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Spring Carnival

Los Alamitos, CA – The City of Los Alamitos Recreation & Community Services Department held its annual MemorialCare Miller Children’s & Women’s Hospital Long Beach Spring Carnival on Saturday, April 8 at Little Cottonwood Park from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The entire community was invited to participate in a plethora of activities designed for families and children.

Spring Carnival continues the Recreation & Community Services Department’s commitment to serving and creating quality of life for its residents. The event was led by Recreation Supervisor Steve Kim with assistance from Recreation Supervisor Kristina Villaluna and Recreation Coordinator Angel Hernandez. The event provided a fun space for families to participate in face painting, balloon twisters, inflatables, 22 vendor booths such as Glowaki Chiropractic, Sky Zone Cerritos, the Los Alamitos Police Department, Grand Canyon University, Spicy Fiesta, Costco Wholesale, Precious Life Shelter, YogaSix, Neighborhood Church, Operation Christmas / Samaritan’s Purse, MemorialCare Miller Children’s & Women’s Hospital, Boulton Orthodontics, Center Plaza Dentistry, Los Alamitos Development Services Department, Los Alamitos Child Development Center, Options for Youth, Kaleo Marketing, Orange County Fire Authority, Cal Assist, Southland Credit Union, Braithwaite Chiropractic, Office of Senator Janet Nguyen, four food vendors including Coda’s Kettle Korn, Domino’s Pizza, Kona Ice of Cypress, BK Square, game booths such as Egg-cellent Ring Toss, Bucket Ball, Pin the Tail, Corn Hole, Carnival Cans, Hook-A-Duck, 7 or 11, Egg-citing Spoon Race, Flip Cup, Spring Pong Toss, Jumbo Bowling, and a photo opportunity with Peter Rabbit! Live music was also performed by the popular band Sugar Lips. The main attraction was the scheduled egg hunt zones.

These egg hunting areas provided children with four sectioned off spaces per designated age group to run around and gather as many eggs as their little hands could pick up. Each egg contained a mix of candy and stickers. Approximately 12,000 eggs were distributed and picked up within minutes of each start. Parents commented to City staff that they attended the Spring Carnival as a child and now brought their own children to experience the same childhood memories.



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MemorialCare Miller Children's & Women's Hospital Long Beach returned as a title sponsor. Thanks to their generous contributions, events like Spring Carnival remain free and accessible to all. Special guest and Senior Practice Administrator, Omar Aqa, spoke on behalf of the MemorialCare organization with specific emphasis on their specialty of pediatric care. In addition, Alexander Duran, Chair of the Los Alamitos Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Commission, provided periodic updates on the morning's schedule of events.

Over 3,500 guests were welcomed to Spring Carnival this year including 22 volunteers from the Recreation Department's Los Alamitos Volunteer Program (L.A.V.P.). Compliments from participants included the organization of the event with the smooth transition between egg hunt zones and so many activities to participate in after the egg hunt concluded. Further, the new Beverage Garden, located between the stage and prize booth, provided refreshing mimosas and bloody mary cocktails served by the Los Alamitos Community Foundation. The proceeds of the Beverage Garden benefits the Los Alamitos Community Foundation and its mission to provide funding to enhance programs and services offered through the City of Los Alamitos to benefit the residents of Los Alamitos.

The Recreation & Community Services Department strives to continue providing safe and exciting events for all residents to gather, while remaining accessible and equitable. For more information about upcoming events and programs, please visit www.cityoflosalamitos.org/recreation or contact the Recreation and Community Services Department at (562) 430 – 1073.

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