



# May 2017

Community websites at

[www.TheHeightsAtPorterRanch.org](http://www.TheHeightsAtPorterRanch.org)  
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[www.TheHeightsAtPorterRanch.com](http://www.TheHeightsAtPorterRanch.com)

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## Next H.O.A. Meeting

The next HOA meeting of The Heights at Porter Ranch will be the 3rd Tuesday of the month, April 18th, at 19911 Mid Pines Lane, Porter Ranch. The general meeting begins at 6:00 pm and the executive meeting at 7:00 pm. Hope to see you there.

## Brush Clearance Due 5/1/17

Each year the Los Angeles Fire Department Brush Clearance Department sends notices out to residents in our community to remind them to clear brush away from the perimeter of their homes prior to fire season. This includes cutting and maintaining grass and weeds to a maximum height of 3 inches within 200 feet of a structure, trimming brush and shrubs and maintaining a separation of 18 feet from any structure or other native shrubs. Native shrubs shall not be planted within 10 feet of a combustible fence or roadway edge, branches/foliage shall be trimmed up 5 feet from any roof surface and branches/foliage shall be trimmed back 10 feet from the outlet of a chimney.

Owners will be sent self inspection forms which must be completed and returned to the Brush Clearance Unit before the deadline indicated in the mailer. Owners failing to return the forms will be fined and starting the first week in May, and continuing for about 4 weeks until the parcels in brush zones have been inspected, parcel owners will receive violation notices. Persons responsible will have 15 days to comply with the notice of violation.

Owners wishing to view clearance status on their property should visit [www.lafd.org/fire-prevention/brush](http://www.lafd.org/fire-prevention/brush) and enter their APN. Contact Ed Parada if you need your APN or if you feel that clearance is needed behind your home.

## Election Approaching in Our Community

As you have noticed, candidate applications are being mailed and emailed to residents this month. If you are interested in submitting a nomination form, it is due Saturday May 6th. Per our Election Rules and Voting Procedures, the nomination forms or candidate statements must be mailed 60 days before the election and received no later than 45 days before the annual meeting/election which is scheduled this year for June 21st. Finally, please note that more than 50% of the votes must be cast to reach quorum at the annual meeting in June and if this is not met by that time, more than 25% must be cast at the adjourned annual meeting in July for votes to be counted.

## Run Jog Walk Event - Thanks for Coming Out

Thanks to the almost 20 people who either attended, participated or tried to participate in the event on Sunday March 19th. For those who came out and participated for about one mile, it was a great way to meet people in the HOA and start being more conscious of healthy and active life styles. In this sense, the event was a great success. However, next time the event will start earlier, 8:00 am to avoid the heat, and it will be promoted with a banner at the entrance of the HOA in an attempt to get at least 30 participants in 2018. A sponsor has already been identified and a prize for completing the 5 mile course will be offered! Again, thanks to all who participated and to the board members who came out with their significant others to support the activity.

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