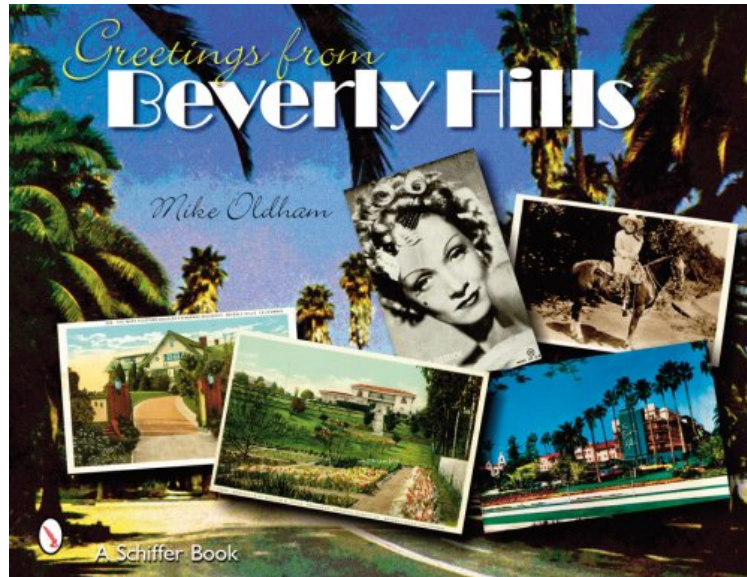


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**Mike Oldham : Greetings from Beverly Hills** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Greetings from Beverly Hills:

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By Lisa  
As a post card collector, movie buff, and student of architecture, I thought this book would be right up my alley, and I ordered it sight unseen. I must admit I was disappointed. There is very little information about the houses themselves. I am interested in their year of construction, architect, designer, style, and history. When I see a picture of Robert Montgomery's house, I want to know about his house, not the fact that his daughter starred in "Bewitched." It's a minor point, but I was kind of amused that the author pointed out "misspellings" of "McLaglen" and "MacLean," among others, because the post card publishers had added a superfluous space; but on p. 97, poor Patsy Ruth Miller is referred to as "Pasty"--a somewhat more egregious error, I think. :)

Since the early twentieth-century, Beverly Hills, California, has been known for its movie stars and mansions. Here, in over 300 color and black and white postcards, Beverly Hills' glamorous heyday comes to life. Follow this famous city's development into the "Movie Star Capital," beginning in the early days when silent movie star Mary Pickford could be seen socializing at the Beverly Hills Hotel and, as Charlie Chaplin noted, "Sidewalks ran along and disappeared into open fields..." Experience mid twentieth century Beverly Hills, a more trusting era when one could stroll past the residence of a favorite star, and perhaps even call on them for a visit! Gaze at Beverly Hills' grand hotels, like the Beverly Wilshire, which opened in 1928, and later was home to Elton John and Andrew Lloyd Weber.

About the Author  
As a kid, Mike Oldham gained bragging rights on his block by going to Beverly Hills with his family to view the homes of the stars. As an adult, Oldham continues to soak up the area several times a month with day trips from his home in Irvine, California. He has authored several books about California and its movie stars, and enjoys

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