

NEIGHBORS UNITED



Faircrest Heights' Neighborhood Organization • Since 1981 • 10th District, Los Angeles • May 2017 • Issue No. 5

Please join us at our next Neighbors United meeting,
Monday, May 8, 2017 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,

The start of spring and April has brought us a warm streak that I hope you have all been enjoying!

This month we are delighted to have not one but two guest speakers joining us for the meeting (THIS MONDAY!). We hope you will join us for Anthony J. Maxey, the DWP Intergovernmental Affairs Representative, and Yesenia V. Monsour, Kaiser Permanente's Public Affairs & Brand Communications representative. Yesenia will be joining us to discuss the construction variance at Kaiser for the parking lot, as many of you expressed an interest at the last meeting.

We also hope that you will join us THIS SATURDAY at LACES for our first ever Spring Fling. Indeed it seems that this weekend and next are full of activities for our neighborhood. For more information on the Annual Shred Day next weekend, please see the insert. We are also once again calling for a new shift in the newsletter to an electronic version. This will allow us to keep our costs low, and - for those of you interested, add some fresh color (and new life) to this newsletter!

As always we need everyone's involvement to help to maintain the great quality of life in Faircrest Heights, and we hope you'll consider getting involved. We'll see you on Monday, May 8th at 7:00 p.m.

Laura Anderson
President

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Agenda

- PICO NC Update
- Minutes from March
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LAPD Numbers

- Emergency911
- Non-Emergency311877.275.5273
.....or (877-ASK-LAPD)
- Wilshire Station213.473.0476
- Senior Lead Officer Adam Green
North of 18th Street213.793.0647
- Community Relations Officer
Javier Segovia213.793.0786
- Anonymous Tip Line
.....877.LAW.FULL
.....877.529.3855

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

Neighborhood Update

For those of you who missed the last meeting

• Liz Carlan Field Deputy Notes

Vehicle dwelling regulations:

- You can live in your vehicle according to city rules within regulations
- RV on 18th between Stearns & Crescent Heights
- Problem within 500 feet of school
www.lacity.org/vehicledwelling Link to Wilshire Division with Map on where people can live.
- DOT has not responded to new signs yet
- Working on preferred (permitted) parking Point View to Sawyer.
- Block on Stearns not posted
- Permitted helps in our area for people who work at Kaiser but choose not to pay
- Thanks to Steve for all his work

• Q & A Information:

Q: Who handles street signs?

A: DOT handles all street signs.

Q: Details on Solar System Rebate Program?

A: LADWP website for more. They are being invited to next meeting and will also be at Spring Fling.

Q: Concern of traffic around Faircrest Heights

A: There are 6 open requests. If you go to myladot.org you can see all requests currently in the system

Q: Bushes limit visibility at 18th & Hayworth

A: Personal property, been reported, but haven't found infraction. Encouraged to call 311.

Q: Two issues: Taco truck is sitting on the street, parked. Also construction where house was torn down a few years ago not secure. Car repair is all up and down the street on Pico.

A: Dept of building and safety will check out.

Q: Kaiser - buses and vans transporting people to Kaiser are parking on our streets.

A: It's a preferred parking area but buses are hanging handicap sign - they will call Kaiser

Q: Kaiser construction work reenacts a strong earthquake feeling can crack property

A: Call Kaiser - have them put it in writing.

Urgent for people who are complaining about noise or intrusions report it, not just complain!

Upcoming Events

Spring Fling 2017 Festival

Saturday, May 6th

12 - 3pm

LACES • 5931 W. 18th St

That is THIS Saturday!

Don't miss it!

Annual Shred Day

Saturday, May 13th

10 am - 12pm

Crescent Heights Elem. School (in the parking lot)

Sponsored by Laura Anderson, LA Real Estate Group

For more information please see the flyer insert.

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Got Potholes?

As part of the city's Neighborhood

Council Initiative Program, the

Bureau of Street Services (BSS)

works with neighborhood

councils twice per year, to

dispatch two workers and a small asphalt truck to do small

asphalt repairs on potholes and pop outs, and patch

eroded or cracked areas. PICO Neighborhood Council,

which includes 11 neighborhoods, is offered the

opportunity to outline the 15 most urgent requests for the

neighborhood council area. So that we can get some

Faircrest Heights addresses onto the list for the next

"Pothole Blitz" scheduled for June 14, we need your help!



Please email specific street addresses and a brief description

of the problem (pothole, pop-out, crack or erosion) to

info@piconc.com, neighborsunited2@aol.com and

neighborsunited@piconc.com by Monday, May 29. If you

can also attach a photo, that would be very helpful. If you do

not have access to email, you can relay addresses to our

PICO Neighborhood Council Faircrest Heights

representative Yvonne Smith at our May meeting.

Please note that the truck will have black asphalt (not

concrete), so if you request sidewalk repairs as part of this

'pothole blitz,' the areas will be patched with black asphalt,

not concrete. Outside these 'pothole blitzes' you can always

make service requests at <http://bss.lacity.org/request.htm>

for issues such as pothole or street repairs; street needs

resurfacing; tree needs trimming; fallen tree, branches, or

palm fronds; alley needs cleaning; street needs sweeping;

object/debris in street; leaf blower violation; broken or

damaged sidewalks; sidewalk obstruction; problem

with/on median; downed palm fronds; and permits for tree

pruning, tree removal, root pruning and stump removal.

Large requests (such as the major overhaul or resurfacing of

alleys) are best addressed to representatives in our council

office (323-733-8233) who can help prioritize and seek

funding for more major repairs.

Did You Miss the LAPD Wilshire C-PAB Meeting?

This information will be helpful in the event that neighbors and other stakeholders ask you for any information about how to report questionable and/or dangerous activities in the community. It has been encouraged by Co-Chair Frank Rosato and Commanding Officer Captain Anthony Oddo: do not hesitate to call your SLO or 911 for suspicious activity. You do not need to wait for "the worst" to happen to make that call. Don't email - CALL!

Neighborhood Watch

It has been communicated that there are people who diligently observe the ins-and-outs and whereabouts of residents and business owners, only to wait for the perfect one or two minutes to commit burglary and theft.

C-PAB is seeking committed volunteers (stakeholders) to represent each neighborhood of each Basic Car area. For example, if I live at Meadowbrook and Pico, I could apply to be a civilian chair/rep of 0755 of Basic Car 7A53. If you have friends, family, neighbors who are interested in representing his/her respective neighborhood, please have them email Sergeant A.J. Kirby at 27136@lapd.lacity.org or call 213.473.0200. He is the Officer In Charge of Wilshire Community Relations.

C-PAB is seeking volunteer committee chairs for the following:

- Traffic
- Youth/School
- Outreach
- Clergy

Please note that these are "as needed" positions, whether seasonal, case-by-case or monthly/weekly, etc. Again, interested candidates (stakeholders)

should contact Sergeant A.J. Kirby at 27136@lapd.lacity.org or call 213.473.0200.

Gangs + Neighborhood Safety. Our neighborhood's Deputy City Attorney approached me that her office encourages residents/ stakeholders to provide any information, whether photos, dates/times of activities, descriptions of any individuals involved in threatening, drugs, gang-related activities.

Do not wait for the worst, just make the call!

They are building cases on specific individuals.

Contact Mehrnoosh Naderi, Deputy City Attorney of Wilshire Division at 213.978.2220 and mehrnoosh.zahiri@lacity.org. She is very open to emails.

SPRING FLING is this weekend

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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 our *new* email address: **NeighborsUnitedofFH@gmail.com**



If you would prefer to have the newsletter delivered to your email address, please email us as well!



City of Los Angeles Leash Laws

Folks are complaining that more and more people are walking their dogs off leash. For those of you who enjoy taking your furry friends out- here's a little reminder:



If you take or allow your dog off your property or place of residence, you must have it restrained by a substantial chain or leash not exceeding 6 feet in length. Failure to do so could result in a stiff fine. Be aware that retractable leashes are not permitted if extended more than the requisite 6 feet. Once they become longer they no longer comply with City of Los Angeles law.

There are a number of dog parks in the city where it is legal to let your dog off-leash, but no beaches in the city of Los Angeles at present. For more information on legal dog parks in the city of Los Angeles, please visit <http://www.laparks.org/ingo/dogparks.htm>

The Great Shift to An eNewsletter!



We are now able to deliver the newsletter direct to your email inbox. With the rising cost of printing the hard copy, we are asking **ONLY** those interested in receiving the paper copy to respond.

If you would like to continue to receive the newsletter in it's printed form, please contact your block captain by **May 30th** so that we may add you to the print list. Our funds will not support the current number of copies unless we increase the membership dues, so we are trying to be thoughtful about how many are printed.

Hearts & Flowers

Congratulations to Chad and Faye Alburtis who welcomed a baby boy. Get well wishes to Helen Tye and Helen Crosby.

Please keep in touch with neighbors who are ill, hospitalized, confined to their homes or bereaved. Give them a call or a visit, you never know how you might brighten their day.

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



Officers & Committee Chairs

- President.....Laura Anderson
- 1st Vice President.....Mary Ann Yurkonis
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- Sergeant-At-ArmsYvonne Smith
- Newsletter EditorAllie Cormier
- Hearts & Flowers ChairHelen Nelson

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

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

Neighbors United Membership Form

The membership drive is happening now! Support Faircrest Heights!

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Phone: _____
 eMail: _____ Yearly Dues: \$15.00

Please fill this out and give it with your check payable to Neighbors United to your block captain