## Hillside Federation February 4, 2015

Cinematographers' Guild Council District 4 Candidates Forum

The February meeting of the Hillside Federation was a special CD 4 candidates forum. No official business took place.

**Deputy Fire Chief Joe Castro** explained the department's recent reorganization, dividing the city into 4 geographic districts (mirroring LAPD). Castro's district includes all of the mountains, from Griffith Park west. Before this, assignments rotated and the public in a particular neighborhood never knew who they would get when they needed help. In the new system, Deputy Chief Castro works M-F (as does his staff) and will be consistently in charge of and responsive to hillside issues or needs. Cell: (213) 216-7379 email address: <a href="mailto:joseph.castro@lacity.org">joseph.castro@lacity.org</a>; Office at 1800 Bronson Av - old Fire Station 82. He is glad to discuss hillside safety issues with anyone, by phone, email or in person.

## **CD 4 Candidates' Forum**

A standing room only crowd gathered at the Cinematographers' Guild to meet the candidates for CD 4 and hear their positions.

**Candidates:** Sheila Irani, Wally Knox, Jay Beeber, Fred Mariscal, Carolyn Ramsay, Steve Veres, Joan Pelico, David Ryu, Teddy Davis, and Tomás O'Grady were seated randomly and responded to questions in random order.