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Community-16 at-Large Day 10-2pm, Getty Center

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Are You Feeling Lucky valleyvillage.development@gmail.com,

Try your luck on March 17th, 2013 and you can win one opportunity ticket for a chance to win a drawing prize at Showtime!. All you have to do is: 1. click on this link 2. "Like" Valley Village on Facebook and 3. add your name as a "comment" to the Four-Leaf Clover picture on Facebook. The next day we will randomly draw a name. The winner will be announced in April's newsletter.

Your friends at Valley Village

COMMUNITY-AT-LARGE DAY MARCH 16TH AT THE GETTY CENTER

Clients, families, volunteers invited The Getty Center, Los Angeles, will host persons with developmental disabilities



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Day

April 1st

Day Programs Closed (Cesar Chavez Day observed)

Giving



There's a fundraiser on February 13



Auxiliary fundraisers, Valley Village events and photos are posted on facebook first!

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at a Community-at-Large Day on Saturday, March 16. Valley Village is organizing the



event along with partner agencies New Horizons, Therapeutic Living Centers for the Blind (TLC), and Child **Development Institute**. We expect a crowd of enthusiastic clients, families, friends and volunteers.

This is our fourth Community-at-Large Day, a time for persons with developmental disabilities to celebrate our community with art, architecture and camaraderie. The Getty Center's collection of Western art from the Middle Ages to the present includes European drawings, paintings, illuminated manuscripts, sculpture, and decorative arts, as well as American and European photographs from the 19th to the 21st centuries. Don't miss this opportunity to view Johannes Vermeer's painting Woman in Blue Reading a Letter on special loan from Amsterdam's Rijksmuseum. This limited-time exhibit closes March 31. This is the famed painting's first visit to the western United States and its last stop on a world tour.

For the young and young-at-heart, The Getty Center's family room has five activity coves to draw, build, and play. You can hunt for art treasures through 70 peepholes. The architecture features open spaces and stunning views, and the 134,000square-foot garden has tree-lined walkways, stream and waterfall, and a pool of azaleas. Visitors enjoy an abundance

of sights, sounds, and scents.

Bring a picnic lunch to enjoy with the group. You may eat right after signing in at the picnic area below the hill, or leave your lunch with us and return later. You may also carry your lunch with you and

picnic at other spots on the grounds.

The Getty Center is a most gracious host. Admission is free, as is parking for oversize vehicles. Some free parking is available for cars on a first-come, first-served basis; otherwise parking for cars is \$15.

The Center, at 1200 Getty Center Dr., Los Angeles CA 90049, can be accessed only via the main gate on North Sepulveda Boulevard. Trams are available to take participants from the parking areas to the museum.

To reserve your spot, contact Araceli Orozco or Alex Krasnoshtein at Valley Village at (818) 587-9450. To volunteer, contact Jo Ellen Krumm at the same number, extension 161. Clients should arrive between 10:30 and 11 a.m. Volunteers should arrive at 10 a.m. Please see the

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attached brochure for details.

HAVE A WHALE OF A GOOD TIME

Whale Watching Trip March 17th

Get your sea legs ready for a whale-watching cruise that

benefits our clients. A few spaces remain for the March 17 day cruise with the Northridge Kiwanis Club and clients from some of our houses. The club has booked the Ocean Explorer, which embarks from Newport Beach. Watch gray whales up close during their prime



migratory season. Cost for the cruise is only \$49 and includes transportation on a private bus from the San Fernando Valley (but you must reserve your seat on the bus in advance). Northridge Kiwanians, who have sponsored many activities for our clients, are good friends to Valley Village. They are also a great group to spend the day with. Treat yourself. For tickets, contact Kiwanians Ron Smith, 818-515-8377, ron70smith@aol.com, or Sharon Rose, 818-708-8596, srkiwanis1@aol.com.

IT'S ABOUT THAT TIME OF YEAR... SHOWTIME! 2013 IS NEAR

Bob Saget Returns on June 15th

Yes! The wait is over and you can now prepare your Sunday's best. **Showtime!** is less than 4 months away.

Showtime! is Valley Village annual fundraiser event.

Showtime! is a comedy and auction luncheon that features a range of upscale packages, auctions, and opportunity drawings. The event begins with



boutique shopping and a silent auction outdoors at the Sheraton Universal Hotel in Universal City. Then guests move inside the ballroom for lunch. A private performance by a renowned comedian follows, and then a live auction with local dignitaries and celebrities rounds out the event. **Showtime!** will be hosted by Bob Saget and will be held on Saturday, June 15, 2013 at the Sheraton Universal Hotel. If you would like to lend a helping hand in making **Showtime!** a success please contact the development office at Valley Village.

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Public Announcement: This is The Final Curtain for *Showtime!*

Wipe your tears and no need to worry because Valley Village along with Bob Saget will make this last *Showtime!* the best one you've ever experienced. So, to have the everlasting memory of Valley Village final *Showtime!* be sure to purchase your seats as soon as the tickets go on sale. More information regarding *Showtime!* to follow in the next newsletter.

If you would like to contribute a donation to making this **Showtime!** the best yet, or if you would like to volunteer then please contact the development office at (818) 587-9450 ext 120.

CASTING CALL!

Glamor! Intrigue! Fame!

All these things and more can be yours when you're part of the **Showtime!** auxiliary!

There are lots of ways that you can help. If you are interested, let us know right away. These positions won't sit still!



Behind the scenes is pretty cool, too.

- Letter writer
- Phone call maker
- Eblast co-author
- In-kind donation manager (write up descriptions, keep them organized and in order)
- Newspaper/media calendar submitter
- RSVP assistant
- Community/retail solicitors
- ...and more!

These are all jobs that take place throughout the event production beginning now. Most of these can even be done from your own house.

We would love your help.

"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made

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them feel."

- Maya Angelou

Every time you **give** through Valley Village, you're supporting 400 men and women with developmental challenges. Thank you.



Sincerely,

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