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EXPLORE AMERICA'S "SHINING SEA" AT THE AQUARIUM OF THE PACIFIC'S INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

**Enjoy this Fourth of July with a BBQ feast,
fireworks, and fish at the Aquarium of the Pacific**

WHAT: Celebrate Independence Day with the red, white, and blue fish at the Aquarium of the Pacific in Long Beach, CA. Food, and fishy-fun are all part of the Aquarium's annual 4th of July Celebration. Families will be able to witness the ambiance of the Aquarium at night, the new Shark Summer experience, and get a fish-eye view of fireworks. Guests can purchase a combo ticket for a buffet-BBQ featuring home-style entrees hot off the grill and decadent desserts as they celebrate this special night in a safe and fun family atmosphere.

MENU: Potato salad, chipotle coleslaw, garden salad with chef's selection of dressing, honey BBQ chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs, roasted corn on the cob, baked beans, macaroni & cheese, rolls & cornbread, assorted desserts, and lemonade & water stations.

WHEN: **Saturday, July 4, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. (picnic buffet served 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.)**

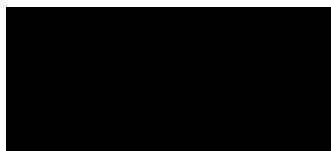
WHERE: **Aquarium of the Pacific, 100 Aquarium Way, Long Beach, CA 90802**

COST: Aquarium admission and B-B-Q on the Front Lawn Combo Ticket: \$34 adult (12+) & \$27 child (3-11). Member prices available.

INFO: 562-590-3100 or www.aquariumofpacific.org.

AQUARIUM: The Aquarium of the Pacific, a nonprofit institution dedicated to instilling a sense of wonder, respect, and stewardship for the Pacific Ocean, its inhabitants, and ecosystems. Visitors will meet over 12,000 animals and will explore the world of sharks and rays through the new Shark Summer experience featuring new animals, films, educational games, and more. A world of discovery awaits.

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