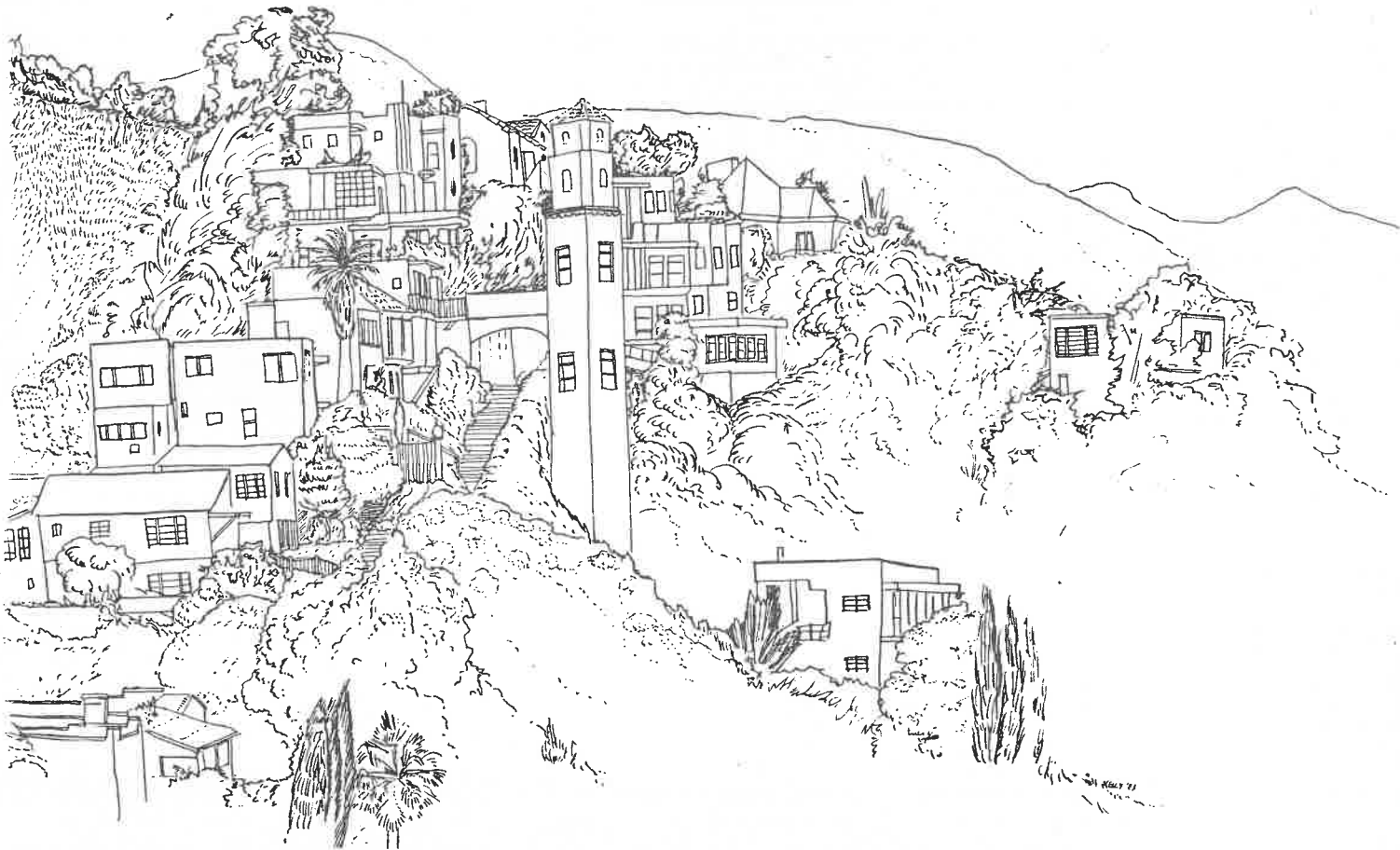


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Drawing by Annie Kelly, who lives in Hollywood Heights. Captioned as the "Hills of Home" by Herb Berlin.

GARAGE SALE HUGE SUCCESS

The July 24 Garage Sale goes into the books as a resounding success, having not only netted the Association \$850 (equivalent to annual dues from 85 members!), but also demonstrating our growing vitality and cohesiveness.

Over sixty people provided goods for the sale, which was held at six different locations throughout the neighborhood. Some of the sale proceeds were split with the donors, although many donors let the Association keep 100%.

HHA gives very special thanks and appreciation to Barbara Betlem, Chairperson of the event. As well as organizing the event, donating household items and making and posting signs, Barbara baked four pies, four cakes and three tins of brownies, and also did the accounting. HHA also gives special thanks to Penny Layne for her energetic coordination of the Block Captains.

The block captains who gave so generously of their time and energy were: Donna Sekulidis, Dick Boke, Dennis Spiegel, Matt Bennett, Jamie Riehl, Babette Ory, Penny Layne, Jacki Brown, Jean Gordon and Robert Axelrod.

--By Dan O'Connell

GRAYCE BALDWIN

As the first successful year of the Hollywood Heights Association draws to a close, a brief review of our group's accomplishments is in order:

1. Perhaps as significant as any other single accomplishment was the creation of HHA with a slate of officers, a Board of Trustees, a Committee System and a set of bylaws. All of this in a neighborhood which had existed for decades without any association.
2. A marvelous communication system you have in your hands right now: the Hollywood Heights VIEW. (And special thanks to all the good members who hand deliver each issue of VIEW to hundreds of homes.)
3. Establishing HHA as a recognized body and neighborhood in the outside community: City and State Government, State Legislative offices, Council offices, Police and Fire Depts., the RTD Board, membership in the Federation of Hillside Homeowners, the Neighborhood Action Group (NAG), and the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce.
4. The publishing of a Directory of Services recommended by our hill neighbors.
5. The HHA decal for ease of passage during the Hollywood Bowl season.
6. An authorized security and patrol agency, Foothill Patrol.
7. A fund-raising community street sale.
8. Furthering our mutually supportive relationship with our good friends, the neighboring community of Whitley Heights.
9. A computerized list of all residents of Hollywood Heights.
10. And perhaps most important of all: Meeting and getting to know and establishing close new relationships with our neighbors in the Hollywood Heights constituency.

(Editor's Note: And to Grayce Baldwin, Elliot Johnson, Barbara Betlem and Don Wakefield; our Board of Trustees and especially you, our members, a heart-felt thank you for putting it all together.

HAPPY FIRST ANNIVERSARY, HOLLYWOOD HEIGHTS!

--By Herb Berlin



MEET MISTER MONEYBAGS
OUR TREASURER

Don Wakefield has had plenty of experience in chairing offices of organizations. In his very active career, Don has been President of the Southern California Floral Assn.

He was Secretary/Assistant to the President of six corporations in Weatherford, Texas.

Don was Chief Conveyancer (ask him what that means) to an insurance corporation in Dallas.

Legal Secretary to the Vice President of a Texas railroad company.

After Don went into the flower business, he was elected President of Telegraph Deliver Service, travelling throughout the US and Canada in this capacity.

Don owned his own florist shop at the L.A. Hilton Hotel for 8 years.

Today, along with all his other curricular and extra-curricular activities, Don is a real estate broker specializing in floral shops.

In addition to that, all he has to do is hold the purse strings of the HHA. And this he does very well.

Thanks, Don Wakefield, for keeping our fiduciary shop afloat during our first year of existence.

--By Herb Berlin

URGENT!!!

A case of Parvo has been discovered in one of our local dogs near the park at Hillcrest Rd. and Bonita Terr. Please be sure your dog(s) has been vaccinated for Parvo; or if not, be sure to take your dog to your veterinarian ASAP!!!

A FUNICULAR RAILWAY

What do we need a funicular for?

What is a funicular anyway?

According to the dictionary, a funicular railway is a short, very steep railway on which a car or train is raised or lowered on a cable.

Okay, that's one definition. What Tom Glover, our neighbor and hard working member of the HHA plans is this:

A funicular railway to go from the Magic Castle on Franklin to the Yama-shiro on Sycamore. With a Victorian mini-train station at the bottom and a mini-Japanese station at the top. And what does this mean to us? Read on.

First of all, many of those people who now park all over the hill will park in the Franklin lot and ride the funicular up.

Secondly, if you live up the hill and have ever walked up Sycamore or Fitch, you know what a schlepp that is. Now you can ride the funicular to the top at no charge.

Thirdly - and perhaps most important - it will be the beginning of a beautification program for the whole Hollywood Hill. Because along with the building of the funicular, Tom plans to reopen the traditional tea house about half way up. And to restore the simple beauty of the grounds on the hill. The brook that runs through it. The plantings. The serenity of what has always been a naturally beautiful area.

We who live in Hollywood Heights should be pleased that steps are being taken to improve the beauty of the neighborhood in which we live.

--By Herb Berlin

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** If you are interested in joining a committee, please contact the chairpeople listed above.

THIS IS SERIOUS BUSINESS

You're not a member of the Hollywood Heights Association?

You live in this area?

You're a tenant?

You're a homeowner?

How can you join? -- EASY!

Fill out the coupon below. For \$10 annual dues, you'll be a paid-up member until September 1984.

For \$10 + \$1, you're not only a member, but you also receive the HHA decal which will speed your way home during the Hollywood Bowl Season.

For \$10 + \$1 + \$1 (\$12 altogether), you receive all of the above plus a mint copy of the HHA Directory of Services, all services successfully used by your neighbors.

So do it now! Don't wait! We want you as a member of the HHA.

Take this coupon and your check (made out to the Hollywood Heights Assn.). Mail it, hand deliver it, send it by messenger or pony express. But do it now! We're about to begin our second successful year!

--By Herb Berlin

BLOCK CAPTAINS

Robert Axelrod	Paramount Dr.
Kage Baker	La Presa
Kathleen Bartholomew	La Presa
Matt Bennett	Yeager Place
Barbara Betlem	Hillcrest Rd.
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Donna Sekulidis	Hillcrest Rd.
Al Siniscal	Bonita Terr.
Bernard Sparer	Sycamore Ave.
Dennis Spiegel	Paseo Del Serra
Bob & Donna Summers	Sycamore Ave.
Peter Von Liotes	Glencoe Way

Block Captains will be the liason between the members and the Board. Or as one member has dubbed them, the Human Clarions. They will be in touch with their neighbors. They will support and encourage participation in the activities of the Hollywood Heights Assn. Welcome, Block Captains!

OFFICERS OF HHA

President:	Grayce Baldwin
Vice President:	Elliot Johnson
Secretary:	Barbara Betlem
Treasurer:	Don Wakefield
Parliamentarian:	Bob Shafer

To: Don Wakefield, Treasurer, HHA
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Don: -I wanna be a member \$10 ☐
-I wanna be a member
plus have a decal \$11 ☐
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BRIEFLY NOTED

We have learned that any disabled persons are eligible for discounts on the following utilities:

Dept. of Water and Power
Southern Calif. Gas Co.
Pacific Telephone

If you wish more information, please call the business offices of the above companies.

At the June Board Meeting of HHA, Mr. Pat Moore of the Hollywood Bowl came to hear our remarks and grievances about parking and traffic on Bowl nights.

Mr. Moore listened carefully. And our Board members pulled no punches, minced no words. As a result, we will have more hours of coverage by the Explorer Scouts.

Additionally, Mr. Moore gave us the phone number of the Officer in Charge on Bowl nights. This Hollywood Police person can dispatch calls from a post on the island in front of the Bowl. So if there's a problem on a Bowl night, call this number and ask for Sgt. Butler - 850-2081.

At the August meeting of the HHA Board of Directors, two important members of our community will attend to learn more about the problems of our area. Captain White of Hollywood Police will be there, and Steve Catalana, Peggy Stevenson's assistant will attend.

As individuals, we can accomplish very little. As a community organization, we have clout.

Senator David Roberti has agreed to attend a special Board meeting of HHA in August to hear first hand the wishes of our neighborhood.

--By Herb Berlin

HHA BOARD ELECTION

The Nominating and Election Committee is diligently preparing a slate of nominees for the forthcoming election of a new Board of Directors to be held in September.

We hope to offer a slate that will be broadly representative of all of our geographical areas as well as those persons dedicated to the continued growth and development of the Hollywood Heights Association.

Therefore, we need your input with the names of likely candidates - your neighbor, or perhaps yourself - who has the time, ideas and interest to serve on the Board and wants to further this aim.

Please communicate the name of such a person who is willing to serve as a member of the Board to one of the Committee members listed (or any current Board member) by August 26th, in order for his/her name to appear on a printed list of nominees to be submitted by the Committee, about September 1. (However, this will not preclude further nominations being made from the floor at the General Meeting when the balloting will take place.

Some cautionary reminders:

All nominees must have indicated their willingness to serve, if elected, and be paid-up members for the NEW fiscal year, September 1, 1983-1984.

Only those paid-up members for the new fiscal year (i.e., individuals only - not households, friends, lovers, or even loving couples) will be able to receive the Official Ballot in order to vote by mail or at the September election meeting.

It is our goal, and we trust yours also, to have an open, fair and representative election - and Board - and we need your cooperation in order to do so. Please, let's hear from you. Like now!!

Nominating and Election Committee:

Bob Shafer, Chairman -----874-7669
Bill Kelley, Recorder -----851-0634
Juliette Cummings, Member---275-3126
Fran Offenhauser, Member ---874-1637
Spero Pastor, Member -----851-6948

--By Bob Shafer



HOLLYWOOD: A WILD & JOLLY PLACE

Captain Vesey O'Davoren came over from his native Great Britain in 1920, "to die gracefully from gas poisoning." Today, 50 years later, he is quite alive and still kicking in the pool at the Hollywood Y. A fascinating individual, O'Davoren has lived in Hollywood Heights since 1969.

Prior to that he lived in Whitley Heights, at the foot of Las Palmas, with his renowned wife, the portrait artist, Ivy de Verley. They moved there in 1921 after a stay at the Hollywood Hotel, which once commanded the corner of Hollywood and Highland.

"I enjoyed the early '20s the most," says Captain O'Davoren, "when Hollywood was a wild and jolly place. The wildest people from New York and Hollywood came to the hotel and the wildest things went on.

As he watched the Heights grow with homes built by fellow actors and film people, O'Davoren became involved with the Whitley Heights Homeowners Assn. and served variously as President, Vice-President and Treasurer. "I'm still an honorary member and the Whitley folks always invite me to their annual dinner. But so many people have died whom I knew in the old days."

Those were days of shooting rabbits on the hill above Whitley. Panning for gold in the Lake Arrowhead hills. Cocktail parties in the garages below the High Tower elevator. They were the days of legitimate stage performances by O'Davoren's repertory company And Shakespeare at the Bowl -- imagine Midsummer Night's Dream under the blue sky.

On the Olympics: "I didn't go to the last ones. Something about people trying to beat other people reminds me too much of war...The runners die so young...heart trouble. And the flag waving that goes on I worry about. It starts bad feelings. I saw enough of it in World War I fighting for the British. And enough of it here in World War II. We're trying to kill each other and that to me is a horrible waste."

On California: "I think of all the different places I've lived: France, England, Ireland, India, Africa. There is no place like California."

--By Nonnie Vishner

FOOTHILL PATROL BEGINS AUGUST 1

Congratulations to all the residents of our hills who have had the foresight and good judgment to subscribe to the services of Foothill Patrol.

Beginning August 1, Foothill Patrol will make a number of passes on our streets every 24 hours. But remember, unless you're a subscriber, Foothill Patrol cannot respond to your call.

For more information, call HHA members: Scott Chambers - 874-6231, or Mark Boli - 876-3561.

--By Herb Berlin