

PA FIRST NEIGHBORHOOD PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

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Homeowners Meeting

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Center Cardroom. All homeowners are invited to attend.

Welcome Neighbors

These new residents have recently moved into our First Neighborhood and we welcome them. As new residents and members of the First Neighborhood Property Owners Association, you should call the Community Center office (818) 889-0632 if you have any questions regarding your new home or neighborhood.

Fred, 4531 Greenbelt Court

Mike, 31756 Bainbrook Court



Beautiful Home ~ 4422 Guildhall Court

Holiday Reminder

Now that the holidays are over, please be sure to remove all Holiday decorations and lights. Thank You!

Happy New Year First Neighborhood!!!

CC&R Highlights

Before proceeding with any alternation to the outside of your home (front, back, or sides), fill out and submit an Architectural Request form at least four weeks before scheduling the work. Remodels may take longer, so plan ahead. (The form is available by mail, the First Neighborhood website www.firstneighborhood.org, or you can stop by the First Neighborhood Office at the Community Center.)

City Council Meetings

If you are interested in attending City Council Meetings, they are scheduled the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the City Hall. An agenda is also available to you the Friday before each meeting, which you can pick up at the City Hall. Get involved!

Remembering Don Moffet

First Neighborhood lost a great friend this month. Don Moffet, longtime resident and the former chairman of the Greenbelt Committee has passed away. For those of you who have lived here longer than five years, we're sure you remember seeing Don cruising around the Greenbelt on his golf cart. Hip surgery had limited his physical movement, but not his enthusiasm and love of this neighborhood that Don and his family had called home for many, many years.

Don was the Greenbelt Committee Chairman for so long, nobody can remember when he began his tenure. He partnered with former resident Kermit Jacobsen for many years until Kermit retired to northern California. Don loved First Neighborhood and he protected the Greenbelt as fiercely as if it was his own backyard. Don made sure that regular tree health surveys were done and ensured any removed trees were replaced

with new trees. He formed a committee about eight years ago that met and decided where benches should be placed throughout the Greenbelt. Everything he did was in the best interest of the residents and the Greenbelt system that we all enjoy.

Five years ago, Don and his wife sold their home and retired to Leisure Village. A committee of three took over the stewardship of our Greenbelt. That's right, three of us now do what Don used to do by himself.

We owe so much to Don and all the folks from his generation who set the community service bar high for all of us. It is because of their hard work and dedication that we can enjoy our First Neighborhood lifestyle that is so special and unique. It is our challenge to continue to meet the high standards that they set.

Thanks Don, rest in peace. We'll take it from here.

The Sheriff's Department Community Tips

WHAT TO DO IF YOU ARE STOPPED BY A DEPUTY SHERIFF

Being stopped by a deputy sheriff can be uncomfortable. Deputies share your feelings. More than half of all California peace officers killed in the line of duty were conducting pedestrian or traffic stops. Our biggest concern is safety, yours and ours. The information herein will help everyone get home safely.

Why Deputies Conduct Stops

- Public safety is the primary reason for any stop, for example:
- Did you commit a traffic violation?
ran a red light, expired registration tags
- Do you match the description of someone wanted for a crime?
assault, theft, homicide
- Was your vehicle or one like it used to commit a crime?
drive-by shooting, arson, kidnapping
Is your vehicle safe?
broken taillight, cracked windshield
- Did you witness a crime?
robbery, shooting, burglary
- Do you need help?

What You Need To Know

- Red lights and/or a siren means pull over to the right where it is safe and where you will not block traffic.
- If it is dark, the deputy will use a bright spotlight or flashlight to illuminate you or your car.
- California law requires all drivers to show their license, registration, and insurance card to a peace officer upon request.
- The United States Supreme Court states it is reasonable and legal for a deputy to ask you and your passengers to exit the car.
- According to State law, if you refuse to sign a citation, you may be arrested

What You Should Do

- Remain in your vehicle and follow the deputy's instructions.

Community Center Calendar of Events January - February 2015

JANUARY 2015

Friday 2	Party	9:00 a.m.
Friday 9	Cotillion	4:00 p.m.
Wednesday 14	Girl Scouts	12:30 p.m.
Thursday 15	Girl Scouts	2:00 p.m.
Saturday 17	Party	9:00 a.m.
Wednesday 21	Architectural/First Neighborhood POA Meeting	6:30 p.m./7 p.m.
Thursday 22	Meeting	4:00 p.m.
Thursday 28	Girl Scouts	2:30 p.m.
Saturday 31	Party	9:00 a.m.

FEBRUARY 2015

Wednesday 4	Party	9:00 a.m.
Thursday 5	Girl Scouts	2:30 p.m.
Friday 6	Cotillion	4:00 p.m.
Wednesday 11	Girl Scouts	2:30 p.m.
Tuesday 17	Meeting	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday 18	Architectural/First Neighborhood POA Meeting	6:30 p.m./7 p.m.

- Keep your hands where the deputy can see them.
- Avoid any sudden movements, and do not reach for your license or other items until the deputy requests them.
- Ask any passengers in your car to remain calm and comply with the deputy's instructions.
- Sign the citation if you receive one (this does not mean you are guilty; it is just your promise to appear in court at a later time).

What You Can Expect

- Deputies are trained to be courteous and professional when they contact you.
- When it is safe or practical to do so, the deputy will provide you with his/her name upon request.
- Deputies who are not in uniform will also present proper identification upon request.
- Within a reasonable amount of time, the deputy will explain why you were stopped.
- If you are disabled or ill, the deputy will assist you.

Talk To Us

- The Watch Commander at any Sheriff's Station or facility is available to answer your questions regarding procedures, citations, or traffic stops.
- You can contact us in person or by mail, and you do not have to use a special form. The Watch Commander will complete a Service Comment Report to document your complaint or commendation.
- Watch Commanders may discuss a deputy's conduct, but cannot adjudicate citations. Only a judge has that authority.
- If you choose to report your concerns by phone, you may contact the station Watch Commanders individually or you may dial 1-800-698-TALK.

If you have any questions, please contact Deputy Mike Woodard at 818-878-5506.



Westlake Village Places of Worship



St. Jude's Catholic Church (818) 889-1279
Fr. Jim Stehly
32032 Lindero Canyon Rd. - Westlake Village, 91361

St. Paul Lutheran Church,
MO Synod (818) 889-1620
Matthew Nolte, Pastor
30600 Thousand Oaks Blvd. - Agoura, 91301

Temple Adat Elohim..... (805) 497-7101
Rabbi Barry Diamond
2420 E. Hillcrest Dr. - Thousand Oaks, 91362

The Church of the Epiphany (818) 991-4797
(Episcopal)
Rev. Melissa McCarthy
5450 Churchwood Dr. - Oak Park, 91377

The Calvary Community Church (818) 991-8040
Shawn Thornton, Pastor
5495 Via Rocas - Westlake Village, 91362

Conejo Valley
Congregational Church (805) 381-0484
Dave Clack, Pastor
750 Erbes Road - Thousand Oaks, 91362

Westminster Presbyterian Church... (818) 889-1491
Rev. Dr. Richard H. Thompson, Pastor
32111 Watergate Road - Westlake Village, 91361

United Methodist Church
of Westlake Village (805) 497-7884
Rev. Dr. Gary Alan Dickey, Pastor
1049 Westlake Blvd. - Westlake Village, 91361

Church of Jesus Christ of
Latter-Day Saints..... (818) 991-2550
La Venta at Watergate - Westlake Village, 91361

First Church of Christian Scientist... (805) 495-3203
305 Conejo School Road - Thousand Oaks, 91362

New Hope Lutheran Church..... (818) 889-8700
Craig Beeker, Pastor
29295 Agoura Road - Agoura Hills, 91301

Temple Etz Chaim..... (805) 497-6891
Rabbi Richard Spiegel
1080 Janss Road - Thousand Oaks, 91362

REFERENCE INFORMATION FOR HOMEOWNERS First Neighborhood Property Owners Association

Homeowners and Architectural Committee meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center. Your attendance is most welcome at all regular meetings. The Architectural Committee requests your applications for review and approval of all exterior modifications to your home or landscaping (reroofing, tree removal, etc.) Newsletter deadline is the 3rd Monday of each month. Please submit information in person, by phone or mail to the Community Center.

For Emergencies Or Problems:

Police (Sheriff)	911 (Emergency) or 818-878-1808; 818-991-0522 (fax)
Fire/paramedics	911 (Emergency) or 818-889-1122; 818-889-1626 (business)
Animal Control	818-991-0071
Gas Leaks	1-800-427-2200
Electrical Power Loss	1-800-611-1911
Broken Water Main	818-251-2100 (Las Virgenes Water Dist.)
Telephone Repair	611
Las Virgenes Water Dist.	818-251-2100
Vector Control Rodents	626-430-5450
Mosquitoes	310-915-7370

For General Information:

Community Center Office	818-889-0632 (8:30 - 12:30 pm, Mon.-Fri.)
Manager - The Emmons Company	805-413-1170 (8:30 am - 5:30 pm, Mon.-Fri.)
City Hall	818-706-1613
Health Dept.	818-880-3409
LA County Health & Human Service Program	211

To Report Common Area Problems:

Continuously Running Sprinklers:	
On City Property (Cul-de-Sacs, Medians, Park)	818-706-1613 (9 am - 5 pm, Mon.-Fri.)
On First Neighborhood Property (Greenbelts Only)	818-889-0632 (8:30 am-12:30 pm, Mon.-Fri.)
Lights Out On Greenbelt:	Customer Service 1-800-655-4555
Community Center Alarm:	Aid Alert Security 818-991-6002

Board of Directors:

Brad Halpern - President
Don Miller - Vice President
Kelly Ray - Treasurer
Sophie Brown - Secretary
Bill White - Member-At-Large

Architectural Committee:

Sherry Crakow
Tony D'Amore
Al MacDonald
Janie McKay
Len Polan
Rich Shin

Greenbelt Committee:

Robin Hirsch, Chairman (818) 822-7091
Bruce Gruver
Allisyn Cashdan

Notes



Sunset Magazine

January Checklist

Planting

Annuals. It's still possible to plant annuals, especially in mild coastal areas. Choices include calendula, dianthus, Iceland poppy, larkspur, nemesia, pansy, primrose, snapdragon, and stock. Low desert gardeners can also plant petunias.

Bare-root plants. Bare-root plants are a bargain, and they're also fun: Watching a twiggy stick turn into a leafy plant is always a kick. You have plenty of opportunity to plant this month. Nurseries will still be well stocked with roses, and they will also have stone fruit trees, cane berries, grape and kiwi vines, strawberries, artichokes, and asparagus. Some may also have deciduous ornamental trees. Plant immediately if possible. If soil is too soggy, cover roots with moist soil or plant temporarily in containers.

Winter Color. In Southern California, a surprising number of plants bloom in the middle of winter. To add sparkle to the garden during this season, consider a winter-flowering tree such as Acacia baileyana, Hong Kong orchid tree (Bauhinia blakeana), or feathery cassia (Cassia artemisioides). Tuck a winter-blooming shrub like Christmas heather (Erica canaliculata), Geraldton waxflower, or euryops into the flower border, and add bergenia, hellebores, or yellow flax (Reinwardita indica) to your perennial beds. Train flame vine (Pyrostegia venusta) or Jasminum polyanthum up a trellis. Use aloes or other flowering succulents as accents.

Maintenance

Begin dormant-season pruning. Start with roses. Deciduous fruit trees need pruning too; plums, apricots, and peaches



each require a different technique. If in doubt, attend a pruning demonstration at an arboretum or consult a good reference book before proceeding. Don't prune spring-flowering plants now—wait until after bloom. Also wait for spring before removing frost-damaged branches. The damaged portion protects tender interior growth.

Groom Camellias. If camellia blight is a problem (petals turn brown and flowers rot in the center), pick infected flowers from plants and remove fallen flowers and leaves promptly from ground beneath plants.

Pest Control

Apply dormant spray. After pruning, spray roses and deciduous flowering and fruit trees with horticultural oil to smother overwintering insects such as mites, scale, and sawfly larvae. For fungal diseases such as peach leaf curl, mix lime sulfur or fixed copper into the oil. Spray the branches, crotches, trunk, and ground beneath the tree's drip line. If rain occurs within 48 hours, repeat.

Subject: Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department – Malibu Lost Hills Station Joins Nextdoor.com

Hello, my name is Lieutenant Jennifer Seetoo, and I am pleased to announce the Malibu Lost Hills Sheriff's Station will be using Nextdoor.com to facilitate virtual neighborhood watch and foster neighbor-to-neighbor communications.

Nextdoor is a tool for us to effectively share information on crime prevention and safety, public events, and emergency notifications. You can expect to receive local crime and safety updates from the Malibu Lost Hills Sheriff's Station on Nextdoor. Please be assured that your website remains private. Sheriff's personnel will not be able to see any of the content on your neighborhood website, except for the direct replies to our posts. Please be aware that Nextdoor is not the appropriate way to request emergency services, police services, report criminal or suspicious activity, file a report, etc. If you require emergency services, please call 911. For non-emergency concerns, please call the Malibu Lost Hills Sheriff's Station business line at (818) 878-1808. We look forward to connecting with you on Nextdoor to build stronger, safer neighborhoods throughout the Sheriff's Malibu Lost Hills Station policing areas. Please join Nextdoor.com and download the app on your smart phone.

Approved Architectural Applications

- #0044 4511 Sevenoaks Court
Solar Panels
- #0111 4515 Wolsey Court
Landscape
- #0169 32044 Grenville Court
Garage Doors
- #0186 32024 Royceton Court
Paint, Roof
- #0279 31717 Kentfield Court
Windows, Doors
- #0302 31831 Village Brook Road
Landscape, Hardscape
- #0343 31827 Langspur Court
Skylight, Roof
- #0404 31920 Village Center Road
Solar Panels
- #0445 4401 Yorkfield Court
Driveway
- #0474 31756 Bainbrook Court
Windows, Doors



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Greenbelt

All's quiet on the Greenbelt this time of the year. Leaves are falling and a cold frost paints the grass white most mornings. Not much to report, so how about a little history lesson on this fabulous place we call First Neighborhood.

Three thousand years ago First Neighborhood was right in the middle of a Chumash village. The Spanish led by Captain de Portola came by in 1770 and after Mexico won its independence from Spain a land grant divided this area into Rancho El Conejo and Rancho Las Virgenes. In 1850 California became part of the U.S., and in 1881 the Russell brothers purchased this land for a cattle ranch for a \$20 gold piece. In 1825 William Randolph Hearst became the owner, and in 1943 it was sold to Fred Albertson who used the land in part as a movie ranch. Shows like Gunsmoke and Bonanza were shot here.

In 1963 the American-Hawaiian Steamship Company bought 12,000 acres for \$32 million and together with the Prudential Insurance Company created the master plan for a "City in the Country" and the rest as they say is history.

So now it is our turn to live here in this wonderful and unique gem of a neighborhood. As the year 2015 rolls around take a moment to revel in all of our good fortune that we have such a great place to call home.

Electronic Communication Consent for POA Documents

We are asking all homeowners in the First Neighborhood Property Owners Association to authorize us to communicate with you by e-mail in lieu of first class mail, specifically for annual mailings such as the budget and audit reports, as well as newsletters, quarterly billing statements, and other documents concerning the Association. Any electronic record satisfies the "in writing" requirement, as long as it comes in a form that can be retained electronically or printed as per 2014 Davis Stirling Act 4035-4045. Transmitting the documents by e-mail will reduce printing and mailing costs for your Association. We would also be able to contact you quickly in case of an emergency in the community.



You can print out the form authorizing
consent from the association website:
www.firstneighborhood.org

We urge you to sign up for this method of communication if you have e-mail. If you do sign up, but change your mind in the future, you may revoke your consent at any time by notifying us in writing that you wish to do so.