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# BRUSHWOOD GULCH GAZETTE

The Way Out West Tent Newsletter

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## It's L&H Holiday Tyme!



We have come to our final 2022 **Way Out West Tent** meeting and it promises to be *EPIC!* We gather on **Tuesday December 6<sup>th</sup>** at the **Mayflower Club** in North Hollywood – and we will be screening the Laurel & Hardy holiday classic *Babes In Toyland*. To celebrate, we will have BOTH authors of the *Henry Brandon King Of The Bogeymen* book present – your Sheikie and Bill Cassara – and just to make things MORE exciting, we will have Randy Skretvedt back with us with his NEW book *The Laurel & Hardy Scripts Volume 2* – and it is even **BETTER** than the first one! We will also screen a classic Disney cartoon and Laurel & Hardy's penultimate short *The Fixer Uppers*. Signed Laurel & Hardy books make EXCELLENT holiday gifts and we still have WOW Wall Clocks!!

### OUR GANG EXHIBIT UPDATE!

Bob Satterfield – who will also be with us for the December 6<sup>th</sup> meeting – informs us that the **Our Gang Exhibit** that he curated for The Hollywood Museum has been EXTENDED through the end of the year and until January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023! If you haven't yet visited, DO NOT MISS this incredible celebration of 100 Years of The Little Rascals!

The **Mayflower Club** is located at 11110 Victory Blvd in North Hollywood, CA. The doors open at 6:00 PM and the program begins at 7:00 PM.

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### 2023 WAY OUT WEST MEETING SCHEDULE

All meetings are on Tuesday evenings at the Mayflower Club in North Hollywood

February 7<sup>th</sup>

April 4<sup>th</sup>

June 27<sup>th</sup>

September 26<sup>th</sup>

December 5<sup>th</sup>

### **Our Billy Gilbert Salute In September**

On an evening when the calendar said “Fall” but the thermometer said “Summer” the **Way Out West Tent** gathered again to salute the always entertaining **Billy Gilbert**. An excellent sampling of Billy’s work with Laurel and Hardy, The Three Stooges, Thelma Todd/Zasu Pitts and Walt Disney was screened while everyone enjoyed some delightful red velvet Patty Cakes at the break. Rick Greene presented **Jayne Barnhardt** with this year’s Wiley Award for Lifetime Achievement for her decades of dedicated service to the tent. The second half combo of The Music Box Steps documentary (celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary) followed by **The Music Box** was entertainment perfection. Thanks to Bob Brauer, Victor D’Agostino and Marty McGinnis for help with the Sons toasts and to Bob Duncan for a compelling biographical sketch of Billy Gilbert’s life and career.

### **WAY OUT WEST TENT WEBSITE**

The Way Out West Tent has a website that can be referenced for upcoming meeting information and some Tent and Sons history. Go to [www.wayoutwest.org](http://www.wayoutwest.org) and bookmark us!

Future WOW Grand Sheik Rick Greene presents Mildred Kornman with her certificate during the Our Gang Reunion at Hollywood '80.



### **FAREWELL, DEAR MILDRED**

Possibly the last living actor from the silent film era – and a dear friend of the Way Out West Tent and Our Gang series player – Mildred Kornman has passed away.

Mildred died on August 19, 2022 at the age of 97 years old! Her famous sister Mary Kornman was the original Our Gang series leading lady and her baby sister Mildred appeared in several silent shorts alongside Mary.

Mildred appeared at the Hollywood '80 Our Gang Reunion AND the Laurel & Hardywood Our Gang Reunion in 2014. She was a devoted Way Out West Tent member, attending many meetings, banquets and conventions.

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