



# LINDA VISTA-ANNANDALE ASSOCIATION

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Dear Neighbors:

The **Linda Vista-Annandale Association (LVAA)** has been working hard on your behalf. We are a dedicated board of directors – all volunteers from the neighborhood – who keep an eye on excess building and traffic issues, and are watchful of the safety of your homes and on our streets.

2008 was a busy year for us. We are proud to have conducted the following activities on the neighborhood's behalf over the past 12 months:

- partnered with local advocates in promoting the Annandale Canyon Open Space project that was recently approved by a vote of neighboring property owners;
- worked with the City's Transportation Advisory Commission to push back the City staff proposal to increase the speed limit on Lida Street;
- worked with PUSD and the City of Pasadena to bring the All Saints Children's Center to the Linda Vista elementary school grounds;
- worked with PUSD and the City of Pasadena to create and open the new Linda Vista Park on a portion of the elementary school property;
- continued to work diligently with the Art Center College of Design and City officials to limit additional traffic and reduce building heights proposed in their expansion Master Plan. The Plan, modified by negotiations, may well go to the Planning Commission and City Council by the end of the year;
- held a wildly successful pancake breakfast at Fire Station #38 with the fine help of our Firemen and a small, but mighty, crew of volunteer Explorers. Over 350 meals were served!
- developed a neighborhood email communication system;
- supported our local fire station and library; and,
- maintained communication with the Pasadena Police Department.

During the last year, LVAA employed a CEQA (*California Environmental Quality Act*) consultant, a CEQA lawyer, and a traffic engineer for professional advice and assistance in negotiating reductions or control of additional traffic, pollution, noise, and imposing structures proposed by

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both the Art Center Master Plan and the Rose Bowl Renovation Plan. Preparing, submitting, and arguing our cases before the City have been expensive but necessary for our voice to be heard.

**LVAA needs your continued support.** Your generosity last year enabled us to hire these professional services. As we continue working to limit excessive impacts of the Art Center Master Plan on the community we will continue to incur costs. Soon, we expect to undertake a joint effort with the City for traffic studies of Linda Vista, Lida Street, and the Arroyo Seco corridors in the hope of improving traffic controls and mitigation. We must also factor in the usual, ongoing costs of insurance, landscaping, communications, and administration.

**To have sufficient funds for these efforts over the next year, your immediate help is needed.**

Please take a moment to join or renew your membership in LVAA by completing the attached form and returning it promptly with your current payment. We truly appreciate your ongoing support.

Gifts of \$100 or more will be acknowledged in our Newsletter.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Norman Parker". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Norman Parker  
President, Linda Vista-Annandale Association