

# **NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL OF WESTCHESTER / PLAYA**

# Attend NCWP Committee Meetings

The Neighborhood Council of Westchester/Playa has eight standing committees that discuss various topics of interest to our community. To learn about these issues in more depth, please take the time to attend our committee meetings and let your voice be heard.

#### **Airport Relations**

Third Thursday at 6:30 p.m.
Del Rey Hills Church, 8505 Saran Dr., in Playa del Rey

# Budget and Finance

First Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.

Community Room @ Westchester Municipal Building 7166 W Manchester Ave.

# **Community Services**

Meets as needed
Please check website for time and location

### Education

Fourth Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Westchester Loyola Village Library

# **Government Affairs**

Third Monday at 6:30 p.m.
Del Rey Hills Church, 8505 Saran Dr., in Playa del Rey

#### Outreach

Meets as needed
Please check website for time and location

### Planning & Land Use

Third Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Community Room @ Westchester Municipal Building 7166 W Manchester Ave.

# **Public Safety**

Meets as needed
Please check website for time and location

## **BOARD MEETING**

First Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Community Room @ Westchester Municipal Building 7166 W Manchester Ave.

# Ann Wexler Named 2013 Star of the Neighborhood

The Neighborhood Council of Westchester/Playa has selected education advocate Ann Wexler as the 2013 Star of the Neighborhood.

The Star of the Neighborhood Award is sponsored by the Neighborhood Council of Westchester/Playa, and its purpose is to identify and honor those unsung heroes of our community who quietly, persistently and without fanfare voluntarily perform good deeds that serve the needs of their neighbors and/or the community.

Community members were invited to nominate a resident of Playa del Rey, Playa Vista or Westchester whose efforts fit this criteria, and all the nominations were evaluated by an ad hoc committee of the Neighborhood Council. As the winning honoree, Wexler will be honored at Westchester's Annual Fourth of July Parade.



Wexler was selected because of her tireless efforts on behalf of education in our community.

She is a co-founder of Westchester Secondary Charter School, a new local public school for grades 6-12, opening this fall at La Tijera and Sepulveda Eastway. She holds a B.A. in Music Education from Northwestern University, an MBA in nonprofit arts management from UCLA, and a law degree from UCLA. She is an attorney representing families in special education matters. Before law school, she spent more than a decade as a nonprofit arts fundraiser, including at the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association, LACMA, and the USC School of Fine Arts.

Wexler has been a parent advocate for and a volunteer with the Westchester public schools for 15 years. She has held many board positions and offices, in PTA, Booster Clubs, LEARN and School Site Councils, and local district committees. She was active in the District's I-Design movement in Westchester and sits on the board of directors for the Westchester/Playa Education Foundation.

Her daughter graduated from Cowan, Orville Wright and Westchester High, as did her husband, Jeff Wexler. Wexler acted as vocal coach for three years for Westchester High School's revived musical theater program, where she was glad to help drama kids and football players alike develop their talent.

"It has been an honor and a privilege to help make Westchester Secondary Charter School an option for our community," she said.

"The committee's decision was very difficult because we have so many people who do great things in our community," said Sibyl Buchanan, who chaired the selection committee. "But Ann's efforts set her apart. She has been incredibly giving of her time and energy to make our local schools even better."

Buchanan said that everyone who was nominated will be invited to a future Neighborhood Council meeting to be recognized.

