

April 2007

# Angel's Be Alive!



The Club's Member Services Manager, Angel Gomez, recommends some fun things to do this month.

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## Events This Month



### 1) Grunion Run, Cabrillo Marine Aquarium

Visit the City's Cabrillo Marine Aquarium and watch the silvery fish come up on the beach to spawn. Learn about the grunion and the interesting mating rituals of this curious fish. The aquarium opens at 8 p.m. and an auditorium program begins at 9. Warm clothing and a flashlight are recommended. Tickets are \$5/adults, \$1 seniors, students and children, sold at the door. In April, you are not allowed to take the fish, only watch them. To take the fish, you'll need to wait until May.

**When:** April 19: 11:05 pm - 1:05 am

**Where:** Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, 3720 Stephen M. White Dr., San Pedro

**Contact:** (310) 548-7562

### 2) Easter Egg Hunts

It's Easter, and that means Easter egg hunts for all the young ones. Rec and Parks is offering lots of them, so go on the Web and find one that's closest to you.

**Contact:** www.laparks.org, and at the bottom window, click on Spring Celebration 2007.

### 3) Olvera Street Olé!

Olvera Street celebrates its anniversary every year, and it's a good time. This is the 77th anniversary of the opening of the Mexican marketplace there. So go for the parade, the music and of course the great food.

**When:** April 14

**Where:** Olvera Street, El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historical Monument downtown

**Contact:** (213) 625-5045



### 4) Pershing Square Kids Program

There's a lot of fun in store for kids at Rec and Parks' Pershing Square Youth Program. Like what, you say? How about arts and crafts, music and magic, storytelling, and inflatables? It's a great way to show your kids what downtown, and Pershing Square, is all about. If they're never been down there, that is. Anyway, bond with your children. You'll never regret it.

**When:** April 3-12, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday

**Where:** Pershing Square, Downtown

**Contact:** www.laparks.org, and click on the green box that says "Youth Program"

### 5) Zoo's Big Bunny Spring Fling

Celebrate Spring with three days of fun at Big Bunny's Spring Fling! Activities include a bunny ear craft, funny bunny face painting, petting rabbits, and musical entertainment by Dan Crow & Spring Fling Puppet Show. You can also visit with the Nesquik Bunny, Tony the Tiger, the Energizer Bunny, Angelina Ballerina, and more! Don't forget to meet and take a photo with Big Bunny (for a nominal fee!)

**When:** April 6,7 and 8

**Where:** LA Zoo, Griffith Park

**Contact:** www.lazoo.org



## Take a Walk



Echo Park Lake

### Echo Park Lake at Lunchtime

Be Alive and get healthy! There's a walking path that goes around Echo Park Lake that's a real joy to walk. You can walk it in about 15 to 20 minutes and it's almost exactly one mile around (.91 of a mile to be exact). Getting there: Simply take Second Street out of downtown going west. Then take Glendale Blvd north (right) up to Echo Park, it will be on the right hand side of the road. You can also take Temple right of downtown; just go east until you get to Glendale Blvd. At Glendale Blvd take a right. It's just a mile and a half out of downtown. There's plenty of parking around the perimeter of the park.

**Difficulty:** Easy but great for a daily dose of cardio!

## Visit History

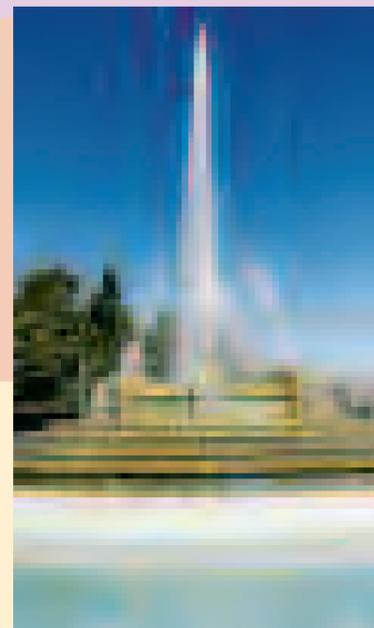
### William Mulholland Memorial Fountain

The William Mulholland Memorial Fountain serves as a not-quite-legal wading pool for children and a photogenic backdrop for wedding parties. Motorists see it as they whiz past the entrance to Griffith Park at Los Feliz Boulevard and Riverside Drive. But few stop and walk around its 90-foot-diameter reflection pool, or know much about the man it honors.

The site was chosen for several reasons. It was located at one of the City's busiest and prettiest intersections. Furthermore, Mulholland had once lived there in a one-room wooden shack. Mulholland, who later would build one of the world's great water projects when he ran the DWP, was first employed by the water department as a ditch tender. His job was to keep the "zanja madre" -- the City's main water ditch -- clear of weeds and debris.

Special thanks to Mike Eberts, Professor of Mass Communications at Glendale Community College and author of "A Centennial History of Griffith Park."

**Location:** Griffith Park



William Mulholland Memorial Fountain

## Ticket Guy Recommends

Use your Club Discount this month!

■ See the Club Ticket Store, page 53, or www.cityemployeesclub.com

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This Month's Recommendations:

### The Renaissance Faire

You'll never have so much fun going back in time! If you're looking for something fun and unusual to do -- not in the mood for a movie or TV -- go to the Renaissance Faire. And don't forget to use your Club Discount.

