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Happy Holidays

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Municipal Code 7.6.30 requires "preservation of the nighttime skies that contribute to the city's community character." All outdoor fixtures must limit glare through the use of shielding, directional lighting or other muting techniques.

We all like some decorative lighting or party light strings for the holidays or isolated events—but everyone should understand that once the holiday season is over, lights need to be taken down. Permanent light strings remind one of the final upriver scenes in *Apocalypse Now* with Marlon Brando.

Take the time to view your property from your neighbors' perspective, and if the lighting is too bright, shield it so your neighbor can be at peace.

From fires to mud—please clear all drains and channels

Residents need to prepare for the rainy season. Sandbags can be obtained for free at City Hall, and there will be a pile of sand at The Park. If you have questions or concerns, please contact our Public Works Department at 562-694-6302 (option 5).

Our city evolved from an agricultural community, and many of our drainage courses are natural and run across private land. The city clears major drains but cannot clean on private property. You will be receiving a flyer detailing your responsibilities for such cleaning.

One-year gratis paramedic membership grants

We have 75 grants available for senior households (55 years or older) to provide membership in the Paramedic Program that normally costs \$45. Contact City Hall or visit lhcity.org.

Independent financial audit completed

The Independent Audit of our fiscal year June 30, 2019-2020 books has officially been completed. We have received a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the last three years in that our procedures and books were deemed to be in good shape. Let's have a shout-out for good work by our City Finance Manager Angie Martinez and Accounting Technician Arlene Roa, who put in long hours working with auditors and responding to their requests. Thanks also to the Audit Committee: Mayor Pro Tem Dennis Laherty and Councilmember Jane Williams.

Hsi Lai Temple planning an expansion

The Hsi Lai Temple, a Buddhist monastery in Hacienda Heights, submitted a proposal to Los Angeles County to construct a 17-building retreat center across Hacienda Blvd. from the current site, including a subterranean garage with 266 parking spaces. The project includes dedication of 11.2 acres of permanent natural open space and 10 acres of improved open space.

The City of La Habra Heights will be reviewing the documentation, working on issues that will affect our community and submitting comments to the County of Los Angeles Department of Regional Planning. If you wish more information or have concerns, you can view the documents at planning.lacounty.gov/case/view/2018-000207.

Update on LHH Fire Department grants

Fire Chief Doug Graft and his crew continue to do a great job in augmenting LHH Fire Department resources with grants. Since 2018, they have generated \$382,371.89, which includes a \$1,500 donation from our attorneys at Best, Best and Krieger.

Interesting developments at the top end of Las Palomas

The Southern California Gas Company owns a large parcel in our city on the Whittier border up at the end of Las Palomas Drive. For many years a riding ring used by residents has been located on the site, but the view and seclusion attracts a certain contingent that not only poses a potential fire threat (small fire ring remnants have been observed) but also generates graffiti and trash. The Gas Company recently fenced off vehicle access, which has triggered concern from neighboring residents who use the area for riding and recreation. The council has formed an *ad hoc* committee to explore options.

LHH City Council reorganization

This month the La Habra Heights City Council "reorganizes." A big thanks to the city staff and our residents for all the support and contributions during my terms as mayor.

—Brian Bergman



The Board is saddened that we had to cancel our annual LHHIA *Morning With Santa* due to Los Angeles County restrictions related to the pandemic. We are going to miss seeing the children sitting with Santa and photos in *Heights Life*.



We'd like to remind you that we don't publish a January issue of *Heights Life*, so look for the magazine to arrive in early February 2021.

In the meantime, we offer our sincere thanks to all our LHHIA members for their continuing support of our 81-year-old volunteer organization. If you aren't yet a member, we invite you to join us (please see page 16 for details).

We sincerely hope to resume our normal LHHIA schedule of events in 2021, and we wish you a happy and safe holiday season!

—Pam McVicar

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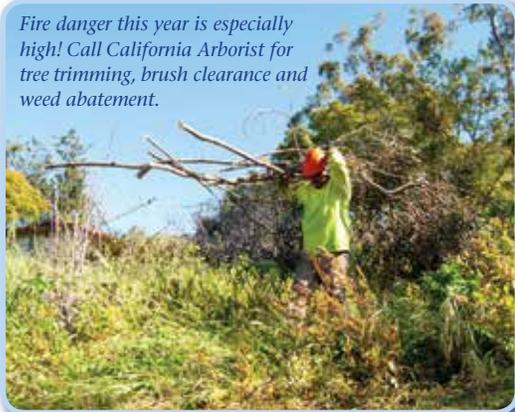
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Correction: The name of Autumn Ly, who won an honorable mention in the LHHIA Photo Contest, was misspelled in the September issue of *Heights Life*. We apologize for the error.

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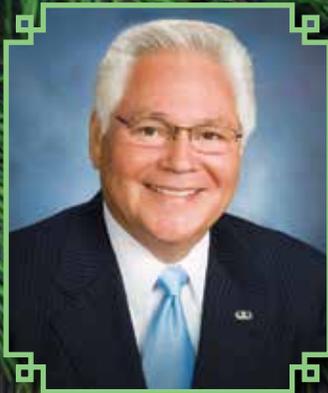
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How Powder Canyon got its name

A HISTORY of the HEIGHTS
(eighth in a series) by Dan Stracner

Visitors to Powder Canyon in La Habra Heights sometimes wonder how this scenic 517-acre wilderness area got its name. Hikers and equestrians have speculated that it might refer to the powdery soil on numerous trails and paths. But the historical origins of the name are less obvious and more intriguing.¹

In the early 20th century, a now-defunct manufacturer of an explosive powder built a small manufacturing and testing facility in the Heights, and locals began calling that area “Powder Canyon.” The company went out of business not long before World War I, and today all traces of its few wooden buildings have long since vanished—we’re not even sure just where they were located. But the name is still with us.

IT STARTED WITH A BANG

In 1905, J.G. Hulme invented a new explosive powder and formed a Los Angeles-based company called Union Powder Company to produce it.

After three years of experimentation, including working with local chemist G.E. Bailey, Hulme and his partner W.P. Doyle advertised that they would conduct the first public demonstration of the new powder, which they named “Satanite,” in the fall of 1908 (see their ad at the upper right).² They did so by exploding both loose powder and sticks containing their product at Nichols Canyon in the Santa Monica Mountains above then-rural Hollywood, which had been incorporated as a city only five years earlier.

A story in the *Los Angeles Herald Sun* (October 25, 1908) proclaimed the test “astonishing” and quoted Union’s claim “to have an explosive that will not only make Los Angeles headquarters for mining supplies, but will entirely revolutionize the powder

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Los Angeles Herald Sun, Oct. 25, 1908; published in the Homestead Blog (see note 1).

industry.” The story included this product description: “The chief features about the new explosive are it is fumeless and almost smokeless, and, while containing more powder or force to the pound than dynamite, giant powder and other explosives, it can be manufactured, it is claimed, thirty per cent cheaper. No nitro-glycerin is used in the manufacture of Satanite, and it is not affected by heat or cold. It cannot be frozen and will stand 460 degrees of heat safely.” Satanite was further described as “far superior to black powder and nitro-glycerin.”

At the time, nitroglycerin-based dynamite was the primary explosive used in mining, quarrying and construction blasting, as well as in military munitions.

Swedish chemist and engineer Alfred Nobel³ invented dynamite in Germany and patented it in 1867. He coined the name “dynamite” from *dýnamis*, an ancient Greek word that means “power.” Dynamite rapidly gained wide use as a more powerful alternative to black powder—also known as gunpowder and made from sulfur, charcoal and potassium nitrate—which had been invented in 9th-century China.

The “giant powder” referred to in the newspaper story was actually dynamite manufactured under license from Nobel by the Giant Powder Company, incorporated in 1867 in Northern California. In November 1869, a massive explosion destroyed the newly-opened Giant manufacturing plant

near San Francisco, killing two people and injuring numerous others. Giant quickly rebuilt, only to have another explosion destroy its second plant after only a few months of operation. The company tried again, moving its third facility to a more remote location near El Sobrante. By 1907, however, Giant suffered four more fatal explosions that decimated its workforce and caused a public outcry against the company.

These highly-publicized Giant Powder Company disasters probably helped motivate Hulme to begin working on a safer explosive to compete with dynamite. His formula, details of which are now lost, was apparently based on chlorate salts, powerful oxidizers previously used in pyrotechnics.

Negative publicity from the Giant accidents also likely influenced protests by citizens of Hollywood and Los Angeles to the proposed building of a Satanite factory in their area, even though testing had supposedly established that the new explosive was safer than dynamite.

Hulme and his fellow entrepreneurs renamed their enterprise Satanite Powder Company and bought a ranch in Ventura County, where they planned to build a factory that they said would employ 200 workers—but in 1910, they changed their plans. In September of that year, the *Covina Argus* newspaper reported a rumor that “the ‘Satanite’ Powder Company is to put 70 men to work. . . up in the hills” about a mile from the village of Rowland. The location was evidently chosen because of its proximity to the San Pedro, Los Angeles, Salt Lake Railroad Line, which would facilitate product shipments. This was the site that would later give “Powder Canyon” its name.

The *Los Angeles Herald*, which had been reporting on additional successful tests of Satanite at various California locations, confirmed the reported rumor later in 1910: “The company has established a factory at Rowland . . . and machinery will be installed by January 1 that will manufacture ten to fifteen tons of the powder daily to meet the large demand.”

In November 1913—fully five years after the first public tests of Satanite—the *Argus* reported that the company “has definitely begun the work of manufacturing at the new plant in the hills south of the village of Rowland. Five wooden buildings have been erected in a level spot surrounded by hills.” The *Los Angeles Times* published a

confirming report: “The Satanite Explosive Corporation of Rowland this week received a carload of chemicals. In addition to the old buildings, two new packing-houses and a six-room bungalow have been built. All the buildings have modern fire protection. The superintendent states that the running capacity of the plant will be about three tons of powder per day.” Note that this plant output is far less than the “ten to fifteen tons” reported in the 1910 *Herald* story.

In 1914, the year that World War I began in Europe, the Satanite Powder Company vanished from the public record, an evident business failure.

WHY DID SATANITE FAIL?

If press accounts were accurate, Satanite had numerous performance attributes and advantages over dynamite. So why did the product fail in the marketplace?

One possibility is that another product from Germany was catching on in the U.S. market at about the time Satanite was introduced. Called Trinitrotoluene, it soon became better known by its nickname: TNT.

TNT had been around since 1863, but it wasn’t used as an explosive until 1891 when chemist Carl Häussermann discovered that the explosive form of TNT was very stable and safe to handle and transport. It was not only insensitive to shock and friction, it was impervious to water, so it could be used in wet environments. It could even be liquefied and combined with other components to create more powerful explosives.

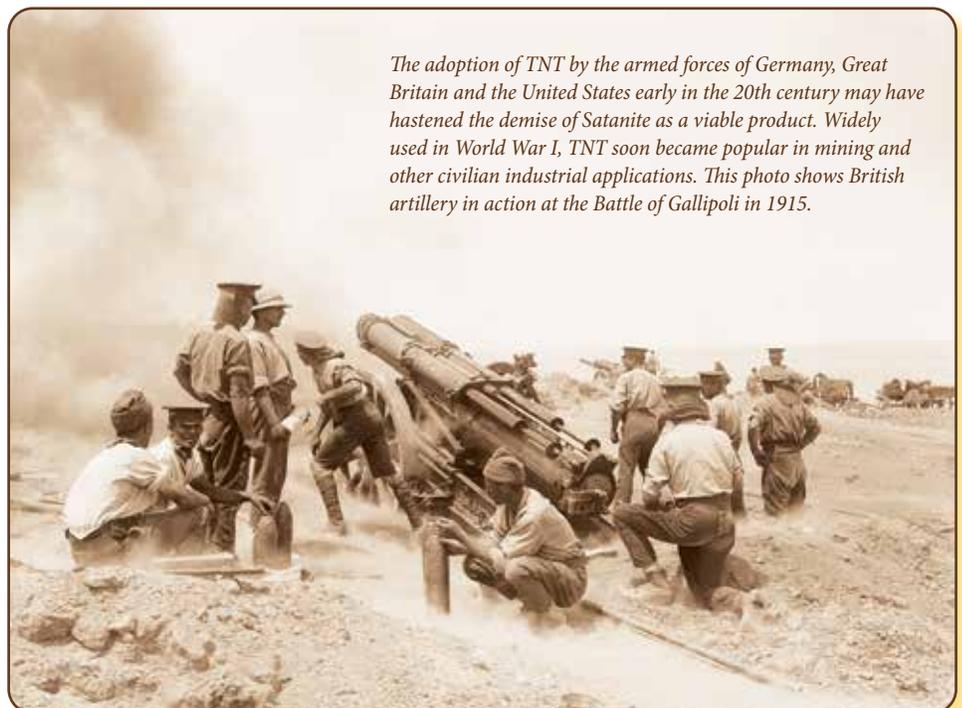
The German military adopted TNT in 1902, and the British followed suit in 1907. Soon the U.S. Navy began using it in bombs, floating mines, depth charges, torpedoes and high-explosive shells, and the U.S. Army found it ideal for field artillery. Because of its rapid acceptance by the military, industrial users began adopting TNT as a safer, more versatile alternative to dynamite.

In short, when Satanite came to market, a similar product—which enough customers obviously considered superior—was already gaining a sizable market share in the USA.

In a future article, we’ll have more to say about Powder Canyon, which is now under the aegis of the Puente Hills Habitat Preservation Authority (habitatauthority.org).

Notes & acknowledgements

1. The idea for this article came from “The Explosive History of Powder Canyon” by Paul R. Spitzzeri (Homestead Blog, homesteadmuseum.wordpress.com, Dec. 29, 2017). Mr. Spitzzeri, Director of the Workman & Temple Family Homestead Museum (homesteadmuseum.org), has been a valuable contributor to our articles about the history of the Heights; we sincerely thank him. The museum (15415 East Don Julian Road in City of Industry) is currently closed because of COVID-19—do plan to visit when it reopens.
2. From a branding standpoint, it could be argued that negative connotations of the name “Satanite” might well have hampered the company’s marketing efforts.
3. Alfred Nobel combined highly unstable nitroglycerin with diatomaceous earth and sodium carbonate to create dynamite, more stable but still very dangerous. Nobel’s brother, Emil, was killed in a dynamite explosion. After a French newspaper called Alfred Nobel “the merchant of death” in a premature obituary, the inventor decided to improve his legacy by donating most of his substantial fortune to create the five Nobel Prizes, one of which recognizes awardees who promote world peace.



The adoption of TNT by the armed forces of Germany, Great Britain and the United States early in the 20th century may have hastened the demise of Satanite as a viable product. Widely used in World War I, TNT soon became popular in mining and other civilian industrial applications. This photo shows British artillery in action at the Battle of Gallipoli in 1915.

Photo by Ernest Brooks (Wikimedia; public domain)



Poinsettias

Happy Holidays!

By Beverley Lepak
Horticulturalist &
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Garden Plot

The winter solstice (first day of winter) officially arrives on December 21 at 2:02 a.m. Temperatures can get a little chilly—maybe we’ll have some rain, frost or even a freeze. Holiday gatherings will likely be smaller this year, but we can still remotely share holiday spirit with loved ones via social media. Record and share your family decorating the Christmas tree, baking cookies, collecting pine cones and hanging up lights and decorations.

Traditional holiday plants & blooms

Poinsettias will be widely available. Those bright red bracts on poinsettias aren’t flower petals, but specialized leaves that change color in winter; the actual flower is in the center of the bracts (see above). Mistletoe is a parasitic plant that grows on our native sycamore trees. Traditionally, standing beneath a hanging mistletoe decoration means that you want to be kissed! Since both poinsettias and mistletoe are poisonous, keep them away from kids and pets.

Because of its colorful red berries and dark green leaves, holly was used in pagan winter solstice celebrations, and it has now become a symbol of the winter holidays.

Long-lasting holiday plants that make great gifts: amaryllis, Christmas cactus, cyclamen, ivy topiaries, orchids, rosemary and paper whites (which you may need to place outdoors if the fragrance gets overwhelming!).

Easy-to-grow winter annuals include cyclamen, Iceland poppy, primrose, pansy, and viola, all of which do well in chilly weather. Cut back roses 1/3 down and remove all leaves, including any on the ground, which will reduce the possibility of disease.

Before you bring a live-cut tree into the house, cut an inch off the truck bottom, put it in water outside, hose it off and let it completely dry. This will keep the foliage clean and fresh and get rid of any hitch-hiking critters. Place it away from the fireplace or heating vents—and do the same for all plants, since heat can dry out foliage and cause a fire hazard.

Winter vegetables & herbs

We’re lucky in La Habra Heights to have moderate winter weather in which we can grow cool-season vegetables. Plant arugula, beets, broccoli, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, celery, endive, kale, lettuce (try different varieties), mustard greens, onions, peas, potatoes, spinach, Swiss chard and radishes. Herbs to plant are catnip, chamomile, chives, chervil, cilantro, dill, fennel, garlic chives, lemon grass, lovage, salad burnet and sorrel.

Bare roots—Deciduous trees, roses, berries, flowering vines and some herbs and vegetables (e.g., artichokes, asparagus and strawberries) are available as bare roots. These plants are dormant this time of year, and planting them in bare form helps them develop roots before they sprout new leaves. Place bare roots in water overnight to rehydrate them, and before planting, fill each hole with water and fertilizer. Bare-root roses should be cut back to about five healthy, stalky canes. Watch for aphids when new leaves begin to sprout; some gardeners spray leaves with water, neem oil or a light mixture of dish soap and water.

Watch the weather—Check weather reports for frost and freeze warnings. Bring in tender potted plants. Outdoors, use row cover or frost cloth (available at farm supply stores), old sheets or newspaper. Do *not* use plastic, which reduces airflow, creates extra moisture and causes bacteria and fungus that infect plants. If frost damage does occur, don’t clip affected parts—leave them until warmer weather starts, which will protect the plant from further damage.



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From the LHH Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness Committee (fourth in a series)

Flying embers from a wildfire can land on homes up to a mile away and cause destructive fires. Taking necessary measures to *harden your home* can help increase its chance of survival when wildfire strikes.

Here are ways you can harden your home and make it more fire-resistant:

ROOF—The roof is the most vulnerable part of your home. Roof valleys, open ends and barrel tiles, as well as rain gutters, are all points of entry for fire. Homes with wood or shingle roofs are at high risk of being destroyed during a wildfire. Build your roof or re-roof with fire-resistant materials such as composition shingles, metal or tile. Block any spaces between roof decking and covering to prevent embers from catching.

VENTS—Embers can enter the attic and other concealed spaces through vents and ignite combustible materials. Vents in eaves and cornices are particularly vulnerable, as are any unscreened vents. Cover all vent openings with 1/16-inch to 1/8-inch metal mesh. Do not use fiberglass or plastic mesh, which can melt and burn.

EAVES—Embers can gather under open eaves and ignite exposed wood or other combustible materials. Box in or enclose eaves with ignition-resistant or non-combustible materials.

WINDOWS & DOORS—Embers can enter through open windows and gaps in doors, including garage doors. Plants or combustible materials stored near windows can ignite from embers and generate



heat that can break windows and melt combustible frames. Single-paned and large windows are particularly vulnerable. Install dual-paned windows with a least one pane of tempered glass to reduce the chance of breakage in a fire. Limit the size and number of windows that face large areas of vegetation.

WALLS—Combustible siding or other combustible or overlapping materials provide surfaces or crevices where embers can nestle and ignite. Build or remodel your walls with ignition-resistant building materials such as stucco, fiber cement wall siding, wood treated with fire retardant, or other approved materials. Be sure to extend wall materials from the foundation all the way to the roof (no ember-trapping gaps!).

BALCONIES & DECKS—Embers can collect in or on combustible surfaces and on the undersides of decks and balconies, igniting combustible materials and entering the home through walls or windows.

Surfaces within 10 feet of the building should be built with ignition-resistant, non-combustible or other approved materials. Remove all combustible items from underneath your deck.

RAIN GUTTERS—Keep gutters clear of accumulated leaves and plant debris that can burn—even better, enclose your rain gutters with fire-resistant screening.

CHIMNEYS—Cover chimneys and stovepipe outlets with non-flammable metal screens with openings no smaller than 3/8-inch and no larger than 1/2-inch to prevent fireplace embers from escaping and igniting a fire.

GARAGE—Keep a fire extinguisher and tools such as a shovel, rake, bucket and hose available for fire emergencies. Install weather stripping around and under your garage door to prevent embers from blowing in. Store all your combustible and flammable materials and liquids well away from possible ignition sources.



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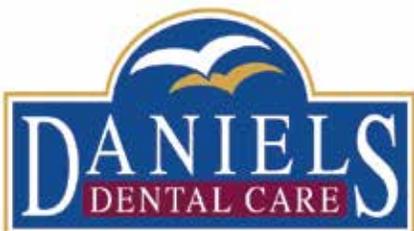
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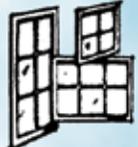
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Heights Life ADVERTISING RATES

For-profit business and private-party ads	6 issues	11 issues
1" line ad: black & white (3.75"W x 1"H)	\$ 93.50	\$ 165.00
1" line ad: color (3.75"W x 1"H)	\$ 100.00	\$ 175.00
2" business card ad: black & white (3.75"W x 2"H)	\$ 396.00	\$ 660.00
2" business card ad: color (3.75"W x 2"H)	\$ 506.00	\$ 770.00
1/4-page ad: black & white (3.75"W x 5"H)	\$ 660.00	\$1,100.00
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
Full-page ad: color (bleed: 8.625"W x 11.125"H)*	\$1,760.00	\$3,300.00
Full-page ad: color (non-bleed: 7.5"W x 10"H)	\$1,760.00	\$3,300.00
Paid non-profit 501(c)(3) ads (space guaranteed)		
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
Free non-profit 501(c)(3) ads	Based on space available.	
One-time ad		
1/4-page ad: color (3.75"W x 5"H)	\$ 165.00	
1/2-page ad: color (7.5"W x 5"H)	\$ 220.00	

Digital ad artwork must be in JPEG, TIFF or PDF format at 300 DPI resolution or higher in actual ad size. For bleed ads, see measurements above. Do not send ad files embedded in Microsoft Word or Excel documents. *Heights Life* is not responsible for poor-quality reproduction from low-resolution or out-of-focus files or for incorrectly-sized bleed ads.*

• Although we prefer digital files, we can scan good-quality camera-ready art. All typography and line art should be clean and sharp. If the ad includes photographs or pictures of half-toned images, they should be sharply focused and properly exposed. *Heights Life* is not responsible for the quality of photographic reproduction.

• Payment for each ad or ad cancellation must be received by the deadline date for ad artwork, which is the 10th of the month prior to the issue date (e.g., ad artwork and payment for the February issue are due January 10).

* Text or photos that you do not want cut off must be within the 8.25"W x 10.75"H "live" area. For bleed ads, include at least 1/8-inch (.125-inch) bleed areas and trim marks.

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Make checks payable to LHHIA and mail to: LHHIA, P.O. Box 241, La Habra, CA 90631. *Advertising Co-directors:* Monica Gunns and Carolyn Boehringer.



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Pam McVicar: (562) 690-1563, youthlhhia@gmail.com

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Lindsey Potter (17) • 562-383-8668 – Babysitting and animal tending.

Jessica Coburn (14) • 562-447-3486 – Babysitting and dog walking.

Members of the La Habra Heights Improvement Association may run notices in the Youth Employment Roster for free.

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LHH Community Events



Public meetings of the La Habra Heights City Council, the Planning Commission, the Roads Advisory Committee and the Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness Committee have been suspended until further notice due to ongoing COVID-19 restrictions. However, some meetings will be held remotely and may be viewed on the internet with written and phone-in comments allowed. See lhhcity.org for more information.

- DECEMBER 14** La Habra Heights City Council meeting: 6:30 p.m.
- DECEMBER 15** Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness Committee meeting: 6 p.m.
- DECEMBER 22** Planning Commission meeting: 6:30 p.m.
- DECEMBER 23** Roads Advisory Committee meeting: 6:30 p.m.
- DECEMBER 25** **Merry Christmas!** *Heights Life won't be published in January. We'll resume publication in February 2021.*
- JANUARY 1** **Happy New Year!**
- JANUARY 11** La Habra Heights City Council meeting: 6:30 p.m.
- JANUARY 19** Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness Committee meeting: 6 p.m.
- JANUARY 26** Planning Commission meeting: 6:30 p.m.
- JANUARY 27** Roads Advisory Committee meeting: 6:30 p.m.

Emergency & City Numbers

EMERGENCY	911
CITY HALL: lhhcity.org	562-694-6302
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT (INDUSTRY STATION).....	626-330-3322
RANGER SERVICES.....	562-698-1446
FIRE DEPARTMENT (non-emergency).....	562-694-8283
LA HABRA HEIGHTS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT.....	562-697-6769
LOS ANGELES COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL.....	562-940-6898
FIDO COME HOME (report lost and found pets).....	562-694-8090
REPUBLIC WASTE SERVICES.....	800-700-8610

La Habra Heights City Council

BRIAN BERGMAN.....	562-690-5047.....	Briansbergman@hotmail.com
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BOY SCOUT TROOP 883 • Call Brian Freeman at 562-743-1973
 BOY SCOUT TROOP 1814 • 951-538-8377 or cookmaster251@yahoo.com
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== 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+**

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SHERIFF REPORT

OCTOBER 2020

Grand theft vehicle: 1, Vehicle & boating laws: 6, Vandalism: 1, Persons dead: 1, Petty theft: 1, Vehicle burglary: 1, Traffic accidents: 2, Non-criminal: 2, Miscellaneous misdemeanors: 1, Miscellaneous felonies: 1.

TOTAL INCIDENTS: 17



LHH FIRE REPORT

OCTOBER 2020

Advanced life-support calls: 19 (10 in LHH, 9 in LA County), Basic life-support calls: 14, Public assist: 4, Fire calls: 8, Traffic collisions: 1, Automatic aid into LA County: 10.

TOTAL INCIDENTS: 46

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