



October 2007 Newsletter

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Election December 11th, Who are you voting for?

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Jill Hill
Gavin Mc Kiernan
Nancy Risch

Calendar Items

Oct. 30, Wrigley Board Meeting

Oct 31. Halloween Carnival at Veterans Park

Nov 3. Tree Planting

Nov 4, 2am

Turn Back your clocks.

Nov 5, Wrigley Candidates Forum

Nov 12 Veterans Day

Nov 15, Wrigley Village Street Scape Mtg

Nov 22 Thanksgiving



From the desk of the President David Carlton

Many big events in the coming days and weeks you wont want to miss.

An election has been quietly creeping up for the 55th Assembly seat vacated by Laura Richardson when she became a congresswoman. The election is December 11th and we will have one of our famous candidates forums at our next General Meeting on November 5th.

The big tree planting is finally here. Wrigley is Going Green will be all over Wrigley on November 3rd and can still use more volunteers.

Nov. 15th at 6pm at 2023 Pacific Ave, the Neighborhood Advisory Group hosts the third forum on the master plan for the street scape project in Wrigley Village on Pacific. A revised plan based will be on display based on previous NAG meetings and discussions with city departments that will play a role in making the Wrigley Village upgrades a reality.



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Next General Meeting: November 5th 7pm, Candidates Forum

Candidates for the 55th Assembly Seat will try to win your vote, see you then.

Wrigley is Going Green!

By Lisa Wibroe



Mauna, Lisa, Richard, Lee, Bobby,
Cocoa,

not pictured: Mike Laquatra.

Many thanks to Wrigley Tree committee members Mauna Eichner, Lee Fukui, Brenda Martinez, Richard Pass, and Danny Lemos for their undying efforts and hard work. They have been extremely busy as each tree placement must be approved by the city and cleared for underground utility services. There is still much work to do before the big event on Saturday, November 3rd, yet there is still time to volunteer by emailing wrigleyisgoinggreen@hotmail.com. This should be a gratifying event, so don't miss your opportunity to participate.

There will be a large area of Wrigley receiving trees, so volunteers, be prepared to walk or move your car around as we progress from the intersection of Hill Street and Daisy Avenue

toward our luncheon area at the intersection of Hill Street and Pine Avenue. We are also looking for volunteers with vans who are willing to shuttle people back and forth as necessary throughout the day. Again if this is something you would like to do, please contact me.

On November 3rd, I hope to see all Wrigley residents come and show how much we care about the environment of our community!



In Memory

Marian Graeber 1928-2007

Long time resident and former board member of the Wrigley Association Chris Graeber lost his mother Marian on October 7th. Marian, who lived in San Francisco, was 79 years old. She is survived by four children and seven grandchildren. She retired from the Emporium and had numerous volunteer experiences including the Sacramento Children's Home and the Cancer Society. Marian loved spending time with her family and was an avid traveler. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Central Coast VNA and Hospice. PO Box 2480, Monterey, CA 93942.

If you know of any Wrigley residents or of those close to them who have passed please send us any information we have so we may honor their memory in these pages. Send info to wrigleyvillage@hotmail.com

Wrigley Artist of the Month-Slater Barron

Lisa Wibroe

Many Wrigley residents may already know Slater Barron as the "lint lady" because she creates art out of dryer lint. I have personally seen a lint portrait of the Queen of Denmark, Margrethe the II, in the Ripley's Believe It or Not! Museum in Copenhagen. I could not tell that the medium was lint until very close observation. It was a treat to find out she was an artist from my own neighborhood in Wrigley.

I recently visited Ms. Barron in her Wrigley studio, as she was part of the Mid City Art Walk this month. It was here that I learned that Ms. Barron is more than a lint artist, but also works in other mediums, some of which are of social commentary and some very humorous. I also learned that she is an author as well.

Slater Barron came to Long Beach when her parents were sent to a sanitarium here due to Alzheimer's disease. Slater coped through the difficult experience of observing the decline of



Slater Barron holding up a promotional poster for the book she wrote in front of her mixed media bridal series.

her parents via her art and the writing of a book titled, "Remembering the Forgetting" which earned a glowing review in this July's Downtown Gazette.

Ms. Barron's resume boasts many exhibits spanning from 1975 to the present. Her work is part of prestigious collections all over the world. As you might have guessed, such a diverse artist has an interesting past. She holds two bachelor degrees, one in sociology and psychology and another in art. She earned her Master of Fine Art from CSULB. Besides being a professional artist, she has also been an instructor of art and design for 25 years at several California colleges and universities. It is also interesting to note that she served as a Line Officer in the Navy during the Korean Conflict. Marriage to a Marine officer led to four children and travel around the world.



I feel honored to have such an interesting woman, artist, and author living in my community. To learn more about Slater Brown, tune into the Huell Howser program on November 23 at 7:30 p.m. on KCET, Channel 28. If you would rather use your computer, go to

www.slaterbarron2@yahoo.com

or www.lintlady.com. Her book can be ordered from www.lulu.com.

Wrigley Village Master Plan Meeting November 15th

Gavin Mc Kiernan

Katherine Spitz Associates is working with the community and to design a plan to enhance the streetscape in Wrigley Village. During the first two community meetings on this project, the consulting team worked with the community to define design parameters. The community focused on which components will have the most impact on improving Pacific Avenue and expressed a strong interest in the "green" design scheme being the focus of the plan for the streetscape. Research into the current state of the art on green street practices and conceptual plans to implement them on Pacific Avenue are being prepared. On November 15th at 6pm at 2023 Pacific Ave design components will be discussed and the plan will move closer to being final. Come and see and share your opinions.

Cleaning the LA River

Lisa Wibroe

Friends of the Los Angeles River (FOLAR) presented the 28th Annual Great River Clean Up on Friday October 12. This clean up was held on a Friday in order to allow schools to participate. Students from Jordan High School International Baccalaureate program, Lakewood High, The New City School, and Environmental Charter all participated by picking up trash in the river. In speaking to the Jordan IB students, they were amazed at all the trash that accumulates in the river. Many shopping carts were hauled out and Styrofoam continues to be an environmental concern. The fish and marine birds eat the small pieces of Styrofoam and cigarette butts and feel satiated but then die of malnutrition. These students have now observed why it is important not to litter and to recycle whenever possible.



Science teacher Mr. Van der Vort accompanied the Jordan High IB students and was using the river environment to reinforce biology lessons. I spoke to Mr. Van der Vort and his students about the upcoming Wrigley Tree Planting event to take place on November 3rd. They were very excited about the prospects of volunteering to plant trees for us! Dr. Shere from the Poly High PACE program is also informing his students of the event. Students will be able to earn credit toward their required community service participation. Look for these volunteers on November 3rd and thank them for supporting our tree planting as they are becoming the future stewards of our precarious environment.

Pictured in Photo above:

Jordan High International Baccalaureate Students (from left to right) John Lam, Deborah Renteria, Merry Touch, Symone Martin, Justin Woolfolk, and Philosophy teacher Jose Garcia



Big Plans

Notes from the LB Dept. of Building and Planning

1851 West PCH,

Home Depot (Case 0708-09)

A new 132,725 square-foot Home Depot center is proposed on PCH, just west of Santa Fe west of the McDonald's restaurant and West Division police station and adjacent to the Industrial Technology Park. The project includes a garden center and 506 parking spaces. Existing buildings onsite would be demolished. Staff is reviewing the proposed design and providing comments on other project issues. An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is being prepared for the project. Public comment on the Draft EIR will be requested once the document is complete, probably by Spring 2008.

3140 Long Beach Blvd

Medical Office Building (Case 0707-10)

A 7,400 square-foot medical building (dialysis center) is proposed for this currently vacant lot. The project would require a site plan review, standards variance, and sign standards variance as proposed. An abandoned well is located onsite. Design comments from staff are being responded to before any hearings are set.

ANNUAL TOUR OF THE LAFAYETTE COMPLEX IN LONG BEACH

The Lafayette Historical Preservation Group is hosting its second annual tour of the historic Lafayette complex in downtown Long Beach from 12 noon – 5 p.m. on Sunday, November 4, 2007. The \$20 tour will include a viewing of the Lafayette's fully restored grand lobby and tiled solarium, plus more than a dozen private units in the complex's three distinct buildings. Participants will also learn about the colorful history of the Lafayette, once part of the Hilton Hotel chain and the focal point of Long Beach high life circa 1929 – 1959, with four-star restaurants, basement bars, a penthouse ballroom, and even a wedding chapel.

The Art Deco Society of Los Angeles is assisting the Lafayette Historical Preservation Group with the theme and logistics of the tour, which is designed to provide a genuine "Walk Through

Time" experience. Tour participants will feel they've stepped into a bygone era as they walk past vintage automobiles parked in front of the complex, and find themselves in the Lafayette Hotel lobby of the 1920s, complete with live jazz era music, a doorman and hotel clerk, and stylish guests in vintage attire mingling and checking in at the front desk.

The Lafayette Complex is composed of the Campbell, Lafayette and Broadway buildings. The Campbell Apartments were built in 1928 as luxurious homes for the city's elite, providing hotel

and maid services, and garage and lobby attendants. The Campbell's Spanish Baroque style is typical of the pre-Art Deco architecture of the 1920s, with beautiful glazed cast terra-cotta ornamentation and Mediterranean Renaissance Revival balconies. The Lafayette Hotel (1929), designed by renowned Art Deco architects Arthur and Cecil Schilling, adjoins the Campbell Apartments.

The building facade features large Italian stylized male and female figures, a winged ram's head and hanging garlands. The Broadway Building (1947), designed in the sleek International Style, was operated as part of the Lafayette Hotel.

"The Lafayette is one of the most architecturally and culturally significant complexes in downtown Long Beach," said Jack Nendel, President of the Lafayette Historical Preservation Group. "This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to view private residences representing some of the best that historic Long Beach architecture

has to offer."

John Thomas, Vice President of the Art Deco Society of Los Angeles, adds: "Architecturally significant buildings such as the Lafayette are real gems that give us a peek into the culture and history of Long Beach and Los Angeles, and the way of life in a past era. This tour is a must for anyone with an interest in the marvelous historical buildings of downtown Long Beach." Cost of the tour is \$20.

When

Sunday, November 4
Noon – 5:00 p.m.

Where

The Lafayette,
140 Linden Avenue,
East Village Arts District

For information call: (562) 590-9841 or email: lafayettehistoricalpreservation@gmail.com

Proceeds from the tour will benefit the nonprofit Lafayette Historical Preservation Group, which oversees the continued restoration of the Lafayette complex.

ABOUT THE LAFAYETTE HISTORICAL PRESERVATION GROUP

The Lafayette Historical Preservation Group is a nonprofit organization established to preserve and restore the historic character and integrity of the Lafayette, Campbell and Broadway buildings.

ABOUT THE ART DECO SOCIETY OF LOS ANGELES

The organization is dedicated to the appreciation of Art Deco in all of its historic significance and continued contemporary relevance. The preservation of architecture of that era is a major focus of their attention. Walking tours, participation in Society preservation studies and landmark designation, slide lectures, workshops and social events in exclusive spaces are among the various activities offered through the year.

West Division Police Blotter



The LBPD West Division will be hosting a Community Leadership Forum on Wednesday, November 7, 2007 at 6:00 pm. The forum will be held at the West Patrol Substation located at 1835 Santa Fe Avenue. Community members are invited to attend this informative meeting to learn about the latest crime trends and updates of the Westside neighborhoods.



On Sunday, October 14, 2007, at approximately 9:30 p.m., West Division officers responded to a shots fired call at 2200 Block Earl Avenue. Officers arrived found a male victim shot in the leg. Preliminary investigation reveal the incident is gang related.

On Tuesday, October 9, 2007 at approximately 8:30 p.m., West Division officers responded to a shots fired call at 1800 Chestnut Avenue. The two victims were walking in the alley when the shots rang out. Neither was struck by the gunfire. The incident seemed to be gang related.

On Saturday, October 6, 2007, the West Division Substation celebrated its 10th Year Anniversary. A large number of city dignitaries, VIPs and over 200 community members of all ages attended this momentous event.

On Friday, October 5, 2007, West Division officers were dispatched to 2500 Block of Maine Avenue for a residential burglary call. The suspect had entered the residence through an opened window. Suspects managed to get away with jewelry and silverware. The investigation is on-going.

On Sunday, September 30, 2007, West Division officers arrested a grand theft/ robbery suspect from 1600 Block of Chestnut Avenue. The suspect confessed to both crimes. After the consent form was signed, officers search the residence and found stolen items.

On Saturday, September 29, 2007, West Patrol officers were dispatched to 1600 Block of Chestnut Avenue for a burglary to a business. The suspect entered the store and removed the loss. Officers' thorough investigations led to the location, identification and arrest of the suspect. The loss was also recovered.

On Saturday, September 29, 2007, at approximately 10:40 p.m., West Division officers were dispatched to shots fired call at the Pacific Coast Highway and Locust Avenue. Officers found a male victim suffering from two grazing wounds. This incident seemed to be gang related.

Please report unusual activities in your neighborhood. Call LBPD at 562-435-6711, you can report anything anonymously or give your name to get follow up from LBPD.

See something dumped on the streets or by the river? call 562-570-2876

A home or business that is falling apart? Call code enforcement 562-570-6328

Please immediately report all graffiti at 562-570-2773. If you need a pothole filled call 562-570-2700

If YOU don't call, no one will!

The city can't fix things if they don't know they are broken!

Decorating with the Diva: Celebrate the Season

Shoshanah Siegel

Welcome to the season of family, friends, and cozy homes. Cooler weather and earlier sunsets beckon us inside during fall. "A seasonal decorating update satisfies the need for change that we all feel as we move from summer to fall," says Joanne B. Hans, IADA (Interior Arrangement and Design Association).

This is a perfect time to use different colors, themes and textures by changing your accessories and fabrics. You can celebrate the season and conserve your cash by using accessories you already have.

Fall for New Colors

Out go the pastels; in come the autumn colors of oranges, mustard yellows, browns, eggplant, and bronze. Do you have a vase, a plate, and a wall hanging in these colors? Bring it out now! And if the paint on your walls has you committed to Easter egg pink, yellow or green, accessorize

for a fall variation: deep rose, mustard gold or gray olive.

Rotate Your Collections

The change of the seasons is a great time to rotate objects that allow appropriate colors, themes or textures to come to the forefront. Change your accent pillows, artwork, and get a lot of bang for a minimal buck. Soften edges with rich velvets, chenille, and mohair. Use these fabrics from the throw on your sofa to bedding on your bed.

Keep Your Feet Warm

Assemble your favorite things around you then add a nice soft chenille or wool blend rug. Area rugs help define conversation and sitting areas and they add texture and pattern to the room.

Lighten the Mood

As we have less natural light in the fall don't rely on overheads, add more ambient lighting. This

means more lamps with rich and deep colored lampshades.

Enhance Your Senses

Light up your life with scented candles. They provide a warming glow in chillier times and serve as a multifaceted decorative accent. Candles come in various colors and can bring alive aromas that remind us of fall, like pumpkin, cinnamon, and pine.

Bring the Outside Inside

Bring in evergreens and colorful mums. Bring the outside in with earthy finds like twigs, acorns, and leaves. In our region include succulents, orchids, rosemary and other plants from your garden.

Enjoy!

Decorating with the Diva will be a monthly column

Regular columns on Long Beach History and the Urban Forest plan to return next month

The Wrigley Association accepts submissions for print at wrigleyvillage@hotmail.com. You will receive a response to your email to confirm it has been received. Submissions that are relevant to the mission of the Wrigley Association will be included in newsletters and bulletins as space allows. No editing will occur without prior approval of the author. Accepted submissions will generally be printed in the next newsletter that is printed following the submission. Newsletters generally, but not always, go to print on the third Tuesday of the month.

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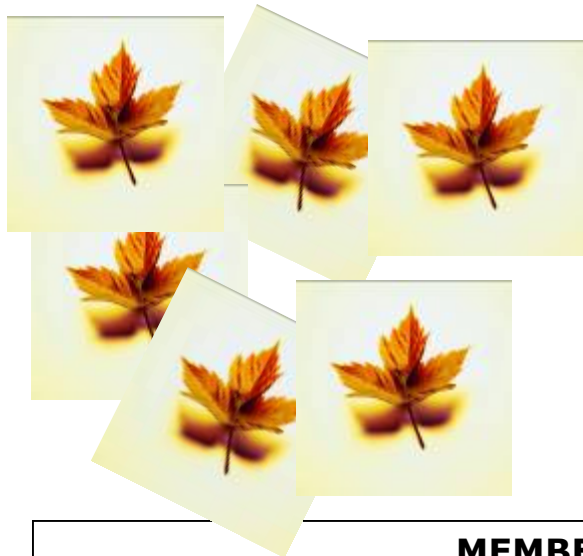


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