

Meet the Horses and Rangers
Saturday June 1, 2024 11 am – 1 pm
Oakridge Estate Park 18650 Devonshire Street Northridge CA 91324

Kids, Kids, Kids and all Horse Lovers.

MEET the HORSES and RANGERS

Saddle up then trot or gallop to meet the Los Angeles City Recreation and Parks Mounted Equestrian Unit. Two American Quarter horses, Sherman who is 26 years old and Archie who is 11 will meet and greet you at the park for an interpretive and interactive program. Rangers will be trailering - in the horses and setting up a static display with tack: saddles, bridles, leg wraps and grooming tools. Horses will be unloaded then saddled while Rangers give "fun horse facts". A short presentation will be given at noon about the Thoroughbred history of this historic park, horse care, horse nutrition, Ranger duties and more! Touch, feel, and smell these equines up close. Bring all your horse questions. Carrots and apples will be provided by Northridge West Neighborhood Council. Have you ever fed a horse?

The RAP Equestrian Unit provides patrol, law enforcement and emergency services to many Los Angeles and regional parks, concentrating on the larger ones: Griffith, Hansen Dam, Sepulveda Dam and Elysian. Horses and riders also participate in community parades, park dedications, city ceremonies and educational clinics. Some Rangers are experienced horsemen with riding and farrier skills. These horses interact directly with all ages of the public, in a variety of situations, so they are chosen for their calm personalities and friendly temperaments. These gentle giants weighing 1,200 lbs. enjoy human interaction. Photos and selfies are encouraged.

Event sponsored by the Northridge West Neighborhood Council and Council District 12 and LA City Rec and Parks. Meet your Northridge neighbors and community representatives. Light refreshments will be provided, and leashed dogs are welcome. Limited parking will be available at the park.

The Oakridge Estate Park, LA Historic Cultural Monument #484, is located in the northwest corner of what was originally Marwyck Ranch, later renamed Northridge Farms. The 130-acre Thoroughbred stud farm was opened in 1937 by movie star Barbara Stanwyck, Marion Marx and Kentucky horseman, Harry S. Hart. It was a state-of-the-art breeding and training facility with a 6-furlong training track located on Lassen Street. In the 1930's -1960's Northridge was known as "the horse capitol of the West". This LA city park, operated by the Department of Recreation and Parks, was opened in 2019. It is part of the 10-acre historic Oakridge Estate. For more history visit www.theoakridgeestate.org

Please bring your family and friends! For additional information, visit www.northridgewest.org or email board@northridgewest.org







