



CITY NEWS

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School is Starting - Remember to Use Extra Caution out on the Road



As the beginning of another school year approaches, the City would like to remind drivers to use extra caution when out on the road, especially in the areas near Westlake Village Transit vehicles, crosswalks, and White Oak Elementary School. Access, circulation, and parking at White Oak Elementary School works well as long as everyone understands the system and complies with local traffic signs and markings. Parents with children who attend White Oak Elementary School are asked to familiarize themselves with the drop-off areas, turn restrictions, crosswalk areas, and general traffic flow prior to the start of school on August 19. Also, remember that the drop-off areas tend to be particularly busy the first week or two of school, so please try to arrive a little early. Supervision for early drop-off is provided by the City and is available in the courtyard beginning at 7:45 am.

Over the years, the City Council's Public Safety Committee, City staff and school officials have met to review and update the morning drop-off procedures at White Oak Elementary School. Please take a moment to go over the traffic safety suggestions below:

- ◆ Observe the red zones and parking restriction signs. These restrictions have been established to improve visibility, reduce conflicts, and provide other safety benefits.
- ◆ Note there is a red zone on the street in front of the Faculty parking lot. This is intended to improve safety by reducing the pedestrian traffic through the parking lot. Parents walking their children to school from the east should use the walkway on the east side of the parking lot. This walkway goes around the parking lot, thereby providing a path that avoids conflicts with moving cars in the lot.
- ◆ The Faculty parking lot is to be used for kindergarten drop-offs only (no parking, even for a few minutes). Other students may be dropped off in the drive-through in front of the multi-purpose room or across the street from the kindergarten drop-off area.
- ◆ Try to plan your route so it is unnecessary to make left turns in the vicinity of the school zone. In addition to improving overall safety, this will reduce the delay experienced by you and other parents.
- ◆ Note that the drop-off area by the multi-purpose building is one-way so that the students can be safely dropped off directly next to the walkway. City-sponsored Traffic Aides will assist your child in/out of your vehicle during the morning and afternoon peak periods. When using the drop-off area, pull forward as far as possible to permit the most effective use of this area. This is one of the most important contributions you can make to reduce congestion and overall delay.
- ◆ There is no stopping or drop-off next to the frontage road median. Traffic arriving from the west may access the parking lot drop-off areas or use the curbside drop-off area east of Shropshire Court.



A little pre-planning and patience can help ensure the safety of all residents during these busy morning and peak traffic times.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Westlake Village City Hall

31200 Oak Crest Dr., Westlake Village, CA 91361
(818) 706-1613

Westlake Village Public Library

(818) 865-9230

Time Warner Cable

2323 Teller Rd., Newbury Park, CA 91320
(888) 892-2253

AT&T

(855) 868-6514

Southern California Edison Company

3859 Foothill Dr., Thousand Oaks, CA 91360
(800) 655-4555 - office for service
(800) 611-1911 - Emergency

Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

4232 Las Virgenes Rd., Calabasas, CA 91302
(818) 251-2200 - office

Southern California Gas Company

(800) 427-2200 - office for service

GI Industries/Waste Management

(818) 782-2474

Calabasas Landfill

(818) 889-1430 or 889-0363

Los Angeles County Dept. of Building & Safety

26600 Agoura Road, #110, Calabasas, CA 91302
(818) 880-4150 - office
(626) 458-4357 - Road Dept.

Las Virgenes Unified School District

4111 N. Las Virgenes Road, Calabasas, CA 91302
(818) 880-4000 - office

Los Angeles County Sheriff's

Department-Malibu/Lost Hills Station
27050 Agoura Road, Agoura, CA 91301
(818) 878-1808 - office • Emergency - 911

Los Angeles County Fire Department

Station #144 (Foxfield / Lindero Canyon Rd.)
31981 Foxfield Dr., Westlake Village, CA 91361
(818) 889-1626 - Station • Emergency - 911

Los Angeles County Health and Human Services Programs

Dial - 211

Recycling Hotline

(800) 579-4979



Westlake Village Transit Bus Pass Sales Have Begun

Residents will once again have the option to avoid traffic delays associated with drop-off/pick-up at White Oak Elementary, Lindero Canyon Middle, and Agoura High Schools by utilizing the Westlake Village Transit service. This City-subsidized program offers stops in all major neighborhoods and the three public schools that serve Westlake Village residents.

An annual round-trip bus pass costs \$238 and a one-way (morning or afternoon) pass is \$158. Bus passes can be purchased in one of three ways: (1) online via the City website and the pass will be mailed; (2) mail-in, forms can be downloaded from the City website (mail-in ends on August 12); or (3) in person at City Hall. Residents may also ride one-way without a bus pass for \$2.00. Additional information including bus routes, registration forms, and signing up for bus alert notifications can be found on the City website, www.wlv.org by clicking on the WV Transit Icon on the left hand side.

City Council Establishes Minimum Standards for Installation of Artificial Turf

As the historic drought in California continues, the appeal of artificial turf has seen an increase in our community. Artificial turf can save water and prevent the perpetual "August lawn" look that comes with reduced watering. In response to the desire for turf and the desire to keep Westlake Village beautiful, the City Council recently adopted a set of minimum standards for which artificial turf is required to meet. These standards were developed to ensure that the artificial turf being installed in the City is a quality product that will withstand the elements.

The new set of minimum standards can be viewed on the City's website at www.wlv.org/artificialturf. Some key specifications of the standards are as follows: the turf will be made of polyethylene only, with heights no less than 1.75 inches long. Colors will be a blend of Forest Green, Olive Green, and Tan and have a natural looking thatch between the blades. Additionally, a minimum of an 8-year warranty on installation and manufacturer's defects will be required.

These specifications represent the minimum standards with which artificial turf will be required to meet in the City. However, meeting the standards does not exempt residents from homeowners association review and approval of artificial turf and any other forms of residential landscaping. All property owners are encouraged to contact both the City Planning Department and their respective homeowners associations for requirements prior to purchasing artificial turf.

For more information relating to the new standards regarding artificial turf, please visit the City website www.wlv.org/artificialturf, or call the Planning Department at 818-706-1613.



Summer's Not Over Yet!



TGIF at the Westlake Village Civic Center

August 7 "Riverboat Dixie" Performance 7:00 pm



Concert in the Park at Berniece Bennett Park

August 22 "Boogie Knights" a Disco Tribute Band 7:00 pm



Hop Aboard the "Village Trolley"

Friday and Saturday evenings -3:00 pm - 10:00 pm through 9/5.

Save The Date - City Celebration Is Coming On October 17!!!

City Recognizes the Citizen, Youth, and Older American of the Year

Recipients of the Citizen and Youth Recognition Programs were announced at the May 27 City Council meeting. Nominees for both the Citizen and Youth of the Year awards must be residents of Westlake Village and are recognized for making significant contributions to the City and for displaying a strong sense of volunteerism, civic pride, and commitment toward the betterment of the community.

The City Council selected Jemma Wildermuth as the 2015 Citizen of the Year and James Brink as the 2015 Youth of the Year. Each recipient received a commemorative plaque from the City and their names are now displayed on a permanent plaque located in the City Hall Council Chamber. In recognition of these outstanding residents, a \$500 check was donated to The Tree People in Ms. Wildermuth's honor and James received a \$500 education scholarship for use at USC where he will attend in the fall.

Additionally, the Los Angeles County Commission for Older Adults has asked cities to identify one older resident that exemplifies the spirit of volunteerism in their community. This year, the City selected Paul Plotkin to represent Westlake Village. On May 21, Paul joined his fellow award recipients at a luncheon at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion.



Public Safety
corner

Be on the Lookout- Snakes are Out and About

Summer is a peak time for snake appearances, particularly if you live in areas where there is a large amount of brush nearby. The L.A. County Animal Control Department suggests the following preventative measures to help keep snakes away from your home.

Remove the things snakes seek: food and shelter. Snakes find food (rodents) in wood or grass piles, gopher holes, and uncovered trash cans. Snakes seek out their own shelter in dark and shady areas that can include large rocks and boxes, tall ground cover, and other areas that keep them out of direct sunlight.

If you see a snake on your property, call 911 immediately. If you contact the Fire Department through 911, a fire fighter will secure the snake; rattlesnakes are destroyed and all other snakes are relocated. Do not attempt to approach the snake. It is recommended that you watch the snake from a safe distance to help the agency officials find the snake when they arrive. As an extra precaution, keep children and pets away from the area where the snake is located as soon as it is spotted. For more information, you may contact Los Angeles County Animal Control Department at 818-991-0071 or visit their website at <http://animalcare.lacounty.gov>.

LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Saturdays, 8/1 - 8/2

10am-2pm

Free SAT Peer Mentoring led by high-scoring teens for teens taking the current version of the test next year.

Wednesday, 8/5

12pm-1pm

Book Club will discuss *Astonish Me* by Maggie Shipstead. Adults.

Wednesday, 8/12

4pm-5pm

Beginners Chess for ages 6-12.

Saturday, 8/15

1pm-3pm

Social Security Benefit Planning - Lecture by a certified financial planner.

Friday, 8/21

4pm-5pm

Art w/ Margo for ages 6-12.

Wednesday, 8/26

4pm-5pm

Cartooning for ages 6-12.

Fridays, 8/28-10/2

Storytimes - Babies 6-24 months at 10am, Toddlers/Preschoolers 2-5 years at 11am.

All events are free and sponsored by the Friends of the Westlake Village Library.



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City Council

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Brad Halpern

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Mark Rutherford

Upcoming City Council Meetings:

September 9 and 21, 2015

City Council meetings can be seen live on WTV Channel 10 and via web streaming on www.wlv.org

City Events Calendar

Date	Event	Time
Aug 3	Recreation Program: "1rst Fall" Session begins	9:00 am
Aug 5	Brown Bags and Books in the Community Room	Noon
Aug 7	Summer Recreation Program Ends	
Aug 7	TGIF at the Civic Center- Riverboat Dixie Night	7:00 pm
Aug 19	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL - LVUSD	
Aug 22	Saturday in the Park at Berniece Bennett Park - Boogie Knights	7:00 pm
Sept 2	Brown Bags and Books in the Community Room	Noon
Sept 5	Fairy Tales in the Park at Foxfield Park - The Snow Queen a Frozen Adventure	11:30 am
Sept 7	Labor Day - City Hall and Library Closed	
Sept 9	City Council Meeting	6:30 pm
Sept 16	Senior Concerns Lecture in City Council Chambers - Understanding Your Health Insurance Benefit Forms	1:30 pm
Sept 21	City Council Meeting	6:30 pm