

North Westdale Neighborhood Association

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North Westdale

groups.yahoo.com/group/NWNA

Summer begins Tuesday, June 20th at 9:24 PM - **Happy Summer!**



NWNA Meeting

Wednesday, June 28 - 7:00 PM

Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church

11555 National Blvd., 90064 (Federal and National)

Guest Speaker (Rescheduled)

LAPD SENIOR LEAD OFFICER ADRIAN ACOSTA

Request from several neighbors to improve our neighborhood and to keep it clean and safe.

Please abide by the dogs-on-leash and dog-defecation laws (Los Angeles Municipal Code-sections 63.44 B2[d]&53.49), and the Los Angeles ban on the use of gas leaf blowers within 500 feet of a residence. (LAMC) Section 112. 04 (c)

At its March 9, 2015 meeting, the Mar Vista Community Council unanimously passed the following policy motion: All leaf blowers—whether powered by gas, electricity or battery—blow a mixture of fine particles into the air, particles that can go deep into the lungs. This mixture includes dust, fecal matter, pesticides, fungi, chemicals, fertilizers, spores, street dirt which can contain lead and gasoline, and anything else that happens to be in the vicinity of their use. Gas-fueled leaf blowers spew out additional air pollution in the form of unburned fossil fuel; one hour of use can create as much air pollution as a car driven for 100 miles. Los Angeles currently bans the use of gas leaf blowers within 500 feet of a residence due to noise—and not air—pollution. Many other cities have enacted leaf blower bans. Like Los Angeles, they have found the bans difficult to enforce. The Mar Vista Community Council requests enactment of a ban on the use of all types of leaf blowers at all City and Department of Water and Power controlled properties. In addition to being enforceable, this ban will • Reduce noise and air pollution. • Eliminate a health risk for anyone at or near the property— especially for those performing the landscape maintenance. • Allow the City and DWP to illustrate best practices and, thus, lead by example. MVCC further points out that grass clippings and fallen leaves are a source of soil-building organic matter and also help retain moisture, reducing the landscape's watering requirements.



President's Message: by Martin Rubin



Hello Neighbors,

Election: The current NWA officers were unopposed and will continue to serve for another year. Your vote of confidence in our work is appreciated. Thank you.

LAPD Officer Adrian Acosta had to reschedule his visit to us and he will now be our guest speaker at our June 28 meeting at Saint Andrew's. Separately, a representative from Ring security doorbell emailed me just prior to our May 24 meeting that he could not attend. If you are interested in a Ring discount that they may offer, email me and I will keep you posted. On the plus side, this allowed Lenore French more time to present information about the Mar Vista Art Walk.

Santa Monica Airport (SMO)

Just a few days before the Santa Monica City Council would meet to decide how they would proceed in shortening the SMO runway, I learned that only two of four option designs presented to Santa Monica by AECOM consultants were publically vetted and considered by SM City Council. The two option designs that would move the runway farther west and would offer more relief to us here in North Westdale were not considered. I contacted our City Council and Congress Representatives to inform them about this. During public comment at the Council meeting, representatives from both the offices of Los Angeles City Councilmember **Mike Bonin** and Congresswoman **Karen Bass** commented that SMO also affects their constituents. SM City staff did not publicly present a runway reconfiguration that would have moved the landing strip west, away from Los Angeles neighborhoods. Jacqueline Hamilton, field officer for U.S. Rep. Karen Bass, whose district includes an area next to the airport, said the runway section adjacent to her district should be removed. "It does feel as though the residents outside the City of Santa Monica have been bearing some disproportionate impacts from the airport for a very long time," Hamilton said. She continued, "And it feels as though those impacts will continue to be disproportionate." Geoff Thompson, representing and speaking for Councilmember Bonin said, "SMO has long disproportionately impacted the City of LA residents through what I think is a concerted effort to shift noise and air pollution away from the City of Santa Monica." SM City Council voted unanimously for the option that would center the shortened runway on the existing runway, and they were silent about the two options not considered. The **Mar Vista Community Council** recently passed a motion to have the City of Los Angeles engage with Santa Monica officials in order to ensure that the concerns of the Los Angeles residents, who are negatively impacted by SMO aircraft operations, be given adequate consideration.

Your involvement with this issue, and also in our neighborhood association, is very important.

Dues: We are still well behind in collection of dues compared to the past few years. Thank you to those who have already donated. Please send in your \$15 (or more) annual dues. (Mail to: *NWA - P.O. Box 642522, L.A., CA 90064, or bring to the June 28 meeting*).

NWA Notification Email List: Please send me your contact information so that I can add you to my email list for timely, important notices. Stay informed.

NWA Fall Block Party: Scheduled for Saturday, September 9th. We again want to showcase our local talent. Please contact me to reserve a spot in our talent program.

We have no scheduled meetings over the summer.

I can be reached via email at martinrubin@earthlink.net
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NWNA Newsletter Submissions

July Newsletter
Deadline: June 24

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C June 13, 7:00 PM
MVCC Board of Directors Meeting
A June 15, 6:00 PM
MVCC Aging in Place Committee Meeting
L June 27, 6:00 PM
MVCC Committee on Public Safety
E June 28, 7:00 PM
NWNA Meeting
N July 01, 6:00 PM
MVCC Airport Committee Meeting
D July 11, 7:00 PM
MVCC Board of Directors Meeting
A Saturday, Sept. 09 (save this date)
R NWNA Fall Block Party



NORTH WESTDALE CRIMES - APRIL 25, 2017 to MAY 26

Compiled by Martin Rubin from: maps.latimes.com/neighborhoods/neighborhood/sawtelle/crime/

Crime, Location, Date and Time

(Address information is generalized by block to help ensure privacy is protected.)

1. Theft-2500 Federal- April 25, 8 am
2. Grand theft auto-11300 National-April 26, 9:40 pm
- 3&4. Theft-2800 Sawtelle -April 28, 3:10 am & 4:28 am
5. Burglary-11600 National -April 28, 7 pm
6. Aggravated assault-11300 National-May 1, 5:10 pm
7. Grand theft auto-11800 Gateway-May 7, 8:30 pm
8. Burglary-2700 Stoner-May 8, 4 pm
9. Theft-11300 National-May 11, 12:55 pm
10. Burglary-2700 Armacost-May 11, 5 pm
11. Theft from vehicle-2500 Wellesley-May 12, 6 pm
12. Grand theft auto-2400 Armacost-May 12, 7 pm
13. Theft-11300 National-May 12, 8:20 pm
14. Burglary-2700 Stoner-May 14, 10:30 am
15. Theft-11700 National-May 24, 12:20 pm
16. Robbery-2500 Westgate-May 24, 3:30 pm

Our Pacific Area Senior Lead Officer:

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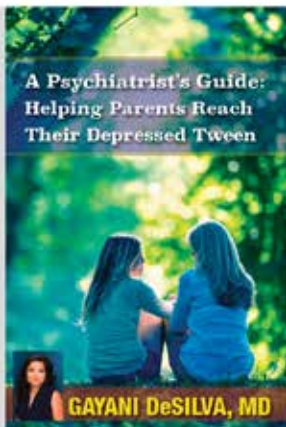
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