

# Notes from the Azalea Park Neighborhood Association

Meeting of March 10, 2015

Victor Avina introduced himself as the replacement for Gabe Gutierrez as the policy adviser/liaison from County Supervisor Ron Roberts' office. His role is to advise the public regarding land use and public safety. He passed out flyers with information for first time home buyers and for the upcoming Living Well 5-K run. He advised attendees to dial 211 for city and county services information.

Rudy Vargas of City Councilmember Marti Emerald's office passed out that office's newsletter and stated that she continues to improve in her treatment for cancer.

He stated that crime stats recently have been down 13 percent. With regard to the in-development ODI (Ocean Discovery Institute), it has received a one-million dollar grant. Also, ODI will be taking on the maintenance of Manzanita Canyon.

Community Liaison officer David Felkins encourages the community to call the non-emergency number 531-2000 for any issue. He stated that City Heights has seen a recent increase in auto thefts but this has not been true in Azalea Park. He also passed out a graffiti call sheet. He said that next month's police problem solving meeting will be the "second" Wednesday of the month instead of the usual first Wednesday (one time only).

Daniel Virden passed out flyers regarding Watershed Avengers activities of trash removal and installing native plantings from Swan Canyon to Manzanita Canyon. This group is open to adults and children participating. Contact Daniel at (858)-488-3849.

Mike Hancock spoke of the Pop Street Project's recent installation of the garden at Columbine and Poplar Street intersection. He reported the pending painting of bus benches on Poplar Street.

Evie Kosower provided a flyer announcing the upcoming meeting of the Village Idea (aging in place) which will be March 21st from 10:00 to 12:00 noon at the Church of the Brethren in Fairmount Park at 3850 Westgate Place.