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GLENOAKS CANYON DOG PARADE SATURDAY, JUNE 1st FROM 1:30 TO 3:30 pm



ALL THAT TRAINING IS ABOUT TO PAY OFF!! It's time again for the Glenoaks Canyon Dog Parade!! All dogs, all breeds are welcome to participate!! Come for the parade - stay for the party!! The festivities include:

- ☺ **Pooch Parade.** You and your fuzzy-faced friend will participate in the "Parade of Pooches." Walk tail to nose with past and future champions.
- ☺ **Best Costume.** Show off that costume that you and your dog have been working on all winter. You'll model it in front of a panel of choosey judges!
- ☺ **Trick Contest.** This is where you and your puppy's smarts will be tested. Creativity, humor and originality will be especially rewarded.

☺ **Agility Course.** The final event will measure your canine's cunning, speed and strength, as you maneuver the balance beam, travel through the tunnel of terror and fly through the flags of fate!! Best time wins!

While this is a "dog" event, we haven't forgotten the rest of the litter! We'll have face painting for the human puppies. We'll even spring for refreshments and **HOT DOGS!** Of course there will be treats for the pooches as well.

*Please don't forget your leashes and plastic bags.
SEE YOU AT GLENOAKS PARK AT 1:30!!*

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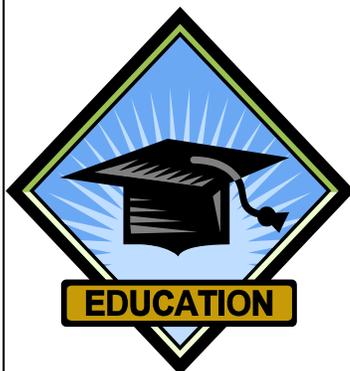
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This year GOCHA will again offer a modest, but still desirable, college scholarship for high school seniors graduating in June of 2013. To be eligible, the senior's family must reside in Glenoaks Canyon, and be a member of the Glenoaks Canyon Homeowners Association. The

deadline for applications is **MAY 15, 2013**. Please contact GOCHA Scholarship Chairman Mike Nosanov to obtain an application and additional details. Mike can be reached at (818) 240-7391.

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JOIN US FOR CLEAN UP DAY ON SAT. MAY 18th

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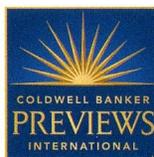
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GLENOAKS CANYON ARTISTS UNITE!

Hello fellow artists! My name is Nancy Wise. I have been creating art for over 40 years and in the last few years I have had the privilege to work as a professional artist. My husband, Randy, and I have lived in the canyon for over 25 years and like most of us who live here we love it (actually I've never met anyone who didn't!). We thought it might be fun to add even more aesthetics to the place we live. Due to our beautiful canyon's proximity to the entertainment industry, we know there are a lot of you out there who work in the arts. We were wondering if there are enough artists interested in participating to put on a Glenoaks Canyon Art Show featuring our Canyon's artistic talent. Interested? If so, let us know and we'll get the ball rolling. Please email me at Nancy@WineCountryArtist.com.



BUDBREAK POPPIES AT ZACA MESA

2013 CANYON CALENDAR

GLENDALE'S ANNUAL CLEAN UP DAY

SATURDAY, MAY 18th
Meet at Canyon Marker, 9:00 AM

ANNUAL CANYON DOG PARADE

SATURDAY, JUNE 1st
1:30 to 3:30 PM Glenoaks Park

SHAKESPEARE BY THE SEA

All's Well That Ends Well
SUNDAY, JUNE 30th, 7:00 PM
Glenoaks Park

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

TUESDAY, AUG. 6th
TBD (Stay Tuned!)

ANNUAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 25th
7:30 TO 9:00 PM Bridges Clubhouse, Park

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, SEPT. 28th
8:00 AM- 11:00 AM Bridges Clubhouse, Park



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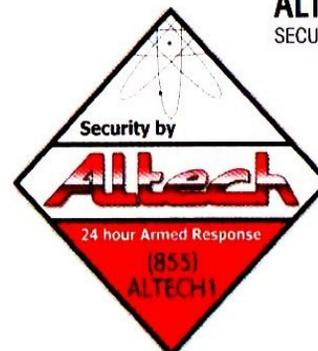


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The President's Column

Spring 2013

SPRING HAS SPRUNG!! Our canyon is awash with new leaves and beautiful flowers. Don't know about you, but my spring seemed to come a little early this year. I think the foliage got a jump on the calendar courtesy of our year without a winter. That's OK...I'll take all the greenery and flowers I can find. Nothing is prettier than our canyon in full bloom.

We are going to be busy for the next few months with a variety of activities.

For those of you that would like to participate in our Annual Canyon Clean-up, slated for the morning of May 18, please contact Joan Morris at (818) 242-5586. It's only for a couple of hours and we can use all the hands and help we can get.

Our "next big thing" is the Dog Parade on Saturday, June 1st. Festivities start at 1:30pm and "yours truly" will again be manning the trusty Hot Dog Cart. I'm looking forward to seeing a great turnout (both human and canine) at the park.

Shakespeare in the Park, the evening of June 30, is always a wonderful treat for the whole family. And, as always, this great group can use our help funding their performance. I urge you to contact Lisa Coffi at (310) 619-0599 or lisa@shakespearebythesea.org with a pledge of support.

Our Neighborhood Watch Program is moving into high gear – with many of your friends and neighbors signing on to participate. The National Night Out is scheduled for August 6th (more on this later). Again, I urge all residents to become involved in the Neighborhood Watch Program. Contact David Lee (818) 291-9363 or Claudia Sysock (818) 246-6146 to find out how you can join this much needed program. Or check-out the email address on the banner posted at the entrance of our Canyon.

I look forward to seeing all of you at our activities throughout the year and I am also available to assist you with questions you may have about GOCHA and our Canyon.

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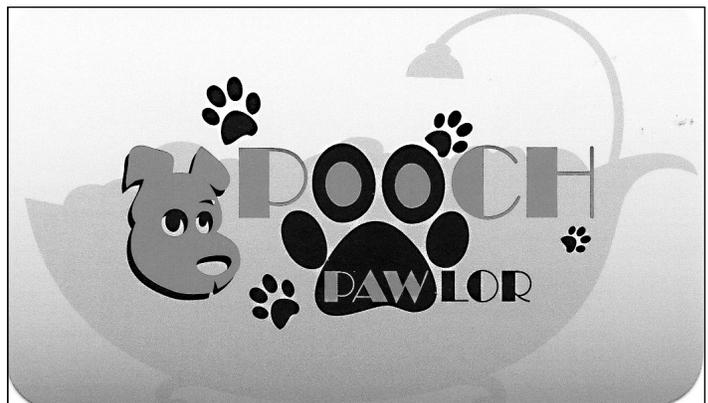
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Status of Sales Activity in the Hills

By Gerry Rankin

The health of the construction industry is improving as property values rise in Southern California. Over all, that is good news. Yet it may be worrisome for those who are concerned about protecting the wild areas of our hills from development. Even though these wild areas seem park-like to the people who roam their dirt fire roads and other winding paths, much of the land bordering Glenoaks Canyon is privately owned, having been divided long ago into separate lots on city maps.



As reported in the Fall 2012 ECHO in an article titled "Are Developers Eyeing Our Hills?", we have noticed activity in the hills by investors, real estate agencies, and others who have raised "For Sale" signs, cleared away chaparral, and even built a fence in areas that had remained untouched for many years. Apparently, this activity has, with one exception, failed to stimulate serious interest from buyers, thus far. We have learned that property on the dirt fire road at the end of Sleepy Hollow Drive was purchased by someone who undoubtedly envisions a future that includes the raising of several houses along that steep roadway. As I was walking my dog at this location a few weeks ago, I encountered a pleasant couple that mentioned that they were looking for a vacant lot on which they could build in Glenoaks Canyon. They said they were disappointed to find that they had been directed to a piece of land that was on a dirt road without utilities. It was not for them.

While this kind of property may present a difficult challenge for individuals looking to build their own homes, a developer may have sufficient resources to be tempted to deal with such barriers as no utility hook-ups, no proper street, a steep slope, and the need for variances and permits on property that would involve intimidating construction issues. Meanwhile, I'll keep walking the dog to see what happens next in our hills.



Rim of the Valley Study

By Gerry Rankin



The National Park Service is conducting a study that may recommend the involvement of that agency in the management of the Verdugo Mountains, the San Rafael Hills, and the part of the San Gabriel Mountains that borders Crescenta Valley. This "Rim of the Valley Study" began about three years ago in compliance with the Consolidated Natural Resources Act of 2008. According to two widely supported alternatives, management of the hills and mountains within and bordering Glendale would be coordinated by the same National Park staff that manages the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area. One of the alternatives, "Alternative C," would actually extend the boundaries of the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area to include the Verdugo Mountains, the San Rafael Hills, and the part of the San Gabriel Mountains that borders the Crescenta Valley. National Park official Anne Dove explains that the National Park Service does not anticipate using eminent domain to acquire private property, but, she says, that Federal funds may be available to assist in purchasing private land in order to enhance efforts to protect the natural habitat of the hilly and mountainous terrain falling within Glendale and other affected communities in the Los Angeles Basin.

Since Glenoaks Canyon is located within the San Rafael Hills, the "Rim of the Valley Study" may eventually impact the lives of those who reside within the Canyon. U.S. Congressman Adam Schiff has supported the Study; however, it is unknown which, if any, of the alternatives the Congressman favors at this time. The GOCHA Board is expected to consider deciding whether it should take a position or formulate any kind of response to the Study.

If you wish to express an opinion or request further information on the "Rim of the Valley Study", you may write to GOCHA, P.O. Box 9949, Glendale, CA 91226, or you may phone me, Gerry Rankin, at (818) 241-0450 or email me at gmraink@charter.net. You may also write directly to National Park official Anne Dove, at National Park Service, Southern California Field Office, 570 West Avenue 26, Room 175, Los Angeles, CA 90065, or email her at anne_dove@nps.gov.

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