

NEIGHBORS UNITED



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Please join us at our next Neighbors United meeting,
Monday, October 1, 2018 at 7:00pm

Join us at the Claude Pepper Senior Center, 1762 S. La Cienega Boulevard

Faircrest Heights: One of the Hottest Neighborhoods In America in 2013 — BusinessInsider.com

President's Corner by Laura Anderson

Greetings Neighbors,

We've moved our meeting for October to this coming Monday the 1st since Claude Pepper will be closed in honor of the holiday on the 8th - We still look forward to seeing you there!

This month our guest speaker is Cerulean from Edible Landscape. You can check them out online at www.edbl.net for more information before the meeting, otherwise come ready for plenty of new information.

Have you had a chance to check out our brand new website? Please be sure that you check it out at faircrestheightsnews.com. There you will find local recommendations, news, the ability to use PayPal to pay your dues as so much more! It looks great and should make it easier to stay up to date! **Next month's meeting would typically be held on Monday, November 12th – which is Veteran's Day, so we will NOT be holding our meeting at Claude Pepper. However, there will be a Holiday Planning meeting at my home at 6:00pm.**

We need all of your help to help to maintain the great quality of life in Faircrest Heights. We'll see you this coming Monday, October 1st at 7:00 p.m.

Laura Anderson

President

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- 10th District Update
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- Anticipated Changes at the 18th & La Cienega Mall / Discussion re: Thursday Farmers Market
- Status Update: Martin Cadillac service center proposed at 1830 S La Cienega
- Website Reveal

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- Wilshire Station213.473.0476
- Senior Lead Officer Adam Green
North of 18th Street213.793.0647
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South of 18th Street213.793.0786
- Anonymous Tip Line.....877.LAW.FULL
.....877.529.3855

Call 911 immediately if you see persons breaking into homes or loitering around neighbors' homes.

Proposed Martin Cadillac service center is on the P.I.C.O. Neighborhood Council Land Use Meeting this

**Thursday, September 28, 7:00pm
(Claude Pepper Senior Center)**



Current Building



Rendering of proposed Martin Cadillac Auto Service Center

Those who attended recent Neighbors United meetings are aware that Martin Cadillac is proposing to establish a service center at S La Cienega Blvd and adjacent addresses. A Community Plan Implementation Overlay

District (CPIO), which went into effect April 14, 2017, prohibits new automotive use establishments within certain distances of one another, aiming to “encourage new infill development that promotes and enhances existing neighborhood character and is not dominated by excessive automobile orientation.”

The Commercial Corridors CPIO District Subarea seeks to enhance the “main street” shopping experience of the community plan area’s major thoroughfares by providing direction for the rehabilitation and adaptive reuse of existing structures as well as incentives for contextual new infill development consistent with the neighborhood character. The intent of the Supplemental Development Regulations is to revitalize neighborhood commercial areas to better serve nearby residential neighborhoods by incentivizing the establishment of much needed services such as full service grocery stores and sit-down restaurants and by promoting both functional and aesthetic upgrading of the area.

During Neighbors United discussions of Martin Cadillac’s proposal, points of consensus included:

- **Longstanding community concern regarding the concentration of auto-related businesses in area,**
- **Support for the intent of the CPIO, which was implemented to promote/attract community serving business (full service groceries, restaurants, etc.),**
- **Deep respect for the community planning process,** (i.e., a CPIO wouldn’t have been implemented without significant input from relevant communities in the West Adams - Baldwin Hills - Leimert community plan area, which includes thousands of stakeholders within and beyond Faircrest Heights)

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- **Code is code, and the CPIO has been in effect 17 months. Any requested deviations should be handled via standard procedure (e.g., a variance request), to allow ample public input.**

While some residents asserted that the CPIO should be upheld (i.e., the proposed auto service center should not be allowed), others suggested that if Martin Cadillac offered some substantive community enhancement projects in order to mitigate negative impacts and attract more community serving businesses to the area, perhaps they might support a variance request. Realizing that any variance or exemption sets precedent, all agreed that arguments for a variance should be unique and strong, and proposed mitigations substantial, so the CPIO is not rendered moot.

To solicit additional feedback, the **P.I.C.O. Neighborhood Council Land Use Committee** has placed the proposed service center on their meeting agenda **this Thursday, September 28, 7:00pm** at Claude Pepper Center (1762 S La Cienega Blvd). The meeting agenda is posted on the P.I.C.O. Neighborhood Council website (www.piconc.com). Click on 'For the Record,' then Agendas, and find the file dated 09-22 Land Use Agenda.

We hope you will attend the P.I.C.O. Neighborhood Council Land Use Committee meeting this Thursday, and also our Neighbors United meeting next Monday, for a brief status update.



About Edible Landscapes By Tommy Teeple

Thomas McCarry (Tommy Teeple), originally from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, has over 15 years of edible landscape installation experience. A resident of Topanga Canyon since 2005, Mr. McCarry installs and services gardens in the greater Los Angeles area, including Pacific Palisades, Malibu, Topanga Canyon, Woodland Hills, and Van Nuys. Installation services can also be completed outside the LA area if travel expense is covered.

With fully realized and transformed landscape environments, familiar features of your home become sacred spaces to experience nature in it's most inspired form. A new garden brings tranquility, vitality, beauty, and inspired creativity. On a practical level, you will be able to enjoy fresh produce and enhance the value of your land investment.

About Edible Landscapes By Tommy Teeple Invasive mosquitoes are spreading across Los Angeles County. Have you been bitten?

Have you experienced an unusual number of mosquito bites this summer? Have they landed mostly below the knee and especially around your ankles? And did the six-legged perpetrator fly off unnoticed, like a mosquito ninja, after feasting on your blood?

If the answer to all these questions is yes, then your neighborhood is probably infested with an invasive mosquito that is moving rapidly across Southern California, driving residents and vector control specialists crazy. It's called Aedes, and it's a real problem.

So far, no Aedes mosquito in Southern California is known to have transmitted a disease to people. But vector control has a game plan in case it does happen. The good news is that local communities have the power to stop Aedes mosquitoes from breeding, at least in their immediate area. These mosquitoes rarely fly more than 200 yards in their lifetime. That means if you and your neighbors remain vigilant about emptying even tiny sources of standing water on your properties, you can keep them under control. For more information visit: <http://www.latimes.com/science/sciencenow/la-sci-sn-aedes-mosquitoes-california-20180901-story.html>

Hearts & Flowers

Our Condolences to the following neighbors and friends:

The family of Jessie Carter of Crescent heights. Mrs. Carter is a former Hearts and Flowers Chair for Neighbors United. Joan Anderson of Crescent Heights, whose sister passed away, and Michelle Warrick of Point View whose aunt passed away. Thinking of you, Helen Nelson, our regular Hearts and Flowers Chair, who has been under the weather.

Remember to notify your block captain or Helen Nelson, our Hearts and Flowers chair, at 323-934-0752.



Stay Connected!

We're very excited for the big reveal our NEW website: <http://faircrestheightsnews.com> We're also very excited to introduce PayPal dues processing on the website, so you'll never have to find a check again! Check it out!



Stay Connected!

This newsletter runs with your support, and with the transition to a new editor, your article contributions and feedback are much appreciated! Please send any contributions to us at: NeighborsUnitedofFH@gmail.com



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If you are interested in joining - please join us at the meeting this coming Monday!



Just for Fun:

What do ghosts eat for supper?

Spooketi

Why didn't the skeleton want to go to school?

His heart wasn't in it.

What do you call a fat pumpkin?

A plumpkin.

Who did Frankenstein take to the dance?

His "ghoul" friend!

Please give your dues to your block captain. Feel free to bring them to a meeting, or mail them to:
Neighbors United • P.O.Box 35103 • Los Angeles, CA 90035

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