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Chamber Takes Positions on November Ballot Initiatives

While voters have plenty of decisions to make before the election this November, including who they would like the nation’s next president to be, Californians will also vote on 17 propositions encompassing major topics of debate within the state. Thanks to the state’s longstanding tradition of direct democracy, every California voter becomes a lawmaker at the ballot box. California will see one of its largest ballots in recent years; up for a vote are issues ranging from legalizing recreational cannabis, ending the death penalty or speeding up the process, ban of plastic bags and cap of prescription drug costs. Not since 2000 have Californians been asked to wade through so many propositions.

This year’s proliferation of propositions springs from a 2011 reform. The legislature moved all statewide propositions to the general election, rather than primaries. It makes sense to have the greatest number of voters decide statewide questions, but it has generated pent-up demand for the November election.

To certify measures for the California ballot: 365,880 signatures for an initiative and 585,407 for a constitutional amendment, in a state with over 18 million registered voters. A robust signature-gathering industry makes qualifying propositions a matter of raising several million dollars.

The Redondo Beach Government Relations Committee reviewed and discussed the following 17 ballot propositions and took the following positions.

SUPPORT
  Proposition 51: $9 billion in bonds for education and schools
  Proposition 52: Voter approval of changes to the hospital fee program
  Proposition 54: Conditions under which legislative bills can be passed

OPPOSE
  Proposition 53: Revenue Bonds
  Proposition 55: Personal income tax increases on incomes over $250,000

NO POSITION
  Proposition 56: Increase the cigarette tax by $2 per pack
  Proposition 58: Bilingual education in public schools

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Chamber helped stop 20 of 24 job killer bills

The Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce had a mix of wins and losses for the legislative year; stopping dozens of harmful bills and helping to pass some bills that will increase certainty and reduce competitive disadvantages for California businesses.

Job Killers

The Redondo Beach Chamber helped stop 20 of the 24 job killer bills identified this year by the California Chamber of Commerce. Most of the bills were stopped during the legislative process, either in committee, killed on the floors of either house, or amended to remove the worst provisions that earned the job killer tag. Nonetheless, five job killers made it to the Governor’s desk; he vetoed one.

On September 30 the Governor vetoed SB 654 (Jackson; D-Santa Barbara), a CalChamber job killer bill that would have increased costs and burdens on small business employers in the state.

Job Creators

The Governor has also signed all four job creator bills that reached his desk this year. On September 30 AB 2664 (Irwin; D-Thousand Oaks) was signed into law. The measure provides resources for Californians who are establishing a new business by providing the University of California (UC) with funds to expand its capacity and increase access to its innovation and entrepreneurship centers, which provide incubator space, legal services, entrepreneur training and more for researchers and other individuals looking to develop innovative solutions.

Last week, the Governor approved SB 936 (Hertzberg; D-Van Nuys), which encourages the creation of small businesses by expanding their access to loans, and SB 1069 (Wieckowski; D-Fremont), which creates and expedites additional housing supply by streamlining the permitting process. These measures are significant victories for California businesses.

South Bay Association of Chambers Wins Air Force Space Command Community Support Award

The South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce (SBACC), representing 18 local chambers of commerce, of which the Redondo Beach Chamber is a very active member, has been named recipient of the 2016 Air Force Space Command Community Support Award for support to the mission and personnel of the Space and Missiles Command Center and the Los Angeles Air Force base (LAAFB) in El Segundo.

“No one has worked harder than Michael Jackson, former SBACC Chair to reconnect the South Bay Association of Chamber of Commerce and our South Bay Communities to the LA Air Force Base in support of our men and women service” said Marna Smeltzer, President & CEO of the Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce. “The South Bay Chambers of Commerce has supported base efforts as far back as 1990 and is one of the key reasons why the SBACC was formed”.

“We are very pleased to be recognized for this year’s award working closely with SMC and the LAAFB working closely together with our organization and the entire South Bay community on efforts to strengthen the common military mission we have enjoyed for over 37 years” said Michael G. Jackson, who chairs the SBACC’s Base Retention Advisory Council, and former chairman of the SBACC Board. “The South Bay region was selected above the other five major Air Force Space Commands across the country for our longstanding commitment to the aerospace industry and specifically to the efforts undertaken at the base.”

The award, established in February, 2015, recognizes the community which provided the most significant mission and installation needs to support an Air Force Space Command base from June 1, 2015 through May 31, 2016. Four communities – Aurora, Colorado; Cocoa Beach, Florida; Colorado Springs, Colorado; and the South Bay area of Los Angeles County, California – submitted nominations to the Colorado Springs Military Affairs Council as sponsoring organization for the 2016 award.

A panel of judges representing the submitting communities and Air Force Space Command staff evaluated the nominations on five key factors: community size and support resources; base and unit complexity and support needs; actual community programs and activities supporting the unit mission and personnel; endorsements; and community support recognition through awards and media coverage. “In every case, the SBACC’s active relationship with the LAAFB and SMC rose far above the effort of these other communities who applied for the award”, according to Jackson.

“We are very proud of the role we play here in the South Bay, which has been home to the Southern California aerospace community since the 1950’s when TRW made its home here in Redondo Beach, which is now part of Northrop Grumman,” Jackson added.

An award ceremony and trophy presentation will be scheduled by Space Command in Colorado Springs later this year.
Chamber Shares Legislative Score Card
Hadley Boasts Top Voting Record in Region

Each year, the Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce empowers our Government Relations Council to take positions on dozens of pieces of state legislation. This year, we took positions on more than 50 bills that were brought forward in the California State Legislature. As we do every year, we then compared how our local Redondo Beach legislators voted on the issues we deemed important to business and graded them based on how many times they voted the way we asked them to.

Assembly member David Hadley scored an incredible 90% voting in favor of supporting job creating legislation and opposing legislation that would kill jobs and harm small businesses. This is by far the highest percentage of support the Chamber has seen in recent memory.

The Chamber saw a distinct difference between the State Senate and State Assembly this year. In general, the assembly was much more aware and responsive to the positions and input from the business community. The senate passed many pieces of legislation without much input from the business community as leadership pushed their agenda and the rank and file fell in line.

This was further evident with the vote record of our local State Senator Ben Allen. Senator Allen has always had an open door policy with the Chamber, however it was not reflective in his vote record this year. Senator Allen scored a disappointing 47% this year. Much of the legislation that the Chamber opposed in the senate saw party line votes that often resulted in the chamber focusing on the assembly to kill bills and negotiate workable solutions.

See Legislative Score Card below, continued on pages 4 & 5.

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process for accessory dwelling units (ADUs).
Earlier this year Governor Brown signed another job creator, SB 269 (Roth; D-Riverside), which incentivizes disability access and education. The urgency measure went into effect immediately upon being signed on May 10.

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<td>AB 12</td>
<td>Cooley</td>
<td>This bill would, until January 1, 2019, require each state agency to, on or before January 1, 2018, review that agency’s regulations, identify any regulations that are duplicative, overlapping, inconsistent, or out of date, to revise those identified regulations, as provided, and report to the Legislature and Governor, as specified.</td>
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<td>AB 54</td>
<td>Olsen</td>
<td>Accessibility claims. Would mandate that business be notified in writing and given 60 days to comply before a lawsuit can proceed.</td>
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<td>08/25/16 Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 5 p.m.</td>
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Governor Vetoes Job Killer; SB 654 Would Have Imposed Significant Costs on Small Business In Redondo Beach

The Redondo Beach Chamber applauds Governor Brown for joining the Redondo Beach Chamber in opposition of SB 654 (Jackson). The Governor vetoed SB 654, a CalChamber job killer bill that would have increased costs and burdens on small business employers in Redondo Beach and throughout the state.

SB 654 (Jackson) would have created a new protected leave of absence for employers with as few as 20 employees. California already requires employers with 5 or more employees to provide up to 4 months of protected leave for an employee who suffers a medical disability because of pregnancy. SB 654 would have added another 6 weeks of leave for the same employee, totaling over 5 months of protected leave. The bill also exposed small employers to costly litigation.

Currently, California is one of the nation’s most family friendly states given the list of programs and protected leaves of absences available to employees. California provides paid sick days, school activities leave, kin care, pregnancy disability leave, protections under the California Family Rights Act, and the paid family leave program. This list is in addition to the leaves of absence required at the federal level.
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<td>AB 67</td>
<td>Gonzalez</td>
<td>Double pay for employees working on Christmas Day and Thanksgiving Day</td>
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<td>08/10/16</td>
<td>From committee: That the Senate amendments be concurred in. (Ayes 5, Noes 2) (August 29).</td>
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<td>AB 278</td>
<td>Hernandez</td>
<td>This bill requires general law cities with a population of 100,000 or more, as specified, to elect members of the city council by district.</td>
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<td>AB 678</td>
<td>O’Donnell</td>
<td>Would require the State Board and State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to develop and implement the Energy Efficient Ports Program to assist in funding energy efficient upgrades and investments at CA’s public ports.</td>
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<td>AB 866</td>
<td>Garcia</td>
<td>This bill would additionally authorize GO-Biz to support small businesses by advocating for their interests before state agencies and providing information about accessing technical assistance. The bill would expand the duties of the advocate to include advocating for regulatory implementation models that are flexible in addressing challenges small businesses face in meeting regulatory mandates without compromising policy standards. Providing information to rule-making agencies regarding the number and size of businesses which may be affected by a proposed new or amended regulation, as specified. The bill would additionally require each agency that develops a small entity compliance guide, as specified, to notify the advocate within 45 days after the guide becomes available to the public, and to include in that notice information on how a small business can obtain a copy of the small business compliance guide. The bill would also make various findings and declarations regarding small businesses.</td>
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<td>AB 907</td>
<td>Burke</td>
<td>This bill authorizes the Superintendent of Public Instruction (SPI) to certify, by name, any regional occupational center or program (ROCP), county office of education (COE), or adult education program, that provides career training, as specified, for purposes of participating in federal student financial assistance program.</td>
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<td>AB 1066</td>
<td>Gonzalez</td>
<td>This bill would remove the exemption for agricultural employees regarding hours, meal breaks, and other working conditions, including specified wage requirements, and would create a schedule that would phase in overtime requirements for agricultural workers, as defined, over the course of 4 years, from 2019 to 2022, inclusive. Beginning January 1, 2022, the bill would require any work performed by a person, employed in an agricultural occupation, in excess of 12 hours in one day to be compensated at the rate of no less than twice the employee’s regular rate of pay. The bill would authorize the Governor to delay the implementation of these overtime pay provisions if the Governor also suspends the implementation of a scheduled state minimum wage increase, as specified. The bill would require the Department of Industrial Relations to update a specified wage order for consistency with these provisions, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</td>
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<td>8/29/16</td>
<td>Senate amendments concurred in. To Engrossing and Enrolling.</td>
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<td>AB 1657</td>
<td>O’Donnell</td>
<td>Would dedicate state Cap-and-Trade revenues to projects that make California’s ports greener and more energy efficient. The goal of the legislation is to fund equipment and infrastructure upgrades that help transition the state’s ports to renewable technologies.</td>
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<td>AB 1699</td>
<td>Hernandez</td>
<td>This bill would add employees of solid waste collection and transportation contractors and subcontractors to those provisions. make these provisions applicable to contracts for the collection and transportation of solid waste. By requiring local agencies to give a bidding preference under these provisions to these contractors and subcontractors, subcontractors for the collection and transportation of solid waste, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</td>
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<td>Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 4 p.m.</td>
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<td>AB 1669</td>
<td>Campos</td>
<td>This bill would prohibit an employer, including state and local government employers, from seeking salary history information about an applicant for employment, except as otherwise provided.</td>
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<td>AB 1756</td>
<td>Bonilla</td>
<td>Establishes a grant program at the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CCTC) to provide funding to postsecondary institutions to establish or expand integrated credentialing programs, which allow candidates to earn teaching credentials while completing their undergraduate degrees.</td>
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<td>AB 2026</td>
<td>Hadley</td>
<td>Assembly Bill 2026 will require all plaintiffs or petitioners of the court who sue under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to include an affidavit identifying every person or entity who made or has pledged to make a monetary contribution of $1,000 or more, to fund the litigation.</td>
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<td>AB 2230</td>
<td>Chu</td>
<td>Provides that interpreters, when needed in the workers' compensation system, may be selected by the applicant.</td>
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<td>AB 2548</td>
<td>Weber</td>
<td>School Accountability - Improved School Accountability. Will help employers, parents, educators, lawmakers, and other stakeholders hold schools accountable for student performance and improvement.</td>
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<td>AB 2586</td>
<td>Gatto</td>
<td>Imposes a number of restrictions and requirements on local authorities' ability to regulate parking in their jurisdictions.</td>
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<td>SB 3</td>
<td>Leno</td>
<td>Raising of minimum wage to $11 in 2016 and $13 in 2017, then adjusting annually using CA CPI to maintain purchasing power. Wage can only be adjusted upward, not downward (in years with negative inflation).</td>
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<td>SB 32</td>
<td>Pavley</td>
<td>Increase costs to California businesses, make them less competitive and discourage economic growth by mandating a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions to 80% below 1990 levels by 2050 with no consideration of the economic side effects.</td>
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<td>SB 254</td>
<td>Allen</td>
<td>The bill would also authorize the commission to relinquish a portion of a state highway to a county or city, if the department and the county or city concerned have entered into an agreement providing for the relinquishment of a portion of a state highway, within the territorial limits of the county or city, that is not an interstate highway and does not primarily facilitate the interregional movement of people and goods, as determined in the report.</td>
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<td>SB 269</td>
<td>Roth</td>
<td>Seeks to limit frivolous litigation and claims regarding construction-related accessibility violations by providing businesses that have proactively sought to become ADA compliant an opportunity to resolve any identified violations.</td>
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<td>SB 654</td>
<td>Jackson</td>
<td>This bill would prohibit an employer, as defined, from refusing, as specified, to allow an employee with more than 12 months of service with the employer, and who has at least 1,250 hours of service with the employer during the previous 12-month period, to take up to 12 weeks of parental leave to bond with a new child within one year of the child's birth, adoption, or foster care placement. The bill would also prohibit an employer from refusing to maintain and pay for coverage under a group health plan for an employee who takes this leave.</td>
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<td>SB 933</td>
<td>Allen</td>
<td>Contingent upon funding provided in the budget or another enacted statute, this bill establishes the California Teacher Act of 2016, a grant program to assist local educational agencies (LEAs) in establishing and maintaining teacher residency programs. This bill defines a teacher residency program as a school-based teacher preparation program and authorizes expenditure of</td>
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<td>SB 936</td>
<td>Hertzberg</td>
<td>This bill reduces the required reserve leverage ratio of the California Small Business Expansion Fund, which funds the California Small Business Loan Guarantee Program, from 20 percent to 10 percent</td>
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<td>SB 1010</td>
<td>Hernandez</td>
<td>SB 1010 would require health plans and health insurers that report information on premium rates to their regulator to also include specified information relating to prescription drug spending. The bill would require drug manufacturers to report to state purchasers of health care services when drug prices are going to increase by more than 10% or when new drugs costing more than $10,000 per course of treatment are going to be introduced to the market.</td>
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<td>SB 1069</td>
<td>Wicciowski</td>
<td>This bill requires an ordinance for the creation of accessory dwelling units (ADUs) to include specified provisions regarding areas where ADUs may be located, standards, and lot density. This bill revises requirements for the approval or disapproval of an ADU application when a local agency has not adopted an ordinance.</td>
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"Business Spotlight"

Eat At Joe’s, Open Since 1969

Joe Filkosky bought the restaurant in 1969 from Fred and Wanda. It had changed ownership four times before Joe grabbed the reins. He worked all day, every day to keep the little burger stand alive. The small counter with seven stools (and a few milk cans) flourished into the Joe’s we know and love today.

There are more seats now, but that comfortable touch of home lives on at Joe’s. The choices at Joe’s have expanded from burgers and fries to a full breakfast, lunch, and dinner fare...featuring the famous John Wayne special. Yes, the Duke actually came in one morning and asked Joe to cook up a breakfast that soon became a favorite. Another favorite was created by Frank, the Highway Patrolman who ordered a Cheese Omelette with yesterday’s special on top. You’ll find Frank’s “Mad Dog Special” along with many others, posted on the boards around the restaurant. Joe’s loyal employees take special pride in quality preparation and speedy, friendly service. Today, Joe’s is owned by Alex and Michele Jordan, who are thrilled to continue the legacy that has made Joe’s a Redondo Beach landmark for over a quarter century.

We hope you enjoy your meals here at Joe’s

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Proposition 59: State’s position on Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission

Proposition 60: Require the use of condoms in pornographic films

Proposition 63: Background checks for ammunition purchases

Proposition 65: Funds from grocery and retail carry-out bags redirected to Wildlife Conservation Fund

Proposition 66: Would change the death penalty procedure to speed up the appeals process

Proposition 67: Is approved by the state’s voters, it would ratify Senate Bill 270, prohibiting large grocery stores and pharmacies from providing plastic single-use carryout bags

LA County Ballot Measures

Measure M

While at the county level voters will be asked to consider Measure M. The ballot measure would add a half-cent sales tax in 2017 and continue the current half-cent Measure R tax after it expires in 2039. The two would then combine for one cent, which would continue until voters decide to end it. If passed on November 8, 2016, the ballot measure would help fund Metro’s Long Range Transportation Plan in the following areas: new transit and highway projects; services for seniors, students and the disabled; bus and rail operations; bicycle and pedestrian connections; ongoing system maintenance and repair; and local street improvements.

Measure M is opposed by many South Bay cities because it would generate more tax revenue than they would get back through transit investment and funds for local road repairs. The Chamber’s Board of Directors voted to Oppose Measure M for the greater good of transportation related projects in the County of Los Angeles.

Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks and Beaches Measure of 2016

Finally, the Government Relations Committee voted to Oppose the Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks and Beaches Measure of 2016. This measures would replace funding under Proposition A passed over 20 years ago and that is set to expire in 2019. The measure would add a parcel tax of one-and-a-half cent per square foot of developed property. However, the funding formula, would place the majority of the cost on business properties, because they typically have higher square footage.
Help Create Safe ‘Streets for All’ in Redondo

Redondo Beach schools are back in session and that means thousands of tiny feet are once again pounding the pavement each morning as part of the Walking School Bus program. In fact, numbers indicate nearly 25 percent of elementary students in Redondo Beach are regularly walking to school – compared with just 11 percent nationally – and nearly all of Redondo Beach Unified School District’s 10,000 students live within walking or biking distance of school.

This marked uptick in foot traffic, coupled with 64 car crashes involving pedestrians or bicyclists near Redondo Beach schools from 2010 to 2013, is driving Beach Cities Health District (BCHD) to step out with a public safety campaign, aimed at motorists, pedestrians and cyclists alike, fittingly dubbed “Streets for All.”

BCHD partnered with the City of Redondo Beach, Redondo Beach Unified School District, City of Hermosa Beach, Hermosa Beach City School District and Beach Cities Cycling Club to design the campaign, which officially rolled out in September. Streets for All focuses on spreading public education messages about the rules of the road to residents of all ages and spotlighting the need for increased safety measures along highly-trafficked corridors like Prospect Avenue – which cuts through six school zones and impacts more than 5,500 Redondo Beach students on a daily basis.

“As residents, we all share the responsibility to make Beach Cities streets safe for everyone, including those who use active transportation,” said Susan Burden, Beach Cities Health District CEO. “By creating safe spaces where people of all ages and abilities can walk, bike, scoot and stroll without fear, we put our entire community on the road to better health and safety. But we need the support and involvement of residents to make Streets for All a reality. That’s where the rubber meets the road.”

Redondo Beach residents can get involved with the campaign in a variety of ways, including:

• Picking up a free Streets for All lawn sign at BCHD (1200 Del Amo St., Redondo Beach). Availability is first come, first served.
• Volunteering with the campaign to support community outreach efforts and events.
• Signing your elementary school student up for the Walking School Bus program.
• Sharing Streets for All messages on social media using #StreetsForAll and tagging BCHD on Facebook (Beach Cities Health), Twitter (@BCHD) and Instagram (@BeachCitiesHealth).

For more information go to bchd.org/streetsforall, or contact Tessa Dent at tessa.dent@bhcd.org or 310.374.3426, ext. 124.

Health & Wellness Committee Tip of the Month

7 Things You Need to Know About Breast Cancer Prevention

Benjamin Franklin’s old saying, “An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure” is never more appropriate than when it comes to breast cancer prevention. According to the American Institute for Cancer Research, at least 33 percent of breast cancer is preventable. Many natural health practitioners suspect that percentage is actually much higher. By simply adopting healthy lifestyle practices, it is estimated that you can bring that breast cancer prevention figure closer to 50 percent.

It is crucial to learn the things that can put women at higher risk for breast cancer. Not only do you want to avoid these risk factors, but also teach your daughters (and sisters and friends) about them.

1. Better Nutrition Comes from Whole Foods and Organic Foods
2. Avoid Toxic Cosmetics and Personal Care Products
3. Move Your Body – Exercise is Important
4. Keep Your Cell Phone Away from Your Body and Out of Your Bra
5. Use Meditation or Other Relaxation Techniques
6. Don’t Smoke and Don’t Drink Alcohol (or Keep it to a Minimum)
7. Avoid Birth Control Pills

Simply understanding the factors that puts women at a higher risk for breast cancer is not enough. Each one of us has our own responsibility to be properly informed about breast cancer prevention and websites such as www.thetruthaboutcancer.com will give you trustworthy and accurate information you can follow. It’s now up to you to take the necessary steps… both for your sake and for the women you love. Written by Marnie Clark
Ribbon CUTTINGS

Soul Fitness LA
1209 S. Pacific Coast Hwy. | Redondo Beach, CA 90277
www.soulfitnessla.com | (424) 262-1348

Soul Fitness LA recently celebrated their grand opening with a ribbon cutting by the Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau. Pictured here in the center of photo is owner Manuri Ranasinghe, and RBCC&VB Ambassador Heidi Butzine holding the scissors. They are surrounded by friends, Chamber members and fans of Soul Fitness LA.

Riviera Village Farmer’s Market Celebrates Ribbon Cutting

The grand opening of the Riviera Village Farmers Market was recently kicked off with a ribbon cutting. Pictured here, among the crowd, are many community leaders. In attendance were Mayor Steve Aspel, Councilwoman Martha Barbee, Former Councilman Jeff Ginsburg, RV President Lorry Ray, RV Board Members Mike Ward, Lori Richard, Shannon Vasquez, Farmer Market Director, Lee Ostendorf, and community supporters. Also in attendance were Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau Chair of the Board, Ann Garten; Cutting the ribbon is RBCC&VB President & CEO, Marna Smeltzer. Many Chamber Ambassadors were also there including Heidi Butzine, Joanne Galin, and Lisa Rodriguez. The Riviera Village Farmers Market is now in the triangle on Sundays. Don’t miss out on this great shopping opportunity weekly. www.rivieravillage.org
Chamber Business Connections Thrive:
Meet New & Anniversary MEMBERS!

Happy 25th Anniversary to The Kitchen Collection! Pictured here are Debra Balint and Jacqueline Balint of The Kitchen Collection, with RBCC&VB President & CEO Marna Smeltzer. We thank you for your many years of membership!

Submit NEWS... We would like to hear from you.
email: Karin@RedondoChamber.org

How to JOIN:
If you would like to learn more about how your business would 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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Redondo Beach Chamber Grows Stronger

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Welcome our new members! Pictured here are Mika Suson of Enchanted Garden; (with RBCC&VB Ambassador Chandra Chaikin) Jennifer Tallon Miranda of Excellent Fumigation; Kent Stones of Stones Insight; Scott Walker, Farmers Insurance Agent; Georgia Sorenson of South Bay Ballet. We are proud you are members!

Happy Anniversary to the following members: Paula Henges of EmbroidMe; Carly Griffo of Cell Business Equipment; Alexis Sheehy of Redondo Beach Rotary Club; JC Card of Joe’s Crab Shack; and DeAnn Chase of Chase Law Group! They are flanked by RBCC&VB Ambassador Chandra Chaiken and RBCC&VB President & CEO Marna Smeltzer.
Networking Tip

OF THE MONTH

Ask open-ended questions in networking conversations. This means questions that ask who, what, where, when, and how as opposed to those that can be answered with a simple yes or no. This form of questioning opens up the discussion and shows listeners that you are interested in them.

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JOIN US FOR THE Network Cafe

Thursday, October 13
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
The Belamar Hotel
3501 N Sepulveda Blvd.
Manhattan Beach
$25 Chamber members
$30 Non-members & Walk Ins

MUST RSVP

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October 4
City Council Meeting
6:00 P.M.
Council Chambers
415 Diamond St.

October 11
Tourism Committee Meeting
3:00 P.M.
Chamber Offices
119 W. Torrance Blvd., Suite 2

City Council Meeting
6:00 P.M.
Council Chambers
415 Diamond St.

October 12
Executive Committee Meeting
8:00 A.M.
Chamber Office
119 W. Torrance Blvd., Suite 2

Ribbon Cutting and Grand Opening
12:30 P.M.
Kinecta Federal Credit Union
1767 S. Elena

October 13
NRBBA Meeting
8:00 A.M.
North Redondo Library
2000 Artesia Blvd

Redondo Pier Association Meeting
9:00 A.M.
Tony’s on The Pier
210 Fisherman’s Wharf

*Network Cafe
11:30 A.M.
The Belamar Hotel
3501 N. Sepulveda Blvd
Manhattan Beach 90266

Local Issues Meeting
4:00 P.M.
Chamber Office
119 W. Torrance Blvd., Suite 2

October 18
Health & Wellness Committee Meeting
12:00 P.M.
Silverado Memory Care Communities
514 N. Prospect Ave

City Council Meeting
6:00 P.M.
Council Chambers
415 Diamond St.

October 20
Ambassador Meeting
4:00 P.M.
Chamber Office
119 W. Torrance Blvd., Suite 2

October 25
Economic Development Committee Meeting
4:00 P.M.
Chamber Office
119 W. Torrance Blvd

October 26
*The Mixer
5:30 P.M.
Historical Library
309 Esplanade

October 28
GRC Meeting
4:00 P.M.
AES
1100 N. Harbor Dr.