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Los Compadres Neighborhood Organization

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Please add me!

Dear Neighbor,

As summer vacations wrap-up and some residents are returning to Los Compadres, the LCNO Board has been busy planning some Fall and Winter events for the neighborhood. Dates and information can be found throughout the newsletter.

We especially look forward to our first "Fall Party", a social event we are hoping to make an annual tradition. LCNO Board member (and renowned artist), Russ Butler, has graciously offered his house and art studio as the location. Please plan to come by with an appetizer and drink to share. We are looking forward to seeing our neighbors AND meeting new ones!!

Upcoming LCNO Events

October 10-13
Modernism Week - Fall
Support for PSNIC

October 14
LCNO Board of Advisors
Meeting

October 18
LCNO Neighborhood
Fall Party

October 25
Make a Difference
Day

November 11
LCNO Board of Advisors



Meeting

December 6
Festival of Lights
Parade

LCNO Neighborhood Garage Sale in 2015



The Los Compadres Neighborhood Org. is planning to hold a Neighborhood Garage Sale in 2015 (likely February) in conjunction with the Sonora Sunrise Neighborhood.

The committee will get going soon, so if you have an interest in helping to organize or participating, please contact us at info@los-compadres.org.

Plastic Bag Ordinance Takes Effect on November 3rd



On May 3rd, 2014, the Palm Springs City Council enacted a Plastic Bag Ordinance. Large stores have until November 3rd, 2014 to comply; small stores have until May 3rd, 2015 to comply.

WHEN: Saturday, October 18th, 6 - 9 PM
WHERE: Russ Butler's Residence (LCNO Board Member and renowned artist),
1284 S. Farrell Drive
BRING: An appetizer and drink to share
INVITE: More neighbors and friends!

The LCNO will host its first Fall Party, a potluck appetizer social get-together for our neighbors. We are hoping to make this an annual event. We have a wonderful neighborhood and community, so please plan to come and meet us and your neighbors!!

Please RSVP to info@los-compadres.org so we can get an attendee count.

Modernism Week Fall Preview 2014

Celebrating 10 years, the mission of Modernism Week (MW) is to celebrate and foster appreciation



of mid-century architecture and design, as well as contemporary thinking in these fields, by encouraging education, preservation and sustainable modern living as represented in Palm Springs.

Join PSNIC on their inaugural tour of the famed neighborhoods of Palm Springs. Neighborhoods like: El Rancho Vista Estates, Indian Canyons, Racquet Club Estates --- just some of the captivating names that evoke the Palm Springs lifestyle. This is a self-driven tour of mid-century neighborhoods that best depict the varied architecture and heritage of residential Palm Springs. In most of the neighborhoods visited, some homes will be open for interior touring. Driving through other neighborhoods, residences of specific historical or architectural interest will be noted on the souvenir map for exterior viewing. By the conclusion of the tour, participants will have discovered and personally experienced what makes Palm Springs and it's neighborhoods such a comfortable and wonderful place to call home. All net proceeds from this tour will directly benefit PSNIC initiatives in coordination with established neighborhood organizations. **Jeffery Holley (LCNO Vice Chair) is the coordinator of the tour between PSNIC and MW. E-mail Jeffery with any questions at projeff@gmail.com.**

In support of this effort, LCNO will have insulated grocery bags (see below) for sale this Fall. If you are interested in purchasing a bag(s), please contact us at info@los-compadres.org.



Check out the PS Sustainability website for all sorts of information on programs, recycling, events, and more at:

www.yoursustainablecity.com

LCNO's Neighborhood Improvement Sub-committee

Mike Hodgson is Chair of LCNO's Neighborhood Improvement (Traffic & Infrastructure) Sub-committee.

- The committee met and surveyed all streets in Los Compadres and provided recommendations to the PSNIC Public Works Sub-Committee on worst to best. They took into account road usage, road pavement and drainage. The sub-committee will be working with the city to make recommendations for the three years street project.
- Bike Lanes on El Cielo should be implemented this year.
- The city has committed and secured funding to finish the curbing on the South/East section of Escoba. Work is expected to begin in the next few months.

For more information, schedules and tickets, go to <http://www.modernismweek.com/>.

October 25th is "Make a Difference Day"



Join the action on October 25 for the 24th annual "Make A Difference Day", the nation's largest day of community service. On Make A Difference Day 2014, millions of volunteers will unite to improve the lives of themselves and others in their communities. USA Weekend's Make A Difference Day happens all

around the country and encourages people to get involved and empower themselves.

LCNO Board Member Lynne Stephenson is again leading the Palm Springs Annual Tram Road Challenge, a 6K uphill run/walk (and breakfast) to benefit the United Way of the Desert. To train for the event, the Desert Sun has launched a 9-week program geared toward community, health and charity. Nine cities, nine walks with friends, nine ways to help, one united valley! To read Lynne's Article, *Valley Voice: Make a difference during nine weeks*, go to <http://desert.sn/1oPi52i>.



To learn more about the Tram Challenge and sign-up for the event, go to makeadifferenceday.mydesert.com.

Volunteering @ Mt. San Jacinto

LCNO Board Member, Skip Porter and his partner, Art Mantey, have been volunteers at the Mt. San Jacinto State Park (top of the Tramway) over the past 3 years.

Both Skip and Art love the outdoors and hiking, so giving back to the Park was a easy choice for them. Skip conducts guided-

Please contact Mike at hodgsonmichael100@gmail.com if you are interested in participating on the LCNO Neighborhood Improvement Sub-committee.

LCNO's Safety Sub-committee

Orlando Gotay is Chair of LCNO's Safety Sub-Committee.

The 59th CITIZEN'S POLICE ACADEMY begins Thursday, September 11th, 2014.

The Academy is held twice a year.

Sessions meet once per week for 13 weeks. LCNO Board Member Orlando Gotay will be attending the sessions this year.

If you are interested in participating in a future Citizen's Police Academy, please visit their website by this link: [Police Department Citizen's Academy](#) A background check is required to participate.

The Safety Committee is continuing to work with our local police representatives and organizations that deal with safety and security issues.

Please contact Orlando at orlando.gotay@gmail.com if you are interested in participating on the LCNO Safety Sub-committee.

Board of Advisors Meetings

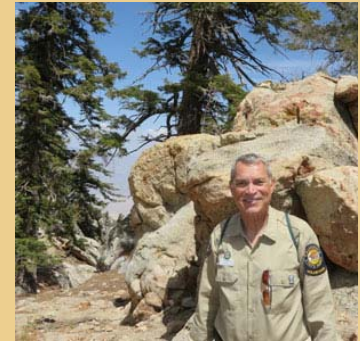


The Board of Advisors Meeting is typically held the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 6-8 p.m., at the Demuth Park Community Center.



nature hikes on the weekends, and they both volunteer at the Park Visitor's Center, greeting park guests and answering their questions about the natural history of the Mt. San Jacinto Mountains and Wilderness, the camp grounds and the hiking trails. They also help coordinate and

volunteer at special events like Family Days and School field trips, where they teach visitors about the natural history of the Mt. San Jacinto Wilderness area and the importance of preserving the wilderness for the sake of the wildlife and future visitors. To learn more about the park and its programs, please visit http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=636.



Calling all LCNO Balloon Wranglers ... 23rd Festival of Lights Parade



The LCNO will be taking part again in the annual Palm Springs Festival of Lights Parade. We are increasing our participation and need more than 10 LCNO volunteers to help us "wrangle" a large Holiday Balloon up Palm Canyon.

The LCNO Board is excited to be taking part in the annual tradition again and we hope some of you can join us. We will be wearing cowboy hats and personal holiday lights to show our Neighborhood history and enthusiasm for the event.

This year's parade is slated to kick off at 5:45 pm on Saturday, December 6 at Ramon Road and Palm Canyon Drive. Even if you can;t join us in the parade, don't miss this annual event. For more information, visit www.psfestivaloflights.com.

Email us at info@los-compadres.org if you are interested in walking with us!

We have one vacant spot on the Board. Are you interested in taking part in our neighborhood and PSNIC? Contact us to see what we are all about.

All meetings of the LCNO Board of Advisors are open to the public. Residents of the Los Compadres area are encouraged to attend and participate.

Please contact us at info@los-compadres.org if you have any questions or requests.

About Us

The Los Compadres Neighborhood is one of the 35 officially recognized neighborhoods in the City of Palm Springs. The LCNO participates in the Palm Springs Neighborhood Involvement Committee (PSNIC).



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We need your help!!

Get to know your Los Compadres Neighbors

LCNO has a thriving and growing group on Nextdoor, the free and private social network for neighborhoods. Many neighbors are posting



**Join the Los Compadres
Neighborhood Group**

great advice and referrals for home services, local happenings and events. To keep up with LCNO activities, area and neighborhood information, we encourage all our neighbors to join us there. To sign up, use this invitation link:

<https://nextdoor.com/invite/ed53796527e847a85d49>

or go to www.nextdoor.com and enter your e-mail address and street address to register. It's fast and easy to join.



**We remember those that gave their lives
as heroes for our freedom.**

**E-mail us with your feedback & ideas:
info@los-compadres.org**

**Until Next Time ...
Lisa Brady,
Communications Officer**

+ 1 open spot

Are you interested in taking part in our neighborhood and PSNIC? E-mail us at info@los-compadres.org if you are.

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