



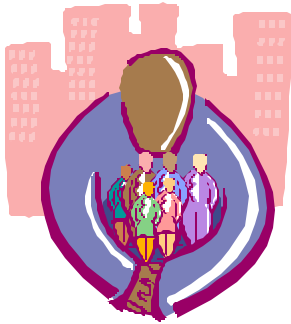
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Notes

to Neighborhood Leaders NEIGHBORHOOD CONNECTIONS



Quote:

The impersonal hand of government can never replace the helping hand of a neighbor.

-Hubert H. Humphrey-

NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCES

Cool Technology: Solar Attic Vents

We all know the sun is great for warming things up. But who knew it could also help cool down a home.

With summer weather on its way, PWP is pleased to offer up to \$125 in rebates to our residential customers who install solar-powered attic vent. Unlike typical roof louvers, the solar power vents collect energy from the sun to convert into electricity. This power operates a high-efficiency motor that helps draw hot air out of the house through the attic. This means our customers can shut off their air conditioners more often during hot weather and trim their monthly energy bills. The earth-friendly vents operate without fuel, waste, or pollution.

And most continuously run from sunrise to sunset-even in bad weather or low light-keeping the attic ventilated all day instead of waiting until it's overheated.

Customer Larry Russell found that a solar attic vent was the perfect solution for dropping the temperature in his 15-year-old home in Pasadena's Prospect Heights Neighborhood. His 4,000 square-foot home is shaped like an "L", and while a whole-house fan was doing a great job of cooling most of the house, the sunny southwest side remained hot. "In the daytime it was like having an electric blanket turned on high over that side of the house," he said.

To cool that short side of the L, "I wanted something that I wouldn't have to worry about turning on and off," he said. With a little web research, Russell found a low-cost solar attic vent that would do exactly what he needed. With no electrical hookups to contend with, Russell handled the installation himself. "There was a dramatic, instant difference that day," he remembers. His new solar-powered fan runs automatically during daylight hours, helping to move air through every corner of the attic and cutting his reliance on his air conditioner and whole-house fan. Russell also found an on-line rebate application on www.PWPweb.com, which helped him recoup nearly half the cost of the vent.

Most models range from \$250 to \$350. PWP offers rebates of \$100, or up to \$125 if the devices

are purchased from a Pasadena retailer. There are no brand or model restrictions; all our customers need to do is send in a rebate application within 60 days after the vent is installed.

For details and an on-line rebate application, customers can visit www.PWPweb.com. Details are also available by calling the AnswerLine at 626-744-6970 or via e-mail at wpd_answerline@ci.pasadena.ca.us.

Pasadena Water & Power NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

PWP Safeguards Water Facilities from Tampering

With millions of people around the globe watching the annual Tournament of Roses Parade and Game, Pasadena was one of the many cities across the country that remained vigilant against terrorist threats. While the big events are over, and there is no evidence that any property in Pasadena is a target, we're certainly prepared.

We can assure our customers that PWP has a multiple lock system at all critical water facilities. The perimeters are gated and the reservoirs and booster stations are fully enclosed. Access to facilities is limited to authorized personnel only and, as part of normal operating procedures, our field staff regularly monitors water facilities for potential tampering and maintenance needs. Our-in-house

Water Quality Lab tests daily for a multitude of contaminants. PWP also communicates with a network of critical agencies including Pasadena Police, Fire and Public Health Departments, California Department of Health Services and Metropolitan Water District of Southern California.

If there ever was a major water-related emergency, PWP would alert all local print and broadcast media with the status of the emergency. The "Emergency Preparedness" page of the city web site (www.cityofpasadena.net) and PWP's web site (www.PWPweb.com) would be updated with the information, and emergency telephone numbers for water (626-744-4138) and power (626-744-4673) would have up-to-the-minute information. In the unlikely event it is necessary, police and fire vehicles and helicopters equipped with public-address systems would announce the emergency. If the problem were limited to only a small number of PWP customers, verbal and/or written notices would be delivered house-to-house and business-to-business.

Again, while terrorist attack in Pasadena is highly unlikely, our customers can rest assured that we're doing all we can to safeguard our water.

Pasadena Water & Power

City Hall to Close in June for Seismic Retrofit, Restoration

From June 1st through 14th, offices at Pasadena City Hall will move into interim locations. Municipal Services, currently in room 121 at City Hall, will relocate to a temporary office building across the street from City Hall. Most other offices and employees will move to 117 E. Colorado Blvd. in Old Pasadena (the north-west corner of Colorado Blvd. and Arroyo Parkway). Telephone numbers will not change.

City Hall will be closed until June 2007 for a restoration and seismic retrofit. The building's historic exterior will remain intact and will be restored to its original 1927 condition. In coming months, there will be tours and other events to give Pasadena residents a final opportunity to visit the building before it closes for three years. For more information, visit www.cityofpasadena.net and click on City Hall Project or call 744-7073.

**Linda Vista / Annandale
Newsletter**

Celebrating Greening the Earth Day!

Greening the Earth Day is Saturday, April 17th from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at Memorial Park. This annual event is sponsored by Public Works and Water and Power in partnership with Patagonia Pasadena, Whole Foods Market, Armory Center for the Arts, and the California Department of Conservation. The day will be filled with entertainment and education where attendees can learn about green building design, solar energy, water wise landscaping, garden programs, recycling, composting, and other resources. There will be arts and crafts and other activities for children.

The Frisbee champs from Patagonia will perform throughout the day, along with on-stage musical entertainment. Interspersed with the entertainment, raffle prizes will be awarded from Patagonia Pasadena, the Armory Center for the Arts and Whole Foods Market. Vera Jimenez, from the Channel 2 CBS early morning show will be the master of ceremonies of the event. Greening the Earth Day connects the public with organizations in the community that support and further environmental conservation.

Pasadena Recycling Division

Calendar of Upcoming Events

April 3rd – Cherry Blossom Festival, Victory Park-10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

April 17th – Greening the Earth Day, Memorial Park-11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

April 25th – Bungalow Heaven Home Tour, McDonald Park-10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Upcoming Council Meetings

April 5th:
Council Chambers, City Hall
Closed Session-5:00 p.m.
Public Meeting-6:30 p.m.

April 12th:
Council Chambers, City Hall
Closed Session-5:00 p.m.
Public Meeting-6:30 p.m.
CUP Review for 716 S. Fair Oaks Ave.

April 19th:
Council Chambers, City Hall
Closed Session-5:00 p.m.
Public Meeting-6:30 p.m.
General Fee Schedule

April 26th:
Council Chambers, City Hall
Closed Session-5:00 p.m.
Public Meeting-6:30 p.m.
Second Unit Amendment to Zoning Code

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 Page <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.