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***TWO DIE IN HELICOPTER CRASH  
IN THE PASS -- WHO CONTROLS OUR SKIES?***

We all know helicopter noise has gotten worse. There are more media and traffic helicopters and more sightseeing helicopters than ever before. Traffic helicopters buzz our neighborhood before 6:00 a.m. and private entrepreneurs conduct sightseeing flights late into the night.

We also know helicopters flying at low altitude create safety problems. The tragic crash on January 14 vividly demonstrates the risks of flying too low. There are more obstacles to avoid and less time and distance within which pilots can react and safely address operational problems.

CPPOA is trying to solve the noise and safety issues arising from non-essential helicopter traffic. There will be a Public Safety Mtng. Feb. 13 downtown at City Council Chambers regarding helicopter safety issues.

Please call (213) 876-4352 if you would like to help in CPPOA's efforts to address this important issue.

**Whose Neighborhood is This?**

Included in our Fall 1993 Newsletter was an article about the Ventura/Cahuenga Boulevard Corridor Specific Plan - a City-mandated plan which oversees the improvement of the Boulevard. A community workshop was held September 21st for residents of the Cahuenga Pass and Studio City, who, for purpose of the Plan, are grouped together in a single area. Architects and designers presented ideas for beautifying our portion of the Boulevard, including trees, center islands, street furniture, signage and lighting, undergrounding of utility poles, as well as specific proposals for upgrading certain sections of our area. Possible funding sources for the Plan were discussed. Also, a questionnaire was given to those who came so that they could express their opinions, ideas and aspirations for the area, and have a real hand in what will eventually grace our streets and represent the character of our neighborhood. If you attend our February general meeting I'll tell you the types of ideas which you and your neighbors came up with for the Boulevard. This is and can be your voice which is heard. See you February 22nd.

**General Meeting!**

Come Wed., Feb. 22, 7:30 p.m. Valley View Elementary 6921 Woodrow Drive

*Important info on:* Subway Construction... Helicopter Safety...  
Neighborhood Crime... MCA Master Plan ?!...Plus... Board Elections



**THREE CHEERS FOR THE CAHUENGA PASS  
HOMEOWNERS AND RESIDENTS!!**

In an effort to bring the community to Valley View Elementary, the parents for Valley View distributed pre-addressed envelopes and a flyer to many of the homes in our local school area asking for the Von's, Ralph's, and Pavillion grocery receipts dated through January 11th. The school is able to turn the receipts in to these businesses in exchange for computers and playground equipment. The response was greater than any of us could have expected. Remember! A great neighborhood school is good for property values, and without your support we can't have one.

The next big project is having business and residents donate working computers to the school. The Detwiller Foundation will match all donations with another computer of equal value. Bring those working computers to the school by March 22nd and get a warm fuzzy feeling along with your donation.

If you would like to be involved in any way with the school call Franny Parrish at 213-851-6747.

**MAN-MADE EARTHQUAKE THREATENS C.P.**

By Bill Gable

On December 21st of this past year, the MTA Board awarded the contract for the Metrorail tunnels that connect Hollywood to North Hollywood, which will run directly underneath your homes, as well as Runyon Canyon Park. While our focus has been upon the Park, we are growing more and more concerned for this entire area of the Santa Monica Mountains, and wanted to alert you.

After reviewing numerous studies and reports, the Coalition now believes that this project *has the potential* to have a devastating impact upon everything in its path due to the massive dewatering that will be involved. Our gravest concern, beyond the obvious potential for ruinous impacts to the Park's environment, is that of "inducing seismicity" for thousands of hillsides homes. By removing vast amounts of water from the subsurface, the MTA is very likely on the verge of greatly increasing the chances for damage to this area during an earthquake. The public deserves more information.

Independent experts have accused the

MTA of having a simplistic vision of this tunneling project. What we do know is that the tunneling will go on for many months, at minimum, and that the MTA has recently requested a permit to increase dewatering to 7 million gallons per day. Environmental groups are pointing out that massive dewatering could affect areas perhaps up to a mile on either side.

The MTA operates in an atmosphere of secrecy and arrogance. They have established a well-deserved reputation for disregarding impacts upon the community, which are only of secondary interest to them.

There is still time to compel the MTA to do further studies to guarantee public safety, and there may still be time to stop this project, if its safety cannot be proven to our satisfaction. *But the only way this will ever happen is if you become involved.* Come to the general meetings to hear more.

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

The Cahuenga Pass Property Owners Association is an organization of neighbors working together to preserve and protect our community and to help make it a better place to live. To do this we must all work together as neighbors and, most importantly, WE MUST ALL BE INVOLVED.

During this past year all of us have been very busy. The ongoing time demands of jobs, careers, family, schools, and church were compounded by the work we have all had to do to put our homes and businesses back together after the quake. Yet, through it all, the CPPOA Board worked hard for our community and I wish to thank each and every one of them for their efforts.

The CPPOA is now accepting nominations from Association members for new Board members for 1995 and I urge each of you to consider serving at least one year on the Board. Many of the current members have been serving for years and it is time for new people to get involved and to contribute new ideas and energy. The more that do get involved and contribute the less each has to do. Our by-laws call for 21 Board members so don't worry. THERE IS PLENTY OF ROOM.

**WHAT? You're NOT a member of the CPPOA?  
Call 213-851-6747 and we will get an application  
to you ASAP.**