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Glendale's Historic Neighborhoods

The City of Glendale includes many wonderful neighborhoods, e.g., Adams Hill, Royal Canyon, and Rossmoynne. These neighborhoods include a cross section of housing types from bungalows and small courts to mansions. The preponderance of certain types of homes in these neighborhoods could qualify them for designation as historic zones. TGHS' Neighborhood Preservation long range goal is to work with these neighborhoods and the City of Glendale to move toward such designation.

In his May 3, 1995 talk to TGHS, City of Glendale Planning Director, John McKenna also addressed this issue. He stated, "Glendale has a number of areas in the City where there are fine examples of historic architecture. Many of these areas would be appropriate for classification as historic districts wherein it would be appropriate for the use of incentives to foster preservation." Mr. McKenna also stated that these areas need to be surveyed for historic purposes.

Some communities have already designated historic neighborhoods. It is hoped that such designations within the City of Glendale will happen in the near future. In order for us to better work toward this goal, members are urged to join the Neighborhood Preservation Committee. The Committee was created by the Board of Directors to work with Neighborhood groups in addressing preservation issues on a more localized level. To be effective, this project needs volunteers. If you find this type of project of interest, please contact TGHS President, Bill Shepherd.

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Neighborhoods

Another Docent Tells All!!!

More Secrets of the Docent Guild Revealed

David Smith who joined the Docent Guild in the Fall of 1993 shares his experiences of being a Doctors' House Docent

One of the pleasures of being a docent at the Doctors' House is the opportunity to share with others what life was like before television, compact disc players and the microwave. Youngsters (and oldsters too) are amazed when we show them the 19th century version of television (the stereopticon), the compact disc player (the Edison Victrola), and the microwave (the wood burning stove). The docents get to see some interesting expressions on the faces of our guests as we go into the doctor's office with its wooden examining table, antique medical tools and Civil War surgeon's kit. You soon discover that the oohs and aahs winner is the Wooten desk with its ornate doors, countless organizing slots and hidden compartments.

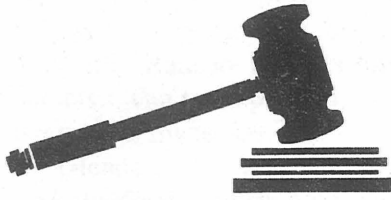
We also tell the history of the house. It was built in 1888 by Ellis T. Byram when Glendale had a population of about 300. Byram was the land agent for the original township of Glendale and started building the house during a period of rapid growth. However, by the time the house was completed the real estate market crashed, land values dropped and the house sat vacant until it was sold in 1890 for \$1,500. House visitors are also told that 90 years later TGHS members saved the house from demolition.

We are often asked why the house is called the "Doctors' House." We explain that the name resulted from the series of four doctors and their families that resided in the house from 1896 to 1914. Docents also have some interesting stories that can be told about each of the doctors and their families. For example, Charles Bogue, the first doctor, received his medical education at the American Institute of Medicine in Philadelphia, a institution that was closed five year after he graduated as being "without merit or standing." Despite this questionable beginning, Dr. Bogue went on to have a long and exemplary medical career. David Winslow Hunt, the second doctor, was the owner of first automobile in Glendale. Dr. Hunt was active in the formation of the Glendale Improvement Association, the organization that brought about the incorporation of Glendale in 1906.

Our visitors always enjoy the story about Nell Shipman, the silent screen actress who lived in the house from 1917 to 1920. I like to tell about how Nell loved animals and would often bring two bears cubs home to the house. Glendale school teachers used to bring their classes to the house to watch the bear cubs romp in the front yard. Can you imagine this happening in Glendale in the 1990s? Just think of the red tape such a simple field trip would create or the reaction of the insurance companies

As you can see, being a docent is more than just pointing out to the visitors some furniture and household objects. It's a chance to expose others to the history of the our community and some of the interesting people that lived here. Each docent will develop their own "special tour" which means that the visitor can return and learn something new. For the docent this means they can include the subjects they find most interesting. Best of all, the experience of being a docent is actually a lot of fun. Its hard to believe that anything that is so rewarding can also be an enjoyable way to spend a Sunday afternoon.

So, if you would like to learn more about the Doctors' House and the history of Glendale, please contact Isabelle Meyer at 818-242-4290. There is always room for one more to share in the fun of being a Doctors' House Docent.



The President's Message

By: William Shepherd

"Yes Virginia: There is History in Glendale"

I was asked by a newspaper reporter recently about the reasons there is not more of a public outcry to save historic buildings. I do not remember my specific answer, but in thinking about it now, I believe there are multiple reasons.

One reason has to be lack of community awareness. Often times, a building is demolished and very few people knew of the proposed demolition before it happened. All of a sudden a building they have seen for many years is gone. They are surprised and saddened. The locals reminisce about the old building, remembering stores or offices in it and wistfully say "It is too bad they had to tear it down."

Another reason is many people do not think of our older sites as being historic. We are a young City when compared with cities in the eastern and southern United States. Except for a handful of structures, most of our buildings were built in this century. That is not old compared to historic structures in Boston, New York, and Philadelphia. But, structures built in the 1920's are old for Glendale. And they do represent our history. They should not all be destroyed. We must retain the best examples of them, as close to their original design as possible, as representatives of Glendale in the early 1900's.

Yes, the City must continue to grow into the 21st century. The year 2000 will soon be upon us. But, that is no reason to ignore and forget the past. For most of our history, we have been a small to medium size city, a suburb of Los Angeles. Many of our citizens have a hard time identifying themselves as Glendalians. We identify ourselves as from Southern California or the Los Angeles area. Many Glendale residents have no understanding of our City's past. Without any knowledge of local history, Glendale residents cannot understand why our local landmarks and historic buildings are important. They cannot appreciate why TGHS so strongly advocates saving historic structures and opposes their modification or destruction.

Obviously, education is the solution. I would like to see more local history taught in our schools. It should be mandatory at both the elementary and secondary levels. Local history should also be available at Adult Schools and the Community College. I would also like to see the City of Glendale more actively advocate for the preservation of Glendale's historic buildings. The City should include more incentives for historic preservation.

There are many ways to educate. TGHS' resources are too limited to be the sole source for this effort, but through our docent tours at the Doctors' House, our monthly educational meetings, *TGHS Quarterly* and preservation advocacy we do our best.

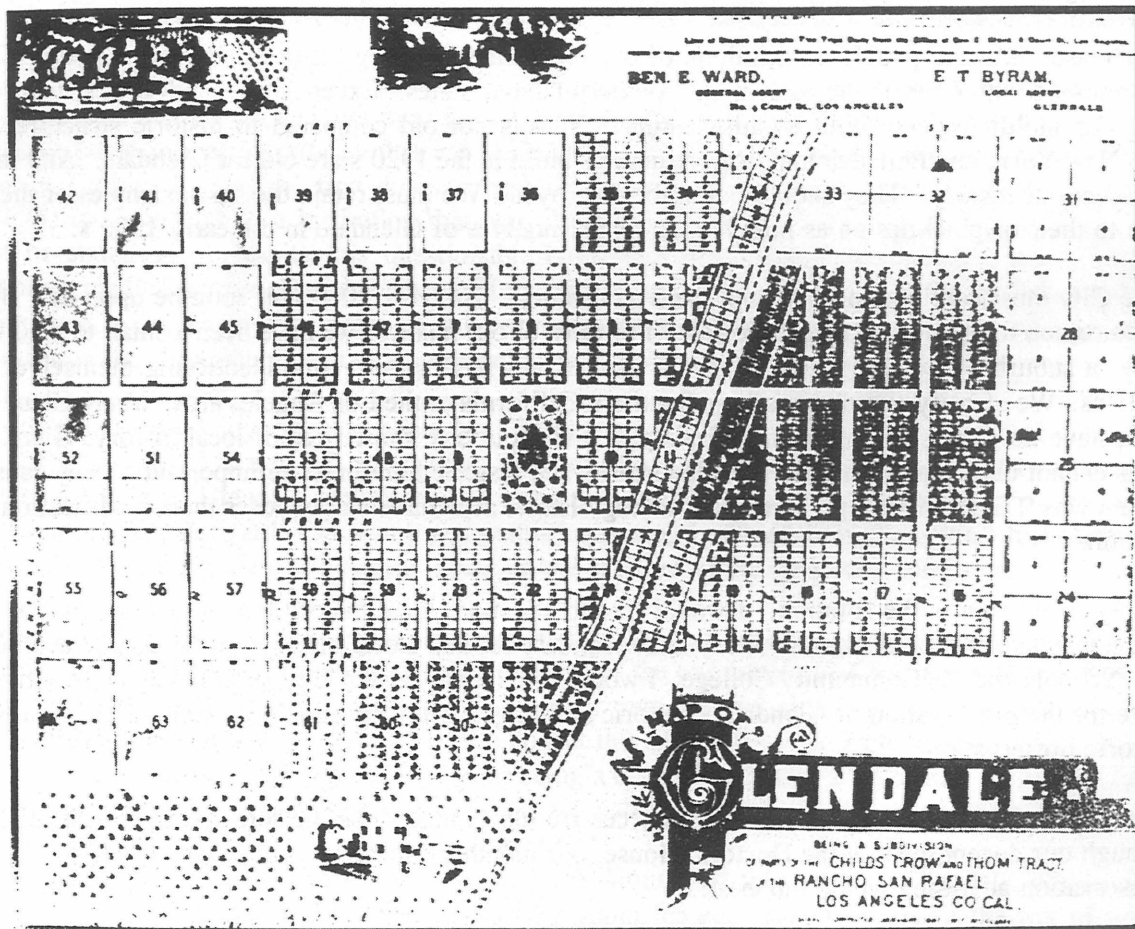
Glendale's First Neighborhood

Do You Live in the Original Town of Glendale?

By: Suzanne McKay

On March 11, 1887, the town of Glendale was officially platted (laid out) as an L-shaped area encompassing present-day downtown Glendale. Central Avenue was the western boundary. The northern boundary was First Street (later renamed Lexington). The eastern boundary was approximately where Chevy Chase is today. West of Glendale Avenue, the southern boundary was Crow Avenue (later renamed Lomita). East of Glendale Avenue, the southern boundary was Fifth Street (later renamed Harvard).

As it still does, Glendale Avenue cut a northeast path through the town. Most of the other streets formed a grid. Those running north and south were assigned the names "A" Street through "O" Street -- names which later became Adams through Orange. Those running east and west were called First through Sixth -- later called Lexington through Colorado. Most of the 64 blocks in this area were long north-to-south and short east-to-west. Most later Glendale blocks and the blocks in Tropic (immediately west and south of the original Glendale) were oriented differently, being longer east-to-west.



Map of Glendale, courtesy of Special Collections, Glendale Public Library.

The original town plat was comprised of land which had been part of the Rancho San Rafael of Mexican Corporal Jose Maria Verdugo. By 1998 this Rancho had been sold off in large parcels. The town plat consisted of portions of the parcels owned by Harry J. Crow (southwest of Glendale Avenue and Fourth/Broadway); Captain C. E. Thom (northwest of Glendale Avenue and Fourth/Broadway); and O. W. Childs (east of Glendale Avenue). At the time of the platting, the blocks in the inner part of the town, between "A"/Adams and "M"/Maryland, were subdivided into residential-sized lots. The outer blocks, then containing orchards and small farms, weren't subdivided until later.

To learn more about the history of your property, you can study the tract map books at the City of Glendale Public Works Division, Room 101, 633 E. Broadway. Your property deed or tax bill shows your tract number. The Glendale Central Library has annual City Directories which you can request at the reference desk or in the Special Collections Department. Look up your street and number to see the occupant of the property during any given year. You can also find maps in the library map file and in the Special Collections Department. The library's microfilmed copies of early Glendale and Los Angeles newspapers have ads and articles about the subdivision of various undeveloped outlying tracts and the building of homes on them. The museum at the main Post Office shows when various areas were annexed to Glendale.

If you live in the original town of Glendale, congratulations! Take a walk along your long tree-shaded north-south blocks, and savor the venerable old homes on your alphabetical streets. You can take great pride in your neighborhood -- the first Glendale.

Historical Note

Telephone service came to Glendale in 1899. Service included ten-party lines, hand cranked phones and a service area that went as far as Santa Barbara!

Annual TGHS Awards Nominations

In September, TGHS will award special recognition to TGHS members and the community-at-large. The annual awards ceremony will take place on the same program as the annual Board Installation.

The Board of Directors is asking TGHS members to submit names of preservation projects, individuals and groups as nominees for an award. The Board would encourage all of our members to look around their neighborhoods and identify homes and businesses that consistently maintain and/or improve older homes and buildings. For example, the southern section of Glendale still has good representative bungalows and courts. Perhaps one of these homes has recently been given a face lift which retained its historic value, e.g., a wood frame bungalow that was given fresh paint and newly landscaped, etc. The Board is encouraging nominees from each area of Glendale and would like to have at least one honoree from each of Glendale's zip codes (excluding strictly Post Office Box, etc. zip codes).

Nominations should be submitted to the Post Office Box (PO Box 4173, Glendale, CA 91202). Nominations should include as much detail as possible. At a minimum we need to know the address of the site being honored, your reason for the recommendation, the name, address, and telephone number of the owner (if known), and any other information which might make the Awards Selection Committee's job easier. Nominations need to be received by July 31, 1995.

Additional volunteers are still needed to work on the Awards Selection Committee and/or on the event itself. Please contact TGHS President, Bill Shepherd if you want to participate.

The Doctors' House Chronicles

This is the fourth in a continuing series of articles on the people who were important to the Doctors' House and the early days of Glendale.

Dr. Allen Lincoln Bryant

The Third Doctor



Allen Lincoln Bryant was born in 1865 in Windom, Minnesota and was raised in New Sharon and Marshalltown, Iowa. Bryant graduated from Drake University and completed internship at Mercy Hospital in Des Moines. In 1895, at the age of thirty, he married 19 year old Josephine Elizabeth Ferguson also of Marshalltown.

Josephine Bryant, like her husband, was physically small. In later years, her daughter-in-law Sally Bryant Hopkins, widow of Dean Bryant, described "Mother Bryant" as a happy, laughing person. She was an articulate storyteller and published a group of short stories and plays. The family passion was music and Josephine sang and played the piano and Dr. Bryant played the mandolin. Josephine's musical talents have been described as exceptional.

The Bryant's twin sons, Dean and Hugh, were born in 1901 and Albert Allen (nickname Cody) was born in 1907 while the family resided the Doctors' House.

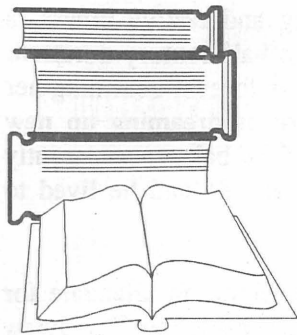
In 1903 the Bryants left Marshalltown intending to go to Oakland, where Doctor Bryant had rented offices. En route, they stopped in Los Angeles and stayed at the Green Hotel in Pasadena. Mrs. Bryant described the hotel as the most elegant place she had ever experienced. While in the area, they drove across the Glendale valley to visit one of Mrs. Bryant's relatives and they were so struck with its beauty that they decided to stay. At that time, Glendale was mostly open spaces with a small commercial block on Glendale Avenue. Glendale's Dr. David Winslow Hunt immediately took a great liking to the new doctor, and they became very closely associated professionally, personally and in community work. In February 1904, the Bryants joined the Glendale Methodist Church.

When Dr. Hunt decided to move to Redlands in 1907, Dr. Bryant took over his practice. With this transaction, Bryant acquired title to the Doctors' House and the adjoining carriage house which had been converted into an office. A year later Dr. Hunt returned to Glendale and the Doctors' House was transferred back to Dr. Hunt. Dr. Hunt then sold the property to Dr. Leonidas Hamlin Hurtt in 1908. Both the Hunts and Bryants built new residences and the two doctors continued to practice medicine.

Bryant used a horse and buggy for transportation which was the customary mode of travel in the valley or to Los Angeles. Son, Hugh Bryant, later recalled the excitement of the family's occasional horse-and-buggy trips to Los Angeles to shop at Mullen and Bluett for the family clothes. In 1908 Dr. Bryant sold his horse and buggy and purchased a Reo automobile.

Allen and Josephine Bryant were serious about their obligations to the new community and from the earliest days they took important civic roles. A 1914 newspaper article honored Dr. Bryant as foremost among Glendale's professional men, a "vital part of the city through long residence and an absorbing interest in everything that pertains to Glendale's advancement and uplift." Dr. Bryant was affectionately known as "the Mayor" before Glendale actually had such an office.

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Doctors' House Chronicles -Continued

Dr. Bryant succeeded E. D. Goode on the High School Board of Education and, served 12 years. He was also a member of the Library Board of Trustees. In 1913, Dr. Bryant, then Library Board President, announced that Andrew Carnegie has accepted plans for a proposed new library building at Harvard and Kenwood. That building was completed within 18 months and stood until 1977.

Dr. Bryant was also known as "the children's friend." He particularly enjoyed pediatrics and also served as school physician for decades. Dr. Bryant was physician to the Parcher family. The late Carroll Parcher remembered him clearly and offered the description of a "small, very active and purposeful man." for whom Carroll had "kindly feelings." Since Dr. Bryant typically made house calls, the patient "seldom went to the office for medical needs. "Friends described him as a most intelligent and caring man with a quiet manner rooted in true humility.

The Bryants were active in social life of Glendale and became members of Glendale's first Country Club at Wilson and Brand Boulevard. Dr. Bryant belonged to the Elks Lodge and was a 32nd degree Mason and Shriner of Al Malaikah Temple of Los Angeles. Mrs. Bryant belonged to Eastern Star Lodge, chartered Chapter L.P.E.O., and was a charter officer of the Tuesday Afternoon Club.

During the early 1980s, several Glendale residents provided remembrances of the Bryants. Wilbur Lee remembers Dr. Bryant delivering his baby brother, Kenny in 1907. Wilbur's sister, Dorothy Lee Weller, recalled an occasion in 1914 when Glendale men put on a "model meeting" spoofing their wives of Chapter L.P.E.O. The usually very reserved Dr. Bryant was cited as an absolute spectacle in a pink tutu.

Several letters of the 1910s and 1920s from Dr. and Mrs. Bryant to a young man that they had sponsored from an orphaned situation are included in the Doctors' House archives.

Josephine wrote to him with a great deal of humorous teasing, solicitude, and affection. She also mentioned her long and restive illness, a heart weakness of over a half century duration. The Doctor, it seems, was forever confining her bed, while she was forever dreaming up new adventures to pursue. The balance apparently worked as she lived to age 84 and he lived to age 76.

Dr. Bryant practiced medicine in Glendale for 37 years. The Bryants are buried in Grandview Cemetery.

This article was adapted from material in the Glendale Historical Society's Docent Training Manual

TGHS Wish List

It is said wishes can come true if you wish hard enough. TGHS wishes very hard for the following items:

- ◆ A photocopier
- ◆ A fax machine
- ◆ Historical artifacts relevant to Glendale history, e.g., old high school year books, menus from Glendale restaurants from days gone by, photographs and other memorabilia.

Historical Note

On July 7, 1887 the members of the Glendale Improvement Association pledged \$80 to help start Glendale's first newspaper, the *Glendale Encinal*.

Historical Note

On July 1, 1904 Glendale celebrated the electric rail line from Los Angeles to Glendale. A giant Spanish Barbecue was held on the grounds of the old Glendale Hotel.



Preservation Update

By: Andrea Humberger

Goode House *(119 N Cedar St)*

Rehabilitation of the historic Goode House and construction of Ivy Glen, a housing complex for handicapped adults, have continued since the ground breaking ceremony in November 1994. The Goode House will serve as a community room, meeting place and office for the tenants and manager of the housing complex which is being developed by the Crippled Children's Society and the City's Department of Community Development and Housing. Construction of the subterranean parking lot is complete and the 24 housing units, now 40% complete, are fully framed and awaiting application of wood siding in early June. The rehabilitation of the Goode House is 70% complete with the windows, door jambs, and shear walls in place; plumbing, electrical, and fire sprinkler systems installed; and exterior painting and finish work complete. The roof is nearly finished and interior plastering is underway. Project completion is scheduled for early October 1995.

Huntley-Evans Building *(Brand & Harvard)*

Redevelopment of Blocks 29 and 30 (bounded by Brand, Broadway, Louise and Harvard): Preparation of the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Glendale Marketplace Project has been put on hold while project plans continue to

evolve. As previously reported, the project originally called for the demolition of all buildings on the east side of the 100 block of South Brand. Concerned about the future of the historic Huntley-Evans Building located at 156-158 S. Brand at the corner of Harvard, TGHS nominated the building for listing in the National Register of Historic Places last fall. Designed by prominent local architect Alfred Priest, it was the first building constructed in Glendale for use as a department store and is one of the few remaining excellent examples of commercial architecture on Brand Boulevard dating from the 1920s. On February 3, the nomination was heard by the State Historical Resources Commission who approved the nomination. On March 30, the Huntley-Evans Building was formally determined eligible to the National Register by the Keeper of the Register. As a result of this successful effort by TGHS and effective negotiations by the building's owner, the Glendale Marketplace plans have been modified to exclude the Huntley-Evans Building. The building owner is currently rehabilitating the structure for retail and restaurant use.

St. Mary's Armenian Apostolic Church *(500 S. Central Avenue)*

The former First Church of Christ, Scientist, now St. Mary's Armenian Apostolic Church, has been a designated Glendale landmark since 1977. The church building is very significant to Glendale, both architecturally and historically. It was designed by Meyer and Holler, architects of Grauman's Chinese and Egyptian Theaters in Hollywood. The current owners of the building have filed a request to amend the City's General Plan by removing the church from the landmark list. This issue was heard by the City's Environmental and Planning Board on April 6. TGHS submitted a comment letter, appeared and spoke at the hearing, and submitted nearly 100 signatures on a petition against removal of the historic church from the landmark list and in support of the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the "de-listing". The Environmental and Planning Board voted that an

EIR must be prepared. The owners of the church subsequently filed a request for the Board to reconsider the matter in June. Wide media coverage of the issue has resulted in numerous calls of support to TGHS, some from as far away as Zuma Beach! TGHS will continue to urge the City to stand by its preservation policy of 18 years by not allowing this historic structure to be removed from the Glendale landmark list.

Preservation Ordinance

Preservation Planner Gerald Wasser presented revisions to Glendale's historic preservation ordinance at the February meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission. The goals of the revisions are to streamline the process for historic preservation projects and to create an incentives package for designated historic resources which include relaxed parking standards and allowance of limited commercial uses in residential zones. TGHS submitted a comment letter on the revisions in mid-February. A second draft of the revisions, which incorporated many TGHS comments, was presented to the Historic Preservation Commission in May. TGHS commends the Planning Division and the Historic Preservation Commission for their ongoing work on these revisions. The revisions to the ordinance will be heard again by the Historic Preservation Commission in June and must still be approved by City Council.

The Masonic Temple Building: Visions of the Future *(234 S. Brand Blvd)*

By: Suzanne McKay

Assisted by funding from the Glendale Redevelopment Agency, the owners and tenants of the 1929 Masonic Temple Building have been rehabilitating this landmark structure and restoring some aspects of its original appearance.

The professional classical repertory theater company A Noise Within is thriving at the site, where it now uses the basement and first three floors for performances, concessions/gathering, rehearsal rooms, offices, and costume, property and dressing rooms. Under a 3-year agreement with the Redevelopment Agency and the owners, Frank De Pietro and Sons, they operate the building with financial assistance from the Agency. The Agency is also funding a feasibility study to determine the future viability of the operations and expansion of A Noise Within. The consultants for the study are ELS/Elbasani & Logan Architects of Berkeley and AMS Planning and Research of Petaluma.

The De Pietros have re-roofed the building, repainted the lower portion of the Brand Boulevard facade, re-opened the original box office/concession window in the entry, and removed non-original additions -- a movie marquee, canopy and wrought iron gates. Interior improvements include air conditioning; elevator, electrical, and plumbing repairs; a fire/life safety system; and a technical control booth. The concrete stairways from have cleaned and stained, emphasizing their age and their unity with the lobbies on each of the first three floors.

The Masonic Temple Building is within the proposed "Town Center", a area roughly bounded by Louise Street, Colorado Boulevard, Central Avenue and Broadway. The "Town Center" is a component of the Greater Downtown Glendale Strategic Plan. This plan, which is currently in the discussion and development stage, would likely retain the building but convert the surrounding area to a complex to include a new civic auditorium, a hotel, parking and pedestrian plazas.

The Glendale Historical Society is continuing to work with the De Pietros and A Noise Within to ensure the continued presence and use of the Masonic Temple Building as a unique and valuable historic landmark in downtown Glendale.

Doctors' House Report

By: Isabelle Meyer

During the month of April, we had 343 visitors, making for a very busy time for our docents. We are especially popular with elementary schools towards the end of the school year when teachers schedule their field trips. We really need more docents who are available for weekday morning tours and will make an effort to recruit enough to keep our regular docents from suffering burnout.

On May 14, we held the first outdoor tea on the grounds of the Doctors' House in celebration of Mothers' Day. Some of our docents and society members sponsored one or more tables by providing everything needed for a delicious meal. Merry Franzen organized a lovely fashion show with costumes of brides through the ages, and Terry Richman graciously narrated the program. Our crew of models was a big success. They turned the downstairs master bedroom into a lively dressing area. Sid Gordon provided appropriate musical background from the kitchen porch with his victrola. Our male docents Art Fisher, Bill Shepherd and Robert Newcomb not only pitched in wherever needed, but gave free tours to any of the 50 guest wishing to see the interior of the house. Doyle Kutch and his helpers Lorraine Zabaro and Helen Gregory treated each visitor to a fresh carnation.

The furnishings of the house gleamed after the through cleaning they had received from Doyle's cleaning corps the week before. A special thanks to Doyle, Lorraine Zabaro, Merry Franzen, Dick Montgomery, Craig Montgomery, Isabelle Meyer and Nanci Pike for their housekeeping efforts.

At \$5 a ticket, the tea and entertainment offered were a real bargain. In order to help raise additional funds, we asked eight Glendale merchants to fill a basket with goodies from their stores, which they generously did. A silent auction of these items raised almost \$200,

bringing the total profit to just under \$400. The businesses who contributed prizes to our event are included on our sponsor pages and I hope they can count on your patronage in the future. They would all appreciate knowing that by supporting TGHS, they have made new friends. Please mention how you heard about them when you visit their shops.

Since this first time Mothers' Day Tea was so enjoyable, we may repeat it in the future. If you have any ideas for other fund raising Doctors' House events, please share them with the Docent Guild.

Meanwhile, many thanks to everyone who contributed to our success in so many different ways. It is always a treat to work with all of you.

Bridal decorations are now up throughout the house and our visitors can enjoy a taste of the wedding season.

Preservation Advocacy Committee

The Preservation Advocacy Committee monitors preservation issues in Glendale, attends and speaks on behalf of TGHS at public hearings, provides input to the City on projects impacting vintage and historic buildings, and attends the monthly meetings of the City's Historic Preservation Commission.

We are currently participating in the public process on the issue of the owner's request to remove the former First Church of Christ, Scientist (now St. Mary's Armenian Apostolic Church) from the City's landmark list, the proposed revisions to the City's historic preservation ordinance, the proposed project for Blocks 29 and 20 (bounded by Brand, Harvard, Broadway, and Louise) of the Redevelopment Area, and the Downtown Strategic Plan.

Please contact Andrea Humberger at (818) 957-6927 to get involved with preservation issues.

TGHS Participates in Victorian Fair

On April 23, 1995, the Homestead Museum had a Victorian Fair on the grounds museum. On behalf of TGHS, Art Fisher and Bill Shepherd worked a table and publicized our own Victorian Museum, the Doctors' House. Art and Bill passed out Doctors' House brochures and invited the public to come visit the best Victorian house in Southern California.

In addition to inviting people to the Doctors' House, our two volunteers with the "give fair, will travel" attitude distributed copies of past issues of *TGHS Quarterly* and sold TGHS Doctors' House related merchandise.

The Homestead Museum is a City of Industry Historic-Cultural Landmark. It is located at 15415 East Don Julian Road, City of Industry. For more information call (818) 968-8492.

TGHS would like to thank the Homestead Museum and the Museum Assistant, Alexandra Rasic for inviting us to participate in their event.

We would also like to thank our volunteers for giving up their Sunday afternoon on behalf of TGHS.

I Remember That Little Train!

Sometimes the good guys and gals win! On March 9, 1995 there was a ground-breaking for the restoration of Angels Flight in downtown Los Angeles. Many Glendalians remember riding the two little cars up and down Bunker Hill and we look forward to the reopening of the "World's Shortest Railroad." Reopening is scheduled for Spring 1996. Maybe a group of TGHS members can go together and make a day of it by going on one of the Los Angeles Conservancy walking tours and then riding Angels Flight.

Special People The Backbone of TGHS

Special people are the foundation of this very extraordinary organization. Even though we have many TGHS members who volunteer their time to help at a myriad of activities such as the Doctors' House, Preservation Advocacy Committee, and membership drives, we could use a few more helpers. Particularly needed are volunteers to work on the following projects:

◆ **Programs:** Help us find and schedule our monthly meeting Program guest speakers. This is an activity that can be done from the comforts of one's home via the telephone. Ideas for speakers often come from our members and from the TGHS mail bag.

◆ **Office Workers:** Our goal is to open the office two days per week. Wednesday (Noon - 4:00 p.m.) and Saturday (9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.). Activities would include general office work, answering the telephone, making calls, assisting members or others who wish to look at our resource files, etc.

◆ **Fund Raising:** In order for TGHS to continue to conduct tours and special exhibits at the Doctors' House, operate the office, publish the newsletter, conduct educational programs, etc., money is always needed. Help is needed to facilitate fund raising events by assisting in publicity, organizing events, coordinating volunteer efforts, etc.

◆ **Doctors' House Docents:** We always need more docents. Particularly needed are docents who are bilingual (Armenian and Spanish are our biggest needs). We also need someone who is fluent in written Spanish to help translate Doctors' House brochures into Spanish. Docents are needed for weekday special tours, so you be a docent even if you are unavailable on Sundays.

◆ **TGHS Membership Events:** We would like to hold more special events for our members, but need help in coordinating these happenings. Some ideas for events that have been suggested recently include a daytime bus tour to the revitalized Mission Inn in Riverside and a birthday party to commemorate little Dorothy Hunt's (whose picture is in the nursery at the Doctors' House) birthday.

Please call the TGHS office at (818)-242-7447 to volunteer.

Alex Theatre Docents Needed

A series of community open houses is being planned at the historic Alex Theatre this summer. The Glendale Historical Society has offered to provide historic and architectural tours of the theater to the guests at each of the open house events. TGHS docents will present the script written by Andrea Humberger on behalf of TGHS and Peyton Hall of the John Ash Group. Docents are needed!

Contact Andrea Humberger at (818) 957-6927 for more information.

TGHS Mourns Passing of Fred Hammond

Longtime TGHS Member and Volunteer, Fred Hammond passed away on February 1, 1995. Fred will be missed greatly. A quiet man, Fred was always found with this wife, Margaret, helping at TGHS special events. His many contributions to TGHS over the many years were significant. TGHS extends our condolences to Margaret and her family.

Historical Note

Glendale's population was 300 in 1900, 2,746 in 1910, 13,576 in 1920, 62,736 in 1930, 82,582 in 1940, 95,702 in 1950, 119,442 in 1960 and 132,752 in 1970.

TGHS Meets With City Manager

by: William Shepherd

On March 31, I met with Glendale City Manager, David Ramsay and Planning Director, John McKenna. Mr. Ramsay and Mr. McKenna were concerned over my editorial in the Winter issue of *TGHS Quarterly* and requested the meeting to discuss ways the City and TGHS can better communicate and work with each other. I thank Mr. Ramsay and Mr. McKenna for their concerns. As an organization that very much cares about Glendale, we would like to have a good relationship with the City.

Mr. Ramsay encouraged TGHS to become more proactive in its advocacy role. He encouraged us to participate in public forums such as the Downtown Strategic Plan, the various City commissions, etc. I told him we would like to do this, but that because many of these activities happen during the daytime, Monday through Friday, it was often difficult for our all volunteer membership to do so. I told him we would encourage more evening meetings.

I recommended that the City help publicize local history and historic preservation by including a series of articles on historic Glendale sites in *City Views*. Mr. Ramsay stated he liked that idea. I subsequently received a call from the City's Public Relations Officer, Rich Wells, that the City would be including such articles in future issues of its newsletter.

Our discussions covered several things and I was encouraged that Mr. Ramsay was concerned enough to ask for a meeting. I told Mr. Ramsay that I thought we should hold periodic meetings to discuss how TGHS and the City can better promote historic preservation.

I am sure we will continue to have some differences of opinion from the position the City takes on some issues. Sometimes we will be of the same minds. What is important that we both listen to each other and that we do our best for preservation of Glendale's past.

Helping Your Favorite TGHS Project

by: Tom Miller

What's your favorite Glendale Historical Society project? Is it the Doctors' House docent tours? It is the preservation of Glendale landmarks? Perhaps you feel that having the new, formal office (and being able to pay the rent) is one of the biggest annual projects. Maybe you savor each issue of *TGHS Quarterly* and want to ensure it continues as the most important way we ensure good communication among our members.

Thanks to Richard Montgomery, TGHS members have an opportunity to assure the continued success and support of the organization long past their lifetimes. To honor his late wife, Natalie, Richard established a legacy of funding for TGHS in 1993 by contributing a bond mutual fund to create an endowment fund with the Glendale Community Foundation. Since then, additional contributions, including one recent large anonymous gift, have pushed the fund above the \$5,500 mark.

Here is how it works. As contributions are received from TGHS members and others, those dollars are pooled with the other \$3.5 million the Community Foundation has invested. The earnings are drawn off each year by the Community Foundation and granted to the Historical Society for any purpose.

In 1994, then President David Smith noted that, "The earnings from the fund this year will pay for postage of our newsletter. That is nearly \$200 we will not have to raise through our fund raising events. And best of all, we get earnings from this fund year after year after year."

Every \$1,000 contributed to the fund increases the earnings between \$50 and \$100, depending on interest rates, every year! For example, a gift of \$750 would generate enough income to pay for the yearly supplies for the periodic cleaning of the Doctors' House. A gift of

\$1,000 will pay for the bulk mail permit every year, thus saving thousands of dollars over the cost of first class postage. A gift of \$5,000 will endow all of our printing and supplies each year. A gift of \$10,000 will endow the yearly registration costs of workshops and seminars at which various TGHS members represent our organization.

According to current President, William Shepherd, "we encourage members to consider adding to this fund and help fund TGHS' activities." Contributions do not have to be cash. In fact, Richard Montgomery used Congress' tax code to maximize the benefits to TGHS while also maximizing his tax deductions and exemptions.

For more information on how to help the Historical Society and yourself through constant, permanent, endowment giving contact Tom Miller at the Glendale Community Foundation at (818) 241-8040.

Veteran's Memorial

TGHS has been contacted by the Glendale Montrose Crescenta Valley Veteran's Memorial Committee for assistance in their effort to establish a war memorial at the corner of Broadway and Isabel in Glendale. The memorial, which will incorporate the existing peace globe and shield, will pay tribute to Glendale area residents who lost their lives in the wars since 1906, the year the city was incorporated. The Memorial Committee, comprised of community members from various veteran's associations and city employee associations, needs assistance in researching and locating the names of the individuals for inclusion in the memorial. Volunteers are needed!

For information please contact Andrea Humberger at (818)-957-6927

Oral History Project

The City of Glendale is looking for volunteers for its Oral History Project. Volunteers are needed to conduct interviews and to be interviewed. Interested persons should call the City of Glendale Planning Department, Gerald Wasser at 818-548-2140.

Glendale History Video

TGHS has been invited by the Glendale Planning Division to serve as a team member in the production of a 30-minute video on the history of Glendale. The video will be geared toward school age children and made available to Glendale schools and libraries. A core group of TGHS volunteers representing various skills and expertise have recently begun meeting with Gerald Wasser, the City's Preservation Planner and manager of the video project. Additional volunteers with technical, creative, and/or research skills are welcome!

For information contact Andrea Humberger at (818)-957-6927.

TGHS Archives Update Recent Acquisitions

We wish to thank the following individuals for their donations to the TGHS archives:

William Shepherd - *1940 menu from Carpenter's Rite Spot Cafe.*

Charles B. Briley - *Framed architectural drawing of brick building located at 251 N. Brand Blvd*

Historical Note

Baseball legend Casey Stengel moved to Glendale in 1924. Stengel Field was named in his honor in 1952.

Membership Update

A special welcome to the following new members who have recently joined our organization:

Non-Profit Organizations

Oakdale Manor Garden Club (Helen Johnson)

Individual & Family

Dr. Sally Cadwell
Flo Butterfield
Elma Inge
Esther Garate
Edna F. Harris
Lauro Meurrieta
John Werling

A special thanks to the following members who have recently renewed at the upper membership levels.

Sustaining

Jon Planovsky
Ruth Priest
Meyer & Beth Siegel

Hysterical Note

Politician---"Congratulate me, dearest, I got the nomination."

Wife---"Honestly!"

Politician---"Why must you bring that up?"

Professor---"I was just reading about a fellow who has been employed in this country for six years and can't speak a word of English."

Student--"Impossible. What is his employment?"

Professor---"He's a train announcer at Union Station."

This months hysterical notes were from the Glendale High School's 1931 Stylus -

COMING ATTRACTIONS



| Date & Time | Event, Sponsor & Information |
|---|--|
| Wednesday, June 14 Noon | Glendale Chamber of Commerce: Flag Day Luncheon. Contact Chamber at (818) 240-7870 for information. Cost \$22. |
| Wednesdays, June 14, 21 and 28, 8:00 p.m. | L.A. Conservancy: "Last Remaining Seats." Movies shown in historic theatres. Contact Conservancy at (213) 896-9114. Cost \$12 per movie (non-members); \$10 (members). |
| Sunday, June 25 10 a.m.-4 p.m. | National Park Services and Friends of Satwiwa: Summer solstice and dedication of the Satwiwa Native American Indian Cultural Center. For info: (818) 597-1036, ext. 231. |
| Sunday, July 9 Noon | Hollywood Heritage: Hollywood Boulevard Tour. Call (213) 874-4005 for information and reservations. Cost \$6. |
| Saturday July 15 6 p.m. - 11 p.m. | Pasadena Heritage: Celebration on the Colorado Street Bridge. For information: call Pasadena Heritage (818) 793-0617. \$12.50 in advance; \$15 at the gate. |
| Saturday July 22 10 a.m.-2 p.m. | TGHS Used Book Sale. 416 N. Glendale Ave. Paperbacks \$.25 each or 5/\$1.00; Hardcover from \$1.00. For information: call TGHS (818) 242-7447. |
| Tuesday, Aug. 22, 3 p.m. - 9 p.m. | TGHS Night at Shakers Restaurant. Eat dinner out that night and help sponsor TGHS. Flyer to follow to all members. For info: (818) 242-7447. |
| Sunday Sept. 10 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. | Doctors' House Melodrama. TGHS volunteers tell stories from the Doctors' House. More information to follow. |
| Saturday Sept. 16 | TGHS Annual Awards and Board of Directors Installation. Further information to follow in Summer newsletter. |
| Sundays Continuous 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. | Doctors' House Tours. Docent lead tours of the Historic Victorian House Museum. Last tour departs at 3:40 p.m. Free, but donations accepted. |

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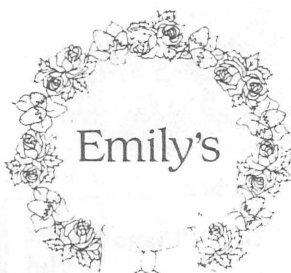
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The goals and objectives of the Glendale Historical Society are to:

- Advance the study and appreciation of local history.
- Promote the preservation of structures and sites that are culturally significant for their historical or architectural importance.
- To be an advocate for the preservation of historical resources.
- To insure the continued public access and enjoyment of the Doctors' House.

The Glendale Historical Society is a non-profit tax-exempt organization and membership is open to men and women of all ages. Members receive the *TGHS Quarterly* newsletter, announcements to all meetings and events, discounts on selected TGHS merchandise and tours. Special membership events include the annual Christmas party, Awards Program, Fall Picnic and Installation Ceremony. New members will receive an initiation to a special welcoming reception. Members joining at the sustaining and higher levels will receive special recognition in the *TGHS Quarterly*. All new members will receive a copy of the TGHS map *Historic Sites in Glendale, California*.

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