



Beverlywood West presents
The BWW News

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OUR NEW NEWSLETTER

From the Editor

Welcome to the first addition of The BWW News. Throughout Beverlywood West's history there have been many newsletters, but for some reason the presses went silent. Several owners with support of the Board decided the time had arrived to again publish a newsletter. This newsletter seeks to strengthen our community by keeping owners and residents informed of current events within Beverlywood West. As with any new publication we need all the constructive criticism and support the our BWW Community can offer. If you have any questions, comments, ideas for articles, or you would like to write an article call or e-mail Pete Tuccillo.



DONT FORGET TO TAKE IN YOUR GARBAGE CANS BY 8PM ON THURSDAY.

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
February 2005	30	31	1 Address Change Committee meeting	2	3	4	5
	6	7	8 BWW Meeting and Election of board members 7:30 Party Room	9	10	11	12

Editor: Kurt Schwengel



PET CORNER

I have two white French Poodles that I love a lot. The oldest one is named Winnie. She was born on November 14, 1997. I got her as a Christmas present when I was living in Mexico City. Winnie was very active when she was young and she liked to run a lot, my family used to joke that she ran like a cheetah. If we were distracted and there was food on the table, Winnie would steal it as long as there weren't any vegetables in it. She had many dog friends with whom she played, but she has always preferred people, especially if they have food. I always say that she thinks she is a person, so I treat her like one. On March 5, 2002, Winnie had three puppies, two males and one female. I didn't want to give away any of them but I couldn't keep all of them, so I decided to keep the female, I named her Luned, after the protagonist of a book that I had read recently. I think Luned, we call her Looney for short, is almost the opposite of Winnie. She is always making noise and chews everything she finds on her way. When Looney was 3 months old we came to the U.S.; I always said that Luned doesn't "speak" or understand Spanish only English. Looney is a troublemaker, she jumps on the counters just to look for food and thinks that my stuffed animals are her toys. Both dogs sleep with me on my bed, and I'm so used to them that if they're not there I cannot sleep. Although my dogs make me work a lot because I need to pick up all their mess that they make, they also make me laugh and I love them. At home, Looney is everyone's favorite, but Winnie is my favorite because she is and always will be my baby.

Laura Minerva Torres
Clemente Kurtz



DISASTER AWARENESS TRAINING AT BWW By Helen Seid (20-D)

On October 21st, Perry Waldow, who is the current President of the Culver City Community Emergency Response Team, as well as the Disaster Awareness Coordinator (DAT), offered a presentation to several members of our community on being prepared for and how to survive a man-made or natural disaster.

The most important thing that he reminded us was, what help, or the lack thereof, we can expect from the Police and Fire Departments. This means we need to be prepared for, at least, the first 36 hours on our own.

Our first concern should be for our immediate family. Do you know your children's schools master plan? Do you know any neighbors who may need assistance? Also you should talk to your neighbors about any pets that may need care if someone is not at home either yours or your neighbors.

Since telephone and electrical power will be out, communications will be very limited. That cell phone needs batteries and the system may be on overload so that you can't rely on it. Surprisingly long distance calls may go through better than local service, so designate a friend or family member in another state, if possible, who all your loved ones can contact for information.

Many people have the mistaken idea that they should turn off their gas immediately. This is not true. Do not turn off the gas unless you definitely smell gas leaking. It will be many days or weeks before the service companies will be available to re-connect your gas.

Remember, if you are storing water that it needs to be rotated every 6 months. Use tie-downs on any large item that could fall over. Museum wax or Quake hold is the best solution for collectibles.

SOME MUST HAVES:

A working flashlight in every room.

A battery operated radio. (Culver City emergency broadcasts are on 1690AM) Be sure that your radio is able to get that frequency.

Have sturdy shoes next to your bed (best to tie them to the bed with a flashlight inside) since there will be lots of broken glass around.

COMMITTEES AND NEWS

Our BWW community is large and filled with very active busy people. Our volunteer Board works very hard to ensure that many of the interests of the community are met in a fair and community oriented manner.

However, the Board cannot do all the work and though they direct various committees, they need homeowners and those who care about the community to participate on these committees. Most members of the committees are listed in the BWW Directory on page 3-4, but it is helpful if the community has a better idea of what the committees have been doing.

The following is a list of standing committees and all committees welcome all participants.

Architectural Review Committee
Finance Committee
Landscape Committee
Newsletter Committee
Social/CIAO Committee
Address/Name Change Committee
Directory Committee
Gym Committee

Did You Know

Beverlywood West was constructed in four phases. Phase A Constructed Buildings 11,12,13,14,17,18,19,20 & 21

Phase I Constructed Buildings 1,2,8,9 & 10

Phase II Constructed Buildings 3,4,5,6,7,15,16 and 28

Phase III Constructed Buildings 22,23,24,25,26 & 27.

The association has paper plans of Phase I, II and III as well as microfiche (35mm negatives) of the paper drawings. The drawings provide general plans, but do not contain water, electrical or sewer layout plans. We do not have plans of Phase A.



The Address/Name Change Committee recently met and discussed when it would be feasible to change the names of the streets/alleyways and unit numbers. They determined that until street names have been decided unit and garage numbers should not be installed. The Committee has been meeting with the Post Office and Culver City to see what options are available.

Landscape Committee has several wonderful people who all have many inspirational ideas for how and which plants and vegetation should be planted. Ideas ranging from drought-tolerant/ California native plants throughout the complex to adjusting plants as to region and their adaptability have been considered. It has also been recommended by Classic Management that BWW begin to think about landscaping for the future; that is, planting vegetation that is not water dependant. One of the main goals would be to redesign the watering system so that as the sprinklers age, they do not need replacing, but redesign to furnish less water. This of course will reduce the amount BWW spends on its annual water bill.

Also in the works is the development of a Children's Garden, where our community's children can learn about gardening

Architectural Review Committee: There are now about 20 units who have purchased Anlin windows for their homes. The Board would like to remind all homeowners that although the vendor many BWW homeowners have used has been American Vision Windows, there are several contractors who install Anlin Windows. As long as the homeowner remains within the Boards specifications for the windows, he/she may chose any vendor/contractor to install the windows. There is no specified contractor the Board recommends to install the Anlin Windows.

WELCOME TO NEW HOMEOWNERS

For those of us who have lived here for many years, we do not always get to know who has sold their unit and who the new homeowner is. If some of us are friendly enough, we actually get to know our immediate neighbors, but if we have not done outreach or made attempts to get to know who we live near, then we never get to know who has sold and who has bought one of the units. Thus, we never really know who lives in our community.

Consider this: with all the moving and settling in we all must do when we move to a new home, and in the case of moving to BWW one has to familiarize oneself with the rules and CC&Rs, the new homeowner hardly has time to become a social butterfly and introduce himself or herself to the community. Thus, we think it is a nice gesture that we take some time to get to know the new people on the block.

Therefore on behalf of the BWW community and those of us who have had the opportunity to get to know the new homeowners, we would like to extend a warm welcome to David and Anne Brand in 18B, Patrick Newall and Katherine Caulfield in 16E, and Joe Brook in 24G. This just in ..Katherine Caulfield and Patrick Newall are the proud parents of baby Carolina, congratulations..

We look forward to their participation in our community.



Tree Trimming



The landscape committee guided by Lara Embry, and with the OK of the Board, hired Rick Gill from American Arbor Care to trim and revitalize our trees.

They started with the Tall Eucalyptus Trees behind the tennis courts. The sounds of Mexican mariachi love songs could be heard from 40 feet in the air as the tree trimmers trimmed away.

Rick and his crew were here for 3 days treating our trees in an attempt to save them from horticultural horrors. He started with cutting down a Maleleuca Tree between Bldgs 25 & 26 (this tree was ready to fall) and trimming the trunks off of those that pose a potential threat. He treated all the Strawberry Trees and California Oaks that have developed sooty mold.

Meanwhile, the Canary Island Pine on Lot 5 which is between the rare Monterey Pine and the Eucalyptus Trees was removed in order to save the Monterey Pine which is suffering from fungus, lack of air circulation, and light deprivation.

The Brazilian Pepper Tree located between the three Sequoia Trees (the Sequoia Grove) by the Clubhouse was removed in order to preserve our three rare and lovely Sequoias. This will allow more light to filter to the earth and base of the trees where the roots may be replenished with the sun's nutrients—talk to the arborists, they know.

The Landscape Committee has interviewed two landscape architects for potential future projects. Both the architect and arborists have recommended mulch be placed at the base of two of the Magnolias on South Drive at the Volleyball Court. According to the arborist(s), placing flowers at the base of trees sucks nutrients from the trees and reduces the tree's ability to produce its own flowers. On the other hand, a ring of mulch restores nutrients to the tree, especially during the recent rains. Thus, the Impatiens have been removed in order to restore badly needed naturally occurring nutrients to the trees.

Lot 5: Ash tree at far south end has lots of Ivy growing on the trunk, it will eventually kill the tree so Nature Care has been directed to remove the ivy Maria Stone generously donated a young Norfolk Island Pine which has been planted at the end of Building 17 as the end-unit owners who missed having the two trees that were removed several years ago. This will be a wonderful addition to our unique Pine collection, though it is officially not a Pine but an Araucaria.

It should be noted that all trees that were removed or moved were done at the recommendation of the arborist. As was noted trees were removed due to overcrowding, disease or could not be saved.



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