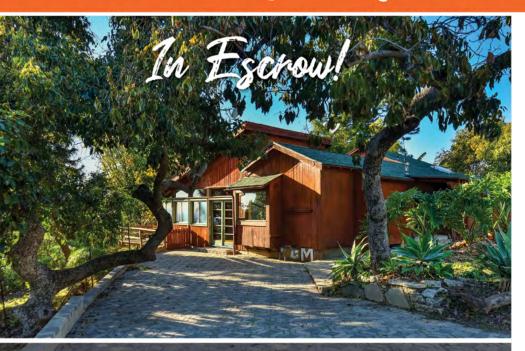


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Give us your input at our April 22 workshop

e cordially invite you to participate in an informal *Brainstorming Workshop* being hosted by the LHH City Council on Saturday morning, April 22, starting at 9 a.m. in the multipurpose room at City Hall. Come at 8:30 a.m. and join us for coffee and donuts before the workshop starts.

Norm Zezula

Possible topics to be discussed include public safety, paramedics, the Sheriff's Department, fire prevention and brush clearance, public works, community ambience, road maintenance—and whatever else you have on your mind that will help our community thrive. Please mark your calendar and plan to join us.

If you're unable to make it to the workshop, we still want to hear from you. Please email us at *lhh.community.1978@gmail.com* or drop off your written suggestions at City Hall. Please get back to us by 5 p.m. on Thursday, April 20. (Also see the meeting notice on page 4.)

It's time to get serious about fire prevention

Goal 1 of our *General Plan* is: "Protect, preserve, and enhance the residential rural character and individualistic lifestyle of La Habra Heights"—and "dense vegetation" is cited as an essential part of our community's definition of "rural."

Because of recent record-setting rainfall, vegetation on our Heights hillsides and throughout our neighborhoods can certainly be described as "dense." But as we enjoy the lush beauty of that abundant spring greenery, we must not forget *General Plan* goal 12: "Reduce potential fire hazards."

Only a few weeks from now, a significant portion of our unusually plentiful vegetation will be turning into dry, highly flammable tinder. That's why this year it's more important than ever for us all to take brush clearance very seriously, which means removing brush and all other fire hazards from our properties *before* the La Habra Heights Fire Department begins its annual inspections on May 1.



By now, every residence should have received our city's *Annual Brush Clearance Guide*. It includes a useful self-inspection checklist and a reminder from Fire Marshal Albert Alcalde that every parcel, whether improved or vacant, will be inspected and that a non-compliant property can be assessed inspection fees, administrative fees and abatement costs if the city has to bring in a

contractor to clean up the property. Liens and lien-release fees can also be assessed on non-compliant properties, and total fees could exceed \$5,000. It's far less costly to comply in the first place.

The *Guide* arrived with a letter from Kwan Lee, chairperson of our Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Committee, that provides information about the Firewise USA Recognition Program that helps neighbors organize and take voluntary collaborative actions to reduce fire danger. We'll have more to say about Firewise in the future.

Welcome to all our new committee members

At the last city council meeting, John Durkin, Richard Daniel, Curtis Kelley, Jim Cox, Michael Garcia and Matthew Ettinger were appointed to the Roads Advisory Committee. They join current members Tony Donato, John Steele and Glen Pedersen. Patricia Kelley and Brian Shishido were appointed to the Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Committee, joining current members Kwan Lee, Bradley Romstedt and Justina Garcia. Peter Espinoza was appointed as the alternate member of the Planning Commission.

The final issue of the *La Habra Journal* appeared on February 16. On behalf of the city council, I wish to express appreciation to the editor, publisher and staff for their 30 years of service to the La Habra and La Habra Heights communities. As most of you know, the late Jane Williams, former mayor of La Habra Heights, was the founding editor of the *La Habra Journal*, and her husband, Steve Williams, was the founding publisher. We sincerely thank Jane and Steve for all that they have done for us.

La Habra Heights Improvement Association

Lynn Kelley

PRESIDENT'S PEN

his issue of *Heights Life* has arrived a little later than usual so that we can share photos (see page 5) from our annual Easter Egg Hunt at The Park, which was held April 1. LHHIA board member Susan Brooks again chaired the event, and we thank her and all our other great volunteers who worked hard to make it a morning of family fun.

Deadline for LHHIA Photo Contest is April 30

You've still got a few more days to send us your three best highresolution photos of life in La Habra Heights for our annual *LHHIA Photo Contest*. The deadline is April 30—see details on page 10.

Calling all Heights graduates!

It's time for us to remind you that in our June and July issues of *Heights Life*, we'll again be running photos of La Habra Heights graduates from 8th grade, high school, college and advanced-degree programs. See page 4 for details and deadlines.

Music in The Park will be here soon!

LHHIA board member Monica Gunns has once more put together an outstanding lineup of bands—country, rhythm & blues, soul, surf, British invasion and classic rock!—for our 34th summer concert season of *Music in The Park*. The fun starts on June 21. See page 6—and save those dates!

Volunteer Fire Department history

On page 8, you'll find Dan Stracner's third and final installment of his story about the history of our venerated LHH Volunteer Fire Department. We've received much positive feedback about these stories, and we thank all the many Heights residents who contributed to them.

LHHIA Annual General Meeting

La Habra Heights Improvement Association will hold its Annual General Meeting of the Membership and Election of the Board of Directors on Wednesday, June 7, 2023, at La Habra Heights City Hall.

A reception will be held starting at 6 p.m., followed by the general election of board members and officers at 6:30 p.m. All LHHIA members are cordially invited to attend.

—Lynn Kelley

Rain changes Highland Riders show schedule

Muddy conditions at The Park forced cancellation of the Highland Riders horse show scheduled for March 26, which would have been the first show of the club's 2023 "Silver Series" season.

New show dates are **April 23**, **May 21** and **June 4**. Please save these dates and plan to attend these horse shows, which feature a variety of English and Western classes open to riders of all ages.

To learn more about the club, visit Highland Riders on Facebook.

City Council to host Brainstorming Workshop for residents on April 22

a Habra Heights City Council invites all Heights residents to participate in an informal Brainstorming Workshop about the future of our beautiful, special community.

The discussion will be held from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 22, in the multipurpose room at City Hall. Coffee and donuts will be served at 8:30 a.m.

Topics to be covered include public safety, paramedics, Sheriff, fire prevention and brush clearance, public works, community ambience, road maintenance—and whatever else residents wish to discuss that will help improve the quality of life in the Heights.

Even if you can't attend the workshop, council members still want to hear from you. Please email your ideas and suggestions to lhh.community.1978@gmail.com or drop off your written comments at City Hall by 5 p.m. on April 20.





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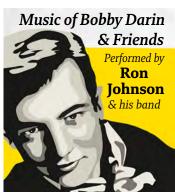




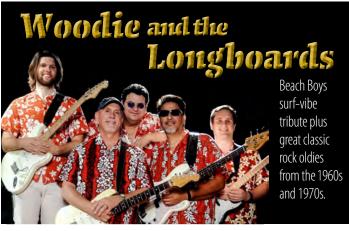
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Phalaenopsis orchid

By Beverley Lepak
Horticulturalist & Landscape Consultant

e're having an exceptionally lush, green spring thanks to all the much-needed, record-breaking rain that has significantly eased (but hasn't completely ended) our long-running drought—and we've certainly saved money on water bills!

Easter arrives April 9, and many of us will be hosting spring break family gatherings.

Kids can make gift baskets and fill them with pots of flowering plants, herbs, blooming bulbs and combinations of different plants and succulents. They can also help in the garden by cleaning up and planting spring flowers to attract beneficial insects and hummingbirds. Add colorful flowers to welcome your guests: chrysanthemums, gerbera daisies and primroses in pastel hues of pink, blue, lavender and yellow.

SPRING VEGETABLES & HERBS

Longer daylight hours give us more time in the afternoon to work in our vegetable and herb gardens. Remove old and non-productive vegetables and mix in soil amendments and compost. It's time to plant beans, beets, cantaloupes, carrots, chili peppers, corn, cucumbers, eggplants, green onions, lima beans, okra, peppers, pumpkins, summer squash, Swiss chard, tomatoes, watermelons and zucchini.

Basil is easy to grow and full of flavor! Be adventurous and plant different varieties: lemon, Greek, Italian, large-leaf, licorice, spicy globe and Thai (plus many more). Sow seeds at two-week intervals and pinch off flower spikes to keep plants full of tasty leaves. Sow seeds of borage, catnip, chervil, chives, cilantro, dill, fennel, lovage, parsley and sorrel. Add some heat with "hot and spicy" oregano (a different herb than regular oregano); grow it in well-drained sandy soil in full-to-part sun. Try different mint varieties: banana (yes, it really does taste like banana!), chocolate and English.

SPRING FLOWERS

Stores will be displaying Easter and calla lilies, along with daffodils, hyacinth, tulips, Easter cactus, lily of the valley, and Cymbidium and Phalaenopsis orchids (*see photo above*). Easter lilies have a strong fragrance, so you may want to place them outdoors and remove the rust-colored anthers to protect fabrics from pollen stains. Save your bulbs—calla lilies, daffodils, tulips and hyacinths—by letting them finish their growing cycles, digging them out and drying them for next year.

SPRING ABUNDANCE (good and not so good)

Although all the rain has been great for our gardens, hordes of insects and critters will soon be looking for meals. The Easter bunny—and pals—will no doubt visit your garden, so use humane methods to keep them out. Treat for aphids and snails and dump out standing water in pots and saucers to keep mosquitoes from breeding. Chickens and ducks love snails, so let them forage for those slow-crawling snacks—but watch out for predators, especially our sneaky Heights coyotes.

Fertilize fruit trees and roses and prune off water sprouts (suckers). Saturated soil and strong winds have toppled trees all around the Heights. If you're planting a tree, do your research to find out how high and wide the mature tree will be and make sure to leave enough room for growth.

Unfortunately, much of our current lovely greenery will soon turn to dry fuel for fires, so now is the time to clear your brush and trim your trees and bushes *before* the La Habra Heights Fire Department starts its intensive fire-prevention inspections on May 1.











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VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

A HISTORY of the HEIGHTS (Part 3—13th in a series) by Dan Stracner



Editor's note: The strong positive response to our two earlier Heights Life installments of this story shows the pride that longtime Heights residents still feel for the Volunteer Fire Department, which did such an exemplary job of protecting this community for more than four decades. The dedication of the department's firefighters, first responders and dispatchers—and the sheer amount of time that they freely devoted to LHHVFD—epitomize the spirit of generous volunteerism that has contributed so much to the preservation of our unique rural lifestyle in La Habra Heights. We hope these stories give newer residents some sense of the sacrifice, determination and esprit de corps that drove these resident volunteers, to whom we owe both admiration and gratitude. (We always welcome your feedback, so please feel free to send information and comments about the Volunteer Fire Department to heightslifeeditor@gmail.com.)

s soon as La Habra Heights officially became a city in December 1978, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors directed the newborne city to disband its Volunteer Fire Department and join the county's Consolidated Fire Protection District, which would have raised property taxes significantly with no guarantee that the county would actually establish a fire station in the Heights.

Led by the La Habra Heights Improvement Association—which had already been combating similar edicts from the county for the past decade—Heights residents protested vigorously and insisted on maintaining their private, independent Volunteer Fire Department. The county quickly relented and adopted a "wait and see" attitude.*

Only a few days later, in January 1979, residents received a letter appealing for contributions "to fund the operation of the fire department." The writer was Glenda Tuppan, a member of the first city council and also a VFD board member. She wrote: "Over the years, the residents have responded generously enough for the department to maintain its excellent response time and improve its equipment."

*In fairness to Los Angeles County, when major fires had occurred in La Habra Heights that were too large for the Volunteer Fire Department to handle alone, county firefighters usually provided help, and the Heights received the benefit of county resources on those occasions. This sometimes caused county officials to protest that La Habra Heights was getting "a free ride," a complaint also leveled at other unincorporated communities in the county.

The letter further pointed out that "the volunteers of the Fire Department have protected the lives and property of Heights residents," noting that the VFD had "rolled on 475 alarms in 1978." The suggested minimum contribution per household was \$70, and the letter included a financial summary showing that the proposed

budget for 1979 was \$81,945.

Also attached was a complete roster showing the names of 43 active resident firefirefighters, emergency responders and dispatchers, including Richard Jerome as fire chief, Tom Tapscott as assistant chief, Bart Lewis as fire marshal and Donna Jerome as captain in charge of the rescue squad. Many of those listed had multiple roles.

As for the relationship of the VFD to the new city, the letter said: "In the future, the city will be meeting the department's regular operating expenses, but will probably be unable to budget funds for a major expansion of fire protection services such as new vehicles or stations."

Heights residents responded promptly to Glenda's appeal and kept the VFD funded.



The cover of a VFD pamphlet that was mailed to residents to appeal for contributions.

That letter turned out to be the final such yearly request to residents for contributions. In January 1980, Heights voters approved Proposition 4, which levied an annual fire service fee on all Heights properties and thereby provided regular, dependable funding for the fire department for the first time in its long history.

A DIFFERENT WAY of SERVING THE HEIGHTS

When Mike Coggins became the next fire chief in 1983, he was the first head of the fire department to receive a paycheck, and he soon hired additional paid officers, including Richard Beckman and Mike Scruggs. (As mentioned in the last installment of this history, since 1977 the department had relied on unpaid students or graduates from fire science programs for most of its staffing under a program instituted by Bart Lewis. In return, students received valuable on-the-job experience and recommendation letters to help them find paid firefighter positions elsewhere.)

Thirty unpaid resident volunteer firefighters remained on the 75-person roster in 1983, and they received a "stipend" for their efforts that was, in essence, an exemption from paying the annual city fire service fee. Like so many volunteers before them, these residents participated in fire calls and all required drills to maintain their readiness. Six volunteer dispatchers—all Heights residents—remained on duty day and night in rotating shifts. The annual department budget at that time had grown to \$189,000.

Five years later, the department consisted of 103 people, still including 35 resident volunteers, some of whom were assigned to handle rescue calls around the clock.

By 1992, the annual budget for the 140-person department had reached \$600,000, and the paid staff included the fire chief, fire marshal, day captain, training captain, administrative assistant and secretary. Paid officers of the department then (as now) were often retirees from other fire departments. Thirty resident volunteers remained available for night and weekend service, with the majority of firefighting duties still assigned to fire science student volunteers.

By the time the department entered the new century, many changes had occurred, and the role of resident volunteers had diminished considerably because of changing Heights demographics, liability concerns, rising insurance costs and new regulations from the the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). Strict new state laws concerning required responses to structure fires and wildfires also reduced the feasibility of using resident volunteers.

However, Heights resident volunteers still have an opportunity today to help their own and nearby communities through the federal Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program that educates and trains citizens to respond to disasters, including fires; for more information, visit FEMA.gov.

The La Habra Heights Fire Department now operates under a mutual aid agreement with Los Angeles County, and firefighters from LHHFD are sometimes deployed to other communities to help fight major fires. However, protecting La Habra Heights at all times remains the department's primary mission.

GRATITUDE & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Some historical information in this story comes from a white paper prepared in 2010 and based on valuable input from former Volunteer Fire Department leaders, including Richard Jerome, Donna Jerome, Scott Jones, Bart Lewis, Ron Jones, Roy Francis, Dodie Keegan, Joan Klopfenstein, Richard Beckman, Robert Grafton and Tommy Thompson. Other story sources included La Habra Heights Historical Committee interviews with some of those just mentioned. We're very grateful to them all. Additional material for this series of articles came from past issues of *Heights Lifets* and *Heights Lifets*.

Fire Department Volunteer Extraordinaire: JOAN KLOPFENSTEIN

oan Klopfenstein, 97, spent 43 years as a volunteer dispatcher for the La Habra Heights Fire Department, both in its all-volunteer days and during its transition to the modern department we know today. She holds the record for the longest continuous service to that vital organization.

Joan and her husband Art, a World War II veteran, moved to the Heights in 1947. They lived in a rented guest house on Le Flore while they built their own house on Hacienda, which was completed in 1948. They raised three sons and a daughter there.

In 1968, Joan's oldest son Paul volunteered to train as a firefighter with the LHH Volunteer Fire Department, and he persuaded his mother to join the department as a dispatcher. Joan's other sons, Mark and James, also became VFD volunteers. (See the March 2023 issue of *Heights Life* for Joan's recollections about her family's harrowing experiences during the devastating fires in the fall of 1970.)

"All dispatching was done from our homes," Joan recalled, noting that all five dispatchers at the time were stay-at-home moms. "Each one had a radio and fire telephone for receiving calls. Calls first came into an answering service, then were transferred to dispatchers on the fire phones, ringing at all our homes at the same time." Later dispatchers began working more efficiently in scheduled shifts.



Joan thought that dispatchers ought to have VFD badges, just like all the firefighters. But when she suggested it to the fire chief, he quipped: "Where would you wear them—on your *bathrobes*?" Undaunted, Joan found red patches shaped like telephone receivers and created "official" bathrobes for all the dispatchers (she's modeling hers in the recent photo above).

When the fire department began transitioning to its current configuration, dispatching moved from resident homes to the fire station, and Joan moved with it, becoming a fire captain and the communications chief for the department. Over the years, she trained many fire science graduates and students who worked in the department, turning them into (in her words) "fine, clear–speaking dispatchers." The middle photo (above) shows Joan in the fire department's new dispatch center in 2006—and you'll notice that she's proudly wearing a LHHFD patch on her shoulder.

The lower photo (above) shows Joan at the 60th anniversary celebration for the VFD in 2002. She's riding in a refurbished Jeep that her sons once drove as volunteers. The driver in the photo is Bruce Thomas, another veteran volunteer who had driven the VFD's big Brockway tanker (see the March 2023 *Heights Life*).

Joan retired in 2011 at the age of 85. "Besides my family, the best thing in my life has been joining the La Habra Heights Fire Department," she said.

Joan's home today is filled with fire department memorabilia, including a large collection of toy fire trucks and figurines. She also maintains an archive of photos and documents related to the LHHVFD, many of which she generously made available to *Heights Life* for our series of articles about the department. *Thank you, Joan!*





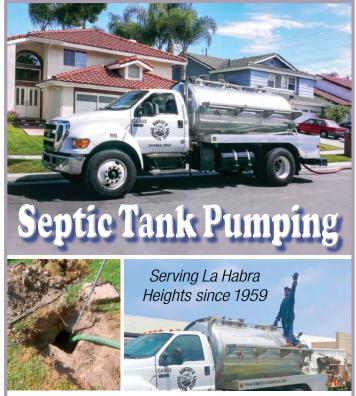
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April 20 Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness: 6 p.m.

April 22 Brainstorming Workshop: 9 a.m. at City Hall (see page 4)

April 23 Highland Riders horse show at The Park: 8:30 a.m.

April 25 Planning Commission meeting: 6:30 p.m.

April 26 Roads Advisory Committee meeting: 6:30 p.m.

April 29 Quarterly Cleanup and Recycling: 8 a.m.-noon at The Park (see page 4)

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Community Service Opportunities

Boy Scout Troop 883 • Call Brian Freeman at 562-743-1973 Boy Scout Troop 1814 • 951-538-8377 or cookmaster251@yahoo.com BOY SCOUT TROOP 793 (female troop) • Call Carl Diamond at 562-706-8279 or email Carl@cdiamond.org

Boys and Girls Club • 562-694-1805 • ourchildrensfuture.org Habitat Authority • habitatauthority.org/waystohelp Meals on Wheels • 562-383-4221 • LaHabraMealsonWheels.org VCC: The Gary Center • 562-264-6000 • vccthegarycenter.org

Youth Employment Roster

Jessica Coburn (17) • 562-447-3486 • Babysitting, dog walking, plant watering.

= Become a member =

La Habra Heights Improvement Association is a 501(c)(3) volunteer organization (Tax ID# 95-2455456) that receives no funding from the City of La Habra Heights—so we rely on your annual dues and other donations to pay for our many community events and projects. Annual membership dues are:

• Regular: \$35

Bronze: \$75

Silver: **\$100**

• Gold: \$250

Platinum: \$500+

Pay online at **www.lhhia.com** or mail your check (made payable to LHHIA) to: LHHIA, P.O. Box 241, La Habra, CA 90631.



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Advanced life-support calls: 38 (19 in LHH, 19 in LA County), Basic life-support calls: 2 (both in LHH), Public assist: 4 (all in LHH), Fire calls: 8 (7 in LHH, 1 in LA County), Traffic collisions: 3 (all in LHH), Automatic aid into LA County: 12.

TOTAL INCIDENTS: 53



Identity theft: 1, Vehicle & boating laws: 2, Traffic accidents: 3, Persons dead: 1, Aggravated assault: 2, Grand theft: 1, Grand theft, vehicle: 1, Petty theft: 1, Vandalism: 1, Vehicle burglary: 1, Non-criminal: 1.

TOTAL INCIDENTS: 15