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# THE WILLMORE CITY ENTERPRISE

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE WILLMORE CITY HERITAGE ASSOCIATION JUNE 2007

## June 20th Meeting

Our June meeting will be held on Wednesday June 20th at 7:30 p.m. at the Willmore Community Police Center (910 Daisy Avenue).

Most of you have probably already seen the three houses that were saved and just recently moved from the West Gateway area into the Willmore City Historic District but if you haven't, you might want to go by their new locations. They are now located at 226 W. 10th St., 539 Daisy, and 734 Maine.

David White, Development Project Officer for Redevelopment, was instrumental in bringing these homes into our neighborhood. David will be at our June meeting to give us an update on what the next step for these houses is going to be. David was also the guiding force behind the completion of RDA's Implementation Plan for the Willmore area and will be able to answer questions for those not familiar with it on what it is, why we need it, and how we can utilize it to make further improvements to our neighborhood.

Our neighborhood is very fortunate to have received these wonderful and fairly well preserved examples of early 1900s Long Beach architecture. Please join us on June 20th at 7:30 p.m. to hear more about them.

### A Code Enforcement meeting for all Block Captains will be held at 6:30 p.m. Vintage Homes Relocated to Willmore



3 vintage homes that were saved from demolition have been relocated from the West Gateway area to the Willmore Historic District. Two of the houses were built in 1912 and one in 1908. The Craftsman and Foursquare styles of architecture are typical of early 1900s buildings in the Willmore district and these particular homes will fit right in.



The movers made it look so easy.

The second story of the 1912 Airplane Craftsman house had to be removed in order to relocate it. Here you see the top behind lowered back onto the first story.



Magnolia Ave. with no cars - what a strange site



T H E W I L L M O R E

**Bedroom Splitting & Absentee Landlords**

Two of the most difficult problems we face in our neighborhood have to do with bedroom splitting and the lack of management by absentee landlords. These problems affect not only the historic integrity of some of the homes in the neighborhood, which in turn affects the historic district as a whole, but they also affect our quality of life by either the overcrowding or the unacceptable behavior of tenants in improperly managed buildings.

These problems can be addressed on an individual basis through our code enforcement program but we as residents have to speak up and work with the officers if we want to find a solution. The code enforcement program is complaint driven, which means we have to become involved if we want to see results. It takes residents that live nearby and see what's happening at these buildings on a regular basis to bring the matter to the attention of code enforcement with facts they can follow-up on.

Even though complaints such as visible trash cans or overgrown weeds are important, perhaps we should help our code enforcement officers focus their limited time more on finding solutions to some of these bigger problems.

We have block captains that come to the monthly meetings for many of the blocks in the neighborhood, but we need more of you to help either by becoming a block captain, or by calling your block captain with issues on your block.

We CAN help to make our neighborhood even better so please join us at the next code enforcement meeting or give your block captain or one of the board members a call if you have a concern or a suggestion.

Cheryl Perry

**Willmore Welcomes 3 More Vintage Treasures**



A little midnight tree trimming



Making the turns were a little tricky



WCHA members Jill Anne Black (and Stuart), Carol McCafferty, Mike LaPoint, Erik & Cherie Sochin and a few others walked along with the house from Daisy to its new site on 10th St. This one took from 12:00 a.m to 3:30 a.m.



David White gives a little assistance. Wow - what strength!



I think these cars are Tailgating



Elena Munoz, Cheryl Perry, Jill Anne Black (& Stuart) and Scott Ringwolski watch the Airplane Craftsman slide onto its new lot.

C I T Y E N T E R P R I S E

**Bembridge House Gets New "Coat"**



Through the assistance of a grant from the Long Beach Navy Memorial Heritage Association (aka the Navy Trust), the Bembridge House is finally getting the exterior repairs done it so desperately needs as well as a long awaited coat of paint. All of the decorative friezes will be hand scraped, repaired and/or re-molded as needed. Ed Gonzalez and his crew will be spending many weeks on the delicate prep work. We will be anxiously waiting to see the Bembridge House in her new "coat".

W I L L M O R E C A L E N D A R

<b>June 14th</b>	<b>WECA meeting</b> Cesar Chavez Park 7:00 pm 4th & Golden	<b>July 14th</b>	<b>Concert in the Park</b> Long Beach Comm. Band Drake Park 4:00 pm
<b>June 20th</b>	<b>Code Enforcement (Block Captains) 6:30 pm</b> <b>WCHA Meeting 7:30 pm</b> Willmore Community Police Center	<b>August</b>	<b>Summer Potluck</b> Date and Location to be determined (Any volunteers for location?)
<b>July 5th</b>	<b>Long Beach Municipal Band</b> <b>Twilight Concert in the Park</b> Drake Park 6:30 p.m.	<b>August 1</b>	<b>Movie - "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory"</b> Drake Park at dusk

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