



LCHS 9 - 12 PTSA online NEWS

Please join us on Thursday November 15th at 8:45 a.m. in the Teacher's Lounge to hear important updates about the Devils Gate Dam Sediment Removal Plan proposed by the County. Please attend the meeting to pass a Resolution opposing the truck schedule, and asking the County to provide increased independent monitoring of the project and at a minimum to ensure the project guidelines are complied with.

We will also hear from Karen Stattler, who will tell us more about our very popular Culinary Arts program at LCHS and the opportunities students have to take a break from the academic rigors of their career to do something that is fun, meaningful and helpful as they prepare to launch and hopefully be self-reliant in college.

Lastly, please take a moment and nominate a parent, teacher or staff member for the PTA Founders Day award. We rarely have an opportunity to recognize those around us who do so much for our school and our students. See below to download a form and visit our website www.lchsptsa.org to see a list of previous winners. Forms are due today.

Warmly,

Tamar Tujian

LCHS 9-12 PTSA President

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LCHS PTSA Founders Day 2018-2019 Deadline - November 13

This is that time of year when we recognize and honor those individuals that truly set the bar extra high here at LCHS!

The LCHS PTSA Founders Day Awards celebrate the achievements and dedication of special LCHS staff members, PTSA parent volunteers and community members. If you know of a deserving teacher, faculty member or parent that has gone above and beyond and you would like to see them recognized, please complete a [nomination form](#).

Nominations are due by Tuesday November 13th. Please turn in nomination forms in an envelope marked "LCHS PTSA Founders Day Nominations" in the office.

Shop Amazon Smile for the Holidays and Help LCHS PTSA Earn \$\$

It is too easy not to participate. Every time you visit our website www.lchsptsa.org and click on Amazon Smile to begin your shopping, we earn 5% of your order without doing anything. Please make every effort to remember to shop through our website. What better way to give LCHS PTSA a gift then by making sure we earn your passive fundraising contributions. Best of all, it will come right back into programs and activities that support your students and our school.

Devil's Gate Sediment Removal Project: Concerns about Air Quality and Nearby Students

Below is a summary created by a few concerned LCHS parents. We are including it as a courtesy to our parent community as the concerns raised by this issue have been widely expressed. LCHS 9-12 PTSA has not officially endorsed any of the actions listed below and will address the issue at the next PTSA general meeting on November 15th.

LA County will start building entry and exit roads at Devil's Gate Dam in preparation for sediment hauling that will start next April and run through November, for the next four years. Approximately 400-425 diesel-fueled trucks per day (50 trucks per hour) will transfer debris to disposal sites. Hauling routes will be adjusted during the project; however, the primary hauling routes for June - November include Oak Grove and Berkshire Place (driving past Hillside and LCHS) en route to the 210 freeway on-ramps. Annual maintenance will involve approximately 300 trucks per day during the same hauling season.

The original and revised Environmental Impact Reports circulated according by law during the permitting process did not adequately address the health risks posed to children and teens by the aggressive truck hauling, which assumes diesel trucks conforming to 2010 EPA emission standards. There are recent scientific findings about the impact of ultrafine particles (known carcinogens) on children that were not included in the health risks assessment. Diesel trucks are the primary contributor of these ultrafine particles.

Our hope is to improve the Project's air quality impact on our children, especially for our students who have asthma, heart conditions and other respiratory issues. To that end, there will a general meeting in early December that will be convened by parents (not an official PTA meeting) who have knowledge about the Project's plan to remove the sediment. Please look for details about that in an update from us.

Meanwhile, the small group of concerned parents needs your help and expertise as parents express concerns to the County about how the hauling will impact our kids. **We are looking for a parent who is an environmental law attorney who may help serve on the parent committee.** Please contact Kelly Davis kelly@casadedavis.com or Liz Krider e@krider.org if you wish to help.

Link to the [Parent Petition](#) and link to [10/9/2018 Article](#) about the Project commencing:

LCHS Music Parents Association Poinsettia Sale - Deadline Nov. 16

Brighten up your home this holiday season with premium, farm-fresh poinsettias!

- All proceeds benefit the Instrumental Music Program
- Beautiful, deep red poinsettias in 6 ½" foil-wrapped pots
- Perfect for holiday gifts, hostess gifts, home and office decoration
- Pick up at LCHS or home delivery option available for \$10

Price: \$12 each

Pick up location: Oak Grove parking lot (senior/band lot) on Foothill at Oak Grove

Home delivery: \$10 per order (La Cañada only)

Pick up/delivery date: Thursday, December 6, 3-6 pm

Order today at www.lchsmusic.org Order Deadline: Friday, November 16th (pre-paid orders)

The LCHS Music Parents Association and music students thank you!

LCHS PTA Reflections Award Winners 2018-2019

Below are the LCHS Reflections Award winners for 2018-2019 with the theme "Heroes Around Me"

Literature

1st Place	Sonia B. (11)	The Ones I've Known
2nd Place	Joyce K. (9)	These Are the Heroes Around Me
3rd Place	Ashly L. (9)	Owls
Honorable Mention	Audrey M. (10)	The People Who Can

Photography

1st Place	Audrey M. (10)	A Lost Hero
2nd Place	Nicolas P. (11)	Argentine SAOCOM 1A
3rd Place	Ryan G. (12)	Shutter Speed

Visual Arts

1st Place	Phoebe L. (9)	The Heroes for All
2nd Place	Kaitlyn W. (11)	You Are Your Own Hero

Music Composition

1st Place	Noy C. (11)	Soldiers
2nd Place	Henry T. (9)	Super Dad

Dance Choreography

1st Place	Aditya S. (9)	Life Without My Hero
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Special Artist

1st Place	Cayla K. (9)	Viva, My Hero
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Sister Cities Youth Group Meeting & Cooking Class - December 2

Come join us on Sunday December 2nd from 3-5p.m. at a private home for the La Canada Flintridge Sister Cities Youth Group cooking class featuring authentic Spanish foods, activities and more! All 7-12 grade Students are welcome. Come and be prepared to cook 3 authentic recipes from Spain, learn about LCF Sister Cities Summer Exchanges and the Summer Youth Leadership Summit. Spots are limited so sign up at [HERE](#). The cooking class is free to Youth Group members and \$10 for all others (which will also buy you a one year Youth Group membership). The address of the class is in La Canada and will be shared after ticket confirmation. Download the flyer and sign up using your iphone camera [HERE](#). Questions? Contact Stacie deArmas staciemdearmas@gmail.com

Assistance League of Flintridge Drama Program Registration

Attention students in grades 5 - 10. Looking for something fun to do after school starting in January of the new year? Katelyn Fike, Assistance League of Flintridge (ALF) Drama Director, will prepare students for a performance of Disney's "James & the Giant Peach JR". The play is a delightfully offbeat adaption of the classic Roald Dahl adventure of a boy and his insect friends as they journey across the ocean. Young actors will love playing the outlandish and larger-than-life human and insect characters. This adventurous musical is about courage and self-discovery. Rehearsals for the winter production begin on January 15 and take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:45 - 5:30 PM at both ALF and Lanterman Auditorium. The performance will be on Friday, March 8, 2019 at 7:00 PM. Online registration is open. A fee of \$275 is charged for participation in the program. For more information, visit the ALF website at alflintridge.org or contact the ALF Programs Office at 818-790-2211.

NEW! 9-12 LCHS Boys Lacrosse Club Team - Registration due November 16

Lacrosse is one of the fastest growing sports in California! Starting this spring LCHS will have a new boys high school lacrosse club team. Practices will be weekly starting in early February through May and games will be played against other local teams. Participation is available to all levels - even if your son has never played he is welcome - come learn! Practices and games will be challenging and fun for everyone. To register for the team contact Joleen O'Brien at joleen.r.o@gmail.com. A student and parent meeting will be scheduled in December.