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# "THE VIEW" January 2018

Residents and Homeowners of Mountain View

Happy New Year from your HOA Board of Directors! We hope all of you have a safe, prosperous, and healthy New Year. It's hard to believe that most of us have been here 14 and 15 years! Since that time, we have seen a number of our friends move away to be closer to family members. And, others who have left this world for a better place. It's just amazing how time passes so quickly when you are busy having fun and enjoying yourself. Many of us feel we couldn't have found a better place to live or better neighbors to spend time with enjoying our community activities.

To make the New Year more exciting, if there is an activity or game you would like to see included, let us know. We have a number of new residents that are 20 years younger than most of us and might have new ideas. My crystal ball broke a long time ago and I can no longer read minds, so speak up. Keep in mind that all activities here are run by volunteers, so if you want something different, you will probably need to sponsor it. By sponsoring, I mean be the leader of your chosen activity. This gets you out of the house and allows you to meet your neighbors. Come down to the clubhouse, you might even have a good time. Even if you don't want to start a new activity, you could come to the monthly TGIF held on the last Friday of the month. It is a big potluck with all of your neighbors. We really do have a good time, the food is outstanding, and having a bar available helps with that good time. No one is responsible for your own happiness but yourself.

Because of the holidays, we had an early Board meeting in December. It was primarily scheduled so the Board could approve the changes to the ARC Rules regarding the \$50 charge FirstService will begin assessing on January 1, 2018. The Board approved the change as written but, added a task for the ARC Committee. They are to make a list of changes that homeowners can complete without the \$50 charge, yet will still require ARC approval. For example, we have always said residents may paint their home with the same colors, but need to check in with ARC to make sure they are using the correct colors. Changing the color of your home would require the \$50 fee with paperwork being tracked by FirstService. The ARC Committee will try to have the list available by the first of the year, or shortly thereafter.

In the meeting the Board also accepted a bid to re-plaster the hot tub. This will require closing the hot tub for a few weeks. We will send an email and post a notice on the gates to the pool once the work has been scheduled.

January is the election of our HOA Board of Directors. There are three open positions and three candidates. It would have been nice to have more, but the individuals who applied are excellent. Eunice Kang and I are running again and Pat Roy is our third candidate. (Didn't I say they were great!) Pat has been our newsletter editor for the last three years and heads up the Neighborhood Watch. It will be a pleasure to welcome her to the Board. The election will take place on January 24th at 6:00 p.m. at the clubhouse. The ballots will be counted as we conduct the usual board meeting. When the meeting is over and the ballots counted, the results will be announced. A quick closed meeting of the new Board will convene at which time the officers will be selected. Wednesday, February 28, 2018 will be the first meeting of the new Board.

Regards,

Carolyn Daniels

### Mountain View HOA Board of Directors Meeting Highlights

A special Open Session Meeting was held on Dec. 13, 2017 from 1:00 pm to 1:30 pm Eunice Kang - Board Secretary

### **FINANCIAL SUMMARY:**

### November 30, 2017

Operating Income/(Loss)	\$(1,962.59)
Y-T-D Reserve Funding	\$43,675.56
Y-T-D Reserve Funding Budget	\$39,816.00
Operating Funds	\$37,335.95
Petty Cash	\$1,500.00

### **BOARD ACTIONS:**

#### **New Business**

**Spa Re-plastering** - planned for this winter. The Board reviewed the proposals submitted by three companies and accepted the proposal to re-plaster the spa with white quartz by Gardner Outdoor and Pool Remodeling for \$5,550.00. The funds will be expended from the pool/spa reserves.

**TV Installation –** A larger TV was purchased for the main room of the clubhouse. The board reviewed the installation plans submitted by Darryl Householder to build a framework and mount the TV with the assistance of ProTec. The Board approved the cost not to exceed \$200.00.

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

The Annual Meeting and Election of Board members will be held at the clubhouse on January 24, 2018 at 6:00pm.

Three Board Members will be elected. Polls will open and close between 6:00 pm and 6:05 pm.

The Open Session meeting will take place during the counting of the ballots. Election results will be announced at the meeting.

### **OPEN FORUM:**

ARC Guidelines Revisions – An open Forum was held to discuss the proposed revisions, focusing on the new \$50 application fee. We discussed the advantages, disadvantages, necessity, and advisability of using Property Management in our architectural project process versus taking on these responsibilities ourselves via our Architectural Committee.

After open discussion, the Board acted (see below) in such a way that we expect to eliminate the \$50 application fee for many projects by processing them ourselves via our Architectural Committee.

### **BOARD ACTIONS:**

### **ARC Guidelines Revisions:**

- 1. Approved the revised ARC Guidelines as published.
- 2. Tasked the ARC committee with developing a list of project types for which they will accept full responsibility for approving and recording, thus avoiding an application fee.
- 3. Gave the ARC Committee the responsibility of determining which projects need to be processed by Property Management.
- 4. Posed that major projects such as total landscape replacement or construction requiring city permits would still go through Property Management and incur a \$50 fee.
- 5. Resolved to provide a reliable electronic filing system for keeping architectural project records.

What many homeowners may not understand is that whenever we have First Service Residential process a project for us we are contractually obligated to charge the application fee.

Our only other recourse would be to find another Property Management company which does not charge that fee. Not an easy task..

### Social Club Happenings

**Maggie Lawrence** 

Hello Everyone!

### **Happy New Year Everyone!**



Hope everyone had a lovely and safe holiday season. Can you believe the New Year is already here?

We had a great time at our Christmas luncheon. There were fun, little gifts and the

"trading" was amusing to watch! There was also a chance at winning \$500 on a lotto ticket. No big winner but, we did have several small winners.

The owner of the restaurant, Hector, did a good job for us. It is always difficult serving that large a group at one time.

There will be a Super Bowl Party after all! We are having a casserole cook-off. So, get out your recipes! Bring your best dish to the clubhouse no later than 2:00 pm on Sunday, February 4th for judging. Then, we can all chow down on the good food! Also, there will be Super Bowl "fun" pools for which I have already created the grids. With a couple of different \$1 grid squares, you will have a variety of numbers to choose from.

TGIF potlucks will begin again on Friday, January 26 with happy hour at 5:00 pm and dinner at 6:00 pm.

The next large social club function is the Ladies' Luncheon and Fashion Show to support the American Cancer Society. The date is being finalized and I will notify everyone as soon as I have the information. This is always a very nice afternoon for all. I have 3 models so far, but I need more. Please consider volunteering for this worthy cause.

Still waiting to hear back regarding another possible wine tasting event. More details to come once we have the information.

If you have any ideas for some type of function, please come forward. We love new ideas.

See you all soon.

### Maggie

(909) 268-3666 (Cell) (951) 601-1952

### Mark Your Calendars!

### LADIES' LUNCHEON

Monday, January 8 11:30 a.m.

### Polly's Pies

12625 Frederick Street Moreno Valley

Lori Humphrey (951) 472-0427 Marianne Montano (951)924-1252

### **DINE OUT**

Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup> 5:30 p.m.

### Steer N' Stein

Perris Blvd. at JFK RSVP by Monday, January 15th

Sue and Frank Sloan Call at (951) 455-3554 Text at (562) 480-1257 noreenjanice@yahoo.com

# Upcoming Events

Super Bowl Party
And
Casserole Cook-off

Sunday, February 4th, 2018 3:00 pm Clubhouse

Ladies' Luncheon and Fashion Show benefitting

**The American Cancer Society** 

Date and Time TBA



### Super Bowl Party And Casserole Cook-Off!



Sunday February 4<sup>th</sup> 3:00 p.m. Clubhouse

Make your favorite casserole and enter it into the cook-off contest!

### **Categories:**

Vegetarian Chicken Beef Other

### **Casserole Entries:**

Contact:

Darlena Stevens (951) 337-1579

By Sunday, January 28, 2018

### Sign up for \$1 "Fun Pool" Squares:

Contact:

Maggie Lawrence (951) 268-3666

\*Please feel free to bring snacks or goodies to go along with casserole food

Come join us for some good food, laughter and Sunday afternoon fun!

Good Food Bar Open 50/50 Super Bowl \$1 "fun pool" Big Screen TV

## Craft Club

**Peggy Meddings** 



Finishing the year, we went to Roger's Gardens, a beautiful place to visit. In addition to their huge display of plants, they were decorated for Christmas. It was well worth the trip. A big thank you to Darlena Stevens for setting it up. If you were unable to go on December 12<sup>th</sup>, we hope to

schedule another trip at Easter. Please let me know if you are interested in going.

We are starting another year of the Craft Club and have a number of projects in the works. Some of our previous endeavors were keepers and some not quite so. Regardless, when things didn't go as planned, we had great fun laughing at ourselves. That's how it works in crafting. You try something new - sometimes it works and sometimes it doesn't!

Our next meeting is January 11<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m. at the clubhouse. We will be making heart shaped earrings for Valentine's Day. Joan Williams will be our instructor. The cost is \$8.00 to cover materials. If you wish to join us, please call Joan Williams at (951) 924-4876 so she can order the correct number of stones.

We are still collecting wine corks for making birdhouses. Please save yours even if it's only a few. You can deliver them to me or I can pick them up.

Future plans include making a wind chime, cute little hedgehog, painting bird houses again and Decoupage. If you have any suggestions or ideas for additional projects, please let me know.

I have been asked about taking more trips. We are considering the flower fields at Carlsbad and the Lawrence Welk Theater (I will check the schedule for next year). If you have any suggestions, please let me know.

We would love to have you join us on the second Thursday of each month. If you have a craft, we'd love to have you show us. You don't need to be creative or crafty, we have lots of help. Just come join us and enjoy!

Peggy Meddings (951) 924-9195

# THANK YOU Gate Decorators!



Rob Buck
Darryl and Jain
Householder
Dan and Victoria
Klaas
Ron and Gretchen
Williams.

### THE GATES LOOK REALLY GREAT!!

### With Sincere Thanks....

To Our Dear Neighbors and Friends,

Renate and I would like to express our gratitude for the outpouring of love and help that we received after our daughter's untimely death in November, 2017.

We appreciate all of the home cooked meals, cakes, flowers, condolence cards and visits from many of our neighbors and all of the spiritual prayer help we received during this time. It was truly a blessing.

This is such a great community we live in and we could not be more appreciative for everything you did for us.

Thank you so very much,

Ruben and Renate Rivera Parents of Karen Rivera



### Letters to the Editor

#### Dear Editor:

"No if, and's or BUTTS!!" I hope this gets the attention of whomever is responsible! Please stop throwing cigarette butts in our street gutters! The filters don't dissolve! Thank you!!

Sue Sloan

### Dear Editor:

A few weeks ago, during an open house, someone left the gate code taped to the JFK entry kiosk. PLEASE, don't leave that code taped ANYWHERE! Thank you.

San Jacinto Neighbors

# It huffed... and it puffed... until it blew the sign down!!



Gusty winds blew the street sign down at Grandview and Pikes Peak.

# Volunteering for a Good Cause



Jain Householder, Stephanie Thomas, Grace Paltikian Victoria Klaas, Marianne Montano and Gretchen Williams.

Volunteering at the Operation Christmas Child Processing Center in Corona, these ladies spent a joy filled day preparing thousands of gift-filled shoeboxes for shipment to Indonesia. Great job for a good cause ladies!

### Happy Grandma!

Well, I've finally reached the Wonder Years.
Wonder where my car is parked?
Wonder where I left my phone?
Wonder where my sunglasses are?
Wonder what day it is?

# The Green Thumb Corner By Victoria Klaas

Greetings, Green Thumbers!

January is the month to plant all types of bare root plants including deciduous fruit trees and roses. These plants are available now and cost a small fraction of what they will cost later in the spring. These plants have smaller root balls, but please resist digging a smaller planting hole. A plant's growth this time of year is in its roots. The larger the root ball, the larger and faster the tree or shrub will grow.

Our soil is dense. Incorporate good compost into the planting mix to make it easier for growing roots to expand. Good compost should not contain a lot of dry wood as bacteria in the decomposed wood will rob the soil of nitrogen. It should be dark in color, crumble in the hand and not feel splintery.

This is also the time to prune deciduous fruit trees such as apple and/or rose bushes. When pruning, consider the shape and height of the bush or tree and don't be afraid to cut back hard. Roses are vigorous growers and will provide strong, new growth later in the season. Look for dormant leaf buds that branch outward, into the center of the bush. Make judicious cuts just above these. Unpruned roses produce fewer and smaller blooms. Clean out and remove leaves still on the plant as they are a possible source of disease. Remember to rake and dispose of dead flowers and leaves beneath your plants.

When choosing bareroot fruit trees or bushes, keep in mind that some will require a pollinator, a second plant (often of a different variety) to produce fruit. Do your research. Don't assume the salespeople know the answers to your questions. It is important to select "low chill" varieties as many plants sold in local nurseries won't fruit in our climate. Blueberries, apples, some grapevine, and lilacs, are examples of these.

It is not too late to plant annuals for winter color. Garden centers have a good selection of color and It's not too late to plant winter annuals.

Refrain from cutting back frost damaged growth on your tropical and subtropical plants (such as Bougainvillea, Hibiscus, etc.). This "thatch" will protect them from further damage in subsequent frosts. Do not plant new tropical or subtropical species until April. These plants need to acclimate

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slowly to cold weather.

It's a good time to apply a crabgrass inhibiting fertilizer to your lawn. Apply again in February as an added precaution.

While this month feels cold and wintry, birds are already mating and searching for nesting sites. Provide nesting boxes with 1-inch openings to encourage wrens and bluebirds but discourage the house sparrow. Ideally, birds prefer shaded homes and north or east facing entries. Anna's hummingbirds nest in winter and their eggs hatch in December/January. Consider keeping hummingbird feeders filled all year long. Anna's is the only non-migratory hummingbird in our region.

Happy gardening!

"Gardening is a matter of your enthusiasm holding up until your back gets used to it." ~ Unknown

### Rattle those Pots and Pans

From the kitchen of Katie Wenke

#### **Tuna Melts**

Makes 2 Sandwiches

1  $(3 - \frac{1}{2} \text{ oz.})$  can water-packed tuna (1 cup)

½ cup mayonnaise

1 tbsp. chopped green pepper

 $1 - \frac{1}{2}$  tsp. dill weed

 $1 - \frac{1}{2}$  tsp. sweet relish

1/4 tsp. seasoned salt

4 slices white bread

4 slices Cheddar cheese

4 slices tomatoes



In medium bowl, combine tuna with mayonnaise, onion, dill, relish and salt. Mix well.

Layer 2 slices of bread with equal portions of tuna mixture, cheese and tomato slices. Top with remaining slices of bread.

Spread both sides of sandwiches with margarine. Grill both sides, covered, to heat filling and melt cheese.



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9:30 am - Sunday School (kids & adults)

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### Bible Study



"Cheers to a New Year and another chance to get it right!" Oprah Winfrey

### Christmas Celebration



"The person who says it cannot be done should not interrupt the person who is doing it."

Chinese Proverb

### LADIES' BIBLE STUDY



Every Wednesday 10:00 am Clubhouse

### A LIFE BEYOND AMAZING

Dr. David Jeremiah

A new Bible study begins Wednesday, January 3rd and continues through the month of June. Dr. Jeremiah leads us through decisions that will transform our lives.

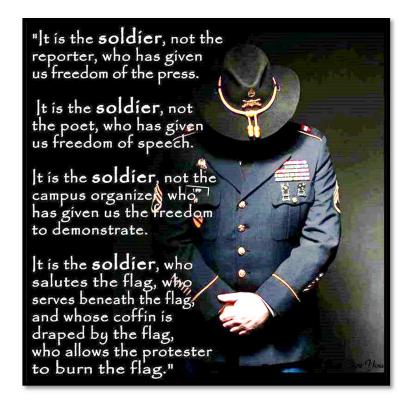
All women are welcome. We currently have 28 ladies signed up for the study. We have a great time learning together and building friendships. Please consider joining us at the beginning of this new year.

For more information, contact Gretchen Williams, 951-924-4352.

# Clubhouse Renovation Committee Renovation Report

The proposal to purchase a 65" TV was approved by the HOA Board in November. At the December HOA meeting the Board approved installing the television. So, look for a much larger TV in the clubhouse soon.

In January, we are meeting with a designer from Redlands to continue work on the design phase plan of the clubhouse renovation.



# Ladies' Bible Study Christmas Tea



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