

North Westdale Neighborhood Association

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Property Tax Savings for Homeowners

Join us at the Oct. 17 NWNA meeting for a presentation from the Office of Assessor Jeffrey Prang, covering:

- Prop 13 and the basic of assessment
- Parent-child transfers
- Help for seniors, veterans, and those with disabilities
- New construction and remodels
- Assessment appeals

assessor.lacounty.gov

NWNA MEETING

Wednesday, October 17, 7:00 PM

Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church
Fellowship Hall

11555 National Blvd., 90064

Park in the rear parking lot or street parking if the lot is full.

EVERYONE HAD FUN AT THE FALL BLOCK PARTY *by Joan Winters, NWNA Secretary*

It was so much fun. First of all, a huge thank-you goes out to our neighborhood association president, **Martin Rubin**, for organizing this entire event. Considering that he carried on his duties as president at the same time, as well as producing the newsletters, it was an enormous production; from designing event flyers and newsletter promotion, to securing our many wonderful sponsors, to food arrangements, ordering and set-ups of tents, tables and chairs, and coordinating with our good neighbor **Monte Montgomery**, who performed in and produced the live talent show/band stage performance for the fifth year. I was glad that I was able and willing to assist as well in whatever capacity that I could. **Pastor Caleb** of St. Andrew's, neighbors **Art Veiss** and **Vincent Chan**, as well as **Rob Kadota** of MVCC helped with the set-up and break down. The thing that I really like about our block parties, from the very beginning, is that they attract our longtime neighbors (some living in their houses since they were children) as well as new, young families. I have observed over the last five years these parents with their young children attending, and thinking what a great opportunity it is for them to integrate into this community this way through a neighborhood block party. The bounce house always attracts children, as well as the chalk for drawing in the parking lot area near the bounce house.

It was nice to see our sponsors behind their tents: **Pete Castro**, former NWNA President and realtor, Primo's Donuts owners **Ralph and Ceila Primo** skipped sitting behind a tent and went straight for the band area so they could dance to and enjoy the salsa band, **Cambusa**. Ralph was the first president of what is now the North Westdale Neighborhood Association. Another sponsor, the **Windward School** (Palms & Sawtelle), donated beautiful salads, bread, cookies, etc., was set up to talk with neighbors at their tent. The **Mar Vista Community Council** (MVCC) was set up for outreach. Neighbor **Steve Winick** brought a colorful ice cream cart from **Carvel Ice Cream** with plenty of ice cream sandwiches that were a big hit with all ages. His wife **Karen** stayed all afternoon to assist in distribution. Our treasurer, **Matt Roethle**, shared grilling duties this year with **Armond Seretti**, MVCC Outreach Committee Co-Chair. Very nice job on the grill guys! NWNA supplied the hamburgers, hot dogs, sodas, condiments, etc.

Neighbor and violin teacher, **Neal Donner**, played one solo piece and one duet piece with **Sofia Rodriguez**, a 14-year-old student of his. **Quentin Derac**, 12 years old, performed a classical piece on the keyboard. He was, as always, magnificent. Unfortunately for us, seven-year-old **Emma Tjandrawidjaja** could not attend. We understand that she was preoccupied with interview requests after her performance of the National Anthem at the L.A. Galaxy's opening game went viral.

Attendance is impossible to predict and varies each year. Dodger fans opted to watch them play for 1st in their division (GO DODGERS!). An overnight boy scout camping trip kept some from attending. All in all, there were probably 100 neighbors attending off and on throughout the afternoon. We would always welcome even more.

Many people expressed to me their appreciation of this event and their enjoyment of it, and how much fun they had.

President's message: by Martin Rubin



Dear Neighbors,

Our Fall Block Party went well. I took the reigns as event producer for a second time and with the help of Joan, Monte, our sponsors, and volunteers, the party went smoothly. Noon to 7 PM was too long, but no one complained. Maybe 3 to 6 PM next fall. That will allow more time to set up before neighbors arrive. Councilmember Mike Bonin dropped by with his son Jacob and gave a very nice certificate of appreciation to the NWN.



This year I want to focus on needed repairs to sidewalks and curbs, tree trimming, and other city services. I will, of course, need your help in identifying all of the above. I find it difficult to swallow the excuse that our great city lacks the funds to keep up with repairs. The money they have to spend on lawsuits due to the harm done by not making these needed repairs would be more than ample to cover the cost of a significant number of repairs. If you agree, I urge that you to be part of our effort by sending photos and details to me. I will forward them to the council office, and I will keep a file of them for reference. This is an important safety issue that should be started ASAP.

On Wednesday, October 17th we are fortunate to have a representative from L.A. County Assessor Jeffrey Prang's office speak to us about "Property Tax Savings for Homeowners" such as: Prop 13 and the basic of assessment; Parent-child transfers; Help for seniors, veterans, and those with disabilities; New construction and remodels; and Assessment appeals.

The Mar Vista Community Council has at least one opening for an open seat on their Board of Directors. **More information at:** www.marvista.org.

Let's make this a great year for our neighborhood so that when we come together next fall at our 6th annual block party we will have much to celebrate.

Contact me via email or phone. Martin Rubin - martinrubin@earthlink.net - (310) 479.2529



NORTH WESTDALE CRIMES - AUGUST 21 to SEPTEMBER 29, 2018

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.)

Aggravated assault-11400 National-Aug 21-9:20pm

Grand theft auto-2500 Centinela-Aug 23-11pm

Theft-11700 Gateway-Aug 26-10pm

Theft from vehicle-11600 National-Aug 28-3pm

Burglary-2200 Sunset Parkway-Aug 31-1pm

Theft from vehicle-11600 Gateway-Sept 4-6pm

Burglary-11200 National-Sept 4-10:30pm

Theft-11600 National-Sept 7-8pm

Burglary-2700 Armacost-Sept 12-2pm

Burglary-2700 Barrington- Sept 12-2pm

Grand theft auto-2400 Centinela-Sept 17-9:15am

Theft-11300 National-Sept 18-10:45am

Theft from vehicle-2600 Stoner-Sept 26-4pm

Theft from vehicle-11700 National- Sept 29-

Pacific Area Senior Lead Officer: Lamberto Urrea

In the absence of Adrian Acosta, Officer Lamberto Urrea will be covering the Senior Lead Officer duties. He can be reached at 41276@lapd.online or 424.339.5371.

The LAPD has a new online police report option.
http://www.lapdonline.org/home/content_basic_view/60409

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C A L E N D A R

October 09, & November 13 - 7 PM

MVCC Board of Directors Meeting
Mar Vista Recreation Center

October 17, 7:00 PM

NWNA Meeting - Saint Andrew's

November 03, 6 PM

MVCC Airport Committee Meeting
Saint Andrew's - Library Meeting Room

January 30, 2019 - 7:00 PM

NWNA Meeting - Saint Andrew's

MVCC information at: www.marvista.org/

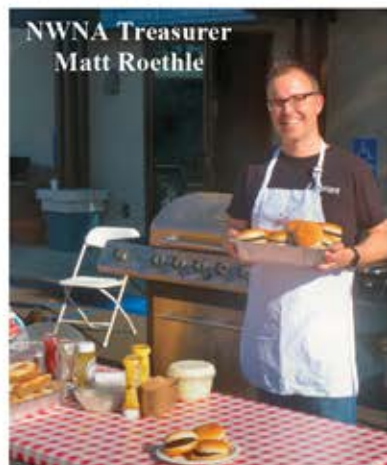
November Newsletter Submission Deadline: October 24

call: 310.479.2529 or email: martinrubin@earthlink.net



*At least two faded stop signs have been replaced with new bright red signs at the request of NWNA neighbors.
(Federal/Richland & Federal/Clarkson)
Are there other faded signs that need to be replaced?*

Photos of Federal and Richland signs
by Danielle McLachlan



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HAVE YOU HEARD WHAT YOUR NEIGHBORS ARE SAYING...



Pete Castro

All Activity
★5 34 Reviews
7 Sales Last 12mo

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09/05/2018 - angela hewey

Sold a Single Family home in 2018 in Mar Vista, Los Angeles, CA.

Local knowledge: ★★★★★

Process expertise: ★★★★★

Responsiveness: ★★★★★

Negotiation skills: ★★★★★

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North Westdale's Neighborhood Realtor®

Pete has sold over 120 homes in North Westdale alone. No one knows the value of our neighborhood better! If you'd like to know your home's value in this hot market, call or email Pete today!

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