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**CARING FOR OUR
NEIGHBORHOOD.**



Photo by Nancy Guth

We Can Do Better

When collecting your pet's waste, please **DO NOT** drop the waste in residents' trash cans.

It's your dog's poop. Not anyone else's. If you can't hold on to your dog's waste bag until you get home, dispose of the bag in one of the multiple city trash cans located along the Silver Lake Reservoir Complex walking paths and at the recreation center. Respect your neighbors. Respect our neighborhood. Please, let's do better.

*Silver Lake
Together is
delivering free
Slow Down
Silver Lake
signs to
community
members.*



FREE Slow Down Silver Lake Signs – While They Last

SLT has just received a new shipment of Slow Down Silver Lake signs, the popular reminder to drive carefully and slowly in our neighborhoods. You can order a free sign for your block by emailing a request with your name and address to editor@silverlaketgether.com. We'll take care of delivering it to you. But, hurry; they won't last long!



Tire marks left by doing "doughnuts" during a recent street takeover on Silver Lake Drive.

Street Takeovers Reach Silver Lake

Speaking of slowing down: in April, residents were awoken by the frightening, but growingly familiar, sounds of “muscle cars” racing and creating havoc at the intersection of Armstrong Avenue, West Silver Lake Drive and Angus Street. Fortunately no one was injured and there was no property damage—this time. Please call 911 if/when you witness this kind of illegal behavior. These are not victimless crimes and it’s a dangerous trend in Los Angeles.

[KTLA video shows a street takeover in another part of Los Angeles](#)



No more posters! Maybe this construction fence will stay clean of visual clutter.

Fingers Crossed: Corner Development Less of an Eyesore

For the past few years, the never ending commercial development on the corner of Rowena and Glendale Boulevards has assaulted us with endless posters, plastered on a street-facing “security fence.” Multiple layers thick, companies pay the property owner to promote everything from movies to clothing lines. Many times discarded posters are left in the overflowing city trash can, spilling onto the street. It looks like poster gravy train may have ended. Currently, the fence is graffiti and poster free. Let’s keep our collective fingers crossed it’ll stay that way.

Silver Lake Crime Increases

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LAPD SLO Jose Ramirez reports Silver Lake is experiencing an increase in crime. “I would like to remind everyone that with the school year ending and summer coming to please lock and secure all valuables,” said SLO Ramirez. He also noted there were two more burglaries in Silver Lake this week (one residential / one commercial).

Crime stats below are for a shorter period, May 5 to May 10 .

Homicide: 0

Rape: 0

Robbery: 0

Aggravated Assaults:0

Burglary: 2

Theft: 0

GTA: 2 (Grand Theft Auto)

BFMV: 3 (Burglary from motor vehicle)

Violent Crime: 0

Property Crime: 4

Free anti-theft software and free VIN etching for Hyundai vehicles

LAPD’s Northeast Division is holding two free safety events.

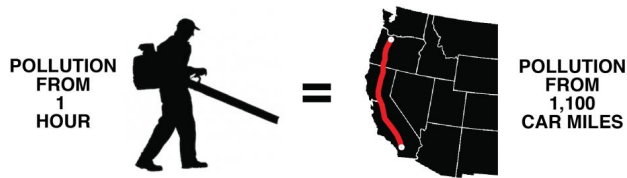
If you are a Hyundai owner, you’re eligible to receive FREE anti-theft software and VIN etching at Eagle Rock Plaza, 2828 Colorado Boulevard, Friday, May 17 through Sunday, May 19 from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The VIN Etching Event will feature the newly-acquired Insta-Etch Mark 3 etching device that was obtained with grant funds. This marking device represents the state of the art for etching VIN numbers as it is hand-held, portable and Bluetooth enabled. SLO Ramirez reports the Northeast Division will hold another event in August.

[Learn more about anti-theft software updates in this NBC story](#)

LA Express Car Wash supports LAPD youth programs

LA Express Car Wash, located at 2580 Glendale Boulevard, will be supporting LAPD youth programs. To participate, purchase tickets from LAPD cadets for a raffle ticket. Winner will have the opportunity to win 10 free car washes or Unlimited Supreme Car Wash for three months. Winner will be contacted and advertised on the Northeast Facebook page on June 25, 2024.



Using a gas-powered leaf blower for one hour produces as much pollution as driving a gas-powered car to Portland, Oregon.



Say Goodbye to Toxic Emissions

In a well-researched article, *Carbon Credit* reports that, “California enacted a law in 2022 to phase out gas-powered vehicles by 2035, and now it’s planning to do the same for millions of lawn mowers, taking effect in 2024. The state will ban the sale of gas-powered lawn care equipment according to a new law phasing out small, off-road engines.”

As part of the new legislation, starting on **July 1, 2024**, Californians will no longer be able to purchase gas leaf blowers in our state. As it is, the use of gas leaf blowers are prohibited in residential properties in Los Angeles. But many home owners and landscape companies are either ignorant of the laws or simply refuse to respect not only the ordinance, but the health of our planet and our collective wellbeing. Be a part of the solution and show your support with one of our FREE yard signs. Simply email us to request and sign and one will be delivered. Did I mention they’re FREE?

[Read the article](#)



From moving tribute to ragged remnants -- what's left of the June 2020 installation on the fence around the reservoir should be cleaned up and replaced with a more

respectful tribute. The photo above shows the "Say Their Names" memorial in its original condition. At right is some of what's left now.



An Open Letter from Anne-Marie Johnson

Ms. Johnson, co-founder of SLT and a passionate Silver Lake advocate, submitted this letter explaining why she thinks it's time for a more respectful tribute to Black victims of law enforcement actions.

[Read the letter](#)

UPDATE: Two Silver Lake Locations Considered for Cultural Monument Designations

By Scott D. Plante, AIA, Architect, Member of the Silver Lake Urban Design and Preservation Committee Co-founder, Silver Lake Together

Tokio Florist and Astro Family Diner are historic Silver Lake sites worthy of preservation. Click on the article link for more on the status of these landmarks.

[Read the article](#)

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