

APRIL 2017



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Dear Center Family,

The LGBTQ Center of Long Beach is thrilled to present the 4th Annual Black and White Ball! The Black and White Ball is a community celebration with dinner, dancing, and an awards presentation recognizing local and national LGBTQ luminaries. As the largest publicly supported LGBTQ direct service organization in greater Long Beach, The Center serves 25,000 clients annually through our programs and cultural events.

The Center is excited to be honoring Patrick O'Donnell with the Political Icon Award. The Community Icon Award will go to the Imperial Court of Long Beach, and the newly formed Ellen Ward Leadership Icon Award will be presented to Vanessa Romain.

We look forward to celebrating our community's many accomplishments!

In Solidarity,



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Meningitis Vaccinations & Carriage Study Saturday, April 15 & May 13, 11am-3:30pm The Center

In preparation for Long Beach LGBT Pride, The LGBTQ Center of Long Beach in collaboration with the Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services and the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health will be hosting 2 days of meningitis vaccinations.

For more information on the study or to participate please contact Sarah Nguyen, HIV/STI testing counselor at The Center.

Queer Parenting Group

COMMUNITY GROUP FOR QUEER PARENTS
AND PARENTS OF QUEER CHILDREN

LBB, Queer Parenting Group Saturday, April 15, 2-3:30pm The Center

A community group for queer families, however individually defined. Ideal age range of the children is pre-conception to age six. Parenting topics evolve as children age. All are welcome, but topics will be most relevant for parents of younger children. Children are welcome, however childcare will not be provided. The group is facilitated by a Certified Lactation Educator Counselor (CLEC) and parent of two.

Sexual Health: Tests, Medications, and How You Can Get Them

Tuesday, May 2, 3-4:30pm
California State University- Long Beach

Gain practical tools to care for your sexual health. Understand the specifics of STI's and navigating access to PrEP & PEP. Local service providers will be on-hand to connect with.

MARGINALIZED BODIES: LGBTQ+ Student Access to Healthcare is a series of events organized in collaboration between The LGBTQ Center of Long

Beach and The Office of Multicultural Affairs, CSULB.

For more information, contact: Mariel Fiedler at MFiedler@centerlb.org or 562-434-4455 ext. 224; or Dr. Jon Higgins at Jon.Higgins@csulb.org or 562-985-7044.



Back Alley Cinema presents Star Trek II: The Wrath of Khan

**Saturday, May 6, 7-10pm
The Center**



Join 20Somethings Long Beach for the 4th installment of Back Alley Cinema. This outdoor viewing of the sci-fi camp classic, The Wrath of Khan, is FREE to attend and is in the parking lot behind The LGBTQ Center of Long Beach. Some refreshments will be available, and we recommend you bring a blanket and lounge chair to sit on.

For more information, contact Mariel Fiedler, Youth Services & Transition Coordinator, at 562-434-4455 ext. 225 or MFiedler@centerlb.org.

Mental Health Awareness Week 2017

**May 23-May 27
The Center**



Join The Center as we celebrate our 2nd Annual Mental Health Awareness Week.

We are really excited to bring to you new presenters, activities and ways to find our paths towards wellness through positive self care and ways to better our Mental Health.

Events are Tuesday-Saturday. Workshops and presenters to follow!

Please Support Our Sponsors



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Did you know that 70% of every dollar donated goes directly into our programs and services? Individual contributions are what keep our Center going! Will you please consider becoming a part of The Center's mission and vision? Please support us and your local LGBT community.

On behalf of our clients, the staff, and our community, thank you so much for your generosity.

Center Hours: M-F 10AM - 9 PM, Sat 10 AM - 4 PM. Help Desk: 562.434.4455

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