

Call to Order

Crime Report

Maggie Dillard was presented with certificate of appreciation from our association to be given to our former Senior Lead Officer, Mike Shea at his retirement ceremony.

Maggie says that Beachwood is still having burglary from motor vehicles – during the summer we expect a rise in the crime...don't leave anything laying around in your car. Mostly Grand theft auto occurs on lower Beachwood. She encourages neighborhood watch groups to continue to form. Non emergency number is 877-ASK LAPD. On May 8th at 10 am to 3 pm is the Gun Buy Back at 5520 Sunset at the Farm Fresh (get a gift certificate for your guns). \$100 for handguns – assault weapons \$200 dollars. George talked about the recycling collectors and the guys camping out near the gas station.

Cahuenga Peak Update:

Rafael gave an update on Cahuenga Peak (Coyote Canyon still needs to be acquired) – access to nature is invaluable. Tongva Tribe name for Cahuenga Peak is "Place of Mountains". The geological forces that lifted it up created the peak. That's where the Tongvas went to observe the seasons and to see if forces were coming in their direction. He invited us to hike it at either dawn or sunset and he would lead any hike when he has time.

Nina asked about the vineyard – Hollywood Estates Vineyard. Rafael says that it's served in fine restaurants already.

Mary Geary says that she walked near the Hollywood Sign as a child and picked up sea shells.

Survey LA:

Kay Tornborg is a volunteer for Survey L.A., which is coming to our neighborhood and is going to all other parts of L.A. too. It's a cooperative effort between Ghetty Foundation and the City of L.A. No tax payer money has been spent on this project. Volunteers are going around to explain the survey.

First effort in L.A. to count and document more than 660,000 parcels in the City of L.A. to evaluate whether buildings, statues, bridges etc would be of historic or cultural significance. Professional surveyors in teams of two will take the survey. No one will be knocking on your doors but they will be able to determine by looking at it if it's got historic and interesting qualities.

This survey will take three years but our area will be done in the next 8 or 9 months. No effort will be made to declare the buildings as historic. That is a completely different and lengthy process. The survey needs to know of the cultural things that have taken place in your neighborhood. They are asking people in the neighborhood to tell them of anything of cultural interest in your neighborhood.

Eventually there will be a database available to everyone online as a planning tool and an economic development and cultural and tourism. There will be descriptions and historic information etc.

Survey will be vetted by Cultural Heritage downtown. Len says that this canyon attracts a whole lot of people because of the Hollywood Sign. If there is a database about our homes, we will be listing a whole lot of homes that have a history – we could have a hords of people coming to the neighborhood.

There is already a couple of books out, Permanent Californians and Haunted L.A.

She would also like early photos of the neighborhood and maps.

Public Comments and announcements

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