

# WHHO

Woodland Hills Homeowners Organization

October 2009



P.O. Box 6368, Woodland Hills, CA 91365

## President's Message

The only constants we have in life are time and change. Sometimes the only change is time. Other times we look at change as being good or being bad. In reality it is often how we perceive it that makes it good or bad. However, in the daily happenings we have change that affects us and we have to make decisions on how to best make this work for us and keep improving the things that are important to us and let other things go on without our input.

As you, WHHO members are aware your Board try's to watch those things which we deem very important to this community.

Pierce College is the prime concern to keep it academically superior for the students to get a quality education and be able to transfer to any upper division college to complete their degree. We have been blessed with Rocky Young and Bob Garber who took hold of the reins and put Pierce on the positive upward path to greatness. We now have Joy McCaslin as President until a permanent replacement is chosen. The WHHO Board is very concerned about who wants to become the next President. Hopefully only those who possess the qualities that were exhibited by Rocky and Bob will apply and the one chosen will ride on the shoulders of these two giants in education.

Warner Center is another change in progress. It is going slower than we would like in getting the foundation template set so it will have a destination drawing power and not just a series of uneventful buildings that could be found anywhere. There needs to be some uniqueness to what may and will be built in Warner Center.

Ventura Blvd. also needs to get off the life support level it is currently on. The merchants need to realize that they are the ones that will revive it to a high drawing attraction. There will be a kickoff meeting on November 5th at the Holiday Inn at 6:00 p.m. to tell what will be done for the demonstration area from De Soto/Serrania to Canoga. Councilman Dennis P. Zine is taking charge of making sure that this area will be

## General Meeting

October 28, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.  
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**AGENDA :** Marijuana Dispensaries and growers have proliferated. Will this become the next Sober living House problem that the Laws will protect those reeking havoc on residential neighborhoods. We will have Speakers who will address legislation and what we need to do to make sure we can live peacefully in our neighborhoods.

**NOTE: THIS MEETING IS ON THE LOWER LEVEL IN CLASSROOM –TAKE ELEVATOR DOWN AND FOLLOW THE SIGNS**

Find out what resources there are to help solve neighborhood problems.

enhanced and the businesses improved so that it will be the most attractive and busy part of Ventura Blvd. in Woodland Hills. This should be the catalyst to move the improvement for all of Woodland Hills along Ventura Blvd.

We hope the Citizens of Woodland Hills will join in taking pride in improving all of Woodland Hills and come join us at our Monthly meetings and become informed of the actions needed to keep our community the place others wished they could live here.

Remember this month we will give you direction on what is needed to curb the marijuana abuse that is proliferating in this Community. AND don't forget the November 5th date for Ventura Blvd project.

**GORDON MURLEY**  
President

The opinions expressed are those of the President and do not necessarily represent those of the Board of Directors or the members of the Organization.

**THOUGHTS OF OTHERS**

Under government ownership corruption can flourish just as rankly as under private ownership.

**THEODORE ROSSEVELT**

While all other sciences have advanced, that of government is at a standstill – little better understood, little better practiced now than three or four thousand years ago.

**JOHN ADAMS**

Every great man nowadays has his disciples, and it is always Judas who writes the biography.

**OSCAR WILDE**

Men are more often bribed by their loyalties and ambitions than by money.

**ROBERT H. JACKSON**

**Pierce College President’s Column**

**At Last..The Beginning!**

At long last, Pierce College will cut the ribbon opening the first major anchor building on our renovated campus. The Student Services Building will be officially completed and ready for its dedication ceremony on Wednesday, October 21st.

This new facility is located close to the Winnetka Avenue entrance, adjacent to our bookstore at the terminus of the pedestrian mall traversing the main part of our campus. The beautiful 3 story, 50,000 square foot structure features the Mediterranean/Spanish style of our past, updated and modernized for contemporary

needs, including full LEED environmental certification. It will integrate in one location the many functions currently spread out all over campus. The centralized facility will house Admissions and Records, Counseling, the Assessment Center, Disabled Student Services, Extended Opportunity Program, the Health Office, the International Students Program, Financial Aid, High School Outreach, CalWORKs, and the Career/Transfer Center. The Student Services Building will enable Pierce to assist the community by providing convenient help and educational guidance.

And this is only the beginning! Two more major buildings will be completed during the 2009-10 academic year: the Center for the Sciences and the Child Development Center.

The Center for the Sciences will anchor the other end of the pedestrian mall near our Mason Avenue entry. This 2-story, 100,000 square foot Center will consist of 22 cutting-edge laboratories, a state-of-the-art planetarium, 6 lecture halls, and a large teaching veterinarian hospital. Five related academic departments and programs will share this new facility: Chemistry, Life Sciences, Physics and Planetary Sciences, Nursing, and Veterinarian Technology. The Center is also architecturally designed in the Mission-style and will be an attractive addition to our campus.

The third building scheduled to open this academic year is the Child Development Center, also located near the Mason campus gateway. The 17,000 square foot, Mission-style building will include outdoor children play yards in addition to contemporary classrooms. As you might recall, a few years ago this facility was actually located where the Orange Line parking is now available on the northwest Winnetka/Victory corner. Relocated

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- Executive V.P.: **John Walker** (818)719-9181
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**2009 Meeting Schedule**

|      | General Board |           | General Board    |           |
|------|---------------|-----------|------------------|-----------|
|      | Meeting 1     | Meeting 2 | Meeting 1        | Meeting 2 |
| Jan. | 28            | 05        | Jul. no meeting* | 06        |
| Feb. | 25            | 02        | Aug. no meeting* | 03        |
| Mar. | 25            | 02        | Sep. 23          | 07        |
| Apr. | 22            | 06        | Oct. 28          | 05        |
| May  | 27            | 04        | Nov. no meeting* | 02        |
| Jun. | 24            | 01        | Dec. 02          | 01        |

(1) All meetings are held at Kaiser Hospital on the 4th Wednesday 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise notified.

(2) All Executive Board meetings will be on the 1st Monday at 7:30 p.m. at Fire Station 84 Community Room on Burbank Blvd. unless otherwise notified.

onto our main campus in temporary "move-ons," the CDC will finally end its odyssey when its permanent home is soon completed.

This promises to be a very exciting year at Pierce College. All of us on campus appreciate the public's support for this vital new construction. Please stop by and visit the new Student Services Building. I am sure you will agree that it was worth the wait!

Sincerely,

**Joy McCaslin, Ph.D.**  
**Pierce College President**

NOTE:- IF YOU WISH TO BE SURE THAT WE CAN CONTACT YOU BY EMAIL TO INFORM YOU OF HAPPENINGS BETWEEN NEWSLETTERS – PLEASE SEND US AN EMAIL SO WE CAN BE SURE YOU ARE IN OUR DATA BASE.

So, if you want to help us get started you can email us and we will put you in the WHHO address directory. Email to: g.murley@worldnet.att.net

### **WHHO'S WEB SITE**

We have a Web site it is [www.whho.com](http://www.whho.com)

There are links to other web sites for information on Government and Schools. It will greatly enhance the speed for finding important information for those wanting to interface with various government agencies.

### **USEFUL WEB SITES FOR OTHER INFORMATION**

**WHHO - [www.whho.com](http://www.whho.com)**

**NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL - [www.whcouncil.org](http://www.whcouncil.org)**

**CHARTER SCHOOLS - [www.charterassociation.org](http://www.charterassociation.org)**

**HUGHES MIDDLE SCHOOL - [noonhughes.org](http://noonhughes.org)**

**OSO SCHOOLS - [no-oso-highschool.org](http://no-oso-highschool.org)**

We invite you to frequently visit the above Web sites for updated information

### **COUNCIL OFFICE PLANNING AND COMMUNITY PERSONNEL**

Council District -3- Dennis P. Zine, Councilman (818) 756-8848

Chief Deputy – Cliff Ruff – City Hall

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Planning Deputy – Jonathan Brand

### **POSITIONS TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD**

There was a hearing on the Subdivision on June 4th. We are awaiting the decision from the Hearing Officer. We have not taken a final position on a proposed development on the north side of Mulholland, across from Louisville High at Mulholland Highway that wants an exception to the Mulholland Scenic Parkway Specific.

We continue to try and support the neighbors with developments in the Mulholland Corridor and we take positions both at Mulholland Design Review Board and scheduled hearings. All the hearings are supposed to be posted with large yellow (14x24) poster with the Hearing Notice attached. Pat Patton and Marty Lipkin attend most of the hearings and they work with the interested neighbors to help them get development that will work.

### **NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS**

Officers: Chair: Joyce Pearson, Vice Chair: Steven Naczinski, Treasurer: Dorothy Koetz, Secretary: Scott Silverstein, Parliamentarian: Jim Dawson

GENERAL MEETINGS: The second (2nd) Wednesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at Woodland Hills Academy (formerly Parkman) in the Multipurpose Room. Agendas are available 72 hours in advance [www.whcouncil.org](http://www.whcouncil.org)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS: They are listed 72 hours in advance on the website. [www.whcouncil.org](http://www.whcouncil.org)

Many of the Committee meetings are held at the New Fire Station 84 at 21050 Burbank Blvd.

### **NOTE: NOMINATING COMMITTEE:**

The following are the nominations for the WHHO Board of Directors for 2010

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Secretary: William Evans

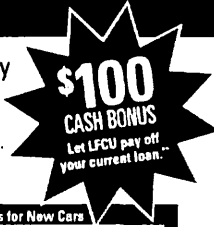
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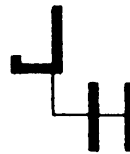
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