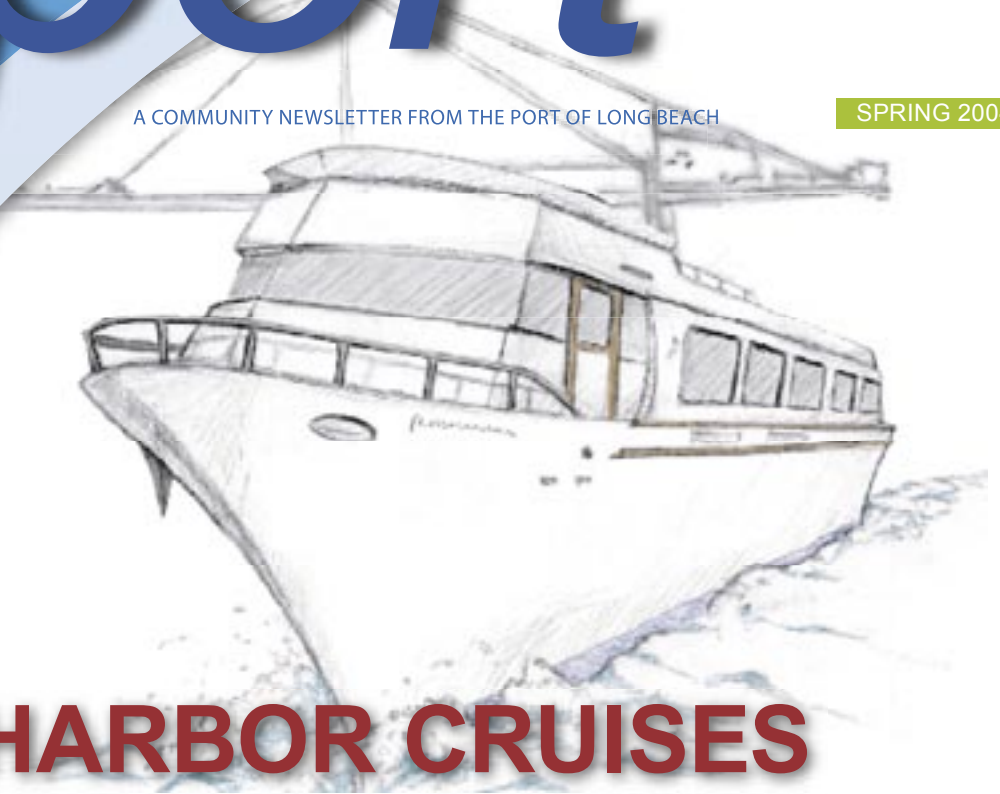


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Come Early!

PUBLIC HARBOR CRUISES

Set a course for adventure on Saturday, May 8, when the Port of Long Beach offers free harbor cruises to the public. Ninety-minute narrated tours will be offered every half-hour throughout the day beginning at 9 a.m., with the last departure at 2:30 p.m. The cruises will set sail from the Pine Avenue Pier in downtown Long Beach, between the Aquarium of the Pacific and Shoreline Village.

- Tickets are offered on a first-come first-served basis.
- No reservations are taken.
- Tickets for specific departures are available, beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the Port's booth next to the Pine Avenue Pier.
- Tickets for the entire day are usually gone before noon.
- Visitors are encouraged to arrive as early as possible.









The annual event is offered in conjunction with World Trade Week, which has evolved into a month-long observance to raise awareness of how international trade impacts the local and regional economies.

"We feel it is important to give the community a chance to see — up close — what the Port does and how it benefits the city and the region," said Port Executive Director Richard Steinke.

Last year, the equivalent of more than 4.6 million twenty-foot-long containers moved over the Port's piers and wharves, making Long Beach the second busiest port in the Western Hemisphere. Along with the adjacent Port of Los Angeles, the San Pedro Bay port complex is the third busiest in the world.

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SATURDAY, MAY 8 DEPARTURES

9 a.m.	Noon
9:30 a.m. 	12:30 p.m. 
10 a.m. 	1 p.m. 
10:30 a.m.	1:30 p.m.
11 a.m. 	2 p.m. 
11:30 a.m. 	2:30 p.m. 

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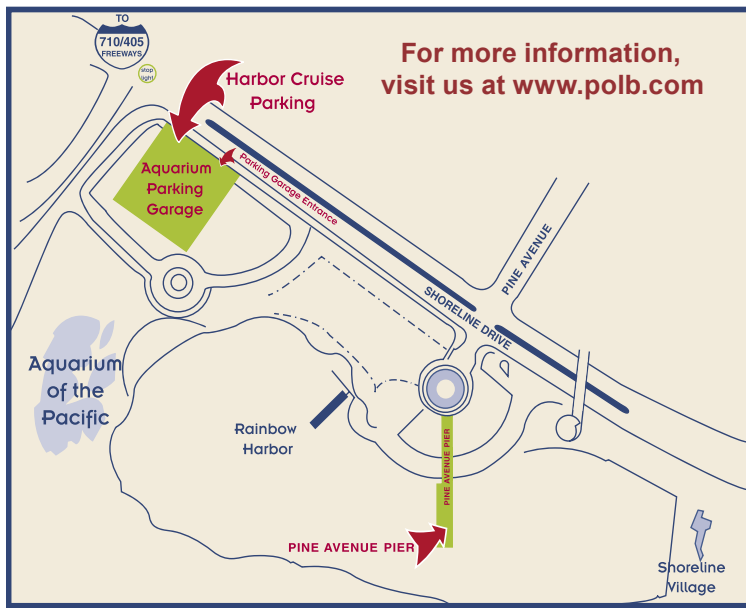
HARBOR CRUISES

During the cruises, the public will be afforded an opportunity to see marine terminals at work, learn about the shipping lines that call in Long Beach, and catch glimpses of giant container ships, ship-to-shore cranes, tugs and sea lions.

Eight of the 12 cruises are equipped for passengers with non-motorized

wheelchairs, and printed guides are available for the hearing-impaired.

Parking is available at the Aquarium of the Pacific parking garage, and validation will be provided for those taking cruises.



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