



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



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## 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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## 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Z Awards For ExZellence

*Recognizing outstanding public safety personnel*

By Jessica Tarman, *Communications Director*

The 9th Annual "Z Awards for ExZellence" luncheon was held on Thursday, April 21st at the Warner Center Marriott in Woodland Hills to honor public safety personnel who go above and beyond what is expected of them in order to serve the citizens of the Third Council District and the greater Los Angeles community. CBS2 News Anchor Pat Harvey presented the awards and the Honorable Richard Katz served as the Master of Ceremonies.



In its ninth year, the "Z Awards for ExZellence" recognizes individuals who have demonstrated ongoing dedication, commitment, and "exzellence" in their respective fields and for their outstanding contributions in the areas of law enforcement, emergency services, and public safety. At this year's award ceremony, the community honored personnel from the LAPD, LAFD, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, California Highway Patrol, and the California Department of Motor Vehicles.

### 2011 Recipients:



**Sergeant I Frank Alferez, LAPD Topanga Area:** Sergeant Alferez is a 14-year veteran of the Los Angeles Police Department. He joined the LAPD's Topanga Division in December of 2008 and quickly established himself as an extraordinary, hard-working supervisor. He was instrumental in putting together the newly established

Topanga Area Gang Enforcement Detail (GED). His understanding of gang issues

and gang enforcement techniques has led to a direct impact on crime reduction in the valley. Topanga GED is among the leaders in Operations-Valley Bureau (OVB) in total arrests and productivity consistently for the past two years, finishing

number one in the OVB in 2009 with a 275% increase from 2008. In 2009, gang crime dropped 20% and in 2010, gang crime dropped an additional 11%. In 2010, Topanga GED made 395 arrests, of those arrested, 261 were for felony crimes. The officers conducted 193 probation searches and 103 parole searches, which resulted in the arrest of 44 parolee/probationers and the confiscation of ten guns. In addition, Topanga GED made 102 gang injunction arrests, which again led the bureau and was second overall citywide in gang injunction arrest totals. Sergeant Alferez's leadership and gang expertise is the driving force behind the success of Topanga GED.



### Police Officer II+2 Tim Gallick, LAPD Valley Traffic Division:

Officer Gallick has been a member of the Los Angeles Police Department since 1995 and is currently a member of the Valley Traffic

Division Community Traffic Services Unit. As a Traffic Safety Officer, he works diligently to address the needs of the community by working closely with LAUSD officials in implementing student drop-off/

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pick-up stations to ensure student safety. Officer Gallick has also been involved with the Valley Traffic Advisory Council's "Still Saving Lives Car Show," which educates constituents on child safety seat inspections. He also represented the department during a recent taping of an Univision Television weekly program to illustrate the dangers of texting and driving. Officer Gallick was honored with the Police Star Award for his bravery above and beyond the normal demands of duty when he evacuated residents from their homes during the 2008 Sesnon Fire. And he received the Top Gun award from the Los Angeles Chief of Police Charlie Beck for his exceptional motorcycle riding skills.



**Sergeant I Michael Henderson, LAPD West Valley Area:** Sergeant Henderson has been with the Los Angeles Police Department since 1988 and has been a supervisor in the West Valley area since January 2009. He is frequently called upon to serve as the incident commander at dangerous crime scenes. On May 1, 2009, two armed suspects entered and robbed the First Bank on Ventura Blvd. As the suspects departed, they placed a suspicious device inside the front door of the bank. Sergeant Henderson immediately responded to the scene and took over as the incident commander. He ensured that all necessary notifications were made, set up a command post, and initiated the Incident Command System. As a result of his excellent leadership and planning, the Robbery Homicide Division, the FBI, and the Bomb Squad were able to conduct their investigations in a timely and effective manner. Sergeant Henderson was honored as both West Valley Area Supervisor of the 2nd Quarter in 2010 and the 2010 Supervisor of the Year. He is an inspiration to both the sworn and civilian staff, alike, and is a great friend and protector of the citizens of the West Valley.



**Officer Heather Hoglund, California Highway Patrol:** Officer Hoglund graduated seventh out of her class of 137 cadets from the CHP Academy in June of 2003 and transferred to the West Valley office in October of 2005. During her tenure at West Valley, she was the recipient of the 2007 MADD Award for outstanding

DUI enforcement activity. She was selected to be a member of the Southern Division Public Information and Recruiting Office where she became one of the instructors for the child passenger safety seat installation, a very important national safety program. She has been

interviewed on national television, including the Today show, CNN, and Fox News Network to answer questions regarding distracted drivers and also providing narration for active pursuits on these programs. Along with her other tasks, she was chosen to head the Keeping Everyone Safe (KEYS) grant. This program permitted Officer Hoglund to coordinate 12 allied agencies in Los Angeles County thereby creating an educational task force for elderly drivers on driving safely as they age. In early 2010, she transferred back to the West Valley to become a field training officer. She wanted the opportunity to influence new officers, guiding and teaching them to be productive and valued members of the department. She is also the newest member of the Southern Division Color Guard, where she represented the department at the Women Leaders in Law Enforcement Conference in Pasadena.



**Captain John D. Holtby, Los Angeles City Fire Department:** Captain Holtby was hired onto the Department in August of 1980 and transferred to Fire Station 93 in Tarzana in November of 2002 where he is stationed with the "B" Platoon. Captain Holtby's faith has been a cornerstone in both his professional and personal life.

He is involved with the Firefighters for Christ Ministry, an organization that helps firefighters in need. He continues to volunteer at Hume Lake Christian Camp for children and their families. He has traveled abroad to help the needy in Mexico and Uganda. While in Uganda he worked alongside Africa Renewal Ministry (ARM) and Children's Hunger Fund to help Bethany Village (an orphanage) become self-sustaining. The mission team provided medical care, educational instruction, and construction assistance. Currently, Captain Holtby and his wife help with the disabled ministry at their church. He plans to retire in three more years, giving him a total of 34 years of dedicated service to the Fire Department.



**Deputy Gabriel Perez, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department:** Deputy Perez has been with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for five years and has been assigned to the Transit Services Bureau for three of those years at the Chatsworth Sub Station. In 1998, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. He spent a total of eight years in the Marine Corps seeing combat in Enduring Freedom in Kuwait and in Enduring Iraq. During this time, he was awarded three Naval Achievement Medals. Last year, while working on the PM shift, Dep-

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## Los Angeles River Beautification

It was a windy Saturday morning, but this did not stop the volunteers from participating in the Los Angeles River Beautification Day of Service Project in Reseda. The project, spearheaded by the Office of Councilman Dennis P. Zine, the Office of Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, the Reseda Neighborhood Council, and the Trust for Public Land sought to improve a two-mile stretch of the Los Angeles River along Crebs Avenue in Reseda. The work consisted of removing weeds, trimming trees, and cleaning debris along the river.



As part of the initiative, the Councilman had the palm trees trimmed and the palm fronds were then distributed to local churches in the district for Palm Sunday. This was a great opportunity for churches that typically pay for palm fronds to receive them for free.

The entire service project has been divided into three phases: including tree removal & trimming, weed abatement, and tree planting. It was a successful event and the following groups helped make this an incredible day of service: Iglesia Restauracion, Iglesia Poder de Dios, Valley Vineyard Church, St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church, the West Valley YMCA, the Reseda Neighborhood Council, the Boys Scouts, and local residents. If you are interested in cleaning an area in your community, please email Jose Martinez at [Jose.M.Martinez@lacity.org](mailto:Jose.M.Martinez@lacity.org).



## E-Waste Event

On Saturday, April 16th, Councilman Zine held a Used Motor Oil and Electronic Waste Recycling event at the council district office in Reseda. This was a great opportunity for the City to provide Third Council District residents with a temporary and convenient location where they could bring motor oil, oil filters, and electronic waste for recycling. The Used Motor Oil and Electronic Waste Recycling Programs have received an excellent response from residents and the community.

Below is a summary of items collected at the event:

Total participants = 636 cars  
Used Oil collected = 1,100 gallons  
UO filters collected = 2 drums  
E-waste collected = 30,000 lbs.

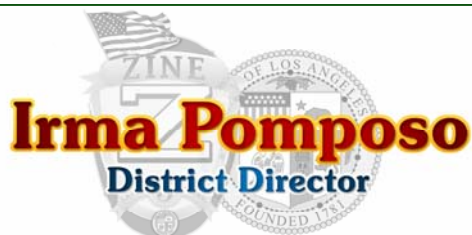
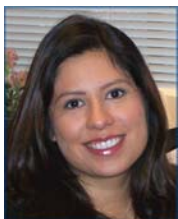
The next e-waste event is scheduled for the fall. For more information, email [Jose.M.Martinez@lacity.org](mailto:Jose.M.Martinez@lacity.org) or call 1-800-98-TOXIC.

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uty Perez made more than 297 arrests and wrote more than 559 citations. 137 of those were vehicle code violations, 321 were fare enforcement violations, and 101 were parking citations. During the past year, Deputy Perez's primary job was to patrol the bus routes that traverse the San Fernando Valley. In 2010, while working the mid shift, he made 593 arrests. From the arrests made, 272 were warrant arrests and 321 were open charge arrests for various criminal offenses ranging from narcotic violations, weapons violations, drunk driving, and other misdemeanor violations. He also issued more than 558 traffic-related citations including 87 parking tickets to violators parking in bus zones.



**Deputy Chief Vito Scattaglia**, *Department of Motor Vehicles, Division of Investigations*: Deputy Chief Scattaglia was born in San Fernando, California and attended Alemany High School and California State University, Los Angeles earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Administration of Justice. He is a graduate of the L.A. County Sheriff's Academy and holds State Commission on Peace Officers Standards and Training for basic, intermediate, advanced, supervisory, and management requirements. Deputy Chief Scattaglia began his law enforcement career with the DMV Division of Investigations in March 1973 as an investigator assigned to Los Angeles. He was promoted through the various field and supervisory ranks from March 1973 to October 1986 in the L.A. area. He then promoted to valley area commander in October 1986 with oversight of all San Fernando Valley enforcement activity. He began serving as deputy chief in March of 2009 and is responsible for DMV field enforcement activities for Los Angeles, Ventura, Santa Barbara, and San Luis Obispo counties. He oversees three commanders, nine supervising investigators, 65 sworn investigators and 12 support staff. For the past 38 years, Deputy Chief Scattaglia has also served as a reserve police officer for the City of San Fernando and has been the commander of the reserve unit for 33 years with the rank of captain.



## Discretionary Funds Put to Good Use

**E**arlier this year, Councilman Zine transferred a significant amount of his discretionary funds to the Bureau of Street Services, Department of Public Works, with the intent of providing additional needed core services throughout the Third Council District that are currently underfunded or lacking. As part of that commitment, the Councilman also agreed to a \$5000 matching program with each of our six neighborhood councils. Three of our neighborhood councils took us up on this offer, below are the additional core services that will be funded thanks to our matching program.

- ◆ The **Reseda Neighborhood Council** will be trimming large overgrown trees in the Reseda Downtown Business District.
- ◆ The **Tarzana Neighborhood Council** will be repairing potholes, trimming trees, and removing tree stumps.
- ◆ The **Winnetka Neighborhood Council** will be doing small asphalt repairs and trimming trees.

Please make sure to thank Councilman Zine and your neighborhood council for funding the additional work that will directly impact your quality of life!

**I**n addition to the matching funds program, the Councilman has already funded the following core services throughout CD3:

- ◆ Tree trimming in Reseda as part of a beautification project along the LA River.
- ◆ Tree stump removal along Ventura Blvd. in both Tarzana and Woodland Hills as part of the overall communities' effort to "green" the Blvd. by planting trees.
- ◆ Slurry sealing throughout the district.
- ◆ Small curb repairs along Ventura Blvd. in Woodland Hills.
- ◆ Operation Pothole throughout the district - a total of 329 pothole repairs were completed.

## LA River Greenway Project

*"I'm excited to see that the revitalization of the Los Angeles River will include a 2-mile bikeway within the Third Council District that will feature fitness stations and community art and will restore natural habitats. Aside from promoting a healthy lifestyle, this project will offer local residents the opportunity to enjoy recreational activities in an open space along the river." -Councilman Dennis P. Zine*



**C**ouncilman Dennis Zine, Public Works officials, bike enthusiasts, and active community members marked the start of construction of the LA River Greenway Project at a groundbreaking ceremony held in March. The project, a two-mile bikeway and parkway along the River's south bank between Vanalden Avenue and Mason Avenue, will run through the communities of Winnetka and Reseda. It includes habitat-friendly landscaping, stormwater quality improvements, solar LED lighting, resting areas with benches, drinking fountains and fitness equipment. The Greenway Project is a part of the Los Angeles River Revitalization Master Plan designed to enhance recreational opportunities and overall quality of life along the LA River in CD3. Adding to the overall improvements in the area, the project also includes the resurfacing of Tampa Avenue and Winnetka Avenue between Victory Boulevard and Vanowen Street.

Construction will be done in three phases, with phase 1 and 2 set to be completed summer 2012. The third phase is being scheduled, but is not yet finalized.

## KNOCK! KNOCK! WHO'S THERE? Door-to-Door Solicitors Ordinance

By Brian Perry, *Chief Legislative Deputy*

**T**he City of Los Angeles has adopted a new Ordinance that will allow the Police Department and the City Attorney to stop, detain, or prosecute individuals who may be posing as door-to-door solicitors in order to stalk a home or create a cover to commit a crime. Individuals who approach your door with the stated intent of a commercial purpose must now provide a valid government-issued photo identification when requested. They must also be able to produce a current Business Tax Registration Certificate. The hours of solicitation are also restricted to only 8am – 8pm.

These identification requirements may also deter vendors from defrauding the public by attempting to sell inferior or illegal products. Always ask for these documents in addition to any receipt you may obtain. These rules were in place for charitable solicitors, but only applied to commercial vendors for the sake of collecting taxes and fees by the Office of Finance. This new Ordinance will allow law enforcement to apprehend and prosecute wrongdoers.

Be sure to report any suspicious solicitors to the police. Write down any identifications they may provide; and if the vendor refuses to provide identification, take note of their physical description and any form of transportation.



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 Octaviano Rios, Jr., Field Deputy

## TARZANA

### Mecca Park: A Neighborhood Crossroads

Councilman Zine is excited to announce a partnership to beautify an overlooked lot now called Mecca Park in Tarzana. Councilman Zine, the Department of Recreation and Parks, the Tarzana Neighborhood Council, and some community members came together to brainstorm ideas for the improvement of this Mecca Ave. property and to identify funding sources to beautify this unique neighborhood open space.



A few years ago, a Tarzana resident donated the 8,273 square foot (0.18 acre) piece of unused private property to the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks, which is located at the intersection of Reseda Blvd. and Mecca Ave., just south of Ventura Blvd. Over the years, the unused property has been an eyesore full of overgrown vegetation that has actually served to provide the West Valley Police Activity League Supporters (PALS) youth the opportunity to put in some volunteer hours by clearing of overgrowth vegetation and removing litter.

The vision for the property is to beautify Mecca Park so it aesthetically improves the neighborhood without encouraging the use of the property for loitering or heavy recreational purposes. A neighborhood resident offered to put her landscaping design skills to use by drafting a design for review. The design brought enthusiastic support and was ultimately approved due to its low construction and maintenance costs, and the use of water tolerant plants and trees. The proposed design has five small areas of trees and plants, a dry river bed, short paths of decomposed granite paving, and a set-back around the perimeter of the property to allow pedestrians to safely step onto it if they need to. The trees and shrubs that will be planted include the following: Palo Verde tree, Beaked Yucca, Purple Hopseed Bush, assorted Aloes, Cleveland Sage, Red Yucca, California Lilac, Toyon, Berkley Sedge, Desert Willow, Western Redbud, Matilija Poppy, White Sage, and Manzanita. All of these landscape elements together will create a beautiful water-tolerant California native paradise.

We are aiming to have this project completed by the end

of summer 2011 so the hundreds of residents that drive and walk up and down Reseda Blvd. every-day will finally be able to enjoy the outcome of a true community project that both respects the concern for water conservation and embraces the beautifully diverse native plants that California has to offer. Thank you to the Department of Recreation and Parks, the Tarzana Neighborhood Council, and the residents that live in that neighborhood for their support.



## Park Improvements

By Adrian Garcia, Policy Director/Deputy Chief of Staff

Exciting new park improvements are coming to a few parks in our District! Working in collaboration with the Department of Recreation and Parks, you will begin to see new improvements at Lanark Park, while future enhancements are planned for Shadow Ranch and Woodland Hills parks. These projects will upgrade our parks and benefit kids and adults alike.

### Here is a breakdown of the improvements:

**Lanark Park:** Improvements are currently underway; including the installation of a new playground and outdoor basketball courts. In addition, the volleyball court will be refurbished. Enhancements to the recreation center are in progress consisting of new indoor lighting, new paint, and a new gym floor. All of these improvements are scheduled to be completed in June, just in time for summer. Also, Recreation and Parks is planning the installation of a new synthetic turf soccer field which is scheduled to be completed by Fall 2012.

**Woodland Hills Recreation Center:** New improvements are planned for the park including an updated playground and a refurbished outdoor basketball court.

**Shadow Ranch Park:** Plans are in the works to install a synthetic turf soccer field scheduled to be completed by Winter 2012.

The park improvements are being funded using Council District 3 Quimby funds. Quimby fees are paid by developers of single and multi-family dwelling units to assist municipalities in their provision of park developments and improvements. The current City ordinance regarding the use of Quimby funds requires the funds collected be used at City Recreation and Park facilities within 2 miles of the collection site.



## Sherman Village Breaks Ground

**A** CRA funded family-affordable housing development broke ground March 15th on the corner of Wilbur Ave. and Sherman Way. Developed by Meta Housing, Sherman Village will transform a long-time vacant lot recently being utilized as a used car lot into a 73-unit multi-family development. Meta has completed numerous successful affordable projects in the Valley and has a good track record with the City of Los Angeles. In addition to the stylish architecture (pictured), the development will feature a large backyard with BBQ area and children's play equipment. Included for ambiance will be a water feature at the corner of Wilbur and Sherman Way. Services will be provided to the residents that include financial empowerment classes and after school classes. If you are interested in becoming a resident, please call (714) 363-4090 x7432 and ask for the Sherman Village project. The Sherman Village management has more information regarding eligibility and is in the process of compiling an interested parties list.



## Stenroos Restitution

By Brian Perry, *Chief Legislative Deputy*

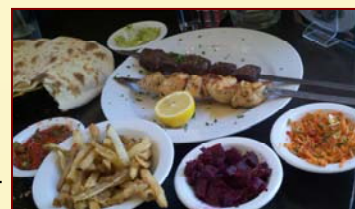
**O**n January 19, 2011, a report was received that Security Officer Jeffrey Stenroos from the Los Angeles School Police was shot while on duty near El Camino Real High School in Woodland Hills. The reported shooting prompted officials to seal off a large part of the West San Fernando Valley and place approximately 9,000 students on lockdown. Hundreds of officers from the LAPD, school police, the LA County Sheriff's Department, FBI, ATF and the California Highway Patrol responded to the area. Eight days later, LAPD investigators announced that the reported shooting of Officer Stenroos was a hoax. Stenroos has subsequently been charged with insurance fraud, workers' compensation fraud, preparing a false police report, preparing false documentary evidence, planting false evidence and falsely reporting an emergency. Stenroos faces up to five years and eight months in prison if convicted.

A day after the revelation of the hoax, the City Council approved a Motion introduced by Councilman Zine to seek restitution from Stenroos for compensation of the costs incurred by the City in response to his false report. Working with the City Administrative Officer (CAO), the Los Angeles Police Department, the Los Angeles Fire Department, and the Department of Transportation, a summary invoice was forwarded by Councilman Zine to the District Attorney to request a cost recovery payment of \$361,289.51 upon the conviction of Stenroos.

## JB's LOCAL RESTAURANT REVIEW

### The Hummus Bar and Grill

**T**he best of Tel Aviv in Tarzana, the Hummus Bar and Grill specializes in a fresh and always fabulous variety of salads and skewered meats. The Hummus Bar, located on the north side of Ventura Blvd just east of Burbank opened in January of 2008 and quickly expanded to its current size in February of 2010.



When I go for lunch, it is always busy with customers enjoying themselves. The first thing you notice when you walk in is round balls of dough waiting to be rolled and quickly baked into fresh laffa bread. Once you find your seat, the fresh laffa is served with salsa, olives, and pickles. Be careful, it's right out of the oven and hot.

The hummus, as you might guess, is fantastic. Made without preservatives, the blended mix of garbanzo beans, sesame paste, garlic and lemon is done to perfection and is extra delicious topped with sauteed mushrooms. Ordering a hummus appetizer is a must because you need something to dip the laffa bread into. The solid selection of skewered meats come out flavorful and juicy. As a test, I tried the chicken breast skewer as chicken breast tends to dry out. Not at the Hummus Bar. If you feel more adventurous, foie gras, lamb, and chicken hearts are also served on a skewer. On the other end of the food spectrum, the Hummus Bar, believe it or not, is also vegetarian friendly. They have a wide variety of vegetarian dishes under the "salads" portion of the menu. Two that stand out are the beet salad spiced with cumin and the corn salad with red bell peppers and dill. There are about 15 different salads to choose from.

The Hummus Bar's distinctively Israeli Mediterranean cuisine not only serves Middle Eastern dishes, but also peppers in some Jewish eastern European classics. The chopped liver can compete with Bubbie's recipe, the lentil soup is authentic, and the schnitzel is definitely legit. Really, what more can you ask for? Hummus appetizers start at \$7, vegetarian salads are about \$4, and kebab meals range from \$12 to \$24.

The Hummus Bar and Grill  
18743 Ventura Blvd.  
Tarzana, CA 91356  
(818) 344-6606  
Open Daily 11am-11:30pm



## Uncovering Fraud, Waste, & Abuse



As the new Audits and Government Efficiency Chair, Councilman Dennis P. Zine made a commitment to stop fraud, waste, and abuse. Over the past two months, the committee has made great progress in helping aid City departments better collect taxes owed to the citizens of LA, as well as advocate for efficient billing from the Department of Water & Power.

As Chair, Councilman Zine brought to light \$23M which is owed by parking lot operators who collect these monies but do not remit back to the City coffers. This abuse of the law affects all Angelenos when faced with a budget that is cutting services. In committee, Councilman Zine passed a number of initiatives that helped to tighten our ordinance which will prevent additional abuse to continue.

As his first action as the Chair, he made the following recommendations: 1) Request the City Attorney to draft language that authorizes the Police Commission to deny a new Police Permit application or renewal application for non-payment of business taxes and/or parking occupancy taxes; 2) Request the City Attorney to work with the Office of Finance to report back on the legal possibilities of requiring all parking lot operators to obtain a bond for each location to satisfy any delinquent tax; 3) Request the City Attorney to report back on the possibility of obtaining a lien on the property for non-payment; and 4) Instruct the City Attorney to draft language to amend the Los Angeles Municipal Code to require that in order to reinstate a suspended Police Permit, the operator must: a) pay all outstanding delinquent business taxes and parking occupancy taxes; and b) to install, at the permit holder's expense, automated and approved Revenue Control Equipment at each parking lot location. These recommendations will make it harder for these violations to recur and for operators to commit fraud.

Later in the month, it was brought to Councilman Zine's attention that the DWP was back billing customers for many months of utilities, adding up to several thousands of dollars. This is not only an unfair hardship put on any customer who receives this type of bill, but also highlights collection problems the department faces. He had originally requested the Controller to conduct an audit of DWP's billing and collection practices, including a discussion of the problems caused by late billing, to be done at the Department's expense.

After a lengthy discussion, the DWP proactively issued a new bill format which they claim will help address the issue of double billing. Councilman Zine will hold the audit for now to allow this transition to occur. He did direct the DWP to report on the findings of their internal audit on their billing and collection processes; prepare an outreach plan on how they will address this issue with their customers, including an appeal process when customers disagree with the changes, and provide a contact that customers can communicate with; and to determine how this issue could be better addressed through the new Office of Public Accountability. Councilmember Zine will have a full hearing once again in the upcoming months to hear all of these report backs as well as



City Attorney Trutanich and Controller Greuel join Councilman Zine at a press conference calling for parking lot tax cheats to pay up

a full status update on how the new bill format has helped decrease the issue of delayed billing.

Upcoming is the discussion of the red light program. The City Controller has released an audit stating there are many engineering flaws to the program as it stands. Councilman Zine will make sure all corrections are made before the continuance of any red light program in the City of Los Angeles.

Lastly, Councilman Zine would like to remind everyone that if they are a witness to any fraud, waste, or abuse to call the Fraud Hotline at 1-866-428-1514.

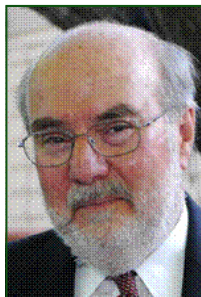




  
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 Senior Specialist / Clergy Liaison

## ONEgeneration CEO Retires

ONEgeneration in Reseda bid a very sad farewell to Larry Gordon who has been their CEO for the past three years. Larry is an exceptional, extraordinary person and friend to all that had the honor of meeting and working with him. He is a kind, smart, and very hard working individual and has been quite an asset to ONEgeneration.



Laurence Gordon, CRC, CCM, CDMS (Certified Rehabilitation Counselor, Certified Case Manager, Certified Disability Management Specialist) has more than 38 years of experience in human services, care management, and rehabilitation. He has managed public agencies, not-for-profit organizations, and private companies. Mr. Gordon's consulting firm, Laurence Gordon Associates, provided management consulting services to the private and public sectors from 1989 to 2007.

From 2002 to 2005, Mr. Gordon also served as the Executive Director of Grandparents as Parents (GAP). He currently serves as a member of the GAP Board of Directors. He is past President of the International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals and 2003 recipient of the IARP Lifetime Achievement Award. He was the first Chair of the Case Management Coalition Association, a Commissioner on the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification, and served as an Executive Committee member on the Foundation for Rehabilitation Education and Research. Mr. Gordon received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Salem State College in Massachusetts, then pursued advanced graduate studies at Boston University. Mr. Gordon and his wife Madelyn have been married for 35 years, have two grown children and three grandchildren.

## Senior Symposium

On Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, a wonderful and educational time was had by all with our "3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Senior Symposium – Living Well", held at the ONEgeneration Senior Enrichment Center in Reseda. Councilman Zine, ONEgeneration and the Reseda, Canoga Park, Winnetka, Tarzana and Lake Balboa Neighborhood Councils graciously sponsored this fabulous event! Approximately 300 seniors and caretakers began their day with a continental breakfast followed by various speakers discussing topics such as Physical and Mental Well Be-

ing, Financial and Legal Survival, Deals for Seniors, Disaster Preparedness addressed by Firefighter McNight, and Self Protection addressed by LAPD Officer Rosa Parra. There was also a panel discussion on Planning for Incapacity followed by a delicious barbecue chicken lunch and an 'exercise break'.

Councilman Zine welcomed the seniors and caretakers by giving them an update on current discussions in City Hall. Councilman Zine also responded to several questions from the participants.

The ONEgeneration auditorium was filled with numerous vendors offering their support and services such as various home care agencies, financial services, hospice care, Kaiser Senior Advantage, Providence Health and Services, dentists, medical supply companies, residential choices, health and rehabilitation services, elder law services, the YMCA, Home Secure, Lifeline, COSTCO, the Department of Mental Health, Jewish Family Services & Home Security, and the AQMD were all represented.



A special thank you to Larry Lisenbee, Director of the ONEgeneration Senior Enrichment Center, and their staff for their continued support and cooperation by providing their auditorium for this annual event. Thank you all for making this event a success!

COUNCILMAN  
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**4TH OF JULY**  
 FIREWORKS EXTRAVAGANZA

**Monday, July 4th, 2011**  
 Concert: 6:00pm - 8:00pm | Fireworks Show: 9:05pm  
**Warner Center Park**  
 5800 Topanga Cyn Blvd in Woodland Hills

**Parking:** \$15 in any of the Warner Center structures between  
 Topanga & Canoga or Califa & Oxnard

**Info:** (818) 704-1358 or [www.valleycultural.org](http://www.valleycultural.org)

FREE EVENT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC



## Community Meetings & Events Calendar

### Canoga Park

#### Neighborhood Council: 4<sup>th</sup>

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

**Neighborhood Watch:** 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month, 7pm, Topanga Police Station: 21501 Schoenborn St., Canoga Park, **Senior Lead Officer Zumstein, (818) 756-3188**.

**Chamber of Commerce:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month, 7:30am, Hometown Buffet: 6705 N. Fallbrook Ave., West Hills. (818) 884-9906. [www.cpwchchamber.org](http://www.cpwchchamber.org).

### Reseda

#### Neighborhood Council: 1<sup>st</sup>

Monday of the month, 7pm, RNC Office: 18341 Sherman Way, #102, Reseda. & 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month, 7pm, American Legion Hall: 7338 Canby Ave., Reseda. (818) 832-7540. [www.resedacouncil.org](http://www.resedacouncil.org).

**Neighborhood Watch:** 2nd Thursday of the month, 7pm, West Valley Police Station: 19020 Vanowen Street, Reseda, **Senior Lead Officer Barber, (818) 731-2580** (North of Sherman Way). **Senior Lead Officer Parra, (818) 731-2574** (South of Sherman Way).

**Community Police Advisory Board (CPAB):** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month, 7:00pm, West Valley Police Station Community Room: 19020 Vanowen St., Reseda. (818) 374-7689.

### Tarzana

#### Neighborhood Council: 4<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday of the month, 7pm, Tarzana Elementary School: 5726 Topeka Drive, Tarzana. (818) 345-1966. [www.tarzananc.org](http://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, 12pm, Providence Tarzana Medical Center: 18321 Clark St., Tarzana. (818) 347-4737. [www.woodlandhillsc.net](http://www.woodlandhillsc.net).

**Property Owners Association:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month, 7:30pm, Tarzana Community & Cultural Center: 19130 Ventura Blvd., Tarzana. (818) 344-2137. [www.tarzanapropertyowners.org](http://www.tarzanapropertyowners.org)

### West Hills

#### Neighborhood Council: 1<sup>st</sup>

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

**Neighborhood Watch:** 2<sup>nd</sup> 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:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month, 7:30am, Hometown Buffet: 6705 N. Fallbrook Avenue, West Hills. (818) 648-6219. [www.cpwchchamber.org](http://www.cpwchchamber.org).

### Winnetka

#### Neighborhood Council: 2<sup>nd</sup>

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

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

**Neighborhood Spanish Watch Meeting:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month, 7pm, Topanga Police Station: 21501 Schoenborn St., Canoga Park, **Senior Lead Officer Maldonado, (818) 756-3079**

**Chamber of Commerce:** 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month, 6:30pm, Canoga Park Bowl: 20122 Vanowen St., Winnetka. [www.winnetkachamberofcommerce.org](http://www.winnetkachamberofcommerce.org).

### Woodland Hills

#### Neighborhood Council: 2<sup>nd</sup>

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

**Neighborhood Watch:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month at 6:30pm, Topanga Police Station: 21501 Schoenborn St., Canoga Park, **Senior Lead Officers 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](http://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](http://www.whho.com).

# All Around Z Town



Councilman Zine with the Bureau of Street Services staff including Chi Ming Gong, James Duncan, and the slurry seal crew



Councilman Zine with over 150 volunteers at a Ventura Blvd. tree planting event in Woodland Hills in March



Thousands turn out to support WALK Now for Autism Speaks at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena



Councilman Zine was the man of the hour at the 14th Annual LA Political Roast benefiting the American Diabetes Association



Councilman Zine helps kick-off the 3rd Annual Woodland Hills Relay for Life at Pierce College



Enadia Way Elementary School Garden ribbon-cutting ceremony with Principal Corboba, LAUSD staff, and parent volunteers



The West Valley Alliance, Office of Community Beautification, and ClearChannel are recognized for their work to combat graffiti



Councilman Zine praises the heroic actions of Reseda High School personnel at a City Council Meeting in Van Nuys



Councilman Zine and the LAPD hold a press conference to announce a reward in the hit & run collision that killed Jafar Amirshahidi




Councilman Zine kicking off the West Valley YMCA's Healthy Kids Day with Executive Director, Greg Koubek



The Opening Day Ceremony for Sunrise Little League with Scott Nadler, Michael Spound, and Eagle Scout award recipient Chris Englemann



Councilman Zine and General Manager Mike Nix celebrate Braemar Country Club's Grand Opening of the Fitness Center



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Reading *Green Eggs and Ham* to Lokrantz Elementary School students for Dr. Seuss' birthday and Read Across America Day



Councilman Zine, the Mayor, the Chamber, the Historical Society, and the Neighborhood Council kick-off the Canoga Park Centennial



Councilman Zine, Rec. & Parks GM Jon Mukri, and students from Reseda HS celebrate Reseda Park Lake's re-opening



The 25th Anniversary celebration of the Warner Center Marriott with Joy Picus, GM Clay Andrews, Gordon Luster, and Terry Adler



Councilman Zine and other elected officials celebrate the grand opening of the new tower at Providence Holy Cross



Councilman Zine participates in the Walk to End Genocide at Warner Ranch Park with Jewish World Watch



Terry Handa of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Chris Ipsen of the Emergency Management Dept. on the Parallax Forum



Taft Community Fair with LAUSD Boardmember Zimmer, District 1 Director Bartleson, Principal Thomas, and parent Jennifer deSpain



Michael Sirota, John Parker, Councilman Zine, Mary Paterson, and others celebrate at Canoga Park's St. Patrick's Day Parade



Councilman Zine, LAPD Valley Traffic Division, CHP, and local traffic reporters recognize Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month



Councilman Zine, the Community Redevelopment Agency, and Meta Housing celebrate the Groundbreaking of Sherman Village



Octaviano Rios at the WVOC's 10th Annual International Day Festival with Principal Montes and Assistant Principal Luis Lopez



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**Vice-Chair:** Personnel  
**Vice-Chair:** Education & Neighborhoods  
**Member:** Public Safety  
**Member:** Information Technology & Government Affairs

### **ORGANIZATIONS:**

**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  
**Secretary:** West Valley Family YMCA: Board of Directors  
**Exec. Cmte:** U.S. Army Los Angeles Community Advisory Board  
**Member:** National League of Cities: Advisory Council  
**Member:** San Fernando Council of Governments  
**Member:** Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG):  
 Energy & Environment Committee; Regional Council; Regional  
 Integrated Policy Task Force  
**Hon. Member:** Woodland Hills Rotary  
**Hon. Member:** Valley Village Foundation  
**Hon. Member:** West Valley LAPD PALS