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Home of Daisy Avenue Christmas Tree Lane

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## Message from the President



WANA turns 300!! Members that is. Maria Norvell's, Membership Chair, goal of reaching at least 300 members has been recently realized. Isn't that FANTASTIC! WANA has a lot to celebrate which will take place at our mixer on September 3rd (see below). If there is any senior who would like to attend and needs a ride, please call Maria at 427-5021—she would be happy to pick you up and take you back home. Appetizers will be served; however, we're looking for a few of you to bring a yummy dessert, if you are so inclined. Parking is available but get there early to get a spot. You can renew your membership (see form on page 4) that evening, If you have a silent auction item you would like to do-

nate, please contact Frank or Rose Kozlowski at 562-426-9077 or e-mail him at: [ironsmith45@verizon.net](mailto:ironsmith45@verizon.net). All your donations are tax-deductible with proceeds going to Friends of WANA for Christmas Tree Lane legal expenses. At the mixer, members will be asked to vote on changing the date and location of our meetings (See page 7.) Well, it's bound to be an evening of fun and I encourage you all to attend. Hope to see you there.

It's time to renew your membership and WANA has another way in which you can do that. Go to our website: [wanalb.org](http://wanalb.org) and click on "community info". Then click on "membership" and follow the steps. You don't have to have a paypal account to do this—make sure you read the form. If you have any questions, give me a call.

Yours in Service, Jill

## WANA NEIGHBORHOOD MIXER

Thursday, September 3, 2009

7:00 to 9:00 PM

101 W. Pacific Coast Highway

Corner of Pine and PCH



- State of the Neighborhood Presentation
- Meet Board Candidates
- Silent Auction
- Get acquainted with other Wrigley residents
- Appetizers by Tacos Don Chente
- Meals, beer and wine available for purchase
- Bring a friend
- Renew dues or become a member

PLEASE RSVP TO: 562-599-0812, Joan OR  
E-MAIL: [wringleyalliance@msn.com](mailto:wringleyalliance@msn.com)

Current Members and Interested Members of the Public Welcome



# WANA

## From The Desk of Councilman Dee Andrews

### Welcome to September and Happy Labor Day!



As you may know, Labor Day is an annual holiday celebrated nation-wide, that commemorates the labor movement and celebrates the economic and social achievements of American workers. We rejoice on this historic holiday because it honors the huge contributions that workers have made to the strength, prosperity and well-being of our nation.

Some teenagers and young adults view Labor Day as the last weekend for fun before returning to school. And then, there are the football fans, like me, who mark Labor Day as the beginning of the NFL, college, and high school football seasons! But here at City Hall, we all view it as budget time.

As you know, we are down to the grind and unfortunately, some cuts will have to be made again this year. The entire world is experiencing a melt down. Just as many residents and businesses are dealing with the worst recession in decades, the City of Long Beach is facing severe budget challenges resulting from rigorously reduced income and escalating costs.

If you would like to get more involved in the budget process please attend one of the budget workshops and hearings held at City Hall this month.

- ♦ September 1, 2009, 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm, Workshop, Council Chambers
- ♦ September 1, 2009, 7:00 pm, Hearing, Council Chambers
- ♦ September 8, 2009, 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm, Workshop, Council Chambers
- ♦ September 8, 2009, 7:00 pm, Hearing, Council Chambers
- ♦ September 15, 2009, 7:00 pm, Hearing, Council Chambers (if necessary)

This month I would like to invite you attend the following event....

6<sup>th</sup> District Youth Forum, on September 19<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm, at Long Beach City College, 1305 E. Pacific Coast Hwy. The forum is for 8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> graders. Pre-registration is required. For more information contact my office at (562) 570-6816

In closing, I would like to salute all of my neighbors who have contributed to our community. I am very grateful to have such wonderful people in my surroundings who take the time to make a difference in Wrigley. For all the time that you volunteer, cook, and serve. I am very grateful.

I send a special thank you to everyone who came out to the 6<sup>th</sup> District FREE Summer Events in August. I had a wonderful time-sharing ideas and laughs with you.

Together we serve,

Councilman Dee Andrews  
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## WANA Hosts Community Outreach Meeting on DRAFT Sustainable City Goals



On August 17, WANA hosted a community outreach meeting for Wrigley residents. Sustainable City Coordinators Larry Rich and Alfie Vaile from the City Manager's office summarized the process leading to adoption of this action plan by City Council and the goals set for achievement by the year 2020.

Attending were three of the key people (David Sundstrom, Regina Taylor and Joan Greenwood) who participated in the development of the Sustainable City Policy while participating in the preparation of the Long Beach 2010 Strategic Plan back in the early 2000's.



### Review the DRAFT Sustainable City Action Plan

Part of the Sustainable City Commission's charge is to create a Sustainable City Action Plan. This plan is intended to be a tool for creating a sustainable city by helping to guide future operational and policy decisions. View the DRAFT Sustainable City Action Plan by clicking the link at:

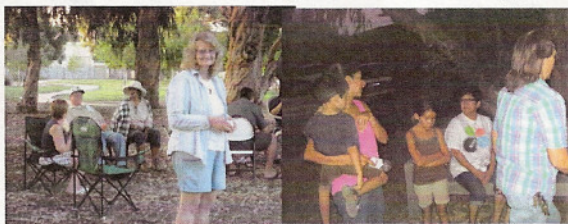
[http://www.longbeach.gov/citymanager/sustainability/sustainable\\_city\\_plan.asp](http://www.longbeach.gov/citymanager/sustainability/sustainable_city_plan.asp)

If you missed this WANA meeting, there's still time to attend another staff presentation in September! See Calendar on Page 6



# WORKS

## WANA National Night Out to Fight Crime!



If you are interested in forming a Neighborhood Watch on your block and planning your own National Night Out event next year, contact Maria at 427-5021.



## Residents Gather at WANA's National Night Out Event

A crowd of around 40 residents turned out for WANA's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual potluck on National Night Out held at the mini-park between 21<sup>st</sup> Street and Hill next to the Riverbed. Neighbors and friends enjoyed dining and chatting amongst themselves while awaiting the arrival of West Division Police Commander, **Bob Luman**. Once he arrived, Commander Luman reported that crime overall was down with the exception of garage burglaries and also addressed questions and concerns from residents. WANA thanks **Commander Luman, Officers Nguyen and Yanez**, representatives from the **Council Offices of Andrews and Uranga**, and all the residents who attended.

## WANA Salutes Our Volunteers of the Month

**Sisters Dora Garcia & Lupe Garcia**



Dora and Lupe are long-time residents of Wrigley. They even managed to live on the same block. They have always been devoted to the Wrigley Community.

They joined WANA as charter members when it was first formed - have been total supporters, haven't missed a meeting, always happy to bring a special dish to our Potlucks, have baked cookies for our seniors in Wrigley and for our bake sale. We are so lucky to have them in Wrigley. We want to thank their husbands for sharing them with us.

Congratulation Dora and Lupe you deserve it.

## Need a Ride?

If you need a ride to any WANA meeting or event, contact Maria at 427-5021.



## WANA Welcomes New Members

- ♦ Jennifer Ammirato
- ♦ James D. Cannon
- ♦ Vicki Storberg
- ♦ Deborah Sullivan
- ♦ Regina Taylor

With the help of all of its fabulous volunteers who deliver newsletters throughout Wrigley, WANA has surpassed its goal of having over 300 members by the end of this membership year. The Board couldn't have done it without you.

Please come and celebrate our second anniversary on Thursday, September 3, 7-9 pm at **Tacos Don Chente** and remember to:

**Shop and Dine in Wrigley!**



WANA wishes a speedy recovery to **Joan Pizzato** who recently underwent surgery.

## WANA Run for The Board?

Call Nancy at 426-5266

If you have a Vision for your neighborhood, WANA will help you make it happen! There will be at least 5 openings on the October ballot.

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Our condolences go out to WANA member **Ador Raquel** on the recent loss of her son.



**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL MESSAGE FROM MARIA NORVELL . . .**

Dear WANA Member:

It's been a wonderful year for WANA. Thank you for all your support. **It's time to renew your membership for the October 1, 2009 – September 30, 2010 year.** Please fill out the form below and mail your dues to P.O. Box 6370, Long Beach 90806. Dues must be paid by September 26 in order to vote by mail in the October Board Election and September 3rd proposed Bylaw and meeting location change. **SEE PAGE 7 FOR FURTHER EXPLANATION.** You will receive a reminder notice by mail or by phone in September.



The Board and I look forward to seeing you at our monthly meetings. One of the upcoming votes is **to change the meeting night from the first Thursday of the month to the Third Monday to be held at Veterans Park** instead of Jackie Robinson Academy. This vote would also change our Annual Election date for 2009 from October 1 to October 19. The Board has suggested this change to reduce costs and keep dues at the same level for at least another year.

Call me at 427-5021 anytime you have questions about membership. Thank you, once again, for being a part of our great organization!  
UNTIL NEXT TIME ...

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM — NEW MEMBER APPLICATION ON BACK PAGE**

Please list the names of all residents over the age of 18 at the membership address. I/We agree to abide by WANA Bylaws.

NAME (NAMES) \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING/STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

DUES PER ADDRESS (\$15/YR): \$ 15.00 **Membership Year 2009—2010**

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ For Special Events, Postage Increase, Filing Fees  
(Instead of general dues increase) (Please make checks payable to WANA.)

TAX DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ For DAISY AVENUE CHRISTMAS TREE LANE  
(ID #74-3222323) (Please make check payable to: FRIENDS OF WANA.)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ For HABITAT RESTORATION PROGRAM  
(Please make check payable to: FRIENDS OF WANA)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **TOTAL PAYMENT** ☐ Cash ☐ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

**TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP:**

☐ Wrigley Resident/Household ☐ Wrigley Business/Wrigley Group ☐ Non-Wrigley Resident/Associate  
Birth Day \_\_\_\_\_ Month \_\_\_\_\_

Please check box if you are interested in **VOLUNTEERING** for **WANA** activities. ☐  
PLEASE MAIL YOUR MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TO: WANA, P.O. BOX 6370, LONG BEACH CA 90806

**Read Page 7 then indicate preference: Please send voting ballots for the Annual Meeting to all eligible voters listed above at the membership address ☐ or just to (first names/initials) indicated to the right: \_\_\_\_\_**