

LAKE VIEW TERRACE

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MEMBERSHIPS

Welcome new members **Vickey L. Gilmore, & Yvonne Sucich.**

Join LVTIA or renew your membership today. Your yearly membership to LVTIA contributes to the Newsletter publication.

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LAKE VIEW TERRACE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION MEETS AT

**Lake View Terrace
Recreation Center
11075 Foothill Blvd.
Lake View Terrace, CA**

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

**Saturday
April 2, 2011
6 am to 3 pm**

GENERAL MEETING

**Monday
April 4, 2011**

7:00 P.M.

GUEST SPEAKER

John De La Rosa,
CD7 Community Outreach
Deputy

GARDEN CLUB MEETING

To Follow

BOARD MEETING

**Monday
April 11, 2011
7:00 P.M.**

GENERAL MEETING: WHAT'S HAPPENING IN LVT

The LVTIA March 7, 2011 General Meeting was well attended. Public Safety Officer Francisco Pimentel gave a comprehensive picture of the homeless problem at Hansen Dam. There have been numerous reports of loitering and unsavory behavior by the homeless in close proximity of the LVT Library and the children's play area. Mothers have to deal with lewd remarks and feel intimidated by the aggressiveness demonstrated by some of the men who frequent the area. The public restrooms are being monopolized by drug users and prostitution. They have become a haven for some of the homeless to store their belongings. Officer Pimentel reminded the audience of the budget cuts that are affecting all of Los Angeles. The Public Safety Officers are down to a skeletal staff yet they are still responsible for the same areas as in the past. They do not have the staff to be sure that restrooms are locked during the hours that the parks are required to be closed. They are being as proactive as possible by working with other LA City departments and agencies including Recreation and Parks, Los Angeles County and the City Council Districts to address these very serious problems.

LVTIA Board member Angie Carter shared her knowledge of services and grant programs available to seniors and others who desire training for possible new job careers.

Community Outreach Deputy from CD 7 Richard Alarcon's Office, John De la Rosa informed us concerning the recent motion passed by the Los Angeles City Council to pay out at least \$650,000 from the Lopez Canyon Amenities Fund to non-profit organizations in Council District 7. The motion was passed without any input from the citizen's committee formed to have a say concerning the allocation of these funds. A letter was sent to Mr. De la Rosa asking him to come to our Monday April 4, 2011 General meeting to provide information concerning:

1. The status of the Lopez Canyon Amenity Funds Committee
2. The status of the Lopez Canyon Scholarship Committee
3. The status of the Children's Museum
4. A CD 7 sponsored "Homeless Intervention" event at Hansen Dam
5. How the community can assist in making possible the street improvements at Terra Bella and Fenton Ave.
6. Getting funds from Lopez Canyon for a Community Garden at the Lake View Terrace Recreation Center.

The recreation center's programs benefits all of LVT even though LVT is divided between CD 7 and CD 2.

Michael Carpenter reported on the status of the promised New Heaven On Earth equestrian arena and the fact that the All Nations Church want to renege on its mitigated obligation to have the arena on its property, because they now want to develop that area to provide more parking for its congregation. Mr. Carpenter will keep us informed concerning this issue.

THANK YOU LOYAL LVTIA MEMBERS

The first of the year is usually the time when our members renew their membership. The membership not only entitles you to the monthly newsletter, but also the opportunity to be a member of the Executive Board and hold an executive position. An election will be held soon to elect the Executive Board Officers.

LVTIA sends a sincere thank you to the following members for renewing their membership: Lydia Baron, M. Valoise Douglas, Louis & Else Huertas, Wallace & Joy Longworth, Sharon & Marty Greer, Oscar & Sophia Williams, Frank Navarro & Jeffrey Gascon, Raymond & Debra Pounds, Lois & Jerry Gomez, Patricia & Peter Cox, Jane Edwards, Brenda Watley, Donnie Ruley, Deanna Anderson, Jeanette Nisbett, Raymond L. Stevens, Janice G.Parnell, Mary J. Everingham, Emma Williamson, Irene Gizzi, and Leerae Leaver.

STREET CATS IN OUR MIDST: HOW TO HELP THEM

Los Angeles has a pet overpopulation problem. One female cat and her offspring can produce 420,000 cats in seven years. Those that are delivered to Animal Control, become one of the approximately 12,000 euthanized a year because they can't be or are not adopted. You can rectify this situation.

There are many organizations you can contact to find out how. Please feel free to check out: The Stray Cat Alliance: www.StrayCatAlliance.org 310.281.6973, Feral Cat Caretakers' Coalition: www.FeralCatCaretakers.org 310.820.4122, Best Friend CatNippers Low Cost Spay/Neuter Service: www.bestfriends.org/LA 818.377.9700, Fix Nation FREE Spay/Neuter Service: www.FixNation.org 818.524.CATS (2287) and The Shelter Project - finding forever homes for our four legged friends www.TheShelterProject.org. ~ By Vanessa May

LVTIA invites the community to submit informative articles electronically (200 to 300 words doc with digital picture if possible) for publication consideration to articles@lvtia.org (articles may be edited).

FREE ADULT LITERACY SERVICES

LOS ANGELES - The Los Angeles Public Library is now offering a free adult literacy services for adults 18 and older or those who are 16 years of age and out of school. The program pairs literacy students with tutors for twice a week sessions of up to 1 ½ hours, for at least six months.

For more information on Adult Literacy Services or how to schedule an appointment, please visit www.lapl.org/literacy/main.

THREE \$500 COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS TO BE AWARDED IN LVT

The Lake View Terrace Improvement Association will award a \$500 Scholarship to each of the three winners of the Lake View Terrace College Student Essay Contest.

To enter the contest the applicant must reside in Lake View Terrace and have a GPA of 3.5 or better.

The applicant must also write a 500 word essay titled "Why I Deserve the Scholarship."

The criteria for submitting your essay are:

1. 8.5 x 11-inch paper
2. 1 inch margins all sides
3. Arial or Times New Roman 12 pt font
4. Double line spacing
5. Page numbering
6. Attach a title page
7. Place your full name, address and phone number in the upper left corner of the first page of your Essay.

The Required Accompanying Documentation, which will not be returned, are:

1. Current Transcripts from your College/High School. A Letter of Recommendation from your College/High School Teacher, Chair, Dean or Principal with contact information.
2. A current copy of your paid registration from the college.
3. A current copy of your Legal CA Identification that contains your name and address.

Place your essay with all the accompanying documentation in a manila envelope and mail to: **LVTIA / Scholarship , P.O. Box 224, Sun Valley, CA. 91041**

Only one submission per family will be accepted. Submissions postmarked later than June 30, 2011 will not be accepted. The winner will be notified by mail.

LVTIA'S NEWSLETTER GOING GREEN IN 2011

Environmentally, the Lake View Terrace Improvement Association is focusing on doing our part to improve the state of our environment. In this economic climate, we're focused on the broadest range of circulating the newsletter in a more cost efficient manner.

We currently have twenty participants and still campaigning to collect more of our reader's email addresses so that we may deliver the newsletter electronically to the ones who choose to participate.

As soon as we have enough participants to make it cost effective, your Lake View Terrace Improvement Association plans to make the first email embedded delivery of the newsletter.

To opt-in send an email from the email address where you want to receive the newsletter to newsletter@lvtia.org and place "**Email My Newsletter**" in the subject line. Your email address will only be used for the delivery of the LVTIA's newsletter.

If you have any questions please call one of the LVTIA board members listed below.

Thanking you in advance for your participation and wishing you well.

<p>NEW EXECUTIVE BOARD TO BE ELECTED LVTIA members are encouraged to join the board on the second Monday of the month. Once there are enough new board members the Executive Board will be elected.</p>	<p>ANONYMOUSLY REPORT CRIME Three ways to provide anonymous tips: CALL: 1-877-LAWFULL (529-3855) TEXT: CRIMES (274637) begin the message with the letters LAPD WEB: https://www.tipsubmit.com/WebTips.aspx?AgencyID=365</p>
<p>FOOTHILL TRAILS DISTRICT NC GENERAL MEETING APRIL 21, 2011 AT 7 PM VISIT WWW.FTDNC.ORG FOR MEETING LOCATION</p>	<p>LAKE VIEW TERRACE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS</p>
<p>LAKE VIEW TEARERS MONTHLY MEETING Tuesday, April 5, 2011 10:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. Are you a Senior? Are you looking to join an active group of your peers? Then search no more. Join the Lake View Tearers on the 1st Tuesday of the month at the Lake View Terrace Recreation Center, 11075 Foothill Blvd., Lake View Terrace, CA 91342 FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON April 13, 2011 at 11 A.M. Location to be decided For more information call Phyllis Hines 818.897.7644</p>	<p>President Vice President Joyce Williams -- 818.899.4887 Mali Bakhtar -- 818.896.7020 Corresponding Secretary Recording Secretary Cilé Borman -- 818.896.6058 Angie Carter -- 818.203.9231</p> <p>JOIN LAKE VIEW TERRACE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION Get involved in your local association! Membership to LVTIA is available to all who live in Lake View Terrace and the vicinity. The yearly membership is only \$10.00 per person or \$20.00 per family. Please fill out this form and mail it with your check to: Lake View Terrace Improvement Association P O Box 224 Sunland, CA 91041 Join the community and let your voice be heard.</p>
<p>FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY Circle Your Calendar Saturday, April 16, 2011 MONTHLY BOOK SALE -- MONTHLY MEETING 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. -- 2:00 P.M. to 2:30 P.M. Lake View Terrace Library 12002 Osborne St. Lake View Terrace, CA 91342 Please join us. For more information call Phyllis Hines 818.897.7644</p>	<p>First Name: Last Name: Street: City: State: Zip Code: Phone: E-mail:</p>

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PERFORMING AMONG THE TREES

Benita Bike's DanceArt continues its 30th Anniversary Season with an outdoor performance at the historic McGroarty Arts Center on Sunday, April 3, 3:00 pm. The McGroarty Arts Center is located at 7570 McGroarty Terrace in Tujunga. This performance is funded in part by grants from the Department of Cultural Affairs, City of Los Angeles, the Los Angeles County Arts Commission, and the McGroarty Arts Center. This is a FREE event!

For program information, call 818-353-5734 or see www.danceart.org. For directions or Arts Center information, call 818-352-5285.

ARE WE BACK IN THE MARKET OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING?

Real Estate experts anticipate that this year may be "the end of the housing crash!", according to The Wall Street Journal. Homes are more affordable now and analysts say housing has dropped so much that the great debate of renting versus owning is clearly leaning toward homeownership. Home prices have dropped about 31% from their high in 2006 (based on the S&P Case-Shiller national composite home-price index).

If you or one of your family member are not a home owner yet, maybe this time is your best opportunity. What are you waiting for? For more information you may call Mali at 818.476.3011. Best of luck in finding the house you'll love.

HOMES SOLD IN LVT IN FEBRUARY 2011

ADDRESS	#BD	#BA	Sq Ft	YEAR BUILT	SOLD PRICE	COMMENTS
11415 Osborne Pl.	2	1	671	1953	\$166,100	Bank owned
11964 Carl St.	3	2	1242	1965	\$250,000	Bank owned
12112 Hoyt St.	3	2	1230	1964	\$230,000	Short sale
11300 Foothill	3	3	1910	1987	\$230,000	Condo, Bank owned

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