

Newsletter of the Park LaBrea Residents Association  
ADVOCATING FOR THE RESIDENTS

PLBRA



# Crime Prevention at Park La Brea

We are each the Individual Guardians of our community and we must work collectively to safeguard our community for the benefit of our families, our neighbors and the community as a whole.

Park La Brea is a garden-like oasis within the City of Los Angeles but our larger community is not Crime Free. Robbery, Car Theft, Theft of Property from vehicles and Burglary are all daily occurrences. We in Park La Brea cannot escape this unfortunate situation but we can collectively do things to minimize it.

We can “**Harden the Target**” and thereby make criminal activity less attractive at Park La Brea. Each of us must ensure the physical security of our residence and if we have a vehicle on property both the integrity of the vehicle and its contents must be protected.

We must each become the “*Eyes and Ears*” of the community. We must literally be our Neighbors Keeper.

- If an Emergency or Criminal Act occurs **Call 911** immediately.
- For all other concerns (such as noise pollution; animal control; unsafe child play; garbage dumping; etc ...) Call **Patrol (323) 549-5508**.

If we all work together in the spirit of “*Neighbors Helping Neighbors*” Park La Brea can become the Safe and Secure community we all want it to be.





## ABOUT US

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# PLBRA

The **Park LaBrea Residents Association (PLBRA)** is your community organization but it can only achieve its objective of *Advocating for the Residents* if you collectively help.

We need both your **Membership** and your **Volunteerism** if we are to succeed.

To be an effective advocate we must have a significant part of the Park La Brea community on our side. Of equal importance, we need both your ideas and your physical support if we are to continue to serve the Park La Brea community.

If you want a viable community organization, at Park La Brea, give us your **support now**.

## *Join / Renew / Volunteer / Donate*

	<b>MEMBERSHIP COUPON 2018</b>		<b>ANNUAL DUES</b> \$15.00 Individuals \$25.00 Families
	DATE _____	NAME _____	
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		BLDG/BL # _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal			
<input type="checkbox"/> New Member			
Apartments Committee:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Garden	<input type="checkbox"/> Activities / Outreach / Membership Committee		
<input type="checkbox"/> Tower	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Preparedness / Resident Security / Safety Committee		
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Advocacy Committee		

## Park La Brea Resident Tip:



**PLB Management** wishes to remind pet owners and residents with service animals and companion animals of some basic rules. Our goal is to provide all of our residents with a **Clean** and **Comfortable** living experience. We ask all residents to respect the *Quiet Enjoyment* of others, our property and landscape. Park La Brea has areas on the property with designated “**Dog Parks**” in Blocks 10, 18, 19 and 31. Animals can run and play in these areas. We remind everyone that dogs must be on a leash at all other times. All dogs must wear Park La Brea Identification Tags. Owners have agreed to immediately pick up all waste and litter. Our Patrol Officers are out on the property daily and are here to help identify and monitor rule violations. Please feel free to contact our officers if you notice a violation or have a question or concern.

*Working together is the best way to achieve our common goals and to make Park La Brea a comfortable home for all of our residents.*

# The Good Neighbor

*By Donald Harris, Esq.  
PLBRA Secretary/Treasurer*

To be a **Good Neighbor** you must be a vigorous guardian of the *Quiet Enjoyment* of your fellow Park La Brea residents. To do this you must avoid Noise Pollution, refrain from Unauthorized Outdoor Smoking and exercise appropriate child control.

Furthermore, you must be proactive in the following areas:

- **Curb Your Dog** – Pick up after your animal and keep your dog on a leash at all times except when in a designated Dog Park Area.
- **Traffic Rules within Park La Brea** – Respect the **15 MPH** Speed Limit within Park La Brea and Stop at all Stop Signs and as necessary at Crosswalks on property.
- **Garbage Disposal** – Go The Extra Yard and dump your garbage in the designated bins in your area.
- **Vandalism, Graffiti and Suspicious Activity** – Report all observed incidents immediately to Patrol (323) 549-5508.

*“Neighbors Helping Neighbors”*

# Movie Calendar

March 2018

## SUSPENSE??

THURSDAYS AT 7 PM

### 3/1 **The Official Story (1985) NR**

*112 minutes* - After the end of the Dirty War in Argentina, a high school teacher sets out to find out who the mother of her adopted daughter is. *(In Spanish with English subtitles)*  
*(Best Foreign Language Film – Academy Awards 1986)*

### 3/8 **Internal Affairs (1990) R**

*115 minutes* - An Internal Affairs Officer (Andy Garcia) of the Los Angeles Police Department becomes obsessed with bringing down a cop (Richard Gere) who has managed to maintain a spotless reputation despite being involved in a web of corruption.

### 3/15 **On The Beach (1959) NR**

*134 minutes* - After a global nuclear war, the residents of Australia must come to terms with the fact that all life will be destroyed in a matter of months. This film is directed by Stanley Kramer and stars Gregory Peck, Ava Gardner, Fred Astaire and Anthony Perkins.

### 3/22 **Missing (1982) PG**

*122 minutes* - When an idealistic American writer disappears during the Chilean coup d'état in September 1973, his wife (Sissy Spacek) and father (Jack Lemmon) try to find him. This film is directed by Costa-Gavras. *(Academy Award Nominations: Best Picture, Best Actor and Best Actress)*

### 3/29 **The House on 92<sup>nd</sup> Street (1945) NR**

*88 minutes* - A recent college graduate of German-American heritage becomes a double agent for the FBI in a Nazi spy ring attempting to obtain American atomic bomb secrets. *(This film is based on true facts)*

## FAMILY FRIENDLY FILMS

SATURDAYS AT 2 PM

### 3/3 **Wonder Woman (2017) PG-13**

*141 minutes* - When a pilot crashes and tells of conflict in the outside world, Diana (Gal Gadot), an Amazonian warrior in training, leaves home to fight a war, discovering her full powers and true destiny.

### 3/10 **Coraline (2009) PG**

*100 minutes* - An adventurous girl finds another world that is a strangely idealized version of her frustrating home, but it has sinister secrets. *(An animated feature)* *(Coraline voiced by Dakota Fanning)*

### 3/17 **Lassie (2005) PG**

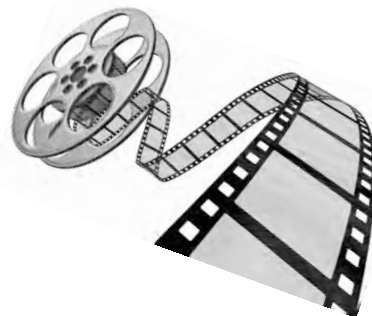
*100 minutes* - A family in financial crisis is forced to sell Lassie, their beloved dog. Hundreds of miles away from her true family, Lassie escapes and sets out on a journey home.

### 3/24 **Gremlins 2: The New Batch (1990) PG-13**

*106 minutes* - The Gremlins are back, and this time, they've taken control of a New York media mogul's high-tech skyscraper.

### 3/31 **My Little Pony: The Movie (2017) PG**

*99 minutes* - After a dark force conquers Canterlot, the Mane 6 embark on an unforgettable journey beyond Equestria where they meet new friends and exciting challenges on a quest to use the magic of friendship to save their homeland. *(An animated feature)*



# Movie Calendar

March 2018

## CONTEMPORARY FILMS SUNDAYS AT 2 PM

### 3/4 The 90<sup>th</sup> ACADEMY AWARDS CEREMONY



The Oscar telecast will begin at 5:00 p.m.  
Hosted by Jimmy Kimmel

The Oscar Pre-Show starts at 3:30 p.m.

Park La Brea Theater Doors will open  
at 3 p.m.

*First Come, First Served*

Refreshments will be served.

### 3/11 Wonder (2017) PG

*113 minutes* - Based on the New York Times bestseller, WONDER tells the incredibly inspiring and heartwarming story of August Pullman (Jacob Tremblay), a boy with facial differences, who is attending a mainstream elementary school for the first time. This film also stars Owen Wilson and Izabela Vidovic.

### 3/18 Same Kind of Different as Me (2017) PG-13

*119 minutes* - International art dealer Ron Hall must befriend a dangerous homeless man in order to save his struggling marriage, to a woman whose dreams will lead all three of them on the journey of their lives. This film features Renee Zellweger and John Voight.

### 3/25 Victoria & Abdul (2017) PG-13

*111 minutes* - Queen Victoria (Judi Dench) strikes up an unlikely friendship with a young Indian clerk named Abdul Karim. *(Based on a true story)*



Daylight Saving Time Begins  
March 11



St. Patrick's Day  
March 17

# COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

## March 2018

**Book Discussion Group.** Marvin or Marilyn Warsofsky, 323-917-5077. Meets on the second Monday of the month, 6:00 - 7:00 pm, call for location.

**Bridge Club.** Marianne Tereszczuk, 336-314-5611, Meets Wednesdays 1:00 - 3:00 pm, in the PLB Activity Center. Free Bidge Lesson before game.

**Chess Club.** Harry LeMay, 323-935-4053. Meets Mondays and Saturdays, 10:00 am - 12:00 Noon, in the PLB Activity Center.

**Community Garden.** The Park La Brea Community Garden, located at the corner of Lindenhurst and Hauser, adjacent to Garage 6, provides small plots for Park La Brea residents to garden. For more information or to be added to the waiting list, email: gardenplb@gmail.com.

**Debi Doodles Arts & Crafts  
After School Workshops.**  
Debora Gillman, 323-549-5458.  
**Tuesday - March 13 and 27** at the  
PLB Activity Center, **4:00 - 5:30 pm.**

**Knitting / Crocheting Group.** Mary Jane Hopkins, 323-938-4861. Meets every Thursday, 10:00 am - 12:00 Noon, in the PLB Activity Center.

**Plays That Shakespeare Didn't Write.** Elliott Witt, 323-272-4197. Meets Sundays, 2:00 - 4:00 pm, in the PLB Activity Center. The current play is *Mourning Becomes Electra* by Eugene O'Neill, to be followed by *The Government Inspector* by Nikolai Gogol.

**Quilters.** Mary Jane Hopkins, 323-938-4861. Meets every Friday, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm, in the PLB Activity Center.

**Modified T'AI CHI for all ages.** Jim Evering, 323-938-3490, jever@sbcglobal.net.  
Meets Tuesdays & Fridays, 8:30 am - 9:00 am. Informal instruction at 9:00 am. Burnside Circle around the fountain. **Free.**

**Writers Circle.** Robert Richter, 312-307-9393. Meets every other Tuesday, 7:00 pm, in the PLB Activity Center. The next meeting will be **March 13.**

**English as a Second Language (ESL)  
Conversation Group**

**Thursdays - March 1, 15 and 29**  
PLB Activity Center, **7:00 - 8:30 pm.**

Given the international nature of our community it affords residents both native English speakers and non-native speakers an excellent opportunity to meet and have conversations in English at our biweekly ESL Conversation Group. These enjoyable sessions will enable our non-native speakers to expand their English skills. (*Additional native English speakers are always welcome.*)

For more information about this activity, contact Henry Gjestrum, hgjestrum@gmail.com.

**In the event of an emergency**

**FIRST CALL 911**

**then call**

**Park La Brea Patrol at  
323-549-5508**



## MEDICARE 101

Join us **Wednesday, March 7th (7:00 - 8:00 pm)**

At the Park La Brea Theatre to explore Original Medicare, Medicare Part C, Medigap and Rx coverage.

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## Maintenance Tip of the Month

### AIR CONDITIONING

*“HELP US TO HELP YOU”*

Tower units with central or window air conditioning units and Garden apartments with central air conditioning should consider these tips. Set your thermostat for the desired temperature. Place your t-stat on **"cool"** and the fan switch in the **"auto"** position. **AC is not putting cold air in but actually removing heat.** In the cooling mode, the air coming out of your grills should be at least 60 degrees. Reduce your unit's external heat gains and infiltration by closing all windows tightly and closing exterior doors while running your AC unit. During summer days when intense sun light is present, draw your blinds closed as much as possible and tower residents with bathrooms without windows should keep the bathroom door closed because there is an exhaust fan in such bathrooms which will pull the cooled air out. Do not obstruct your unit's return air path or supply air grill openings with furniture or boxes. Check your filter periodically and call the Service Department at **(323) 549-5599** to change your filter if dirty. Report any water observed on the floor below your A/C unit as this can be a sign of improperly draining condensation "water" from the unit's cooling coil. Garden residents please do not store any flammable materials in your AC/Furnace closet as this is illegal and can cause a fire hazard. If you need assistance with your AC needs please call the Service Department at **(323) 549-5599. We are here to help!**



**Courtesy of Bruce C. Manning**  
*Director of Maintenance, Able*

# OLYMPIA

## MEDICAL CENTER

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***Park La Brea Theater***  
***Sunday, March 25, 2018***  
***5:00 - 6:00 pm***

Free and educational! Refreshments will be provided.

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***A Park La Brea Resident***