

# Charitable Gifts

## Contributions

Dollars raised from the Christmas tree lot, pancake breakfasts and personal contributions are donated to the following YMCA programs and various community non-profit organizations:

- Youth & Government
- Youth Programs
- Youth Park
- Campership Programs
- Scholarship Funds
- Building Programs
- YMCA Golf Tournament
- International Y's Men's Clubs
- Airport Marina Counseling Service

## Time & Talents

In addition to philanthropic giving, the Y's Men's Club also donates in time and talent by:

- Cleanups
- Painting and Building Maintenance
- Camping Duties

## YMCA Mission

The Westchester Family YMCA of Los Angeles is an association of persons of all ages, ethnic groups, and religious affiliations who are united in a common effort to put Judeo-Christian values into practice to enrich the quality of spiritual, mental, physical, and social life for our families, our community, and ourselves.

## Mission Statement

The International Association of Y's Men's Clubs is a worldwide fellowship of persons of all faiths working together in mutual respect and affection based on the teachings of Jesus Christ, and with a common loyalty to the YMCA, striving through active service to develop, encourage, and provide leadership to build a better world for all mankind.

## Our Members

Many of the members of the Y's Men's Club began their YMCA journey as campers where they learned to swim, enjoy good fun and sports; to grow and develop character as they met the challenges of earning their various rags.

That commitment to the Y continued when they brought their own children to the Y to share the experiences that shaped their lives. Generation followed generation.

As a Westchester YMCA Service Club, the Y's Men's Club has supported the Y way of life for over 50 years. The rewards are great.

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*We build strong kids,  
strong families,  
strong communities.*

# Westchester Y's Men's Club

*"To acknowledge the duty  
that accompanies every right."*



**A Service Club of  
men and women supporting  
The Westchester Family  
YMCA**

**LOOK FOR  
THE BLUE  
JACKETS!**



# IN THE BEGINNING...

## A Great Start...

Beginning in 1952, meetings to organize the Westchester Y's Men's Club were held in the home of Joe Young. Under the guidance of Bob Prather, then member of Inglewood Y's Men's Club and with the necessary membership of two the Y's Men, received their charter on May 23, 1953. They met in McCulloch Motors' cafeteria until the Westchester Family YMCA opened its doors in April 1959. Frank Morris served as the Y's Men's first president and began the tradition of the annual Christmas Tree Lot. The Tree Lot and Pancake Breakfasts have been the Y's Men's major source of income and fellowship.

During its 50-plus year history, the Westchester Y's Men's Club continued its mission to serve and support our local YMCA and its programs. In addition to major financial and labor contributions, which strengthen its partnership with the YMCA, members of the Y's Men's Club have always served on the YMCA Board of Managers and as team members during the Y's annual campaign. Personal pledges and membership support the club's mission to work for a better community.

## Socials

- Summer BBQ
- Ice Cream Social
- After Christmas Holiday Party
- Visitation with other Clubs in the districts and at international conventions

## Fundraising

Three Pancake Breakfasts  
*Annual Christmas Tree Lot (1959-2004)*

## Fees

Yearly Dues:                      \$20/Member



# Meetings

## Dates & Times

The Westchester Y's Men's Club meets on the **3rd Tuesday of every month, January through June** (except in February which is devoted to the YMCA's annual fund raising campaign) and **September through December**.

Meetings are held in the Westchester Family YMCA.

## Put yourself in this jacket!

For over 45 years the Y's Men's Christmas Tree Lot was our major fundraiser, contributing hundreds of thousands of dollars to support the various YMCA programs.



In 2005, the Club decided to pursue more flexible fundraising opportunities.

However, in remembrance of the countless Y's Men and Women who gave their time and energy to the Christmas Tree Lot, we include this time honored activity as a continuing part of our history. Your membership to share in new and worthwhile projects will bring its own reward.

## Join Our Club!



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Wear a blue jacket.  
Join us in service.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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