



DENNIS P. ZINE
Councilman, Third District

THE ZINE LINE

The Third District serves the communities of
Canoga Park, Reseda, Tarzana, West Hills, Winnetka, & Woodland Hills



WINTER 2010

MISSION STATEMENT

As your public servant, my staff and I pledge to...

- Improve the quality of life in our district
- Ensure public safety
- Follow-up with your concerns in a timely manner
- Keep you informed of issues in the district
- Attend your meetings and events
- Put the community's priorities first

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Dennis P. Zine Community Center Grand Opening

By Irma Pomposo, *Interim Chief of Staff*

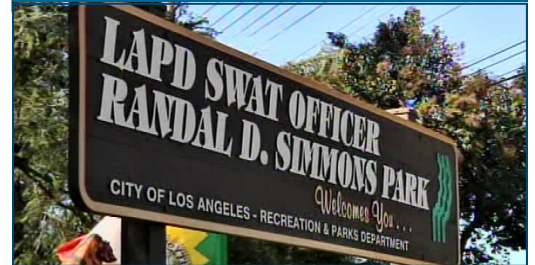
On February 18th, approximately 500 enthusiastic community members, government officials, and nonprofit leaders celebrated the Grand Opening of the Dennis P. Zine Community Center in the heart of Canoga Park, the All-America City. Councilman Zine was joined by Congressman Brad Sherman; Los Angeles City Controller, Wendy Greuel; Los Angeles Chief of Police, Charles Beck; Chairman of the Community Redevelopment Agency Board, Bruce Ackerman; General Manager of the Los Angeles Community Development Department, Richard Benbow; and Chief Executive Officer of New Economics for Women, Bea Stotzer.

The celebration kicked off with heart-warming poetry readings and a live band performance by New Academy Charter School Students. A video presentation then followed, inspiring those in the audience to witness first-hand how Tierra Del Sol and Councilman Zine have

made a significant difference in the lives of the many children and families living in the local community. One of the program's most touching moments came as the Child Care Resource Center's tiniest participants presented Councilman Zine with several hand painted pieces of art which will now be proudly displayed at his office for all to enjoy. The Community Center is truly a work of art, and it's a fitting tribute to Councilman Zine who has dedicated his entire career to serving the public as both a member of the Los Angeles Police Department and in his current position as a City Councilman. He firmly stands by his motto, "Unity in the Community", which transcends all boundaries and brings people together to make this City a better place in which to live.

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LAPD SWAT Officer Randal D. Simmons Park



On Thursday, January 28th, Councilman Zine, in partnership with the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks, held a renaming ceremony to designate West Valley Park as "LAPD SWAT Officer Randal D. Simmons Park" in memory of the fallen LAPD SWAT officer. Officer Randal D. Simmons, a 27-year veteran of the LAPD, was shot during a standoff that injured another officer and claimed the lives of five civilians on Thursday, February 7, 2008.

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Tagger-Probation Task Force

On December 15, 2009 and February 3, 2010, the West Valley Area Gang Impact Team (GIT), in conjunction with Councilman Dennis Zine (a current LAPD Reserve Officer), conducted a Tagger Probation Compliance Task Force with the assistance of the Los Angeles County Deputy Probation Department and DCFS (Department of Children and Family Services) representatives. The early morning operations were funded by Councilman Zine. They were specifically designed to focus on target subjects who are on probation for graffiti offenses in the hopes of deterring future crimes. All targets were on probation for graffiti and related vandalism offenses, with search and seizure conditions.



The December operation began with a briefing at 5:00 AM in the Community Room at the West Valley Area Police Station located in Reseda. Media representatives attended the briefing and accompanied the officers and Councilman Zine, during the morning operation. A total of seven locations were searched throughout Council District 3. One juvenile was arrested for a Felony No-Bail warrant at one location, and twelve guns were recovered from a second location. DCFS will conduct a follow-up investigation at the home of one admitted gang member. The five-hour event was covered on both radio and television reporters.

In February, probation compliance checks were conducted at 11 residences within Council District 3 by two teams of West Valley Area GIT uniformed officers and detectives. Each team was accompanied by a Deputy Probation Officer and DCFS representative. One graffiti vandal, an admitted North Hollywood Boys gang member, was arrested for a Probation Violation. A knife in a plastic sheath was recovered from his dining room table. The documented gang member admitted to carrying the knife for protection.

Due to Councilman Zine's generous donation to the Los Angeles Police Department, West Valley Area Station, these operations were made possible to send a message to taggers that graffiti and vandalism will not be tolerated in our community!

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Region A Elections are on Tuesday, March 2, 2010
for the Communities of:

- Canoga Park
- West Hills
- Woodland Hills/Warner Center
- Winnetka

Region C Elections are on Tuesday, May 27, 2010
for the Communities of:

- Reseda
- Tarzana

For more information, visit <http://cityclerk.lacity.org/> and click on the Neighborhood Council Elections thumbnail or call the Neighborhood Council Election Unit at (213) 978-0444.

Councilman Dennis P. Zine
presents

SAVE THE DATE!

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The 8th Annual

Awards

"For ExZellence"

Thursday, May 6th, 2010

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Under the direction of New Economics for Women (NEW), whose mission is to reduce poverty by creating wealth opportunities for women, children and their families, this two-story 12,000 square foot community center will offer adult learning classes and provide asset building programs to help residents and the surrounding community become economically self-sufficient. This project marks the completion of the award winning Tierra Del Sol five-acre planned community which is comprised of Tierra Del Sol, quality affordable housing, and the New Academy Canoga Park Charter School. Funding, to the tune of \$6.6 M, was made possible by the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Los Angeles.

Councilman Zine's legacy of public service will continue through the good works of this community center. Thank you to everyone, including those visionaries, who worked arduously to make the Dennis P. Zine Community Center a reality!



Marisol Espinoza & Brian Perry
Legislative Deputies



Medical Marijuana Ordinance Finally Passes

In January, the Los Angeles City Council voted to adopt a permanent ordinance to regulate medical marijuana dispensaries. After over five years of deliberation and many modifications, the ordinance passed in its second reading with a 9-3-3 vote.

Highlights of the ordinance include:

- ◆ The ordinance sets a cap of 70 on the number of dispensaries in the city.
- ◆ It provides an exception for the 186 operators who registered during the initial Interim Control Ordinance in 2007.
- ◆ Priority order for compliance will be given to the original 186 collectives/cooperatives. They must operate in compliance with state law and thus, not operate for profit. They will be subject to annual audits to ensure that they follow the law.
- ◆ Collectives/cooperatives will have to locate 1000 feet from sensitive uses, i.e. schools, churches, parks, libraries, and from one another.
- ◆ Dispensaries cannot be located next to or across the street from residential uses or zones.
- ◆ Collectives will have to comply with conditions of operation including hours of operation, limited signage, daily cash drops to the bank, and a requirement to have security guards.

The ordinance also defers to state law on the issue of monetary contributions and plant limitations. The ordinance was signed by the Mayor on February 3rd, 2010. The final version of the ordinance can be downloaded online at: <http://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=08-0923>

The regulations will become effective upon completion of the fee study by the CAO's office. At this point, the City Attorney will first seek voluntary compliance from all of the illegally operating dispensaries, i.e. those that violated the ICO, by issuing letters to these operators. The City Attorney will prosecute those locations that do not comply. The legitimate operators who registered under the ICO will be given six months to comply with all the regulations including the location requirement.

Councilman Zine believes that enacting these regulations will shut down a large number of the illegally operating dispensaries while protecting patient's access to medicine as allowed by California's Compassionate Use Act. He also believes that the policy can be reviewed at a later time as the Council evaluates its implementation. Councilman Zine began this process in 2005 when he asked for a report from the Los Angeles Police Department regarding the number of dispensaries operating in the city. He also introduced the initial Interim Control Ordinance in 2007.

Transit Service and Policy Assessment



By Christopher Olsen, *Policy Director*

The Department of Transportation is currently conducting a Comprehensive Transit Service and Policy Assessment (CTSPA). The CTSPA is in response to major cuts by the State to our local Prop

A funding. The State budget slashing has resulted in a \$30 million per year deficit for DOT transit services. In order to keep the Department afloat and continue to provide core services, DOT has proposed several cuts to transit services beginning July 1st.

The recommended changes that directly impact our district are:

- 1) Eliminating the Warner Center DASH route.
- 2) Eliminating the Simi Valley/Warner Center Commuter Express route.
- 3) Decreased subsidies for CityRide
- 4) Total elimination of the Charter Bus program

DOT will conduct public hearings around the City in February, and the matter will come before the City Council for a final vote in March. The entire CTSPA is available for public viewing at the following website, where you can also find rider alerts and information on upcoming public hearings. On this website, you may submit your comments and recommendations to DOT regarding the proposed service cuts: <http://ladotlbl.tmdinc.net>. You may also call (213) 455-0880.





Serving the Communities of

Canoga Park & West Hills

Stephanie Romero, Field Deputy

WEST HILLS

Bell Creek/West Hills Supplemental Parking Lot
CD3 reports progress this quarter with Councilman Zine's introduction of a motion that transfers Proposition K funds to the Department of Transportation for design work that has and will be completed. We are also happy to report that the City Attorney's Office and County's Department of Public Works are reaching the final stages of a lease agreement for the construction of this parking lot. We will continue to report on the progress of this project.

Additional Projects in Progress

- ◆ Flashing School Zone Signal Project
- ◆ West Hills Monument Signage Installation
- ◆ Speed Feedback Sign

CANOGA PARK

Alleyway Lighting Project

Councilman Zine is working hand in hand with the Department of Water and Power (DWP), LAPD, and affected neighborhoods, for the upcoming installation of flood lights in the alleyways south of Valerio Street, between Owensmouth Avenue and Alabama Ave. This installation will help address the community's reoccurring graffiti, illegal dumping, and abandoned vehicle concerns. Work is scheduled to take place in the coming weeks.

Day Laborer Project

Since the signing of Home Depot's "No Trespassing" letter late last year, Councilman Zine has worked with the Department of Building & Safety (DBS), and the Department of Water and Power (DWP), in making progress to the Day Laborer Center project. Home Depot, the Community Development Department, LAPD, DBS, DWP, the City Attorney's Office, and Councilman Zine are collaborating to ensure this project will serve as a tool for the Third Council District community.

Additional Projects in Progress

- ◆ Monument Signage Installation
- ◆ Basset St. Beautification
- ◆ Alabama Ave Revitalization
- ◆ Business Signage Inspection
- ◆ Sherman Way Diagonal Parking
- ◆ Bulk Item Pick-Up Day



Make Sure Your Neighborhood Counts in 2010!

The Census is a count of everyone residing in the United States, and defines who we are as a City and nation. The next Census will take place in 2010, but its impact on our communities will last over a decade. The City of Los Angeles is working toward a full and accurate Census count in 2010, but we need your help to ensure that every Angeleno gets counted!

How Will the Census Impact My Community?

Census data is used to determine the allocation of approximately \$400 billion in federal funding every year to states, local governments, and communities across the country. These funds help determine how many teachers are needed in our classrooms, where to build new roads, how much funding is needed for emergency food and shelter programs, and how many representatives we have in our nation's capital.

Federal Funding

For every 100 people not counted, a community risks losing an estimated \$1.2 million over the next decade for federally funded programs including:

- Medicaid and maternal and child health programs
- Transit Programs
- Public Housing Assistance
- Community Development Block Grants
- Head Start
- Title I Education funds and grants for special and vocational education

For more information, you may visit:

<http://www.census.gov> or www.laccounts2010.org.
Also by calling (213) 978-0301.

*The 2010 Census: It's safe, it's easy, it's important.
Our future is in your hands.*





Serving the Communities of
Woodland Hills & Tarzana
 Octaviano Rios, Jr., Field Deputy

Community Coalition
Together in Partnership

Councilman Dennis P. Zine gathered Woodland Hills community leaders to re-energize their efforts to improve Ventura Boulevard in Woodland Hills by starting with a very popular section of the Boulevard- the section between De Soto Ave. and Canoga Ave. The Coalition is made up of members from the Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council, the Woodland Hills-Tarzana Chamber of Commerce, the Woodland Hills Homeowners Organization, neighborhood watch groups, business owners, and active community members. The Coalition chose to focus on three signature projects for 2010 which include planting trees, cleaning sidewalks, and adding street furniture. The Coalition's vision is to improve the experience of visitors who shop, walk, and eat on Ventura Boulevard. This group has been heavily involved in past efforts including the multi-sign medallion installation, sidewalk cleanups, building façade improvements, and large scale property developments. Please continue supporting efforts to improve Ventura Boulevard by continuing to keep your property looking great and by thinking of additional ways to beautify the Boulevard.

Goodwill Southern California
A Partner in Giving

During these tough economic times it's important to remember the community partners that continue to assist those in need and work to better themselves. Goodwill Southern California is one of those partners that continue to expand their reach and improve their accessibility to those that need support. Recently, Goodwill Southern California opened a donation center at 21322 Oxnard St. in Woodland Hills to extend their helping hand to the West San Fernando Valley. The center is here to encourage the community to donate items in good condition for the benefit of those in need. For more information about Goodwill Southern California, or for a list of items you can donate, please visit their website at www.goodwillsocal.org.

Here is a list of other nearby locations:

Warner Center Donation Center 6360 Topanga Canyon Woodland Hills, CA, 91367	Winnetka Store & Donation Center 20131 Roscoe Blvd. Winnetka, CA, 91306 Phone: (818) 534-2580
Canoga Park Store & Donation Center 7107 Owensmouth Ave. Canoga Park, CA, 91303 Phone: (818) 340-8452	Reseda Store & Donation Center 7126 Reseda Blvd. Reseda, CA, 91335 Phone: (818) 342-8533
Tarzana (Vanalden) Donation Center 19207 Ventura Blvd. Tarzana, CA, 91356 Phone: (818) 881-4662	

Recycling Incentive Program

In the month of February, select residents from Tarzana and Woodland Hills will be notified of a new recycling incentive program starting in the City of Los Angeles. The Recycling Rewards Pilot Program's launch date is set for April 2010.

The Bureau of Sanitation, to further increase residential recycling in support of the Mayor's goal of 70% diversion by year 2010, sought a contractor to implement a pilot Residential Incentive Based Recycling Pilot Program also known as the Recycling Rewards Program. The program operates as a community-weight-based system, rewarding residents based on the amount that they recycle in a given route on the day of collection. Residents will be rewarded with recycling points that can be redeemed at hundreds of local, regional, and national businesses at a rate that is established by the participating businesses. This recycling program is currently contracted to run as a pilot for one year.

Councilman Zine is very excited to see this program in his district. If you have any questions, please contact Jessica Forkish at the District Office at 818-756-8848.



Illegal Sign Posting

Type of Signs

- Handwritten / Handmade Signs
- Computer Made Flyers
- Business Advertisement
- Service Providers
- Concert / Theatre Promotion
- Record / Movie Promotions
- Rental / Real Estate Signs
- Church / School / Community Signs
- Yard Sales / Lost Pets

Where To Post Legally

- Private Property (With Permission of Property Owner)
- Inside of Store Front Windows (With Permission of Business Owner)
- Community Bulletin Boards

Where Not To Post

- Public Sidewalks and Walkways
- Control & Mail Boxes / Newsracks
- Bus Benches / Sidewalk Furniture
- Lightpoles / Telephone Poles
- Any Wood or Metal Sign Poles
- Fire Hydrants
- Trees
- Parkways
- Roadway / Curbside
- Center Divider / Center Island

Violation Fees

Currently the amount that is billed to the Responsible part is:

- \$194.20 - For the first sign
- \$6.25 - For each additional sign

Subject to change without notice.

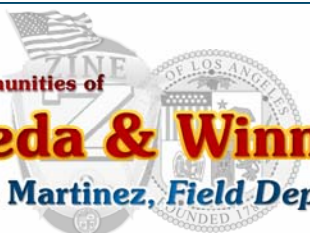
To Report Illegally Posted Signs For Removal:
 Call 3-1-1 or (213) 847-6088



Serving the Communities of

Reseda & Winnetka

Jose Martinez, Field Deputy



WINNETKA

Student Safety Community in Action Meeting

The cold weather did not deter residents from attending the “Student Safety Community in Action Meeting” on December 9th at the Winnetka Elementary School Auditorium. For one month, Connie Lujan the Director for the Parent Center at Winnetka Elementary School handed out flyers to parents regarding this important community meeting aimed at abating crime, promoting school safety, and gang prevention methods. Councilman Dennis P. Zine, a former Los Angeles Police Officer, and active Reserve Officer, knows firsthand that graffiti and gangs are destroying our communities.

The Office of Councilman Dennis P. Zine, Connie Lujan, and the Los Angeles Police Department’s Senior Lead Officer Jose Maldonado reached out to Neighborhood Councils, Chambers of Commerce, and residents to get them involved in the meeting. The guests received valuable tips on crime prevention and resources to help at-risk youth from SLO Jose Maldonado, LAPD Lieutenant Nicole Alberca, LAPD Gang Unit Officer Ray Diaz, LAPD Officer Larry Wright, Los Angeles City Attorney Neighborhood Prosecutor Ayelet Feinman, and Los Angeles County Probation Officer Mary Ann Smiley.

Based on the success of this meeting, the Office of Councilman Zine will team up with LAPD Topanga Division and West Valley Station to hold additional meetings at Reseda High School, Grover Cleveland High School, and Canoga Park High School.

RESEDA

LAPD SWAT Officer Randal D. Simmons Park

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Officer Simmons is the first SWAT officer to die in the line of duty in the unit’s 40-year history.



LAPD SWAT Officer Randal D. Simmons Park

will serve as a tribute to his personal sacrifice and his dedication to the community. Other community leaders who shared their sentiments at the park renaming included: Department of Recreation and Parks General Manager Jon Kirk Mukri, LA City Controller Wendy Greuel, Councilman Tom LaBonge, LAPD Assistant Chief Michel Moore, LAPD Deputy Chief Kirk Albanese, and LAPD Captain John Incontro, Metro Division. Several of Randy’s family members were present, including his widow, Lisa, who stood with daughter Gabrielle, and expressed her gratitude for having such a fitting and wonderful tribute to her late husband saying, “I know Randy is looking down and smiling, and couldn’t be happier because this is a park where children will come and play, families will gather, and people will jog. They’ll see his name and know this is a great man.”

Originally, Councilman Zine dedicated the children’s play area to Simmons, but later felt that he wanted to do more for the man who has been recognized as a pillar of strength for his family, his church, his fellow officers, and the community. So he led the effort to rename the entire park hoping that it would inspire future generations to commemorate and emulate Randy’s qualities.

Officer Simmons committed much of his time to helping and comforting people in urban neighborhoods including Watts, Hacienda Village, Compton and Carson. He was an ordained minister at Glory Christian Fellowship International in Carson, California. He was instrumental in developing programs and Christian events for at-risk youth such as the annual “Greatest Toy Giveaway” which provided toys and gifts to over 1,000 children during the holiday season. He is survived by his wife Lisa, son Matthew, and daughter Gabrielle.

The park is located at 6731 Wilbur Avenue in Reseda next to the West Valley Police Station. The 8.38 acre park includes a children’s play area, walking paths, picnic tables, and landscaping.

CRA/LA West Valley Region
Reseda Business District Alley Project

Project Completed: Reconstruction of alleys, curbs, and sidewalks.

- Reconstructed two alleys behind the Reseda Theater (from Reseda Boulevard to Canby Street and Wyandotte Street to Reseda Boulevard).
- Reconstructed the alley east of Reseda Boulevard that runs from Vanowen Street to Basset Street.

Project included:

- Laying 8,900 square feet of asphalt.
- Reforming and pouring 558 linear feet of concrete for center gutters and curbs.
- Reforming and pouring 200 square feet of concrete for sidewalks.

Redevelopment funds: \$700,000

Business & Community Impact: Improved accessibility to commercial goods and services and improved pedestrian environment.

BEFORE AFTER

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Sheree Adams

Senior Specialist / Clergy Liaison

Woodland Hills Presbyterian Church

On Sunday, January 17th, Councilman Zine presented a beautiful Certificate to Pastor Bob Thompson of Woodland Hills Presbyterian Church in celebration of their 50-Year Anniversary! Their first worship services were held at Woodlake Elementary School beginning on September 27, 1959 and the congregation was officially organized on December 6, 1959 with 110 Charter members. The Church building was dedicated on March 4, 1962 and the congregation was eager to move in with joy and jubilation. The first service in the present building began with a walk from Woodlake Elementary School to the new sanctuary. Members who participated in that walk and are with us today include: Murial Wallace, Alethea Ludowitz, Stephanie Knizek, Ron and Diane Knechtli, Marge Allen, and Louise Fergeson. Rev. Bob Thompson was called to service as minister of WHPC and began his as Co-Pastor on October 1, 2002. The congregation and its leaders are looking forward to continued growth and renewal. Congratulations again to Pastor Bob and the Woodland Hills Presbyterian Church on over 50 years in our community!

Fountainview: Independent Senior Living



By Jonathan Brand, *Chief Planning Deputy*

If you have recently driven by Wilbur Ave., between Victory Blvd. and the Los Angeles River, you have seen some significant construction going on at the Los Angeles Jewish Home's Eisenberg Village campus. The new building, called Fountainview, has been completed and offers a new take on senior living.

Balancing independence and security, the 108 units at Fountainview are upscale in their finish work and private in their layout. All the units come complete with full kitchens, spacious bathrooms, and generous closet space. These condo-style units offers freedom in a low-maintenance lifestyle compared to a traditional single family home, condominium, or apartment. Residents have the option of cooking in their kitchen or dining at the campus's upscale facilities. There is no need to drive into a parking garage because Fountainview offers a valet service as well as other transportation options. When on vacation or visiting family, residents do not have to worry about routine household responsibilities. Residents also have access to activities, programs, and services that the Jewish Home offers. **Continued** →



Important Warning Signs of Alzheimer's

I would like to provide you with a few very important tips on the early warning signs of one of the most devastating diseases we may have to face, Alzheimer's. There are 10 warning signs to help identify Alzheimer's disease. Along with the advice of a doctor, these signs are critical to detecting Alzheimer's.

Know the

10 SIGNS

Early Detection Matters

Have you noticed any of these warning signs?

- 1** Memory changes that disrupt daily life.
- 2** Challenges in planning or solving problems.
- 3** Difficulty completing familiar tasks at home, at work or at leisure.
- 4** Confusion with time or place.
- 5** Trouble understanding visual images and spatial relationships.
- 6** New problems with words in speaking or writing.
- 7** Misplacing things and losing the ability to retrace steps.
- 8** Decreased or poor judgment.
- 9** Withdrawal from work or social activities.
- 10** Changes in mood and personality.

If you have questions about any of these warning signs, the Alzheimer's Association recommends consulting a physician. Early diagnosis provides the best opportunities for treatment, support and future planning.

For more information, go to www.alz.org/10signs or call (877.474.8259).

alzheimer's association

Sunday, January 31st marked the opening of Fountainview. Councilman Dennis P. Zine, past president of the Jewish Home Executives, presented a certificate from the City of Los Angeles and spoke to the crowd complimenting the impressive nature of the building as well as the Home's continued commitment to the community.



Community Meetings & Events Calendar

Canoga Park

Neighborhood Council: 4th

Wednesday of the month, 7pm, Canoga Park Community Center: 7248 Owensmouth Ave., Canoga Park. (818) 756-9628. www.canogaparknc.org.

Neighborhood Watch: 2nd Tuesday of the month, 7pm, Topanga Police Station: 21501 Schoenborn St., Canoga Park, **Senior Lead Officer Padron, (818) 731-2583**. South Canoga Park meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month, 7pm, Topanga Police Station: 21501 Schoenborn St., Canoga Park, **Senior Lead Officer Zumstein, (818) 756-3188**.

Chamber of Commerce: 3rd Thursday of the month, 7:30am, Hometown Buffet: 6705 N. Fallbrook Ave., West Hills. (818) 884-9906. www.cpwchamber.org.

Reseda

Neighborhood Council: 3rd

Monday of the month, 7pm, American Legion Hall: 7338 Canby Ave., Reseda. (818) 832-7540. www.resedacouncil.org.

Neighborhood Watch: 2nd Thursday of the month, 7pm, West Valley Police Station: 19020 Vanowen Street, Reseda, **Senior Lead Officer Barber, (818) 374-7629** (North of Sherman Way). **Senior Lead Officer Parra, (818) 374-7629** (South of Sherman Way).

Chamber of Commerce: 2nd Thursday of the month, 7:30am, Reseda Neighborhood Council Office: 18341 Sherman Way, #102, Reseda. (818) 345-1920.

Community Police Advisory Board (CPAB): 2nd Wednesday of the month, 7:00pm, West Valley Police Station Community Room: 19020 Vanowen St., Reseda.

Tarzana

Neighborhood Council: 4th

Tuesday of the month, 7pm, Tarzana Elementary School: 5726 Topeka Drive, Tarzana. (818) 345-1966. www.tarzananc.org.

Neighborhood Watch: 3rd Tuesday of every other month, 7pm, LAPD West Valley Station: 19020 Vanowen St., Reseda, **Senior Lead Officer Daryl Scoggins, (818) 374-7630**.

Chamber of Commerce: Last Thursday of the month, 7:30am, Chamber Office: 20121 Ventura Blvd., Suite 309, Woodland Hills. (818) 347-4737. www.woodlandhillsc.net.

Property Owners Association: 2nd Monday of the month, 7:30pm, Tarzana Community & Cultural Center: 19130 Ventura Blvd., Tarzana. (818) 344-2137.

West Hills

Neighborhood Council: 1st

Wednesday of the month, 7:00pm, Chaminade High School: 23260 Saticoy St., West Hills. (818) 719-8656. www.westhillsc.org.

Neighborhood Watch: 2nd Monday of the month, 7pm, Topanga Police Station: 21501 Schoenborn St., Canoga Park, **Senior Lead Officers Cunningham (North West Hills), (818) 756-3073**, and **Sam Sabra (South West Hills), (818) 756-3074**.

Chamber of Commerce: 3rd Thursday of the month, 7:30am, Hometown Buffet: 6705 N. Fallbrook Avenue, West Hills. (818) 648-6219. www.cpwchamber.org.

Winnetka

Neighborhood Council: 2nd

Tuesday of the month, 6:30pm, Valley Village: 20830 Sherman Way, Winnetka, (818) 648-6219. www.winnetkanc.com.

Winnetka Neighborhood Watch: 2nd Thursday of the month, 7pm, Topanga Police Station: 21501 Schoenborn St., Canoga Park, **Senior Lead Officer Maldonado, (818) 756-3079**.

West Winnetka/Canoga Park Neighborhood Watch: 3rd Tuesday of the month, 7:00pm, Valley Village: 20830 Sherman Way, Winnetka, **Senior Lead Officer Jericho Velasquez, (818) 374-7630**.

Chamber of Commerce: 1st Monday of the month, 6:30pm, Canoga Park Bowl: 20122 Vanowen St., Winnetka. www.winnetkacachamber.com.

Woodland Hills

Neighborhood Council: 2nd

Wednesday of the month, 6:30pm, Woodland Hills Academy Auditorium: 20800 Burbank Blvd., Woodland Hills. (818) 484-3270. www.whcouncil.org.

Neighborhood Watch: 1st Tuesday of the month, 6:30pm, Topanga Police Station: 21501 Schoenborn St., Canoga Park, **Senior Lead Officer Dinse, (818) 756-4800**.

Chamber of Commerce: Last Thursday of the month, 7:30am, Chamber Office: 20121 Ventura Blvd., Suite 309, Woodland Hills. (818) 347-4737. www.woodlandhillsc.net.

Woodland Hills Homeowners Organization: 4th Wednesday of the month, 7:30pm, Kaiser Permanente Hospital: Auditorium A, Entrance 5, 5601 De Soto Ave., Woodland Hills. 818-346-5842. www.whho.com.



Thank you Councilman Zine

I receive numerous notes of thanks throughout the course of my service and I want to share a few excerpts with you. I send each of you my most sincere "Thank You" for all of your kind words. –Councilman Zine

On behalf of the Taft High Baseball program, I sincerely thank you for your generosity. Our program is dependent on fundraising and the generous support of our local community. Your contribution is most appreciated.

-Jennifer deSpain, Taft High Baseball Booster

I would like to thank you for your support of the rebuilding of our burnt church (St. Mary's Assyrian Catholic Church of the East on Lindley Ave. Tarzana). Your staff efforts and the special task force put in place to oversee the rebuilding process have been so far very helpful and supportive. We are very close to clear the "legal process" with zoning and building to resubmit plans for the reconstruction of the church. I commend you on your efforts to be involved with your constituents and civic leaders promoting a hand of comfort and care at time of distress and disappointment for the Assyrian American Christians in Los Angeles who have lost a very dear building, their beloved church. It is at time of need when true friends show their support, and you, your staff (Mr. Jonathan Brand), Mr. Ricardo Tres (Building), Greg Shoop (Zoning), have showed your true colors of friendship and support.

-Rev. Fr. Ashur Elhoury, AIA, NCARB, ICC

The members of Glamour Gowns Giveaway and Court Appointed Special Advocates, CASA of Los Angeles, want to thank you for the letter of Commendation you awarded us on Friday, January 8, 2010 and your past support of Glamour Gowns. By honoring the Glamour Gowns committee you brought attention to the great work that the members do on behalf of over 500 teen-aged girls in foster care.

-Jacquie Dolan, CASA

Thank you for helping keep the miracle of Chanukah alive in our community with your contribution to Chabad's Chanukah Fund. Your generosity helps assure the flames of compassion and spiritually will continue to overcome the shadows of evil, wherever they appear. The goodness of your heart and purity of your intentions allows Chabad to respond to the men, women and children who cast their eyes towards us in the hope of finding a reason to believe.

-Rabbi Baruch Shlomo Cunin, Chabad of California

This letter is to express the deep gratitude from the Rotary Club of Calabasas for your continued support of our annual Senior Thanksgiving luncheon. It was even more successful this year, with well over 600 seniors enjoying a Thanksgiving turkey lunch and with over 100 volunteers helping to make sure they got served, timely and

with a smile and kind words. An event such as this cannot possibly take place without the support of many people and we are very grateful to have the support from you by way of providing the buses. These buses ensured that many more seniors were able to attend this year. It is truly a heartwarming event and we all had many tales to tell afterwards, some joyful, some spent alone, but with the support received from your office, the day was spent in a warm, friendly place and with a wonderful meal to eat and time shared with others.

-Bette Hall, President, Rotary Club of Calabasas

There is an old Yiddish expression that parents often would say to their children –zai a mensch. It means "be a mensch." Many people heard the expression but didn't acknowledge the importance of living their life in such a manner. You never had parents telling you zai a mensch and yet, you are a true exemplar of what it means to be mensch. Thank you for your continual generosity to Shomrei Torah and thank for you're tireless efforts on behalf of the Jewish community. Equally important, for all the work you do to make sure our small area of Los Angeles functions so smoothly, thank you as well.


-Rabbi Richard Camras, Shomrei Torah

With your donation, you are directly impacting the lives of young people who may otherwise not believe that college is a possibility for them. The Fulfillment Fund, with the support of our donors, makes it possible for students to not only dream big, but accomplish their goal of going to college. In this way we are changing the lives of our students and their families while promoting educational equity in our community. Please know how much we appreciate your support, especially in difficult economic times. You have our deepest gratitude for your significant contribution to our efforts in helping support the next generation of students.

-Andrea Cockrum, Fulfillment Fund

On behalf of the San Fernando Valley Jaycees, we would like to extend our sincerest appreciation for your generous contributions in support of our 2009 Annual Gala. The event was a tremendous success due largely to the gracious support we received from thoughtful community members and organizations like you! Your support will enable us to continue to carry out the very mission and we are tremendously grateful to you for identifying with our cause. We very much look forward to continuing our relationship as we all strive for better future for the San Fernando Valley.

-San Fernando Valley Jaycees Committee



All Around Z Town



Councilman Zine presents a proclamation to Temple Judea Rabbis for the groundbreaking ceremony of their Tarzana Campus



Councilman Zine joins Mayor Villaraigosa and Chief Beck to announce the 2009 Crime Statistics at a press conference at LAPD HQ



Councilman Zine recognizes Mike Lynn at the Chaminade College Preparatory 12th Annual Distinguished Alumni Breakfast



Assistant Chief Michel Moore and Deputy Chief Albanese join Councilman Zine and Lee Alpert on The Parallax Forum



Councilman Zine, the Woodland Hills-Tarzana Chamber, and community leaders attend the ribbon cutting of the Woodland Hills Ice Rink



Councilman Zine (aka "Santa Zine") attended the 6th Annual Motor4Toys Charity Car Show and Toy Drive



Walmart presents \$5,000 to Captain Egan at the LAPD West Valley Division's "Annual Toy Giveaway"



City Councilmembers congratulate newly sworn-in Chief of Police Charlie Beck at a ceremony at the new LAPD Headquarters



Councilman Zine addresses constituents at a recent Council District Three Town Hall Meeting




Councilman Zine kicked off the 10th Annual Walk of Ages at the Jewish Home of the Aging on Vanowen Ave.



Deaf Students from Taft High School in Woodland Hills visit City Council Chambers in December



Councilman Zine serves meals to families in need during the Los Angeles Mission's Christmas Dinner



All Around Zine Town



Councilman Zine joins John and Ken in-studio at KFIAM 640 for an interview on public affairs



Councilman Zine honors the 2010 Officer/Civilian recipients at the Valley Traffic Advisory Council Recognition Awards Luncheon



Councilman Zine warmly welcomes the 2010 Canoga Park/West Hills Chamber of Commerce Board on January 29th



Councilman Zine honored Topanga's SLO Maldonado, Sgt. Fentress, & SLO Cunningham for their commitment to public safety



Councilman Zine celebrates the 50th birthday celebration of Calabash Elementary School in Woodland Hills themed "Calabash Gives Back"



Councilman Zine honors father Stan Stanilka, 94, and son William at the Canoga Park Senior Center's Volunteer Luncheon



Councilman Zine helped pack care packages for Operation Gratitude that will go to the men and women serving our Country



Councilman Zine honors CASA representatives for their Glamour Gown Giveaway with a City Council commendation



Reseda High Magnet School Cadets attended a City Council Meeting during their tour of City Hall



U.S. Army Lt. Col. Jongwatana joins Councilman Zine and Lee Alpert on The Parallax Forum, Special Edition, Prime Time Zine



Councilman Zine travels to San Antonio with the U.S. Army Advisory Board for the All-American Bowl



Councilman Zine reads to children at Council District 13's Annual Holiday Party



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Member: Executive Employee Relations Committee (EERC)

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Past Pres.: Jewish Home for the Aging (JHA): The Executives
Past Pres.: Independent Cities Association ('06-'07); Treasurer ('07-'08)
Officer: LAPD Reserve Officer: Fugitive Warrant Detail
Chairman: Los Angeles County Judicial Procedures Commission (JPC)
Secretary: West Valley Family YMCA: Board of Directors
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Member: National League of Cities: Advisory Council
Member: Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG): Energy & Environment Committee; Regional Council