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"THE VIEW" November, 2016

Mountain View Residents:

Last night at 6:00 pm, there were no residents in the clubhouse other than the HOA board. We have been having such nice gatherings of residents in the past we began to think we had offended you. At the end of our Executive Session we came out of the room, and in streamed a nice collection of interested residents. Thank you for coming. We certainly didn't want to play to an empty house. :)

One of our more visible decisions this past couple of weeks was to replace the pool vendor. It has been a difficult few months we've had with the last vendor. We are hopeful and positive that the new company will be the one we need to fulfill our requirements As the pool and equipment age, the more work and attention it needs, just like people. The new company, Breakpoint, appears to have the knowledge and skills to keep us going. On the walk through yesterday morning, we spent time with 'the man' and learned a lot. Unfortunately, some of the equipment is old and either needs repair and/or replacement. Again, we feel we are on the right track and are anxious to see how he does.

In our last newsletter, we received an application for eligible residents, in good standing, to compete if you are interested in running for the board. As the year ends, we will have two positions up for election. Make sure you return your completed form to Amy at FirstService by the stated deadline in order to be included on the ballot.

Artistic Maintenance is replanting the slope on the side of the clubhouse facing the Cactus gate. Watch for the new drought-tolerant plants. We hope you enjoy them as the Landscape Committee worked hard on selecting them. Don't forget to thank your committee for all they do to keep our community beautiful.

Don't forget to shop at the new Farmers' Market on Thursday mornings between 7:30 am and 1:30 pm. It is located at the Riverside University Health Center on Cactus. So far everything I have purchased there has been top quality. There is nothing like a home-grown tomato!

We are nearing the end of this tumultuous campaign season. Thank goodness! Although we might not all agree on who the best candidate is, we still need to exercise our right to vote. That includes the national election and our election later this year. If we don't tell them who we want to run our country, and our community, someone else will make the decision for us.

I. for one, am enjoying the cooler weather. Growing up in the mid-west gave us a wardrobe change that is hard to come by in Southern California. After all of these years living here, I still reach for long pants and a sweater when the weather people say we are having a cool snap. Strange as it seems, most of the time that cool snap brings us into the 70s.

Regards,

Carolyn Daniels

Mountain View HOA Board Highlights

Eunice Kang, HOA Board Secretary

The Mountain View Homeowners Association held its Board of Directors meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 26, 2016

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

September 30, 2016

Operating Income/(Loss)	\$5,157.85
Y-T-D Reserve Funding	\$22,742.30
Y-T-D Reserve Funding	\$19,908.00
Operating Funds	\$8,283.22
Petty Cash	\$1,500.00
Reserve Funds	\$979,364.66

DELINQUENCY STATUS REPORT:

As of September 30, 2016, there is a total of \$6,506.25 in delinquent assessments. This value represents an approximate delinquency rate of 1.82%, as compared to the last delinquency rate of 1.54% August 31, 2016.

BOARD ACTION:

Committee Updates

- Reports were given by Finance, Social, Architectural, Facility, Landscape, Communications/Newsletter and Neighborhood Watch committees.
 - <u>The Social Club</u> obtained Board approval for The Truth Project, a video series by Focus on the Family, to begin in January.
 - <u>The Architecture Committee</u> reported that many homeowner projects have been completed.
 - <u>The Facilities Committee</u> reported that we have a new vendor, Breakpoint, servicing our pool.
 - <u>The Landscape Committee</u> obtained Board approval for a proposal, as they continue beautifying our community.
 - <u>The Newsletter Committee</u> reported that there will be no new ads in the next issue. Homeowners are encouraged to make their good vendors aware of our advertising.
 - <u>Communications Committee</u> reported that we are making great savings by doing much of our printing in-house.
 - <u>The Neighborhood Watch</u> reported that overnight street parking is much reduced. A flyer is being distributed with information on block captains and who to contact when you see a problem.
- The Board accepted the minutes and financial reports from Committees' recent meetings as presented.

Consent Calendar

- The Board approved as presented:
 - The Sept. 28, 2016 Open Session minutes
 The Aug. 31, 2016 Financial Statement
- The Board approved Management's request to place a lien on a delinguent account.
- The Board denied the request to place a lien on another delinquent account.

Unfinished Business

• **Concrete Grinding Proposal:** At the last meeting, the Board reviewed and tabled a proposal by BPR. Inc. to grind areas of lifted concrete observed by them on our sidewalks at a cost of \$3920.00.

At this meeting, the Board approved a bid with the same scope by Concrete Solutions for \$1920.00.

• Inspector(s) of Election: At the last meeting, the Board approved the details of the Annual Meeting and Election of Board members to take place at the clubhouse on January 25, 2017 at 6:00pm and stated that at the next meeting they would appoint one (1) or three (3) Inspector(s) of Election.

At this meeting, the Board appointed Judy Box, Gretchen Williams, and Grace Paltikian as inspector(s) of Election. They will inspect and count the ballots at the Annual Meeting.

New Business

• Landscape Proposal: The Homeowner at 28540 Grandview states that roots from the Association landscaping is killing her shrubs and lifting her backyard concrete. The Board discussed the problem and resolved to send a professional arborist to analyze the problem. The issue is tabled pending this analysis.

HOMEOWNER FORUM

- A resident reported that a lighting device by the gate kiosk needs repainting. The Facilities Committee will look into it.
- The future viability of pine trees on our slopes was discussed.

NEXT HOA BOARD MEETING:

Wednesday, November 16, 2016, 6:00pm at the Clubhouse.

Social Club Happenings JoAnn Foronjy

Hello Everyone!

Our community Yard Sale was held on Saturday, October 1st. Thank goodness the weather decided



to cooperate this time. Most of our community vendors fared well. It was another opportunity for neighbors to get together and spend quality time talking...something we

don't get to do as often as we would like!



We had a great time at the **50's Doo Wop Halloween Pizza Party**. There was a LOT of singing, dancing, food and drink...what more could you ask for! Look for details in the December newsletter.

NOTE: Ladies' Night at the Pool has ended until next April. See you then!

NOTE: The last day for **Water Aerobics** will be Thursday, December 1st.

NOTE: No **Dine Out** in November and December. They will be incorporated into the December Brunch event. See our ad.

- NOTE: Winter Pickleball schedule: Monday and Thursday - 3:00pm Saturday - 8:00am NO Pickleball Thanksgiving Day.
- NOTE: No Bingo in November or December.
- NOTE: No TGIF in November.

NOTE: No Ping Pong in November and December.

The annual **TOY DRIVE** begins on approximately Thanksgiving weekend and will end on December 15th. Please watch for the donation box in the clubhouse. Your generosity will ensure that

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the firemen can provide area children with a brighter holiday. Thank you in advance for your kindness. It is greatly appreciated. For more information, please contact Judy Box at (951) 208-4818.

November will be a quiet 'social month' in order that we can prepare for December's holiday festivities.

Please check the calendar for cancellations and/or changes due to the holidays.

The **Social Club** wishes everyone an enjoyable Thanksgiving...try not to **Gobble** '*till you Wobble*!

As always...I'll be seeing you around!



Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

While walking in the morning, I have noticed that the "address number lights" on several houses are out. These lights are important for emergency workers to find our homes quickly in the dark. To replace the bulb, remove the burned-out one and take it with you to Lowes. They will match it in their "specialty bulb" drawer. If you are house bound, please give me a call, 951-214-5625. I will be glad to get one for you and install it.

Ron Williams

Dear Editor:

Neighbors – please be careful! Recently there was a car theft on Big Pine Way. While the homeowners were having dinner at a restaurant, their truck was stolen from the restaurant parking lot. Inside the truck was the registration, garage door opener and a spare set of keys. During the time they were reporting the theft and arranging a ride home, the thieves drove to the homeowners house, used the garage door opener to get in and stole their second car.

Sue Sloan

Mark Your Calendars!



LADIES' LUNCHEON

Monday, November 14, at 12:00 noon

Acapulco Restaurant and Cantina 12625 Frederick Street Moreno Valley, CA 92553 *RSVP by Friday, November, 11* Lori Humphrey (951) 472-0427 Marilyn Dawson (951) 601-2031

MEN'S BREAKFAST CLUB

Wednesday, November 9, at 8:00 a.m.

Brandon's Diner 24626 Sunnymead Blvd. Moreno Valley, CA 92553 Bill Donner (951) 413-6201

DINE OUT

No Dine Out in November and December. Instead, we will be having a holiday Champagne Brunch Maze Stone Restaurant Soboba Springs Country Club. Rides will be provided if needed. Leaving Mountain View at approximately 10:45 am. Let me know if you need a ride when making your reservation. See our ad for more information!

JoAnn Foronjy (951) 750-2303



TGIF

No TGIF in November or December JoAnn Foronjy (951) 750-2303

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, December 31, 2016 **Rock'n New Year's Eve Party** 6:30 pm Clubhouse Watch for details in the December newsletter and on our website.

Craft Club Peggy Meddings

> At our October meeting we finally got our fired ceramic bowls back. They really turned out well! It was the first time any of us had ever tried making ceramics and I believe everyone was pleased with their outcomes. We hope to try it

again in the spring - if Dee Dee is willing to

lead us.

We had to cancel the trip to

Myrtle Creek Nursery. Many of you requested that we go



closer to Christmas so we will reschedule. The nursery will have beautifully decorated trees and all types of holiday decorations. I'm thinking that after Thanksgiving we will send

out a special email with trip details. If you're interested in going, watch for that email.

At our November 10 meeting, Sharon Shavce will

be demonstrating how to make a table flower arrangement. Come learn how you can create a lovely holiday table decoration.

The holidays are such a busy time, we have decided to cancel the December meeting.

Please make a note that we have changed our meeting day, again.

SECOND THURSDAY 10:00 am.

NEXT MEETING – Thursday, November 10. Peggy Meddings at (951) 924-9195.





A message from Moreno Valley Council Member

George Price

I'm glad for the opportunity to provide a brief update on matters relating to the City and to District 3, as well as those that I think may be interesting to you.

This is an exciting time in Moreno Valley's history. For the first time in its 32 years, residents will elect their Mayor, investment in the city is on the rise, more students are graduating than ever before, and the budget is balanced. I understand your concerns about public safety, and I want you to know that I'm concerned too and am working on solutions to tackle public safety issues. Here's a brief update on matters relating to the City and to District 3, as well as those that I think may be interesting to you.

MEASURE L

As you know, this election year is significant for Moreno Valley. One item on the ballot I would like to inform you about is Measure L. **Measure L** is a hotel tax and is <u>not a tax on residents</u> or local businesses. Let me reiterate this again - Measure L is **NOT** a tax on residents - it is paid by people who stay in our hotels and motels, tourists and out-oftown visitors. If approved, Measure L would create a locally controlled source of funding for vital city services such as police, fire, 9-1-1 emergency response, libraries and street repair. For more information about Measure L and the financial controls of these funds please go to our website *www.moval.org*.

MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES

Marijuana dispensaries are prohibited in Moreno Valley and we are taking swift action to close them. We have recently closed 4 through legal action and are pursuing measures to force closure on several more operators. We will continue to push them out as they are issued costly administrative citations each day until the operation closes.

WHAT'S NEW

Rally's Burgers opened in Walmart at the Moreno Beach Plaza shopping center. You will also be getting a popular ice cream shop soon. **All American Ice Cream & Frozen Yogurt** will open soon at Moreno Marketplace.

EVENTS

Friday, November 11th: **Veterans Day Ceremony**, 9:30 a.m., Veterans Memorial.

Saturday, December 3rd: First Annual **Community Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony**, the Moreno Valley Conference and Recreation Center lawn.

I really do value your comments and want to know about your concerns. <u>Please don't hesitate to</u> <u>contact me</u> at <u>georgep@moval.org</u>. I am also always available by appointment by calling the City Council office at 413.3008.

The Ladies' & Men's Bible Studies Invite you to join us As we celebrate the true meaning of Christmas.



Christmas Celebration Sunday, December 18 5:00 pm Clubhouse

- Finger foods provided.
- The Christmas Story read from the Bible and in video presentation.
- Sing-a-long Christmas music.

Everyone welcome! Contact Duke and Cindy Yore for more information. (951) 485-2146

Neighborhood Watch!



Holiday Safety Tips

-from the Moreno Valley Police Department Quarterly Neighborhood Watch Meeting Deputy Diana Moreno

Shopping

- Be aware of your surroundings and the people around you at all times.
- Avoid shopping at night, if possible. If you go shopping at night, try to have another person with you. If uncomfortable walking to your car in the dark, ask security to escort you.
- If possible, do not carry a purse. Keep only those items needed (i.e., driver's license, credit card, cash) on your person.
- Keep your car doors locked at all times when not entering or exiting the car. Set your car alarm when leaving it.
- When walking to your car, have your keys ready in your hand.
- **DO NOT** leave your purse in the shopping cart.
- **DO NOT** park next to vans with sliding doors. Avoid parking next to cars with dark tinted windows.
- **DO NOT** place packages in clear view within the car, or place packages in the trunk and then return to the store. If necessary, get in your car and move it to another location before returning to the store.
- Assure the car trunk latches completely.

ATM

- Avoid using ATMs after dark; if possible have another person with you while using the ATM.
- If there are other people (especially in a group) near the ATM, do not use it.
- It is safer to use an ATM that is in a store or an enclosed area of the bank.
- Shield your ATM code from view with your hand. If it looks like the ATM has been tampered with, **do not use it**. Shield your code when inside stores as well; employees have been known to steal information by viewing your code through the security cameras.

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Home

- Place gift packages out of view of windows.
- If possible, wait until the celebration time before placing the gifts out (i.e., Christmas Eve instead of weeks before the holiday).
- Keep your doors locked.
- Criminals have been known to pose as delivery people. Ask for ID if you are not sure they represent legal businesses.
- Deputy Moreno has \$25 discounts from the business that provides "Ring Door Bell". Contact her if you would like one. (see website: <u>https://ring.com/</u>)
- Keep a list of your credit cards; store the list in a safe place.

Children

- Try not to shop with young children. Your attention may be diverted to watching them.
- Do not allow children to go to the restroom by themselves in public places. This is a common area for sexual predators to accost children.

Christmas Trees

- Secure Christmas trees so they will not fall on children/pets.
- Keep cut, live, Christmas trees watered.
- Assure all wiring for holiday lights are in good condition, no frayed wires.



Reminder.....

In last month's newsletter, we discussed ways to reduce vehicle

theft. Here are some reminders:

LOCK IT! Even if you are parking in your own driveway!

PARK IT CAREFULLY! In the garage or where you can see it!

PROTECT POSSESSIONS! Your vehicle registration and garage door opener are the keys to your home! DON'T leave the opener or anything of value in your car, including extra sets of keys! Make a copy of your vehicle registration, black out the address and leave it in the car. That way, thieves won't have access to your home address. Put the original registration in a safe place inside the house.

The Green Thumb Corner Victoria Klaas

Greetings Fellow Gardeners:

November is the loveliest month of the year. The nights are cold and the days are warm, a great time to plant.

Small Space Gardening

More than ever, plant breeders are "sizing down" garden favorites to fit into smaller spaces.

If you have a small garden space, it is really important to plan carefully. To begin, measure the length and width of your borders and use graph paper to draw your design ideas. Choose plants that grow slowly, require little pruning and make little or no litter. For colorful garden borders, use foliage rather than blooms.

Purple, bronze, red and black leaves are gorgeous when planted where the light can shine through the leaves. Plants with gold or yellow foliage tend to mimic the strong rays of the sun and will "warm up" a garden when paired with orange or red leaved plants. Yellow leaved plants are also compatible with purple leaved plants and blue flowers.

Using plants with contrasting leaf colors, shapes, and texture is preferable. They offer an interesting combination. Texture can create an illusion of spaciousness. Coarse textured plants will appear closer. Fine textured plants will tend to recede. Fine textured plants may be used to make a shallow garden seem deeper.

How you will view your garden should be factored into your plan. The areas you see most often can be designed as all-season beds. You could include items such as evergreens and deciduous shrubs with interesting branch structure and early and late blooming perennials. Remember, less is more in gardens. A mirror added to the garden reflects light and adds a multiplier effect to the plants and colors.

Want to hide unwanted views? Consider planting a tree or Conifer hedge as a screen. If you use a Conifer hedge, plant the fewest number needed. Short screens in deck pots also work. Use a long, rectangular container for three plants or a single specimen tree planted in a good-sized pot.

Choosing the Right Plants

For a compact garden, choose plants that fit. A wide spreading tree will suffer in too narrow a space. Dwarf cultivars offer leaf shapes and flower color that are admired in larger plants. Try the

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Hick's Yew ('Hicksii'). It grows only four feet wide. Choose a dwarf plant for an accent in a container for small mixed landscapes.

The Mugo Pine is a landscaper's dream. They have rich, deep green needles and a compact mounded habit. The largest grow to only about ten feet tall.

Small gardens are usually shaded by buildings or tall trees. Choose part shade plants for partial sun areas and plant the denser shade sections with variegated selections that will brighten the darkness.

Don't overlook succulent plants. They seldom require much in the way of pruning and are lovely to look at.

What is a weed? A plant whose virtues have not yet been discovered.

Ralph Waldo Emerson Fortune of the Republic, 1878

Rattle Those Pots and Pans from the kitchen of Katie Wenke

Broccoli Casserole

- 1 cup cooked Minute Rice
- 2 packages cooked chopped broccoli, drained
- 1 can cream of mushroom soup
- 1 (8 ox) jar cheese whiz
- 1/4 tsp celery salt
- ¹/₄ cup chopped onion
- ¹/₄ cup chopped celery
- 3 TBS margarine

Mix cooked rice and broccoli together in a casserole dish.

Saute' onion and celery in margarine.

Mix all ingredients in the casserole dish.

Bake, uncovered, at 350 degrees for 20 minutes.

Great as side dish at Thanksgiving.

Tomato and Cucumber Salad

Cucumber Tomato Red Onion Dressing of choice – Creamy Italian, Ranch

Cut cucumber into ¼ inch slices. Cut tomato into wedges. Cut red onion into thin strips. Combine ingredients in a large bowl. Add dressing and toss to coat. THE MOUNTAIN VIEW SOCIAL CLUB

In conjunction with the LADIES LUNCHEON and DINE OUT

Cordially invite the community to a

"HOLIDAY CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH"

SUNDAY DECEMBER 11, 2016 11:30 AM THE COUNTRY CLUB AT SOBOBA SPRINGS (MAZE STONE) 1020 SOBOBA SPRINGS ROAD, SAN JACINTO, CA (951) 654-4300

<u>MENU</u>

"UNLIMITED" CHAMPAGNE AND MIMOSAS PRIME RIB CARVING STATION, SEAFOOD, CHAFING DISH ENTREES SALAD BAR, BREAKFAST FAVORITES, OMELET AND WAFFLE STATIONS, DESSERT BAR

(AN UNLIMITED BLOODY MARY BAR FOR \$8.00 OR ALCOHOL MAY BE PURCHASED SEPERATLY)

COST: \$20.00 per person

(tax: 18% gratuity and room rental fee will be covered by the Social Club as a holiday gift to the community)

We will participate in the now famous rendition of the "12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS"! CONTEST PRIZES...and of course 50/50!



RESERVATIONS with **PAYMENT** are due by FRIDAY, November 25th (Final payment to the restaurant is due November 26th)

The Country Club is 20 minutes from Mountain View. If you have difficulty driving or don't wish to ride alone, please let me know when making your reservation. We will provide a ride.



To all our "NEW RESIDENTS", come join us and meet your neighbors! See for yourself what our events are all about!

Our goal with this all-inclusive party is to make the very busy holiday season less stressful for everyone.

We hope to see you there!

To RSVP please contact:

JoAnn Foronjy 14679 Grandview Drive (951) 750-2303



The First Thanksgiving

The first Thanksgiving was held in autumn of 1621 at Plymouth Plantation in Massachusetts. The 53 colonists who had survived harsh conditions celebrated with what they called a harvest festival. Over 90 Indians were invited to join the feast of turkey, fish, venison and combread.



The feast lasted for several days, and the tradition was repeated at harvest time in the following years. The event was not originally called Thanksgiving because to the Pilgrims, thanksgiving was purely religious. What now is known as Thanksgiving Day, President Abraham Lincoln made an official holiday in 1863.

The Plymouth colonists built relationships with the neighboring Indians who taught them farming techniques. This success was due in

part to Squanto, a local Indian who had been kidnapped and taken to England a decade before. Squanto was able to act as an interpreter between the colonists and the local Indians.

Massasoit, an Indian chief signed a treaty of alliance with the Pilgrims. It was this successful partnership, along with the leadership of colony governor William Bradford, that led to the first harvest festival, or thanksgiving.

Happy Thanksgiving Mountain View



THE TRUTH PROJECT

This promises to be a profound and enlightening experience. Join us in the 'classroom' as we listen to Dr. Del Tackett (our professor) who explains to us a Christian Worldview centered on God, truth, man and social order.

Each of the 13 (1 hour long) video sessions includes opinions from professional and lay people around the world. Philosophical questions are deep and intriguing.

Cheese and crackers (or other snacks) and drink will be offered along with classroom meetings.

You will need to provide you own notepads and pens.

1st meeting will be Wednesday, January 4, 2017 at the clubhouse.

We'll meet from 6:30-8:00pm - Clubhouse preparation is at 6:15pm

Please RSVP to Kay or Bill Donner 951-413-6201(home) - 951-640-5492 (cell) kayandbill@verizon.net

We look forward to our time together.

Kay and Bill Donner







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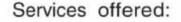
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