



**110TH ANNUAL NEWPORT BEACH CHRISTMAS BOAT PARADE KICKS OFF
WITH GRAND MARSHAL ALBERT PUJOLS, LOS ANGELES ANGELS FIRST BASEMAN**

Parade runs Wednesday, Dec. 19 through Sunday, Dec. 23

October 25, 2018, Newport Beach, CA – Three-time National League MVP and two-time World Series champion, Albert Pujols will preside as Grand Marshal for the opening night of the [Newport Beach Christmas Boat Parade](#) hosted by the Commodores Club of the Newport Beach Chamber of Commerce. The Angels first baseman will be accompanied by his wife and five children aboard the *Ohana Kai II* to watch the festively and elaborately decorated yachts, sailboats and small electric boats twinkle on the harbor.

Locals and visitors alike can enjoy the spectacle from a variety of public viewing locations including numerous waterfront restaurants and the 10.5-acre Marina Park. Festivities will begin in Marina Park at 4:30 p.m., with family-friendly activities including face painters, caricature artists, LA Chargers football toss competition and food vendors. Onlookers will also be treated to a live musical performance by The Young Americans. On opening night, the parade will commence with a spectacular fireworks display at approximately 6:15 p.m. from Newport Pier.

Can't make it on Wednesday, December 19? The parade continues through Sunday, Dec. 23 with a designated Grand Marshal each night including:

Thursday, Dec. 20 - A Salute to Hometown Heroes:

Cheer on our local heroes, those first-responders and lifesavers who serve our communities, as they lead the evening's festivities.

Friday, Dec. 21 - The Young Americans:

The Young Americans®, founded in 1962, is a non-profit organization dedicated to the promotion of understanding and goodwill among people throughout the world. Dubbed as America's Musical Ambassadors, they use the power of music, dance, performance, academics, and cultural interaction to foster their mission.

Saturday, Dec. 22 - A Celebration of Christmas Movies and Music with Olive Crest:

Children and families of Olive Crest, a nonprofit organization dedicated to preventing child abuse and treating and educating at-risk children, enjoy the holiday sentiments of family fun, bringing the spirit of Christmas to life.

Sunday, Dec. 23 - Corona del Mar High School Drum Line:

The CdM Drum Line is one of the premiere performing groups at Corona del Mar High School. It serves as a musical ambassador, performing regularly in pep rallies as well as school and community events.

Presenting sponsors of the Newport Beach Christmas Boat Parade are Simple Green and Wells Fargo, and Community Sponsors are the City of Newport Beach and Visit Newport Beach, Inc., with marketing and promotional support from Newport Beach & Company. For more information on the 110th Newport Beach Christmas Boat Parade, please visit www.ChristmasBoatParade.com.

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About the Newport Beach Chamber of Commerce

The Newport Beach Chamber of Commerce is a business organization of almost 700 members representing over 20,000 employees. The Chamber, with its five councils, committees, staff and valuable members, works with city officials, local businesses and the community at large to promote the local economy. More information can be found at www.newportbeach.com.

About the Commodores Club

The Commodores Club is a council comprised of actively involved members of the Newport Beach Chamber of Commerce providing leadership, organization and fundraising support on business, social and community special events that promote the overall mission of the Chamber.

About Newport Beach & Company

Founded in January 2013, Newport Beach & Company is a non-profit organization established to serve as the official marketing agency for the city of Newport Beach. The agency brings together all of the marketing entities connected to the Newport Beach brand, and is designed to oversee separate business units that include Visit Newport Beach, Dine Newport Beach, Celebrate Newport Beach, Enterprise Newport Beach and Newport Beach TV. For more information, please go to VisitNewportBeach.com.

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