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NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

My very first "Notes from the President." I must say that it's a bit daunting and certainly no easy task to follow in the footsteps of our previous Oaks Homeowners Association President. Bob Young continues to be a truly dedicated neighbor to whom we owe a large debt of gratitude, and to top it off, he's a professional writer! How can I possibly live up to this?

Let me begin by saying that I'm honored and excited to take this on and that we have a wonderfully dedicated board at OHA. I'd like to take this opportunity to invite any Oaks residents to email us and find out more about what we do and who we are. We'd love to expand our group. We are all volunteers, all neighbors with one key thing in common: we want to do everything we can so The Oaks continues to be a fantastic community in which to live in L.A.

One of the areas on which we are currently focusing our energies most acutely is the issue of street repaving. If you are reading this newsletter, chances are you live in the Oaks, and if you live in the Oaks, chances are you've bumped your way through, around, or inside any number of cracks and holes in our streets. We began petitioning the city for repaving about ten years ago. We recently met with Councilmember Tom LaBonge along with representatives from the Bureau of Street Services to discuss various creative ways in which we can address the problem. Because of the budget crisis, the city probably won't be able to repave many of our narrower streets for quite some time... like about 100 years (please see our last newsletter if you want to know why). We will keep you posted with developments via the website and hopefully, at

some point, you'll begin to see some improvements on the road.

We've also been meeting with staff at our city council office to discuss the growing traffic congestion on Bronson Avenue just north of Franklin and we're looking into ways that might help alleviate the problem. We'll be holding some meetings on the subject so check our website for updates.

Your board continues to work with LAPD and the Hollywood Gang Prevention Unit on crime related issues and problems. This is certainly one of the most critical elements to keeping our neighborhood safe so that we can enjoy the quality of life we expect in The Oaks. But, frankly, the biggest prevention measure is YOU. Lights, cameras, presence, and good communication between neighbors are all the best crime deterrents. Please contact our Security Advisor, James Rubin, to find out if there's a Neighborhood Watch Captain on your street. And if not, volunteer for the role! It's not a lot of your time and this is most certainly one of those cases where an ounce of prevention is worth a ton of cure.

I could go on and on because as I've recently found out, the list is kind of endless. But the truth is, we really love this community and we all need to contribute a little something to show our appreciation and make sure our neighborhood doesn't become a victim of the city's financial woes. I look forward to seeing all of you at our annual picnic on Saturday, June 18th at Bronson Park!

Caroline Schweich
President

The Persistent Coyote By Gerry Hans

We've talked about this before. The number one reason coyotes come into our neighborhood is to eat. Their favorite foods include the pet food we leave out, fruit fallen from trees, and the rodents that live in our yards, especially in the English ivy. If those sources of food are cut off, the attractiveness of The Oaks for coyotes is greatly reduced. Oh yes, small pets are food, too, and keeping dogs and cats out of harm's way is another challenge.

To further discourage coyotes, measures involving light, noise and motion are highly effective. Sharply yelling at coyotes and using motion-sensors to trigger lights and noise are

good ideas. One resident rigged a motion detector to a fan with flashy streamers and a racket-maker.

But the most important thing we can all do is reduce the coyotes' food sources. Coyotes sometimes consume fruit to the point of intoxication, as fruit tends to ferment once it's on the ground. If you are seeing coyotes in an area where you suspect a rodent problem, it's important to get rid of those rodents using mechanical traps. Don't use rodenticides because they travel straight up the food chain and negatively affect other wildlife or neighborhood cats, who are also rodent hunters! As an alternative to

mechanical traps, our predator birds, owls and hawks, do a great job patrolling rodents. Providing extra perches for these friendly predators can help a lot.

If you wonder why coyotes are frequenting your property and can't quite figure it out, the City has resources for assisting you via the Department of Animal Services. The City will also take action against any resident who is befriending coyotes with food, whether or not intentional.

Our Animal Control Officer can be contacted at: 213-485-5767

THE BIG ONE By Sandy Toye

It hasn't happened yet. But, as the March earthquake in Japan reminds us, it might. As scary and unpredictable as they are, earthquakes are a lot more manageable if you are prepared. Yes, the ground shakes, but it eventually stops. Most quakes don't last more than a minute. I tell my girls to take cover and count. I bet them they can't count past 60. Here are some ideas about how to prepare.

Keep a print out of important numbers - don't rely on electronics in an emergency. Probably the most important number will be your out-of-state contact that you share ahead of time with all of your in-town family and closest friends. This ONE person becomes the hub. If phone lines are tied up you may only be able to make one call. This one person can update you on everyone else.

Prepare your house. Secure bookcases and other large furniture to the walls with furniture latches - Quake Hold is a good one and can be found at OSH. Secure your television as well as anything else that is heavy and can fall to floor. Install baby latches to high cupboards to prevent things from coming out of them. Put smaller items in larger bins with lids. Put Museum Putty on keepsakes and other breakables that are on shelves. Secure picture frames and be sure there are no glass frames or bookshelves above or near anyone's bed.

Make sure you know how to shut off gas water and electricity. If tools are needed to turn off gas or water, store them near the valve.

Get in touch with your neighbors. Know who is on your block. Exchange numbers and out-of-state contacts as well.

Talk to your family members. If you have small children, talk to them. Grade schoolers will know more about this than you do, but the little ones will need to have it explained. Go through your house and discuss where the safest place is in each room. Do practice drills with them. Make it fun.

When the shaking starts, try hard to STAY CALM. If you are in bed, stay in bed. If you are inside, stay inside. Stay away from cabinets and cupboards and glass material such as picture frames, windows and glass doors. And stay out of doorways! Doorframes may be a strong part of your house but doors tend to swing strongly during a quake and can knock you out or smash your fingers. If not in bed, get under a strong table and into a safety tuck: face down on the floor with your knees tucked making your body as small as possible. Clasp your hands around your neck and wait. If you are outside, get into any open wide space away from anything that can fall on you.

When the shaking stops, take stock of your surrounds again. Be sure to look around before stepping. Be prepared for aftershocks. They can be as bad as the initial one. If you smell gas, immediately turn off your gas. Check for injuries you may have sustained. Treat any bleeding immediately with pressure. Check for other injured people, make sure your family and your neighbors are safe.

The most important thing is to remain calm. Sounds easier than it will probably be. But keep in mind "this too shall pass" and chances are we will all be OK.

I have compiled a list of supplies you should have on hand in the event of an earthquake or other natural disaster. You can find the list on The Oaks website, the link is on left side of the home page at www.oakshome.org.

What's Going On At St. Andrews Stairs?

By Wayne Schlock



If you don't already know, Los Angeles has many public stairs connecting one street to another. One example is the stairs connecting Tryon Road in The Oaks with St. Andrews Place below. Constructed in the 20's, the stairs are an easy shortcut to Franklin Avenue.

Lately there has been some trouble. Graffiti mars the stairs and benches. Mid afternoon and late night groups gather for drinking and drug activity leaving their refuse behind.

Steps are being taken to correct the situation to make sure the stairs are safe and maintained properly. Police have swept in and made arrests. The neighborhood council has funded a graffiti removal service, while Tom La Bonge's office has worked with the Department of Transportation to change parking regulations on St. Andrews Place at

night. On our end, the Oaks Homeowners Association has met with neighbors from St. Andrews Place, and has helped organize a meeting with all local stakeholders to coordinate efforts.

It is absolutely critical that we clean up these stairs, encourage and assist neighboring homeowners to keep their homes graffiti-free, and work with Hollywood United Neighborhood Council to maintain the stairs. We're trying to encourage "boot camp" and other fitness classes to use the stairs for exercise and we need your help! Let's keep our neighborhood safe and clean. The more we use the stairs for exercise and leisure, the fewer crime-related activities there will be.

If you'd like to get involved, please email our security advisor, James Rubin at james.rubin@oakshome.org.

The Return of the Natives

By Shanta Herzog

One thing that bonds Oaks residents is their appreciation for greenery, gardens and plants. But growing a beautiful garden, while trying to conserve water and being environmentally conscious is not an easy task. Residents who attended the Homeowners Association's Annual Meeting in March got excellent advice on the subject from Lili Singer of the Theodore Payne Foundation. The Payne Foundation has, since its founding in 1961, sought to educate Californians about their state's native flora, and to encourage the planting of native trees and wildflowers.

Ms Singer, the Special Projects Coordinator at Payne, spoke about the advantages of planting native trees - not only are they drought tolerant and acclimatized to the soil and climate of this region, they do not need fertilizers and pesticides and they attract the right kind of birds and butterflies to the garden. They're also very beautiful.

Ms. Singer reminded us of the fact that our whole area was once abundant with native Oak trees; our neighborhood is called The Oaks for precisely this reason. At one time most of Los Angeles was covered with California Oak trees of which the most common variety is the Coast Live Oak. This is the premier native tree species in the City of Los Angeles today and found predominately in the Santa Monica Mountain range. Coast Live Oaks are truly one of the City's most valuable natural resources and thus were included in the City's original Protected Tree Ordinance in 1982. When the Ordinance was

amended in 2006, it was expanded to include all native Oak species.

Another native oak is the Valley Oak tree. These trees are spectacular and can live many hundred of years, but are mainly found in the lower areas of the LA basin.

Perhaps now you might understand the origin of the names of many of our streets. Yes, there is also a Canyon Oak that grows in the hills.

One of our neighbors, Gerry Hans, who is very familiar with the flora and fauna in our area added, "As far as Oak species, probably the only one that is native to The Oaks is the Coast Live Oak, of which there are many. Some Coast Live Oaks in the area, I am sure, are 100+ years old. Trees that old are referred

to as heritage trees. One really old one is behind a fairly new house on Tuxedo Terrace, two houses up from Cazaux. There are some down on Holly Oak, Valley Oak, and many other streets. Another couple heritage trees are just before the Bronson Park entrance on the right; there are some huge heritage trees on the hillside as well as many in the park."

The City of Los Angeles as well as the County of Los Angeles now recognizes the importance of propagating and encouraging the growth of these native trees.

Web links to the Theodore Payne Foundation, as well as other native tree resources can be found at www.oakshome.org. Look at the list of links on the left side of the page.



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Another Fun Oaks Night At Vermont

By Rainer Standke

It was another great night for the neighborhood on Tuesday April 12th, when Oaks Homeowners Association board members waited on residents at Vermont Restaurant. The evening was our annual fundraiser and yielded just about \$1,000 for the Association, thanks to the very generous tips of about forty Oaks residents. A special thank you to the 17 residents of Ponet Drive who once again showed up in force to catch up with the latest neighborhood gossip (or so we've been told) and to enjoy the delicious dishes on the \$35 prix fixe menu Vermont created specially for us, as well as the wine and cocktail specials. We heard from many that they enjoyed the experience so much that they plan to be back next year with even larger groups, and we are grateful for all the support!

Oaks Neighbors Gather for 2011 Annual Meeting

By John Saurenman & Bob Young

Notwithstanding that some scofflaw had stolen or destroyed all of the signs announcing our Annual Meeting, the board of the Oaks Homeowners Association and about fifty members assembled at the American Film Institute on March 21st for the annual meeting. Outgoing board president Bob Young introduced incoming president, Caroline Schweich, and the peaceful transition of power was completed.

Caroline began by summarizing the projects the board is currently focused on as well as some of our recent accomplishments. Among the latter is the hillside/anti-mansionization ordinance that governs homebuilding in the Oaks. Los Angeles recently adopted a citywide ordinance intended to accomplish the same goals, however our ordinance will supersede the City's on projects in The Oaks. In addition, the Association continues to work to try to get streets repaired and repaved and to get bulbs replaced in our streetlights. We have also joined with other local organizations to try to save the trees on Franklin Avenue.

Caroline then ran down social events the Oaks board hosts, including the annual Halloween Walk, the summer picnic (this year on June 18th), the holiday party in December, and Oaks Night at Vermont Restaurant (see the article on page 3).

First guest speaker was Tomas O'Grady who has been addressing groups in the Hollywood area on the subject of leaf blowers and the problems they cause in residential neighborhoods. O'Grady noted that gas leaf blowers are illegal in Los Angeles, and for good reasons: they're noisy, they pollute the air, and they cause particulate matter to be suspended in the air. By contrast, electric blowers, which are legal, are less noisy and do not emit fumes. However, electric units do stir up particulate matter (which includes all sorts of bad stuff). Though gardeners are often reluctant to give up their gas blowers, they can be induced to do so if homeowners are willing to pay slightly more for their gardening services. O'Grady suggested that a rake and broom are really the best solution for cleaning leaves and debris.

Board member Wayne Schlock introduced Lili Singer of the Theodore Payne Foundation (<http://www.theodorepayne.org/>) founded in



1960 to promote the understanding and preservation of California native flora). Lili began by adding a point to O'Grady's presentation: that leaf blowers are even bad for plants; the best environment for plants is soil that includes leaves dropped by trees. Read more about her presentation on page 3.

In the security discussion that followed, Bob Young addressed several prominent issues. Residents who park their cars on Oaks streets should never leave personal articles of any value in their cars. Most car break-ins are crimes of opportunity in which the passing thief sees and snatches whatever can be quickly taken from a car. Similarly, when residents leave their homes, they should always lock up. And to prevent mail theft, it is recommended they install a locking mailbox. Finally, if you are a victim of a crime, report it to the police even if you believe there's no chance of catching the criminal. Each report goes is entered into the Police Department's database and can lead to a greater police presence in the Oaks.

Members also brought up other issues of concern in the Oaks: the congestion at Franklin and Bronson, street repair and disaster preparedness. Caroline reported on a meeting CD4 arranged in March at Gelson's to discuss the problem of delivery trucks parked on Bronson Avenue, creating

congestion and hazard. Representatives of CD4, the Oaks, Gelson's and the Oaks Gourmet attended, and proposals were made to coordinate the deliveries at Gelson's and Oaks Gourmet so that they occur at different times. The group also discussed whether Gelson's could unload some portion of its trucks on the Canyon side of the store, an idea that was of interest to all present at the meeting. Regarding street repair, we discussed an idea that has recently surfaced that we form a non-profit corporation to accept donations, the funds raised to be used to repair our concrete streets. As for disaster preparedness, the

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Security Round-Up

By James Peter Rubin

As the days grow longer and warmer, the Oaks will likely see its annual spike in loitering - usually young men, grouped in clusters of two to four, and looking for a scenic or isolated spot. With its commanding views of Griffith Park and city lights, our community has both in abundance. These visitors sometimes linger for hours, often engaging in illegal activities - drug and alcohol use, graffiti and prostitution.

The noise and litter they generate are a nuisance, and the end result is an undermining of security in one of Los Angeles's lowest crime areas. In recent years, several homeowners have had unpleasant confrontations with people camped in front of their homes.

The worst of these hotspots recently has been the Tryon Drive cul-de-sac and public staircase connecting to St. Andrews Place and the Hollywood flats beyond. Vandals have used the stairs as a regular meeting spot. They've tagged the stairway and homes, left debris fields of cigarette butts, empty beer and liquor bottles, and drug refuse, blocked driveways and attempted to intimidate residents into accepting them. They've even tried breaking a motion detector light that a resident installed. As this newsletter went to press, police, security and community leaders are meeting in search of a solution.

Among the Oaks' other trouble spots are:

- The barrel cactus garden on Mountain Oak

Drive, which offers views for miles along the Western Avenue corridor. The site is intermittently strewn with beer and liquor bottles. A nearby homeowner who'd asked a few young men to leave on one occasion was told to mind his own business. The homeowner promptly called the police and security, and the problem desisted.

- Live Oak Drive East near the intersection with Tryon: The area is within easy access of Griffith park, and the road is wide, offering ample room for parking. A break-in earlier this year prompted the installation of a video camera. Police and security services are also paying closer attention.
- High Oak Drive: This one-block cul-de-sac has been popular over the past year with couples and individuals looking to smoke and drink without drawing notice. Residents regularly walk by amorous couples and wake up to debris fields of condoms and drug refuse. Security services have increased patrols to the area.
- Foothill Drive: The narrow street snaking perpendicular to Wilton and Van Ness has been popular with persons looking for privacy.

Over the years, police have urged residents to report unfamiliar cars and individuals behaving suspiciously. They offer the following additional tips for addressing these situations:

- Do not confront suspicious folks unless unavoidable. They may be carrying weapons or be looking for a fight. Call the professionals who are paid to protect you.
- Record license plate numbers and any descriptive information about cars and individuals. When you call the police, this information will help identify troublemakers, and develop a pattern of activity. Police calculate total crimes each month and allocate patrols and other resources to the biggest trouble spots, and to areas where crime seems to be rising fastest.
- Use lights activated by motion detectors to illuminate dark areas.
- Create a phone tree through which you and neighbors can share information and discuss responses. Frequent communication is a good way to detect problems quickly.

A final note: The area around Victor's Square and the Franklin Gulch has occasionally drawn criminals looking to prey on unsuspecting customers of the retail shops and restaurants. Last month, a woman and bystander foiled a would-be purse-snatcher. The thief, who was described as young and Hispanic, tried to tug the bag off the woman's shoulder. The woman was able to fight him off as the bystander ran to her aid. We mention the incident as a warning to stay alert. Big cities have many advantages but they also require vigilance.

Annual Meeting

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suggestion was made that we provide information on supplies and instructions on the Oaks website. Among the items to be addressed: how to network the blocks in the Oaks so that they are prepared in the event of a disaster.


Final speaker Tom LaBonge had heard the discussion about streets and sidewalks and their deteriorating condition. And while Tom reiterated that, like all of us, he's pushing for safe streets and sidewalks, he pointed out that the City is in financially challenging condition and is unable to meet the many demands of our aging and deteriorating infrastructure. It's a tough time to get these projects done. Doug Mensman from Tom's staff noted that the citywide anti-mansionization ordinance is now

law, and he reported that a Hollywood Historic Overlay District is in the works for the area between Canyon and Western, and Foothill and Franklin. Tom wrapped up his address by citing three other matters: he's pushing to use reclaimed water for irrigation in Fern Dell and on city golf courses; he wants more signs to correctly direct visitors to Griffith Park; and he agreed that earthquake preparedness was an issue worth renewed attention.

The members in attendance then elected the board for

another year of service.

Caroline closed the meeting by thanking the Oaks Gourmet for providing pizzas and to Trails Café for providing cookies.



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New Hollywood Community Plan In The Works By Wayne Schlock

“Hollywood Community Plan? I live in the Oaks, so why would I care about a city plan anyway?” you say.

Well, while the Hollywood Community Plan is not exclusively about the Oaks, it is the document that the city creates to guide future development in our general area. It is currently being rewritten, and the Department of City Planning would like your comments.

“Plan, Schman... It doesn't affect me”, you say? Au contraire! I'll bet waiting in traffic on Los Feliz Blvd affects you. I'll bet that you are affected by the conditions of the local schools, or failing infrastructure. I'll bet that you care that parts of our city look terrible.

The truth is, now is the time to put your two cents in! As we all know, nothing will change overnight, but our concerns need to be put on the agenda before they'll even be taken into consideration.

If you'd like to take a look, here is a link to a draft version:

<http://cityplanning.lacity.org/cpu/hollywood/text/HwdCommunityPlan.pdf>. It's not a difficult read, and there are lots of visual aides. You'll find chapters on the following:

- Introduction and Orientation - What is a community plan and how does it work?
- Background - Information on the general Hollywood area; historical and otherwise, trends& projections
- Land Use - What gets built, where, and at what size.
- Mobility and Access
- Community Facilities and Infrastructure - libraries, schools, parks, hospitals, roads, sewers, electricity, water
- Implementation and Structure - How the goals of the Community Plan can be implemented
- Urban Design Guidelines - What we want our area to look like

The City Planning's website is at <http://cityplanning.lacity.org/>. Click on “new community plans” on the left side to get more information about the whole process and upcoming meetings.

If you have comments or questions, and cannot attend one of the upcoming community forums, you can contact the planner in charge of the Hollywood Community Plan, Mary Richardson: mary.richardson@lacity.org or (213) 978-1478.

Griffith Park Needs Friends

By Gerry Hans

Griffith Park is in the back yard of The Oaks. For quite a few years I've been personally involved in grass-roots advocacy for the Park, along with other dedicated volunteers, not just from the local community, but also from all across the City. Earlier this year, a newly formed non-profit organization, Friends of Griffith Park, was officially launched. Friends of Griffith Park hopes to be an important advocate for the Park on behalf of all of us who use the Park and love it.

I was elected the inaugural President of this new 501(c)(3) organization, and I want our actions and initiatives to benefit the myriad users of Griffith Park who come from all over the City - and the world - with carryover benefits to the surrounding communities, including The Oaks.

Of particular focus are:

- Preserving the open landscape, ecosystems and Urban Wilderness features of Griffith Park



The less-seen predator - Bobcat tracks in Brush Canyon after rain.



Historic preservation of Fern Dell is a high priority for Friends of Griffith Park.

- Safeguarding the Park as LA's largest Historic-Cultural Landmark and working to restore its historic fabric
- Opposing commercialization and keeping it free to the public
- Ensuring that decisions about the Park are made openly with the public's involvement
- Promoting knowledge and education of the Park's natural and human heritage.

Friends of Griffith Park has already begun a project of taking inner-city kids on interpretive hikes lead by plant and animal experts. As many of you know, the Oaks Homeowners Association has supported nature surveys in the past, and the Friends will steward more scientific work through its affiliated Griffith Park Natural History Survey. We'll also sponsor a Summer Lecture Series (June through August)

at the Los Feliz Branch Library that highlights the Park's mammals, as well as some of the park's most appealing historic-cultural features, particularly Fern Dell, near and dear to The Oaks.

There are many challenges currently facing the Park, and the new Friends of Griffith Park organization has its work cut out for itself. Griffith Park's future seems fragile without well-directed support and solid advocacy. The eighteen-member Board of Directors is beginning this important effort with years of knowledge, experience and expertise. We're all excited that finally there is a “Friends” organization that can look after the whole Park!

I hope to see you at our Summer Lecture Series. To learn more please visit www.friendsofgriffithpark.org.

Penne "Risotto" With Summer Vegetables

By Joan Young

This recipe is really more about a way of cooking pasta than it is a rigid recipe. It is essentially pasta cooked as though it were risotto. You end up with pasta that has a nice slightly firm texture and a sauce that gets thickened by the starch in the pasta. You can improvise any way you want by adding your favorite seasonal vegetables and even some Italian sausage or shreds of cooked chicken or best of all, some sautéed pieces of the wonderful chicken sausage with sun-dried tomatoes that is made at McCall's Meat & Fish Co. on Hillhurst Avenue.



Serves 4 – 6 people

Ingredients:

About 2 and 1/2 qts.
chicken stock

1 lb penne

1/4 cup olive oil

1/2 t salt

4 T tomato paste

1 T finely chopped thyme

1/2 cup fresh or frozen soybeans

1/2 cup fresh or frozen peas

1 or 2 handfuls of baby spinach

1/4 t crushed red pepper

2 t red wine vinegar

1/2 cup grated Parmesan

1. In a large saucepan, heat the stock and keep it simmering.
2. In a heavy skillet heat the oil. When hot but not smoking, add the pasta stirring till it browns lightly around the edges. Add salt, tomato paste and thyme, stirring until the pasta is coated with the tomato sauce.
3. Add a cup of stock, stirring till most of the stock is absorbed. Continue adding cups of stock, keeping the pasta covered with a layer of stock and stirring often until each cupful is absorbed. If you run out of stock, additional water may be added.
4. When the pasta is nearly done, add soybeans and peas and simmer till they are cooked, 2 or 3 minutes. Add the spinach stirring till wilted, 1 minute. Taste pasta, it should be tender and firm to the bite with a nice coating of sauce.
5. Add red pepper and vinegar. Serve with Parmesan sprinkled on top.

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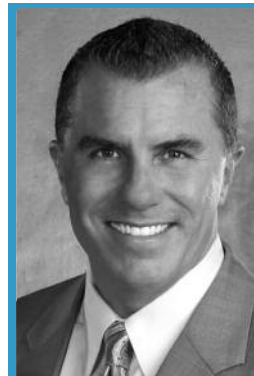
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Friends Of Griffith Park Summer Lecture Series

A series of free evening lectures focusing on the fascinating human and natural history of Griffith Park. All lectures are held Thursday evenings at the Los Feliz Branch Library at 1874 Hillhurst Ave., at the corner of Franklin Ave.

Landmark Within A Landmark

Thursday, June 9 at 6:30 pm

Leo Braudy, author of *The Hollywood Sign: Fantasy and Reality of An American Icon*, will explain how this enduring emblem of Los Angeles evolved from a real estate billboard into an international symbol of glamour. Book signing will follow.

The Great Depression and Historic Fern Dell

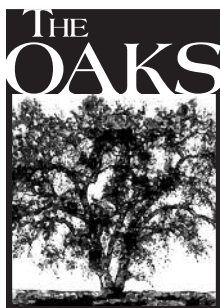
Thursday, July 14 at 6:30 pm

Follow the history of this stream-fed canyon in Griffith Park: its genesis as Native American council grounds, its transformation into a lush fern-filled oasis, and its expansion and beautification during the New Deal.

Major Mammals of Griffith Park

Thursday, August 11 at 6:30 pm

Ecologist Dan Cooper, Scientific Director of the Griffith Park Natural History Survey, focuses on the habits of Griffith Park's predator species: bobcats, coyotes, grey fox, raccoons, and even mountain lions.



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POSTMASTER: DO NOT FORWARD

Don't Miss The Oaks Family Picnic!

SATURDAY, JUNE 18th, 2011 - 11:30 AM to 2:30 PM

Bronson Park (at the end of Canyon Drive)
across from the playground

- Kids' games and entertainment
- Great picnic food and desserts
- Bouncy Bounce
- Arts & Crafts

Meet new neighbors and connect with old friends.

Free for all Oaks Homeowners Association members and their families.
Not a current member? Join at the Picnic! Annual dues are only \$35 per family.

We look forward to seeing you there!

