



# November 2014 Neighborhood News

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The beautiful artwork showcased above is that of SRNA member Wendi Moffly.



***Guest Speaker***  
**HONORABLE JUDY NELSON**  
**Mayor, City of Glendora**

Please join us for frank talk about a topic "nobody's talking about."

Mayor Nelson will explain how fast-tracking national park expansion areas by executive order and "national monument" designation can silence local government and neighborhoods and put access to vital water resources at risk.

Will what happened to the City of Glendora replay in Pasadena through Congressman Adam Schiff's Rim of the Valley park expansion into The Arroyo and San Rafael Hills?

For information on Rim of the Valley: <http://www.kcet.org/socal/departures/columns/green-justice/rim-of-the-valley-a-priority.html>

**San Rafael Neighborhoods Association (SRNA)**  
**Annual Meeting**  
**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH**  
**7:00 pm**  
***Church Hall***  
**Church of the Angels**  
**Avenue 64 and Church Street**  
**Pasadena 91105**

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**SRNA presents the 2015 Board of Directors to the general membership:**

Mary Dee Romney	President
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Freddie Hannan	Director
Andy Gooden	Director
Kathy Goodwin	Director
Wendi Moffly	Artist

## **Pasadena Board of Education News**

### **Declared Status for San Rafael Elementary School**

The PUSD Board of Education has unanimously declared San Rafael Elementary School "surplus" with intent to "lease" the site. This action gives shape and direction to future plans to preserve and maintain the property.

The 7-0 vote October 23, 2014 followed staff review and Board discussion and gives relief to neighbors threatened by seismic trenching and re-location of buildings.

SRNA was present for all publicly-noticed Board committee meetings on this matter and appreciates the Board's attention and unanimous concern for the long-term future of the property.

The Board again confirmed the timeline for vacating the site remains the end of the 2017 school year. Neighbors have expressed a clear preference for "continuous occupancy" to avoid problems associated with vacancy.

The Board of Education, signaling intent to protect the interests of the property, appears to have a similar preference.

To view the signed resolution, click here: [Resolution 2304](#)

SRNA thanks neighbors for ongoing attention to this matter.

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### **Leased Status for the Linda Vista Elementary site**

On a related note, the Pasadena Unified School Board voted 6-0 (one absent) on October 30th to accept a bid by Stratford Schools Inc. to lease the site of former Linda Vista Elementary School.

The district received two bids on the property. The lease is for 25 years. Stratford Schools plans to open a K-8 school on the site. This will be their first private school in Southern California. The company operates multiple campuses in Northern California.

## **San Rafael Neighborhoods Association (SRNA) Proudly Sponsors and Supports:**

Pasadena Fire Department  
"Spark of Love" Toy Drive 2014



SRNA is pleased to support and sponsor the Pasadena Fire Department's "Spark of Love" Toy Drive. Over the past two decades, Southland Firefighters and KABC Channel 7 have collected more than 7.5 million toys distributed throughout five counties to children who would otherwise not have toys on Christmas morning.

Our local Pasadena Fire Department now aims to beat its record of 8,000 toys in a single year from all of its fire houses and selected locations throughout Pasadena.

**This year, let's make it 10,000!**

You can make a difference right here in Pasadena.

Bring a smile to a child on Christmas Day by donating a new, unwrapped toy, sports equipment or gift card to any of Pasadena's Fire Stations (listed below).

You can donate through December 24.

For more information: Contact Battalion Chief Sean English @ [senglish@cityofpasadena.net](mailto:senglish@cityofpasadena.net)

To see more on the "Spark of Love" toy drive:

<http://cityofpasadena.net/EkContent.aspx?theme=Navy&id=8589935255&bid=2970&style=news>

[www.calfund.org/sparkoflove](http://www.calfund.org/sparkoflove)

**San Rafael Hills Station 39, 50 Avenue 64**

Station 31, 135 S. Fair Oaks Ave.

Station 32, 2424 E. Villa St.

Station 33, 515 N. Lake Ave

Station 34, 1360 E. Del Mar Blvd.

Station 36, 1140 N. Fair Oaks Ave.

Station 37, 3430 E. Foothill Blvd.

Station 38, 1150 Linda Vista Ave.

Pasadena Fire Department administrative offices,

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