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WILLMORE CALENDAR

- Feb 21 - Code Enforcement - 6:30 p.m.
WCHA meeting - 7:30 p.m.
Willmore Comm. Police Center
- Mar 21 Code Enforcement 6:30 p.m.
WCHA meeting 7:30 p.m.
- April 18 Code Enforcement 6:30 p.m.
WCHA meeting 7:30 p.m.
- April 28 May Day Celebration
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The February meeting will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 21st, at 7:30 p.m. at the Willmore Community Police Center

A Code Enforcement meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. 910 Daisy Ave.

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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE WILLMORE CITY HERITAGE ASSOCIATION FEB 2007 

February Meeting

Our February meeting will be on Wednesday February 21st at 7:30 p.m. at the Willmore Community Police Center (910 Daisy Ave.). Unfortunately, last month, our Community Planner, Jerry Olivera was ill and not able to attend the meeting to provide us with an update on the City's General Plan and our own special PD-10 zoning. Jerry is feeling better now and plans to be at our February meeting to present us with information on these two items and how any changes to them will affect the Willmore neighborhood.

The addition of a Preservation Element in the General Plan and the updating of the PD-10 (Planned Development zoning which is unique to Willmore), will help to maintain the integrity of our historic district. Therefore, input from Willmore residents is vital if we are to preserve the historic characteristics of our neighborhood and the historic landmarks of our City.

Please join us on Wednesday February 21st at 7:30 p.m. We need your input!

Docent Opportunities at Bembridge House

The Bembridge House, Willmore City's treasure, has a few openings for docents. This is a special opportunity for anyone who would like to be a part of this wonderful and unique historic landmark. This is not a major time commitment but it is a fantastic way to spend an hour or two as needed helping to share with others this preserved piece of Long Beach history, as well as our own Willmore City neighborhood. Volunteer docents are needed to help lead tours during the week for school children and on weekends for adults and families. There will be a preview training session on February 24th from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. for those of you who are interested. If you are unable to attend that date, another meeting is tentatively scheduled for March 3rd. Please call the Long Beach Heritage office at (562) 493-7019 to sign up for the preview training or for further information.

Spring is just around the corner

Spring is just around the corner and if you have an urge to garden, the Bembridge House can always use some volunteer gardeners. The potential there is tremendous and it doesn't matter whether you're experienced or not. Any and all help is greatly appreciated. Whether it's planting flowers, trimming roses, doing a little weeding, or whatever one does in the yard there is a need for help. Again, not a major time commitment - just a little here and there. If you can help at all please call Linda Renner at (562) 433-7771.

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY



New Laws for 2007

Jerry Lomeli, Police Investigator N/C of the Willmore Community Police Center, has taken the time to review many of the new laws that were recently enacted and has summarized a few that he thought might be of interest to us:

There were 910 new laws enacted for 2007. Some of the new laws may affect your everyday life. I would like to share some of the new laws on the books. Many of the new laws are just additions to older laws and defining certain aspects of the law. You can look at all the new laws on the Internet:

<http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html>

PENAL CODES:

220 (b) - (Amended). It is now more serious to commit a burglary with the intent of sexual assault. Now it shall be punished by imprisonment for life with the possibility of parole.

246.3 - (amended) - Shooting a BB gun in a grossly negligent manner, which could result in injury or death to a person, is now punished by imprisonment not exceeding one year.

290.95 (amended) - Every person required to register under §290 who applies for or accepts a position as an employee or volunteer with any person, group, or organization where the applicant would be working directly and in an accompanied setting with minor children, and the applicant's work would require him or her to touch the minor children on more than an incidental basis, shall disclose his or her status as a registrant upon application or acceptance.

626.81 (a) - added - Any person who is required to register as a sex offender who comes to any school building or school grounds without lawful business is guilty of a misdemeanor.

VEHICLE CODES:

2800.4 (added) - makes it more serious to evade officers during a pursuit where the suspect drives on the wrong side of the road, (in the opposite direction) can be a felony.

21712 (c) and (d) - Makes it illegal for the driver to allow a person to ride in the trunk (c) and illegal for the person to ride in the trunk (d). If you see someone attempting to get into the trunk, you can call the police. Riding in the trunk has become very dangerous.

22953 (amended) - pertains to towing away a vehicle from private property. This does not affect towing from driveways, entrances to garages, or personal property areas. It pertains to parking lots that both charges for spaces and does not charge for spaces. This is due to renegade tow companies swooping on vehicles in the manner of minutes. They must now wait at least one hour.

23123 (a) (added) - This is the new one that makes it illegal to talk on a cell phone while driving at the same time. Must have "hands free" operation by July 1, 2008.

23536 and 23538 (amended) - Now allows a mandatory ten-month (10) driving privileges suspension for first offense when BAC was measured .20% or refused test.

24400 (a)(2) (amended) - makes it mandatory to drive with two headlights during darkness AND when it is raining where your windshield wipers are continuously on, so must the headlights be on.

New Laws . . . continued

HEALTH & SAFETY CODES:

122335 (added) - Makes it illegal to tether, fasten, chain, tie or otherwise restrain a dog to a dog house, tree, fence or other stationary object. This does not prohibit an owner from tethering for a short time to allow the owner to complete some task or errand or approved training. You may want to read this. Dogs cannot just be tied up in the yard to bark.

If you have any questions or you do not have access to Internet, stop in and let up print out the code and discuss the new laws.

Another important Business and Professional Code:

22435 - Illegal to remove shopping carts from business property - Misdemeanor.

Jerry Lomeli



Happy Valentine's Day



W C H A B o a r d E l e c t i o n s i n M a r c h

According to Willmore City Heritage Association's Bylaws, members of the Board may serve 3 consecutive 2-year terms. 4 members of the 7-member Board are elected in the even years and 3 in the odd years. Therefore, this year 3 of the members will be up for re-election. If you have an interest in serving on the Board or on a Committee, please contact Phyllis McDaniels at (562) 435-4262 for further details.

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