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"My Neighbor's House" -- by artist Annie Kelly.
It is the home of Spiro Pastos on Camrose Drive.

**ANOTHER BONUS FOR
H.H.A. MEMBERS!**

The Hollywood Bowl has made available to all HHA paid-up members free tickets for this season.

The letter, which can be exchanged for the concert of your choice, has been enclosed in this issue of VIEW, for those whose dues have been paid.

A free concert at the Bowl, as a part of the \$10-a-year membership -- it's the best bargain in town! Join and take advantage of it!

 PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Hollywood Heights Association is a bilateral organization: On one side we have the internal representations of HHA such as Neighborhood Watch, our Newsletter, our Fire and Security functions, and all the other groups and committees so necessary to a smoothly running association.

On the other side we have the external involvement with neighboring community groups; with the Federation of Hillside and Canyon Associations; with the City Council, the City Commissions, the Community Development Department, the State Senate and so on.

It is in this second area, the external one, that the importance and influence of the Hollywood Heights Association is making itself felt.

We learn, for example, that the Hollywood Police are now very much aware of our area and of our unique problems in the hills. And they

are now more responsive to our needs.

We learn that through a dialogue with our Council Office we do have a say in the kind of construction that can go on in Hollywood.

Working with the Federation we discover that we have a strong lobby in Sacramento on measures that directly affect us.

Starting less than two years ago with a small group of women and men of good will, the Hollywood Heights Association has become an organization of over 200 members, which represents more than 700 people who live on our hill.

We may not win all the battles, but the lines of communication are open. The Hollywood Heights Association is being heard. And listened to. This may well be the most important province of our Association.

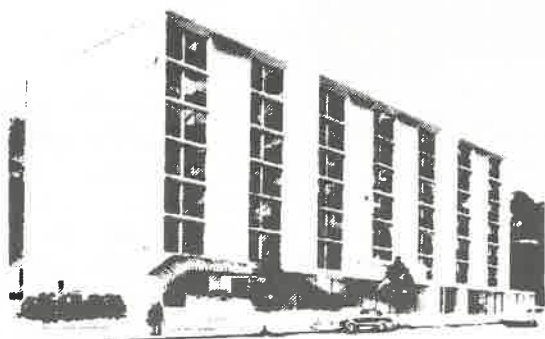
-- by Herb Berlin

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WE HAVE A PROBLEM...

It's one that's familiar to all Hollywood Heights residents -- the menace is the left-turn from northbound Highland to westbound Camrose. It is dangerous, to say the least, and all too many of us have had close calls and accidents.

As previously reported, Morgan Woodward's tireless efforts to secure a left turn arrow have failed to impress the Traffic Department's Mr. Takahashi, who conducted a survey which he stated did not show results which would qualify us for the requested modification.

With the Olympic Games looming before us, we would like to urge strongly that all HHA residents take the following precaution!

GOING NORTHBOUND ON HIGHLAND, DRIVE PAST CAMROSE INTERSECTION AND TURN LEFT AT THE NEXT LIGHT, "ODIN STREET". TURN LEFT AGAIN GOING SOUTHBOUND ON HIGHLAND. THIS WILL ENABLE YOU TO MAKE A RIGHT TURN ONTO CAMROSE, WHICH IS INFINITELY SAFER AND WILL CAUSE YOU VERY LITTLE INCONVENIENCE.

Your committee still will endeavor to get needed improvements from the Traffic Department -- but if you are aware of our multitude of problems, perhaps you'll agree that Morgan Woodward and his two volunteers could use some help from you.

How about it? Call 876-7877. WE NEED YOU!

--by Grayce Baldwin

A NEW NEIGHBOR

The Merlin Hollywood Hotel has opened at 2005 North Highland Avenue, and the director and general manager, Kenneth YK Chong, made a meeting room available for the monthly meeting of the HHA board of directors.

The staff not only posted a sign about the meeting in the lobby, but set up a conference room with paper and pens for the board. A note of thanks was sent to Mr. Chong by President Herb Berlin.

PUBLIC HEARING REQUESTED

A request for a public hearing on the proposed construction of a 23-story Ramada Inn, on McCadden Place, has been sent to Councilwoman Peggy Stevenson and the Community Development Department.

The Councilwoman forwarded the request to Douglas Ford, the general manager of the CDD, but at this time no response has been received. The traffic impact of a high-rise hotel is of vital importance to all HHA members, already struggling with bumper-to-bumper traffic on Highland throughout the day.

The HHA is going to pursue this, along with our neighbors at Whitley Heights and other concerned Hollywood residents.

GIVE A GIFT OF HHA

Here's a thought to help increase Hollywood Heights Association membership:

Why not give a paid membership as a birthday or holiday gift to a new room-mate, a good neighbor, a new friend in the neighborhood?

For \$12 your gift recipient can: 1, belong to HHA; 2, receive the HHA decal for car windshields which facilitates traffic turns at Highland Avenue during the Bowl season; 3, get a copy of the HHA Directory, listing good sources for all types of services, recommended by residents here in this area.

Think about it! Then do it -- send the \$12 and the name of your gift recipient to:

to: Don Wakefield, Treasurer, HHA
2152 Rockledge Rd., Hollywood 90068

Don:

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH UPDATE

BLOCK CAPTAINS FOR HOLLYWOOD HEIGHTS

Alta Loma Terrace	Irv Bramberg	874-7274
Bonita Terrace	Jonathan Zimmerman	851-9863
Broadview Terrace	Melinda Henderson	850-1079
Camrose Drive	Cathy Cahn	855-1010
" "	Penny Layne	874-6795
Glencoe Way	Peter Von Liotes	874-3625
" "	Phillip Morley	" "
Highland Avenue	Sue Burke	851-9609
Hightower	Jamie Riehl	874-8727
Hillcrest	Donna Sekulidis	851-5636
"	Vera Richards	851-6706
Los Altos	Jason Parker	874-2223
Orchid	Carl Bell	874-8765
Paramount Drive	Robert Axelrod	851-8705
Paseo Del Serra	Dennis Spiegel	876-0542
Pinehurst Road	Dick Boke	876-2618
Rockledge Road	Jean Gordon	851-1838
Sycamore Avenue	Marilyn Glasband	874-8422
Woodland Way	Babette Dry	874-4568
Yeager Place	Mark Boli	876-3561

As some of you may have noticed, large 24" by 36" Neighborhood Watch signs are being posted at entry areas to Hollywood Heights. The HHA board voted to pay for these signs. However, if additional signs are wanted for your individual streets, the block captains have been asked to accept donations from their residents. The 18" by 24" watch signs run approximately \$10 to \$12. A small donation of 75¢ or \$1 from residents would insure a sign for your street.

Irv Bramberg worked diligently on two of the signs and Steve Galerkin is helping with the other three. Steve is a contractor and perhaps may be willing to help the block captains place the other signs. You can reach him through his block captain, Bob Axelrod. If your block captain has not yet knocked on your door and you wish to donate some financial help, please give him or her a call. All block captains have the order forms which include large signs as well as individual small yard signs and stickers. If you attended the last general meeting at the church, you heard Officer Woods say that the signs DO work.

-- by Penny Layne

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During May and June 1984 have you seen Westec in our area?

Yes _____

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If yes, when and where?

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Time

Street

If no, what is the name of your street? _____

Have you ever called Westec?

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For what reason?

How did they handle the situation?

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Any other comments you wish to make?

Thank you. Fold and mail to:
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2152 Rockledge Road
Hollywood, CA 90068

or drop into HHA mailbox, corner
of Camrose and La Presa (opposite
Glencoe)

COWBOY ON A LADDER

Morgan Woodward gets a lot of strange looks from people, querulous looks, "where-do-I-know-that-face-from?" looks.

But in Hollywood Heights Morgan isn't getting those looks because he's THE big white haired Texan who Hollywood calls first. With 250 TV and motion picture credits, three Emmy nominations and a selection as one of Newsweek's DIRTY HALF DOZEN, it may be surprising to some folks that Morgan's the same guy artfully pruning his neighbor's trees or perpetually working on the renovation of his Moorish Castle.

"I seem to have a propensity for picking the wrong people to do things for me. I've got an award-winning landscape architect who does work I like, but I can't get him to get over here and plant my front yard," he says.

He's also re-building the house next door for his buddy Bob Birch, president of Lear Fan, on whose board of directors Morgan sits. "I shouldn't be doing my friend's house, but I know what I want done there and I don't want somebody else to mess it up. And this is kind of selfish, but since it is next door to my house, I want that house done right.

"I used to work for fun. Episodic television is worse than bad funny papers and it is not fun to do television anymore. I do it because that's what I do for a living. It's easier to talk about what we have done than what we'd like to do. If I could find the time ... I need more time than anything else ... I hope to produce a picture. I will never get to do MAN OF LA MANCHA because I can't sing very well anymore. I have an extensive musical background (Morgan initially wanted to do Grand Opera rather than Horse Opera) and too much respect for the music to try to sing it in my present condition."

But Morgan was singing out for Hollywood Heights even before he and several neighbors met with Brian Moore of Whitley Heights to create our neighborhood association. Morgan was



The familiar face from TV's "Dallas" is Hollywood Heights' Morgan Woodward

the association's temporary first president, his only "short" role. He stepped down when he left to fill DALLAS for four months. But his commitment to the neighborhood is something he makes time for.

Morgan heads the Traffic Committee and is the Beautification Committee, although he has tabled efforts on the latter to prepare to do battle with the Hollywood Bowl and Olympics traffic onslaught we will be expecting this summer. "If we're not careful, and something is not done about the automobile traffic, Hollywood is going to get like the beach towns where people park on the sidewalks.

"I get very frustrated because of a lot of what I see in the neighborhood. Everybody has his own thing that he wants to do, I suppose. You know me, I never keep my mouth shut when I should..."

...and I do know him. He's my landlord and we've got a pretty good relationship. I don't shut up when I should either. But we enjoy it here in our own ways and are doing something to make it better for all of us. There is more room on some of those committees and Morgan makes getting the job done entertaining, even fun.

-- by Nonnie Morris Vishner

PLEASE NOTE! PLEASE NOTE!

With the Hollywood Bowl season and the Olympics, you will need the 1984 decal for your car front window, and now is the time to get one.

If you are a member, send \$1 and a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Don Wakefield, 2152 Rockledge Road, Hollywood, CA 90068. If you are not an HHA member, the decal is yours if you send \$2.50 and a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Don.

As our treasurer, Don also wants to remind residents that the \$10 annual dues are per PERSON, not per HOUSEHOLD. Anyone who wants to join and get the directory and decal also should send \$12 to Don, who says: "I will be more than happy to mail you the package -- the membership card, the decal, the directory, as soon as I receive your check." No self-addressed, stamped envelopes are needed for this.

JOT THIS NUMBER DOWN!

During Hollywood Bowl season, if you want an update on traffic congestion at the Bowl, call 850-2081. This is the telephone for the bus island, and you will be told whether you should drive into the area, or how long to wait for it to clear.

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