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Next Meeting is:



**Happy Father's
Day**

Thursday, June 5th

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Granada Hills Charter High School- Rawley Hall

7:00 Introductions - Sign In

7:05 Reading of Minutes, Agenda Review

7:10 Community Announcements; News;
Updates; Events

7:15 OGHRC Committee Reports

Financial; Zoning & Density; Newsletter; Communication

7:30 Guest Speaker; Tyree Wieder; President

Los Angeles Valley College President

8:20 New Business and Wrap-up

July meeting will be , Thursday, July 3rd;

OGHRG President's Message - Taking It To The Taggers

Up until a year ago or so, graffiti was a rare occurrence in Old Granada Hills. Unlike other parts of the valley, we don't really have a gang problem, which is a common source of graffiti. But we do have an escalating problem involving local taggers. Recently, a number of citizens representing businesses, the Neighborhood Council, and OGHRC, met with officers at the Devonshire division to discuss the issue and strategize ways and means to stop graffiti.

It was obvious that OGHRC, as a recognized voice in the community, needs to step up and take on this issue. To start, I want to list several things that we, as individuals and members of OGHRC can do right now. We have a powerful ally and tool at our disposal; the West Valley Alliance. The WVA has a contract with the city to erase graffiti in the Valley area. They usually respond within 24 to 72 hours. You can reach them by calling 311 or using their direct number 818-885-8885.



First, program that number into your cell phone. Second, if you walk around the neighborhood, carry the cell phone with you. If you see graffiti, call the number and be prepared to give the dispatcher specific information; the address, where the graffiti is located (billboard, building, sidewalk), and a description of the graffiti itself.

Second, follow-up, if for some reason the graffiti is not removed, call WVA again, politely let them know the graffiti is still there, and that this is the second call.

Third, be the eyes and ears of the community. If you see suspicious activity, such as a group of young people with spray cans, get as much information as possible; descriptions, location, and most importantly car license numbers. Do not, repeat, DO NOT put yourself at risk to obtain this information, and under no circumstances should you confront such a group. After obtaining this information, call it into the Devonshire division front desk, at 818-832-0633, or to the dispatcher at 818-734-2223. Again, I suggest you program these numbers into your cell phone. *Dave Beauvais*

June Guest Speaker - Tyree Wieder, President, Los Angeles Valley College



Dr. Tyree Wieder has served as President of Los Angeles Valley College since 1994. The college is one of the largest of the nine campuses of the Los Angeles Community College District, with more than 18,432 students. A native Californian, Dr. Wieder was raised in South Los Angeles, where she attended local public

schools. She attended Compton Community College, and then transferred to California State University, Northridge, where she completed a Bachelor's degree in Sociology and a Master's degree in Educational Psychology. She received her Doctoral degree at UCLA in Higher Education Administration. She began her career as an Employment Counselor for the State Employment Service. Her career in education began at Moorpark College as a counselor. She accepted a position at Los Angeles Mission College as Dean of Student Services, and was later appointed Dean of Academic Affairs. She was then selected as Director of Educational Programs for the Los Angeles Community College District before coming to Valley College as Vice President of Academic Affairs in 1989.

She has a distinguished record of community involvement. She currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Economic Alliance of the San Fernando Valley, and on the Board of Directors of Project Grad, the Advisory Committee for Teachers for a New Era at California State University Northridge and the University of California Regents Selection Advisory Board. A well known champion of education, Dr. Wieder served on the Presidents' Joint Commission for the Governance of the Los Angeles Unified School District. Mayor Villaraigosa appointed Dr. Wieder to the LA City Library Commission which over sees the 72 Public Libraries in the City of Los Angeles and she was elected President of the Commission in summer 2007. Dr. Wieder has received numerous awards, including Pioneer Woman by the City of Los Angeles in 2004; 2002 Richard Alarcon Community Award, recognition by the *San Fernando Valley Business Journal* in 2002 as one of the "Women Who Mean Business" and in 2001 as one of the Valley's 25 most influential business leaders; a nomination for the 2001 Fernando Award for Civic Accomplishment; the Armand Arabian Award for Leaders in Public Service in 2000; the 1999 Community Service Award for Haven

Hills; and the 1998 Woman of the Year 40th Assembly District.

In the past she served on the Advisory Committee for the Auto Club of Southern California, as Chairperson of the Board of Directors for Northridge Hospital Medical Center as well as a member of the Board of Directors for Catholic Healthcare West. Dr. Wieder served on the California Community College Chief Executive Officers Board of Directors, was a member of the Los Angeles Police Department's Community Forum, and was City Controller Laura Chick's appointee to the City of Los Angeles' 2002 Redistricting Committee. Currently, Dr. Wieder is managing the \$287 million construction and renovation of the L. A. Valley College campus.

Free Movies in the Park



A New Season of Councilman Greig Smith's Movies Under the Stars is Back With "Shrek 3" Saturday, June 14! Councilman Smith's series of free movie screenings in Northwest Valley parks begins Saturday, June 14, with Shrek 3 at Holleigh Bernson Park in Porter Ranch! Come for a night of family fun under the stars, with free popcorn!

Movies Under the Stars features a different family-friendly film screened at a different park in the Northwest Valley once a month during June, July, August and September.

Bring picnics, blankets and chairs. Because this is a family event, alcohol, BBQs and pets are not allowed. For more information, please call Councilman Smith's office at (818) 756-8501 or email Megan.Cottier@lacity.org.

- Summer is the season that you look forward to all year, gripe about it when it arrives, and are sorry when it is gone.



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Coming Events



June 3: GH Chamber Gov't Affairs Committee monthly meeting; 11:45AM, Chamber office, 368-3235

June 5: Old Granada Hills Residents' Group Meeting; 7:00 See cover page for agenda

June 9: YMCA golf fundraiser tournament at Poter Valley;

June 12: Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council, 7:00pm First Baptist Church; 11011 Havenhurst

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June 14; Flag Day

June 14: Free movie in the Park - Shrek 3; see article

June 15: Father's Day

June 16: Valley Vote meeting; 6:45 Galpin Ford; contact Joe Vitti; javittisr@cs.com

June 19: 17A25 Neighborhood Watch; 7:00pm St. Euphrasia Church, 11766 Shoshone Ave.; SLO Dario Del Core

June 21; first day of Summer

Community Plan

Anna Vidal of the Planning Department is in the process of scheduling public workshops in July for the Granada Hills/ Knollwood Community Plan update.

Chorale Concert

Anyone who likes to listen to Classical Chorale Music will love this upcoming Concert. Bob and Gayle Biava, two of our members, sing with the Angeles Chorale and will be singing



in a concert on June 7th, a Saturday night at Royce Hall, on the campus of UCLA at 8pm.

If there are a sufficient number of people we might be able to arrange bus transportation to UCLA. This will be an event you'll really

enjoy. The Angeles Chorale will be joined by the UCLA Choir for a total of 200 singers and a full orchestra. It'll be a wonderful evening. \$25 per ticket, group rate. Let the Biavas know if you're interested (368-3473). Learn a little more about the Angeles Choral, go to the website: www. angeleschorale.org to hear what they sound like!

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Baseline Mansionization Ordinance

On Tuesday, May 6, 2008 Los Angeles City Council passed the Baseline Mansionization Ordinance (BMO) that:

- Established a baseline scale for each zone addressing bulk and mass
Created a new Residential Floor Area District overlay that will enable individual communities to adjust size limits to fit the scale of their neighborhoods
Does not apply to single family homes located in a Hillside area or coastal zone
Would still allow for the construction of estate-size homes on appropriately-sized lots.

The new rule comes after three years of debate over the regulation of oversized residential development across the city of Los Angeles. The proliferation of out-of-scale, extra-large, boxy homes on small lots sparked the debate. Not only did these oversized structures alter the look, feel and character of established neighborhoods but in some cases had a negative impact on property values, as well. City Planning associates calculated that a property owner had the right to build a massive 7000 sq ft residential building on a 5,000 sq ft R-1 zoned lot (prior to the enactment of the current BMO)! In OGH there are no homes that even come close to 7,000 sq ft that are situated on a 5,000 sq ft lot. It would be hard to imagine that something like this could even be built – but it could. Needless to say, a new ordinance addressing the size of residential construction was way overdue. Even though the current BMO substantially limits the size of the structure, there has been serious concerns that these new guidelines do not go far enough (opponents cite that cities such as Beverly Hills, Pasadena and Culver City have much tougher restrictions). In Old Granada Hills, unlike other areas of this City, R1 zoned lots are not the standard 5,000 sq ft and instead vary widely from 1,500 sq ft to 40,000 sq ft. These varying lot sizes may pose some significant challenges for future residential construction under the BMO. On the other hand, there is the option of creating overlay districts that would enable communities to adjust size limits that fits the overall scale of their locale. Without this option, the BMO is much too broad and overly generous in what is allowed to be built. Certainly, we along with other communities within the City of Los that will be exploring the feasibility of establishing a Residential Floor Area District in order to preserve the unique character of our individual neighborhoods. Maria Fisk

Sources: www.lacity.org (File No. CF 06-1293), Russ, Katherine (Jan/Feb 2008). Proposed Mansionization Ordinance Said to be Weak. North Valley Reporter

Happy Father's Day
and
Congratulations to all Graduates

Northridge Pool Opening - Councilman Smith

Mark your calendar for a community pool party to celebrate the grand opening of the new Northridge Pool, Sunday, June 8 at Northridge Park!

Join Councilman Smith to celebrate the completion of the new Northridge Pool, with free entry for all, swimming, and free refreshments and snacks provided by Northridge East Neighborhood Council. Bring your bathing suit and be among the first people to swim in the new pool. Regular swimming season begins June 21.

It took several years to secure funding to bring a new pool to Northridge, fulfilling a pledge to replace the old Northridge Pool, which was damaged and had been closed for years. Re-opening the pool is part of the Councilman's ongoing commitment to the community of the San Fernando Valley.

They secured approximately \$6 million needed to build the Northridge pool from a combination of funding from Proposition 40, Proposition K, Seismic Bonds, Sites and Facilities money, a General Fund contribution and private contributions including the Kaiser Foundation. The new pool feature a large lap pool, a shallow wading pool equipped for young children's activities and access for people with disabilities, a splash pad, and all new lifeguard offices, first aid station, showers and changing rooms and an amazing two-story high waterslide.

The new pool will fill an important need for a summertime sport, exercise and recreation facility for the community.

Saturday, June 8; 2:00pm- 5:00pm; Northridge Park

Good Neighbor Laws

Good neighbor laws make good neighborhoods.

The City has several "Good Neighbor" laws meant to keep our residential neighborhoods clean, quiet and safe. One important way these laws preserve the peace of neighborhoods is by limiting excessive noise.



CONSTRUCTION - Construction in residential neighborhoods is limited to

the hours of 7:00 am to 9:00 pm on weekdays and 8:00 am to 6:00 pm on Saturdays. Construction is not allowed on Sundays. (LAMC 41.40)

MUSIC - Loud noise from any musical instrument, stereo or other amplified sound device is prohibited if it interferes with the peace and quiet of others. (LAMC 112.01b)

CAR ALARMS - Car alarms must be automatically silenced within five minutes. (LAMC 114.06)

LEAF BLOWERS - Leaf blowers may not be used before 7:00 am or after 10:00 pm. (LAMC 112.05b)

GARBAGE COLLECTION - Garbage collection within 200 feet of a residential zone is limited to the hours of 6:00 am to 9:00 pm. (LAMC 113.01)

LOADING VEHICLES - Loading or unloading vehicles or using equipment for loading or unloading is prohibited between 10:00 pm and 7:00 am within 200 feet of a residence. (LAMC 114.03)


For noise complaints, please call (877) ASK-LAPD. *from Councilman Smith's weekly briefing 4-25*


Western Independent Living Foundation

For the elderly, or those who need assistance, the concern is to maintain an independent lifestyle, preferably in one's own home. Fortunately, our society is recognizing the benefits of supporting an individual's need for independence. There are a growing number of support systems and community organizations that are lending a helping hand. And one such organization is the Western Independent Living Foundation, Inc. (a 501c exempt organization), founded by Dr. Sam Britten (who is also founder and former director of CSUN's Center of Achievement). There was a booth during the Run/Walk/Roll event 4/26/08 with fliers and information regarding their volunteer services. Their focus and function is to promote home

safety and independence of the elderly and physically impaired individual by: Providing in home evaluations; Making recommendations to improve home safety; Providing essential equipment for safe transfer and improved mobility; Examining opportunities to enhance the home environment for more functional living; Explaining the importance of physical fitness to improve health & independence.

This is a volunteer organization and services are provided free of charge. However, donations will be gladly accepted. Contact: Dr. Sam Britten, Western Independent Living Foundation, Inc. # 818-341-5356 *Maria Fisk*
Sources: www.kinesiology.csun.edu

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Tamara's Column - Drew Raynor

Ever wondered what it would be like to be homeschooled? Drew Raynor and her husband have six children, all of whom are taught at home. They have three boys and three girls who range from ages 9 to 18 years old.

Originally, after sending her oldest daughter to a private elementary school for a few years, Drew decided to home-school her children instead.

"We like having an individual curriculum that lets our kids go at their own pace," she says.

Drew felt the transition to homeschooling was a natural and easy step after her past experience working as a teacher and a director for an afterschool program.

"It's amazing how much you have forgotten about grammar school," she says.

The homeschooling curriculum can be taught through the state of California or independently. Drew teaches two of her children through the California Virtual Academy School (CAVA) and four children are taught independently (which requires a support group to turn in paperwork to the state).

Drew's oldest daughter attended community college at the age of 16 while being homeschooled and is now transferring to the University of California, Santa Barbara.

For the Raynor children, school starts at 9am and ends around 1pm. Drew explains that she tries to keep a consistent teaching schedule with short breaks and concentrated instruction time.

As for social networking, Drew says her children have many ways to make friends through activities and field trips.

"There are so many ways to connect because there are thousands of homeschoolers in California," she says.

Although homeschooling is not for everyone, Drew has seen it as a positive experience.

"Overall it's been a really wonderful experience, not without challenges of course, but it keeps you on your toes," Drew says.

As a family, the Raynor's like to hike at Aliso Canyon, look at interesting aquatic life, garden, and read.

They have lived in Granada Hills since 1992 and enjoy their home location on Horace Street.

"Granada Hills is a charming place to raise children," says Drew. "It's a great neighborhood and we feel that it's a safe and secure environment."

Drew and her husband are both members of the Old Granada Hills Resident's Group and participate as a family in community events.

Congratulations are in order for Tamara for completing her studies at CSUN and earning a degree in Journalism! Thank you for contributing to the newsletter. the editor

Run, Walk and Roll

During the April OGHRG meeting, Bill and Carol Weinman announced an upcoming fund raising event (April 26, 2008) benefiting the Center of Achievement, located on the CSUN campus. What really sparked my interest was Bill's description of the heated therapy pools, his personal work out routine and treatment. Since members in my family have suffered disabling injuries, I was especially interested in the tour of the facility. On the day of the event, Dr. Sam Britten, founder and former Director of the Center of Achievement for the Physically Disabled lead a very informative tour of the center. The new advancements in therapies and equipment are truly impressive. The Center of Achievement/ Abbot and Linda Brown Western Center for adaptive aquatic facility specializes in restoration therapy for individuals with chronic physical disabilities, through aquatic therapy. The 19,000 sq ft facility is a one of a kind comprehensive treatment center and includes four treatment pools:

1. The Movable Floor Pool - The floor of this pool can be raised to deck level and lowered to as deep as seven feet enabling access and therapy for wheelchair clients, young children and infants.
2. The Whirlpool Spa - The water jets are strategically placed for joint relief to enhance muscle relaxation and pain reduction. The whirlpool spa can be used to reduce spasticity for warm up before an exercise session or relaxation afterward.
3. The Main Pool - Kept at 92 ° and is equipped with two underwater treadmills for stroke rehabilitation, arthritis relief and muscular recovery. It also features a hydro-lift and a long entrance ramp with handrails providing a progressive reduction of gravity for those working on their gait.
4. The Cool Pool - is customized for those sensitive to heat and with neurological disorders such as multiple sclerosis allowing them to participate in a water fitness regimen. The pool features water current control for resistance exercises.

The main event of the morning was the 5K/10K Run/Walk/Roll organized by Friends of the Center of Achievement and Supporters. It just happened to be one of those hot windy spring days, almost record breaking heat. But the early time was especially perfect, cool morning temps with a nice breeze. Surprisingly there were at least 1,500 participants! The route cut across the campus itself, and included some nearby streets that were coned off for safety. Those who participated were of all ages and abilities. There was even a special race for young kids. There were elite runners, and the walkers (like myself) and also those who rolled their way (in wheelchairs) to the finish line. This is an annual event, so for those of you who missed this opportunity, no worries, there is always next year!! *Maria Fisk*

Sources: www.kinesiology.csun.edu, Friends of the Center of Achievement and Sponsors (FOCUS), W2 Promotions

Recently Sold Homes

17739 Tribune	\$335,000	17107 San Jose	\$380,000
17268 SF Mission	\$395,000	11542 Andasol	\$575,000
17163 Lahey	\$407,000	17314 Kingsbury	\$412,000
17120 Tulsa	\$402,000	17184 Los Alimos	\$439,000

Courtesy: Marla Rhoades, Realtor 818 571-0678

Information from the SoCalMLS is believed to accurate but not guaranteed

North Valley YMCA 19th Annual

Kids to Camp Golf Tournament
Monday, June 9th
Porter Valley Country Club

Putting contest, Continental Breakfast, Lunch, Refreshments during Play, Awards Dinner, Hole in One Prizes, Gift Bag



Golf Slots Available — 818 368-3231

Group Homes

Unlicensed group homes of all kinds, including sober living homes, have proliferated in residential neighborhoods, posing detrimental problems. Currently there is no limit to the number of these homes in a neighborhood or the number of people being housed. They are unlicensed, un-permitted, unregulated and unsupervised. Someone buys or rents a single family residence in a stable neighborhood and converts it to a Sober Living Facility with no prior notice to the neighbors or local authorities.

There is no mandatory drug or alcohol testing, medical supervision and no eviction policy for repeat offenders. The Los Angeles Police Dept. often does not even know about these facilities until they begin to receive complaints from the neighbors. LAPD officers also advise that once they receive a complaint about a Sober Living Facility, they monitor it very closely because many neighborhood criminal activities emanate from these facilities.

Sober Living Facility residents are transients with no stake in the community. Whether these facilities even belong in residential areas is debatable. Most can at least agree that they must be limited and regulated. Just like any specialized or non conforming use they must be required to obtain a Conditional Use Permit to operate in single family residential zones. Additionally, no more than six (6) individuals, unrelated by blood, marriage or adoption, should be housed in such facilities at any given time when they are located in Very Low and Low Density residential zones and they must not be allowed within a minimum of 1,000 ft. of schools or each other.

Enacting an Ordinance cannot be construed as discriminatory or restrictive since the same standards already apply to rooming and boarding houses as well as other specialized uses in single family residential zoned areas. Moreover, per Stanford Criminal Justice Center Research Memo, "drug and alcohol addiction are explicitly not categorized as disabilities for the purposes of federal antidiscrimination, disabilities, and fair housing law." Additionally, cities and counties do have the authority to regulate the number and location of group homes so long as they do not discriminate against people with disabilities. Many cities in Southern California have already enacted ordinances controlling these facilities.

Councilman Greig Smith has introduced a motion for the City to devise a regulatory tool so that the City can control the placement and operation of unlicensed group homes. The motion was discussed at a public meeting of Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM) committee on May 13th. Supporters of the motion from our area were in attendance and spoke in favor. Unfortunately, City Attorneys and Planning officials came to this public meeting unprepared. Therefore, Councilman Smith's proposed motion is now pending legal review before any further progress can be made. Hopefully, City officials will pursue this issue expeditiously so that a meaningful ordinance can be enacted, without any further unnecessary delays.

Sources: Letter written by Peggy Burgess, Greig Smith's weekly briefing and L.A. City Council website

Granada High Robotics Team

In early May, the Robotics Team competed at the VEX Robotics World Championships. Robodox went head to head with the some of the best robotics teams from around the world. 91 Teams from as far as China, Brazil, Singapore, Korea and the United Kingdom brought their robots to the Inaugural VEX Robotics World Championship held at California State University, Northridge. The Robodox came out strong, winning their first 4 matches in a row giving them a ranking as high as 2nd place, but the powerful Chinese teams dominated in the later rounds and Granada ended the qualifiers with a rank of 16th. Their performance was good enough to get a spot in the top-seeded alliance and proceed to the elimination rounds. In the end, a strong all-Chinese alliance defeated an international alliance for the Championship.

Throughout the event, many of Granada's Robotics team members volunteered long hours setting up the competition, re-setting fields, queuing teams and providing translation services. The Robodox were selected by Judges at the event for The Community award - presented to a team recognized for making a difference in the community by making many contributions to help support students and teams beyond their own school and for supporting technology education.

Congratulations also go to the Robotics Coach, Mr. Vanderway, who was honored as the VEX Robotics World Championship Teacher of the Year.

Congratulations to the Robotics Team for another award winning competition season! from the High School website

Graffiti

For graffiti removal, the underfunded and overworked West Valley Alliance has a new phone number: (818) 885-8885

Their FAX is: (818) 885-8886 and they can also be contacted through email: wvalley-alliance@sbcglobal.net. In recent months they have added staff to try and counter the increased amount of tagging going on in Granada Hills. West Valley Alliance covers the San Fernando Valley west of the 405

freeway. They try to respond cleaning up and overpainting graffiti within 24 hours might take as long as 72 hours. Please urge your Neighborhood Council to provide some funding to them. Most all local councils have given thousands of dollars to them.



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Hospital High

LAUSD Facilities Division held a public meeting at Patrick Henry, May 15th, to explain the construction procedures for Hospital High. The on site project manager was introduced and gave a time line for the completion and opening of the school in September 2011. The ground breaking "ceremony" will be held at the site on Monday, June 2nd at 10:00am.



The construction schedule includes: Mobilization of temporary offices to start in June; Grading and utilities, July through January '09; Foundation work completed in March, 2009; Building structures through October '09; Building skin and interiors from July

'09 to August 2010; Site improvements through December '10; Building closeout and testing from May 2010 through February 2011; Project closeout by April 2011. A 32 month project at a total projected public cost of \$138 million that includes property acquisition, design and engineering.

The community will have to keep a watchful eye on LAUSD and hold them to their commitments. At the meeting, we were told that of the 361 spaces in the existing 3 story parking structure, 300 would be assigned to the school. However, the final EIR states on page 3G.22, section 3G-2; "The project would utilize all of the 361 parking spaces in the existing parking structure located to the south of the site. The 361 spaces would be allotted for use by school faculty, staff."

The Community Outreach Organizer is Joseph Pina; (213) 893-6809; the LAUSD Owner Authorized Representative is Joseph Puchalski; (800) 704-1267; the Senior Project Manager is Tim Milstead; (213) 972-3975. Information and project documents can be found at www.laschools.org. Go to "find a school" and use the official name of "Valley Region High School #4".

Stay Informed

Joel Fox, operates Joel Fox Consulting, former president of the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association, president of the Small Business Action Committee, a Granada Hills resident, and speaker at one of our monthly meetings, has started a new website; www.FoxandHoundsdaily.com. It is designed to discuss and explain the confluence of politics and business in California - daily.

Ron Kaye is the former editor of the Los Angeles Daily News where he spent 23 years helping to make the newspaper the voice of the San Fernando Valley and fighting for a city government that serves the people and not special interests. He is now committed to carrying his crusade for a greater Los Angeles as an ordinary citizen. Ron believes and speaks on the need for people to get together, form and join groups to create a huge voice projecting community opinion to our officials. His website is: www.RonKayeLA.com

Singer's Zingers - The Value of Your Opinion

What is the value of your opinion on any given subject or issue ? I believe that it is based upon whatever action you accordingly choose to proliferate it. If you merely sit in your easy chair and argue with the TV commentator , I would give it a net value of "0". **One good way is to exercise your right in the voting booth. Another good way is to contact the "appropriate elected official" and let them know what you think. The key word is "appropriate".** If it is a tax question, for example, is it a city tax, county tax, state tax or federal tax? Your opinion carries much more weight when directed at the correct source.

In other words, don't call the tax collector if you think your taxes are too high -- called the legislator (who voted for it). If you feel a particular law is not properly enforced, don't call the legislator but the appropriate executive branch (mayor ?, governor ?, president ?). However, it is well known that our elected officials put more credence in a written letter or E-mail than a telephone call. So if you have a problem regarding where to direct your opinion, feel free to contact me or any other member of the *OGHRG* Board of Directors for help.

LAPD "TipOff" Line

If you have any information regarding any suspicious activity or crimes in your neighborhood:

(818) 832-0563

The tipoff line is available 24/7 and messages can be left anonymously

Devonshire Division Crime Stats
4/20 thru 5/17

Homicide0	Burglary 90
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Robbery 19	BFMV 85
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