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# “THE VIEW”

## January, 2016

Dear Mountain View Homeowners:

I hope everyone is having a great holiday season. Where else in the United States can you walk out in shorts in December. We seem to have the best of everything here in Mountain View.

The Board had a special session on December 17, 2015 to discuss changes to the ARC guidelines. Vinyl fencing has been approved. The new rules will be distributed in the near future. There is only one color of vinyl fencing approved. It is Sandstone. Along with this change, the colors of paint for the wooden fences have changed to a sandstone-like color. The idea behind the “one color” is to make it easier for neighbors to agree on one color for common fences and to make the community look nice from the street.

The Board also had a budget session for the next budget year (August 2016 to July 2017). Each year the Board meets to begin planning for the next budget year. The Board considers those projects that must be done and those projects that would improve the community. A financial representative from FirstService Residential was in attendance to advise the board. The next step in the process will be for FirstService to prepare a budget based on this year’s financials to date, updated for all known changes, and the Board input from this meeting. This draft budget is sent to the Finance Committee for approval, then on to the Board for approval in May.

Thanks to the Social Club and all the Committees for the great job you did on the parties, decorations and the various activities throughout the year. It certainly makes Mountain View a great place to live.

Fred Humphrey

HOA President

# Mountain View HOA Board Highlights

Darryl Householder, HOA Board Member at Large  
The Mountain View Homeowners Association held a  
Special Open Session Board of Directors meeting  
Wed. Dec. 17, 2015 at 10:00am

## ARC Rule Change Approval

To discuss and approve or disapprove the rules and regulations that have been sent out to the Homeowners

### **FINANCIAL SUMMARY:**

#### **November 30, 2015**

Operating Income/(Loss)	\$(14,536.79)
Y-T-D Reserve Funding	\$43,704.04
Y-T-D Reserve Funding Budget	\$40,848.00
Operating Funds	\$(6,125.84)
Petty Cash	\$1,500.00
Reserve Funds	\$921,163.04

#### • **RULE CHANGE:**

The Board of Directors reviewed correspondence which was received from homeowners regarding the proposed rule changes to enforcement, xeriscape, fencing as well as awnings and roll up shades. After discussion, the Board of Directors approved the rule changes as written.

### **DELINQUENCY STATUS REPORT:**

As of November 30, 2015 there is a total of \$5,859.19 in delinquent assessments. This value represents an approximate delinquency rate of 1.64%, as compared to the last delinquency rate of 1.42% for October 31, 2015.

### **HOMEOWNER FORUM:**

- A homeowner stated that she has a "View Lot", but she can see her neighbors fence which has a non-standard color setting (bright chartreuse green). She stated that for slope people, pet fences should be out of view of their neighbors. The board will take this matter under advisement for further discussion.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- **STUCCO WALL DAMAGE CLAIM**  
At the last meeting, the Board of Directors reviewed the cost to repair the damage to the stucco wall along Cactus that was caused from the City's sprinklers. Fred Humphrey reached out to City Councilman, George E. Price regarding the City's denial of the Association's claim. As of December 11, 2015, a response has not been received.

The approved rule changes will be mailed out to homeowners. These approved rules will replace the previous rules for the sections in the Architectural Guidelines which were last updated on August 27, 2014.

Also, the rule changes will be available online at the web site, [www.mountainviewhoa.org](http://www.mountainviewhoa.org) in the section "Architectural Review Committee" as "RESTATED ARCHITECTURAL GUIDELINES ADOPTED August 20, 2008, May 23, 2012 & Updated August 27, 2014 & December 17, 2015".

The revised rules are to be followed from this point forward. For example, if your fence is painted an approved color that is no longer approved per the new rule change, you do not have to repaint/stain your fence right away. You may wait until the fence is in need of repainting/staining or replacement.

### **NEXT REGULAR HOA BOARD MEETING:**

**Annual Election**  
**Wednesday, January 27, 2016, 6:00 pm at**  
**the clubhouse.**

The Board of Directors discussed information received from George E. Price and our lawyers, Peters & Freedman and the decision was made to file a law suit with the City.

# Social Club Happenings

## JoAnn Foronjy

Hello everyone!

HAPPY NEW YEAR! May it be a safe and healthy one for all!

As you may have heard, our Holiday Dinner and New Year's Eve parties were **wonderful** and well attended. We had good food, good wine, great singing, fun games, prizes and best of all a great time with our friends and neighbors...and after all, isn't that what it's all about? The 50/50 was won by Twila DeWalt and Larry Collins.



Most of our clubs and committees will return to their normal schedules this month. Exceptions to this are Water Aerobics and

Ladies Night At The Pool. Those will resume in April. Pickleball will remain on Tuesday at 3 pm and Saturday at 8 am for the winter months.

Always check your calendar and website for changes to community activities.

January will be a quiet month for social events. It will be a good time for everyone to rest up from the hectic pace of the holidays.

We are bringing back our **Super Bowl Party and Chili Cook Off** on Sunday, February 7. There are a great many of you who cook and we would love to have you enter the chili contest! The prize will be dinner for two at a local restaurant. Bring out those crockpots, dust off those recipes and sling those pots and pans! Gordon and Olinda Fritz will be running the chili contest. Pete

Hite will manage the football pool. See the enclosed ad for details.

We would like to thank Gil and Linda Meyer for taking over the Welcoming Committee. Katie Wenke will move to the Landscape Committee and Chuck Hedger will continue to chair the ARC. We want to recognize the **OUTSTANDING** job his committee has been doing in the wake of all the Xeriscaping projects. Great job!

My sincere thanks to the volunteers who work all year "behind the scenes" on our behalf. THEY make our events successful!

- \* Setting up tables and chairs: Men's Bible Study
  - \* Clean up crew: All who stayed behind after events.
  - \* Decorating: Eunice Kang, Grace Paltikian, Bobbie Posner, Kathy Bennett, Joanne Phillips, Myself.
  - \* Cooking & Serving: Eunice Kang, Jean Holifield, Kathy Bennett, Judy Box, Bobbie Posner, Grace Paltikian, Carolyn Daniels.
  - \* Meet & Greet: Pat Roy, Stan Emerson
- Music: Darryl Householder  
Spark of Love: Judy Box

And here's a first! Pat Roy served the first ever Pickleball game shut out! In spite of the cold weather, she completed 11 straight serves without interruption.



And for this amazing effort she received the coveted 'Eyeball Pickle Trophy'. Congratulations Pat!

Now is a great time to come down and either watch or learn Pickleball. In no time, you too could be presented with the Pickle Trophy!

As always, be seeing you around.....



## Letters to the Editor

A huge thanks to JoAnn Foronjy for the huge effort she puts into our social events. We just show up and there it is; well organized, lovely decorations, great food and good times. There is no detail left undone, in large part thanks to her wonderful crew. So,

Grazie, Danke, Mahalo, Merci, Gracias!

## Mark Your Calendars!

### LADIES' LUNCHEON

Monday, January 11 at 12:00 p.m.  
Romano's

### RSVP by Friday, January 8

Lori Humphrey (951) 485-6815  
Marilyn Dawson (951) 601-2031

### MEN'S BREAKFAST CLUB

Wednesday, January 13 at 8:00 a.m.  
Brandon's Diner

Bill Donner (951) 413-6201

### DINE OUT

Thursday, January 21 at 5:30 p.m.  
Outback Steakhouse

### RSVP by Monday, January 18

Frank and Sue Sloan (562) 480-1257

### TGIF

Friday, January 29  
Happy Hour at 5:00 p.m.  
Potluck at 6:00 p.m.  
Carolyn Daniels (951) 924-2177

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### SUPER BOWL PARTY AND CHILI COOKOFF

Sunday, February 7 at 2:30 p.m.  
Clubhouse

JoAnn Foronjy (951) 750-2303

### Fashion Show and Luncheon American Cancer Society

April (Date TBA)  
Clubhouse

### Swap Meet Saturday

Saturday, April 30, 7:00 am – 11:00 am

Don't forget...

## Board Election!

At the HOA Board meeting:  
Wednesday, January 27, 2015

Be sure to **VOTE!**

## Craft Club

Peggy Meddings

Hello Everyone:

Can you believe this? We are starting our fourth year of the Craft Club!

As always, I'm looking for new project ideas. If you have any ideas or suggestions, I'd love to hear from you.

I want to apologize to Jo Pavlik for misspelling her name. Also, I need to make the correction that Victoria will be holding a plants and herbs class in the spring, not in January.

At our November meeting, we made Christmas tree earrings. They looked great! Thank you, Joan Williams.

At our January 14 meeting Grace Kim will be sharing her collection of jewelry. She has agreed to assist us in making a pair of earrings. If you wish to participate in making the earrings that I displayed in November, you will need to bring the following items:

- 24 – 6 mm bicones
- 30 – seed beads
- 2 – jump rings
- 2 – earring hooks

At our February meeting, I have tentatively scheduled Carol Montgomery to present another class on painting rocks. Many of those present at the last meeting watched the process and requested we hold another class. If you started working on rocks but were unable to finish, this will be your chance to complete them.

We miss our "show and tell", so if you have a hobby or project to share we would love to see it. It's always great fun so see what our neighbors and friends are making.

See you at the meeting!

## WINTER PICKLEBALL SCHEDULE:

Tuesdays – 3:00 p.m.

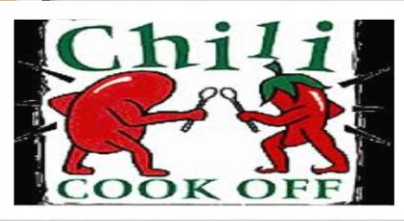
Saturdays – 8:00 a.m.

Come on down!





and



**Sunday, February 7**  
**2:30 PM**  
**(KICKOFF - 3:30)**  
**Clubhouse**

**Think your chili is the best in town?**  
**Well, bring down a crock,**  
**and we'll pass it around!**

Your neighbors will vote for their favorite chili.  
The winner will receive dinner for two at a local restaurant.

For those NOT entering the contest, please bring a side dish to share; something to go along with chili would be nice!

Suggestions: Potato Skins, Nachos, Quesadillas, Wings, Guacamole Dip, Veggie Tray, Fruit, Salads, Deviled Eggs, Cornbread or Muffins, Flatbreads or Pizza, etc.

**Dessert provided by the Social Club.**

**Contact for Chili Contest:**

Gordon and Olinda Fritz (951) 363-2030.  
(Chili entries must be brought to clubhouse by 2:00 p.m.)

**RSVP for Party:**

JoAnn Foronjy (951) 750 -2303  
**By: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1**

**Pete Hite will run the football pool.**  
**Football pool: \$5 PER SQUARE.**



Walter Schatz and retired Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback, Terry Bradshaw, at the annual Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day. Walt attends every year.

## Holiday Photos





# FIRE DEPARTMENT APPRECIATION DAY

Traditionally, the Mt. View Community shows their appreciation to the local firemen and paramedics by making homemade goodies on Valentine's Day. Joanne Phillips will be accepting baked goods, comfort food, or a soft toy (for those who don't cook) at the clubhouse by 12:00 noon on Sunday Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>. She will deliver the items in person.



## Green Thumb Corner

Victoria Klaas

Hello fellow gardeners!

December continued to be colder and drier than predicted. However, I still retain some hope we will get more rain this month.

January is Southern California's first month of Spring. One can expect to see Quince, blooming Almond, Flowering Pear, early Daffodils and Crocus flowers. From a plant's point of view, we have no real winter here. Temperatures which seem really cold to us are perfectly comfortable for the vast majority of our plants. They will bloom throughout the winter if given even the smallest encouragement.

Bare-root roses are appearing in garden centers, even though the roses in our gardens are still in flower. For the best health of your roses, encourage them to go dormant for a few weeks. The rest is important to their longevity, resulting in more perfect and larger flowers.

Cut back roses hard this month. When pruning, consider the proper shaping of plants. Eliminate all weak or dead growth and crossing branches. Strip off and dispose of all remaining leaves. Leaves left on the plant may result in disease and insects. Examine plant canes and you may see tiny green swellings of dormant leaf buds. Make cuts just above one of these buds and always choose an outward facing bud. This will encourage roses to develop a pleasing shape. After replanting, they will begin producing new growth. Remember, Hybrid Tea roses bloom only on new wood and without regular pruning they will not continue to produce.

Besides roses, garden centers are also offering bare-root fruit trees. Dwarf selections are ideal for small yards. They bear fruit, are easier to harvest, and are a good size for small gardens. Flowering peaches have lovely flowers and are closely related to double roses.

We've had a lot of frost this fall. However, it has not been cold enough to really damage plants. In fact, extended cold can actually "harden" tender plants such as Lantana making them more resistant to cold nights. Beware though, a brief warm spell can fool them into producing new growth. This can still damage them. Keep an eye on your gardens

Different cultivars of the same plant species may vary by frost tolerance. Bougainvillea "Barbara Karst" is much hardier (by five or six degrees) than Bougainvillea "Rosenka." Plant breeders strive to produce hardier plants. The exact degree of frost a plant may tolerate varies from species to species.

If you haven't been successful getting winter color planted before Christmas, it's still not too late. Primroses have stunning color and love cold weather. This also applies to Violas, Iceland Poppies, Calendula, Sweet Alyssum, Calibrachoa, and most other winter flowering annuals and perennials.

Continue to bait for snails if necessary. Watch for gophers which are more active in winter and spring. Garden centers offer traps, baits and gas bombs to deal with them. They can be very difficult to eliminate.

New garden catalogs are published this month. It's also a good time to start fun seeds such as mixed cacti. They are easy to grow and there's often a surprise in each packet.

Happy gardening!

*"Winter is on my head, but eternal spring is in my heart."*  
~ Victor Hugo

## Rattle Those Pots and Pans

from the kitchen of Katie Wenke

### Cantaloupe Chicken Salad

(Serves 2)

- ¼ cup fat-free mayonnaise
- 2 TBS fat-free sour cream
- 1 1/2 tsp sugar
- ½ tsp grated lemon peel
- ¼ tsp ground ginger
- Dash salt and pepper
- 1 cup cubed cooked chicken breast
- ½ cup sliced celery
- ½ cup seedless red grapes, halved
- 2 green onions, chopped
- 1 small cantaloupe, halved and seeded
- ¼ cup silvered almonds, toasted

In a large bowl, combine the mayonnaise, sour cream, sugar, lemon peel, lemon juice, ginger, salt and pepper.

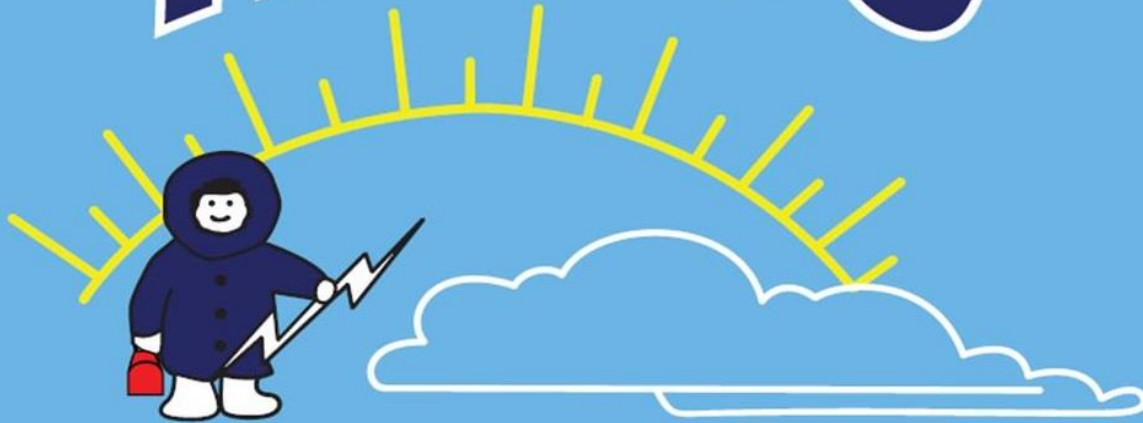
Add the chicken, celery, grapes and onions; toss to coat.

Spoon 1 cup salad mixture into each cantaloupe half.

Sprinkle with almonds.



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