

North Westdale News

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Next Meeting,
Special Appearance by:



**BILL
ROSENDAHL**
L.A. City Councilmember

Come hear from our representative in local Los Angeles city government!

Are You Ready For The Big One?

In an article earlier this year, The Los Angeles Times reported that Southern California was more likely to experience a major earthquake than Northern California. A report by the U.S. Geological Survey predicted that the chance of a 6.7 magnitude temblor (equal to the Northridge earthquake of 1994) happening in Southern California within the next 30 years was 97%!

If you do not feel prepared for a natural disaster of this size, you are not alone. One way, you can better prepare yourself is by taking the L.A. Fire Department's Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training. The class is FREE and there are no obligations associated with taking the training. You will learn what to do in major emergencies like earthquake or fire, plus skills like triage and search and rescue so that you



can better take care of your friends and family. The bottom line is, in a major disaster, emergency services will be too overwhelmed assessing damage to the city as a whole to respond to individual needs for at least several hours.

The next upcoming CERT training in our area will be at:

Salvation Army
1401 S. Sepulveda Blvd.
Mondays, 1pm-3:30pm
June 3, 30, July 7, 14, 21, 28 and Aug 4
Contact: Ella Hill, (310) 477-9539 x122

For more information or to see training dates in other areas, visit the CERT website at www.cert-la.com.

SAVE THE DATE!

Next Meeting:

Monday,
June 9

7:00pm

St. Andrew's
Lutheran Church
on Federal &
Clarkson

Meetings are
held the 2nd
Monday of the
month.

**NOTE: There will
be no meetings in
July and August!
Next meeting will
be September 8!**

Agenda

1. Officer confirmation
2. MVCC update
3. New committee formation and planning
4. Talk with Councilman Bill Rosendahl

From The President's Desk:



Hello friends and neighbors!

First of all, thank you for your support in the new term as your neighborhood President. I am very interested in supporting our neighborhood's interests, and finding new ways to make our area a better place to live. I hold high expectations of what we can all accomplish together, and am looking forward to a great year with all of you.

At our upcoming meeting on the 9th we'll be discussing committee formations. Each committee

will address a key element of our neighborhood's interests, whether it's traffic and safety, beautification, fun and entertainment, airport issues, or any other area you would like to be involved. Please bring your creativity and good ideas for ways we can improve our neighborhood, and then let's start putting some energy into making our goals happen.

Finally, we have the pleasure of having Councilman Bill Rosendahl visit us toward the end of our meeting, so please come out and support NRNA and Bill, who has been doing an outstanding job for our area. Thank you, and see you on the 9th! .

Your friend and neighbor,

Tony

Tony X. Sanelli

ELECTION INFORMATION



North Westdale Neighborhood Association is in Zone 2 of the Mar Vista Community Council. For more info, please visit www.MarVista.org

**SATURDAY, JUNE 21
10 AM - 4 PM**

Mar Vista Elementary School Auditorium
3300 Granville Blvd.

For list of candidates and candidate statements, visit <http://cityclerk.lacity.org/election/>



55th Annual Garden Show & Plant Sale

Saturday, June 28, 12pm-4pm
Sunday, June 29, 10am-4pm

Veterans Memorial Auditorium
4117 Overland Avenue
(at Culver Boulevard)

Sponsored by
the Culver City Garden Club

In addition to the plant sale, there will be a professionally judged exhibition of homegrown plants, flowers and vegetables and raffles of merchandise, gift certificates, gardening supplies and plants!

Admission and parking are FREE!

Please help keep Richland Avenue Elementary School Clean!

Dog waste has once again become a problem on the parkways around the school. This is a health hazard for the children. Please note, there is a trash can in front of the school on Richland Avenue where waste may be deposited. There are also free plastic bags available in a dispenser on the fence of the school garden on Brookhaven. Thank you to all our neighbors who do conscientiously clean up after their dogs!



Police Report

Senior Lead Officer
Thomas Wicks
310-622-3973

Basic Car Coordinator
Sergeant Pompano
310-482-6334

Crime Trends

The following are the crime statistics representing 4/20/08 - 5/17/08:

Aggravated Assaults 3
Burglary (Vehicle) 9
Robbery 3
Burglary (Res/Biz) 2
Grand Theft Auto 9
Homicide 0
Sex 0

During this rating period Burglary/Theft from Motor Vehicle (BFMV) has become a problem in Basic Car 14A25 area. The majorities of the incidents

this period were smash and grab crimes. We must be more cognizant of our surroundings, suspects are smashing windows and removing property at all times during the day. ***STOP leaving items of value inside your vehicle in plain sight; it is an open invitation for a BFMV suspect.*** Attempt to park in well lit areas with high pedestrian traffic. If you observe any suspicious activity be a good neighborhood and call the police right away. Join your local Neighborhood Watch Group it is still the best tool we have against crime.

Safety Tip:
If you smell or see smoke/

fire, get out of the building quickly, and then call the fire department. Before opening any door during a fire, feel it with your back of your hand. If the door is hot, go to another exit. If the door is cool, kneel down and check the air coming in underneath the door. If the air is cool the room is safe to enter.

Reminder:

14A25 NEIGHBORHOOD
ADVISORY MEETING
Tuesday, June 10, 2008
7:00 p.m.
Pacific CRO Trailer
12312 Culver Blvd.

North Westdale Neighborhood Association

President	Tony Sanelli
Vice President	Bahaa Mikhail
Secretary	Amy Levy
Webmaster	Andrew Parke
Newsletter Editor	Victoria Sanelli

If you have questions or would like to volunteer and get more involved with the neighborhood association, contact Tony Sanelli at (310) 694-0228 or tsanelli@acfpartners.com.

Have a story idea or event that might be of interest to the neighborhood? Please email Victoria Sanelli at bunigr1@gmail.com.

The North Westdale Neighborhood Association (NWN) serves the community bounded by the 405 Freeway to the east, National Blvd to the south, Centinela Ave/Bundy Drive (Centinela north of Ocean Park and Bundy south of Ocean Park) to the west, and the Santa Monica Freeway to the north, representing approximately 1,000 homes. All residents, both home owners and renters, are members.

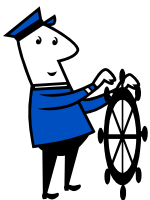
There is an annual voluntary donation of \$10 per household. NWN strives to improve our neighborhood with activities ranging from crime watch to neighborhood beautification to local school support.

Block Captains Wanted!

2600, 2800 Armacost	2700-2800 Butler (west side)
2700-2800 Barrington	12100 Clarkson
2400 Bundy	11400-11500 National
2400-2800 Granville	2400-2800 Stoner
2700-2800 Berkshire	2700-2800 Colby

Help keep your neighbors informed and connected by volunteering to distribute the newsletter. Time commitment is just 15-30 minutes a month! Call

Tony Sanelli at (310) 694-0228 or tsanelli@acfpartners.com.



We're on the web!

www.northwestdale.com

**Join The North
Westdale E-Mail
List!**

Go to:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/NWNA>
Click on the "Join This Group" button

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For Neighbors — By Neighbors

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North Westdale is a special neighborhood. Thank you for letting me be your neighborhood specialist!

-Pete Castro



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