

# LAKE VIEW TERRACE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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## LAKE VIEW TERRACE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

### MEETS AT

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

### \$ SWAP MEET \$

**Saturday**  
**March 6, 2010**  
**6 am to 3 pm**

### GENERAL MEETING

**Monday**  
**March 1, 2010**  
**7:00 P.M.**

### GUEST SPEAKERS

Angelica Ayala, Outreach Director, Census 2010 from the Office of Mayor Antonio R. Villaraigosa, will talk about Census 2010 and answers questions.

### BOARD MEETING

**Monday**  
**March 8, 2010**  
**7:00 P.M.**

We're on the web!  
[www.lvtia.org](http://www.lvtia.org)

## February LVTIA General Meeting

Ms. Nury Martinez former mayor of the City of San Fernando and our area representative board member for the Los Angeles Unified School District, was the guest speaker at our Lake View Terrace General Meeting on February 1, 2010. She started with a short biography about herself, telling the audience that she is the child of immigrant parents. Ms. Martinez learned the importance of hard work and determination from their example. Her dad was a dishwasher and a painter; her mom a seamstress and a factory worker. Neither of whom had the opportunity to attend college. Like so many parents, they were determined that their daughter would have a better future and instilled in her a love of reading and learning.

Ms. Martinez said that her goal in her present position is to give more children in Los Angeles the opportunity to reach for their dreams and succeed in life. She believes that LAUSD must do a better job to make sure that our children learn the basics, stay in school, and prepare for college. She then went on with a detailed explanation about pilot schools. Pilot schools are small in size. They were established by Los Angeles Unified School Districts and a few other districts. Pilot schools initiative is an in-district reform model made up of autonomous small schools exempt from many Board Rules, District policies and provisions of the UTLA contract. Pilot Schools adhere to State and Federal laws. Pilot Schools are granted key areas of autonomy in budget, staffing, schedule, curriculum, assessment /professional development and governance. These areas of autonomy allow the schools flexibility in making decisions that best meet the needs of students and their families. Ms. Martinez continued by mentioning the high schools in her district and how her new programs will affect them. She said her main aims are:

- Safe and healthy schools: Children can't learn if schools are threatened by violence, scarred by graffiti or falling apart.
- Cut bureaucracy: Too much bureaucracy plagues our schools.
- Smaller schools and smaller class sizes: Research shows that smaller class sizes and smaller schools help children learn.
- Resources for teachers: Instead of wasting money on the bureaucrats, work to make sure teachers have the most up-to-date training. Commit to ensuring that teachers are supported and retained through fair salary and benefit packages.
- To obtain the best for our kids the District must work hard to involve parents and to retain and hire excellent teachers. This will create a winning formula for our students.
- Reach out to parent groups and encourage greater parental involvement between themselves the teachers and the school board.

In the meeting, the principals of Fenton Avenue Charter Elementary School, Ms. Irene Sumida and principal of Brainard Elementary, Ms. Antoinette Smith were present. Fenton Avenue Charter School is facing over population of over 1700 students and Brainard is under attendance of less than 300 students. This was the issue that was brought up by one of the LVTIA Board members. The question was why these two schools do not cooperate to balance the number of their students. The question was welcomed by Board Member Martinez and she said she will look into it for a solution. Prior to the meeting the two principals had the chance to meet for the first time and chat about their schools.

At the end Ms. Martinez answered the audience questions and emphasized that like any other good mother she has to be home to put her baby to bed and kiss her good night.

The second speaker was Mr. Tom Blunt who introduced his hydroponics vegetable and organic herb farm on the lot located on Wheatland Ave in Lake View Terrace. His associates have leased the land for the next five years, from the owner of the property. This land is situated at the top of Wheatland Ave above Arnwood Street near the Edison power lines. The organic herbs are to be sold mainly to the Whole Food Super Market chain. In our future newsletter LVTIA will provide contact information as to how the public can contact the farm site for more information or to make an appointment to tour the facility. ~ *Mali Bakhtar*

## THREE \$500 SCHOLARSHIPS TO BE AWARDED

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:

- 8.5 x 11-inch paper
- 1 inch margins all sides
- Arial or Times New Roman 12 pt font
- Double line spacing
- Page numbering
- Attach a title page
- 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:

- Current Transcripts from your College/High School (must be unopened)
- Letter of Recommendation from your College/High School Teacher, Chair, Dean or Principal with contact information
- Current copy of your paid registration from the college.
- 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, 2010 will not be accepted. The winner will be notified by mail.

## DARIUSH BAKHTAR PH.D. (AGRICULTURAL SCIENTIST) AREA 2 CANDIDATE

I, Dariush Bakhtar, am living in Lake View Terrace for ten years. I hold a Ph.D. and an engineering degree in soil and water with vast teaching experience at university levels. I am a lecturer at UCLA Landscape Architecture program.

- I am an active member of LVT improvement Association
- I am serving at FTDNC land use committee
- I have enormous experience in:
  - \* environmental beautification and sustainability
  - \* public health and safety
  - \* constructional planning and management
- I designed the Cultural Vista Beautification Project at the corner of Foothill Blvd. and Osborne St. in Lake View Terrace

By being the area 2 representative, my ambition is to:

Convey the voice of my community to FTDNC and the City of Los Angeles

Dedicate my time, my knowledge and experience with my community, so that we will enhance the quality and safety of our living environment

Prepare and deliver plans how to apply water, and beautify our environment efficiently with no pollution

**My ambition is to work closely with the local schools, educate the students how to protect themselves from drug and crime, and how to enhance their community living environment and safety.**

# MICHAEL CARPENTER AREA 4 CANDIDATE

Michael Carpenter, is a candidate for Area 4, Foothill Trails District Neighborhood Council. He is a ten+ year resident of the foothills. A homeowner and horse owner in Lake View Terrace. He is a member of and represents Lake View Terrace on the Community Police Advisory Board and is the Program Manager of the "New Heaven on Earth" Ranch.

Michael believes in building bridges within the community and promoting participation in the neighborhood council. He supports protecting horse use properties, the equestrian way of life, efforts to curb irresponsible development and starting more neighborhood watches.

He has been instrumental in the creation of the Thanksgiving Dinner/Korean BBQ, "Spirit of Johny Carpenter" Awards & the State of the Horse Convention. He has 30 years experience in politics & government to offer. He was married in Shadow Hills, to Katherine, his wife of ten years. Michael Carpenter has a stake in our community.

<p><b>FOOTHILL TRAILS DISTRICT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL ELECTION</b></p> <p><b>March 27, 2010 1pm to 7 pm</b></p> <p><b>Shadow Hills Presbyterian Church 10158 Johanna Avenue, Sunland, CA, 91040</b></p>	<p><b>ANONYMOUSLY REPORT CRIME</b></p> <p>Three ways to provide anonymous tips:  <b>CALL:</b> 1-877-LAWFULL (529-3855)  <b>TEXT:</b> CRIMES (274637) begin the message with the letters LAPD  <b>WEB:</b> <a href="https://www.tipsubmit.com/WebTips.aspx?AgencyID=365">https://www.tipsubmit.com/WebTips.aspx?AgencyID=365</a></p>														
<p><b><u>LAKE VIEW TEARERS</u></b></p> <p><b>MONTHLY MEETING</b>  <b>Tuesday, March 2, 2010</b>  <b>10:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.</b></p> <p><b>Are you a <b>Senior?</b> Are you looking to join an <b>active group</b> of your peers?</b></p> <p><b>Then search no more. Join the Lake View Tearers on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at the Lake View Terrace Recreation Center, 11075 Foothill Blvd., Lake View Terrace, CA 91342</b></p> <p><b>FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON</b>  <b>March 10, 2010 at 11 A.M.</b>  <b>Location to be decided</b></p> <p><b>For more information call</b>  <b>Phyllis Hines</b>  <b>818.897.7644</b></p>	<p><b>LAKE VIEW TERRACE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION BOARD MEMBERS</b></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td><b>President</b></td> <td><b>Vice President</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Joyce Williams -- 818.899.4887</b></td> <td><b>Mali Bakhtar -- 818.896.7020</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Corresponding Secretary</b></td> <td><b>Recording Secretary</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Cilé Borman -- 818.896.6058</b></td> <td><b>Angie Carter -- 818.203.9231</b></td> </tr> </table>	<b>President</b>	<b>Vice President</b>	<b>Joyce Williams -- 818.899.4887</b>	<b>Mali Bakhtar -- 818.896.7020</b>	<b>Corresponding Secretary</b>	<b>Recording Secretary</b>	<b>Cilé Borman -- 818.896.6058</b>	<b>Angie Carter -- 818.203.9231</b>						
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<p><b><u>FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY</u></b></p> <p><b>Circle Your Calendar</b>  <b>Saturday, March 20, 2010</b></p> <p><b><u>MONTHLY BOOK SALE -- MONTHLY MEETING</u></b>  <b>10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. -- 2:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.</b></p> <p><b>Lake View Terrace Library</b>  <b>12002 Osborne St.</b>  <b>Lake View Terrace, CA 91342</b></p> <p><b>Please join us.</b>  <b>For more information call</b>  <b>Phyllis Hines</b>  <b>818.897.7644</b></p>	<p><b>JOIN LAKE VIEW TERRACE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION</b></p> <p><b>Get involved in your local association!</b></p> <p><b>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:</b></p> <p><b>Lake View Terrace Improvement Association</b>  <b>P O Box 224</b>  <b>Sunland, CA 91041</b></p> <p><b>Join the community and let your voice be heard.</b></p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td><b>First Name:</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Last Name:</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Street:</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>City:</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>State:</b></td> <td><b>Zip Code:</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Phone:</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>E-mail:</b></td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	<b>First Name:</b>		<b>Last Name:</b>		<b>Street:</b>		<b>City:</b>		<b>State:</b>	<b>Zip Code:</b>	<b>Phone:</b>		<b>E-mail:</b>	
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### **LVTIA WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU!**

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](mailto:articles@lvtia.org) (articles may be edited).

### **MORTGAGE MODIFICATION**

Many homeowners, who bought their home too expensive comparing with today's market try to modify their mortgage. Unfortunately they are facing confusing documentation requirements and conflicting advice from both honest and dishonest corners.

Rule of thumb is before talking to any lawyer or loan agent, talk to your bank or mortgage company that you have your mortgage with. They already have your information and may offer good programs which may bring your monthly payment down significantly.

### **HOMES SOLD IN LVT IN JANUARY 2010**

Address	# BD	#BA	Building Sq Ft	Lot Sq Ft	Year Built	Sold Price	Comments
11300 Foothill Blvd 37	2	3	1031	0	1982	\$160,000	Bank Owned Condo
11478 Kamloops St	2	1	576	5840	1947	\$ 216,000	Regular Sale
11536 Luanda St.	3	2	1132	4996	1985	\$265,000	Short Sale
11427 Jeff Ave.	3	2	1546	11015	1963	\$300,000	Standard Sale
11376 Kagel Canyon	4	2	1594	9030	1964	\$305,000	Short Sale

Information deemed reliable but not guaranteed.

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