

Westlake Island Mainsheet

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✧ ISLAND CLEANUP DAY ✧



SATURDAY
MAY 30, 2009
8 AM - 12 NOON

One huge dumpster will arrive on Saturday for our annual Island cleanup day which is sponsored by the Community Enhancement Program of the City of Thousand Oaks and they cover all costs.

2636 OAKSHORE at LA VENTA

A local charity will have a truck at Oakshore to take donations of good stuff and receipts will be given. The Security truck (manned by able-bodied volunteers) will be available to help haul the big items.

No tires or hazardous materials such as paint, chemicals, computer monitors, televisions or batteries will be accepted. Also no grass clippings.

Call (805) 449-SAVE for an appointment for free monthly disposal of paint, oil, batteries computer monitors, televisions or other household items.

Visit WWW.TOAKS.ORG for recycling/disposal information.
Sponsored by City of Thousand Oaks Community Enhancement Program. ✧

✧ PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE ✧

By Alan Jeffery

Welcome to the first Edition of the Mainsheet distributed electronically to those not requesting a hard copy. This means of distribution will save the expense of mailing and consequently will save your HOA that cost. Hopefully once at our website (www.westlakeisland.com) you will take a few moments to discover the wealth of information contained there.

Several upcoming dates you should mark on your calendar: First, our very popular Island Cleanup Day scheduled for May 30th (see details elsewhere in this edition), second, on May 7th, we will be holding our Annual Island Maintenance Review (this gives you plenty of time to get your property in tiptop shape), and finally on June 4th, the Annual Island HOA meeting will be held at the Westlake Yacht Club at 7:30pm. At this meeting we will hold the Board of Directors election. As you know, the five Board members are elected for staggered two year terms. The three members whose terms are expiring this year (Alan Jeffery, Larry Schalk and Penny Singer) have agreed to run again for another term. You already have received a nomination form for a seat on the Board of Directors in the mail. Anyone interested in running for a seat on the Board should complete this application form and return it to the Emmons Company.

All homeowners are again reminded that Section 5.2 of the Westlake Island Rules requires all residents are to pick up after their dogs. Lately it seems

that a number of people are forgetting this requirement and the results are causing an unsightly mess. We have installed an additional poop bag disbursement center on Oakshore just west of LaVenta. Please take advantage of these free bags.

Let us all be thankful for the beautiful place we live in. I hope all of you have a very enjoyable summer. ✧



✧ WESTLAKE ISLAND BOARD ✧

President	Alan Jeffery
Vice-President	Dick Barone
Secretary	Penny Singer
Treasurer	Larry Schalk
Member-at-Large	Marv Reshew

✧ COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS ✧

Animal Regulations	Larry Schalk
Architecture	Al Baker
Beautification	JoAnn Gumbert
Joint Board	Linda Vandaveer
Facilities	Dave Whitney
Maintenance	Dick Barone
Island Security	Marvin Reshew
Mainsheet Editor	Alan Jeffery
Hospitality	Penny Singer
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Technology	Bob Weisz



✧ JOINT BOARD SUMMARY ✧

By Linda Vandaveer

The Joint Board is a group composed of representatives from the various homeowner associations within Westlake Village. It meets every other month with the purpose of providing information on issues, actions, and concerns of the residents of our community. Meetings are held at the North Ranch Community Center. All are welcome to attend. The next meeting is scheduled for May 28, 2009 at 7:30 pm. A representative from the Las Virgenes Water District will give a presentation on water conservation and how homeowners can conserve water. This article is a summary of information shared at the January and March 2009 meetings.

Philipa Klessig, Westlake Village Councilmember summarized current council topics. The city's TGIF program will again be provided this year at the Westlake City Hall/Library. On June 5th the award winning Agoura High School Jazz Band will give a musical presentation. Additional details are available at the library and city hall. The site of the closed Dakota's restaurant will reopen as a Sports Grill. The landscaping of the Agoura Road median nears completion. The Triunfo Canyon median landscape project is next on the agenda. Their concave shape prevents water run-off into the streets. A sidewalk improvement project is in the works for Thousand Oaks Blvd at the Auto Mall. The major project this year is the road improvement of the Lindero Canyon

overpass at the 101 freeway. This will involve more lanes in both directions, on and off ramps to the freeway, a raised sidewalk and improved bike path lanes. The project is expected to take 2 years to complete.

Dennis Gillette, Mayor Pro-Tem and Andy Fox, Thousand Oaks Councilmember presented. They stressed that public safety is the number one priority of Thousand Oaks. Information was provided on the need for the proposed full service Portrero Fire Station, emphasizing its relevance to public safety. There has been some controversy on the topic, which they report is politically fueled. The city of Thousand Oaks contracts with the county for police and law enforcement. While quality of service has never been a question, a review indicates that far more money is being paid to the county than services received. By this report, Westlake is being underserved by the fire district and these monies paid out could pay for the construction of the proposed Portrero Fire Station, to be located across from Westlake Elementary School. Decisions about possible changes to the Lake Sherwood Fire Station are up to the County.

Negotiations about the proposed Costco at the Adventist site in Newbury Park are continuing. A state of the art community swimming pool is available for use at the CLU North Campus. The council is trying to find a solution to oversized vehicles parked on city streets. A task force is being formed. ✧

✧ NEIGHBORLY WAY ✧

By Rose Jeffery

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LaVenta Drive - Former resident **Hal Poett** passed away on December 18, 2008. Our condolences to his wife, Mary Louise, their family and friends.

LaVenta Drive - **Mary Schnathorst** passed away in April, 2009. Our condolences to her family and friends.

Oakshore Drive – **Dr. Virginia Kerr Doody** passed away on December 3, 2008. Our condolences to her husband, William, their family and friends.

Oakshore Drive—**Al Marcheschi** passed away on March 19, 2009. Our condolences to his wife, Charlene, their family and friends.

Redsail Circle - **Eileen McLaren** passed away on December 17, 2008. Our condolences to her son, Jason, their family and friends.

Whitesail Circle – **Sylvia Singer** passed away on March 2, 2009. Our condolences to her family and friends.

Flag Disposal Program – Sunday, June 14 is Flag Day. Our island flag disposal program will be repeated again this year. Bring your old tattered and frayed flags to the guard gate the week before or the week after Flag Day (June 8 to June 21) for proper disposal in a respectful manner. Last year sixty flags were turned in at the guard gate for proper disposal.

Household Battery Collection Program

Are you aware that batteries can no longer be thrown away in the trash! Take your used batteries to your city hall in Westlake Village or Thousand Oaks for safe disposal. Used batteries can also be dropped off at the Goebel Senior center and the Thousand Oaks Library during normal business hours.

Water Efficiency—Water conservation is key to ensuring on going water availability. Our water companies are asking us to conserve water now. Outside water use can account for a major portion of your water bill. Please ensure that your sprinklers are in proper working condition spraying in the right direction for the appropriate time. If the water is running off the sidewalk and into the street, the timing needs to be lowered. Check the frequency of your watering as our seasons change. During the cooler months two to three times a week for a shorter duration of time may be sufficient. For more information regarding water saving ideas check out your water companies web sites. LA residents Las Virgenes Water District www.lvmwd.com. Ventura residents California Water Company www.calwater.com. or go to www.bewaterwise.com. ✧

WANTED!

Architectural Committee Volunteers

The Architectural Committee is looking for volunteers. If you are interested please contact Pam at The Emmons Company. (805) 413-1170 or pamz@emmonsco.net.

✧ MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE REPORT ✧

By Dick Barone, Chairman

The Maintenance Committee will be reviewing Island homes on May 7. Please look around and see if your lawns, trees, flowers, hedges, etc. are healthy and/or not overgrown! The following are maintenance issues our committee looks for.

Home Maintenance

Homes "that show peeling or faded wood trim, fascia boards, doors, patio decks or garage doors will be cited. Faded or stained stucco will be cited. Roof flashings should be painted the same color as the roof or house trim. Roof tiles and shingles will be cited if they have fallen off.

Landscape Maintenance

Lawns, shrubs, plants, bushes or any other plantings must be trimmed and maintained. Decks that are raised above the grass should have foliage or lattice so you cannot see under the deck. Trees should be trimmed to a height of ten feet above any sidewalk. Dead limbs are to be removed. Tree branches are not to hang into the lake.

Driveways

Residents are required to keep driveways free of oil, grease, rust and other stains.

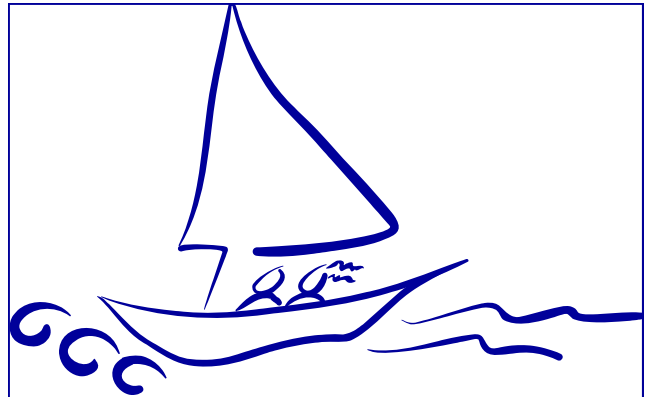
Remember, most major repairs, changes or replacements need Architectural committee approval. Refer to the Island Rules for specifics.

If you do receive a citation, please try to remedy the problem as soon as possible and report back to the

Emmons Company that the work has been completed. You can call, fax or forward the report, marked completed, to the Emmons Company at:

Emmons Company
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Thousand Oaks, CA 91360
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Fax No. (805) 413-1190

We very much appreciate your efforts in keeping the Island a proud and pristine place to live. ✧



✧ WLMA ✧ ANNUAL LAKE TOUR

*SATURDAY
MAY 2, 2009*

MEET AT 9:00 AM
WESTLAKE YACHT CLUB

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!!

Call Anna at WLMA Office to
RSVP and for any questions
(818) 889-5377



SECURITY REPORT

The arrival of spring to the Island signals the return of our ducks. From past experience we realize that they do enjoy sleeping in the streets and when they deem ready, walking across the street with no concern for your vehicles. Therefore, please remember to drive with due diligence during this time. Also, please remember that work must conclude by 5pm and all workers must depart for the day.

Sharon Boer is the newest member of the Island Security team. Sharon ran her own business for 18 years doing training for automobile dealerships prior to joining Westlake Island Security.

Sharon has two daughters, the oldest is married and lives in Kansas and the youngest is in a Masters program at USC School of Gerontology. Sharon has lived in her home in Agoura since 1974. While not on watch at the Island, Sharon still enjoys her business, family, movies and gardening.

Please welcome Sharon as you come past the Guard House. ✨

✨BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE REPORT

By JoAn Gumbert, Chair

I hope you had a happy holiday season. We were all disappointed when our thick, new pansies disappeared soon after the holiday lights were removed.

The sleuths from American Nurseries discovered that our island has been invaded by adorable little rabbits who multiply faster than the ducks. It seems pansies are their favorite flowers (food), and they have eaten the pansies from LaVenta, in front of the guardhouse, all the way to homes on Oakshore.

Our landscapers suggest that we plant the spring flowers as soon as we are sure that freezing evenings have ended. I met with American Nurseries in February and ordered the flowers so that we would have an early colorful show soon.

If you see something amiss, or an unusual happening, please let me or the guards know. The rabbit repellents that were tested were not 100% effective, so we will not use pansies again.

Have a beautiful summer! ✨



✧ QUAGGA MUSSELS CONTINUE TO THREATEN WESTLAKE LAKE ✧

By Bud Fish, WLMA Board Member
Chairman, Quagga Mussel Prevention
Committee

The pesky Quagga Mussel is a non-native invasive species of bivalve that can cause serious ecological harm to fresh water lakes and ponds. It looks like a clam and grows to about the size of your thumbnail. And, does it grow! A single Quagga Mussel can produce a million eggs in a year. Originating from the Ukraine in ship ballast water and accidentally discharged into the Great Lakes, Quaggas have spread westward at an alarming rate. Large populations not only steal oxygen and nutrients from watersheds, but rapidly clog mechanical apparatus such as boat motors and water pumps.

Our lake manger, Carl Koenig, has attended several conferences on Quagga Mussel prevention and stays in contact with California Dept. of Fish & Game as well as other lake managers to keep abreast of developments. In addition to monitoring several lake locations for early detection, Carl maintains a quarantine program to monitor all watercraft entering our lake that might have been in contact with another body of water. We have gotten great cooperation from homeowners, the yacht club and our boat vendors. Our biggest exposure continues to be the movement of small water craft over private property. Typically, an out of town guest of a homeowner will launch a kayak type boat and that boat could have been used in an infested watershed. To re-

duce the risk of serious damage to our lake by Quagga infestation we must all work together to be diligent about prevention. Please call the WLMA office (818)889-5377 immediately if you see anyone launching any type of craft into the lake over land. ✧



✧ ISLAND FACILITIES MANAGEMENT ✧

By Dave Whitney, Chair

We are in the process of replacing three trees on La Venta. There are two Willows and one Birch tree.

We have just finished spraying the Willows in the common areas. They will be sprayed with a new insecticide that will eliminate our problems with disease which is the major cause of problems with the Willow trees.

If you have Willows on your property the Company that we are using to spray the trees is National Arbor Service 818-984-3670. I am sure that they would be happy to give you a bid on spraying.

We will be working on the Landscaping, lighting, and irrigation throughout the summer to get it in top shape.

We are investigating new Bollard lights for La Venta in the median. We are also getting a bid on painting the street sign poles on the Island. ✧

✧ ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY ✧

Our annual Holiday Party held at the Westlake Yacht Club on Thursday, December 11th, 2008 was another great success. We had a nice turnout and many friendships were renewed and new ones made among the residents that showed up in their spiffy holiday attire. Reds did a super job catering the affair.

Mark Thursday, December 10th on your calendar for this years big bash.



A party from the past!



✧ HOSPITALITY REPORT ✧

By Penny Singer, Hospitality Chair

The "Westlake Island Board" and "Hospitality Chair", Penny Singer welcomes new homeowners to "Westlake Island".

Mike and Sandra Farag
Mitchel Pullman
Steve and Liv Lieser
Kevin and Shannon Wiser

I hope all of you enjoyed your "Hospitality Basket" and found the information helpful in your move to our wonderful and beautiful "Westlake Island".

Please feel free to contact me if you need assistance or have any questions regarding "Westlake Island". You can also try going to www.westlakeisland.com.

Welcome to "Westlake Island".

Welcome

SATURDAY, MAY 30, 2009

8 AM-12 NOON

Joan Young and Penny Singer will be sponsoring the "Paper Shredder" for the Westlake Island Clean-up Day! Bring all of your old boxes filled with files, papers, etc., and have us shred them during our Saturday morning clean-up day!

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