



Ridgewood-Wilton Neighborhood Association

Hello Neighbors,

First, my best wishes for a Happy, Healthy and Safe New Year for you and your families. Thank you for all you have done to make our neighborhood and community a better place to live and in advance for what you will do in 2022 to improve our situation even more.

Our concerns remain much the same: safety, preservation, traffic. All these issues were raised in one way or another by neighbors whom I visited last summer. Your Board will work on all of them but for success, your help is needed.. I list ways in which your help would be welcome.

1. Attend the monthly Zoom meeting of the Community-Police Advisory Board (C-PAB). An opportunity to interact with the LAPD Olympic Division Captain and Senior Lead Officers, bring situations to their attention and obtain assistance.
2. Traffic Issues
 - a. Heavy Vehicle Traffic on Wilton Pl. Monitor violations, Encourage enforcement.
 - b. Wilton Dr. Cut-throughs. Develop plans with GWNC Traffic Committee and LADOT.
3. Street Lighting on Wilton Pl. north of 1st. Solicit neighborhood support and funding.
4. Create Neighborhood Watch groups throughout the area.
5. Work with the Office of Historic Preservation to prevent destruction or illegal modification of our houses.
6. Join the RWNA Board, either one of the vacant Officer positions or At-Large to focus on a particular issue that concerns you.
7. Develop a plan for holding a general meeting of the Association, probably via Zoom, where we can hold elections, and discuss issues.
8. Become a delegate from RWNA to one of the GWNC committees, to the committee in formation to present candidates forums for the upcoming Council Election or to the umbrella neighborhood organization for our area.
9. Improve the web site and raise it from my current amateurish programming.

Although Covid and its variants has and continues to weigh heavily upon all of us, I have not heard that anyone in our neighborhood has been struck down. If I have missed someone, please let me know. In the meantime, I hope that a full set of vaccine and booster shots and adherence to the guidelines will keep you safer than otherwise. We all need to do our best to keep ourselves and others safe by following the best advice available, knowing that it will change as we learn more about fighting this scourge. Reports say that a flu shot is also needed this year.

I take a moment to remember Ginny Kazor whose passing has taken from us the strongest voice supporting this neighborhood for more than 40 years. We have also said a fond fair-well to Carla Jerome, a past-president of our Association, and Marita Geraghty, a tireless worker for preservation. I know there are many others whose contributions to the neighborhood should be acknowledged and in their places new residents from whom we hope for great things.

Thank you for being my neighbors.

Bob Reeves, President