

Announcement of May 15-17, 2015 Election

For All Members of The

Los Trancos Woods Community Association (LTWCA) Executive Board

www.lostrancoswoods.org

LTWCA's Articles of Association (Attachment #1) require the election of all 7 Executive Board members every 2nd year during the month of September. When no September election occurs, the Board is automatically dissolved by rule, and can only be reconstituted through conduct of the election process described in the LTWCA Articles. The most recent LTWCA Executive Board election apparently occurred during December 2012, rather during September of that year as required. Therefore, an entire new Executive Board must now be chosen.

Below, we have posed and attempted to answer key questions regarding the LTWCA's purpose and conduct of the required election:

About LTWCA & Its Election Requirements:

- What is the function of the Los Trancos Community Association? *To address public health, safety and other issues of importance to Los Trancos Woods residents. To publish the community directory and to organize the annual Los Trancos Woods community picnic. See attachment #1.*
- Who can serve on the Executive Board? *Any Member of the Association.*
- Who is a "Member of the Association"? *Any adult 21 years of age or older who is a renter or property owner in Los Trancos Woods. Neither U.S. Citizenship nor California voter registration is required.*
- How long is the term of Executive Board Member? *Under normal circumstances, 2 years. However, given the special circumstances creating the need for this election, the initial term of office will be approximately 15 months (i.e., May 2015 through September 30, 2016).*
- How many Executive Board positions are to be filled? *All 7 authorized positions, 1 from each of the 4 Districts, and 3 "at large."*
- What must I do to become a nominee? *Complete the "Candidate Declaration Form" provided as Attachment #3 and return it to the "Volunteer Election Coordinator" by no later than April 28, 2015. The Volunteer Election Coordinator is Ms. Cynthia Dorrell, 1044 Los Trancos Road. Ms. Dorrell can be reached by telephone at 530-2627 and by e-mail at cyndorrella@comcast.net. Any eligible member of the association who submits a timely and complete "Candidate Declaration Form" will be included on the ballot.*

Election Process:

- ***When will the election take place? Friday May 15th through Sunday May 17th, 2015.***
- ***Who is eligible to vote? Any Member of the Association.***
- ***How will the election take place? On April 29th (>15 days prior to the election) the ballot of candidates will be available to download and print on www.lostrancoswoods.org. If requested, ballots will be hand delivered to your home. To request hand delivery, please contact Ms. Cynthia Dorrell, 1044 Los Trancos Road. Ms. Dorrell can be reached by telephone at 530-2627 and by e-mail at cyndorrella@comcast.net.***

Members will then have between May 15th-17th to complete their ballots and deliver them to any one of the 4 designated voting boxes.

- ***Where will the voting boxes be placed?***
 - ***District One – Mailboxes near 163 Ramona;***
 - ***District Two - Foxwood mailbox kiosk (1091 Los Trancos Road),***
 - ***District Three - kiosk at triangle of Los Trancos Circle/Vista Verde Way,***
 - ***District Four - The Red Shed (126 Lake Road).***
- ***How many Executive Board nominees can I vote for? Each Member can vote for 4 nominees, at least 1 of which is from her/his District, and any other 3 regardless of District.***
- ***How are the 4 District Representatives chosen? The biggest vote-getter in each of the 4 Districts is elected as the Executive Board member for that District. Of the remaining nominees, the 3 nominees polling the largest number of votes overall are elected as "Members at Large." A nominee for "District Representative" must reside in that District.***
- ***How will election results be determined and announced? Ballots will be counted by residents who are not running for office. Any member of the Association may help or observe the counting, time and location to be announced. The results will be posted on May 20th on the three traditional announcement locations in The Woods, on www.lostrancoswoods.org, and on the Yahoo Email Group.***

5 Attachments:

- 1. LTWCA Articles of Association**
- 2. LTWCA Candidate Declaration Form**
- 3. Sample Election Ballot**
- 4. Brief Description of 4 LTWCA Districts**
- 5. District Map**

Candidate Declaration Form
May 15-17, 2015 Executive Board Election
Los Trancos Woods Community Association

Name:

Street Address:

District of Residence:

Previous Executive Board Membership: (yes) (no) If yes, give approximate dates of service:

Length of Residency (optional):

Statement of Reasons for Candidacy (optional):

Signature of Candidate: _____

Please Return Completed Form by April 28th, 2015 to:

Ms. Cynthia Dorrell
1044 Los Trancos Road
Telephone: 530-2627
E-Mail: cyndorrella@comcast.net (preferred)

Brief Description of 4 LTWCA Districts

- **District #1:**
All of Carmel Way; Ramona Road to #167; and Los Trancos Road from #1008 to #1033.
- **District #2:**
Los Trancos Road from #1035 thru 1185; and all of Foxwood.
- **District #3:**
Los Trancos Road from #1189 thru #1263; Los Trancos Circle from #159 thru #176; and all of Bonita and El Rey.
- **District #4:** Los Trancos Circle from #120 thru #155; all of El Nido; and all of Lake Road; and Old Spanish Trail from #21 thru #76.