



# CITY NEWS

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## Westlake Village: 2012 A Year in Review

This past year marked a number of significant achievements for the City of Westlake Village including the 10th anniversary of the Civic Center, completion of two streetscape projects, and the development and launch of the new City website. Here are a few highlights of these and other accomplishments over the last twelve months:

### Community Events



The City commemorated the tenth anniversary of the Westlake Village Civic Center and the 10th Annual City Celebration at one special event on October 20. The day-long celebration included: tours of the Civic Center, White Oak Fun Fair, Westlake Village Community Foundation BBQ, local performance showcase, haunted house and the first annual Goblin Gallop 5K/1M run. The City introduced the new Saturday in the Park Concert series, part of the successful Summer Entertainment program. The annual 4th of July Parade and Westlake Village Reads program also rounded out a very busy year of special events.

### Emergency Preparedness

The City's Disaster Response Team (DRT) along with City staff participated in three Disaster Preparedness Drills. Last spring, the team was involved in a City-wide drill to help prepare for emergency scenarios, volunteered for an evacuation and emergency drill in Topanga Canyon, and joined teams from the cities of Agoura Hills, Calabasas, and Malibu in a CERT refresher training program.

### Westlake Village Planning Department Projects

#### *The Shoppes at Westlake Village*

On May 9, the City Council approved the development of a new retail commercial center, The Shoppes at Westlake Village on the Westlake North Planning Area C property. Construction has begun on the site and a tentative opening date of March 2014 is scheduled.

#### *Westlake Village Business Park Specific Plan*

Work has been ongoing for the Westlake Village Business Park Specific Plan. The draft Specific Plan is available for review on the City's website at [www.wlv.org](http://www.wlv.org). This Specific Plan will guide the future re-development and re-use of the business park located in the northwest section of the City.

#### *Ordinance 222-12*

The City Council has begun addressing the growing number of businesses that do not have the proper permits to operate in the City of Westlake Village. A draft ordinance was reviewed at the October 24 meeting and will be considered for adoption on December 12. If adopted, the ordinance will go into effect after a 30-day period. For more information on this new ordinance, please contact the City's Planning Department at 818-706-1613.

### Capital Improvement Projects

#### *Streetscape*

Three street related projects were undertaken in 2012. Two of the three projects consisted of the City's ongoing median improvement program. These median improvement projects are part of the City's overall landscape master plan to improve appearance and reduce water consumption throughout the City's streetscape. The first such median project was located on Lindero Canyon Road from Thousand Oaks Boulevard to Via Colinas. The second was located on Agoura Road from Lindero Canyon Road to the eastern City limit. Finally, work continues on the Lindero linear path project along the drainage culvert that runs next to Lindero Canyon Road between Agoura Road and Foxfield Drive. This project will result in the creation of a new off-road walking path along with landscape improvements. A new fence, screening vines, and irrigation have already been installed. Construction of the walking path is scheduled to begin in late spring or early summer.

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# 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

## 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

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### Community Park

Considerable progress has been made on Phase 1 of the new community park project during the year. This has included the completion of the slope landscaping and irrigation system and construction of the access road retaining walls. Additionally, construction of the actual park access roads from Thousand Oaks Boulevard will begin in December. The timetable for the second phase, or the above ground park improvements, has yet to be established as the City is currently in the process of undertaking its fund-raising program to offset these costs.

### Annual Street Resurfacing

Annual street resurfacing this year included a recycled rubberized asphalt overlay of the entire length of Agoura Road. This project included a 2-inch overlay over 1.5 miles of roadway, or 580,000 square feet of resurfaced area.

### Signal Safety Lighting

New traffic signal safety lighting was installed this year utilizing energy saving LED lighting fixtures. The City used funding from a California Department of Energy Grant for this project.

### New City Website



The City launched a new website in August. The newly designed site allows residents to sign-up for calendar alerts and subscriptions to City Council meetings, press releases, special events, and emergency alerts. Residents are encouraged to sign-up under "Notify Me" to create their own Westlake Village web experience.

2013 is shaping up to be an equally busy year. City News will continue to keep residents updated on the many projects and events as they unfold over the next twelve months.

## 2013 Citizen and Youth of the Year Nominations Underway

The City is now accepting nominations for the Annual Citizen and Youth Recognition Programs. The purpose of the Citizen Recognition Program is to identify and recognize outstanding individuals who have made a difference in enhancing and improving the quality of life in the community. The Youth Recognition Program has been established to identify and recognize outstanding youth, both on an individual and community contribution basis, encompassing elementary to high school ages.

Individuals nominated must be residents of Westlake Village and may be recognized for their outstanding contributions toward the betterment of the community in a number of areas, such as academics, music, art, sports, valor and community services. The nomination period runs until February 28, 2013. Awardees will be approved by the full City Council. Last year's winners included Sybil Nisenholz, who was recognized in the Citizen Award category, and Danny Fischer and Kelsey McLaughlin, who both received the Youth Recognition Award.

Additional information and nomination applications can be obtained by contacting City Hall or by visiting the City's website at [www.wlv.org](http://www.wlv.org). The Youth of the Year recipient winner will receive a \$500 scholarship and the Citizen of the Year will receive a \$500 donation to the charity of his or her choice. In addition, winners are recognized at a City Council meeting and their names are added to a perpetual plaque which is displayed in the City Council Chambers. Please contact City Hall at 818-706-1613 for more information.

### CLEANING OUT YOUR GARAGE?

Place your reservations with the City's Door-to-Door Hazardous Waste and E-Waste Pick-up Program by calling 800-579-4979.



# As Winter Approaches,

## Here are Three Simple Household Reminders

As winter brings cooler temperatures and increased potential for rain, it is a good time for residents to check on several items in and around their homes.

### Rain Gutters

Remove debris and leaves in your roof gutters and yard drains. If you live on a hill, clear all swales to ensure that water flows through them properly. Also, check to make sure your yard drains are cleared to prevent ponding.



Some of these preventative measures may be the responsibility of your Homeowners Association. First check your property and then contact your Homeowners Association to be sure they are prepared as well.

### Sprinkler Settings

With the temperatures dropping steadily and the amount of daylight dwindling, homeowners who rely on automatic sprinklers can save money and water by adjusting the sprinkler settings for the winter season. Additional guidelines can be found on the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District website, [www.lvmwd.com](http://www.lvmwd.com). Remember to turn off your sprinklers if it is raining.

### Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors

The first of the year is a great time to change the batteries and test your household smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Remember, the State's Carbon Monoxide Poisoning Prevention Act, required that existing multi-family residential units that have a fossil-fuel burning appliance, fireplace or attached garage have carbon monoxide detectors installed and operational by Jan. 1, 2013.

## New Video Newsletter to Debut in December

The City is excited to debut its new Video Newsletter program on WLV Channel 10 and the City website, [www.wlv.org](http://www.wlv.org). This televised program will be based on the monthly City newsletter and will feature a more in-depth review of selected articles from each month. Featuring interviews with City staff and on-location footage, the monthly video newsletter aims to help keep residents better informed of upcoming City projects and programs.

The Video Newsletter will debut on December 14 at 6:30 pm on WLV Channel 10. Replays of the Video Newsletters will occur on WLV Channel 10 throughout the month. The Video Newsletter can also be viewed on-demand from the City website.

## Annual Christmas Tree Recycling Program

The City will be enlisting the help of your local waste hauler, Waste Management, to implement its annual Christmas tree recycling program. Trees will be collected curbside as part of the normally scheduled greenwaste collection service beginning December 26 through January 5.

Residents are requested to remove all ornaments and metal stands before placing trees in their greenwaste containers for collection. Residents with trees that are too large and cannot be cut to fit within a greenwaste container may make special pick-up arrangements with Waste Management for a nominal fee. For more information, contact Waste Management at 818-782-2474.

**Important Reminder:** City Hall will be closed all day on December 24, 25, and January 1. The Westlake Village Library will be closed December 24, 25, 31, and January 1.



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## Emergency Information

from the City

The recent events associated with Hurricane Sandy have reminded us of the importance of accurate and timely information in the event of a disaster. In an emergency residents and businesses can expect to receive valuable information through the City's Connect-CITY Emergency Notification System. However, unless you have registered with the City's system, these notifications will only be sent to your main home phone number. The City is encouraging all residents to register their cell phone numbers as well as any other telephone numbers or e-mail addresses that you may have so that the City can reach you if primary phone service is disrupted. To sign up, please visit the City's website at [www.wlv.org](http://www.wlv.org). On the left hand side of the home page you will see a link Emergency Notifications with the Connect-CITY Service.

In the case of an emergency, the City website will also be an effective tool for receiving information. City officials may place up-to-date information on the site. A red "Emergency Alert" bar will flash on the City homepage that will link visitors to the information. Residents can also sign up to have this information sent directly to them via email or text message. To sign up for Emergency Alerts through the City website visit [wlv.org](http://wlv.org). On the left hand side of the home page you will see a link for "Notify Me", click on this link to sign up for the Alert Center.

For more information on the City's Emergency Communication Systems, please contact Kerry Kallman, Administrative Analyst at 818-706-1613.

WESTLAKE VILLAGE  
READS

ONE CITY, ONE LITERARY THEME

Westlake Village Reads Families is coming your way in January with eleven fabulous programs. Check your mailboxes for more information coming soon.

# City Council

Mayor

**Philippa Klessig**

Mayor Pro Tem

**Robert Slavin**

Councilmember

**Mark Rutherford**

Councilmember

**Ned E Davis**

Councilmember

**Susan McSweeney**

## Upcoming City Council Meetings:

December 12, 2012

January 9 and 23, 2013

City Council meetings can be seen live on WTV Channel 10 and via web streaming on [www.wlv.org](http://www.wlv.org)

# City Events Calendar

Date	Event	Time
Dec 2	Westlake Yacht Club Parade of Lights on the Lake	5:30 pm
Dec 5	Brown Bags and Books in the Community Room	Noon
Dec 11	City of Westlake Village 31st Anniversary (1981)	
Dec 12	City Council Meeting	6:30 pm
Dec 24	Christmas Eve - City Hall & Library Closed	
Dec 25	Christmas Day - City Hall & Library Closed	
Dec 31	Library Closed	
Jan 1	New Year's Day - City Hall & Library Closed	
Jan 6	"WLV Reads" Anne Frank Hiding and Writing	2:00 pm
Jan 7	Senior Recreation Program: Winter Session begins	9:00 am
Jan 9	City Council Meeting	6:30 pm
Jan 10	Cultural Recreation Advisory Board	7:00 pm
Jan 11	"WLV Reads" Fun Family Film Afternoon	4:00 pm
Jan 13	"WLV Reads" Genealogy Workshop	2:00 pm
Jan 19	"WLV Reads" Selecting the Perfect Pet for Your Family	2:00 pm
Jan 20	"WLV Reads" Classic Movie Afternoon	2:00 pm
Jan 21	Martin Luther King Jr. Day - City Hall & Library Closed	
Jan 22	White Oak After School Enrichment Program starts	
Jan 23	City Council Meeting	6:30 pm
Jan 25	Community Service Fund Grant Application closing date	5:00 pm
Jan 25	"WLV Reads" Family Game Day	4:00 pm
Jan 27	"WLV Reads" Communication Within a Family	2:00 pm



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