

# West Floral Park SUMMER 2017 NEWSLETTER



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*Where Neighbors Turn Into Family and Friends*

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## The Inspired Garden Novice

BY HARRISON ZIERER, COMMUNICATIONS CHAIR

***“Gardens are not made by singing ‘oh, how beautiful,’ and sitting in the shade.”  
Rudyard Kipling once said that and truer words have never been spoken.***



I would like to start out by saying that I possess two flesh-colored thumbs. They are not green; they don't even have an olive undertone. They're as pink and as untrained in making plants grow in the dirt as they can be. In college I enjoyed the occasional mojito so I thought it would be a great idea to purchase a mint plant so that I could have fresh mint for my drink any time I wanted one. I killed that mint plant within a week. I also killed the next one I purchased, and the one after that, and the one after that. I killed every mint plant until I finally just gave up and began to drink vodka (on the rocks with a twist). I just recently found out that mint is practically a weed and near impossible to kill, but somehow I managed it.

■ **Don't Pity Me.** I talk about my ineptitude in the garden not to make you pity me, but simply to set up my first endeavor into gardening. I moved to West Floral Park a little more than a year ago and in the months that I have called my house home, I have called my backyard "the dog's bathroom". However, after walking my dog around our neighborhood and seeing other neighbor's beautiful backyards at social events, I felt inspired. Just beyond my cement patio was another patio made of brick. I don't know why someone would need two patios one of brick and one of cement but that's just how it was, and it was ugly. I researched pictures online of how to make raised bed gardens out of brick and felt confident that I could do it. This was it. I was going to become a gardener. I mean, how hard could it be? *Continued on Page 2 >*



*Join Us!*

### UPCOMING WEST FLORAL PARK EVENTS

- August 6 ..... Garden Swap
- August 16 ..... WFPNA General Meeting
- August 19 ..... West Floral Park Progressive Dinner
- September 21 ..... New Neighbor Social
- October 7 ..... Annual Oktoberfest

# THE INSPIRED GARDEN NOVICE

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One morning, with much assistance from my father, I ripped up the entire brick patio and prepared the soil for the beds. The next day I constructed the six beds that would become my future backyard produce market. I enjoyed the challenge of spacing the brick so that they could support each other and give off a somewhat pleasing look. Then came time to plant. This is where I



stepped out of my comfort zone. I went to the nursery and purchased three tomato plants, some peppers, lettuce, zucchini, eggplant, and cucumbers, all delicious things that I enjoy eating.



I also purchased a mint plant because I'm a cup-half-full kind of guy. I purchased soil and manure, got home and began working. I filled four of the six beds with my plants and then it began; my education in gardening.

■ **New Challenges.** Little did I know that I had done the easy part. I was not prepared for the challenges I would soon face. The first was my beloved dog, Pepper. I awoke one morning to discover all the lettuce I had planted gone. Not just dug up, but eaten or strategically moved by Pepper. This pattern of digging continued over the next few days. It frustrated me to no end, as I'm sure many of you with dogs have felt from time to time. I went online, researched what I could do to stop this bad behavior and one suggestion was to let the dog have its designated area to dig. This seemed perfect since I had two beds

full of dirt that were begging to see a dog's tenacious paws. But sadly, Pepper had no interest in just dirt. Another idea I tried was spraying the dog with a hose. This is said to work if your dog doesn't like water in the face but apparently mine is indifferent to it because she continued to nap in the soil as she was sprayed. After trying a few other ideas I decided to surround the garden



with a wire fence. Not ideal or as aesthetically pleasing as I would want, but hey, it saved my lettuce.

The second problem I encountered was the soil. Apparently, my mix of soil and manure was just not right. Although they were watered plenty, my tomatoes and eggplant looked to be drying out from the inside. After



consulting with my father who has not just one but two green thumbs, I replanted the entire bed by removing the plants, adding more soil and then replanting everything. Do you want to know what's more tiring than planting an entire garden in one day? Doing it again a month later in 95-degree heat.

However, all the time, frustration, and spraying the dog with the hose, was worth it when I enjoyed my first cucumber that I took straight from my backyard and into my house. I have learned a lot in this project to better my yard and my knowledge of plant life. I learned that even if you're not born with a green thumb, if you replant tomatoes enough, in time, your thumb will be stained green and that's almost as good.

I feel blessed to live in a neighborhood with so







many beautiful homes and yards. The pride that people take in their yards and gardens is what helped me persevere and not let my garden turn into Pepper's permanent play yard. As I'm sure many of you saw during our recent Open Garden Day, we are blessed with many talented gardeners and yards. I hope that one day my yard can be added to the list of beautiful yards that make our neighborhood the showplace of Santa Ana. Until then, I will continue to learn and only occasionally sing while sitting in the shade of my backyard. 🌸



# WFPNA TREASURER'S SNAPSHOT

(as of 6/30/2017)

BY IAN GIBSON, TREASURER

ACCOUNT BALANCES	2017 Budget	YTD Actual
Checking		\$ 11,976
Savings		8,096
<b>REVENUES</b>		
Membership	\$ 7,500	9,400
Advertising	1,500	770
Social Events	10,311	3,561
Open Garden Day	13,500	12,753
Other	-	525
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>32,811</b>	<b>27,009</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Membership	300	95
General Meetings	400	233
Community Events	50	230
Community Outreach	-	-
General Operations	2,188	1,261
Open Garden Day	8,050	9,190
Social Events	10,620	4,255
Neighborhood Watch	450	200
Communications	5,400	1,523
Beautification	4,500	1,367
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>31,958</b>	<b>18,358</b>
<b>BALANCES / TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 853</b>	<b>\$ 8,651</b>

We publish the Treasurer's Report each year and provide copies at each General Meeting to let you know what's going on with our WFPNA funds.

The Board has completed and approved the 2017 Budget.

Should you have any questions, please contact Ian Gibson  
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# BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE REPORT



**Home of Darrell and Mika Denny at 2009 Olive Street**



## Congratulations to our Most Beautiful Yard Award Winner and Nominees for the City of Santa Ana in West Floral Park



This year marks the 30th year that the City of Santa Ana has been recognizing residents who have maintained or improved the exterior appearance of their homes. Three homes are selected by our Beautification Committee and submitted to the city who then selects the winner.

This year, the Most Beautiful Yard Award was given to Darrell and Mika Denny for their remarkable yard transformation from blah to WOW!

About 5 years ago, when Darrell and Mika moved into their home on Olive Street, they knew that their home lacked curb appeal. The first thing they did was petition the city to have a large tree removed that had cracked the

sidewalk and threatened the home's foundation. From there, they shared their vision for a new entry with local landscape designer Drew Kunde. The new landscape along with several other home upgrades (new windows, front door, column treatment, driveway gate and paint) gave the home a whole new look.

The other two nominees are the Bañuelos on Westwood and the McGraw/Belland Home on Towner. Both are outstanding examples of water-wise landscaping and feature a variety of drought tolerant and California native plants. All three homes have been featured on our Open Garden Day events. We are so grateful for all of their hard work and dedication to keeping West Floral Park beautiful. **Congratulations to All!**



**Home of Joseph and Chela Bañuelos at 1908 Westwood Avenue**



**Home of Jimmy McGraw & Denise Belland at 2327 Towner Street**



## Congratulations to our West Floral Park Garden of the Season Winner

### Home of Manuel Villalobos at 2124 Olive Street

The WFPNA Beautification Committee is also proud to announce our "Garden of the Season" award. Our committee looks at all of the homes in our beautiful neighborhood. This season we are honoring a beautiful, mature garden that is kept neat and maintained year-round. Beautiful Japanese maples, maroon flax and manicured hedges make this yard a stand out.

Neighbors who demonstrate "above-and-beyond" efforts to maintain and beautify their front yards help to make our neighborhood a more beautiful place to live and contribute to our home values.



## Garden Award Guidelines

- Pruned, trimmed and shaped foliage; edged and defined lawns; yard is free of debris and clutter;
- Water wise gardening—Plants and trees that reduce the need for watering, while preserving the integrity and continuity of the landscapes for which the WFP neighborhood is known.
- Excellence in home and property maintenance;
- Overall landscape design includes elements that are original and creative;
- Garden beds that are neat in appearance weed-free, mulched, etc.;
- Landscape design that fits the home's architecture;
- Overall, beautiful curb appeal.

All Garden of the Season winners will receive a sign to display in their yard and be acknowledged in the WFPNA Newsletter. A resident may only win once in any given calendar year.



## SAVE THE DATE

### *West Floral Park Garden Swap*

**Hosted by Danny & Guida Quon  
Sunday, August 6th from 4-7 pm**

Do you have leftover lemons or want to share that special bread you make with your home-grown zucchini? Now is your chance to share ideas, swap recipes and compare green thumbs!

Join us at our Inaugural Garden Swap! This fun event will include an afternoon of sharing your gardens' bounty, friendly conversation and a light potluck.

Mark your calendars, tend your gardens, and get ready for a really fun time! This will be the first of many West Floral Park Garden Swaps.



## GOT HELPFUL HANDS?

### Join the WFP Beautification Committee

Get involved with your neighborhood and help select future Garden Award Winners. You don't have to be a garden expert to be on the committee. We just need volunteers with a desire to help out and appreciate the beauty of our neighborhood.

Contact Joseph and Chela at [amorviejo@sbcglobal.net](mailto:amorviejo@sbcglobal.net)

# OPEN GARDEN DAY 2017

*Best Attendance Ever and Our Guests Raved About the Gardens*



BY DONNA LAYNE, OPEN GARDEN DAY CO-CHAIR

*What a journey! Our 11th year of this event was a huge success. Including all the volunteers, we had over 600 people enjoy the beautiful day in West Floral Park and Jack Fisher Park. With the cold and rainy weather still haunting me from two years ago, the weather this year was perfect. After four months of committee planning and work, all the elements of the event fell together wonderfully.*


Nine gardens were open for visitors to tour. These backyards were stunning! Visitors were amazed at the yards they saw. If you didn't come you missed out on our two favorite yards that keep changing—the Mittendorf's with dogs, turtles, koi, birds, and rabbits and the Quon's with their Buddha fountain. You also missed out on the Baird's beautiful Chinese lantern tree (oh and their outdoor entertaining area and kitchen garden and baby bird and their shy bunny), the Leyva's outdoor pizza oven and a view to buy their house if it ever comes on the market, the award winning Rancho Relaxo garden that the Bañuelos created and won an award from Roger's Gardens, the Jagerman's grand tranquil outdoor living space, and the Sutton's unique Arizona outdoor living space including an Andy unique designed grill. And those were just the gardens on our side of the creek! For the second year we offered a guided front yard sidewalk tour. There was a north tour featuring front yards in Jack Fisher Park and a south tour featuring front yards in West Floral Park. The sidewalk tour featured homes with various design features all with show-stopping curb appeal. These front yards showed us how we can expand our living spaces to the front of our house. Back again was our popular garden expert talks and demonstrations. Packed with standing room only was the Garden to Table Demonstration featuring our two Lauries, Hampton and Schaefer. The Westwood Promenade was packed with action from information booths about coyotes, mosquitoes, Master Gardeners, and watering. There were vendors selling plants and garden related items, three very busy food trucks/carts, and beautiful vintage cars. If you came after 2 p.m., you got to taste our award-winning sangria in the McLean's backyard (free!) Volunteers and homeowners concluded the day with a celebration dinner in Chris and Lynn Casey's beautiful garden—a venue that is a treat just to be in.

Everyone worked hard and it paid off! People loved West Floral Park (and Jack Fisher Park)! If you didn't join us this year, plan to attend next year. Find out why visitors rate this as the best garden tour around. **Enjoy the photos.**







**SAVE THE DATE**  
*May 12, 2018* 





# President's Message

BY DONNA LAYNE, WFPNA PRESIDENT



*Sometimes I get a little discouraged when I read the posts on Nextdoor.com. Mail being stolen, people looking in windows, cars being broken into, the car wash noise, and coyotes roaming the neighborhood. Not to mention the seemingly increase of the homeless in Santa Ana. When I catch myself in this mood I have to stop and count my blessings because I am thankful to live in West Floral Park and in Santa Ana.*

Recently I attended the Com-Link meeting where the Most Beautiful Yard and Neighborhood Hero Awards were passed out. Our own 20-year-old Natalie Olivera was honored with a Neighborhood Hero Award for her proactive work in the creek bed and other worthy service projects. Many of you know Nicki Luna-Hernandez from Jack Fisher Park who organized a multi-neighborhood committee to address some of the issues in Jack Fisher Park. She received a Hero Award as well. All of the people who received this award took on projects to improve their neighborhoods and city without being asked—they did it out of love, commitment, and passion for their neighborhood. It was truly inspiring to hear all the stories. We are blessed to have such people living in our city, helping make it a better place to live.



The people who accepted awards for the Most Beautiful Yard were so proud and it made me so happy to be there to honor them. These people are setting an example for their neighbors. This is the 30th year that the City has handed out these awards. Eric

Scandrett from Morrison Park has been giving each award winner \$50 for the past several years—this is just something he has decided to do to say thanks to these people who are trying to make Santa Ana a more beautiful place to live.

■ **Car Wash.** Most of you are aware that the noise level at the new car wash, Zaroo, has exceeded acceptable levels and has affected the quality of life for many of our neighbors in WFP. As I write this article, we are working with the city to get more noise mitigation. Hopefully as you read this article, acceptable levels of noise will have been reached. I'm very proud of the proactive work that so many of our neighbors have taken on. Diana Espinosa has done much research on the car wash and city ordinances. Diana has come to our meetings with Councilman Solario and the City Planning Department prepared with photos, talking points, and always presented very professionally. Elias Cazales, another neighbor who has been working with us on this issue, has researched the zoning codes, noise levels, and even asked for help from a neighbor who

designs aircraft and works on aircraft noise mitigation. Doug Jagerman, Phil Schaefer, and the Bañuelos have also helped us in these meetings. All of these people have met with the city and the councilman presenting our case in a very professional manner knowing that we must have a working relationship with the city and hopefully the car wash.

There are a group of six neighborhood association presidents in our area that have started meeting together to talk about the issues that are currently affecting our neighborhoods; the homeless, trees, fireworks, traffic, parking, and coyotes are recent topics. We are discussing what is working and what we can do as neighborhoods and as volunteers. Meeting as a team to discuss issues has been helpful and productive. We all want to make Santa Ana a better place to live.

We do face challenges living here. What we have going for us is our proactive community. I am astounded by all the quiet (and sometimes not quiet) work that goes on by our residents and volunteers and this is one of the reasons I love living here. People care and people take action. We can make a difference but we must take that first step. Join us in making our neighborhood and Santa Ana a better place to live!





# NEIGHBORHOOD HERO NATALIE OLIVERA

NOMINATED AND WRITTEN BY MIKA DENNY

On June 22, Natalie Olivera was recognized by the Santa Ana Com-Link Council as well as City dignitaries for being chosen as one of sixteen city-wide neighborhood heroes.

Natalie Olivera has lived in West Floral Park for 14 years. At just 20 years old, Natalie does a lot to help the people in our neighborhood and the city of Santa Ana. Three times in the last year she has organized a clean up of the creek that runs behind our neighborhood. She brings along members of the club she founded at Santa Ana College called "El Profe's Disciples."

■ **Be the Change.** Natalie was inspired by her Chicano Studies professor Rodrigo Valles to "be the change" that they wish to see in their community. Natalie's club has been very active in the year and a half since she founded it. Their activities include: giving food, water and ice pops to the homeless, riverbed and beach cleanup, graffiti cleanup, clothing and toy drives. Her biggest project is assembling 150 hygiene care



Ed Murashie, Com-Link board member, presenting the award to Natalie. With Proud Mom Veronica Cruz.

packages to distribute to the homeless of La Palma Park, Anaheim and Civic Center. Along with the care packages they also hand out water, snacks and clothing. Natalie is a wonderful communicator, polite, smart and inspiring. She is very deserving of this award.

Natalie is in her last year at Santa Ana College and plans to transfer to Cal State University of Fullerton where she will study Studio Art and Human Services. She hopes to continue her studies at the University of Southern California where she will go for a Masters degree in Human Services. You have a bright future Natalie! Congratulations and keep up your great work!

## COYOTES IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

With all the recent activity in our neighborhood involving coyotes, it is important to remember a few simple facts that can ensure the safety of your pets and those of your fellow neighbors.

- Walk dogs on leashes and pick up small dogs if a coyote is near.
- Don't leave your pet's food or water outside.
- Keep trash and compost in secure containers.
- Clear away brush and dense weeds near buildings.
- Eliminate all accessible water sources (birdbaths, fountains, etc.)
- Keep fallen fruit off the ground. Coyotes do eat fruit.
- Share information and communicate with your neighbors.
- If a coyote approaches you, haze it. Be BIG and LOUD. Throw objects towards it but not directly at it. Do not run from a coyote; calmly leave the area.
- Keep birdseed off the ground. Seeds attract small rodents, which in turn attract coyotes.
- Don't let domestic animals roam. Keep them securely enclosed and protected, especially at night.







# Tea Time



## WEST FLORAL PARK SENIOR TEA

There's nothing more enjoyable than sitting in a beautiful home, sipping tea, and enjoying each other's good company. This perfectly describes the afternoon that many of our senior West Floral Park residents experienced on June 20th at the home of Karen Mittendorf. Every year the Tea volunteers put so much love and care into hosting this special event for our cherished senior neighbors. The desserts, special sandwiches and table settings would have made even Martha Stewart proud. Our 8th Annual Senior Tea was enjoyed and very much appreciated by our attending seniors. It's clear that they know how to truly stay young at heart. ♥





## UPDATE ON THE HOMELESS IN OUR AREA

BY KARI GIBSON, MEMBER-AT-LARGE

***At the May Com-Link meeting, the hot topic was homelessness in our city. Supervisor Andrew Do spoke at length about the county-wide epidemic and how the Board of Supervisors is addressing the problem.***

On one night in January, volunteers counted 4,792 homeless individuals across the county. Of those counted, 2,584 were unsheltered, while the rest were either in emergency or transitional shelter. Two-thirds of those counted indicated that they had lived in Orange County for approximately ten years, while only 10% had moved into our county in the last year. Supervisor Do stated that the board is concerned about increasing emergency, transitional, and permanent housing. Currently the county has only two permanent emergency facilities, one of which is the Courtyard at the Santa Ana Civic Center, which has 400 beds. The Courtyard provides wrap-around support, increasing access to medical and mental

health services, as well as job placement. The program is having success, as 80 people have already left the Courtyard because they transitioned into permanent housing and currently 45 people who sleep at the Courtyard go to work each day at full-time jobs. The board has \$8 million available for permanent supportive housing, which includes funding to repurpose motels such as the Aqua Motel on 17th Street. The board has several more million dollars earmarked to combat homelessness, however Supervisor Do said the biggest obstacle to getting the money spent is that cities, not the County, control most of the available land and the cities have been slow to act.

That is not the case with Santa

Ana, which has two new affordable housing projects. However, Judson Brown, the Santa Ana Housing Manager, reminded us that the demand for affordable housing far out paces availability. Andalucia, a community on Harbor Boulevard has 70 units—and a waiting list of 600. The Depot at Santiago is still under construction across from the train station and will have 68 units. Its waiting list has already grown to 1,400 people.

***Com-Link takes a well-deserved break in July, but picks up again in August. Everyone is invited to attend the information-packed meetings which take place on the 4th Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Community Room of the Santa Ana Police Department.***

## Summer is a Great Time to Become a WFPNA Member

BY MELINDA JORDAN-HEATHCOCK, VICE PRESIDENT OF MEMBERSHIP

**Summer is a time to relax and enjoy our beautiful neighborhood....and if you've delayed in paying your voluntary membership dues, Summer is a good time for that as well.**

■ **Do Your Part, Join Today!** Your dues go towards improving and keeping our neighborhood fun and beautiful. The Senior Tea, new neighbor welcome baskets and socials, and the 4th of July parade are some of the events that your contributions help to fund. The Beautification Committee also depends on membership funds to continue to beautify our common areas. And don't forget the Christmas giving back charities that our Neighborhood Association contributes to each year's end. None of

these activities could take place without our membership donations.

It's not too late to become a contributing member of WFPNA. There are three easy ways to contribute: You may either mail your check to WFPNA, Attn: Ian Gibson, P.O. Box 6243, Santa Ana, CA 92706, go to our Pay Pal link on the WFPNA website at westfloralpark.com, or give your check to one of the board members. Help to make this another great year for our West Floral Park neighborhood.







## WEST FLORAL PARK ANNUAL PARADE

We are so blessed to live in a country where we can celebrate our freedom and ideals of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. We are also blessed to live in such an active and caring neighborhood like West Floral Park. This year's Fourth of July Parade was truly a sight to behold. So many kids, parents, and four-legged friends marched in the parade that strolled through our wonderful neighborhood. Everyone received popsicles at the end of the route and a fun time was had by all!





# COFFEE TALK *at Hidden House Coffee*



**Hidden House Coffee is located at 511 E. Santa Ana Blvd.**



## WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS!

*We would like to welcome the following people to West Floral Park. All of our new neighbors since our last New Neighbor Social in April will be invited to our next social held in September.*

### MARCH 2017

- ZACHARY SNIPES & ARMINDA SANDOVAL  
on N Towner Street
- BRIAN & ZUBIA VILLACORTA  
Rosewood Ave
- COURTLAND & ANNE ALEX  
N Westwood Ave.
- KEVIN HENDRICKS & CYNTHIA GILLASPY  
Freeman Street

### APRIL 2017

- DAVID VRBECKI & KURT EISENBURGER  
W 18th Street
- PAUL GEE & MONICA BENNETT  
W 18th Street
- JANA REMY & STIJN (PRONOUNCED STAN)  
VANORBEEK  
W Riviera Drive
- GEORGE & BRENDA TAYLOR  
N Baker Street
- MICHAEL BURRAGE  
Louise Street

### MAY 2017

- GIA NGUYEN  
N Baker Street
- ERIC & JOANN TATE  
N Rosewood Ave
- RAY & BETH LAHAM  
W Riviera Drive



On June 10th, the WFP Neighborhood Association sponsored the first Coffee Social at Hidden House Coffee on 511 E. Santa Ana Blvd. It was wonderful to see so many neighbors relaxed and chatting over coffee, hot chocolate and tea while happily munching on fresh baked pastries. Yum! The association paid for the first cup of coffee. Ben Briggs, the owner of Hidden House Coffee, was happy to see the neighborhood supporting his small business. We hope to continue this tradition at other local establishments, perhaps next time we'll all meet for ice cream!

## RANDOM ACTS OF Kindness

### AWARD WINNING WIFE

We spotted this random act of kindness on Riviera Drive. Loving (and smart) husband John Korb awarded his wife Leslie with "The Most Beautiful Wife Award." The sign even has a little Santa Ana Logo with the words "Keep Santa Ana Beautiful." Clearly, this marriage is the real winner!



### SANTA CLARA TREE FAIRY

Soon after our "Spring Refresh" tip on parkway tree maintenance, you may have noticed the trees on Santa Clara looked a little more tidy. No it wasn't tiny tree fairies that worked through the night. A neighbor spied Dianne Jeffries cutting off the shooters and waterspouts from ALL of her neighbors' parkway trees up and down Santa Clara. Now that's a great neighbor and the trees look great! Thank you Dianne!



# The Social BUZZ



*The wines were divine!*



Our wine event this year was a huge success. We tasted over six wines in a recreation of the "Judgment of Paris." The original tasting in 1976 rated many California wines higher than their French contesters, but at our West Floral Park tasting, every wine was a winner and enjoyed by all!



# SAVE THE DATE FOR THESE NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS



## CASINO NIGHT

**Our next event will be our Summer Progressive Dinner.**

Don't miss one of our most popular social events in the neighborhood. This year the theme is Casino Night, so start shuffling those cards and blowing on those dice, 'cause luck is a lady at this event! You can't lose because it's not real money!

**SATURDAY | AUGUST 19TH | 5:30 PM**

This is a two-house POTLUCK-BYOB event. The first house will have appetizers, Roulette, Black Jack, and games of chance. The second house will have dinner, desserts, more games, and a photo booth.

*No online reservations will be accepted after MONDAY, AUGUST 14th.*



Mark your calendars for this annual event if you love beer and food!

**SATURDAY  
OCTOBER 7TH**



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# Eggstravaganza!

The neighborhood Easter Eggstravaganza was held on April 8th. Colored eggs were scattered all over the yard, filled with candy, toys, and coins. You could feel the anticipation in the air as more than 30 neighborhood kids waited patiently to gather the treats. Parents enjoyed photographing their kids and cheering them on. A variety of refreshments were served but the highlight was definitely the cotton candy, hand swirled and offered by our neighbor John Mai. Peter Cottontail came, not hopping down the bunny trail but in a convertible car down Riviera Drive! All in all, it was a wonderful day!



JOIN THE

## Families of Floral Park

Floral Park + Jack Fisher + West Floral Park



### REASONS TO JOIN:

- Halloween Spooktacular Event
- Kazoo Caroling Party
- St. Patrick's Day Playdate
- Summer Fun
- Sunday Fun Days (parents only!)

Sign-up today!

email [christina@thekellmans.com](mailto:christina@thekellmans.com)  
[FamiliesofFloralPark.shutterfly.com](http://FamiliesofFloralPark.shutterfly.com)

### Start creating old-fashioned family memories today by attending one of our monthly events:

- Monthly Meetings - 1st Monday at rotating houses
- Monthly Pizza Night - 2nd Friday at Zito's on Chapman
- Monthly Playdates - dates posted on our website regularly





# NEIGHBORHOOD CONNECTIONS!

*West Floral Park Neighborhood Association relies on many different communication tools to communicate neighborhood news, safety and events as well as important city information. Sign up for one or all to get connected!*

■ **WFPNA Email Blasts:** Be "In the Know," send us your email contact information and we will add you to our email blast list. Email Harrison Zierer at [ziere101@yahoo.com](mailto:ziere101@yahoo.com) and in the subject line of your email type: WFPNA Add me to your list. Include your name, address, and email in the body of your message. Email blasts are sent out as needed, about twice monthly.



■ **Facebook:** Our Facebook page is a more informal, day-to-day, interactive page on happenings in and around our neighborhood and the City of Santa Ana. Anyone who is a member can post there. Check it out and request to join this closed and private Facebook group. Send an email to Mika at [mikadenny@me.com](mailto:mikadenny@me.com) if you have trouble joining.



■ **Nextdoor.com:** WFP residents can sign up on [Nextdoor.com/join/JXNKHE](http://Nextdoor.com/join/JXNKHE) at any time by going directly to the website. There is an address verification requirement—to ensure the safety and security of this site. Residents can post on Nextdoor.com as appropriate and needed. You can access the site from your desktop or better yet, get the Nextdoor.com app for your smart phone and get alerts any time, anywhere.




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