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PORT CELEBRATES 90TH BIRTHDAY WITH HISTORICAL PHOTO DISPLAY

Ninety years of memories, milestones and maritime innovations at the Port of Long Beach have been captured on film and will be on display throughout the summer in the lobby of the port Administration Building at 925 Harbor Plaza.

The photo exhibit, which opens today, June 22, features 100 historical and present-day photographs depicting the story of the port's growth since its founding on June 24, 1911. The photos highlight such leading figures as the "father of Long Beach Harbor," former Long Beach City Manager Charles Windham; the creation of the port at the mouth of the unpredictable Los Angeles River; the port's early years when the leading cargo was lumber; the challenge of pumping oil and subsidence; the introduction of containerized cargo; and the emergence of Long Beach as one of the world's leading ports.



Included in the display are rare photos of the late-billionaire Howard Hughes at the controls of his infamous Spruce Goose, the largest aircraft ever built, and a unique photo of Long Beach in 1897 when the city was a seaside resort of only 20,000 people.

Throughout the year, the port will be celebrating its 90th birthday and honoring the many people who have worked since its founding to make the Port of Long Beach one of the world's busiest seaports.



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