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The Official Newsletter of Verdemont Heights

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Stay up to date with what's going on in our community

EVENTS

2/27: Community Pep Rally & Scope Meeting @ N. Verdemont Elementary 6:30-8pm

5th Ward Councilman Meeting-1st & 3rd Monday @ 6:30pm at Nonna's Italian Restaurant

4/20: Easter Egg Hunt @ Verdemont Community Center 2pm

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Our community has some awesome eateries. Have you checked out Waba Grill in the Kendall Plaza? We recommend the chicken bowl. It's a great healthy, and quick meal!



2999 Kendall Drive San Bernardino



New Community Center

Plans are here for the new community center! We are excited to finally have a place for after school activities, senior/youth programs, meetings, and community gatherings. It will be a temporary building for our community to utilize while we plan for a permanent structure in the future. Planning begins when those of us from the community come together to share our vision. By making the most of our temporary modular, we can emphasize the need for a larger permanent building. We do not have a date of completion for the center but a community **Pep** Rally and Scope Meeting is scheduled for February 27th @

North Verdemont Elementary School from 6:30pm-8:00pm.

Please take this opportunity to voice your opinions and give ideas about events you would like to see scheduled at our new community center. We encourage all north end residents to attend and we look forward to seeing you there.

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Meet The New Mayor



Mayor John Valdivia grew up in San Bernardino, attending city schools from K-12, &

has been a proud resident since returning from college in the midwest. As San Bernardino Mayor, he commits to dedicating the resources & personnel necessary to tackle crime & to support the businesses of the city. He will continue to exercise good neighbor values & continue to consider the impact of policy on the local taxpayer and business.

Mayor Valdivia pursued undergraduate studies from Evangel University (Springfield, MO), & graduate studies from Fuller Seminary (Pasadena, CA), & Azusa Pacific University (Azusa, CA). He is the proud husband to his wife, Bethany, & father to their two children.

Some of Mayor Valdivia's visions include: a thriving city possessing a sustainable system of high-quality education, community health, public safety, housing, retail, recreation, arts & culture, & infrastructure. As well as, a model community which is governed in an open and ethical manner, where all sectors work collaboratively to reach shared goals.

We are excited to see Mayor Valdivia make positive changes to our city & community collectively. We are hopeful he will fulfill his visions for our city and move us forward.



What's New

New park equipment has been installed at Jack Reilly Park located on Stephanie Ave/Norma Lane. If you have yet to visit this park the new addition should intrigue families to visit soon!

In addition, Tom Minor is getting a new splash pad! This is a great opportunity for community members to take advantage of some fun in the sun this summer. The new splash pad will prevent damage from strong winds and will not have parts that can be easily bent/torn off such as the previous flower petals. Updates to the splash pad have begun and we cannot wait to give it a try this summer!

* Splash pad rendering photos were provided by our city's Parks & Recreation department.

Newmark Little League

Our hometown little sluggers are about to swing into their 66th season. On Saturday March 9th the league will host Opening Ceremonies. Some of the teams will also be playing their first games. We would love to have your support by dropping by and purchasing items from the team sponsored booths. There will be raffle prizes and you can stay and cheer on your favorite players. Here's to another exciting and fun season for all!!

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Business Spotlight

December Herrera, owner of the new Dairy Queen always dreamed of owning and operating a Dairy Queen. That dream became a reality when she chose to open her business right here in Verdemont. She grew up in San Bernardino and felt the potential for her business could be great in this area. Local residents are very excited and pleased to not only have a new business in our part of town but a returning business. Many remember the Dairy Queen previously located at the old Starbucks



location in the AM/PM shopping center. December was an employee at that Dairy Queen and during her time working there she set a goal to open her own some day.

December focuses on customers being pleased with their service and food. She strives to ensure every customer is a returning customer. Her store is the first franchise to be built from the ground up and her hope is it can one day be a training store for other franchise owners. All Dairy Queen training stores are located on the east coast making it difficult for employees to travel for long periods away from their families. December made a 7 week sacrifice away from family to train at one of these stores. Being a mom with 2 small children, it was no easy task. December is also the youngest franchise owner of Dairy Queen and often speaks at engagements for corporate functions. She is grateful to be a part of the Verdemont community and is already involved with supporting local schools/sports teams. If you have not checked out the new Dairy Queen yet, do yourself a favor and try it. You won't be disappointed!

SPECIAL OFFER: Kids in uniform get a free small ice cream cone

Let Your Voice Be Heard



Give your opinion! What are some things you would like to see? Do you have ideas for the community center or events for our community? We would love to hear your feedback. Get involved with the VRP - Please email: <u>HelloVerdemont@gmail.com</u>

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