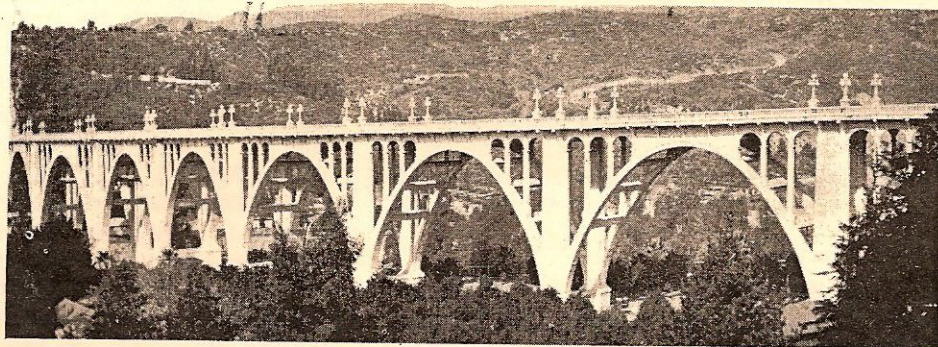


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November 1978

WEST PASADENA RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday, 29 November 1978
7:30 P.M.

La Casita del Arroyo
177 S. Arroyo Blvd., Pasadena

AGENDA:
ELECTION OF OFFICERS
VISTA DEL ARROYO HOTEL SITE
PRESERVATION OF THE ARROYO SECO

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Donald Cobleigh Second Vice President
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Mrs. David Allen Treasurer

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George H. McQuilkin, Mrs. Ben Mirman (Regina),
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Willard W. Wheeler, Jr., Paul Winter, Dr. Robert
Winter

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Annette Serrurier, Claire Bogaard

A NOTE FROM THE EDITORS

The purpose of this newsletter is to inform the residents of the West Pasadena and San Rafael areas about issues of possible concern. It is the hope of W.P.R.A. to publish this newsletter four times a year. The editors wish to keep the newsletter informal and welcome any news articles, suggestions, comments, and help. Do call us...

Annette Serrurier
(799-2556)

Claire Bogaard
(799-8919)

MESSAGE FROM WILLIAM J. BOGAARD, MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS, CITY OF PASADENA

I am pleased to announce that Nancy Esben-
shade has become my field representative. She will
assist me in various ways in my work as a City
Director, with particular attention to the residents
of the District who bring concerns and questions
to me about City government, the advisory boards
and commissions, such as Parks and Recreation
and the Planning Commission, and neighborhood
associations. Nancy's telephone number is
799-7892. Please do not hesitate to call her or me
when matters come up on which we can be
helpful.

William J. Bogaard

Home: 799-9819

Office: 629-4200

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Friends of the Pasadena Public Library is in
the process of organizing a volunteer program to
assist the libraries in the areas of cataloguing,
research, sorting...and other library related
tasks. If you have some extra time and would like
to help take on a library project, call: Friends of
the Pasadena Public Library at 577-4060 or Tony
Thompson at 681-6869.

Neighbors in the vicinity of the intersection of
Nithsdale Road and South San Rafael have recent-
ly approached the City of Pasadena to ask for the
installation of a stop sign on South San Rafael at
Nithsdale. A neighbor child was recently seriously
injured by a speeding car coming south on South
San Rafael from the freeway. The neighbors would
like your support for the stop sign.

At the urging of Pasadena, Caltrans has placed
the construction of sound barriers on the Route
134 Freeway in the San Rafael area in the
construction budget for the next five years. The
budget will be considered and approved by the
California Transportation Commission in the
spring.

Neighbors along Palmetto Drive, Bellevue
Street, and Waverly have been meeting and work-
ing with city staff regarding a possible "zoning
adjustment" on those streets. There may be a

short "interim study district" formed to facilitate any needed changes. The City Board of Directors will consider the matter at the board meeting on Tuesday, November 14, 1978. For further information call, Tom Thomas at 792-2672.

Pasadena Heritage has recently submitted a nomination of the Civic Center District to the State Office of Historic Preservation with the intent that the area covered will be listed in the National Register of Historic Places. The District nomination includes the Pasadena City Hall, Public Library, Civic Auditorium, the Post Office, the YMCA and YWCA, the Turner Stevens Mortuary, the American Legion Building, Police Station and Memorial Park. The downtown section of Pasadena was planned carefully and represents a good example of the City Beautiful Movement of the early part of this century. Members of Pasadena Heritage will be pleased to answer questions about the nomination at 793-4378.

PLANNING UNDERWAY TO PRESERVE THE ARROYO

The Planning Commission and the City of Pasadena is in the process of considering an "Interim Arroyo Seco District" in the general area bounded, as of this writing, by Oak Grove Drive (Devil's Gate Dam), Linda Vista Avenue, San Rafael Avenue, south city limit and Arroyo Boulevard. The interim study district, to be established for a period of six months, will review present ownership of land, zoning patterns, plans for construction of buildings and grading on public and private property in the Arroyo Seco. Further information may be obtained from the office of the City Planning Commission, Room 207, City Hall (577-4152).

The Vista Del Arroyo site, recently declared eligible for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places, continues to be in the news. It is currently owned by the General Services Administration of the Federal Government. Judge Richard Chambers of the United States Court of Appeals has opened discussion with GSA about the possibility of using the main hotel building of the Vista del Arroyo site as a Court of Appeals. Judge Chambers is well known for his fine restoration of historic court buildings in both San Francisco and Portland. A use for the Maxwell House—the

mansion on Grand facing Green Street—has not been determined. Some thought has been given to demolishing the surrounding bungalows to make way for additional parking. WPRA has a committee following carefully these latest developments of the Vista del Arroyo site. Should you wish more information or want to express your opinion, call George McQuilkin at 793-7733.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Neighborhood Watch Program: We are all concerned with crime, particularly burglaries, in our neighborhood. It may be of some comfort to you to know that the Pasadena Police Department is also alarmed and has an on-going program to help reduce our homes as potential burglary targets. Their methods consist of (1) improving physical security of each house, (2) increasing the probability that the criminal will be caught by encouraging citizens to be suspicious of unusual circumstances in their neighborhood, (3) improving the lines of communication between the home owner and the police and (4) increasing the likelihood that stolen property will be returned by proper identification of items.

Both the Police Department and W.P.R.A. encourage each neighborhood block to contact Agent Curtis, who will help you formalize a program for your specific area. His telephone number is 577-4550.

Post Office Box: W.P.R.A. now has a permanent address. If you have compliments, complaints or comments or just want to know the answer to something, please write to the West Pasadena Residents' Association, P.O. Box 2252, Pasadena, CA 91105. This is the Fair Oaks station. Also please inform us if your address changes!

NOTICE OF AN IMPORTANT MEETING

There will be a regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission at the Casita del Arroyo on November 16, 1978 at 7:30 P.M. A representative from the City of Pasadena will be present to discuss plans for the lower Arroyo. PLEASE mark your calendars and attend the meeting. This is also a good opportunity to share concerns about our parks and their maintenance.

A NEW RESIDENT TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD?

Would you like to join West Pasadena Residents' Association?

West Pasadena Residents' Association
Post Office Box 2252
Pasadena, CA 91105

Family \$5.00

Contributing \$25.00

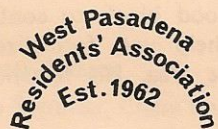
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REPORT FROM THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee is presenting the following slate of officers for 1978-79:

President Peter Brown Dolan
First Vice President Wayne Dryden
Second Vice President . Armando L. Gonzalez, Jr.
Secretary Mrs. Kenneth E. Moore (Ginny)
Treasurer Mrs. Rodman Paul (Anne)

The following persons have been nominated to serve on the Board of Directors of W.P.R.A. Our By-laws call for a vote on all of these nominations at our Annual Meeting on November 29, 1978.

Mrs. Wilson Deuel (Pat), Larry B. Morrison, Thomas Parrington, Mrs. R. Bruce Stewart (Peg).

Anyone interested in submitting additional names to be considered for Board positions is encouraged to call Donald Cobleigh at 799-7949 for further information.