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Proposed One-way on Angus Defeated

In a recent email, Council District 4 confirmed that the overwhelming majority of respondents to a community survey do not support a proposed one-way designation on upper Angus Street between Moreno Drive and Kenilworth Avenue. Based on community feedback, CD4 noted they would not move to implement any of the traffic options at this time and " ... are open to continue to work the community to identify other solutions."

The full results of the survey will be shared at an upcoming Transportation Committee meeting at the Silver Lake Library. The survey was conducted after residents voiced strong concerns that those most affected by the measure did not have the opportunity to state their opinions, noting that any traffic mitigation on Angus would impact surrounding neighborhood streets.

Community Meeting on Angus Street Survey and Traffic Mitigation Options 7:00 p.m., Thursday, October 17 Silver Lake Library 2411 Glendale Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90039

Hieroglyphics or Street Light Project?

Markings on sidewalks show locations for upcoming street lighting upgrades.



If you live in Silver Lake, you've probably noticed the unusual symbols on neighborhood streets pointing to streetlights. And you may have received a letter from Select Electric, Inc. noting that work is underway to convert the existing street lighting system from high voltage to low voltage. To shed a little light on the topic, we reached out to Tom Meyers at Select Electronics, the company contracted by the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Street Lighting to replace street lighting conduits and pull boxes. Myers said that much of the existing system could have been installed in the 1920s and the upgrade is designed to improve electrical service and increase safety in Silver Lake neighborhoods.

To help us better understand the intricacies of street lighting, community member Harold Hough explained that with the current high voltage process, an electrical problem in one part of the system could escalate, similar to what happens when a bulb goes out in a string of Christmas tree lights. With the new system, each light will have its own photocell. Hough added that low voltage does not mean less power or dimmer lights. Rather, it will add consistency and safety to an antiquated system.

Select Electric estimates work will substantially be completed by March 2020. Each streetlight conversion will take a few days.

Read the Select Electronic letter and view mapof work area.



Dogs in Playground Areas Continue to Cause Friction Between Pet Owners and Parents

Parents and children report that on and off leash dogs are ongoing safety problems at the Silver Lake Rec Center. According to one parent, dog owners often use the playground as a shortcut to the dog park. In addition, pet owners routinely use the Rec Center's grassy area below the reservoir to exercise their dogs. And while dogs are not permitted in these restricted areas, by the time police arrive, their owners have usually left the premises. Concerned residents also report that some dog owners become aggressive when asked to keep their dogs away from restricted areas, and there have been dog biting incidents.

In February 2019, a Dog Park Committee was formed to focus on improvements to the existing park but the committee has not met since June. Many residents suggest that poor conditions at the dog park encourage people to take their animals into restricted areas. Online respondents to a survey conducted by Loyola Marymount University Center for Urban Resilience in 2018 and 2019 said that the dogs off leash were the highest reason they avoided particular places in the reservoir area.

To get involved or share concerns, email editor@silverlaketogether.com.



Photo of historic Red Line trolley near Fletcher Drive. The Silver Lake History Collective archives Silver Lake's history, including oral histories of long-term residents, business owners and artists on its <u>YouTube Channel</u>.

Silver Lake History Buff? This is for You.

The Silver Lake History Collective (SLHC) will again have a table at the 14th annual USC Archives Bazaar at the Doheny Memorial Library. Dozens of Southern California archives and institutions showcase their collection and answer questions at the event, which is free and open to the public. The SLHC is a member of *L.A. As Subject*, which sponsors the bazaar. In addition to archives and institutions in the exhibitor halls, the bazaar will feature workshops on audio formats, home movies and the conservation of family photographs and scrapbooks. There will also be a range of discussions with experts on L.A. as the capital of film noir, the Central Library, the centennial of the suffrage movement, religious subcultures in Southern California, and more.

Silver Lake History Collective Exhibit at the USC Archives Bazaar 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Saturday, October 12 USC, Doheny Memorial Library <u>See map here</u>

For more information, email editor@silverlaketogether.com



A scene from Laurel and Hardy's comedy classic, "The Music Box." The film was shot at Silver Lake's historic Music Box steps.

Music Box Steps Day October 19

The 25th annual Music Box Steps Day will be held on Saturday, October 19, at Laurel & Hardy Park in Silver Lake. The free family event, organized by the Silver Lake Improvement Association, celebrates the Music Box Steps where Laurel & Hardy filmed the 1932, Oscar-winning short film, *The Music Box*. This year's festival includes screenings of the classic film, free food, entertainment and a re-creation of the film performed by Laurel & Hardy look-alikes and other actors.

Free event: 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Saturday, October 19 Laurel & Hardy Park 900 Vendome Street, Silver Lake

For more information, contact Vincent Brook, 323-379-7370, vbrook@earthlink.net.



According to the Los Angeles Times, scientists say it's possible for Southern California to be hit by a catastrophic earthquake. A magnitude 8.2 on the San Andreas fault would cause damage in every city in Southern California. <u>READ MORE</u>

Be Prepared for the Big One

To help residents be prepared for a major earthquake, a number of city and community organizations are hosting an Emergency Preparedness Town Hall from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Saturday, October 19, at the Los Angeles Police Museum. The informative event is sponsored by the Northeast Neighborhood Watch Groups, CD-14 Councilmember Jose Huizar, Los Angeles Police Museum and Garvanza Improvement Association.

Emergency Preparedness Town Hall 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Saturday, October 19 Los Angeles Police Museum 6045 York Blvd., Los Angeles, 90042

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Holiday Boutique at Griffith Park Adult Community Center

Nina Sorkin reminds us that the annual Holiday Boutique will take place Saturday, November 2, at the Griffith Park Adult Community Center. The free event will feature unique arts and crafts from 20 Local Artists, home-baked goods, a book and plant sale and more – all at great prices.

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