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**LAKE VIEW TERRACE  
IMPROVEMENT  
ASSOCIATION  
MONTHLY  
EVENTS**

At

Lake View Terrace  
Recreation Center  
11075 Foothill Blvd  
Lake View Terrace  
CA, 91342

**Monthly swap Meet**

**Saturday May 2, 2009  
7:00 AM**

**GENERAL MEETING**

**Monday May 4, 2009  
7:00 PM**

**BOARD MEETING**

**Monday May 11, 2009  
7:00 PM**

**LVTA MAY 2009 UPDATE**

By Cile Borman

**Children's Museum**

Kevin Roderick from the LA Observed; reported the possibility that the Children's Museum in Lake View Terrace "has taken steps to file for chapter seven protection, partly due to the impact of a scam." Per a statement from the Councilman Richard Alarcon, "Upon hearing this news, I convened a team that includes representatives from the offices of the Chief Legislative Analyst, the City Administrative Officer, the City Attorney, the Mayor and myself, and we are analyzing the situation. Additionally, Mayor Villaraigosa and I have communicated on the subject, and we both believe that in all likelihood the City of LA will be the ultimate owners of the facility that has been constructed, and we have begun developing strategies to create a positive end use for the facility. It is our hope that it can continue to be used for an education function. The filing of Chapter Seven bankruptcy is not a positive outcome for the Children's Museum of Los Angeles, but given the current economic condition and the fact that the Children's Museum was apparently the victim of a scam, pointing fingers of blame is not a priority right now. Our priority is creating a positive outcome for the facility and the community as a whole."

Last month, the Daily News reporter Dana Bartholomew reported that "museum donor Bruce Friedman a Sherman Oaks Businessman, had been charged by the Feds with bilking \$17 from investors and funneling the money to himself and his family charity." The upshot was that Friedman's

recent gift of \$10 million to the not yet opened museum might have to be returned, which "could deal a death blow" to the facility.

The Lake View Terrace Improvement Association recognizes that our area of the city of LA is lacking such cultural institutions. We would like to be "a part of the solution" to getting "our city's" Children's Museum back on track and headed for its grand opening.

**MOTAVATING TEEN SPIRIT**

By Cile Borman

Nicole Chase from the San Fernando Valley Boys and Girls Club came to our April general meeting to thank LVTIA for their donation to assist with a "motivating teen spirit" workshop. This workshop was designed to help teens learn how to accept responsibility and using good judgment in their decision-making processes. It may cost up to \$5,000.00 to host a workshop for up to 75 teens. There will be future workshops. Any one interested in donating to this cause please contact, [nicole.chase@bgcsfv.org](mailto:nicole.chase@bgcsfv.org)

**CONDOLENCES TO THE FRED FLORES  
FAMILY**

We at LVTIA wish to extend our deepest sympathies to Fred Flores, Deputy for Congressmen Howard Berman, upon the death of his 19-year-old son Alfred Anthony Flores, Jr., Deputy Fred Flores has been and is a dedicated worker for the citizens of Los Angeles

## Our Schools Day of Service Was a Success

By Mali Bakhtar

March 31<sup>st</sup> day of service celebration was a success in Lake View Terrace Schools. Community Charter Early College High School, Community Charter Middle School, Lake View Charter Academy and Triumph Charter Academy participated on PUC Ed complex beautification at the corner of Kagel Canyon and Eldridge Ave. Students, parents and staff painted exterior fence of the campus and planted flowers along the side walk and cleaned up the campus. Lake View Terrace Improvement Association donated some fund for this purpose.



**Students, parents, and staff are painting the exterior fence of the campus**

### Community Bulletin Board

BY GIL WONG

#### S.A.F.E. COLLECTION CENTER

The city of Los Angeles department of Public Works/Bureau of Sanitation, accepts toxic materials and electronic waste at SAFE CENTER, 11025 Randall Street, Sun Valley, Ca 91352. Hours of operation are Saturday, Sunday and Monday, 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Main cross streets are Tuxford and Glenoaks Blvd.

The following are considered toxic materials; paint, solvents, used motor oil and filters, anti-freeze, all other automotive fluids; cleaning products; pool and garden chemicals, aerosol cans: all medications: auto batteries; household (alkaline) batteries: fluorescent tubes and bulbs; thermostats; and other mercury containing lamps.

The following are considered electronic waste; computers, monitors, printers, network equipment, cables, telephones, televisions, microwaves, video games, cell phones, radios, stereos, VCRs, and electronic toys. *Residents are limited to a total of six Pieces of electronic items per visit. No commercial drop-offs accepted.*

#### ***A Friendly Reminder***

***The 2009 memberships are well overdue***

***Please mail your check to:***

***LVTIA, P.O. Box 224, Sunland, CA 91041***

#### ***EMPLOYMENT***

***Seats are open on the LVTIA board that includes hard work with no pay. May be a certificate of appreciation***

***LVTIA is looking for reports with interesting stories for the news letter***

***LVTIA senior group meet on May 5<sup>th</sup>. At 10: AM. Lake View Terrace Recreation Center***

### HANDICAPPED CROSSINGS

The Lake View Terrace Improvement Association and the Foothill Trails District Neighborhood Council are working together concerning the need for handicap crossings at Foothill Blvd., and Osborne Street. The community is also concerned about the visual blight and the lack of handicap crosswalks at Van Nuys and Foothill Blvds.

Please check out these two locations and give us your opinion. Better yet, if you agree that these areas do present a danger and visual blight to our community write a letter or make a call to Council District 7 at 818-756-9115. You can reach the councilman at [councilmember.alarcon@lacity.org](mailto:councilmember.alarcon@lacity.org)

### WHEN WENDY GREUEL LEAVES OFFICE

Councilwoman Wendy Greuel will officially become Los Angeles City Controller on Tuesday June 30, 2009. The Second Council District of Los Angeles will be without a councilperson until after a special election scheduled for late September. Deputy Dale Thursh told FTDNC, that the staff will remain in place until the new councilperson is elected. Wendy and her office are working to be sure that policies concerning CD2 are in place before she leaves to assume her newly elected position.

Oh for the good old days when officials served out their term of office, before assuming a new position in government.

### ANGELES NATIONAL GOLF COURSE UP-DATE

The file for input from the community and any other interested parties concerning the golf course is now closed and will be going before the city within the next 30 days. The golf course is negotiating with the Santa Monica Conservancy to assume ongoing responsibility for the upkeep of the 260 acres of open space that borders the golf course on the north and east sides of the actual space that is used by golfers. This space is accessible from many areas of Sunland, Lake View Terrace, etc, and has been plagued through the years with a severe homeless, graffiti and abandoned trash problem. There are sensitive ecological and watershed areas that must be preserved. Also the agreement by the golf course to maintain certain horse trails has not been fully addressed to the satisfaction of the community. Although all of these conditions have not been resolved, the golf course has been given a temporary permit to open their beautiful new clubhouse. There are already weddings being booked for June. Let's hope that the community will not be left holding the "bag." Again.

### LAKE VIEW TERRACE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION BOARD MEMBERS

Joyce Williams ...President...818-899-4887

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Angie Carter...Recording Secretary...(818)890-3255

### JOIN LAKE VIEW TERRACE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

Get involved in your local association

Membership is open to all who live in Lake View Terrace or the vicinity or \$10 per person or \$20 per family for entire year

Join the community and let your voice be heard

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

### FRIENDS OF LIBRARY MONTHLY BOOK SALE

Circle your calendar

The book sale is on Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup> 2009  
In Lake View Terrace Library  
Corner of Osborne West & Foothill Blvd.

10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

For more information call Phyllis Hines  
(818)897-7644

### NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING

Sunland/Tujunga neighborhood watches meeting every third Tuesday of the month at Municipal Building at

7:00 PM



## HOME Sale IS UP in Lake View Terrace

Mali Bakhtar  
[www.HouseYouLove.Com](http://www.HouseYouLove.Com)  
[Mali@HouseYouLove.Com](mailto:Mali@HouseYouLove.Com)

Number of sold homes in Lake View Terrace has been doubled in March comparing with Feb. 2009. As you see on the following Table all except two homes are foreclosed/bank owned properties. The buyers are taking advantage of low prices and low interest rate. Some of the following homes went with multiple offers and much higher than the asking price. For instance, 11846 Garber that was listed for \$189,000 had 20 offers and sold for \$250,000. It is time to buy, if you are qualified for a loan, take advantage of this "Buyer's Market".

| Address               | BD | BA | YB   | AREA | \$ Sold    | Comment                |
|-----------------------|----|----|------|------|------------|------------------------|
| 11614 Glamis St       | 3  | 2  | 1960 | 1344 | \$180,,000 | Bank Owned, Cash Offer |
| 11779 Terra Vista Way | 4  | 3  | 2008 | 2550 | \$510,000  | Brand New Home         |
| 11708 Wheeler Ave.    | 3  | 2  | 1967 | 1367 | \$270,000  | Bank Owned             |
| 11539 Prager Ave.     | 3  | 3  | 1959 | 1144 | \$179,000  | Bank Owned             |
| 11504 Hunnewell Ave.  | 4  | 2  | 2001 | 1878 | \$350,000  | Regular Sale           |
| 11665 Fenton Ave.     | 3  | 2  | 1981 | 1000 | \$253000   | Bank Owned             |
| 11347 Gladstone Ave.  | 4  | 3  | 1960 | 1820 | \$290,000  | Bank Owned             |
| 11846 Garber St.      | 3  | 2  | 1200 | 1960 | \$250,000  | Bank Owned             |
| 11551 Wheeler Ave.    | 3  | 2  | 1170 | 1959 | \$180,000  | Bank Owned             |