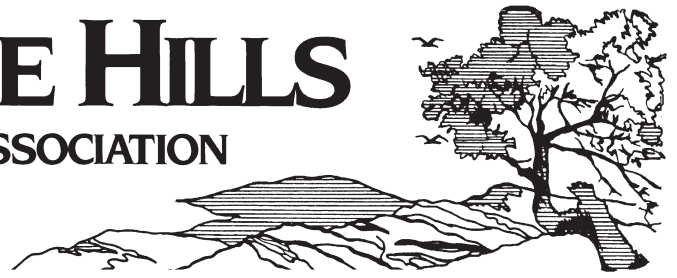


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Dialogue with Rob Zur Schmiede, Newly Elected City Council Member

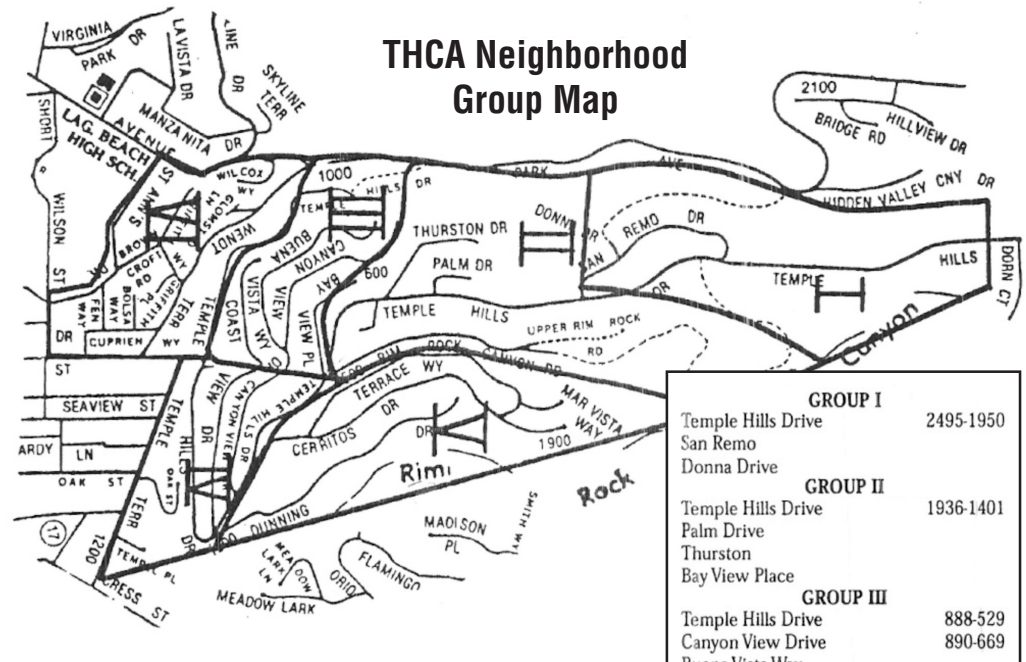
Until this past election, it has been a tradition that Temple Hills sponsor a candidates' forum. In our early years, these forums were held in homes, but the past 15 years we co-sponsored forums with the Top of the World Neighborhood Association (TOWNA) and also once with the South Laguna Civic Association (SLCA). We always reported the results in our newsletter. Because this past year, *The Independent* sponsored three forums, including one for neighborhood associations, we decided not to have a forum but to submit two questions for all the candidates, one relating to the pedestrian walkway planned for Temple Hills Drive, the other regarding acquisition of open space in Park and Rimrock Canyons. We also agreed to meet and discuss issues with any newly elected candidate to the City Council, so on November 25th a delegation from our Steering Committee met with Rob Zur Schmiede. Our meeting of two hours covered discussion on the pedestrian walkway, open space, possible miniparks, undergrounding Thalia utilities, issues relating to Laguna Canyon Road, the problems with the School District (especially on St. Ann's Drive by the High School), and San Onofre storage of spent nuclear waste. It was a friendly and open discussion in search of solutions to problems. Rob is a planner, having served many years on the Planning Commission and his expertise and knowledge were immensely helpful. We thank him for sharing ideas with us and wish him success in his years ahead on the City Council. 🗳

Bruce Hopping and Local Swim Program

Last month *The Independent* reported that after many years of imploring city and school officials to ensure that all local children learn to swim, Temple Hills resident Bruce Hopping got his wish when the City Council approved a free pilot program to begin this summer. The new program will offer free swim lesson to up to 50 low-income children, aged three to 13 years. Now 93 years old, Bruce may still be seen every day walking down Thalia to the beach. Persistency does pay off. Congratulations, Bruce, for your letting us know your concerns and your generosity to the community. 🗳

The Activities of the Neighborhood Groups

With the founding of the association in the early 1970s, the idea was to have a broadly based Steering Committee with each member responsible for a task and to decentralize Temple Hills through a geographical organization of neighborhood groups (see accompanying map). Presently we are in the process of reviving the groups in order to build community spirit and unity. Each group would be focused on problems in your immediate neighborhood. This is a way to become involved without assuming a lot of responsibility but to bring us together to resolve local problems. For example, a group could organize a bloc social, a practice throughout our area. It could bring neighbors together to resolve a dispute, say over development, blockage of views. Let us know your interests by calling 497-2218 or dropping a note to THCA, PO Box 4913, Laguna Beach, CA 92652.



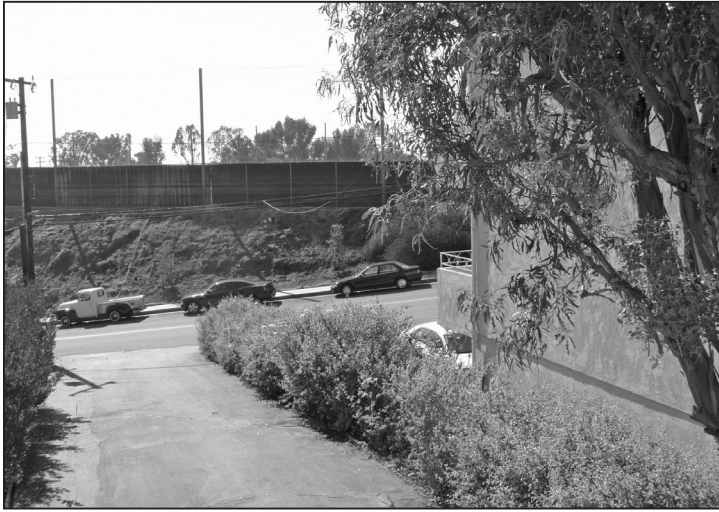
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Canyon View Drive	890-669
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Canyon View Drive	904-1135
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Terrace Way	
Mar Vista Way	
Dunning Drive	
GROUP VI	
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Wendt Terrace	
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Cuprien Way	
Bolso Way	
Fen Way	
Griffith Way	
Griffith Place	
Glomstad lane	
Wilcox Way	
Park Ave.	Odd #'s 815-1025 🗳

Walkway and Aliso Creek

Over the years, Bob Borthwick has been involved in pushing for a pedestrian walkway from Aliso Beach to the conserved lands of Aliso and Wood Canyons Wilderness Park. With the recent Coastal Commission approval of a permit for the Ranch at Laguna Beach, it appears that Bob's vision of many years ago soon will be realized.

However, the U.S. Corps of Engineers is unveiling plans for controlling Aliso Creek and its flood plain that becomes a problem in the wilderness park during heavy rainfall. Over the years, small dams and riprap have been placed to slow the movement of water, but in the process the terrain has been so altered as to change the natural direction of the creek altogether. The Corps is offering a series of alternative plans for control and protection of sewer pipes that presently traverse the canyons. The new plans should be ready for public review in May 2015. Of course, the ideal solution would be to rethink all the old and new projects and find a way to restore the canyon lands and control flooding in natural ways.

— Ron Chilcote 🗳



Shouldn't the School District Adhere to Our New View Ordinance?

The School District has done it again. They created changes within the Village on High School property, which affect our views without input from neighbors prior to plant-

ing the bank surrounding the baseball field with 80 trees. Half of the trees will grow to be 60' plus. Ocean view is important to all of us and with this forest of trees, many THCA members will be affected by the blockage of views with the use of Coastal Oak and Eucalyptus trees. In addition, the Eucalyptus is also a major fire hazard and of concern to many of us.

The baseballs continue to plummet our neighborhoods on St. Ann's, Browncroft, Fen Way and Wilson Streets, with over 800 baseballs collected to date. Since the field was reoriented, it is just a matter of time before someone gets hit by a baseball flying over the fence at an alarming rate of speed. We can only imagine what the consequences will be.

There is a scheduled workshop with School Board members and the public on March 5 at 5:30 p.m. at the School District offices. We urge anyone who is concerned about our public safety from baseballs and blockage of our treasured views to attend this meeting of utmost importance to us all. — Stephen & Jamie Crawford 🐾

News from the Laguna Beach Historical Society



The Murphy Smith Bungalow is back in business! As you may be aware, in November a car in the Whole Foods parking lot went forward instead of backwards and damaged the front yard and porch of the building. The bungalow, located at 278 Ocean Avenue and built in 1923, is the headquarters of the Laguna Beach Historical Society. Visit the bungalow and step back in time to 1920s Laguna. It is free and open to the public on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 1-4 p.m.

Docents are welcomed and needed. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Ed Storke at edstorke@aol.com, (949) 715-7901. For more information about membership, upcoming programs, and other activities of the Laguna Beach Historical Society, please visit their website at lagunabeachhistory.org.— Anne Frank 🐾

Bob Borthwick and Restoration of Laguna Canyon Creek

Bob Borthwick will be delivering the keynote address at the annual Laguna Greenbelt meeting on Thursday, February 12, 7:30 p.m. All are invited (see invitation and notice to the right). Some time ago, Temple Hills supported his restoration of the creek by the Dog Park on the Canyon road, and this will give you an idea of how we can see the creek running here and there. Bob's planning has captivated interest everywhere. Take a look at some of the early 20th-century plein air paintings or the historical photos that show Laguna Creek flowing freely through the canyon and you will discover what a treasure that can be recovered and shared with all of us to enjoy. 🐾



47th ANNUAL MEETING!

Thursday, February 12, 2015

Woman's Club of Laguna Beach * 286 Saint Ann's Drive

7:30pm (7:00pm Social)

'Laguna Creek: Restoring a Neglected Gem'

Bob Borthwick, Landscape Architect

A new grassroots effort to restore the canyon's heart!



Short Business Meeting & Board Elections
Refreshments * All welcome; bring a friend!

Design Review

Temple Hills used to have a process whereby developer plans were submitted to a committee of planners, developers, and architects in Temple Hills and their recommendation would be shared with neighbors and developers in the hope that consensus could be found as to what to do and resolve any concerns. This became time consuming and cumbersome, however. So today when projects come before Design Review, concerned neighbors are encouraged to examine proposed plans, available for review at the Community Development Department at City Hall. The City's goal is "to encourage all interested parties to work together to resolve concerns prior to the initial design review hearing, whenever possible. Neighbors and applicants are equally responsible in working toward a positive outcome."

The association rarely takes a position on local projects but is available to help neighbors find ways toward resolution of problems. Our assumption is that a local problem is best solved by neighbors impacted by development. 🐾



**Steering Committee
2014-2015**

- Bob Borthwick*..... Planning
- Fran Chilcote* Secretary and Membership
- Ron Chilcote* Coordinator and Newsletter
- Jamie and Stephen CrawfordSchool Issues
- Dennis Eastman..... Undergrounding
- Anne Frank*Newsletter/Archive/Group 6
- Becky Jones... Planning & Neighborhood Groups
- Charlotte Masarik..... Village Issues
- Carol OlsonWalkways
- David Raber* Website & Group 4
- Verna Rollinger* City Affairs
- Lorna Shaw*Membership and Group 2
- Dave WalkerUndergrounding and Traffic
- John Walker* Treasurer and Group 5
- Robin WalkerDesign Review and Party Com

*Board Members

Honorary Members

Recognized for long-term service and commitment to Temple Hills

- Joe Baker
- Jan Hall
- Jim Hall
- Doug and Rhonda Kim
- Ben Teschner
- Mary Lou Teschner
- Kurt Topik
- Estelle Warner
- Grant Wetzel
- Marian Whitney

Neighborhood Groups

Temple Hills is broken into six neighborhood areas. Group Leaders focus on issues and problems if and when they occur.

Come Join Us!

The Temple Hills Community Association, since our founding in 1972, has worked to improve the quality of life on our streets and in our neighborhoods, to help neighbors get to know one another, to help them interact with the City when property issues and neighborhood concerns arise, and to join together to address the bigger issues that affect us as a community.

- Over the years, working together as a community,
- we've prevented Temple Hills Drive from becoming a major regional thoroughfare joining with major streets in Aliso Viejo,
- encouraged the acquisition of hillside open space and the establishment of mini-parks,
- worked to facilitate safe pedestrian options,
- fought out-of-scale development and subdivisions,
- facilitated undergrounding in those areas of the hill where a majority of residents approved
- provided a community voice to the City
- fostered a tradition of great neighborhood parties.

Are there any problems in your neighborhood? We'd like to know. What are your interests? Would you like to become more involved? There are opportunities on the Steering Committee and the Neighborhood Groups. Come join with us.

Many thanks for those of you who have sent in early membership renewals for 2015:

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| Allen, Jimmie and Jacqueline | Flores, Stan and Toni | Phillips, Dean & Sally |
| Baker Joe and Elliot Kornhauser | Folkenflik, Bob and Vivian | Pierson, R. |
| Birnbaum, Bill and Carolyn | Frank, Dick and Anne | Poster, Jamie |
| Bodamer, Tom | Franz, Mary and Stuart Bloom | Powell, "Bo" and Brett Jarvis |
| Borthwick, Bob and Vicki | Hall, Jim and Jan | Quint , Elliot and Janice Hayden |
| Briggs, Bob and Leslie | Hedden, B. | Rakov, R. |
| Brockman, Leonard & Leon | Herdman, Scott | Roy, Jim and Connie |
| Brown, Carl and Linda | Hirsch, Ron and Alene | Rollinger, V. |
| Brown, Lance and Laura | Hughes, L. | Sandler, S. |
| Buckingham, David | Jacobs, M. | Skenderian, Morris and Stephany |
| Card, D. | Johnson, Marv and Anne | Small, Steve and Ana Solodkin, |
| Caciamatta, Danillo | Kellenberg, Steve and Toni | Smith, Lawrence |
| Caverly, Thomas and Sheryl | Knauss, Fritz and Bill Klenner | Sobol, Philip and Debra |
| Chiera, Richard and Jane | Lund,Brad and Paymaneh | Spiers, Ivan |
| Chilcote, Ron and Fran | Lyles, R. | Stringer, Anne and Rick Haney |
| Cord, Jason amd Kimberly | Masarik, Charlotte and Alex | Tanaka, Shinichi |
| Couts, Carolyn and John | Masson, M. | Turnier, P. |
| Crawford Stephen and Jamie | Maguire, Paul and Siobhan | Topik, Kurt |
| Dailey, Steven | Mc Elhaney, Brian and Theresa | Thomas, Lynda Anne and R. Cumming |
| Doidge, Richard and Robert | Munroe, M. | Trotter, Dave and Joanne |
| Eastman, Dennis and Carol | Nelson, David and Michele | Viloria, Jason and Holly |
| Emmes, David and Paula Tomei | Newburry, Keith | Walker, Dave |
| Espinola, Kevin and Jill Fletcher | Ohslund, John and Patti | Yellot, John and Dorothea |
| Farrell, Ron | Parker, Marshall | Zehner, Paul and Carolyn |

San Onofre and Spent Fuel

THCA has long been concerned for the spent nuclear fuel remaining at the closed facilities in San Onofre. Thanks to public pressure, the Laguna City Council recently unanimously passed a resolution that asks the federal government to find permanent storage and in the interim to store the dangerous fuel in a secure and less-populated location. The resolution holds Southern California Edison responsible for resolving the problem, itself of imminent danger to Laguna and nearby urban residents who live so close to the facility. A further concern is the cost to utilities users in Laguna and elsewhere who will have to pay for it. ♻️

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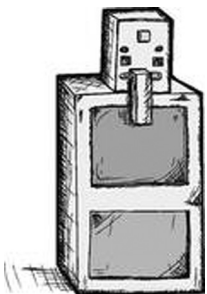
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Where are the News Racks?

Temple Hills residents Anne and Dick Frank recently wrote to the local press about the mysterious campaign against our local newspapers that are no longer available in the space between Anastasia and the flea market on Ocean Avenue nor in the Lumberyard Mall or at the entrance of the Wells Fargo Bank: "All were convenient places to pick up copies, as well as presenting an opportunity to check out nearby businesses." ♻

Temple Hills House Burglarized

On January 9, a house in the Upper Temple Hills area was burglarized. The owners were out of town when their house was tented for termite eradication. Since it was locked up, they did not notice anything amiss upon their return. Later in the day, they discovered that valuable jewelry stored in the closet of their bedroom was missing. To date, nothing else within the house seems to be missing.



It is important for your neighbors to be on guard whenever it is obvious that you are leaving your house unoccupied. Let them know when and for how long you will be gone. In the past, back in the '70s when

"Neighborhood Watch" was in effect, neighbors did report suspicious intruders, and in one well-known case, the police apprehended them. Let's help each other out! ♻

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