



# THE VIEW

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## THE HOA BOARD LETTER

by Fred Humphrey (485-6815)



The annual meeting and elections were held on January 17, 2007 at the Ridgecrest Elementary School. Your new board and Officers for 2007 are:

Fred Humphrey – President  
Jay Dawson – Vice-President  
Vickie Burt – Secretary  
George Podolsky – Treasurer  
Jim McCafferty – Member-at-Large

Our property manager continues to be Jacqueline Bill at the Prescott Companies. Her phone number is 951-699-7656. Her e-mail address is [jbill@prescottmgt.com](mailto:jbill@prescottmgt.com). If you have any questions, concerns or complaints, please contact her. She will help you with a resolution. If you feel you do not receive an appropriate response from Jacqueline, please contact one of the Board members.

I was disappointed that only two homeowners ran for the two vacant board positions. Next year there will be three vacant positions. Please consider running for the Board. If we want to improve our community and maintain what we have, we need homeowners to participate. If you want more information, contact our Property Manager or any of the above board members.

Also, please consider becoming involved with the Social Committee. All of the great events we have are sponsored by that committee. They are the ones who sponsor bunco, bingo, TGIF, morning coffee, bowling, golf, line dancing, painting, dine out, the caring committee, special dinners, yoga, water aerobics, the book club, poker, the newsletter, etc. Without

involvement by the homeowners, the Social Committee will not exist and consequently neither will the various activities they sponsor. Contact any Social Committee member and they will tell you how to become involved.

It has been observed that some of our homeowners have let plants or foliage grow so that their lighted street address is not clearly visible from the street. It is extremely important that this address sign is visible. If you need police, fire, or medical services, valuable time will be lost identifying your home if they cannot see the sign. As I am sure you have noticed, we have had several occasions which called for emergency medical services. Don't let your house be the one they can't find quickly because your street address was not visible. The life you save might be your own.

The shed is finally installed. It still needs painted, shelves installed, and cleaned up on the inside. These projects should be done in the next few weeks. The pool is open, heated, and ready to go. In January it was drained, acid washed and given a general maintenance.

Let's continue to make Mountain View "a great place to live."



**MOUNTAIN VIEW SOCIAL CLUB**  
*Financial Report*  
*December 18, 2006 - January 17, 2007*

**Balance Forward \$1,5651.05**

**INCOME:**

Advertising	\$30.00	
		<u>30.00</u>
		<b>\$1,591.05</b>

**EXPENSES:**

January Newsletter	219.81	
Wines	16.72	
		<u>236.53</u>
		<b>\$1,354.52</b>

Washington Mutual Bank	\$1,140.58	
Petty Cash	<u>213.94</u>	
	<b>\$1,354.52</b>	



Godfrey Ascik  
 Social Club Treasurer



**NATIONAL DO NOT CALL LIST**

Just a reminder that you can block telemarketers from calling either your home or cell phones for five (5) years by visiting the government website ([www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov)) or calling 1-888-382-1222. This does not cover charitable or political organizations, but should help cut down on at least some of those annoying calls.



**Elizabeth S. Janssen**  
**Notary Public—State of California**  
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**By Appointment Only**  
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# THE GARDENER'S CORNER

by Carole Sweeney



*From the gardener's corner...* If your garden looks anything like mine, it's a disaster. As tempted as you may be to clean things up by chopping off all the dead branches and leaves, please don't do it. Pruning only endangers what's left of the plant underground. Leave everything as is until late March and by then you will know which plants have survived. Please keep your watering schedule and dig in compost where you can. This is the last month to plant bare root fruit and nut trees, berries, grapes, vines and roses. It's a good time to plant strawberries. To brighten things up plant some pansies in a sunny spot. Feed your established deciduous fruit trees about three weeks before you expect them to bloom. Apply the last dormant spray just before blooms begin to swell. Also, fertilize roses, perennials and cane berries. Spread some pre-weeder seeder (granular). It controls crabgrass, other annual grasses and broadleaf weeds.

**Cheer up everyone—Groundhog Day marks the halfway point to Spring! Happy Digging in the Dirt!**

THANK YOU  
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On Christmas, around 8:15 p.m., we had a fire in our garage that pretty much destroyed everything there. Fortunately, the firewalls held exceptionally well and we had no actual fire within our home. From the preliminary findings as to a "cause," the insulation wrap installed on the outside of the water heater seems to be the culprit. Over 5+ years it accumulated enough dust/dirt within the insulation to fuel an ignition. This ordinarily would not have happened, but the insulation wrap was installed too low and there was air restriction that compounded the problem. Yes, there was a cracked burner plate, but it is not felt to be causative. The fire inspector commented on how well Ryland built the garage....it may have saved the whole house.

Having said all of that.....my wife and I have been overwhelmed by the outreach from our Mountain View neighbors. I would never have believed, in this day and age, that so many people would come together to show the degree of kindness and support extended to our family. A "thank you" seems so trivial compared to your support, but we sincerely extend our gratitude to each and every one of you. It seems, at times, we live in a world gone-mad with greed, corruption, unaccountability, terror, hate, destruction and death (and) that nothing is sacred anymore. But like a cool, clear mountain stream, your outreach brought an indescribable freshness into a very frustrating and tedious time, especially with my wife's disabilities.

I mean to offend no one when I say that each prayer to my God gives thanks for our safety, our home and our new-found friends. May He bless each one of you and give you the peace He has given us during this time.

Thank you to all.....

*Richard and Kathryn Lorenz*  
14640 Grandview Drive

PS: I needed to clean my garage badly.....but this is not what I had in mind! We are trying to expedite the cleanup.....please bear with us.



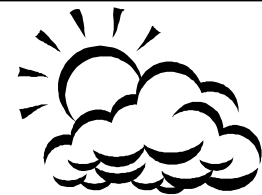
## DINE OUT

by Bill Donner

*The Dine Out at China Garden was an absolutely terrific time. We enjoyed great food, companionship and service. We are going to see if we can top that experience on Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. on February 28<sup>th</sup>. The place of choice is the Sizzler in Moreno Valley on Perris and Sunnymead. Call Bill Donner by February 23rd with your reservations.*

## CARING COMMITTEE

by Kay Donner



A big thank you to all of you in Mountain View who have participated in the caring of your neighbors. Over the last few months, there has been a need to offer our services in various ways and we were especially supportive of one another. Please continue to inform me of any household that needs our neighborly care. We strive to be helpful and not intrusive, but most of us need help at some time in our lives.

## Project Linus

by Janet Jarosh

Join the Mountain View group of Project Linus Blanketeers in hand-making security blankets for seriously ill children at Loma Linda University Children's Hospital. They can be knitted, crocheted, quilted or fleece - any style, any color, machine washable, new, in child-friendly colors for ages newborn to teenage.

If you have an interest in making blankets or donating, contact me by phone or email [janet@citiusa.com](mailto:janet@citiusa.com). Even if you don't craft, you can help simply by donating a few skeins of yarn (Red Heart yarn from WalMart is a great source).

We have recently added a Shawl Ministry (separate but somewhat related to the Project Linus group). Those involved knit or crochet beautiful shawls to be given as gifts to those in our neighborhood who are grieving the loss of a loved one. A nice card is included with the shawl explaining how the shawl has been lovingly made to comfort and give solace. All are invited to join us in making the shawls and blankets.



Keep up the good work and Happy Blanketeering!

# LADIES LUNCHEON

Tuesday, February 20, 2007

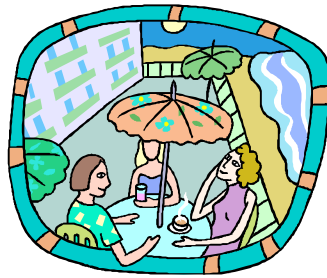
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## B.J.'S RESTAURANT

22920 Centerpoint Drive  
Moreno Valley, CA

Call me if you need a ride!

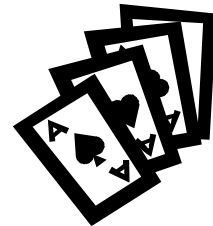
Joanne Phillips – call or e-mail at  
[jotphillips@verizon.net](mailto:jotphillips@verizon.net)



## POKER CLUB

by Bill Houston

Anyone interested in playing poker? New members are always welcome to join in the fun. We meet at the Clubhouse every Thursday at noon. The day and time are flexible depending on the availability of the Clubhouse. Call Bill Houston for more information, or just come on down at noon next Thursday and join us.



# What's Cooking?

(from Katie's Kitchen Corner)

by Katie Wenke



February is for sweethearts. Share this delicious dessert with your sweetheart on Valentine's Day.

## SWEETHEARTS' MOUSSE FOR TWO

2 oz semi-sweet chocolate  
2 TBS water  
2 egg yolks  
2 egg whites, beaten to stiff peaks  
1/4 cup sugar

Heat chocolate and water in the top of a double boiler over barely simmering water or in the microwave until melted. Stir until blended and set aside to cool. Beat the egg yolks and sugar until pale and creamy. Beat in chocolate until well blended. Fold egg whites into the chocolate mixture. Pour this mousse into your most glamorous stemware. Chill several hours or overnight.

If desired, gently stir any one of these options into the mousse:

1 TBS orange flavored liquor  
1 TBS rum  
1 tsp vanilla extract

## "POP TOPS"

by Nancy Berger

*Another 12 pounds has been collected, bringing the total to **172.5 pounds**. Thanks to all who are willing to save and donate their pop-tops to a worthy cause.*

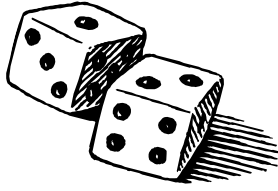
*Thanks again, Nancy*



A little boy wanted \$100 badly and prayed for two weeks but nothing happened. Then he decided to write God a letter requesting the \$100. When the postal authorities received the letter, they decided to send it to the president. The president was so impressed, touched and amused that he instructed his secretary to sent the little boy a \$5 bill. He thought that would appear to be a lot of money to a little boy. When the little boy received the \$5, he wrote a thank you letter to God.



"Dear God, Thank you very much for sending the money. However, I noticed that for some reason you had to send it through Washington, DC and, as usual, those crooks deducted \$95."



## ***BUNCO***

Bring Your \$4.00 and Join Us at the Clubhouse

***TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2007***

6:30 pm

### *Last Month's Winners*

Most Wins - Rick Hansen  
Most Bunco's - Lola Emmermanis  
Most Baby Bunco's - Twila DeWalt  
Most Losses - Judy Kathriner  
Fuzzy Dice - Janet Papiernik

*(Bring a snack to share.)*

For more information contact:

**Marilyn Dawson**

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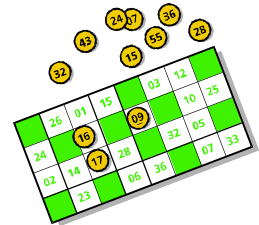
## **BINGO**

**Tuesday, February 27th**  
**(4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month)**

**6:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse**  
**Cost: \$5 including 3 Bingo Cards**  
**Snacks: Anything you fancy**

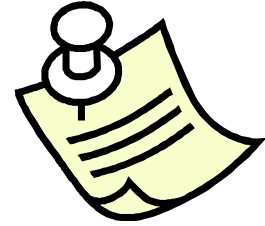
**(DECEMBER BINGO WAS CANCELED DUE TO POOR ATTENDANCE)**

**For more information contact**  
**Godfrey Ascik or Mike Frahm**



# WHAT'S HAPPENING

by Janet Hansen



Hello Neighbors,

We are having a TGIF on Friday, February 9th at 6:30 p.m. With all the great cooks that live here, there will be some delicious food to share—plus a pay bar and 50-50. We might even crank up the karaoke machine and do some line dancing or just sit back, enjoy our neighbors and share a laugh or two.

Also, beginning Thursday, February 22nd at 6:30 p.m., we will be having a card night. Anyone interested in playing cards is invited to join us. The kind of card games can be decided at the tables. Bring your own drinks.

Remember to check your calendars for other events to enjoy. We have a book club, Project Linus, morning coffee, yoga, line dancing, poker, paint classes, bunco, bingo, luncheons and dine outs.

If you have never line danced or done yoga or even tried to paint, it's fun to try once. You just might have a hidden talent you didn't know you had. Plus, you may make new friends. New ideas and suggestions are also always welcomed. Come on down to the Clubhouse and have some fun.

See you there!  
Janet Hansen

## DATES TO REMEMBER

<b><i>Tuesday, February 6</i></b>	<b><i>6:30 p.m.</i></b>	<b><i>Social Club Committees Meet</i></b>
<b><i>Friday, February 9</i></b>	<b><i>6:30 p.m.</i></b>	<b><i>TGIF</i></b>
<b><i>Tuesday, February 20</i></b>	<b><i>12:30 p.m.</i></b>	<b><i>Ladies Luncheon</i></b>
<b><i>Thursday, February 22</i></b>	<b><i>6:30 p.m.</i></b>	<b><i>Card Night</i></b>
<b><i>Wednesday, February 28</i></b>	<b><i>5:30 p.m.</i></b>	<b><i>Dine Out (Sizzler)</i></b>
<b><i>Saturday, March 17</i></b>	<b><i>TBA</i></b>	<b><i>St. Patrick's Dinner</i></b>

***\*\*Watch for more information on the St. Patrick's Dinner in the March newsletter.\*\****