



# L.A. County Landmark



Dear Friends,

Jackie Robinson's story is an inspiration around the nation, but he has a particularly special connection to the Fifth District. Many people know that he grew up in Pasadena, where he attended Muir High School and was known for excelling at sports. But after he made baseball history, the famous athlete was celebrated in the Antelope Valley's Sun Village community. Known as a safe haven for African American residents, Sun Village became a hub for people who faced discrimination

(spearheaded by the local women's club) named its local park in Jackie Robinson's honor, hosting a dedication celebration that Robinson attended! With both the community's and Robinson's stories in mind, this dedication was a powerful display of solidarity and perseverance. The park was the first in the nation named after Robinson, and this week, our Board of Supervisors [officially declared](#) the park a [Los Angeles County Landmark](#).

With Juneteenth approaching, celebrating this historical marker of equality felt particularly special. Tomorrow, on Saturday, June 18, I'm excited that I'll be joining the Sun Village community for their [Juneteenth Festival](#) at [Jackie Robinson Park](#). If you'd like to join in the excitement, the festival will last from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and everyone is invited to participate. While we still have work to do in our community, celebrating Juneteenth and Jackie Robinson provides us with encouragement on the path forward.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathryn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long, sweeping tail on the letter 'n'.

Kathryn Barger

Supervisor, Fifth District

# Live at the Arboretum

A promotional poster for a concert. On the left is a portrait of Sara Evans, a woman with long brown hair, smiling. The background is a gradient from light orange to dark red. Text on the right includes: 'Live at The Arboretum Pasadena POPS' with a tree logo; 'SARA EVANS' in large white letters; 'JULY 2' and 'PRESENTED BY' with a small photo of Kathryn Barger; and 'PASADENASYMPHONY-POPS.ORG | 626.793.7172' at the bottom.

Live at The Arboretum Pasadena POPS

SARA EVANS

JULY 2 PRESENTED BY Kathryn BARGER

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We're back this year for Live at the Arboretum, one of my favorite summer traditions! Join me on July 2 for an incredible evening of music under the stars by country artist Sara Evans in partnership with the The Pasadena POPS.

[Get tickets.](#)

# Pets of the Week



Adonis



Breseis

Meet Breseis and Adonis, two pit bulls staying at the Los Angeles County Animal Care Center in Palmdale who are looking for new families. If you have space in your heart and home, come meet them by stopping by, no appointment necessary, on Wednesdays from 2 to 7 p.m. or 2 to 5 p.m. any other day. If you'd like to make an appointment for another time, head to Animal Care and Control's website below.

[Pick a pet.](#)

# Halfway There



Today, we gathered to celebrate that Metro's Foothill Gold Line extension to Pomona is now 50% complete! Despite the immense challenges and constraints that the pandemic has placed on this industry, we have reached the project's halfway point on time and within budget. This area will see an increase of 2 million residents over the next two decades and the Gold Line extension will play a vital role in the future mobility of the region when we eventually take the steps to expand it to Montclair, and ultimately the Ontario Airport. It will connect two dozen colleges and universities, elite science and research institutions, and important cultural, commercial, and recreational opportunities.

[Get insight into the project.](#)

# Altadena Pride



Happy Pride! Altadena celebrated their inaugural pride walkabout, featuring resources, a health fair, live performances, an art gallery, youth programming, shopping, a picnic, and much more to honor this beautiful community's "power, pride, and unity." If you'd like to celebrate pride, look at all L.A. County Library has to offer with virtual programming, booklists, YouTube videos, music playlists, activities, and more.

Celebrate Pride.

# Lifeguard Ready



Talented and brave Los Angeles County Fire Department lifeguards keep our families safe when we visit the beach. The young women who signed up for the lifeguard academy are showing their strength and willingness to serve! It was a pleasure to see their inspirational training last weekend.

[Look into the lifeguard program.](#)

# Exploring Claremont



One of my favorite activities is hiking, and one of the best ways to get to know my district is by exploring the great outdoors. Today, I joined the Claremont Wildlands Conservancy for a hike at Clara Oaks to discuss their proposal to add the site to Claremont Hills Wilderness Park. I'm thankful for our community's commitment to preserve open space for residents to enjoy.

[Explore Claremont Wildlands Conservancy.](#)

# No More Noise



My office has received lots of calls from community members who have voiced concerns that noisy gas-powered leaf blowers are harmful to the environment, to public health, and to their quality of life. My motion at Tuesday's Board meeting ensures that we partner with businesses, gardeners, and neighbors to transition to zero-emission options that won't break the bank.

[Learn more about my motion.](#)

# Well Fed, Well Read



This summer, be well fed and well read! L.A. County Library's lunch program starts this week to ensure every child and teen has a full tummy while school is out. Find a library location near you, or connect with 2-1-1 below to find food resources for people of all ages.

[Get lunch at the library.](#)

[Find food near me.](#)

# Summer Fun



Join the Monrovia-Arcadia-Duarte Town Council on Saturday, June 25 for an evening of family fun! Attendees will enjoy parks activities, free burgers and hot dogs, a movie with popcorn, and lots of community vendors. The main event will take place from 4 to 8 p.m. and the movie will begin at 8:15. Attendees will also get to connect with my office, the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works' Graffiti Abatement team, L.A. County Fire Department, L.A. County Sheriff's Department, L.A. County Department of Mental Health, California Highway Patrol, and Foothill Unity Center.

## **Parks After Dark**

Join the Department of Parks and Recreation for fun all summer long at their Parks After Dark program! Activities will be available Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from now through August 6 so families can enjoy fun and fitness. Programs will be held for people of all ages from 6 to 10 p.m. at Charter Oak Park in Covina, Pamela Park in Duarte, Val Verde Park, George Lane Park in Quartz Hill, Jackie Robinson Park in Littlerock, Loma Alta Park in Altadena, and Stephen Sorensen Park in Lake Los Angeles. We hope to see

Enjoy Parks After Dark.

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# Community College



Community college provides engaging learning opportunities for people of all ages and areas of interest. Enrollment is open for late session summer classes and fall classes at community colleges across the region. Whether you want to pursue your Associate's Degree or want to take an enrichment course like sewing, flower arranging, or swimming, there's something for everyone!

Connect with your community college.

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