Cheviot Hills News

Cheviot Hills Home Owners' Hissociation

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Spring 2009

Homeowners Association will hold its

ELECTION MEETING

Tuesday, April 28, 2009

at 7:30 pm

in the social hall at Vista del Mar 3200 Motor Avenue Los Angeles, California 90034

The annual election meeting of the Cheviot Hills Home Owners' Association will be held on Tuesday April 28, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. at Vista Del Mar. Please come, meet the candidates, visit with your neighbors, and talk about the neighborhood.

The Cheviot Hills Homeowner's Association Board consists of 15 members serving two year staggered terms. This year there are 7 openings for two year terms and 1 opening for one year of a two year term to replace board member who is leaving half way through a term.

The following people have been nominated to serve on the board of the Cheviot Hills Homeowner's Association. Nominations will also be taken from the floor.

RICK BERG - Rossbury Place

I've lived in Cheviot Hills for 14 years and wouldn't think of living anywhere else in Los Angeles. Both my kids attended Overland Elementary (actually one is still there), and we love the Mayberry-like feel of the *Contd. on Page 3*

SECURITY

Although Cheviot Hills remains one of the safest areas of the city, we are not immune from crime. It is important to follow police recommendations to remove valuable items from parked cars. APS has marked cars driving through our neighborhood 24 hours a day and provides signs to be placed in front of Cheviot Hills Home Owners' Association members.

CANDIDATE FORUM

The March 3rd city election resulted in two run-off elections scheduled for May 19. Cheviot Hills Home Owners' Association and Tract 7260 are sponsoring a candidate's forum on Wednesday, May 6. This forum will provide an opportunity for residents to hear Paul Koretz and David Vahedi speak about the positions they will take on important issues if elected as our city councilman. Carmen Trutanich and Jack Weiss who are in a run-off for the office of city attorney have also been invited to discuss their plans if elected.

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MEDIANS

As you may have noticed, at long last the medians on Motor Avenue are nearing completion. On Motor by the Cheviot Hills Rec Center they are being planted with jacaranda trees. When fully planted we think that they will provide an attractive gateway and accent to our neighborhood. Many thanks to community members, including in particular Marc Roggenkamp and Lucie Bava, for their hard work, creative thinking and perseverance in working with the City to have these plantings completed.

CHEVIOT HILLS HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION WEBSITE

Please visit our website: www.cheviothills.org

GRAFFITI

Recently some graffiti has appeared in the neighborhood, especially in the area near the Dunleer bridge to Palms Park. The city has been very responsive to requests for graffiti removal. You can notify the city at the website LACity.org or by phone at 310-444-0701.

PLEASE SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES

It goes without saying that our restaurants and businesses along Pico, as well as those on Motor south of the 10, are assets to our neighborhood. Our quality of life would suffer if one or more of those restaurants or businesses was forced to close its doors as a result of the current economic climate.

The economy is placing a strain on these businesses. We are hearing it from business owners and their patrons. When you make choices on where to eat out, where to dry clean your clothes, where to buy childrens' books, etc., please remember our many fine local options and consider that staying and buying local is an investment in the quality of life of Cheviot Hills.

EXPO LIGHT RAIL

Thanks to all of you who took the time to submit comments regarding the Expo Phase 2 Draft Environmental Impact Report. We will continue updating you about the impact of our letters and the progress of the project.



Annual Election Meeting Contd. from Page 1 neighborhood. I've never served on the Homeowner's Board, but am genuinely impressed with the Association's outreach in the neighborhood, and its thoughtful response to local issues of traffic, growth and crime. I'd love to contribute to more of that effort.

MARK HUBERMAN - Haddington Drive

I have lived in Cheviot Hills since 1967. I believe it is important for The Cheviot Hills Homeowner's Association to support the opinions of the majority of the membership. I think Cheviot Hills is a wonderful community to live in and it is important to preserve its present character. I am a current board member and previously served on the board for the 2006-2007 session. I was a member of the traffic committee for several years.

KEVIN HUGHES - Haddington Drive

My wife and I have lived in Cheviot for eleven years. I am a Century City lawyer and an Overland parent. I have served on the CHHOA Board for six years, and as President for the past four years. I have worked to establish and maintain a coalition of neighboring homeowners' associations to address issues like Century City development, traffic mitigation, and Light Rail. I am proud to say that our Board has been conscientiously transparent and democratic, that we have attempted to represent all corners of the neighborhood, that our meetings have been productive and lively, while remaining neighborly, respectful and civil, and that our engagement with issues has been marked not by the sort of knee-jerk opposition and canned outrage that is often associated with HOAs, but rather by thoughtful analysis and (wherever possible) collaboration.

TONY PADILLA - Northvale Road

I have been a member of the CHHA board since 2002. I moved into Cheviot with my family in 1997 and reside on Northvale Road. I was raised in the Los Angeles basin and graduated from UCLA in 1977. My interests on the board include working on the soundwall issues along the MTA right of way, and I support Neighbors for Smart Rail's efforts on light rail concerns.

STEVE POMPAN - Club Drive

My wife Lisa and I have lived on Club Drive in Cheviot Hills for 22 years.

We have two daughters and have been deeply involved and committed to their public school experience at Overland, Palms and Hamilton High School.

We are involved in an organized close knit "neighborhood watch" program. I am an avid tennis player and golfer. I lobbied the City Recreation Department to step up the cleaning of our first rate tennis courts as they had become too dirty and hazardous. They are following through with more regular attention to the courts. I served as President of the Rancho Park Golf Club the last two years and am on the Board of Directors of the Sinai Temple Men's Club. I am a professional Financial Advisor at CitiSmithBarney in Westwood. I love the community and feel I can best improve it by participating and representing the Cheviot Hills Homeowners Association.

GREG PULIS - Dunleer Drive

I have been a resident of Cheviot Hills for 14 years and live with my family on Dunleer Drive. Currently I serve as Traffic Committee Chair of the CHHA, a role that I have played Annual Election Meeting Contd. from Page 3

for a number of years, and as the Vice President of CHHA. In those capacities I've worked cooperatively on behalf of the CHHA with representatives of other neighborhoods to respond to major development projects that may impact the level of traffic in and the services that the City provides to our community. I believe strongly in the value of maintaining the distinctive look and character of the Cheviot Hills neighborhood. I am an active critic of the EXPO Authority and its approach to developing rail transit on the Westside.

MARC ROGGENKAMP - Northvale Road

I have lived in Cheviot Hills with my family since 2003, and previously served on the HOA Over the last few years, I have Board. worked closely with the Board and other concerned neighbors on a number of community issues, including: establishing the safety patrol service; distributing the crime blog to increase community safety and awareness; working with various city agencies to improve and complete the plantings of the Motor/Manning medians; and lobbying for an extension of the 10 freeway sound wall. If elected to the Board, I will continue to work to maintain the character, safety, and desirability of Cheviot Hills.

IRV SITKOFF - Northvale Road

Sandy and I have lived in Cheviot Hills for 40 years and loved almost every moment of it. The children went to Canfield, Overland, Palms and Hamilton High. We have grown up with the area and want to keep it a wonderful and convenient place to live. I am a pharmacist (USC) - still work part time having sold my pharmacy that I owned for over 40 years and also keep busy with our 12 grandchildren as well as other special community activities as well as the USC School of Pharmacy. The CHHA Board have been a pleasure to work with and I would love to keep on serving on the Board.



DUES

For those of you who have not yet paid your 2009 dues, a dues envelope has been enclosed. Dues are now set at \$70 annually (an increase from \$35, to pay for the security patrol service). Dues must be current in order to vote in the election.



TREES

The Greening of Cheviot Hills campaign has been launched. Over 1,000 trees in the neighborhood have died due to old age, disease and construction. We are taking requests for trees to be planted on the parkway in front of homes. These trees will be free to members. You can contact us at trees@cheviothills.org