

NEIGHBORS UNITED



Faircrest Heights' Neighborhood Organization Since 1981 – 10th District, Los Angeles

October 2016 Issue No. 10

**Please join us at our next Neighbors United meeting,
Monday, November 14, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.**

at the Claude Pepper Senior Center, 1762 S. La Cienega Boulevard.

Faircrest Heights: One of the Hottest Neighborhoods in America in 2013—BusinessInsider.com



President's Corner By Laura Anderson

Greetings Neighbors,

This month our meeting date falls on Columbus Day - October 10 - so we will not have a meeting, as Claude Pepper Senior Center will be closed.

Our November meeting date is the 14th. We will plan for our upcoming annual holiday party and we will be collecting canned foods and non-perishable foods for our Gratitude Food Drive. All goods will be donated to a local food bank to assist with Thanksgiving meals.

Also in November, we will plan for our annual Neighbors United election, which will be held in December at our holiday party. Please start thinking of volunteering to hold an office. We especially need a recording secretary.

The General Election will be held on November 8, before our next meeting, so I'd like to encourage everyone to register and vote! If you've recently moved to Faircrest Heights, you'll need to re-register by October 24 online or postmarked by that date. Vote by Mail requests must be received by November 1. There are many federal and state positions to be filled and important statewide and local measures to be decided.

If you need a ride to and from the polling place, contact ayalalaw@icloud.com. Also use this contact if you are willing to provide transportation.

Flu Season is Coming- get free flu vaccination soon!

With Halloween coming at the end of this month, we encourage you to watch out for "trick or treaters" as you drive through the neighborhood

We welcome our new neighbors and invite you to come and get involved. We want your ideas, your skills and resources to help us to maintain a great quality of life in our community.

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**Columbus Day:
October 10, 2016
No Meeting**

LAPD Numbers

- Emergency 911
- Non-emergency 311 or
877-275-5273
(877-ASK-LAPD)
- Wilshire Station
213-473-0476
Senior Lead Officer Adam Green
213-793-0647 (North of 18th Street)
- Senior Lead Officer Charles Thomas
213-793-0786 (South of 18th Street)
- Anonymous Tip Line
877-529-3855
(877-LAW-FULL)

Call 911 immediately if you see persons breaking into homes or loitering around neighbors' homes.

Proposed Zone Change Recommendation for R1 Zones

As you may know the City imposed a temporary moratorium (Interim Control Order) on demolishing single-family homes in the R1 zone and building "McMansions." That ICO will expire early next year.

In May we attended the Los Angeles City Planning Department Community Meeting and Open House and had an opportunity to share our thoughts on the size and general design characteristics of single-family homes in the RA, RE, RS and R1 zones in Faircrest Heights. The Planning Department then followed up with proposed solutions and held a hearing in August at Claude Pepper Senior Center. We were able to give oral comments and were encouraged to write comments, and attend any upcoming hearings on this matter.

The Proposed R1 Variation Zones Code Amendment Recommendation Report to the City Planning Commission, as well as the Proposed Zone Change Recommendation Report for the Faircrest Heights, Crestview, Picfair Village, Wilshire Vista, La Brea Hancock, Larchmont Heights, South Hollywood and the Oaks of Los Feliz neighborhoods are now available online on the Neighborhood Conservation webpage under "Updates."

Direct links to the reports are also available below. Please copy and paste them on your browser address line.

- Proposed R1 Variation Zones Code Amendment Recommendation Report (CPC-2016-2110-CA) - <http://preservation.lacity.org/sites/default/files/Staff%20Report%20and%20Exhibits%20CPC-2016-2110-CA.pdf>
- Proposed R1 Variation Zones Code Amendment Q&A - <http://preservation.lacity.org/sites/default/files/Q%26A%2010-6-16.pdf>
- Proposed Zone Change Recommendation Report (CPC-2016-2112-ZC) for Faircrest Heights, Crestview, Picfair Village, Wilshire Vista, La Brea Hancock, Larchmont Heights, South Hollywood and the Oaks of Los Feliz neighborhoods - <http://preservation.lacity.org/sites/default/files/CPC-2016-2112-ZC.pdf>

These matters are scheduled to go before the City Planning Commission on Thursday, October 13 after 10 a.m. in Room 340 of City Hall (200 N. Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012). The agenda for the City Planning Commission meeting will be posted online at http://planning.lacity.org/InternetCalendar/DSP_RESULTS_CPC.aspx?APC=CPC&Subtype=Agenda. You may review it at least 72 hours before the hearing.

Public comments can be submitted to CPC@lacity.org. Please be sure to include the case number in the communication.

For updates, follow online:

- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/neighborhoodconservation/>
- Neighborhood Conservation webpage: <http://preservation.lacity.org/http%3A/preservation.lacity.org/neighborhoodconservation/updates>
- Department webpage: <http://cityplanning.lacity.org/> and click "Ordinances" and then "Proposed Ordinances."

Should you have any questions please contact neighborhoodconservation@lacity.org. When emailing please reference the case number in the subject line and "Code Amendment" or "Zone Change" (e.g., CPC-2016-2110-CA; Code Amendment or CPC-2016-2112-ZC; Zone Change).

Earthquake Warning

Seismologists recently issued an unusual earthquake warning for the greater Los Angeles area due to a swarm of seismic activity at the Salton Sea that scientists say caused an elevated risk for a big San Andreas fault earthquake. A few days later that risk had lessened, and Governor Brown's Office of Emergency Service said that the earthquake advisory period was over. However, this is a good time for us to review our emergency plans, make sure we have earthquake supplies and check earthquake safety lists.

Happy 85th Joan Jackson!



Have you seen this woman? Of course you have because she is everywhere! Joan Jackson, a retired educator is not the "retiring" type. She is always on the go.

Joan is active at Claude Pepper Senior Center and in many other organizations, a volunteer at Kaiser West Los Angeles, a Sunday School teacher at her church. As a long-time member of the 10th Council District Women's Steering Committee, she was honored as "Volunteer of the Year". She loves to travel and often goes on day trips. If that's not enough she is an avid dancer. For many years she and her late husband were in a square dancing group and performed with the group around the city (including at Neighbors United Block Parties). At our 30th Anniversary Block Party, Joan was recovering from knee surgery, but she was dancing with her cane. Whenever you see her, she has a warm smile, kind words and uplifting conversation. Happy birthday, Joan!



PICO Clean Up

Lunch will be provided!

**Join us in beautifying our Neighborhood!
Saturday's 9 am - 1 pm**

Sat. Oct 8* — meet @ Vons
 Sat. Oct 15 — meet @ Vons
 Sat. Oct 22 — meet @ Holy Spirit
 Sat. Nov 5 — meet @ Public Storage

5570 West Airdrome St., Los Angeles

in partnership with:

***9 am-11am**

P.I.C.O. Neighborhood Council	Council District Ten
Los Angeles Conservation Corps.	Little Ethiopia Culture & Resource Center
Community Police Advisory Board	Pico Great Streets Collaborative
Picfair Village Community Association	Faircrest Heights/Neighbors United
Wilshire Vista Heights Neighborhood Association	Wilshire Vista Neighborhood Association



For more information contact:
323-521-9080
www.piconc.com

Implementation Plan

1. My LA 311 Event Day – (October 8, 2016)

Volunteers will assemble (Vons parking lot) at 9AM to get brief training on how to use the 311 app. Volunteers will divide up into association teams and canvas their association area disturbing flyers, with special emphasis on local businesses, about upcoming cleanup days, how to use the MyLA 311 app, and identifying areas for cleanup. Alleyways and streets that need cleanup would be single out for the November 5, 2016 cleanup date. Volunteers would also be prepared to do any cleanup along the way. Teams would return to the starting site at 11AM to share information and identify problem areas. Teams will need gloves, and bags for trash pickup. Volunteers will come from the associations and community groups (See list of Partners).

2. Cleanup Day One Event (October 15, 2016)

Volunteers will assemble (Vons parking lot) at 9AM to get assignments, form cleanup teams, get tools and supplies, and determine which teams will cover north and South sides of the street. One team will be form to cover Pico Boulevard between Fairfax Avenue and LaCienega Boulevard. A second team would cover Fairfax Avenue between Pico Boulevard and Olympic Boulevard. These teams will have gloves, trash bags, and rakes provided by our 501(c) 3 partner. Volunteers will come from local associations (Little Ethiopia, Business District, Faircrest Heights - Neighbors United, and Wilshire Vista).

The La Cienega Farmers' Market Has Moved



The La Cienega Farmers' Market has moved from the corner of La Cienega and 18th Streets. **The good news is they just moved a few feet to the west on 18th Street in the La Cienega Plaza parking lot behind Togo's Sandwich Shop.**

In addition to the usual vendors, there are new additions: SZ Ranch is a poultry and beef rancher who will be providing us with fresh cuts of both meats, along with their seasonal pumpkins. L.A. Burger Co will be grilling their famous gourmet burgers and offering sides like freshly made onion rings; plus Sliders for the tots and light eaters.

There will be live music weekly, so take your family to shop, eat, and enjoy music from exceptionally talented and seasoned jazz musicians. The market serves our community two days a week:

Wednesdays- 9:00 am - 2:30 pm at Kaiser West Los Angeles, 6041 Cadillac Ave. (Located at the Hospital's front entrance.); and

Thursdays - 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm (7:30 pm Daylight Saving Time) - Be sure to support our neighborhood farmer's market.

LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT
WILSHIRE AREA AND WEST TRAFFIC DIVISION
INVITE YOU TO A FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY OCTOBER 16, 2016
12 PM - 4 PM

FREE FOOD AND BEVERAGES * STATION GUIDED TOUR
KIDS ACTIVITIES * LAPD EXHIBITS * NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
COMMUNITY COUNCILS * ENTER TO WIN PRIZES * GAMES

CEDARS - SINAI BLOOD DRIVE

10:30 AM - 4:30 PM



LAPD WILSHIRE COMMUNITY POLICE STATION
4861 W. VENICE BLVD

For further information, contact Wilshire Community Relations Officer
213 473-0200

Hearts and Flowers

Condolences to the family of Lois Gayle.

Thinking of you, Sandy Moody.

Please keep in touch with neighbors who are ill, hospitalized, confined to their homes or bereaved. Give them a call or a visit to brighten their day. **Remember to notify our Hearts and Flowers Chair, Helen Nelson, at 323-934-0752, your block captain or email us at neighborsunited2@aol.com.**

Visit our website: <http://faircrestheights.weebly.com>. You can also access the website from www.neighborsunited.net. Be sure to submit articles, pictures and communications of interest to the Faircrest Heights community.

Want to Receive Neighbors United Newsletters Via Email?

If you'd like to receive Neighbors United newsletters (and/or emergency updates, which – knock on wood – we hope will be rare!) by email, please send your name, address and preferred email address to neighborsunited2@aol.com, and encourage interested neighbors to do the same. The more efficiently and broadly we can reach our neighbors, the more cohesive, informed and engaged we can be as a community. **Be aware, however, we still need your dues to pay rent for our meeting space, post office box and other expenses associated with planning department and other civic activities.**

Please give your dues to your block captain, bring them to a meeting or mail them to:

Neighbors United P.O.Box 35103 Los Angeles, CA 90035

Neighbors United Membership Form The membership drive is happening now! Support Faircrest Heights.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Yearly Dues: \$15.00

Please fill this out and give it with your check payable to Neighbors United to your block captain,