information they allow you to see is true, partly true or simply false.

But look at Yelp itself. Yelp takes opinions from any anonymous person who wants to give an opinion for any reason, and transmits them to everyone. If Yelp were a person, would you ever, ever ask for his or her opinion knowing you were just getting recycled, anonymous drivel? Hey Yelp, what did the guy who says he’s a brain surgeon from Beverly Hills think about that mechanic on the corner?

The Yelp person I just described simply tells you things he or she heard from other people. The Yelp person’s credibility falls apart when you, the intelligent consumer, begin to ask questions. Yelp, how well do you know this brain surgeon? Are you sure he really went to this mechanic? Is it possible he is just a competitor trying to gain a business advantage by hurting the other mechanic’s reputation?

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Using sunscreen is vital to the prevention of skin damage and skin cancers. Build a habit of wearing sunscreen by choosing one that will be easy for you to use every day. “Wearing sunscreen is much like wearing seatbelts in a car. Once you get in a habit of wearing it, you will feel strange walking out into the sun without protection.”

SPF 30+ sunscreen should be worn every day, even if the sun is not shining. Clouds only block 20-30% of UV rays.

Sun Protection Factor is an estimate of how well the sunscreen will protect your skin from burning. The higher the number the better.

Use proper clothing, umbrellas and shade to keep out of direct sunlight. Add protection by wearing a long-sleeved shirt, pants, a wide-brimmed hat and sunglasses.

The Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Membership Appreciation Event honoring our members. The event will be held Wednesday, July 29 from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm at the King Harbor Yacht Club located at 280 Yacht Club Way.

The Chamber extends a special thank you to the businesses and individuals who continually support our program of work to fulfill our mission. Working together we strive to accomplish our vision in making Redondo Beach a better place for our businesses and quality of life.

As a member you are invited to come to the King Harbor Yacht Club and enjoy the evening as we celebrate you our members. Enjoy food, fun and networking. Hors D’oeuvres will be provided by Buca di Beppo.

Make your reservation now to guarantee your “Thank You” gift. A gift will be given to the first 100 guests with reservations. register online at www.web.redondo chamber.org/events

Tip of the Month from Your Health & Wellness Committee

Sunscreen is Not Just For Sunny Days

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IF YOU LOVE OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES
- Use a water-resistant broad spectrum UVA/UVB sunscreen with SPF of 30+. Reapply every two hours or immediately after being in the water.

THE 10-2 RULE
- Even when you follow precautions, it is best to limit time in the sun between the hours of 10 am and 2 pm.

AVOID TANNING BEDS VISIT A DOCTOR
- If you see any sudden or unusual skin change be sure to visit your dermatologist.
Family Fitness Ideas for Summer

By Dr. Lisa Santora, BCHD Chief Medical Officer

The family that sweats together stays fit together. Yet too often during summer, the couch gets worn out instead of our muscles. Only one in three families now meet the government’s minimum guidelines for physical activity, which call for at least 2 ½ hours a week of moderate-intensity activity for adults and one hour a day for children and teens.

So what’s stopping Beach Cities families from being active? It’s certainly not the weather or a lack of opportunities. In reality, exercise is one of the most affordable ways for families to spend time together in L.A. – as free or affordable activities abound.

So in the spirit of healthy family fun, I’ve put together a list of five activities to add to your family’s fitness bucket list this summer.

- Free Zumba in the Park. Every Monday at 6:30 p.m., Beach Cities Health District organizes an hour of free Zumba® dance at Lincoln Elementary in Redondo Beach (July 13, 20, 27 & Aug. 3). What’s especially great about Zumba: anyone can participate, regardless of age or ability level. We even have special dances and songs just for the kids mixed in. Visit www.bchd.org for the schedule.
- Ride Bikes along the Beach. With the completion of the Redondo Gateway, a bike path now runs along the along the ocean from Redondo Beach all the way up through Manhattan Beach. A leisurely family bike ride is a fun way to get a little exercise in a beautiful setting.

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“Business Spotlight”
Redondo Beach Historical Society
Preserving the Past for the Future

Redondo Beach Historical Society, Inc., Incorporated October 1, 1987. Heritage Court (Located at Dominguez Park on Flagler Lane between 190th Street and Beryl Street in Redondo Beach)

Heritage Court is part of an ongoing effort to preserve some of the turn of the 20th century history of Redondo Beach. Established in the late 1980’s with Redondo Beach Historical Society and City Council approval, the original plan called for three turn of the century historic houses to be relocated to Dominguez Park in an area to be called Heritage Court. Today, two houses are located in Heritage Court with room for a third house on the lawn just north of the rose garden, if necessary. Both of the structures have been landmarked by the City of Redondo Beach. The Morrell House, home of the Redondo Beach Historical Society.

Morrell House – A circa 1906 combination Craftsman house with Queen Anne detailing. The Morrell House is available for meetings and functions. The Morrell House was originally located at 204 S. Catalina Ave. By the late 1980’s after years as a rental, the house had fallen into disrepair. In 1988 the Redondo Beach Historical Society started working with the owner of the house who wanted to put condominiums on the property and the City of Redondo Beach to have the house moved and renovated. The City had the house moved to its current location and volunteers worked on the restoration until completion in December 2006. Restoration efforts included a new foundation, new roof, rebuilt fireplaces, substantial earthquake retrofitting, exterior paint stripping by hand to the bare wood, refurbishment of all bottom story windows, and replacement of newer window panes with old wavy glass. The Morrell House is now furnished as a living history museum and is under the custodianship of the Redondo Beach Historical Society. Museum hours are Saturday/Sunday from noon to 4:00pm.

Queen Anne Museum – A circa 1890’s Queen Anne cottage housing the City’s Historical Museum. A circa 1890’s Queen Anne cottage housing the City’s Historical Museum, this landmark cottage was origi-

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Fred Astaire Redondo Beach Dance Studio recently celebrated their grand opening with a ribbon cutting by the Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau. Pictured here are owners Thomas and Izabela Lewandowski with a student, and RBCC&VB Chair of the Board Michael Jackson holding the scissors. They are surrounded by David Sargsyan, Inga Demetryan, Eduard Sargsyan, Vard Margaryan, and Mandy Carlisle, all of Fred Astaire Dance Studio. Also in attendance are RBCC&VB Ambassadors Joanne Galin of MixAGogo; Matt Mellier of Cook and Associates; Chandra Chaikin, MS, LMFT; Vince Wainwright of Interstate Personnel Services, as well as many friends and students of Fred Astaire Dance Studio.

Realm Workspace recently celebrated their Grand Opening with a ribbon cutting ceremony by the Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau. Pictured here with owner Margaret Otto and husband Adrian Otto are: RBCC & VB Ambassadors Lisa Rodriguez, Array Systems; Arnette Travis, Investment Professional; Matt Mellier, Phil Cook and Associates; Larry Halvorson, Express Employment Services; John Gran, Fish Window Cleaning; Brandon Villalpando, Assemblyman David Hadley’s office; and Joanne Galin, MixAGogo, among other friends and fans of Realm Workspace.

Heritage Court Rose Garden – The center of the courtyard contains a beautiful Tuscan-style fountain, and is surrounded by a formal rose garden. The roses are meticulously maintained by volunteers and avid gardeners, Kathy Barron and Gemma Charfenberger. The garden area is perfect for relaxing with a good book, enjoying a picnic lunch, or has been used for bridal photos. The City of Redondo Beach is the owner of the park and structures. The Redondo Beach Historical Society is custodian of the Morrell House museum, and our colleague, the Redondo Beach Historical Commission, is custodian of the Queen Anne museum. Together, we are Heritage Court.

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nally built on Garnet next to the old Post Office, was then moved to S. Broadway before being relocated to Heritage Court, and is an excellent example of Queen Anne architecture. The museum has an extensive collection of Redondo Beach memorabilia, information and artifacts. The museum has exhibits of ancient Redondo and its original occupants, photos depicting the original town site, as well as solutes to individuals who played important roles in our history. There is also a display featuring Redondo Union High School memorabilia and photos. The Queen Anne has recently undergone a renovation and has been brought back to its previous splendor. Museum hours are Saturday/Sunday from noon to 4:00pm and Wednesday from 10:00am to 1:00pm.
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- AdventureCamp at AdventurePlex. A healthy blend of exercise, fun and exciting field trips await at the camp annually voted best in the South Bay by Easy Reader. Activities include rock climbing, a ropes course, trips to Raging Waters and a five-level play structure, to name a few. Visit www.adventureplex.org.
- Go to the Park. There are more than 177 maintained parks throughout Los Angeles County for families to enjoy, with many located in the Beach Cities. My kids especially enjoy Valley Park in Hermosa Beach and Polliwog Park in Manhattan Beach, which also serves as a host site for free summer concerts.
- Take a Hike. It may not be the first thing that comes to mind for SoCal families, but we are surrounded by hikeable mountain ranges like the Santa Monica, San Gabriel and San Bernardino mountains. Be sure to pack plenty of water and to always research a trail in advance.
- Go to the Beach. Okay, this is an obvious one, but still worth mentioning. Close proximity to the Pacific Ocean is what makes the Beach Cities an especially desirable place to raise a family, so take full advantage! Boogie board, throw the Frisbee or just spend quality time building sand castles.

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Could he be a jilted lover? Could he be a disgruntled customer who represents one negative opinion among thousands of happy customers?

I never click on a Yelp link that turns up in a Google search. I never put a yelp button on any of my web sites and I immediately disregard any opinion from anyone who tells me it’s based on something he or she read on Yelp.

You may have guessed by now, my business got a bad Yelp review and Yelp has prevented most of the good reviews I’ve gotten since that four year old posting from being seen by consumers. I’d like to think I’d feel the same way about Yelp if they hadn’t done all that but who knows?

I will assure you of a few things. I’m not intoxicated…maybe a little angry. You can decide for yourself whether I’m ignorant. One thing I will swear is true. I’m not a brain surgeon from Beverly Hills.

Harry Munns owns Beach Cities Computers & Video.
The opinions expressed in this article are those of the author and are not in any way to be taken as the official position of the Chamber.

How to JOIN:
If you would like to learn more about how your business can benefit from membership in the Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau, please contact our member representatives below. You can also fill out a member application online at RedondoChamber.org/join if you are ready to join now.

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“The Chamber is a wonderful resource for marketing opportunities, networking with other business, and many other helpful resources for a new business in the community. Well worth the money and time spent at the various function through the year!”

Doug Christenson - Owner, South Bay Mobile Tours

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Happy Anniversary! Julia Rosenberg, Woman’s Club of Redondo Beach; Joanne Galin, Daniel Quisenberry and Bibi Goldstein of MixAGogo; Sunny Han of Jaiyu Printing and Valerie James of MixAGogo are pictured here with RBCC&VB Ambassadors Lisa Rodriguez and Mark Applegate.

Welcome New Members! Pictured here at the June Network Café are Orthy of MFR/Mirage Construction and John with N2 Publishing with Ambassador Mark Applegate. We’re glad you’ve joined our Chamber!

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Networking Tip
OF THE MONTH

PRACTICE EVERY DAY.
The more you network, the easier it gets, but you have to keep doing it. Even during the course of every work day you can exercise this muscle by getting up, walking around, and starting brief conversations with co-workers. If you’re heading to the water cooler and you see somebody you should stop for a minute or two and ask that person “How is your day going? How was your weekend?” just to stay in that networking practice.

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