



THE VIEW

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THE HOA BOARD LETTER

by Fred Humphrey



THE ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTIONS DATE HAS BEEN CHANGED. The annual meeting and elections for Board members will be held on February 20, 2008 at the Clubhouse. Merit Management Companies could not have our community set up on their computers until January 1st which is too late to send out voting ballots for a January vote. We have three members running for three board positions.

Starting in 2008, monthly board meeting agendas must be posted on the Community Bulletin Board at least four days before such meeting. No action may be taken on any item not disclosed on the agenda. I am not sure if any item can be discussed without inclusion in the posted agenda. If you want to discuss an item which might require action make sure you notify the Board and the Property Manager at least one week before the agenda is posted.

Beginning January 1st our new property manager is:

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Winter is here—time to water less. I see water running down the gutters every morning on San Jacinto. Lawns do not need as much water as in the summer, especially if it rains. I have my lawn and plants watering about 5 to 10 minutes every four days. Also be considerate of your neighbors. If you water too much, chances are you are flooding their property with your runoff. Save money, water less.

A great big thanks to all our volunteers who make Mountain View work—the Facilities/Landscape Committee, the Architectural Review Committee, the Finance Committee, the Web-site Committee, and the many people who make up the Social Club Committee. One of the biggest reasons we have such a great community is because of the volunteer work these committees do. Join a committee, come to a social event, attend a board meeting and see what makes Mountain View “a great place to live.”





THE GARDENER'S CORNER

by Carole Sweeney

From the gardener's corner

...Later in the month, **prune roses** even if they have not lost all their leaves. Remove crowded or crossed branches and open the center of the plant for good light exposure and airflow. Prune branches at a 45-degree angle just above a bud that faces outward or toward a side that needs filling in. Remove any leaves that have dead or diseased portions and destroy (don't compost) them. Spray roses and the soil around them with a dormant oil or a copper fungicide. Replace or renew mulch and toss 2 ounces (4 tablespoons) of Epsom salts at the base of each rose and water it in. Begin fertilizing six weeks later.

Prune crepe myrtles to force growth of new flowering wood. Prune dormant deciduous flowering vines, shade trees, fruit and nut trees. Repair structural weakness and remove vigorous vertical growing branches (waterspouts). The height or width of the tree can be reduced, taking care not to over prune in any single year. This encourages excessive new branches to the trunk. Heading branches back (cutting off only portions) will remove wood that would have blossomed and set fruit this coming season and stimulate more bushy growth.

Feed azaleas, camellias and rhododendrons by renewing their peat mulch and working cottonseed meal into the top two inches of soil. Use a half cup for small plants and up to a cup for larger ones.

Spray...It is time for another spraying of dormant oil for fruit trees. Choose a day when the temperature stays above 40 degrees and the wind is calm. For peach leaf curl, choose a fungicide such as Orthorix or Microcrop.

Happy Pruning and Happy New Year!



To all those who have donated items for the social club bar and social club in 2007. You are terrific!

CARD CLUB

by Twila Dewalt



*Come on down to the Clubhouse on Thursday, January 31st at 6:30 p.m. for Card Club. We will be playing a new game called **SEQUENCE**. It's a lot of fun and doesn't cost anything to play...just a good time with friends.*



Trash Pickup will be on Saturday, January 5th during the New Year holiday week.

Project Linus

by Janet Jarosh

Thank you so much for your continued monetary donations, coupons, yarn, fabric and blanket making expertise for the children. We had wonderful monetary donations this holiday month from many of our neighbors...Betsy Hass, Doris Polley, Kay Howe, Bev Bailey, Meredith Teague and from the 50/50 collected at the holiday party. I can't thank you enough—it really helps. Of course, it goes without saying that the ladies that donate the yarn and fabric, and especially those who make the blankets are wonderful too. United we can make a difference!

As of this date, we have delivered another 190 blankets to Loma Linda Children's Hospital and to Parkview's NICU, reaching a grand total of 12,906 blankets delivered from the Moreno Valley chapter during my reign as coordinator since January 1998. Wow! Almost ten years.

Please continue to make a monetary donation to help defray the cost of making these "security blankets." A donation jar is available at the Clubhouse during TGIF's. Checks can be made payable to Project Linus (a 501c3 Charity, tax deductible).

Again, thank you for your support. Here's to another ten years! Janet Jarosh/Coordinator, 14711 Grandview Dr., Moreno Valley, CA 92555.



YOGA

by Joan Williams

There has been a request for a yoga class at Mountain View. Joan Williams, who was a yoga instructor in ancient times, has agreed to begin a class in January. The class will be a gentle form of yoga, since so many of us have physical limitations. There will be a lot of stretching and relaxation.

In order to participate fully, please bring the following items:

A mat to lie on (not too thin, since we'll be lying on a tile floor)

One or two blankets that can be rolled up to use as bolsters

A strap (this can be as simple as the tie to a bathrobe)

Comfortable clothing

We will meet at the Clubhouse at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 8 for the first meeting. The class will last approximately one hour.

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

by Katie Wenke



Cool nights...try something warm and sweet.

TWO INDIVIDUAL APPLE CRISPS

1 cup peeled and thinly sliced tart apple
1 TBS sugar
2 tsp water
2 TBS plus 2 tsp all purpose flour
2 TBS brown sugar

1/8 tsp cinnamon
1/8 tsp nutmeg
Dash salt
2 TBS cold margarine
Whipped cream, optional

In a small bowl, combine the apple, sugar and water. Divide between two 6 oz. custard cups coated with nonstick cooking spray. In a small bowl, combine the flour, brown sugar, cinnamon, nutmeg and salt. Cut in butter until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Sprinkle over apple mixture. Bake at 375° for 20 to 25 minutes or until tender. Serve warm with whipped cream.

Mountain View Book Club is Returning!

Please attend a planning meeting
at the Clubhouse on **January 16, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.**

Bring a couple of book suggestions and a finger-food snack to share.

One suggestion for our club:
How about listening to a recorded book as a group?

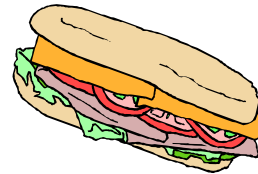


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LADIES LUNCHEON



JASON'S DELI

2555 Canyon Springs Parkway

Moreno Valley

Tuesday, January 22, 2008

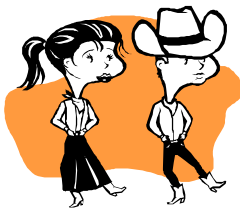
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Call if you need a ride.

PLEASE RSVP—Sign up in Clubhouse, call or e-mail.

Joanne Phillips

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COME ON DOWN

TO THE CLUBHOUSE FOR LINE DANCING

TWO HOURS OF FUN AND EXERCISE

(No experience necessary)

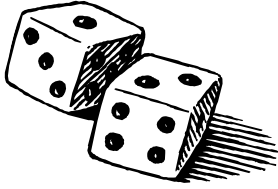
Every Wednesday at 2:00 p.m.

Any questions, call Doris



Because of all the get well wishes, thoughts and prayers I received from my recent surgery, I know all of these helped me to recover quicker than expected and I am very grateful. Thank all of you. I feel very blessed to have such wonderful friends.

Doris Polley



BUNCO

Bring Your \$4.00 and Join Us at the Clubhouse

TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2008

6:30 pm

Last Month's Winners

Most Wins - Kay Howe

Most Bunco's - Lola Emmermanis/Lori Humphrey/Judy Kathriner (tie)

Most Baby Bunco's - Mary Ortiz

Most Losses - Doris Polley

Fuzzy Dice - Marge Kross

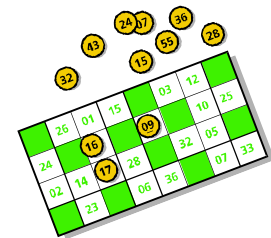
(Bring a snack to share.)

For more information contact:

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Don't Forget "BINGO" Night



Tuesday, January 22nd, 2008

(4th Tuesday of each month)

6:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse

Cost: \$5 including 3 Bingo Cards

Snacks: Anything you fancy

November Winners

Joan Brodowsky, Twila DeWalt, Doris Asciak (2),

Doris Polley and Mary Ortiz

Coverall: Doris Polley

For more information contact

Godfrey Asciak or Mike Frahm

WHAT'S HAPPENING

by Jo Pavlik



HAPPY NEW YEAR *from your Social Club Board. We wish everyone at Mountain View a Healthy Happy 2008.*

We were happy to see the many guests at our Holiday Dinner. And, our congratulations to Joe Brodowsky who won the very generous 50/50 pot! The club's half, \$100, was donated to the Linus blankets for kids program directed by Janet Jarosh. **Thanks to everyone** who participated, because you **each** helped to support this worthy project. (Joe says thanks, too.)

The food was delicious, the tables and tree just beautiful, the beverages quenching, da' game exciting, and the company so merry! Thank you to the food, decorations, bar, and game committees who made our celebration so enjoyable. The committee chairs were Kay Howe—food, Katie Wenke and Janet Hansen—table decorations, Marcia McCaffery—tree decorations, Twila De Walt—bar, and Joan Williams, da' game.

This year will bring more opportunities to come out with friends and neighbors. The Social Club Board is meeting to plan the last half of the year; so, stay tuned. When you see an activity that interests you, make sure to mark your calendar—it always seems more fun when you are involved. Our other regularly scheduled activities are going strong, so come out and join us! We'll be waiting just for you.



DINE OUT

by Kay and Bill Donner

*Happy New Year to Mountain View. It's time to eat again—with our neighbors who want to have a good time. We will begin this year with a gathering at the **Outback Steakhouse** on Thursday, January 17th. We will plan to meet there at 5:30 p.m. If you should need a ride, please call us at 951-413-6201. This restaurant is located at 22680 Centerpoint Drive, Moreno Valley. We are looking forward to another fun evening with friends of Mountain View.*

Bill and Kay Donner