

THE VIEW APRIL 2009

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THE HOA BOARD LETTER

by George Podolsky

Security System

There have been several complaints of the Board not researching security companies for our new security system.

The Board spent over six months interviewing seven or eight security companies and received quotes of \$14,000.00 to over \$20,000.00. UPS Security System cost was \$16,550.00 and was chosen because the system offered was the least expensive with the most features.

Less then five, of 255, homeowners took an interest to ask a Board member questions about the security system and the companies they were considering.

For the residents who feel they were left out of the Boards decision, they would not feel left out if they had been regularly attending monthly HOA meetings.

Neighbor Security

The home of a resident was recently broken into and robbed. The lock on their patio sliding glass door was broken to gain access. The thief ransacked the home, taking money and jewelry.

It is believed that on this day a neighbor reported someone coming to her door looking for an unknown person and thought nothing of it.

According to the Moreno Valley Police, robberies across the states are increasing. There are many steps, recommended by the Crime Prevention Committee (see the Crime Prevention Committee Report), to make our homes more burglar proof.

Solicitors have been placing their business cards on resident's doors, or trying to acquire business within the community, even though there is a sign on the entry gates stating 'No Soliciting'.

One solicitor, who came to my door, stated a resident he had done work for, told him it was OK to solicit new business.

Most of us think it is OK to encourage our hired help to gain new clients in Mountain View, but this opens the door to several problems.

The best way you can help them bring in new business is to ask for their business cards, then you can give the card to your neighbor, asking if you can recommend a business for their problem.

Once again, the sign at the entry gates states 'No Soliciting'.

Therefore, a resident has the right to call the police to report a trespasser in the community because it could be someone looking for a house to rob.

If you are interested in organizing our Neighborhood Watch Program, contact Mark Quesada, at 951-485-2020. (Moreno Valley Ranch Home Owner's Association).

Swimming Pool Savings

The community saved \$8,386.59 for the three months the pool was not heated. Below is an itemized list of the monthly

Heated Pool	Non- Heated Pool		
2007/2008	2008/2009		
12/07 \$ 2,596.98	12/08 \$1,633.25		
01/08 \$ 2,641.00	01/09 \$ 897.34		
02/08 \$ 3,148.61	02/09 \$ 128.05		
Totals: \$11,045.23	\$2,658.64		

Family/Guests Using **Common Area Facilities**

It's that time of the year when we are going to have family/ guests visiting. Some of your guest will want to use the common area facilities: clubhouse, exercise room, spa, swimming pool, pool table and tennis court.

Per the CC&Rs and Rules and Regulations, you as resident MUST BE PRESENT when your family/guests are using all facilities.

Do not give your family/guests your key fob and tell them to 'go ahead to the facility where you will meet them, in a little while.' Failure to follow the rules will lead to a fine and if the misuse continues, your fob keys will be blocked from using all facilities.

Should any of your family/guests damage any of the common area facilities, you are financially responsible for all

If you need to report a 'people problem' immediately within the common area, call a Board Member with your cell phone. The Board Members names and phone numbers are listed inside the bulletin board next to the exercise room.



Moreno Valley District 3 Crime Prevention Committee Report.

Please plan to attending the *Crime Prevention Committee* meeting at the Moreno Valley Ranch's Club House, 16010 Rancho Del Lago, in Moreno Valley on May 11th at 7 pm.

The Moreno Valley Police recommends these suggestions, to help prevent home break-ins:

- **1. Shrubbery** Should be no taller then the bottom of any windows. Trim all shrubbery at least 1 foot from the bottom. This will not give burglars a place to hide.
- **2.** Lawn Have your lawn taken care of. Dry uncut grass says that you're away.
- **3. Windows/Screens** Windows/Sliding glass doors secured with an independent locking system. Screens on all Windows/Sliding glass doors. By placing a screw at the top of all window screens you will prevent the screen from being lifted up and out.

If you are interested in becoming a Neighbor Hood Watch Block Captain for our Community, please contact Mark Quesada, at 951-485-2020. Mark will provide you with all the details.

Here is a list of important phone numbers for our community.

Animal Control: (951) 413-3790 Crime Reporting: (951) 776-1099 Code Enforcement: (951) 413-3340 Graffiti Hotline: (951) 413-3171

Household Hazardous Waste: (800) 304-2226 Moreno Valley Police Gang Unit: (951) 486-6809

Moreno Valley Police Daytime Number: (951) 486-6700

Moreno Valley Police Non Emergency Number: (951) 684-0911

[After 5 pm, both daytime number and non emergency numbers are transferred

to the Riverside County Sheriff's department dispatcher.]

Moreno Valley Recreation Department: (951) 413-3330 UCR Master Gardner's Advise: (951) 683-6491 ext 228 Riverside County Master Composters: (951) 486-3200 Shopping Carts Return Pickup Services: (800) 252-4613



BUNCO

Bring Your \$5.00 and Join Us at the Clubhouse

TUESDAY, April 7th, 6:30 p.m.

Last Month's Winners

Most Wins - Twila DeWalt Most Bunco's -Fran Martinez, Kathy Bennett Most Baby Bunco's - Joyce Collis Most Losses - Mary Ortiz Fuzzy Dice - Judy Kathriner

For more information contact:

Marilyn Dawson

Marilyn6515@verizon.net





Next Bingo will be April 21st 6:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse Cost: \$5 including 3 Bingo Cards Snacks: Anything you fancy

January Winners

Doris Asciak, Doris Polley, Wayne Williams, Mary Ortiz, Joan Brodowski, Joan Williams, Shirley DeCarlo, Lola Emmermanis, Helen Lukomski

For more information contact

Judy Box

What's Cooking? (from Katie's Kitchen Corner)

By Katie Wenke

Lots of folks serve ham for Easter and most of us use the "tried and true" cloves with a maple/brown sugar type glaze. Let's try something different this year. I found these on the Internet. (I love Foodnetwork.com!!) Let's try one of these for a change. Let me know which one you liked the best. Horseradish? ...hmmm ...might be interesting.

GLAZES AND A SAUCE FOR HAM

PEANUT BUTTER GLAZE

1 cup chicken broth

½ cup creamy peanut butter

½ cup honey

1 clove garlic, chopped

2 tsp soy sauce

Combine all the ingredients in a blender or food processor. About 20 minutes prior the completion of the roasting, slather the glaze over the ham and continue cooking for the final 20 minutes.

LOW CARB MAPLE BOURBON GLAZE

1 tsp maple extract

1 tsp dry mustard

1 tsp white vinegar

1 1/4 cup sugar substitute - Splenda recommended

2 to 3 TBS bourbon

1 TBS whole cloves

Mix all ingredients together except the cloves. About 30 minutes prior to the completion of the roasting, score the ham in a "tictac-toe" fashion. Insert cloves intermittingly among the cuts. Pour the glaze over the top and let drip down the ham. Continue cooking for 30 minutes.

SWEET SAUCE WITH A ZING

1 (15 oz) can crushed pineapple

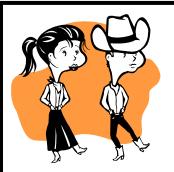
1 (10 oz) jar apricot all fruit preserves

3 TBS dry mustard

½ cup prepared horseradish, from dairy aisle

1 tsp pepper

Combine all ingredients in a bowl and serve with warm ham.



COME ON DOWN

TO THE CLUBHOUSE FOR LINE DANCING TWO HOURS OF FUN AND EXERCISE

(No experience necessary)
Every Wednesday from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday March 25th from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Any questions, call Doris Asiak

MOUNTAIN VIEW SOCIAL CLUB FINANCIAL CLUB March 16 – April 15, 2009

BALANCE FORWARD: \$1,459.31

INCOME:

Two Bars (March) \$ 118.00 Two 50/50s (March) 73.00

Ladies Luncheon 140.00

HOA Reimbursement

Newsletter & Wii 400.67

Total \$ 731.67

EXPENSES:

Newsletter (April) \$ 166.80

Irish Potato Feast Food88.17Rene's—Irish Potato Feast Food203.75Office Expenses: Checks29.75

Cupboard Supplies 60.63
Bar Expenses 39.04

Total (\$ 588.14)

BALANCE \$1,602.84

FUNDS ON HAND:

Washington Mutual \$1,453.38
Petty Cash 149.46

Total \$1,602.84

To Be Reimbursed by HOA

Newsletter Advertisements Total

April \$166.80 -0- \$166.80

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Hass Treasurer

Ladies' Bible Study

Mondays, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Come join us each Monday. This is a non-denominational Bible study for women who attend or do not attend church, as well as, those who have never studied the Bible before or those who want to learn more.



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All ladies are welcome. We meet in various host homes. Enjoy friends and refreshments while we study the Bible together.

For more information, call Kay Donner or Gretchen Williams

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LADIES LUNCHEON

AT THE CLUBHOUSE

SATURDAY, April 25th, 2009, 12:30 PM (Date Change)

FASHION SHOW

Presented by

Discovery Shop Benefiting The

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

Many fashions and accessories will be available for sale. For shopping only, stop by at 1:30 PM. Cash and checks accepted.

Salad Luncheon \$10.00 per person

Make your check payable to M.V. Social Club and deliver to Betsy Hass (14552 Mt. Vista Drive) prior to April 23, 2009, for your reservation.



Join us at River Kwai Thai Cuisine, 22920 Alessandro Blvd., Moreno Valley, for great authentic Thai food. They have a wide menu selection and all will receive a separate bill.

We would like to let them know how many to expect, so please give us a call if you are planning on coming. Also, if you need a ride, please let us know.

Ron and Gretchen Williams

POP-TOPS

On March 8th, the University of Redlands had a collection for the Loma Linda Ronald McDonald House. We dropped off **19 pounds** of pop-tops.

Look for the certificate on the bulletin board. Our new total is now 236.25 pounds.

Although Ronald McDonald House no longer has their "open" drop off point, they continue to have the yearly collection. We will continue to save all donations of tops until they are called for. Keep up the good work. I pick up the tops every Wednesday at coffee.

Thank you, Nancy Berger

Ron Berger authorpublisher@gmail.com

Dear Mountain View Community Families and Friends

Thank you for the beautiful flowers, thoughtful cards and wonderful food and fellowship at Carole Sweeney's memorial.

Carole and George were delighted and blessed to be with you and to share in your community. I know they are with you in spirit on this day as always. May you all be blessed.

With deepest gratitude, Carol Mentonelli

WHAT'S HAPPENING

By Joanne Pavlik



Spring is underway, and so are we. Notice the Spring activities coming your way: Fashion Show Luncheon, the all new Wiian Club, <u>Dancing Under the Stars</u>, and the start-up of water aerobics. **Thank you to Judy Box**, our new Bingo press agent. Judy will assist us with Bingo by being our contact person and submitting the bingo articles to "The View".

Every Tab Counts!

Congratulations to *Mountain View* on it's recognition for supporting the **Loma Linda McDonald's House** by collecting pull-tabs. We thank **Nancy Berger** for bringing such a worthwhile cause to our attention, and all of the contributors. Save the pull-tabs off your cans and drop them into the labeled container in the library. **Every tab counts!**

Let the games begin!

Thank you to the HOA who have supported us in expanding the activities of the social club. We have purchased the Nintendo Wii Sports and Wii Fit package for organized clubhouse use. Do you want to play sport games, and/or exercise program? If interested, sign up at the clubhouse ASAP. Times can be flexible. Sign up today, so we may let the games begin!

The sports games offered are: golf, tennis, baseball, bowling and boxing. The exercise programs are: yoga, balance, strength and aerobics.

Become a Wiian!

We are also looking for men and women Wii leaders. You don't have to be a star athlete to Wii, just a leader for the chosen activity, to gather the group and start the games. For questions, call Jo at 247-4773. I have plenty of them.

We are in need of a Garden Club Chair. If interested, or just inquiring, contact Jo.

<u>Save the Date</u>: April 6: Water Aerobics Starts

April 6: Social Club Board Meeting, 6:30 pm. clubhouse

April 25: Discovery Shop Fashion Show Luncheon

May 15: <u>Dancing Under the Stars</u>, with band, "Reflections"

Thank you to each of the distributors who faithfully deliver "The View" to your door each month.



THE GARDENER'S CORNER

by Carole Sweeney Republished from April 2005 Newsletter

From the gardener's corner... you probably have been puttering in the garden these last few days, as April is a great time to sow seeds and put in transplants. The weather from now through June is perfect for planting citrus, avocados and other tender trees. **Prune frost damaged wood** once the plant or tree has finally leafed out and you can easily see what wood is dead.

Start thinning excess fruit set on trees and vines for better developed remaining fruit and grapes with less strain on the tree or vine. Allow a spacing of five inches between peaches on opposite sides of the branch, and three inches between plums and apricots.

Feed roses heavily to ready them for their long blooming season. Weekly or every other week until fall, prune the spent blossoms down to the first five-part leaf to gently shape the plant, feed lightly and water. Water only in the morning to lessen mildew or other disease problems. Watch out for aphids right now. When you see them, spray with a heavy burst of water and that should kill them.

Happy digging in the dirt!

Project Linus

by Janet Jarosh

Thank You for your generous support of the Moreno Valley Chapter of Project Linus Charity. We collected 237 blankets for Make A Blanket Day February 21, 2009! Ed & I delivered 129 of them to Loma Linda Children's Hospital and are planning to go to Parkview Hospital this month (end of March) with 30 blankets and again to Loma Linda with the remainder. Three blankets went to McWane Funeral home in Hemet for The children of a young soldier killed in Iraq in January.

To the volunteers who make these special blankets, thank you for the humble healing mission you have chosen. These security blankets are truly cherished by the children during their traumatic time and years later...

Please continue to make monetary donations to help defray the costs of making "security blankets" for seriously ill children. Checks can be made payable to Project Linus (a 501c3 charity, tax deductible) and mailed or dropped off at my house.

Thank You for your support. Janet Jarosh/Coordinator (for Riverside and San Bernardino Counties), 14711 Grandview Dr., Moreno Valley, CA 92555





Artistic Maintenance and Mountain View HOA Have Made A Deal!

Thursday, May 14, 2009

The HOA Board has partnered with our landscape company, Artistic Maintenance, to offer tree trimming to Homeowners.

Artistic does not top trees; they will trim trees of 25-35% of foliage and remove dried wood and branches. Trimmings will be hauled away. Services are offered for front and back yard trees.

Reservations must be made no later than Monday, May 11th

Name:	
Address:	
Daytime Phone:	Email:
Best time to reach you:	
Number of Trees: Front Yard	Back Yard
Avera	age Prices:
Small Trees 15' and below	\$ 45.00 - \$ 65.00
Medium Trees 15+ feet	\$ 65.00 - \$125.00

Palms trimming also available

\$125.00 - \$350.00

Prices may be subject to change especially for larger than normal trees

All payments must be made prior to beginning of work

Make checks payable to: Artistic Maintenance, Inc.

Questions: Please contact Sharon Shavce at: sshavce@gmail.com

Large/Full Trees