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DEDICATED TO PRESERVING DAISY AVENUE CHRISTMAS TREE LANE TRADITIONS

**Monday, March 18**  
**WANA Public Meeting**

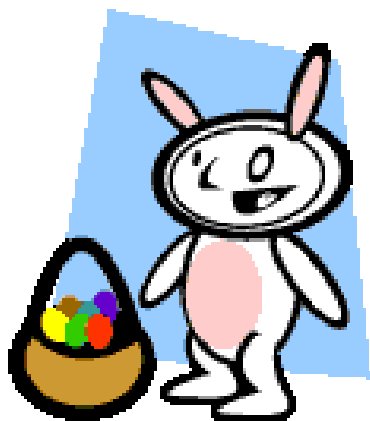
Veterans Park  
101 East 28th Street, 7-9 pm  
Mixer & Refreshments at 6:45 pm

Featured Topics: I-710 Improvement Project & Rail  
Yard Expansion Project Air Quality Impacts



**Attention All WANA Voting Members!**

The I-170 Improvement Project and Rail Yard Expansion Project have been discussed at several past meetings. Please be advised that motions from the floor for a vote on these issues may occur under **NEW BUSINESS** on our March 18 Agenda. Please attend and cast your vote to protect the quality of life in Wrigley! See Page 3.



**Saturday, March 30**  
**Easter on the Green**

Median at 20th Street & Daisy  
Avenue

**See Page 4.**

**Saturday, April 6**  
**Cressa Park Weeding  
& Mulching**

9 am to Noon

**Call Nancy at 426-5266.**





# Message from the President



We are back to our regularly scheduled meetings. There aren't any more holidays that fall on the third Monday for the rest of the year. So, come on over to Veterans Park and join us on March 18. See Page 3 for details.

We never had anyone from the Long Beach Airport speak to us. It was a great pleasure to welcome and to congratulate Airport Director Mario Rodriguez and his staff for a job well done. He brought the most impressive brochures for all of us to take home. It was just great. We can be very proud of our Airport. I can hardly wait to use it. I asked Mr. Rodriguez if I could set up a private tour for WANA members. He said "Absolutely!". Quite a number of WANA members have already signed up. I don't know how many I can join us. Call me if you are interested in going on the tour, which will be in April or May. **RESERVATIONS A MUST!**

Easter on the green is right around the corner — March 30 at 20<sup>th</sup> and Daisy. We always need more **volunteers!** **hope you can give us a hand.** Set up time **STARTS** at 11:00 am. We place plastic eggs on the grass between two bays **AND COVER THEM WITH STRAW.** We have tables, chairs, games, canopies, etc. to set up. We are also offer baked goodies for a donation to WANA and hold several cake walks. If you would like to bake a cake, cup cakes or cookies, call me or sign up at our next meeting on March 18. You can bring them to Green at 20th and Daisy Avenue between 1 and 2 pm on the day of the Easter egg hunt. We still need more silver coins to stuff the eggs. We have so much fun on Easter. Everyone enjoys themselves. Please spread the word. If you bring children to the egg hunt, don't forget to bring baskets for them to carry things home. See Page 4 for details.

Our work day at Cressa Park on March 2 went well. I want to thank **Job Corps** volunteers and **WANA** members who came out to help. It's looking pretty good. We still have a lot to do. Our next big work day will be April 6 at 9:00 am. We need lots of helping hands to weed and spread mulch.

For our **March** meeting, **Joan Greenwood** has invited several speakers to update us on the new community-developed alternative for the I-710 Improvement Project and the air quality impacts of the proposed rail yard expansion project that was approved by the Los Angeles Harbor Commission **WITHOUT ANY MITIGATION** for increasing air pollution in our Long Beach neighborhoods. See Page 3.

Membership dues just a reminder some of you have forgotten to send in your yearly dues. I will call to remind you, This month's **Newsletter** will be the last one you receive until your dues are paid.

Join us at our next meeting — share some pastries, coffee and cold drinks — learn more about what's happening in our Wrigley neighborhoods. Until next time!!!

Warmest Regards,  
Maria



Do you have **spare silver coins** (nickels, dimes or quarters) laying around that you would consider donating? WANA is seeking change to put into **200 plastic eggs** that will get covered with straw at our Annual Easter Egg Hunt. If you can contribute, please call Maria at 427-5021 or bring your extra change to the March 18 public meeting.

**Everyone is Irish  
on St. Patty's Day**





## About Our March 18 Guest Speaker ...

Angelo Logan grew up in Commerce and watched the pollution in his neighborhood get worse and worse. He decided to get involved with a group of concerned residents in Commerce and became the Co-Founder of East Yard Communities for Environmental Justice in 2002. He serves on several committees, such as: AQMD's Environmental Justice Advisory Group, I-710 EIR/EIS Community Advisory Committees, Southern California Association of Governments Goods Movement Task Force, City of Commerce Environmental Justice Task Force, and is Co-Chair of the Los Angeles Port Working Group.

## Next Steps in the I-710 Improvement Project Environmental Review Process

*By Joan Greenwood, 7th District Representative*

At the January Community Advisory Committee meeting, we were informed that the decision had been made to develop a Re-circulated Draft EIR/Supplemental EIS (RDEIR/SDEIS). The RDEIR/SDEIS will use a new set of assumptions for 2035 as a result of changes to the Gerald Desmond Bridge Design and Proposed Rail Yard Expansion Projects (SCIG and ICTF) in West Long Beach. The RDEIR/SDEIS will refine and analyze the following alternatives:

- No Build
- Alternative 6C Modified (Widening and modernization of I-710 plus tolled, zero emission, automated Freight Corridor)
- Alternative 6D (tolled zero emission, automated Freight Corridor with some modernization of I -710)

At the meeting, the Committee voted to view a presentation on an Alternative developed by representatives on the impacted communities. Following the presentation, the Committee then voted to include analysis of the Community-Developed Alternative in the revised environmental documents.

The Metro Project Team wants to hear from you about the I-710 Corridor project. If you have a specific question, want more information, or want to be added to our database, send an e-mail to Ernesto Chaves at [chavese@metro.net](mailto:chavese@metro.net). For general information and meeting materials, go to: <http://www.metro.net/projects/i-710-corridor-project>.

## SCIG Rail Yard Project — From Editorial in Long Beach Report



*In our opinion, the Los Angeles Port Working Group has it right. The Port Working Group is a principled coalition that includes the West Long Beach Association, Building Healthy Communities/LB, Long Beach Alliance for Children with Asthma, Coalition for Clean & Safe Ports, Coalition for a Safe Environment, Communities for a Better Environment, Communities for Clean Ports/End Oil, East Yard Communities for Environmental Justice, Natural Resources Defense Council and Physicians for Social Responsibility/Los Angeles. They say plainly that rail yards belong in the Port, not in neighborhoods.*



## Information, please ...

If you have any concerns regarding the neighborhood or Wrigley, please don't hesitate to contact any Board member or Officer. We will try our best to anticipate your concerns. You can call Maria at 562-427-5021 or send an e-mail to WANA at:

[wrigleyalliance@gmail.com](mailto:wrigleyalliance@gmail.com).

For example, if you want to schedule a clean up in your area, or want to contact someone in a City or Police Departments, we can direct you to the right person to address your issue.

We also welcome suggestions for future speakers and accept articles for the newsletter.



## Easter on the Green Schedule of Public Events

Saturday, March 30 from 2-4 pm on the median at 20th Street and Daisy Avenue

### Easter Egg Hunt: Ages 2 to 6 Years

*Sign-in: 2-2:30 pm — Hunt Begins at 2:30 for kids in this age group only.*

### Easter Egg Hunt: Ages 7 to 10 Years

*Sign-in: 3-3:30 pm — Hunt begins at 3:30 for kids in this age group only.*

**Cake Walk:** Suggested donation \$1 per ticket — Approximate times are 2:15 pm, 2:45 pm, 3:15 pm and 3:45 pm

**Family Fun Activities:** 2-4 pm

- Easter Egg Decorating
- Ring and Bean Bag Toss Games

**Refreshments & Baked Goods: 2-4 pm**  
— Suggested Donation Varies by Item

## WANA Easter Bunny on the Green Again ...



### ATTENTION WANA MEMBERS

**YOUR HELP NEEDED ON  
SATURDAY, MARCH 30**

**Egg Hunt Setup: 11 am-2 pm**  
**Family Fun Helpers: 2-4 pm**  
**Take Down: 4-5 pm**

### CAKE WALK ORGANIZERS 2-4 PM

WANA is looking for volunteers to donate home-made goodies — cookies, pies, cakes, or anything else that **you would** like to bake for the Cake Walk. We also need a couple of volunteers on Saturday, March 30 to work at the table to collect donations for refreshments and baked goods to offset event expenses.

WANA needs at least 10 people to help stuff plastic eggs with prize coupons or coins on March 27 at 7 p.m. and help the day of the Easter egg hunt including setting up, taking down, and everything in between. Even if you can only spare an hour or two, please call Maria at 427-5021 or e-mail us at: [wrigleyalliance@gmail.com](mailto:wrigleyalliance@gmail.com) and let us know how you can help. **Thanks a bunch!**



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WANA Members and the public are encouraged to contact Board Members with questions, comments, requests and suggestions.