

WHHO

Woodland Hills Homeowners Organization

March 2007

P.O. Box 6368, Woodland Hills, CA 91365

President's Message

Where does one start in getting people to take more interest in what goes on around them and get them involved to make positive things happen?

It is nice to think someone else will take care of the challenges that confront us in our neighborhoods and the areas we frequent. However, unless we convey to others what we would like done and offer suggestions to them, we will get what others deem necessary to do the job which may be contrary to what we have wanted to solve the problem.

It is true the squeaky wheel get the grease, but not if all the wheel does constantly squeaks in spite of some grease. I doubt that many of us would respond well if all we heard is that it is our job. We pay taxes and want a quick response, and expect government and it workers to make the perfect decisions at all times. While all of this may be true, put yourself on the receiving end and think how motivated you would be to respond in a timely manner. Also think about the elected officials and their needs when running for office to raise money to let you know why they should be elected. It takes a tremendous amount of energy, determination and perseverance to run for any office.is that why all of us haven't run for office????... go for it if you are one not happy with your elected representative

Why don't we all start to work together and become a more cohesive group in Woodland Hills. You are members and you support what the Board of Directors does. However, think about the fact that instead of 1000 to 1200 WHHO members, we added another zero to those numbers!!!! Realize the clout you, as voters, would bring to all your elected representatives. So, if each of us would get at least 5 of our friends and neighbors to join WHHO, all of us would have a greater chance of having our elected officials that we supported to do things because now all of us count very large in their lives. How big can we grow in membership with very little effort on each of our parts? Well let's start now and the Board will continue to work and keep you informed of things you need to know and give help when needed to make things

General Meeting
March 29, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.
PACIFIC LODGE BOYS' HOME
4900 SERRANIA AVE.
WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91364

NOTE: THE MEETING PLACE IS CHANGED. WE WILL MEET IN THE PACIFIC LODGE BOYS' HOME DINING ROOM WHICH IS OFF OF WELLS DRIVE.

Agenda:

Robert Garber, President, Pierce College
Find out his passion for excellence and the future of Pierce

happen that will make all of us happier. We will start a running tally of new members and who brought them in if people would like to be recognized for their efforts. We do things that neither the Neighborhood Councils can do nor the Chamber of Commerce or all the other service clubs. We cut across all boundaries to aid all and compete with none. We can get out the voters and make our preferences be known and as individuals influence others in elections. Want more clout?????....get your friends and neighbors to join and work for a better served community. Join us at our next meeting and learn what makes Woodland Hills work for you.

GORDON MURLEY
President

The opinions expressed are those of the President and do not necessarily represent those of the Board of Directors or the members of the Organization.

THOUGHTS OF OTHERS

The cloak of naivete was the uniform of our success: We didn't know it couldn't be done.

MARK PETERS

Grief can take care of itself, but to get the full value of a joy you must have somebody to divide it with.

MARK TWAIN

Evil report carries faster than any applause.

BALTASAR GRACIAN

PIERCE COLLEGE

Ah, the sweet sounds of ..construction!

Students, faculty and staff have been experiencing something rare at Pierce College: the noise, dust, and disruption that accompany new construction. Rarely spotted in the last few decades, workers in hard hats, construction equipment, safety fencing, and stockpiles of building materials are now welcome sights on campus. And, not unsurprisingly, the college community is embracing all the new activity. One can almost hear the collective sigh of relief acknowledging that our campus is finally being modernized. Please feel free to stop by and help "sidewalk supervise" the following projects:

- Former student store renovation. Now surrounded by construction fencing, the old student store building has been vacant for many months and is currently being remodeled into a student center, including a large multi-use meeting room. The much admired Mission-style exterior will be retained, and will be reflected in most new buildings to be built on campus. An added benefit: when this renovation is complete, the campus will be able to demolish the shabby trailer used by our Associated Students Organization.

- Botanical garden expansion. Well underway, this doubling in size of our very popular Mediterranean garden is progressing quickly. Among the many new features, a "paleontology walkway" will enhance the educational uses of this facility. (Insider tip: this garden is a great place for community members to relax and enjoy nature!)

- New police building. Our security personnel have been headquartered in temporary trailers situated right in front of the gymnasium for far too long. Their new permanent facility should be ready for occupancy within a month. Located east of the gym, the new building will improve service to the campus and allow us to finally remove the unsightly trailers.

- Roadwork. Anyone who has entered our campus from DeSoto Avenue onto bumpy El Rancho Road will appreciate that bids have now been received to repave that street, as well as realign and repave Brahma Road accessible from our Winnetka Avenue entrance. The contractor will also build storm water runoff drains to prevent flooding in our agricultural areas. This project should begin within the next month.

These are just the beginning of the facility improvements to your community college. In the next year or so, I hope to announce the groundbreaking for two major new projects: the Center for the Sciences and the Student Services Building. Although any construction can be disruptive (just ask anyone who has lived through a kitchen remodel!), all of us at Pierce

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- Robert Veeck** (818) 346-0855

2007 Meeting Schedule

	General Meeting Q	Board Meeting W		General Meeting Q	Board Meeting W
Jan	25	11	Jul	no meeting*	12
Feb	22	08	Aug	30	09
Mar	29	08	Sep	27	13
Apr	26	12	Oct	25	11
May	31	10	Nov	no meeting*	08
Jun	no meeting*	07	Dec	06	13

Q All meetings are held at PACIFIC LODGE BOYS' HOME 4900 SERRANIA AVE. WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91364 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise notified.

W All Executive Board meetings are to be determined.

*Meetings may be held if necessary with proper notification.

appreciate any small temporary discomforts that may be present. The end product is well worth it: a modern Pierce College that will ensure our students realize their educational goals.

Sincerely,

Bob Garber
Pierce College President

More details can be found at the following web site:
www.piercecollege.edu/community/aec

LETTER FROM MEMBERS

From The Desk of
Brad Rosenheim

February 15,2007

Woodland Hills Homeowners Organization
P.O. Box 6368
Woodland Hills. CA 91365

Dear Friends:

As a young deputy to Councilman Marvin Braude, I was one of the first to receive a call on behalf of the Woodland Hills Homeowners Organization from one of its founders, Dr. Michael Clinite. During my tenure in the Council office, I knew I could count on WHHO and its Board for honest and thoughtful feedback.

Over the last eighteen years, I've had the pleasure of continuing my relationship with WHHO as a businessman in the Woodland Hills/Warner Center community and in conjunction with numerous development projects in the area and citywide. I would simply like to express my appreciation for the opportunity to work with your Board of Directors over these many years, and I look forward to many more years of working side by side to have a positive impact on our community. Thank you for being there.

Sincerely,
Brad M. Rosenheim
ROSENHEIM & ASSOCIATES, INC

*NOTE: Brad sent a \$100.00 donation to WHHO. Thank you for your generosity Brad.

WOODLAND HILLS SIGNS FOR VENTURA BOULEVARD

WHHO is working with the Chamber and the Neighborhood Council to have the signs put up. It would be nice if each the members would send in a check for at least \$25.00 to help pay for installation of the sign since that is almost as much as the sign costs. We would publish the names of all the donors for the next 3 months so all can see how wonderful WHHO members are in supporting upgrading the community of Woodland Hills.

The following have sent in money earmarked for the signs. Rose Goldwater, Eugene and Ellen Dow, Silvia and Gordon Murley, Robert and Shirley Blessing, Howard J. Millstein, D.M. & G.B. Schnaid, Gary S. and Tut Howe Platt, Lee Armen, Richard Marilyn Bennet, Joan Blackmer

Will the rest of our members names be added????

NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL

We want to thank those who have so far responded by our enquiry .

So, again, think about whether you would want it just emailed to you and let us know.

So, if you want to help us get started you can email us and we will put you in the WHHO address directory. Email to: g.murley@worldnet.att.net

Membership Involvement

The new programs committee is seeking WHHO members who are willing and able to assist in the proposed workshop meetings scheduled for this year.

If you are interested in participating, please contact any board member .

General Meeting Topics for 2007

Program schedules:

Membership involvement: Any members who have expertise in an areas they would like to share with the community and are willing to participate in the meetings are urged to contact us.

New Programs Committee

Bob Veeck - Chairman

Lrobert Veeck@msn.com

WHHO'S WEB SITE

We have a Web site it is www.whho.com

There are links to other web sites for information on Government and Schools. It will greatly enhance the speed for finding important information for those wanting to interface with various government agencies.

USEFUL WEB SITES FOR OTHER INFORMATION

WHHO - www.whho.com

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL - woodlandhillscouncil.org

CHARTER SCHOOLS - www.charterassociation.org

HUGHES MIDDLE SCHOOL - noonhughes.org

OSO SCHOOLS - no-oso-highschool.org

We invite you to frequently visit the above Web sites for updated information

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POSITIONS TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Your Board has taken the following positions;

We are still attempting to get the update for the Warner Center Specific Plan focus on what will be allowed in various areas and be specific zoning so it does not end up creating blight in the center as a few land owners want for their financial benefit.

The Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is out on the proposed CONDO project at Mulholland and San Feliciano. The WHHO Board as well as the Neighborhood

Council will read this and write comments so they can be put into the record as to what need to be done for any project that goes into that area,

We are watching the proposed PAVILIONS that is Cobrin Village between Oakdale and Corbin on Ventura Blvd. We have not had input from the neighbors as to what they want in this proposed project. Now is the time to contact us so we can support you concerns.

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS

Officers: Chair: Joyce Pearson, Vice Chair: Stephen Naczinski, Treasurer: Michael Kline, Secretary: Jim Dawson, Parliamentarian: Gordon Murley.

Joyce Pearson is the Chair of the Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council. Joyce or Stephen are the ones to talk to about how to participate in this Council. Joyce can be reached at (818) 713-8600 or e-mail j.pearson@woodlandhillscouncil.org and Stephen s.naczinski@woodlandhillscouncil.org Their website has lots of information: www.woodlandhillscouncil.org.

GENERAL MEETINGS: The second (2nd) Wednesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at Parkman Middle School in the Multipurpose Room.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS: They are listed on the website.

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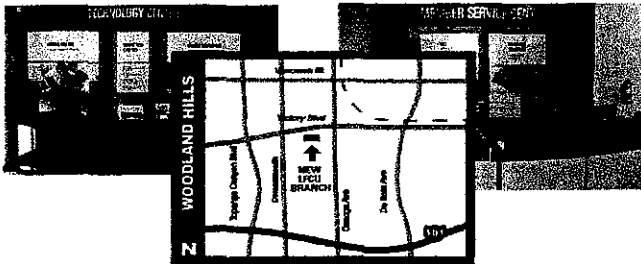
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