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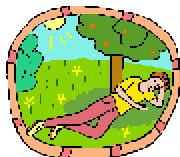
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# Notes

## To Neighborhood Leaders NEIGHBORHOOD CONNECTIONS

### Quote



"You can dream, create, design and build the most wonderful place in the world...but it requires people to make the dream a reality"

- Walt Disney -

### NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCES



### Livewire Dialogue

Nearly every day, newspaper headlines add a new and confusing angle to the state energy situation. While one can predict the future, PWP's Power Supply Director Eric Klinkner says there are five areas that all of us can watch to determine whether we are again hit with shortages and the threat of rolling blackouts.

**Wet and cool or dry and hot?** A wet winter will allow major hydroelectric generating plants in the Northwest to maintain their output, keeping supply and prices steady. A cool summer will reduce demand.

**Will conservation continue?** If Californians become

complacent and curb their conservation efforts, demand for power will rise, bringing shortages and price hikes.

**Will the government step in?** While state and federal; leaders continue to grapple with California's power crisis, any new mandates or regulations will affect supply and pricing.

**Will natural gas prices hold steady?** The picture looks good for reasonable natural gas prices through spring, Klinker says, which in turn aid power generation. Any pipeline problems or pricing spikes would put a crimp on power supply.

**Will new plants open?** Many new power generation plants are planned or under construction throughout the West. The more plants on-line by summer, the better our supply.

**By: Pasadena Water & Power**



### Neighborhood Connections Bi-Weekly Mailing

If you would like to promote citywide neighborhood events, Neighborhood Connections continues to offer the utilization of our bi-weekly mailing.

If you are interested in utilizing our neighborhood mailing, please provide us with **500 copies** of the flyer that you wish to distribute by 5:00 p.m. on

the Wednesday of the week that we mail.

To receive a copy of our administrative guidelines or want more information about our mailing schedule, please contact the Neighborhood Connections office at 626-744-7290.



### You can Make Them Stop Calling!

Tired of annoying telemarketing calls? Under a new state law you'll soon be able to stop them.

Beginning January 2003, Californians will be able to place their names on a state-run "do not call" list.

The State Attorney General will be responsible for developing and operating the list.

Telemarketers that call listed residents - including cell phones - will be fined. And residents may also receive up to \$1,000 in Small Claims Court for a violation.

Subscriptions to the list must be renewed every three years for a \$ 1 fee.

Charities and certain local businesses are still allowed to make telemarketing calls.

For more information, call 1-800-952-5225 ext. 50, or contact the following web site at [www.caag.state.ca.us](http://www.caag.state.ca.us)

**Source: The office of State Assemblymember, Carol Liu**

## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS



### Symposium: "Why Violence and Crime Dropped in the 90's"

You are invited to participate in a groundbreaking symposium, Violence & Crime in California: From Evidence to Policy: Why Violence and Crime Dropped in the 90's. This unique event is sponsored jointly by the California Attorney General's Office and the California Health and Human Services Agency.

For the first time, law enforcement has partnered with public health at the state level to provide the latest research and practice in violence and crime prevention. By examining the evidence and using the public health approach to violence, we hope to strengthen violence reduction and prevention efforts in California, especially youth violence.

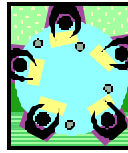
Joint sponsorship of this symposium also demonstrates the commitment that the Attorney General of California and the Secretary of the California Health and Human Services Agency made in 1999 to support a movement throughout the state to nurture safe and sustainable communities.

At the symposium, well-known and respected researchers and community leaders will provide a broad range of scientific research and practitioner experience to help participants develop an understanding of the factors behind the decline in violence and crime in California in the 1990s.

This symposium will be held March 6-7, 2002 at the

Pasadena Hilton Hotel, 168 South Los Robles Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91101.

For more information visit the following web site at [www.evidencetopolicy.org](http://www.evidencetopolicy.org)



### Upcoming PUSD Community Meetings

Superintendent Dr. Percy Clark, Jr. and district officials will hold two public meetings to inform community members of PUSD's Creating Quality School Initiative, which calls for establishing two voluntary or magnet schools, expanding Blair High School to include grades 6 through 8 and reforming existing attendance boundaries to create more community-centered campuses. In addition to seeing drafts of the maps of the new attendance boundaries, community members will have the opportunity to pose questions and to register their comments at the meetings.

The first meeting will be held at the Villa Parke Community Center auditorium (363 E. Villa Street) on Friday, Feb. 8, 10:30 a.m. Refreshments, childcare and Spanish- and Armenian-language translation will be provided at the school.

Clark's Creating Quality Schools Initiative contains four major pillars: Establishing a math-computer science-technology voluntary or magnet school at Washington Middle School; re-opening the former McKinley Junior High School site as a K-8 visual and performing arts campus; expanding Blair High School to include grades 6-8 and the International Baccalaureate program; and, reforming attendance boundaries so that

children can attend schools closer to where they live.

The proposal stems from Clark's desire to provide both existing as well as prospective students with greater school options and to act upon a goal recently adopted by the Board of Education to "establish and maintain excellent schools close to home." The Creating Quality Schools Initiative will also spur parent involvement by making it easier for parents to access their child's school and reduce student overcrowding, which is most pronounced at Wilson and Eliot Middle Schools.

By: Erik Nasarenko, P.U.S.D.

### CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

**Jan. 21** \_ Martin Luther King Celebration 8:30 a.m. @ Robinson Park

**Jan. 29** - So. Cal Neighborhood Partners mtg. Villa Parke Community Center @ 11:30 a.m.

### Upcoming Council Meetings

**Monday, January 21:**

*Council Meeting - Cancelled  
Martin Luther King Holiday*

**Monday, January 28:**

*Council Chamber, City Hall*

*Closed Session 5:00 p.m.*

*Public Meeting 6:30 p.m.*

*Complete agendas of all City meetings as well as other important documents are available at the Pasadena Central and Branch Libraries. In addition, City Council Agendas can be found on the City's World Wide Web <http://www.ci.pasadena.ca.us> and on the Community Bulletin Board broadcast on KPAS Channel 55.*

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### Estimados Vecinos

Si alguien necesita que esta información esté presentada en español, por favor llame a la oficina de Neighborhood Connections al 626-744-7290 para pedir una interpretación.