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"THE VIEW"

June, 2016

Mountain View Homeowners:

Again last night we had a lively group at the HOA meeting. Each month the board tries to talk about topics that are of general interest to the community as a whole, that means all of us. If you haven't attended an HOA meeting in the last few months, come on down and meet your neighbors. We are all residents sharing the same issues. Whatever concerns you have, will probably concern your neighbors. As a point in fact, we talked about speeding in the community *again*. I know some of you are sick of hearing about it, but until we can solve the problem, we will probably talk about it. We have pretty much decided that the price of humps or bumps is probably out of our range in the budget unless you are willing to add to your homeowners' dues to pay for them. We started looking at those feedback speed limit signs, but find them to be surprisingly expensive too. Because we are a private community, the City will not provide them. In the meantime, we should police ourselves and our visitors. In order to have a great place to live and maintain and grow our property values, this is a must.

A few days ago. We had an incident with a visitor intimidating a resident by tailgating, erratically driving and speeding. Again, we need to police our visitors. If they cannot follow the rules while in our community, then meet them somewhere else.

Each month I try to contact Eric Heffner from the Bridge Investment Group, who holds title to the golf course. This month Eric said they are continuing to work the issues and are removing silt from the cart paths. He also said they "are working on something we think will be beneficial for all". They hope to be able to introduce their thoughts within the next couple of weeks. This issue should be a concern to all of us. I, for one, have had a greatly altered view from my backyard. What used to be a serene golf course has turned into a jumble of weeds, overgrown trees and what appears to be a growing fire hazard. With the coming fire season, we all need to be vigilant and make sure we call Code Enforcement when necessary. Again, the number to call with these concerns is [951-413-3340](tel:951-413-3340).

The good news, the Board voted on a budget last night that does not include an increase in our dues! We will try our best to maintain our great community with the same numbers from the last fiscal year. With increasing utility costs, that might be a little hard, but we are willing to give it a try. Darryl is a great number cruncher, so he will be working overtime to make this all happen for you.

Regards,

Carolyn Daniels

Mountain View HOA Board Highlights

Darryl Householder, HOA Board Member at Large

The Mountain View Homeowners Association held its Board of Directors meeting on Wed., May 25, 2016.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

April 30, 2016	
Operating Income/(Loss)	\$(6,141.52)
Operating Funds	\$3,119.93
Petty Cash	\$1,500.00
Y-T-D Reserve Funding	\$115,780.55
Y-T-D Reserve Funding Budget	\$91,908.00
Reserve Fund Balance	\$954,229.00

DELINQUENCY STATUS REPORT:

As of April 30, 2016 there is a total of \$5,780.78 in delinquent assessments. This value represents approximate delinquency rate of 1.61%, as compared to the last delinquency rate of 1.38% for March 31, 2016.

BOARD ACTION:

Committee Updates

- Reports were given by Social, Architectural, Facility, Landscape, and Communications/Newsletter committees. The Board approved the Social Club positions of Vice Chair, Grace Paltikian and Secretary, Kathy Bennett. The Finance committee meets every other month.
- The Board accepted the minutes and financial reports from some of the Committees' recent meetings as presented.

Consent Calendar

- The Board approved as presented:
 - The March 31, 2016 Financial Statements.
 - The April 27, 2016 Open Session minutes.
 - The board approved a 30-day deferral of a lien on (1) delinquent account.

Unfinished Business

- **Speeding in the Community:**
The Board reviewed two (2) proposals to install speed humps in the community as well as various costs for radar feedback signs.

The Board discussed the cost to install and maintain speed humps and signs and unanimously decided the cost to be prohibitive and beyond budget and decided against the proposals.

- **LED Pool and SPA Lights:**
The Board discussed the advantages and cost savings of retrofitting LED bulbs or replacing the fixtures entirely in the pool and SPA and agreed that the estimated annual cost savings of over \$1,000 utilizing LED technology would justify the expense.

Bids from (2) vendors were reviewed and an alternative of the Association directly purchasing the fixtures at a reduced cost to the community was discussed. The issue of the pool company installing them and whether they would honor the warrantee was raised.

The issue was deferred until the next board meeting so that Management could research warrantee coverage with the pool company.

• **2016-2017 Draft Budget:**

The Board reviewed both draft budget options, taking comments from the Finance Committee into consideration.

The Board approved "Option 1" where the monthly assessment remains at \$122.25 each month per unit.

New Business

• **Emergency Phone Installation:**

The Board discussed and approved the installation of an emergency phone in the gym, that dials 911 automatically. The cost of the phone will be \$129.95 plus the cost of installation by Frontier Communications, as well as signage.

• **Condenser Fan Motor Proposal:**

During the recent HVAC maintenance service, the technician noticed the condenser fan motors in the two (2) units outside of the kitchen are leaking oil and need to be replaced. They are sealed motors and should not be leaking oil. Management inquired with Brian Weaver at BWR Heating and Cooling if it would be better to replace the units entirely or to replace the condenser fan motors. He stated the units are in great shape. He also shared that the Pine trees around those two (2) units are damaging them with the pine needles dropping into the units. The Board may want to look into removing the Pine trees from the area.

A proposal to replace the two (2) condenser fan motors at a cost of \$550.80 each or \$1,101.60 for both was received from BWR Heating and Cooling.

The Board approved the replacement of the condenser fan motors with the condition that another bid be reviewed from HASCO, the Heating and Air Conditioning company which advertises in our newsletter, and that the cost would not exceed the \$1,101.60 bid already received.

Homeowner Forum

• **Cracks in the Tennis Court**

A homeowner asked the Board to investigate cracks that are appearing in the tennis court.

At the morning Facilities Walk, the board had inspected the tennis court surface and in the areas where there are large chips, they will be repaired by Protec.

The resurfacing of the tennis court is already planned to be done in the next 3-5 years, but will be done sooner, if needed.

NEXT HOA BOARD MEETING:

Wednesday, June 22, 2016, 6:00PM at the Clubhouse

Social Club Happenings

JoAnn Foronjy

Hello everyone!

Boy, Mother Nature really wreaked havoc with our yard sale! It was disappointing to everyone who participated. We



seldom have rain, yet, on the day of the sale, it was cloudy, cold and rained most of the morning. Many participants packed up their wares and went home. In spite of the bad weather, there was a great

deal of laughter and good natured ribbing. Ironically, Judy Box was selling cold water and I believe she sold a grand total of (wait for it) ... 2 bottles! Those of us who stayed with it did make some money and we believe that if the sun had been shining, it would have been a big success.

Because the weather has been unpredictable, it just didn't seem logical to try and plan another yard sale in June. I am thinking perhaps August or September. Please email me with your thoughts on this time frame. All participants of the rained out



event will receive a "free" entry for the next one.

I have to give a GREAT, BIG SHOUTOUT to those who helped put this event together. First, to my husband Charlie, who put up street signs in the rain and wind at 5:00 a.m. and then took them all down again, set up tables, helped the neighbors load and unload their wares and waived people into the sale from Cactus



to our tireless event helpers, Stan Emerson (I can always count on you), Judy, Box, Rob and Wendy Buck (who came down just to help unload and set up), Pat Roy and Ruben Benavides, thank you, thank you, thank you! And, I want to also acknowledge our neighbors who may have been inconvenienced by all the commotion. THANK YOU for your patience!

(continued)

Our 4th of July event will be held on Sunday, July 3rd from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the clubhouse. See the enclosed ad for details. **We ask that you PLEASE not arrive prior to 3:45 p.m.** so that we have ample time to arrange the tables, prepare the food and allow the DJ to set up his equipment without having to walk around dozens of people. There is less confusion if everyone adheres to the arrival time. Thank you!

FYI – there will be NO Bunco in July or August.

As always... be seeing you around

Craft Club Peggy Meddings

Hi Everyone:

We had a great time at the May meeting making Lady Bugs. They turned out well and each bug was different in its own way. We started with 150 golf balls and still have a few left. If you would like to try your hand at this, let me know and we will set up a day to work on them.

If you still haven't completed your rock houses, please be patient. Carol Montgomery has been very busy but will set a day to finish them very soon.



Plan on attending the June meeting. Victoria Klass will be sharing her expertise with indoor and outdoor plants. Victoria writes the garden column for our monthly newsletter and is very knowledgeable. If you have garden or plant issues, come on down. Victoria will be happy to help you solve them. If you have plant cuttings you would like to share, bring them along.

Joan Williams will be taking orders for supplies to be used in crocheting necklaces at the July meeting. They are attractive, easy to make and she will have samples to share.

You are welcome to come to our meetings even if you don't do crafts. You may find it interesting enough to decide to try one of the projects.

Peggy Meddings at (951) 924-9195.

Mark Your Calendars!

MEN'S BREAKFAST CLUB

Wednesday, June 8, at 8:00 a.m.
Brandon's Diner
Bill Donner (951) 413-6201

LADIES' LUNCHEON

Monday, June 13, at 12:00 noon
Soup Plantation
228 Hospitality Lane
San Bernardino, CA 92264
RSVP by Friday, June 10
Lori Humphrey (951) 485-6815
Marilyn Dawson (951) 601-2031

DINE OUT

Thursday, June 16, at 5:30 p.m.
Steer 'n Stein
14950 Alessandro Blvd., Moreno Valley
RSVP by Monday, June 13
Frank and Sue Sloan (951) 791-0712

TGIF

Friday, June 24
Happy Hour at 5:00 p.m.
Potluck at 6:00 p.m.

(PLEASE NOTE: If you have RSVP'd for the Ladies Luncheon or Dine Out **and cannot go**, **PLEASE** call to let us know. Restaurants make seating arrangements based on the number we give them. Thank you!)

UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY 4TH CELEBRATION
Sunday, July 3, 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Clubhouse

Don't Forget!

Let me know your thoughts about an additional
Yard Sale in early fall.

Bob Hope And The USO Remembered!

On May 6th, March Field Air Museum celebrated the 75th anniversary of the first Bob Hope USO show.



That pioneer performance occurred in 1941 at March Field. In the audience that day was our very own Fran Frelke who was only 6 years old.

Fran is seen here with The Swing Dames who performed "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy" during the event.



Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

When I go to the mailbox I notice at least 5 large cracks in the street that run from curb to curb. Since the coating occurred recently, it would seem like it was poorly done. Why are we paying to have the streets sealed if it isn't done well?

Michael Grogan

Dear Editor:

On Tuesday morning, May 17th, a PT Cruiser and another car nearly collided at the corner of Grandview and San Jacinto. Both cars were going too fast and making their turn from the middle of the street rather than the correct lane. If they had not swerved, there would have been a collision.

Pat Roy

Dear Editor:

Recently, someone tailgated me into the complex, blocked me out of my driveway then, harassed me down Grandview. I believe it was because he didn't think I moved through the gate fast enough. He eventually pulled into a resident's driveway where I got his license plate number.

Since I live by the Cactus gate, I also see cars driving down Rainier fast enough to miss the gate entrance and have to slam on their brakes. And, very often I see cars not using the entrance gate but instead, go through the exit gate which has been opened by someone leaving.

Reuben Benavides

Pickleball News...

As the players become increasingly more advanced, the number of "shut-out games" increases. A shut-out game occurs when a team wins 11-0 (the opposite team does not score.) This month there are four game shutouts.



If you are curious about how the game is played, come on down and watch. Or better yet, come watch then play for a bit. You may just discover you like it!

Monday, 4:30 p.m.
Thursday, 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, 8:00 a.m.

The Valley Golf Course...



Hole #3. The lake is drying up. Water level use to at the railroad ties.

Fairways are over grown with ankle high, prickly weeds. The sand bunkers are full of dried-up mud and weeds. Trees that have not been trimmed in years, block some of the cart paths. Deep silt covers cart paths and large areas of the course. But, perhaps of more concern is how bone dry it is. As a community, we need to be concerned about the

possibility of fire this summer. It's important to keep after Code Enforcement to cut down or cut up dead trees and clear large areas of dry brush. In spite of this, nature seems to be returning. We're seeing Ground Owls in their nests, increased Hawk pairings, pesky squirrels, definitely more snakes and many small, colorful birds that haven't been around for years.

4th of July Celebration!

Sunday, July 3, 2016
4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Come celebrate with us!



Live Entertainment!

Musician Ron Johnson is back by popular demand.

Tickets for this event will sell out fast. Make your reservation today!

***** MONEY MUST ACCOMPANY RESERVATION**

Menu

Baked or Fried Chicken
Homemade Coleslaw
Potato Salad
Baked Beans
Chips
Apple Crisp with Ice Cream
Bar and 50/50

Cost: \$13.00 per person

**** (The \$13.00 charge reflects the use of live entertainment.)**

RSVP BY Friday, June 24, 2016

To make a reservation contact:
JoAnn Foronjy at 951-750-2303



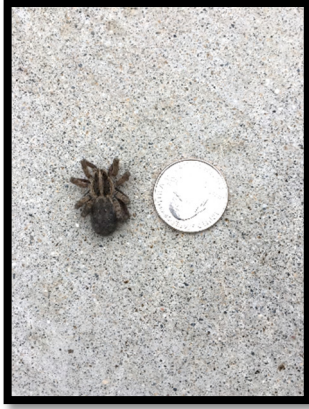
Cool Pics!

If you have taken an unusual picture lately, send it to me. You may just see it in the next newsletter.

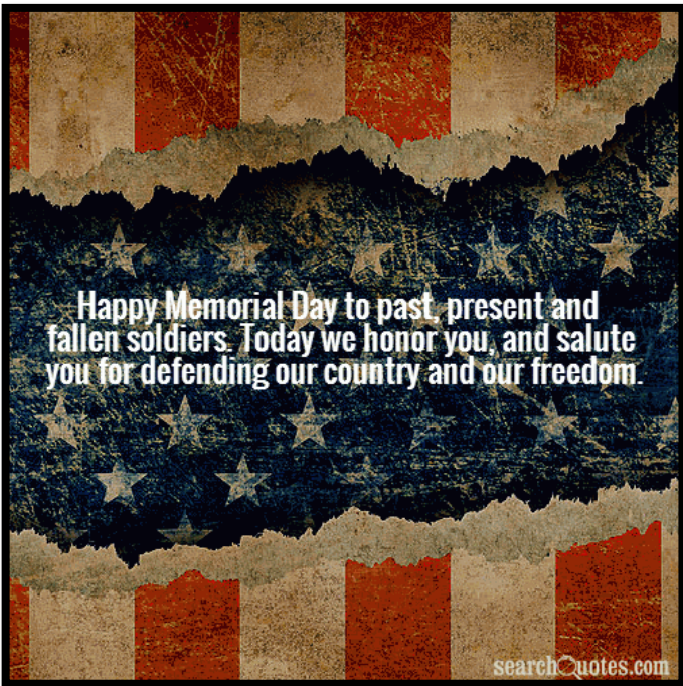
Self-



Anyone know what type of who is walking the bike?



portrait. Can you guess Spider this is?



Freedom is never more than ONE GENERATION away from extinction.

Ronald Reagan

How important it is for us to recognize and celebrate our heroes and she-roes!

Maya Angelou



A message from Moreno Valley Council Member George Price

It is my honor to be able to provide a brief update on matters relating to the City and to District 3.

- **New Transparency Webpage:** Transparency is important to me and the more we can do to put information into your hands the better. The City just launched an interactive tool to allow you to explore detailed financial data online. This is the newest phase in our ongoing commitment to transparency. You'll see things like graphed expenditure trends, highlighted vendor information, and detailed information such as invoice amounts with payment dates and much more. <http://apledger.moval.org/#/>

- **Business Roundtable:** Each year, I hold a lunch meeting in our district to bring the district's business community together to provide an update about the business environment in Moreno Valley, create awareness about business related programs and other resources, and hear directly from them about whatever it is they'd like to share.

Do you own a business in town, or know someone who does? I would like extend the invitation to anyone who would like to be part of this meeting. The Business Roundtable is scheduled for June 8th from 11:30 -1:00 p.m. at Roundtable Pizza in the Stoneridge Towne Centre. Please contact the Economic Development Department at 413.3460 or edteam@moval.org.

- The City coordinates several events throughout the year. **July 4th** is the biggest event of the year. We start the day with a fun parade and move over to Morrison Park/ Mountain View Middle School for the Family Fun Fest, concert and fireworks! The family friendly events are always a crowd pleaser, but this year will be especially fun. For more information, please visit our web page at http://www.morenovalley.ca.us/resident_services/park_rec/4july.shtml.

I value your comments and want to know about your concerns. Please don't hesitate to contact me at georgep@moval.org. I am also always available by appointment by calling the City Council office at 951-413-3008.

The Green Thumb Corner

Victoria Klaas

Hello fellow gardeners!

June is typically mild with cloudy mornings with moderately warm temperatures. Yet, it can end with triple digit temperatures.

Perennials are in bloom. One of my favorites is *Alstromeria*, a spotted and striped lily-like plant with blossoms available in all colors but blue. They are tough and if planted in shade, will bloom all summer long returning year after year. Marigolds, Dwarf Sunflowers, Daylilies, Vinca, Impatiens, Campanula, Verbena, Gaillardia and Rudbeckia are also available.

This is a great time to add drought resistant plants including succulents and Cacti. Because of strict California water policies, plant breeders have been working with plants such as Agaves ("Century Plants"). Lovely dwarf varieties (2 feet tall or less) include Agave "quadicolor," which is striped in green, yellow, grey and red, or Agave Americana which is urn shaped and variegated brightly with gold leaves edged with dark green. Another colorful and easy succulent plant is Aeonium "Kiwi," with beautiful rosettes in a kaleidoscope of colors. It is also safe to add palms, tree ferns, bananas, Lantana, Bougainvillea, Mandevilla, and Plumeria. Know that not all plants offered in garden centers are right for our climate. If you are unsure about a plant, do a little Internet research to check it out.

Melons, eggplant, peppers, and other fruiting vegetables can also be planted. Pick zucchini and other summer squash when still small and tender. Larger fruits can become woody and seedy. Clip runners off strawberries to encourage larger fruit.

Continue to cut and deadhead roses and pinch back Chrysanthemums to encourage a fuller, bushier plant. Divide and repot Cymbidiums, Epiphyllums, Christmas Cacti or other potted plants that may have become root bound. Divide bearded Irises if necessary. Remove spent flowers from Daylilies. Trim back overgrown herbs but avoid pruning back into hard wood with Rosemary, Thyme and Lavender. They will not produce new growth from hard wood.

Keeping Gardenias in bloom may be a challenge. They should be kept moist and fed monthly with Camellia and Azalea Food. They require additional iron periodically to prevent yellowing leaves and leaf and bud drop. Gardenias planted near houses may not bloom as they require colder night temperatures. Plant them under the open sky away from block walls and houses.

Fertilize and water roses and container plants.
Feed Cycads, fertilize perennials, and give strawberries

a dose of nitrogen free fertilizer. If peppers look yellow and you know you are feeding them adequately, spray them with Epsom Salt, 1 teaspoon to a pint of water. This adds much needed Magnesium to the soil.

Keeping plants clean can help keep insects at bay. Eliminate ants by flushing plants with soapy water and using ant bait traps. Ants protect and herd aphids, whiteflies and scale insects. These secrete a sticky sugary substance that cause disease.

We need to respect bees, wasps and non-venomous spiders. Bees and wasps are important pollinators and without them we would have no fruits or tomatoes or bell peppers. Garden catalogs and websites are advertising special bee houses for potter or Carpenter bees. And, many gardeners in California have taken up backyard beekeeping as a hobby. I don't recommend this if you are allergic to bees but, it does illustrate the importance of pollinating insects to our food supply.

Until next month, happy gardening!

"A flower's appeal is in its contradictions — so delicate in form yet strong in fragrance; so small in size yet big in beauty; so short in life yet long on effect." ~ Terri Guill

Rattle Those Pots and Pans from the kitchen of Katie Wenke

Pepper Steak

1½ pounds round steak
¼ flour
½ teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon pepper
1/4 cup Crisco vegetable oil
1 can (8 ounces) tomatoes
1 ¾ cup water
½ cup chopped onion
1/8 teaspoon garlic powder
1 tablespoon dry brown gravy mix
1 ½ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
1 large green peppers, cut into strips

Trim fat from meat and cut into serving size strips. Put flour, salt and pepper in bag. Add a few pieces of meat at a time; shake to coat meat with flour mixture. In large skillet, brown meat in hot vegetable oil. Drain tomatoes, reserving liquid. Add reserved liquid, water, onion, garlic and gravy mix to meat. Cover and simmer for 1 ¼ hours or until meat is tender. Add Worcestershire sauce and green pepper strips. Cook covered an additional 10 – 15 minutes or until green peppers are tender. Cut up tomatoes and add to meat mixture. Cook 5 minutes more. Serve over rice.

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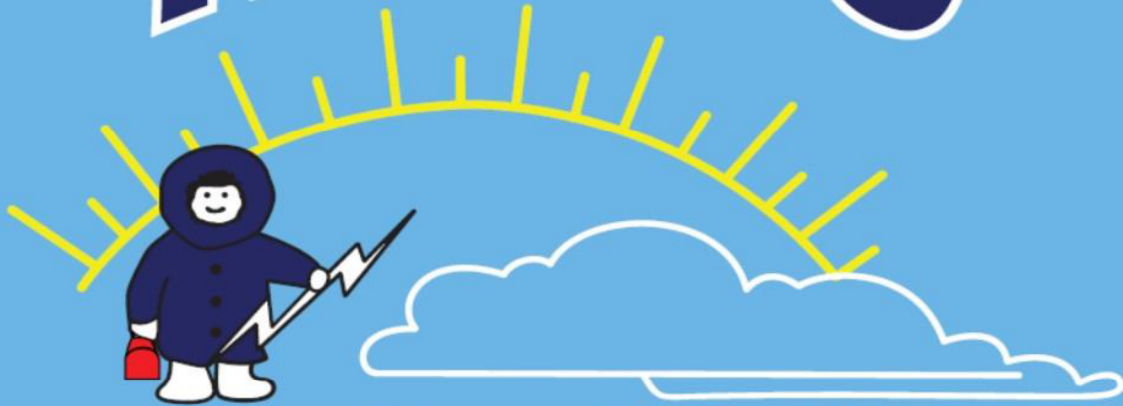
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