

# The Monthly Report

A Newsletter of the Land Park Community Association

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## Presidential Musings

It is my pleasure to welcome you to our first Monthly Report. I am Steve Winlock and have recently been elected as your president. Our previous president, Ken Mennemeier resigned last December due to his recent appoint as a Judge by Governor Jerry Brown.

Ken served as the LPCA president for the last 20 months and on the LPCA Board for 6 years. Under Ken's guidance LPCA has progressed from being thought of as a NIMBY (Not In My Back Yard) organization to a neighborhood organization that is helpful to the community, participates in worthwhile events, gives grants to local organizations to promote community values and supports schools.

Under Ken's guidance LPCA has instituted a grant program, an annual Holiday Party, continued with the Easter Egg Hunt, continued and expanded the Taste of Land Park, improved and expanded the use of the standing committees of the Board through the appointment of Board and Association members, strengthened ties with our Councilmember Steve Hansen in order to address



## Taste of Land Park

By Sydney Young and Bob Schaevitz

Photos by Stephanie Duncan

Our grandest Land Park neighborhood event is the annual A Taste of Land Park. Featuring dozens of Land Park eateries and regional wineries and breweries, this social event is our largest LPCA benefit. Enjoy live music, a Wall of Wine, and an Artist's Corner, all hosted under a beautiful Land Park neighborhood tree canopy. Since last year's event was so successful on the gorgeous tree-canopied street of 12th Avenue the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Taste of Land Park will be held there again! We are grateful to the residents of 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue for lending us their street for this annual event. This year's event will be hosted on Sunday, May 22nd from 4 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Last year there were over twenty sponsors and a new major sponsor, Golden 1 Credit Union, all of whose

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community concerns with traffic, safety, crime prevention, public improvements such as the Broadway Enhancement Project, the Broadway Bridge Project, the Bicycle Rail Trail, and the Bright Underbelly Project.

During my term the Board held a retreat to organize itself, set goals and establish a plan for the future of LPCA. As a result of our retreat we are implementing updates to the bylaws to better reflect the desires of the Board and its members, establishing an annual BBQ for members only in September, establishing an annual budget, continuing with the Egg Hunt, Taste of Land Park, creating a new annual membership BBQ, and continuing with the annual Holiday Party.

I am looking forward to a great year for LPCA and greater involvement of its membership.

## The First of Many Monthly Reports

By Barry K. Hogan

The Monthly Report (MR) is the Land Park Community Association (LPCA) version of a monthly newsletter. It will come out each month in the first of second week and the MR will let the reader know what's been going on at LPCA, what's coming up, updates on development projects of interest to members and neighbors, reviews of LPCA events, notices of upcoming LPCA events, notices of other events that have been held or are proposed to be held in the LPCA area. Some of the articles will be from Board members, from event coordinators, from event attendees, from city officials or from LPCA members. This MR is a communication tool for the membership, so please feel free to send in your articles and photos for publication. We ask that the articles be in a Word format and the photos in a jpeg format for easy use. Please be advised that the editor reserves the right to edit each article for grammar and content to be consistent with good taste and the LPCA bylaws.

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contribution helped to defray the cost of the event. There were thirty plus food and beverage vendors who served over 700 attendees. What a great event.

This year's event will be held on Sunday,



May 22, 2016, the last Sunday in May before the Memorial Day weekend at the same location as last year, on 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Land Park Drive and 17th Street.

We expect to have all of the restaurants and drink vendors returning, plus a few more. There will be a display for local artists, as well as a bike "corral" for those who ride to Taste where bike can be safely parked. The always-popular "Wall of Wine," jointly sponsored with the Land Park Schools Foundation will return! A booth commemorating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the

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**The Bright Underbelly**



Have you been to the Farmer’s Market lately? If you have then you have seen the colorful posts and mural coming to life on the underside of the freeway. The Bright Underbelly project was created by the LC Studio Tutto, an art and design team comprised of Sofia Lacin and Hennessy Chrisophel. Bright Underbelly’s design reflects the cyclical and seasonal nature of the farmer’s market, the Southside neighborhoods resurgence and the natural history of the site.

On the underside (underbelly) of the east and west stretches of the freeway, there is a 70,000 square foot mural depicting a tree canopy. The freeway covers a site that decades



ago were a sycamore grove connected to Southside Park. The design contains references to native birds, which currently nest under the freeway, as well as bee swarms that are depicted in gold leaf. As one travels to different parts of the mural the branches above reflect the changing of the seasons.

The LPCA was an early contributor to this worthwhile community art project.



funding for Sacramento City College will be a new addition.

Tickets will be available 4-6 weeks before the event sold at select local business



establishments and online at the LPCA website, [www.landpark.org](http://www.landpark.org), using any major credit card. New this year is that when you buy a ticket, you will automatically become a member of the LPCA.



Your help is needed. To volunteer are needed. Contact Bob Schaevitz at [bobschaevitz@gmail.com](mailto:bobschaevitz@gmail.com).

## LPCA Grant Program Approves 2 Community Grants

By Barry K. Hogan, Grants Chair

Last year the LPCA Board established a Grants Program to support local programs and activities for the benefit of the greater Land Park community. The first round of grant applications were reviewed and two grants were awarded.

The Land Park Community Association (LPCA) has selected two deserving organizations to receive grants in its first cycle of the recently adopted Grant Program for the LPCA. The Crocker/Riverside PTA for the Garden Docent Program will receive a grant of \$2,500.00 and the C.K. McClatchy ROAR Weightlifting Program for the purchase of weightlifting equipment will receive \$999.00.

*The Crocker Riverside Garden Docent Expansion Project* includes the planting of non-edible, botanical gardens which will function as places of learning and provide aesthetic improvements to the school campus. Two gardens planned: a Zoo Garden with plants named for animals, i.e. Bear's Breech and Lamb's Ear, by the Kinder play yard and a California Native Garden by the new outdoor classroom. The grant will pay for rototiller rental, irrigation supplies, mulch, plant identification markers, and plants. The grant will also provide funds to build more vegetable garden beds.

*The ROAR Weightlifting Program Project* will allow for the purchase of weightlifting equipment such as rubber bumper plates, and pairs of 10lbs, 15lbs, 25lbs, 35lbs, and 45lbs weights. The purchase of this equipment will allow ROAR to help teach the sport of Olympic Weightlifting. The goal is to have boys and girls complete in the 2016 Weightlifting Championships and beyond.

***Grant applications are available on the LPCA website and funding is still available.***

## MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS

The LPCA Board meets each month on the third Wednesday at the Eskaton Monroe Lodge from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. An agenda of the upcoming meeting is available at least a week in advance on the LPCA website at [www.landpark.org](http://www.landpark.org). Your attendance is encouraged and participation welcomed.

## THE MONTHLY REPORT

*The Monthly Report* is a monthly newsletter of the Land Park Community Association.

Material from members and non-members is actively encouraged. The Editor reserves the right to edit for length and appropriateness. Placement of material is not guaranteed.

**Submittals are due to the Editor by the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month.**

## LPCA Membership Information

If you are not already a member you can sign up through the LPCA website at [www.landpark.org](http://www.landpark.org). If you are already a member, a renewal notice will be sent to you via email when your membership renewal fee is due. Membership is \$25 for a residential membership and \$35 for a business membership.



# LPCA Meeting Minutes

## April 20, 2016

*Minutes of the Land Park Community Association are available shortly after the regular monthly Board meeting on the Association website at [www.landpark.org](http://www.landpark.org). The minutes are reproduced here as a convenience.*

**Land Park Community Association  
Monthly Meeting  
Eskaton Monroe Lodge  
3225 Freeport Boulevard**

### Summary Minutes April 20<sup>th</sup> 2016

**Meeting Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m.

**Board Members Present:** Steve Winlock, President; Craig Rutledge, Vice-President; John Puente, Treasurer; Barry Hogan, Secretary; Pinki Cockrell; Stephanie Duncan; Lisa Riley; Matt Robinson; John Schade; Bob Schaevitz; Michelle Smira Brattmiller; Don Sronce; Steve Walker

**Board Members Absent:** Art Taylor

### Preliminaries

All Board members introduced themselves to the audience.

John Puente presented the Treasurer's Report. It was moved by John Schade and seconded by Steve Walker and unanimously approved.

President Steve Winlock made the following announcements:

- Thanked Noah's Bagels and Goodie Tutchews for supplying refreshments
- There will be a Joint Association Mayoral Candidate Forum on May 11. Each Board member should have received a copy of the 5 questions that were sent. Space is limited to 200 or so people.
- On April 8<sup>th</sup> there was a Traffic Meeting with Board members and Dino Reali, Traffic Investigator, City of Sacramento Dept. of Public Works. Two things came out of the meeting, first was that the crosswalk safety markings need improvement with in ground flashing lights and second that the traffic issue will be revisited after the improvements on

- Freeport Blvd are completed.
- LPCA Sponsored Land Park Safety and Security Presentation May 10 (6:30-7:30) Presentation by Sac PD and Sac Fire @Crocker Riverside Elementary. Patrol Sgt. Matt Armstrong was present to answer questions from the Board and public. President Steve asked the Board to forward any questions that Sgt. Armstrong should address the next time he presents to the Board. The President also indicated that Sgt. Armstrong would be present at every other meeting of the Board to give an update on what is going on in the Land Park area.

### Announcements

Christine Cleveland Airola, Executive Director JDRF.org give a brief presentation regarding a new event for the organization. JDRF is an organization that focuses on research for curing Type 1 diabetes in children and adults. The organization has done many fundraisers over the 20 years that it has been in existence. This year it is hosting "Brew for a Cure" in Wm. Land Park on June 11 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Tickets are \$40 for general admission and \$50 for VIP admission. VIP admission will be allowed into the event at 2 p.m.

### Presentations

Consuelo Hernandez from Councilmember Steve Hansen's Office gave a brief report on what has been happening since her last report. She indicated that the water meter project in Land Park has two phases. Phase one is 90% complete and Phase two is 95% complete. All work is expected to be completed by August or September of this year with the paving of the roads. Funding for the duck pond in Wm Land Park as well as funding for the Freeport Blvd street improvements are scheduled to be acted upon next week by the City Council. Approval is anticipated. There is a new draft of the Tree Ordinance, which has not yet been released to the public. Hearings by the Council's Law and Legislation Committee are expected in May. Valero Gas Station's approval of CUP for alcohol sales by the Planning Commission has been sustained by the City Council when it denied the neighborhood appeal. Consuelo was asked to investigate and come back with answers as to why the pillars under the freeway at W and X streets, which are painted with graffiti prevention

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paint, are being painted over rather than cleaned? The Board also raised concerns about the increase in the homeless in the Broadway area. Board member Michelle Smira Brattmiller, who is also the Executive Director of the Broadway Partnership, indicated that the Partnership is in the process of executing an MOU with Caltrans so it can effectively deal with the homeless issue.

### Committee Reports:

Grant Committee: Barry Hogan, chair of the Committee indicated that a check for \$1,250 has been given to the Crocker/Riverside PTA for the Garden Docent project. The money will go to purchase supplies. Work is expected to begin after school is out. An additional \$1,250 will be given after the completion of the project.

Taste of Land Park: Bob Schaevitz, chair of the event, indicated that things are progressing well. He introduced Joan Borucki, who is assisting Bob. So far there are sponsor commitments at \$9,800 with an expected additional \$1,200. The target for food and beverage vendors is 20 each. So far 16 food vendors have committed and 8 beverage vendors. The artists have been lined up for the art display and ads have been or will be placed in the Land Park News. The "Wall of Wine" will be hosted by the School Foundation, who will likely be contacting Board members for wine donations. Tickets and lawn signs are available for Board members after the meeting. It was agreed by the Board members that if the general membership volunteered to participate that they would be given a \$10 ticket discount.

### Bylaw Reviews

President Winlock indicated that the agenda would continue to have a Bylaw Review item until the entire bylaw updates have been completed. Barry Hogan went into the details of the revisions indicating that the changes were to reduce the number of committees from 10 to 7 and to make the duties and responsibilities more clear. There was discussion that additional language be added to section 9.4 Parks Committee to include "all parks within the boundaries of the LPCA" and to add language to section 9.5 Public Safety to include "traffic and transportation issues including but not limited to recommending traffic control measures to the Board, monitoring

traffic, bike and pedestrian safety." *Motion by John Puente to approve the bylaw revisions as amended with a second by Matt Robinson. The motion passed with Don Sronce in opposition.*

Discussion of Committee Chair and Composition: President Winlock indicated that he had asked a number of Board members to serve as chairs of the committees in advance of the consideration and approval of the bylaw changes. The following Board members have consented to be chair: Parks: Pinki Cockrell; Public Safety: Art Taylor; Membership: Stephanie Duncan; Events and Taste of Land Park: John Schade and Bob Schaevitz. President Winlock asked for volunteers for chairs of Land Use and Grants. Steve Walker indicated he would be chair of Land Use and Barry Hogan indicated he would be chair of Grants. Additional committee members include Michelle Smira Brattmiller, Pinki Cockrell, John Schade for Land Use; Matt Robinson for Public Safety, Craig Rutledge and Steve Walker for Events and Taste of Land Park; and John Puente for Grants. President Winlock indicated that the first order of business for the Public Safety committee would be to suggest a better name for the committee and return to the Board with a recommendation. The chairs of each committee will need to establish a meeting time and location for each month and give that notice to Stephanie Duncan so it can be posted on the website.

### New Business

Comments and Suggestions from audience: None.

Comments and Suggestions from Board members: None.

### Upcoming Events

May 11 7-9pm Mayoral Candidate Forum (Joint sponsored by region homeowners association)  
Clunie Hall McKinley Park

LPCA Safety and Security Presentation May 10  
6:30-7:30 at Crocker Riverside Elementary School

May 22 from 4-7pm Taste of Land Park on 12<sup>th</sup>  
Avenue

**Adjourn: 8:18 pm - Next meeting: May 18 at 6:30 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted, Barry K. Hogan, Secretary

## LPCA and Local Schools Work Together

By Arthur Taylor

Approximately 12 months ago, the Land Park Community Association (LPCA) began an effort to reach out to local Land Park schools, from Elementary Schools to Sacramento City College. The focus of this effort was to find common functions and interest which Land Park schools and LPCA could

promote jointly. These interests and programs included but are not limited to: Fundraising, Safety Awareness, Crime Prevention, Scholarships and Donations, Volunteerism, utilization of High School Student Volunteers.



LPCA representatives contacted Land Park schools and requesting an opportunity to present information to the various schools. In the last 6 months, LPCA presenters visited eight Land Park schools and briefly provided presentations on LPCA's vision to promote programs and functions with each of the schools.

A number of events that LPCA has initiated with Land Park Schools include; Safety Presentation & Questions & Answers with Sacramento Police Department at Crocker Riverside Elementary, the initiation of a Scholarships Program for LP Schools, requesting and receiving Student Volunteers assistance with annual LPCA events.

As 2015 draws to an end, we look forward to new collaboration of interests and programs involving LPCA and the local Land Park schools.

## Interested in Becoming an LPCA Board Member?

Each year in March the Board hold elections to fill the expiring terms of its members. Approximately half of the Board members terms expire each year. This staggering of terms allows for consistency in the Board and easy transition for the new Board.

Elections for this year were held and we welcome back Pinki Cockrell, Craig Rutledge, Bob Schaevitz (provisional until June 2016), Art Taylor, Lisa Riley and Michelle Smira Brattmiller. New members elected were Matt Robinson and Steve Walker. If you are interested in becoming a Board member please contact President Steve Winlock or one of the current Board members. There are still two positions open on the Board.

Elections will occur at the March Board meeting.

## Traffic Safety and Crime Prevention Update

By Stephanie Duncan

The Land Park Community Association (LPCA) was involved a number of traffic safety and crime prevention discussions and presentations in 2015. At monthly meetings, LPCA regularly invites Sacramento Police Department (SacPD) to keep membership informed about crime and safety situations within Land Park. Members are able to ask questions about specific crime situations within Land Park and obtain helpful information about what they can do to avoid being victim of crime. LPCA also reaches out to the City to share the concerns of Land Park residents in order to be an advocate for the community.

In September, LPCA and Crocker/Riverside PTA co-sponsored a SacPD presentation on "Personal and Home Security". Attendees were able to ask questions of SacPD officers about security issues within Land Park and current crime statistics in the neighborhood. The Questions & Answers was followed by a presentation about ways that residents can improve security to protect themselves, their homes, and their vehicles. Future presentations are being planned for 2016 and members are encouraged to attend these informative events.

In December, LPCA partnered with the Land Park Schools Foundation (LPSF) to write a letter to both Councilman Steve Hansen and City Manager John Shirey regarding traffic speeds and crosswalk safety on Land Park Drive. Suggestions were made to increase police presence along Land Park Drive, particularly before and after school, and enhance pedestrian safety by installing pedestrian-activated flashing lights for crosswalks. Since the submission of the letter, residents have seen increased patrols along Land Park Drive. It is LPCA's hope that such increased patrols continue and that crosswalk safety is also addressed by the City.

LPCA would like to hear from you regarding your concerns about traffic safety and crime prevention. Members are encouraged to stay informed by attending monthly LPCA meetings, getting involved in LPCA events, visiting the LPCA Facebook page for up-to-date information, and emailing the Public Safety Committee at [publicsafety@landpark.org](mailto:publicsafety@landpark.org) with ideas, questions, or concerns.

## First Community Builder Award Given

The LPCA's first annual Community Builder Award was given to Craig Powell in November 2015 to acknowledge his incredible



impact on William Land Park and his band of volunteers. The LPCA want to create and award that would recognize individuals who have made substantial contributions to the Land Park community. The overwhelming first choice was by far Craig Powell. It was in 2010 when Craig was serving as part of the LPCA board as chair of the Parks Committee that he came up with the idea of volunteers to help in the city in the maintenance of William Land Park.

Powell says, "We've become very efficient with the team we have, and the work day comes off without a hitch each month. Attendance has grown from an average of 32 volunteers to an average of 90 volunteers. It's growing every single year. It just blows my mind."

*If you want to volunteer find Land Park Volunteer Corps on Facebook, call Powell at 718-3030 or email [ckpinsacto@aol.com](mailto:ckpinsacto@aol.com). To donate money, send a check to Land Park Volunteer Corps, 3053 Freepoint Blvd. #231 Sacramento, CA 95818.*

## Land Park Community Association Officers & Board Members

*Board members are elected in March of each year and serve for two years. The Board members elect the officers of the Board. The chart below indicates the Officers, Board Member, and the term of office. Officers serve for one year.*

<p><b>President</b> Steve Winlock 2015-17</p>	<p><b>Vice President</b> Craig Rutledge 2016-18</p>	<p><b>Secretary</b> Barry Hogan 2015-17</p>
<p><b>Treasurer</b> John Puente 2015-17</p>	<p><b>Board Member</b> Pinki Cockrell 2016-18</p>	<p><b>Board Member</b> Stephanie Duncan 2015-17</p>
<p><b>Board Member</b> Matt Robinson 2016-18</p>	<p><b>Board Member</b> Steve Winlock 2016-18</p>	<p><b>Board Member</b> Lisa Riley 2016-18</p>
<p><b>Board Member</b> Vacant 2016-18</p>	<p><b>Board Member</b> John Schade 2015-17</p>	<p><b>Board Member</b> Bob Schaevitz 2016</p>
<p><b>Board Member</b> Michelle Smira Brattmiller 2016-18</p>	<p><b>Board Member</b> Don Sronce 2015-17</p>	<p><b>Board Member</b> Art Taylor 2016-18</p>

## Standing Committees of the Board

*Any member of the Association may chair standing Committees of the Board. Members of the Committees must be members in good standing of the LPCA. Meeting of the Committees are on an as necessary basis. Notice of Committee meetings will be made via email to the membership at least a week in advance of the meeting.*

<p><b>Executive</b> Steve Winlock, Chair</p>	<p><b>Land Use</b> Steve Walker, Chair</p>	<p><b>Events &amp; Taste of Land Park</b> John Schade, Chair and Bob Schaevitz, Taste Chair</p>
<p><b>Membership</b> Stephanie Duncan, Chair</p>	<p><b>Grants</b> Barry Hogan, Chair</p>	<p><b>Public Safety</b> Art Taylor, Chair</p>
	<p><b>Parks</b> Pinki Cockrell</p>	