



THE VIEW

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THE HOA BOARD LETTER

by George Podolsky

Closure of Pool and Spa

The maintenance of the Pool and Spa has just started, and is scheduled for completion around the middle or end of February. After the maintenance has been completed, and the new drains are installed and inspected, the Pool and Spa will be closed for one more week to insure removal of the plaster dust from the area.

Due to the large number of Pools and Spas, the city inspectors have a 4 to 6 week delay for homes waiting inspection, before being allowed to use their pool or spa, per Federal Law.

We may be looking at the first of March before the Pool and Spa can be reopened. The Board has no control over the City's waiting list.

Change of Election of Board Members

Due to an error in the ballots received, the election of new Board members will be held at the February HOA meeting on Wednesday, February 25, 2009.

Neighborhood Watch

I have received several inquires from new residents about our Neighborhood Watch program. I have informed them that we do not have anyone in charge of the program but are looking for someone to run it. If you are interested in developing a Neighborhood Watch program for our community, please contact any of the Board members.

Lighted House Numbers

I have received several requests to reprint the information on where the house number bulbs and repair parts can be obtained. Below is the information. PLEASE CLIP AND SAVE the information.

House Number Fixture and Light Bulbs

Where can I get replacement bulbs?
Where can I purchase a new light fixture?

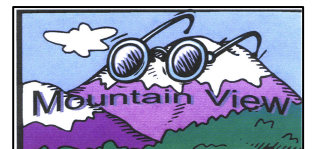
You can purchase replacement light bulbs at ACE Hardware on Sunnymead Blvd., or at Lowe's in their Specialty Light Bulb Section. Remember to take the old bulb to the store.

If you cannot find a replacement light bulb locally try contacting either Progressive Lighting or Pacific Builders Hardware at the phone numbers below.

The *light fixture* (the plastic cover, the metal frame holding the light bulbs) was manufactured by Progressive Lighting, and the model number is 101BKA4PBK. "Progressive Lighting" can be reached at 864-678-1010 for the replacement parts.

Rayland bought most of their hardware products from "Pacific Builders Hardware" You can reach them at 760-407-7245

If the bulbs do not light up, after replacing the light bulbs, the transformer needs to be replaced. Lowe's, ACE Hardware and Home Depot carry the transformers. If you do not know how to replace the transformer, call an electrician.



Moreno Valley District 3 Crime Prevention Committee Report

The next Crime Prevention Committee meeting will be on Monday, February 9, 2009 at 7:00 pm and will be held at the Moreno Valley Club House, 16010 Rancho Del Lago, Moreno Valley, CA 92551. Please plan on attending.

Officer Hutson, who is in charge of the Crime Prevention Unit for the Moreno Valley Police Department, gave a talk on how to use 911 and other non emergency numbers. Below are the tips he offered:

THERE ARE FOUR REASONS TO MAKE AN EMERGENCY CALL:

1. To help someone who is hurt and needs help
2. If you smell smoke or see a fire
3. If you see someone stealing something or hurting someone
4. If you need immediate help for any reason

HOW TO MAKE AN EMERGENCY CALL TO 9-1-1

1. Stay calm. Don't get excited. Take a deep breath to relax.
2. Tell the person who answers the phone what is wrong:
 - "My house is on fire"
 - "My friend is hurt real bad-he can't move"
 - "I hear a noise outside my back door and see a shadow through the window"
 - "A strange man told me to get in his car and I ran away"
3. Tell them the exact address of the emergency... remember to give the full address.
4. Tell them the phone number and address that you are calling from.
5. Tell them your name.
6. Do not hang up ... until the person at the police or fire department tells you to.
The operator needs to ask you questions to help the police officer, fire fighters, and paramedics find you as fast as they can.
7. If your 9-1-1 call doesn't work dial "0" for the operator.

OTHER IMPORTANT NEWS ABOUT 9-1-1

1. Telephone booths in our town are set up so you can call 9-1-1. for help without using any money. Just pick up the phone, listen for the dial tone and dial 9-1-1.
2. If you know someone who cannot talk or hear, we can explain to them how to use 9-1-1 with their special typing machines. They should call 1-800-772-3140 and we will tell them how the special typing machine works.
3. A person who calls 9-1-1 and faints while talking can be found because of the special way 9-1-1 works here. We will send help to the place you are calling from.
4. To make an Emergency Call using a Cell Phone in the city of Moreno Valley, **DO NOT CALL 9-1-1**. When you dial 9-1-1 from your cell phone it takes you to the Highway Patrol and delays the response. In the city of Moreno Valley call 951-684-0911 or 951-776-1099.

REPORTING OF CRIMINAL OR SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY..... CAR THEFT, GANG PROBLEMS,
SUSPICIOUS PERSONS/VEHICLES.

How to Report Any of the Above to the Moreno Valley Police:

	Emergency <u>9-1-1</u>	Non-Emergency <u>776-1099</u>
Burglary	In Progress	Past
Car Theft	In Progress	Past
Crime	In Progress	Past

SUSPICIOUS PERSON OR VEHICLE:

In the event you see a suspicious person or vehicle, you are encouraged to keep an eye on them/it. Suspicious circumstances are not always considered criminal in nature. The response time can be extended depending on the time of day, number of calls for service, and information you give the dispatcher.

Example:

A person walking down the street "looking suspicious" would not be as high a priority as a person walking down the street trying to open car doors.

If you are not sure if your call is an emergency, call 9-1-1. The Operator will tell you what to do or refer you to a business line.

Moreno Valley Police Department: General Inquiry - 486-6700. This number is for Police Desk Reports and Information, from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The office is closed Saturdays, Sundays, and all holidays, including the Friday after Thanksgiving.

Business Watch Information - 486-6725

Anonymous Reports:

WE TIP Hot Line - 1-(800) 78-CRIME
1-(800) 47-DRUGS

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 Non Emergency Number : (951) 684-0911

Moreno Valley Recreation Department: (956) 413-3330

Master Gardner's Advise: (951) 683-6491 ext 228

POP Team: (951) 486-6923

Shopping Cart: (800) 252-4613

MOUNTAIN VIEW SOCIAL CLUB
December 14, 2008 – January 15, 2009

BALANCE FORWARD: \$1,733.30

INCOME:

Bar (December)	\$ 114.00	
50/50 (December)	30.00	
HOA Reimbursement—November		
Newsletter & Bar Refrigerator	<u>245.95</u>	
Total		\$ 389.95

EXPENSES:

Christmas Dinner Supplies	\$ 31.22	
Christmas Dinner Food	39.63	
Newsletter (January)	<u>142.88</u>	
Total		<u>(\$ 213.73)</u>

BALANCE \$1,909.52

FUNDS ON HAND:

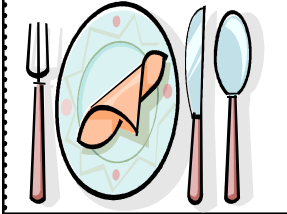
Washington Mutual	\$1,624.80	
Petty Cash	<u>284.72</u>	
Total		\$1,909.52

	<u>Newsletters 2008</u>	<u>Advertisements</u>	<u>To Be Reimbursed by HOA</u>
January	<u>\$142.88</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>\$142.88</u>
Total	\$142.88	-0-	\$142.88

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Hass
Treasurer

Dine Out



Dine Out...

next "*Dine Out*" Thursday, March 5
at 6:00 pm. Mark your calendar.

Ron and Gretchen Williams

Project Linus

by Janet Jarosh

Because of the slow-down during the holidays I have only 58 blankets on hand this month, so probably won't deliver to the hospitals until early February. I will have more to report next newsletter. Ladies, keep working on those blankets and turn them in!

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.



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.

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



WHAT'S HAPPENING

By Joanne Pavlik



The tree is packed, and the wreaths are stored. It seems that we will be dragging them all out again before you know it. In the meantime, let's "kick off" 2009 events with a "super" party.



Super Bowl Party, 2:00, Sunday, February 1st. Pete will open the bar and take donations to the "football pool". **Bring your favorite football snack.**

The social club board is planning the spring activities. How about a live band and *dancing with the stars* under our new patio cover, or maybe a baked potato dinner? These events are *under construction*. If you have any preferred events, or suggestions for new ones, call an officer or committee chair, **OR** attend a social club board meeting. You are always welcome to join in. Our next board meeting will be in April.

It is never too early to seek nominations for social club offices. Also needed are volunteers to head a committee, or assist on one. The more the merrier! The group works efficiently; we help each other, and actually enjoy the planning. It's a good way to make new friends, and enjoy the old ones. If you are interested in adding this exciting dimension to your life, nominate yourself for an office, or drop a large hint to a social club board member. If we want to continue our activities and special events, we need a social club to manage them. **We Need You.**

Save the Date: 2:00 pm, Sunday, February 1st: XLIII Super Bowl Party

5:00 pm, Saturday, March 21st: Irish Baked Potato Night



It is with great sadness that we say good-bye to Carole Sweeney, our Social Club Garden Chairman. We are grateful for the knowledge that Carole gladly shared with us, and will miss her smiles, advice and expertise.



Sue Janssen has assembled the past articles that Carole wrote for the "Gardener's Corner". They are very informative, and will be published in their appropriate month.

We are in search of a gardener who would like to head this committee for the remainder of this year. We have the newsletter articles that will help to get you started.

We also need a bingo-caller beginning in March. Godfrey wants his chance to win at the game. After four years, he sure earned the privilege.

If interested in **any** position, call Jo Pavlik for more details.

*LADIES
LUNCHEON*

Tuesday, February 17, 2009

1:00 PM

PORTILLOS

*They do not take reservations. First arrivals,
please get seats together.*

*Joanne Phillips
jotphillips@verizon.net*

FYI

Alert! Cell phone numbers go public this month. Cell phone numbers are being released to telemarketing companies and you will start to get sales calls. You will get charged for these calls. To prevent this, call 888-382-1222 using your cell phone. It is the National Do Not Call list. It takes only a minute and it blocks your cell phone number for five years. You must call from the cell phone that you want blocked. You cannot call from another phone.



VALENTINE'S DAY

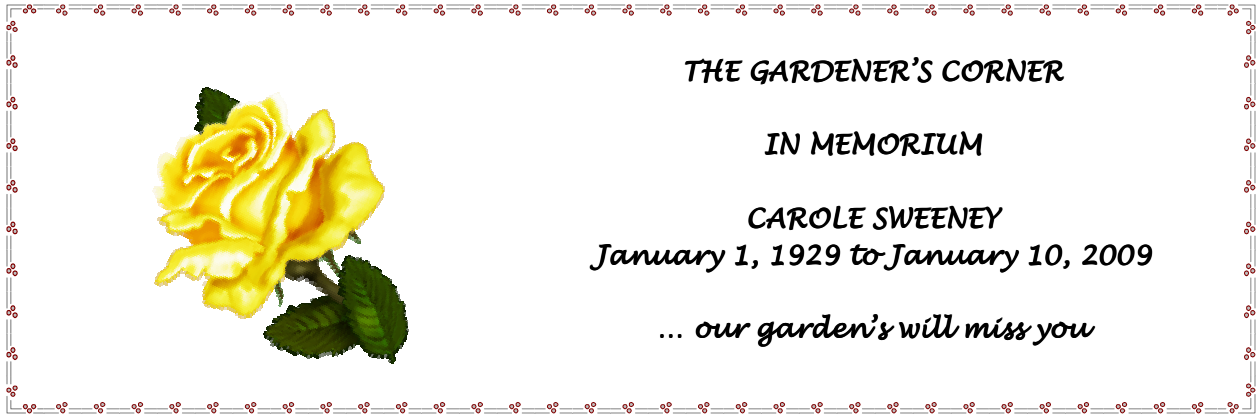
On Thursday, February 14th, a suggestion was made to make our local Fire Station on Moreno Beach Drive, our very own valentine.

In the past six years we have had need of their services and appreciate their compassion and professionalism.

So, in order to show our appreciation, let's give lot's of "sweets" to our adopted valentines.

All of the community members, who wish to participate, please bring your delicious baked goods to the clubhouse before noon on the 14th.

If you have any questions, please call Joanne Phillips or e-mail jotphillips@verizon.net.



THE GARDENER'S CORNER

BY CAROLE SWEENEY

Reprinted from February 2005 Newsletter

From the gardener's corner ... February in Southern California means starting all over in the garden. **Frosts** are possible, so keep the garden well watered. If a frost is predicted, use old sheets to cover your plants that can't be moved. Remember, leave those frostbitten plants in place for the time being (if you can stand looking at them). We'll know if they survived by late March. If the garden isn't too wet from the January rain, dig in lots of compost so new plants will love their new home. This is the last month to plant bare root fruit and nut trees, berries, grapes and vines. It is the best time to plant strawberries so they can grow well before the weather warms and they put out blooms. Looking for **quick color** in the garden? Now is a great time to put in pansies in a sunny section of the garden or primroses in a shady section. **Weed prevention** is on our minds as we remember spending so much time pulling them last year. In mid-February apply a fertilizer that contains a pre-emergence herbicide. Crabgrass begins germinating by the end of the month. *Pendamathalin* prevents oxalis, spotted spurge and crabgrass.

Groundhog Day marks the halfway point to spring!!! Happy digging in the dirt!

TO OUR FRIENDS IN THE MOUNTAIN VIEW COMMUNITY

On behalf of the Sweeney extended family, my sister Joan and myself, I would like to thank you ALL who participated in the memorial celebration arrangements for your dear friend and our sister-in-law, Carole Sweeney.

Words cannot fully express our gratitude for all you have done in caring for Carole while at home and during her hospital stays. It was comforting to know that in our absence, Carole was attended with such unconditional love.

Forgive me for not mentioning all by name, for fear of leaving someone out. However, I feel confident that I said a heartfelt thank you to each of you who went beyond the call of duty in your care for Carole.

Carole and George loved this community and all of the friendships that they developed. I'm sure that each of them contributed to the success of this community with a little bit of IRISH humor and laughter.

Thank you for making Carole and George's last eight years with you good folks filled with so much happiness.

Sincerely

Joe Sweeney

Mountain View Community Directory
ADDITIONS & CORRECTIONS
TO OUR COMMUNITY DIRECTORY
As of February 1, 2009

Please Update Your Directory with these New Residents:

Sharon Hummel 28370 Grandview Drive

Charlene & Linda Burnley 28320 Grandview Drive

noodles60@verizon.net

BurnleyCharlene49@yahoo.com

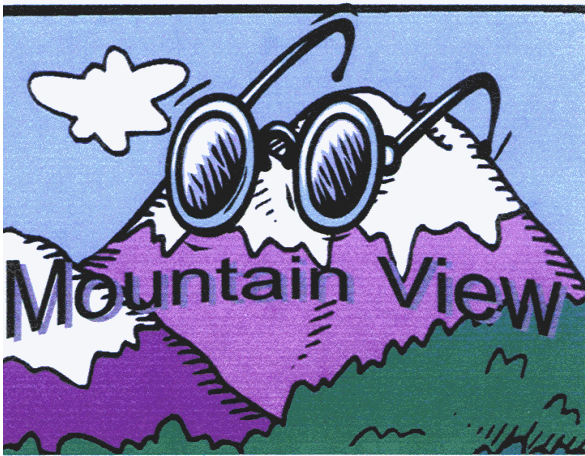
Doris Blume has a new e-mail address: dory1930@live.com

Thanks, Sue Janssen
242-0959

ESJanssen@verizon.net

Please keep these updates with your Directory

PLEASE REMIND YOUR GUESTS THAT WHEN THEY COME TO VISIT THEY NEED TO CALL YOU FROM THE GATE DIRECTORY, A CELL PHONE WON'T WORK. ONCE CALLED FROM THE GATE DIRECTORY YOU CAN BUZZ THEM IN HITTING THE 9 KEY ON YOUR HOME PHONE.



Are you in need of medical equipment on a short term basis? Don't want the expense of buying equipment for a short period of time. Maybe we can help you. We have a wheelchair, several sets of crutches, a walker and other miscellaneous medical equipment that we would be happy to loan to our neighbors.

We also have an almost new "Play & Pack" crib/bassinet and a highchair to lend to those "grandparents" in need.

Questions or to make arrangements for borrowing equipment, please call or e-mail Don Papiernik, Chairman of the Facilities Committee.

Don Papiernik
28900 Grandview Drive
dojapaps@roadrunner.com



BUNCO

Bring Your \$5.00 and Join Us at the Clubhouse

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2009

Last Month's Winners

Most Wins - Bev Bailey and Judy Box

Most Bunco's - Doris Polley and Kay Howe

Most Baby Bunco's - Twila DeWalt

Most Losses - Janet Papiernik

Fuzzy Dice - Judy K

For more information contact:

Marilyn Dawson

Marilyn6515@verizon.net

“BINGO”



Next Bingo will be Tuesday, February 24, 2009

6:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse

Cost: \$5 including 3 Bingo Cards

Snacks: Anything you fancy

**There was no Bingo Night in December
Due to Carol Singing**

For more information contact

Godfrey Asciak

What's Cooking?

(from Katie's Kitchen Corner)

By Katie Wenke

So, I know it's still winter but this weather has been crazy. So, warm, hot or cold, crock-pot recipes are always good. Try this one.

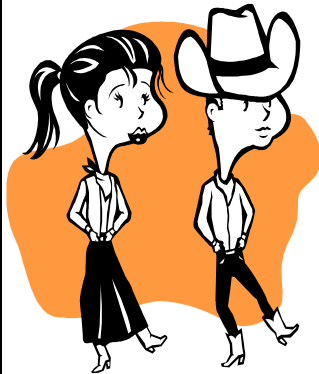
Slow-Cooked Beef and Vegetables

(Serves 2)

- 1/2 pound beef top round steak, cut into 2 pieces
- 1 cup Italian salad dressing
- 1/2 cup water
- 1 TBS browning sauce
- 2 medium carrots, cut into large pieces
- 2 medium red potatoes, cubed
- 1 small onion, sliced
- 1/2 small green pepper, cut into small chunks
- Dash garlic powder
- Dash seasoned salt
- Dash pepper

Sprinkle one side of the steak with seasoned salt and pepper. Sprinkle other side with garlic powder. Place in a large resealable plastic bag, seal, and refrigerate for 2 -3 hours or overnight.

Place in a 3-quart slow cooker, combine salad dressing, water and browning sauce. Add carrots and potatoes and toss to coat. Add steak and coat with sauce. Top with onion and green pepper. Cover and cook on low for 8 - 9 hours or until meat is tender.



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 February 25th from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Any questions, call Doris Asiak