



**January 2019 Newsletter**

# **All About Oakridge**

A Los Angeles Historic-Cultural Monument  
Former Property of Barbara Stanwyck and Jack Oakie

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## **Oakridge Estate Park Now Open**

On December 10, 2018 a long awaited ribbon cutting event was held at the new eight acre Oakridge Estate Park. LA City officials representing Council District 12, Recreation and Parks Department and Commissioners, Bureau of Engineering and Prop K attended along with Friends of Oakridge volunteers and community members. The park will be managed and maintained by the Department of Recreation and Parks.

The new park is adjacent to the LA City Historic-Cultural Monument (#484). Several years were spent gathering community input before the \$1.3 million of Prop K funds were approved and allocated. A new fence separates the historic residence from the park with its natural foliage, 128 new trees, 12 picnic tables, unique themed playground equipment for ages 5-12, a small natural amphitheater with log benches, a meandering, sloped .3 mile walking trail and a fenced detention basin for water collection. The park's meadow like atmosphere is inviting and peaceful. Area children are especially enjoying the bright green bouncy tractor and mare with foal sculpture.

Park address: 18650 Devonshire Street , Northridge, California. Hours: Sunrise to Sunset







Photo by Juan Carlos Chan/LA Department of Recreation and Parks

## Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at the Oakridge Estate Park



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# Oak Tree Campaign Goal Reached

Friends of Oakridge is proud to announce that the \$20,000 goal for the *Help Bring the Oaks Back to Oakridge* campaign has been reached.

Appreciative thanks to all who contributed: individual community members, friends and family of Barbara Stanwyck, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, the Northridge West, Chatsworth and Porter Ranch Neighborhood Councils. Friends is a non profit 501 (c) 3 Public Benefit Corporation. All donations are tax deductible.

The first phase of the project was completed in June 2018 with the planting of a replacement mature California Live Oak tree in the center of the motor court. The tree was dedicated to Steve Harris, former President of Friends. Attractive shrubbery and an irrigation system were added at the front of the residence. Phase two will focus on the rear of the residence. Plans call for additional oak trees, shrubbery, decomposed granite pathways and an irrigation system.

Friends of Oakridge is grateful to all who have helped us to begin to return this exceptional Marwyck Ranch home to its previous condition. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

Donations to rehabilitate the house can be made via the website at [www.theoakridgeestate.org](http://www.theoakridgeestate.org)







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**- Save the Dates -**  
***Third Saturday Tour Programs***  
***Movies and Speakers***

***February 16 and 17***  
***March 16 and 17***

***Please visit the website to add your email address then check for  
specific event details.***

***Reservations must be made via the website!***

**Thank you for your continued support of Oakridge Estate events!!**