

## THE VIEW JULY 2004

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#### Hi Folks!

I am looking forward to my new "job" editing the newsletter. "The View" has been a great source of information for me while learning about our community. This is a new experience for me, so please feel free to contact me with any articles, new ideas or suggestions for **your** newsletter. I will appreciate hearing from you, plus it will be a great opportunity for me to meet more of my new neighbors.

Lori

# The Vice Prez Says by Bob Vernlund

(Katie is on vacation and in her absence, Vice President Bob Vernlund has some information to pass along.)

Our Community Association uses a fiscal year that ends on July 31<sup>st</sup>. As homeowners, we have money invested and have a right to know what is going on where we live. That is why our goal as a board of directors is to prepare and distribute the following documents to all homeowners:

- An operating budget no later than 45 days prior to the beginning of the fiscal year.
- A review of the financial statement distributed within 120 days after the close of the fiscal year.
- An annual statement describing the policies and practices in enforcing lien rights or other legal remedies for default in payment of its assessments against its members.
- A summary of the association's property, general liability, and earthquake, flood and fidelity insurance policies.

You will receive these documents in the next few months. They are important to your investment in this private community. Read them and stay involved. Note that approximately one third of your monthly assessment is put in reserve for future expenses. This prevents any surprise "special assessments" and makes Mountain View a great place to come home to.

# MOUNTAIN VIEW HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION MEETING HIGHLIGHTS – JUNE 10, 2004

submitted by Joanne Phillips, Secretary

The proposed Rules and Regulation changes will be mailed to homeowners in approximately one week. Homeowners will have 30 days in which to make comments in writing to Management. After reviewing the comments, the Board of Directors will determine whether or not to approve the changes.

The Board of Directors approved the new Social Committee:

Joan Williams – Chair

Marilyn Dawson – Vice Chair

Jo Pavlik – Secretary

Janet Papiernik – Treasurer

Lori Humphrey – Newsletter

Cathy DeWalt – Newsletter Advertising

Appreciation was extended to the outgoing Social Club Board: Sue Janssen – Chair, Sharon Shavce – Vice Chair, Meredith Teague – Secretary, for their efforts on behalf of the community.

The Board also approved the revised Social Committee By-Laws.

The Management Company was authorized by the Board to obtain estimates on remodeling the doors in the card room.

A reminder was issued for the need to obtain approval from the Design and Review Committee for any design changes to landscaping. Please contact Al Denno if you have any questions.

A discussion was held on parking cars in garages. Each residence in the M.V. Community Association is provided with a two-car garage. The governing documents of the association state clearly that you may not utilize your garage for any other purpose if it prevents the parking of at least two cars in the garage (CC&R's, Article II, Section 2.5.3). If a homeowner has a third car, it may be parked in their driveway as long as it does not extend onto the sidewalk or onto a street. There is to be no parking of vehicles on the streets in lieu of parking in the



#### **BOOK CLUB**

By Joan Williams

The Book Club will meet at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 29, to discuss **BLACK DAHLIA AVENGER** by Steve Hodel.

One of the Most Notorious Murders of the 20th Century . . . Solved!

In 1947 the brutal, sadistic murder of a beautiful young woman led to the largest manhunt in L.A. history. The killer teased and taunted the police and public, but his identity remained a mystery. A "prime suspect" was identified and named in secret, but for some unexplained reason he was never indicted or brought to justice. Hints of LAPD corruption were rife during that era, and some very high-ranking police department heads rolled.

This is a fascinating story of how the unsolved murder was finally solved after 56 years. Don't miss it!



## 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY INDEPENDENCE DAY POTLUCK

Come to our annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July potluck! This will be our third consecutive year, and we have another fun contest in the works.

This year we ask that you bring a salad *and* snack, or a main dish. Our contest will be a cake bake-off with the best tasting cake taking the prize. The first prize will be a U. S. flag flown over our nation's capital and the admiration of the entire community! So, dig out your favorite cake recipes and bake away.

PLUS, we will have an ice cream social! Enjoying cake and ice cream on a hot summer's day with friends—could anything be better!

We'll meet at the Clubhouse at 4 p.m. on Sunday, the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Come on down and help us celebrate our nation's birthday!

#### COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION WORKSHOP

On Saturday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, a workshop will be held in the M.V. Clubhouse on the "ABC's For Community Associations." There are seven open slots for any homeowner who would like to attend. The fee for the course is \$75.00 and checks should be made out to C.A.I. If you are interested in attending, please call Joanne Phillips.

#### SINGLES CLUB

by Joanne Nagasaka



The Singles Club will meet in Joanne's home on July 27th (the last Tuesday of the month) at 8:00 p.m. The program for the evening includes a discussion relevant to single life.

#### **EVENING BRIDGE**

By Betty Thomas

Bridge is a wonderful way to exercise the brain! Not only that, but it's fun. Interested? All you need to know are the basics. We'll get together one evening a month. Call Betty Thomas at 488-1576 for more information.

#### BALLROOM DANCING

UMICKI STEWART

Do you enjoy ballroom dancing? If so, here are some places in the area you might want to check out for your dancing pleasure.

#### **RIVERSIDE**

*Janet Goeske Center* – Every Wednesday 6:30-8:30 p.m. (\$4 per person). Good floor and live music. Refreshments served or you can bring your own.

City Cousins Dance Club – Every Friday (cover charge)

#### SAN BERNARDINO

*Norton Air Force Base* (former NCO Club) – First Wednesday of month 7:00-10:00 p.m. (\$5 per person). Dinner served. Mixed drinks available.

#### HEMET

Sierra Dawn Mobile Home Park #4 – Every Saturday 7:00-9:00 p.m. (\$5 per person). Cookies, coffee and punch served

For more information, call Micki.

#### THE GARDNER'S CORNER

by Carole Sweeney

From the gardener's corner...July and August are two of the hottest gardening months in the year. If it wasn't for watering and weeding, you could almost take these months off. It will be too hot for any strenuous work unless you get out there at 5 am. Mulching around trees, shrubs and perennials will help cut down on watering. My favorite is cedar bark, smells good and looks good too. Don't bring the mulch too close to the trunk of any tree or bush. If that sensitive area stays too wet, it can become diseased. Pruning of early summer flowering shrubs should be completed. Deadhead your roses and feed them for the next surge of blooms. Cut back or pinch almost everything in your annual garden when they become too tall or leggy. This creates more attractive plants out of tired looking specimens and promotes compact growth and a second flush of blooms later in the summer. Use shears or scissors for a clean cut above a leaf node. If you are looking for new plants for your garden, don't forget the butterflies and hummingbirds.. For butterflies plant asters, lantana, buddleia, marigolds, sweet william, zinnias and other daisy-like flowers. For hummingbirds, plant red trumpet vine, cape honeysuckle, pomegranate bush or tree. Happy digging in the dirt!

#### CARING COMMUNITY CLUB

by Helen Grogan

Recently I have had inquiries regarding how to join. I have a list of the people that want to be involved. Some are on the list to help out with a meal if the need arises, and others have volunteered transportation. When a need arises due to a death, sickness or hospital stays, we get the word out either by phone or e-mails, and we come together as a community to offer the help that is needed. There are no monthly meetings and we will not intrude if no help is wanted. For almost three years, this has been in place and we have been blessed to be able to help neighbors that have lost their mates and so much more. This is such a special community. We look out for each other because we care. If you see a need, please call me or my co-chair Linda Quinn. Sometimes just a card can lift someone's spirit. Feel free to call me if you want to be on the list of volunteers.



#### JULY MILITARY APPRECIATION DAYS

All military personnel receive FREE tram admission with Military ID. Their guests receive 25% off regular tram admission at the Palm Springs Aerial Tram July 1-31, 2004. Limit 6 guest tickets.

(888) 515-TRAM WWW.PSTRAMWAY.COM

#### **WELCOME NEIGHBORS**

by Meredith Teague

I had the pleasure of welcoming three new neighbors to our community this month. One had been living here awhile, but I was so busy. I finally caught them in.

14572 Mountain Vista Drive, Gail & Bruce Baldwin from Corona, CA 28864 Big Pine Way, Elizabeth & Eric Paik from Los Angeles, CA 28273 Grandview Drive, Sandy Kang & Chris Kim from Walnut, CA

A really great way to meet your neighbors is to go down to the clubhouse and play Bunco. We play during the daytime and at night—it's great fun. To quote Janet Papiernik, "It's fine fun!" So join in.

## Ladies Luncheon

July 20, 2004 12:00 noon



# Don Jose Mexican Café

23040 Alessandro Boulevard Moreno Valley, CA

Meet at the Clubhouse at 11:30 am to carpool.

Deadline to RSVP is July 16th.

There is no prepayment for this luncheon. Don Jose's has agreed to separate checks.



14630 - 14684 GRANDVIEW DRIVE (17) **Thanks to Frank & Judy Kathriner** 

28320-28210 GRANDVIEW DRIVE (17) Thanks to Godfrey Asciak

28630-28520 GRANDVIEW DRIVE (17) **Thanks to Don Donner** 

EVEREST WAY (9) **Thanks to Carol Wilkins** 

We have had wonderful volunteers for the newsletter and I want to thank each one of you. The idea of the newsletter delivery and the telephone tree is to create a continuity in your own neighborhood. So, although we have wonderful volunteers who deliver newsletters and take on the responsibility of the telephone tree, it is our goal to have someone who lives in their neighborhood deliver the newsletter and get to know their neighbors.

#### **BUNCO**



Have Our 5<sup>th</sup> Table—Come and We'll Have 6!

#### COME ONE COME ALL, WE HAVE A BALL!

Most Buncos - Linda Meyer Most Wins - Twila DeWalt (again, Twila could be our big winner!) Most Losses - JoAnne Foronjy

#### TUESDAY, JULY 13, 2004

(2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the Month)

6:30 PM

Bring your favorite finger sandwich—we'll have salad's and drinks.

For more information contact:

Sue Janssen or Sharon Shavce

ESJanssen@adelphia.net or SShavce@earthlink.net

# ADDITIONS & CORRECTIONS TO OUR COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

#### Please add to your Directory:

HANNAH, Mike & Judy 28530 Grandview Drive

LOPEZ, Charlie & Rose 28243 Grandview Drive

#### <u>Please remove from your Directory</u>:

RAU, Linda has moved SPROVIERO, Joan has moved WILKINS, Patricia has moved

#### Please change your Directory as follows:

CRANK, Bob & Claudia <a href="mailto:cbcrank@msn.com">cbcrank@msn.com</a> (new e-mail address)

CRISINO, Sharon <u>Sckalona@Adelphia.net</u> (please update e-mail address)

DAWSON, Jay & Marilyn <u>Marilyn6515@verizon.net</u> (please update e-mail address)

KIMBERLIN, Mary Mary p Kimberlin@hotmail.com (please update e-mail address)

HARTEL, Jim & Jean <a href="mailto:saxon\_knightl@aol.com">saxon\_knightl@aol.com</a> (please update e-mail address with "I" not a "1"

POLLEY, <u>Marlin</u> 14537 Everest Way (please correct Marlin's name)

<u>SON</u>, Kyung 28490 Grandview Drive (please correct Kyung's last name)

WILSON, Audrey & Del dmacwlsn@msn.com (please update e-mail address)



### Neighborhood Watch

#### by Rick Hansen

After taking the month of June off, it's time to get back to work. I will be conducting a zone captain meeting on July 14th at 6:30 PM in the club house.

I am sad to report two incidents in the past three weeks—a burglary and the theft of a sago palm from a front yard. In the case of the burglary, a woman knocked on several doors asking for someone unfamiliar to the homeowners. When she found a house with no one at home, entry was made through the front door by prying the door frame.

#### TIP OF THE MONTH:

If a stranger inquires about where someone may live and does not have an address, that is a strong clue that the stranger doesn't belong in our community. The stranger may be looking for information on whether or not someone is home and knock on doors until nobody answers. If you feel that something isn't right and further measures are warranted, get their description, person or vehicle, and call the police.

We are a gated community but not a security community. To have a sound



## \*\*\*NEW AREA CODE \*\*\*

**REMINDER**: The new area code effective July 17th will be **951**.

#### WHAT'S COOKING?

#### by Jain Householder

Hi. My name is Jain. I live on the street called Pikes Peak. My husband has been here for about a year, but I just moved in at the end of April. We come from Illinois and this is "culture shock" for both of us. There are many things about California that I know nothing about . . . like those slimy little things that crawl up my driveway at night . . . what are those, anyway? I do like the iridescent trails they leave by morning, but I don't know whether it's worth having them around just for the morning glitz!

I recently volunteered to do the "recipe" column. Not that I'm a great cook or anything—I just like to eat and I can follow any recipe. My mother, on the other hand, was an excellent cook. I was raised to believe that anyone who was born in Luxembourg automatically had the "good cook" gene. Somehow it passed me by. My brother and two of my four children have it and I am jealous. I do, however, make them cook for me regularly. As far as my mother's recipes go, nothing was really written down. It was just "a little of this" and "a little of that." "You know, just taste it and add what you think it needs," is what she would tell me. Yea, right! I do have a collection of recipes though, as I'm sure many of you have. Many of the recipes have stories to go with them, some of the stories being better than the recipes at times. If you have recipes or stories to share, I would love to hear from you. My number is 485-3222.

My first recipe is one of my "hot weather" favorites. I usually only made this during the months of July or August, but since I now live in sunny CA, I will be making it more often. It's nothing very fancy. Actually, it's one of my mother's "depression" recipes. I guess that means it's cheap (sorry, inexpensive), and it goes a long way.



#### **DEPRESSION TUNA SALAD**

12 oz. can white tuna (water pack), drained 1 lb. box creamette elbow macaroni, cooked & cooled 3 medium-size ripe tomatoes, cut in wedges 6 oz. bottle green olives stuffed with pimento, sliced 16 oz. jar of Miracle Whip (give or take a little to taste)

Mix everything together and chill for a couple of hours. Add a little salt if you like. It goes great with applesauce on the side.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

Waste Management will be on its normal schedule for trash pickup the week of the 4th of July holiday.

#### **MEMORIAL DAY EVENT**

Our Memorial Day Event was a great success and it made us all so proud to be part of a group who was so generous. We raised \$1,500.00 for March Air Reserve Base, Military Affairs Community. Laura Froehlich, of the MAC, who gave such a moving account of what her organization does, was truly amazed at the generosity of our Community. What a difference our donations will make to the men and women passing through MARB on their way to the Gulf. We, as a community, have done ourselves proud!! Thanks to all of you who so generously supported our efforts with your donations, time and volunteer work!!

We promised to let you all know how our Silent Auction turned out, so here are the results. We raised over \$500 with the raffle and the auction:

U.S. Flag won by Carol Wilkins
Birdhouse to Katie Wenke
Body Works Basket to Carol Wilkins
Budweiser Sign to Mike Frahm
Cakes to Sharon Cristino
1/4 Sheet Cake to the Graters
Chili Dinner to Sharon & John Shavce
Gardening Basket to Carole Sweeney
Gardening Tips with Carole Sweeney to Sue Janssen
Padre Tickets to Carol Wilkins
Red, White & Blue Afghan to Shirley De Carlo
San Diego Zoo Passes to Mike Hannah
Wine Glass Basket to Sharon Cristino

PS - Will those of you who bid on the Green Afghan please call Sue

What can I say about the display that Sharon Shavce and her team put on? The "Guess Who the Service Person Is" event was outstanding. As we looked at the pictures of those young men and then saw them standing so proud and pleased to be involved with such a great event, it warmed our hearts. It was wonderful to see the participation of our residents and we hope future events will share the same spirit. Sharon and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your support over the last several months and for your help no matter how many times we asked for it. To all who loaned display items, decorated, served food, tended bar, cleaned up and offered their assistance in any way.....our sincerest gratitude for your contributions! You are the difference in making our special events something to be proud of and challenge us to do better each time!

Please consider volunteering in any way for future special community occasions, as your participation will make any event a standout that all our residents will want to attend!

Sincerely, Sue Janssen and Sharon Shavce

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING

by Joan Williams

#### Thank you, thank you . . .



The entire community gives a heart-felt "thank you" to each of five fantastic people who served as our Social Club Board this past year. Katie Wenke's leadership took up right where Joanne Phillips left off, and she was ably assisted by Sue Janssen as vice chairman, Meredith Teague, Secretary, and Janet Papiernik, Treasurer. When we lost Katie to the HOA Board presidency, Sue stepped right in without even missing a beat, and with the help of our new Vice Chairman, Sharon Shavce, even stepped up the pace. The entire community benefited from even more new and innovative ideas. This past year gave us our first catered spaghetti dinner; our first Holiday Boutique and Craft Show, our first St. Paddy's Day corned beef and cabbage dinner, and our first (and most enthusiastically attended) Memorial Day Fundraiser for our troops serving overseas. We owe all these events to our terrific outgoing Board, and to the marvelous volunteerism demonstrated by our friends and neighbors. We can hardly hope to fill your shoes, but we do hope to follow in your footsteps.

#### 4th of July Potluck

We look forward to our third annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July potluck and contest. This year the contest is a cake contest. The prize winner will be the cake that **tastes** the best—not necessarily the one that looks the best. Once the cakes have been judged by our panel of "impartial" judges, we will all be able to enjoy them for dessert! The big prize will be, once again, an American flag that has been flown over our nation's capital. As an added treat, we have planned an ice cream social with all the sprinkles and toppings. And, best of all, another chance to get together with our friends and neighbors for a good time!

If you would like to volunteer to help, or have any questions, please call me, or Marilyn Dawson

#### Openings for Volunteers

If you have a special interest, and would like to coordinate a group, please call or e-mail me at joanjwms@hotmail.com.

Check your calendar, and participate! The more you do, the more fun you'll have!