Lake Park Village

September 2025 Newsletter

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We continue to look for residents who want to get involved and who want to make their community a wonderful place to live. The Board is actively seeking members to join! If you are interested, please attend the next Board of Directors meeting in August

NEXT BOARD MEETING



Thursday, August 28 2025
Board meeting at 6:00 p.m.
The Emmons Company
and by Zoom

All members are welcome to attend and are not required to arrive at the start time. Agendas are available on the Lake Park website 4 days before a meeting date. For Zoom link contact jholt@powerstonepm.com

DRIVE SAFE: SCHOOLS IN SESSION

Schools in Simi Valley will be back in session after the Summer break and the Simi Valley Police Traffic Bureau has some traffic safety reminders for all our drivers:

Please slow down. When children are present anywhere in the posted school zone, 25 MPH is the limit. The school zones begin prior to the school and continue after passing the school so look for the signs!

Please put the cellular telephones or other portable devices away. Attention is your key to safety.

Never pass a vehicle stopped for a pedestrian.

Watch out for pedestrians and bicycle riders.

Don't double park—it impedes traffic and blocks visibility for children and vehicles.

Unloading children across the street from the school, or at a corner crosswalk is extremely dangerous. Sometimes it encourages them to Jay-walk.

If a bus is stopped to unload children and the red lights / stop sign are visible, don't pass it. This applies in both directions on an un-divided roadway.

The area 10 feet around a school bus is the most dangerous for children. Be observant and slow.

Stay alert: children can be unpredictable and may ignore hazards and take risks.

When using a school drop-off zone, pull as far forward as possible so many cars can fit into the parking lot. Quickly have your child exit the car and proceed so other cars can keep moving. Fixing lunches, hair and opening the trunk to get a backpack or give last minute directions should be handled long before arriving in the school parking lot.



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Lake hours:

gates get locked at dusk

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HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The **Power stone Company** will be **closed Monday**, **September 1**, **2025**, in observance of Labor Day. Have a safe and happy holiday!



SNAKE SIGHTINGS

Warm weather brings out snakes. When the ground is cold, they seek out the sun, and when the sun gets too hot they seek shade in our garages and on our patios. In dry weather, our moist gardens and leaky sprinklers are irresistible. Children and pets are curious, and not very careful about approaching snakes. Rattlesnakes are territorial, and if not removed, may return again and again. Non-poisonous snakes, however, are harmless, and are helpful in controlling the rodent populations.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU SEE A SNAKE:

- ALWAYS avoid picking up snakes whether they are venomous or non-venomous.
- If unsure of the type of snake and it does not leave your property, call the Fire Dept. or animal control for removal. Continue observing the snake until help arrives.

WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS – HOME HARDENING

Wildfires are now a year-round reality in Ventura County. This means that both firefighters and residents have to be on heightened alert for the threat of wildfire at all times. Firefighters train hard and make countless preparations to be ready for a wildfire and it is important that residents do the same. Successfully preparing for a wildfire requires you to take personal responsibility for protecting yourself, your family and your property and one way to do that is by having a hardened home.

A hardened home is one where the use of fire-safe construction materials and the quality of the defensible space around it give the home a good chance or surviving a wildfire even if unattended. Windborne embers often pose the biggest threat to homes, so a properly hardened home resists both flames and embers. There are many measures you can take to help safeguard your home from a wildfire. While you may not be able to accomplish everything listed below, any one of them will help increase your home's, and possibly your family's, safety and survival during a wildfire.

Visit www.vcfd.org/ready-set-go/

Roofs: roofs are the most vulnerable surface on a home. They offer a large area for embers to land and, because roof valleys often collect leaf debris, they are particularly susceptible to ember fires. In addition to roof valleys, open ends of barrel tiles and rain gutters are also common points of origin for ember fires.

Eaves: embers can gather under open eaves and ignite exposed wood or other combustible material.

Vents: embers can enter the attic or other concealed spaces and ignite combustible materials. Vents in eaves and cornices are particularly vulnerable, as are any unscreened vents. Screen vents with 1/8-inch metal mesh.

Walls: combustible siding or other combustible or overlapping materials provide surfaces or crevices for embers to nestle and ignite.

Windows and Doors: embers can enter gaps in doors, including garage doors. Plants or combustible storage near windows can be ignited from embers and generate heat that can break windows and/or melt combustible frames.

Balconies and Decks: embers can collect in or on combustible surfaces or the undersides of decks and balconies, ignite the material and enter the home through walls or windows.

To harden your home even further, consider protecting your home with a residential fire sprinkler system.