

Heights Life

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A giant Chinook helicopter from the Los Angeles County Fire Department makes a demonstration water drop over La Habra Heights, part of the dedication ceremony for our new Heli-Hydrant installed high in the east Heights. The muddy water was siphoned from a local reservoir. See the story and photos on page 8.

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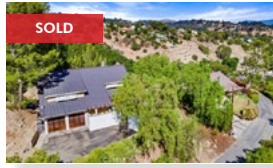
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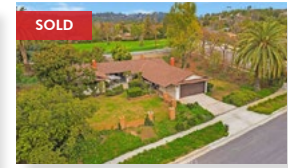
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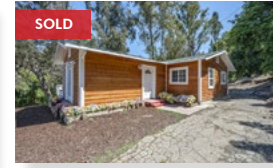
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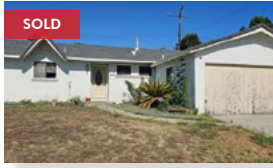
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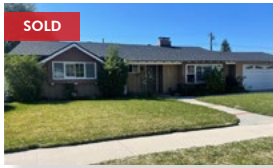
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13740 Kumquat Circle
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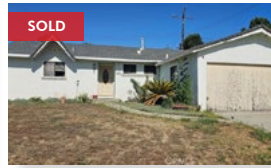
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320 Olinda Avenue
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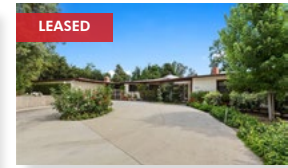
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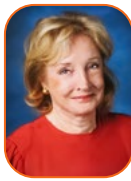
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MAYOR'S CORNER

Carol Engelhardt



New engine for LHH Fire Department

A new \$878,000 Pierce Saber Triple Combination type 1 fire engine is being purchased for the La Habra Heights Fire Department. Type 1 firetrucks are large pumper units that carry water and firefighting and rescue equipment required by the National Fire Prevention Association (NFPA). Including associated equipment—hoses, extrication system and specialized radios that synchronize with other Los Angeles County firefighters—the total cost will be \$1,036,537.



A new, fully equipped type 1 fire engine like this is being purchased.

The new engine will replace our current type 1 truck, purchased in 2008 and nearing the end of its useful life. A subcommittee composed of Fire Chief Mitch Brookhyser and City Councilmembers Brian Bergman and John Pespisa made price comparisons and determined that this was the best value.

State Senator Bob Archuleta obtained a state grant of \$1,075,000, which covers the entire cost of the engine and equipment. We sincerely thank him.



Senator Bob Archuleta (far left) presents a check to then-Fire Chief Doug Graft in September 2021. Also holding the check is Assemblymember Lisa Calderon. Next to her is LHH City Councilmember Brian Bergman.

This new engine and our recently dedicated heli-hydrant (see the related story on page 8) significantly enhance firefighting capabilities in our city and region. However, your individual contribution—clearing brush and removing flammable items from your property all year long—is essential to reducing chances of a fire disaster in our hilly, brushy town.

Traffic light project update

The Avocado Crest/Hacienda Road traffic light project continues to inch forward and is now projected to be ready for bid after the February council meeting.

Since some affected areas are in LA County (the southeast halves of Avocado Crest up to Citrus and Hacienda from

Avocado Crest to the southern city boundary) and because additional grant monies were obtained in 2023 from Caltrans, each project design change required approvals by three different agencies. Once the contract has been awarded, our chosen contractor will order traffic poles and other necessary equipment and keep us updated about lead times.

Faster permit processing

In response to concerns about delays in permit processing, the city will be working with our contract engineer and will soon have a person on-site one morning each week to interact with residents and speed up the process.

New faces at City Hall

City Attorney Todd Litfin is our new counsel.

He is from the well-established law firm Rutan & Tucker. Todd is 6' 6" (he played basketball for Harvard University), has a great sense of humor, has been city attorney for Villa Park (a small, our-sized community) since 2006, and advises Yorba Linda (another city with oil wells). His experience makes him an excellent fit for our community. Thanks to former mayor Stan Carroll and former planning chairperson Greg Steffire, both attorneys, for helping with the selection process.



Acting Assistant City Manager Tom Robinson

will step in to provide added support and expertise to help with many projects. He is the retired city manager of La Mirada who previously worked in La Habra Heights as an interim city manager. Rafferty Wooldridge, former LHH assistant city manager, is acting as our interim city manager.



LA County Sheriff's Deputy Hector Beltran,

who previously worked in La Habra Heights, is once again our assigned deputy and glad to be back. There have been staffing changes at the main Industry Sheriff's Station, and we hope to have an open house for residents soon so that you can meet our law-enforcement folks and discuss any questions or concerns you might have.



Finally, I should introduce myself. I grew up in the Heights, attended La Habra High School, obtained a law degree from UCLA and moved away—only to return. I served on the city council from 1994 to 2001, and I am currently serving out the term of the late Jane Williams.

City government is extremely interesting and challenging. It really stimulates brain cells and forces you to think. Yes, it can be frustrating, but taking in opposing ideas and opinions retrains your mind and focuses your energy. Staff and council continue to work on improvements so that constituents will be better served, and we welcome your input.

We are fortunate to live in such a unique and beautiful community, and I encourage more of you to take an active role.

—Carol Engelhardt



P R E S I D E N T ' S P E N

Lynn Kelley



Happy New Year (solar & lunar)!

Since we don't publish *Heights Life* in January, the new year's greeting above is a little late for those of us who use the Gregorian solar calendar. But for our Chinese friends who use the lunar calendar, the greeting is just in time, since their new year begins on February 10 this year—and 2024 is the “Year of the Dragon,” which I understand is considered particularly auspicious.

Dan Stracner, our *Heights Life* editor and photographer, tells me that quite a few of you requested photos from our LHHIA *Morning With Santa!* party in December (our biggest ever). We were glad to provide them! Once again, we offer special thanks to Jan Fiore, Realtor, for sponsoring this annual holiday gathering.

Easter Egg Hunt on March 23

Our annual LHHIA Easter Egg Hunt will be held at The Park on Saturday, March 23, from 10 a.m. to noon (see ad, above right). Save the date and join us for fun with the Easter Bunny!

Photo Contest

It's time to remind all our talented Heights shutterbugs to start picking out your best three shots to enter in our annual LHHIA Photo Contest (see details below). If you're sending a shot taken with your cellphone camera, be sure that it's the actual (largest) file size, the highest quality for enlarging. Please email your high-resolution entries to heightslifeeditor@gmail.com by Tuesday, April 30, 2024.

—Lynn Kelley



Deadline for entries: April 30, 2024

First prize: \$100 Second prize: \$50 Third prize: \$25

- To enter, you must be a member of LHHIA (see page 16 to join).
- Enter up to three photos as *high-resolution* digital files (jpeg, PNG or PDF) and email them as attachments to heightslifeeditor@gmail.com.
- By entering, you agree to allow your images to be published or displayed, without any fee or other form of compensation, in *Heights Life*, on the LHHIA website and at La Habra Heights public events. Published photographs will include photo credits.
- See official *Photo Contest Rules* at lhhia.com. By entering the photo contest, you agree to abide by these rules. Good luck!



Photos: Susane Spray

Thieves have stolen several community mailboxes in the east Heights by cutting support posts with power tools and hauling entire mailboxes away in trucks.

The above photo shows the thieves' July handiwork on Kashlan Road, and a similar tactic was used to steal a box on Reposado Drive in June (photo at the right).

If you notice suspicious activity in your neighborhood, call and report it to the Sheriff at 626-330-3322. Also make it a habit to retrieve your mail quickly after delivery.



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Ruth Janet Wolfarth (1930-2023)

Ruth Janet Wolfarth (née Brink), 93, a resident of La Habra Heights for nearly 60 years, passed away on December 31, 2023, in Anaheim after moving to a senior living community there in 2022.

Ruth and her late husband Charles Wolfarth (1929-2010) played significant roles in the long struggle to protect rural living in La Habra Heights and to incorporate the community as a city.

Ruth was born on April 18, 1930, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, the daughter of Arthur Sven Brink (an emigrant from Sweden) and his wife Hildur Brink (née Almquist). Ruth graduated from Roosevelt High School in Minneapolis. In the summer of 1948, she met a young man from Mount Prospect, Illinois, named Charles Wolfarth during a visit to a Minnesota lake. They married in 1950 and initially made their home in Illinois.

In 1953, the Wolfarths moved to California, and Charles and Ruth started a landscape contracting business. Charles did landscape designs, estimates and installation work, and Ruth served as bookkeeper and business manager for their growing enterprise.

Attracted by plentiful trees and the rural quality of life in La Habra Heights, they bought a lot in 1959 with plans to build a house, but they later decided to purchase an existing home into which they moved in 1963.

The couple quickly became active in their new community. Ruth volunteered to help in all the organizations in which their three children were involved, including Hilltoppers 4-H Club, Highland Riders Equestrian Club and Scouts. The Wolfarths were members of the Lutheran Church, and Ruth taught Sunday School for many years.

Charles and Ruth also became highly active members of the La Habra Heights Improvement Association (LHHIA), which was dedicated to preserving the independent rural lifestyle of the small community against threatened suburban development and possible annexation by nearby cities. Charles became president of that organization, which spearheaded a challenging, decade-long drive to incorporate La Habra Heights as a city.



County and the California State Senate. She wholeheartedly continued her community-building work even after her husband passed away in 2010 just a few days after their 60th wedding anniversary.



A stalwart member of the Rancho La Habra Republican Women's Organization, Ruth served several terms as president and board member. She volunteered at the polls for every election for an astonishing period of 50 consecutive years, finally retiring in 2020 at the age of 90 (left).

Ruth loved to travel. She and Charles visited many parts of the United States, as well as Germany, Sweden, Mexico, Canada, Israel, Egypt, Russia and China. She enjoyed outdoor activities, especially snow skiing and bike riding, and she was a talented cook and an accomplished seamstress who sometimes made her own clothes.

A devout Christian and patriotic American, Ruth was known for her duty, responsibility, organizing skills, hard work and resolute dedication to her family and the many organizations in which she served.

Ruth is survived by her sister Mary Phillips, daughter Cindy Cartwright, son Ron Wolfarth and his wife Elizabeth Linaman, son Richard Wolfarth, granddaughter Jamie Wolfarth, granddaughter Kathryn Cartwright and her husband Dane Piai, granddaughter Melissa Harper and her husband Christopher Harper, granddaughter Michelle Wolfarth, granddaughter Alexandra Wolfarth and her husband Victor Band, grandsons Jeremy Wolfarth and David Wolfarth and four great-grandsons: Parker Gaston, Kane Piai, Jackson Harper and Lucas Harper. Her sisters Karen Zuel and Gloria Gooden preceded her in death.

A service celebrating Ruth Wolfarth's long and productive life will be held on Saturday, February 17, at 10 a.m. at Emanuel Lutheran Church, 150 N. Palm St., La Habra, CA 90631. The family asks that in lieu of flowers a donation be made to Emanuel Memorial Fund of Emanuel Lutheran Church, La Habra, or to Wounded Warriors, two of her favorite charities.

Heights Life ADVERTISING RATES



Flanked by members of the La Habra Heights Historical Committee, Ruth holds a commendation from the California Senate. To Ruth's left is former Heights mayor Kyle Miller, who made the presentation on behalf of Senator Bob Archuleta at the 2019 Avocado Festival.



Ruth's family held a "Grandma's 85th Birthday Bash" for her at Disneyland. She is in the center next to Mickey Mouse.

In our beloved Heights, fire prevention is a personal, year-round responsibility!

On pages 8 and 9, you'll find a story about the dedication of our new Heli-Hydrant to help fight wildfires. While we're very glad to have this new equipment, the La Habra Heights Fire Department reminds us that we'll be much better off if we never have to use it!

Because of winter rains, we'll have abundant brush this spring—which will soon dry out and become fuel for fires. Every resident is responsible for clearing brush on their property and helping prevent wildfires.

LHHFD will soon provide a brush-clearance guide to help you get ready for upcoming property inspections. *Please read and follow it!*

<i>For-profit business and private-party ads</i>	<i>6 issues</i>	<i>11 issues</i>
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1/4-page ad: color (3.75"W x 5"H)	\$ 880.00	\$1,512.50
1/2-page ad: color (7.5"W x 5"H)	\$ 1,210.00	\$2,200.00
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Full-page ad: color (non-bleed: 7.5"W x 10"H)	\$1,760.00	\$3,300.00
<i>Paid non-profit 501(c)(3) ads (space guaranteed)</i>		
1/4-page ad: black & white (3.75"W x 5"H)	\$ 330.00	\$ 550.00
1/4-page ad: color (3.75"W x 5"H)	\$ 440.00	\$ 770.00
1/2-page ad: color (7.5"W x 5"H)	\$ 660.00	\$1,100.00
<i>Free non-profit 501(c)(3) ads</i>	Based on space available.	
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Heights Heli-Hydrant officially dedicated

Representatives from the California Senate, Los Angeles County, La Habra Heights, Whittier, Hacienda Heights, Rowland Heights and the Puente Hills Habitat Preservation Authority (Habitat Authority) took part in a dedication ceremony on December 15 for the new Heli-Hydrant that provides water to fill tanks on helicopters that fight wildfires in the Heights and neighboring areas.

Situated on a hilltop in eastern La Habra Heights, the hydrant is on property that is part of the 3,870-acre preserve managed by the Habitat Authority, including 724 acres within the boundaries of La Habra Heights. The site was chosen as the most suitable location by helicopter pilots from the Los Angeles County Fire Department.

Ivan Sulic, chairperson of the Habitat Authority board of directors, was master of ceremonies for the event. Speakers were Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn, Los Angeles County Fire Chief Anthony Marrone, State Senator Bob Archuleta, La Habra Heights Mayor Carol Engelhardt, La Habra Heights City Councilmembers Brian Bergman and Dennis Laherty, and La Habra Heights Fire Chief Mitch Brookhyser.

"The operative word for today is *collaboration*," said La Habra Heights Councilmember Dennis Laherty, who, along with Councilmember Brian Bergman,



LA County Supervisor Janice Hahn, assisted by LA County Fire Chief Anthony Marrone and young helpers, cuts the ribbon during the Heli-Hydrant dedication ceremony.

spearheaded efforts to get the Heli-Hydrant approved, funded and installed. Laherty noted that planning and negotiations were especially difficult and time-consuming since so many agencies and organizations were involved. He and Bergman both recognized and thanked Supervisor Janice Hahn for helping to negotiate agreements and secure grant funding for the project.

Executive Director Andrea Gullo of the Habitat Authority was also heavily involved in negotiations that led to ecologically acceptable site preparations and installation of the important new firefighting technology.

Pam McVicar, board vice president of the La Habra Heights County Water District, was the first to advocate installing a Heli-Hydrant in our community after learning how effective such equipment had been in fighting wildfires in Orange County.

Supervisor Hahn said: "During a firefight, precious minutes matter! We're grateful that we can provide you with this new tool to help protect this beautiful La Habra Heights and surrounding communities."

Senator Bob Archuleta reminded the audience that La Habra Heights is the first city in Los Angeles County to install a Heli-



Left to right: La Habra Heights City Councilmembers Brian Bergman and Dennis Laherty spoke about the challenges that had to be overcome to make the heli-hydrant a reality.

Hydrant and called it a reminder of ongoing commitments to protect the Heights from wildfire. He also praised fire academy students who serve as volunteer firefighters in the La Habra Heights Fire Department. "La Habra Heights, you're the mothership for all these young firefighters who learn their trade here and then move out to serve other communities," he said.

Los Angeles County Fire Chief Anthony Marrone and La Habra Heights Fire Chief Mitch Brookhyser explained the vital role that timely water drops play in bringing wildfires under control quickly.



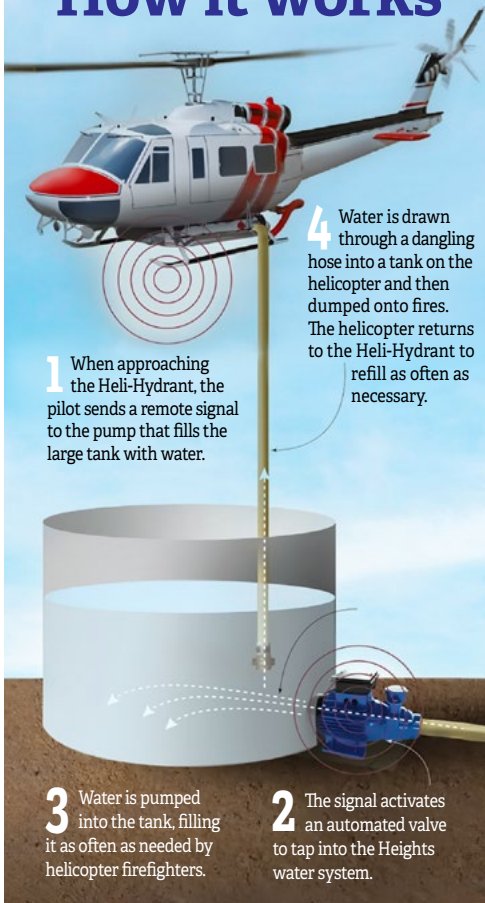
Left to right: LA County Supervisor Janice Hahn, Senator Bob Archuleta and Habitat Authority Board Chairperson Ivan Sulic display a Senate certificate commemorating the dedication.



Cover and ceremony photos by Dan Stracner.

Representing La Habra Heights at the dedication ceremony were (left to right): Pam McVicar, vice president of the board of directors of the La Habra Heights County Water District; City Treasurer Dinesh Ghiya; Interim City Manager Rafferty Wooldridge; Mayor Carol Engelhardt; City Councilmembers Brian Bergman, Dennis Laherty and Norm Zezula; and Fire Chief Mitch Brookhyser.

How it works



In the past, helicopters fighting fires in the Heights either had to land in Schabarum Park for difficult manual refilling or travel to local reservoirs such as Puddingstone Lake. The convenient location of our new Heli-Hydrant creates a force-multiplier effect, allowing a single helicopter to perform many more water drops in a shorter period of time. A small helicopter holds 350 gallons; a large Chinook CH-47 (see the photo on the cover) holds 3,000 gallons.

Made by Whaling Fire Line Equipment (Canyon Country, California), the patented Heli-Hydrant system features remote, radio-activated, helicopter pilot-controlled valves that rapidly fill and drain the 8,600-gallon tank, which is 8 feet high and 15 feet in diameter. The tank has no lid so that it remains dry when not in use to prevent stagnant water and to keep wildlife and people safe. During Red Flag Fire Alert days, the La Habra Heights Fire Department has the option to prefill the tank as an extra precaution.

Having a Heli-Hydrant the Heights enables helicopter firefighters to suppress fires sooner and keep fires smaller. This technology increases protection not only for our city, but also for surrounding communities, constituting a significant contribution to our Mutual Aid Agreements with neighboring agencies.



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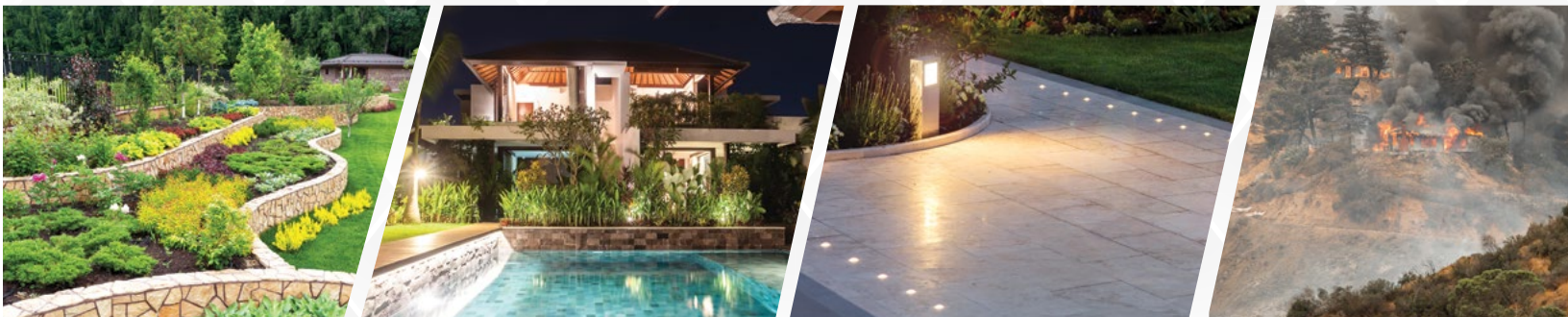


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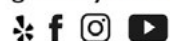
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February 14 *Happy Valentine's Day*
February 19 *President's Day* (City Hall closed)
February 27 Planning Commission meeting: 6:30 p.m.
February 28 Roads Advisory Committee meeting: 6:30 p.m. at City Hall



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DECEMBER 2023

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TOTAL CALLS: 65



Sheriff's Report

DECEMBER 2023

Residence burglary: 1, Vehicle burglary: 1, Hit & run: 2, Non-aggravated assault: 1, Person mentally ill: 1, Person missing: 1, Person dead: 1, Elder abuse: 1, Grand theft vehicle: 1, Vandalism: 1, Traffic accidents: 3, Felonies: 1, Non-criminal: 2

TOTAL INCIDENTS: 17

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