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Temple Hills Community Association

Annual Report 2016

Since our May 16, 2015, annual meeting and party, the Steering Committee has met twice:

On June 6, 2015, to review the annual party — the steering committee was deeply grateful to the Andersons, not only for hosting a magnificent party, but also for generously covering costs of servers, rental chairs and tables, dinnerware and wine glasses; income was \$1300 and expense \$1238. It was decided to invite Charles Murray to work with David Raber in updating and redesigning the website to Word Press, and other matters.

The committee met on October 13, 2015, to review the Temple Hills walkway, pedestrian access, and speeding on Temple Hills Drive. A full issue of the newsletter (Vol. 43, No. 2 Summer-Fall 2015) appeared with a detailed report by David Raber and the dedicated work of his Pathways Committee in anticipation of a matter of abandoning a pathway off Bay View, part of the network established in the Temple Hills tract maps of 1921. The City Council favored the abandonment but appointed a subcommittee of Iseman and Zur Schmiede to work with THCA on a pedestrian plan for Temple Hills. During the October city meeting councilmember Toni Iseman remarked that in all her years in Laguna and on the City Council she had never witnessed the outflow of letters, more than a hundred of them, favoring retaining of our historical network of pathways.

Since the new year, THCA has published two newsletters. The Winter 2016 issue reviewed the pathways and walkway progress, reported on social activity, and included an analysis by former planning commissioner Norm Grossman on the downtown specific plan. The Spring 2016 issue featured the invitation to the annual party and meeting.

Charles Murray has finished the update on the website (lagunatemple hills.com) and David Raber continues to update our Facebook page and has encouraged all of us to visit and designate we Like It. We also have placed a PayPal on the home page to facilitate payments and donations to THCA.

Finally, deep appreciation to the Steering Committee for your dedicated service and many hours of work in meeting our goals for the future. And special thanks to Dave and Joanne Trotter for hosting this 44th Annual Meeting and our Annual Party, a tradition unique to Laguna.

— Ron Chilcote, Coordinator

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For the Steering Committee

May 21, 2016

More photos and minutes of the Annual Meeting on page 2



Greeting Mayor Dicterow at the Annual Meeting and Party

Temple Hills Drive Walkway

Tt is amazing how many years (since 1975) it has **▲**been since Temple Hills residents set forth planning that included a safe pedestrian walkway along Temple Hills Drive. On May 13, the Design Review Board unanimously approved the project. Our original plan was to have a natural walkway within space on the north side of Temple Hills Drive that would be buffered by a raised curb and intermittent vegetation, and provide access for the many people living to the north without having to cross the street in order to walk up and down the hill. However, the engineering necessitates it be on the south side and that it be a four-foot wide sidewalk with some retaining walls and cutting back into the municipal setbacks. Despite the many alternative suggestions and negative concerns, generally residents agree with the project.

My concerns have been safety, allowing space to protect walkers and clearing vegetation now into the roadway. The DRB raised this as a major problem and so the city must work this into their planning. We also want the road upgraded to look aesthetically pleasing. We would like eventually to underground utilities on the short stretch above lower San Remo. Finally, we must slow down traffic. Not only is it dangerous for pedestrians, but residents exiting onto Temple Hills Drive must also account for cars speeding up and down. We need lower and enforced speed limits, minimally 25 mph in the upper part and 15 mph in the lower section of the roadway.

Many thanks to the committee of Carol Nilsen, Carol Olson, David Raber, and Chris Reed for all their substantial efforts in making this project a reality.

— Ron Chilcote 🏠

Borthwick Awarded Large Grant for Laguna Creek Project

Congratulations to Bob Borthwick for the half-million-dollar grant awarded by the California Natural Resources Agency to restore five acres of riparian habitat on the city-owned Dewitt parcel through which runs the Laguna Canyon creek. This is part of Bob's master plan for the creek that was completed last year, a project that has the support of THCA.

Our May 22, 2016, Annual Meeting and Party

TEMPLE HILLS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Minutes of the 44^{th} ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, May 22, 2016

Home of Joanne and Dave Trotter

- 1. The meeting was called to order by the chair, Anne Frank, at 5:45 p.m.
- 2. The minutes of the previous annual meeting of May 16, 2015, were approved.
- 3. Anne Stringer gave a financial report for 2015. Income for the year was \$3818 and expenses \$3249 with a beginning balance of \$5913 and ending balance for the year of \$6,482. In 2016, funds have been spent on two newsletters, website, and the annual party. A new website is now in place. Her report along with the budget for year 2016 were unanimously approved.
- 4. Ron Chilcote presented the 44th annual report for THCA, focusing on the content of four newsletters since our last annual meeting and on our website. The principal issues relate to the Temple Hills walkways and continuing consideration to our pedestrian system of pathways. The annual report was approved.
- 5. Secretary Fran Chilcote announced nominations for the Board of Directors and distributed ballots for the secret ballot. The board serves as an executive committee of the steering committee.

The slate of nominees was approved unanimously. They are Bob Borthwick, Fran Chilcote, Ron Chilcote, Anne Frank, Carol Nilsen, David Raaber, Verna Rollinger, Lorna Shaw and Anne Stringer.

6. Three brief reports were presented:

Bob Borthwick reviewed his progress and community support for projects related to his Laguna Canyon Creek project and showed his booklet on "Laguna Canyon Creek Restoration Plan."

David Raber reviewed the progress of his committee this past year, regarding the pathways and the proposed walkway for Temple Hills Drive that was approved unanimously the previous week by the Design Review Board.

Charles Murray reviewed his work with David Raber and the updating of the website (lagunatemplehills. com). He welcomes input and suggestions.

- 7. The two members of the city council, Bob Whalen and Steve Dicterow, were introduced along with our appreciation for their community dedication and service.
- 8. Guest Speaker: Mayor Dicterow complimented THCA for its involvement in city issues and in Temple Hills. He reviewed current projects, the City's excellent financial condition, and plans for the future. Of particular interest is the development of a pedestrian plan for Temple Hills. Following his presentation, he answered a dozen questions from our members.
- 9. Thanks were given to Dave and Joanne Trotter for hosting this annual meeting and party. A motion was made, with unanimous approval, to adjourn at 6:25 p.m. to the party and dinner.
 - Minutes by Fran Chilcote, Secretary 🛱



Jamie and Stephen Crawford with host Dave Trotter and Doug Kinn in the background





Mayor Dicterow addressing the annual meeting with Becky Jones, Verna Rollinger, and Norm Grossman to his right

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Steering Committee 2015-2016

Judith AndersonSocial
Steve BakerGroup 1
Bob Borthwick*Planning
Fran Chilcote* Secretary
Ron Chilcote* Coordinator and Newsletter
Jamie and Stephen CrawfordSchool Issues
Dennis EastmanUndergrounding
Anne Frank*Newsletter/Archive/Group 6
Scott HerdmanGroup 2
Ron HirschNeighborhood projects
Becky Jones Planning & Neighborhood Groups
Charlotte MasarikVillage Issues
Carol Nilson*Transportation
Carol OlsonWalkways
Patti OshlundGroup 5
David Raber* Website & Group 4
Verna Rollinger*City Affiars
Lorna Shaw*Membership and Group 2
Anne Stringer* Treasurer and Membership
Dave and Joanne TrotterGroups 3 & 4
Dave WalkerUndergrounding and Traffic
John Walker Group 5
Robin Walker Design 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.

TEMPLE HILLS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Financial Report for 2015 and Budget for 2016

Financial Report for 2015

January 1, 2015 Bank Balance \$5913 January 1, 2016 Bank Balance \$6482

Expenses

Newsletter \$1873
Composition \$280
Printing \$876
Mailing \$717
Party 1238
Postage \$52

Postage \$52
PO Box \$56
Misc 30
Total Expenses \$3249

Total Income \$3818

Budget 2016

January 1, 2016 Bank Balance \$6482

December 31, 2016 Bank Balance

Income

Dues \$3900 Party 1250

Total \$5150

Expenses

Newsletter

Composition \$500
Printing 1000
Mailing & Postage 1000
Website 900
Annual Party & Meeting 1600
Miscellaneous 150

Total \$5150

Anne Stringer

Treasurer May 21, 2016



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We are counting on your membership. Please renew now for 2016

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 bill 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. 🏠

What you can do to help THCA

Let us know who your new neighbors are so that we can include them in our mailing. Even though every house should get a newsletter, often it is addressed to the old owner and "resident." We would like to be more friendly by addressing it to the new owner. The City is unable to provide us these records in a timely manner so hearing from you would help us out.

The THCA newsletter is always happy to receive news and photos that might be of interest to the community.

Please contact THCA at laguna.thca@gmail.com.

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Dues 2016 (\$20 per household) =	\$
Prepay annual dinner party (\$25 x	persons) =
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Total Enclosed =	\$
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