



# THE VIEW

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## THE HOA BOARD LETTER



It has been almost one year since the current Board and various committees took office. What did the HOA accomplish during the year? The following is a list of the major projects that were started or completed.

- Purchased new clubhouse pool furniture
- Painted the clubhouse
- Installed a new light for the clubhouse parking lot
- Changed managers at Prescott
- Clarified the parking regulations by holding an HOA vote
- Began a renewed emphasis on enforcing the parking rules
- Started regular monthly hearings for CC&R and Rules and Regulations violations
- Started a renewed emphasis to enforce architectural standards and requirements
- Held meetings with the City of Moreno Valley to clarify who is responsible for what

We still have these projects in progress:

- Installation of a new, larger shed at the clubhouse
- Repair to outside lighting at both gates and the clubhouse.

None of this could have been accomplished without the support and help of the many volunteers who work so hard to make this place run.

Elections for next year's Board members will be held at the next HOA meeting on January 18th. The meeting will be at the Ridgecrest Elementary School auditorium, located on JFK Drive, behind Mountain View directly to the south (toward the mountain). Please plan to attend. This is your chance to set the direction for next year's Board. Your opinion really does count.

How about a New Year's resolution. Volunteer for a committee. Make a commitment to attend at least one monthly Board meeting. Come to a social event. We need your input to know what the majority of homeowners want and we can't find out without your help and participation.

I hope everyone had a Happy Holiday and is ready to start the new year. Please help us make Mountain View "a great place to live."

**DISASTER PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM**  
**JANUARY 9, 2006**  
**6:30 PM**

The next Disaster Preparedness Program will be held on 1/09/06 at 6:30 PM at the clubhouse.

The plan is to split into groups to discuss and create an Emergency Plan, Emergency Kits and the dissemination of information.

Everyone is welcome. If you have any questions, please call **Joanne Phillips**.

**THE GARDENER'S CORNER**

*by Carole Sweeney*



**From the gardener's corner...** Aren't we lucky? So far no frost, and the weatherman predicts a warm winter. I hope it passes us this year! Later in the month, **prune roses** even if they have not lost all their leaves. Remove crowded or crossed branches and open the center of the plant for good light exposure and airflow. Prune branches at a 45-degree angle just above a bud that faces outward or toward a side that needs filling in. Remove any leaves that have dead or diseased portions and destroy (don't compost) them. Spray roses and the soil around them with dormant oil or with a copper fungicide. Replace or renew mulch and toss 2 ounces (4 tablespoons) of Epsom salts at the base of each rose and water it in. Begin fertilizing 6 weeks later.

**Prune** Crepe Myrtles to force growth of new flowering wood. Prune dormant deciduous flowering vines, shade trees, fruit and nut trees. Repair structural weakness and remove vigorous vertical growing branches (waterspouts). The height or width of the tree can be reduced, taking care not to overprune in any single year. This encourages excessive new growth and less fruit. Pruning citrus requires a different approach. Remove entire branches to the trunk. Heading branches back (cutting off only portions) will remove wood that would have blossomed and set fruit this coming season and stimulate more bushy growth.

**Feed** azaleas, camellias and rhododendrons by renewing their peat mulch and working cottonseed meal into the top two inches of soil. Use a half-cup for small plants and up to a cup for larger ones.

**Spray...** It is time for another spraying of dormant oil for fruit trees. Choose a day when the temperature stays above 40-degrees and the wind is calm. For peach leaf curl, choose a fungicide such as Orthorix or Microcrop.

**Garden Club News...** please start thinking about entering your garden in the Spring Garden Tour, Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>. Sharon and Sue are busy planning a fabulous Tea to follow.

# What's Cooking?

by Helen Grogan



Happy New Year to all....thanks Twila for the recipe.

## PUMPKIN PIE BARS

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|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 1-1/3 C flour                                     | 1/2 C chopped Planters pecans                    |
| 1/2 C firmly packed brown sugar                   | 1 8 oz. pkg. Philadelphia cream cheese, softened |
| 3/4 C granulated sugar, divided                   | 3 eggs                                           |
| 3/4 C (1-1/2 sticks) cold butter or margarine     | 1 15 oz. can pumpkin                             |
| 1 C old-fashioned or quick-cooking oats, uncooked |                                                  |

PREHEAT oven to 350°. Use a 13x9 baking dish lined with foil. Here is an easy way to line and lift the foil. Mold foil over bottom of pan leaving 3" extending over the short sides. Pop pre-formed molded foil into pan and crunch extended sides of foil to form handles. Use handles to lift baked item out of pan. Grease foil lining.

Mix flour, brown sugar and 1/4 cup of granulated sugar in medium bowl. Cut in butter with pastry blender or 2 knives until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Stir in oats and pecans. Reserve 1 cup of the oats mixture and press remaining mixture onto bottom of pan. Bake 15 minutes.

Beat cream cheese, remaining 1/2 cup sugar, eggs, pumpkin and pumpkin pie spice in small bowl with electric mixer on medium speed until well blended. Pour over crust. Sprinkle with reserved crumb mixture.

Bake 25 minutes. Lift from pan using foil handles; cool completely. Cut into 24 bars.

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## **LADIES ' LUNCHEON**

*by Joyce Collins (485-8042)*

**CACTUS CANTINA**  
**151 E. Alessandro Blvd in Mission Grove Shopping Center**  
*(variety of foods offered)*

**Tuesday, January 17, 2006**  
**12 noon**

**Meet at the clubhouse to carpool at 11:30 am**

**RSVP to Joyce Collins by January 14th**

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## Garden Club Tour and Victorian Tea

Our Garden Club Tour and Victorian Tea was a great success last year and we've been asked to "do it again!" So save the date,

Saturday, April 29, 2006

for the Second Annual Garden Tour and Victorian Tea. Look in the February Newsletter for more details or call Sue Janssen (242-0959) or Sharon Shavce (247-2772).

## Project Linus

by Janet Jarosh



Thank you so much Mountain View Blanketeers, for your enthusiasm for Project Linus in 2005! It has been great fun working with all of you and I'm looking forward to an even better 2006! Our chapter donated 1,732 blankets to seriously ill or traumatized children this past year with a majority going to Loma Linda University Children's Hospital. Since 1998 we have donated a grand total of 9,404 blankets and will soon hit the 10,000 mark! **UNITED WE HAVE THE POWER TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!!**

Join the Mountain View group of Project Linus Blanketeers in hand-making security blankets for the children at Loma Linda University Children's Hospital and other local facilities. They can be knitted, crocheted, quilted or fleece—any style, any color, machine washable, in child-friendly colors for ages newborn to teenage.

If you have an interest in making blankets or donating, contact me by phone or email ([janet@citiusa.com](mailto:janet@citiusa.com)). Keep



## BOOK CLUB

by Shirley DeCarlo

The book for January 2006 is **SAN FRANCISCO IS BURNING** by Dennis Smith. It is the story of the infamous 1906 earthquake and fires. This author wrote a report from Ground Zero. He's a master at how he writes.

We will meet at the Clubhouse on Wednesday, January 25, 2006. Come on down, bring a friend, and join in the discussion. Start '06 off with a bang.

**PLEASE NOTE**

TRASH PICKUP WILL BE ON THE REGULAR SCHEDULE (FRIDAYS)  
AFTER THE CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.



# BUNCO!!

Bring \$4.00 and Join Us at the Clubhouse

*Most Buncos - Judy Kathriner/Sue Janssen (tie)*  
*Most Baby Buncos - Sharon Cristino/Lori Humphrey (tie)*  
*Most Wins - Judy Kathriner*  
*Most Losses - Katie Brambila*  
*Last Bunco - Sue Janssen*

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2006**

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

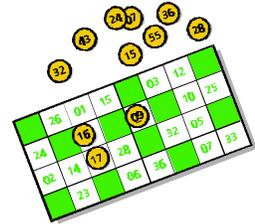
**6:30 PM at the Clubhouse**

**What to bring: Appetizers**

**For more information contact:**

**Sue Janssen - 242-0959 or Sharon Shavce - 247-2772**

**Don't forget "BINGO"**



**Tuesday, January 24, 2006**

**(4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month)**

**6:00 p.m. at the Clubhouse**

**Cost: \$5 including 3 Bingo Cards**

**Snacks: Anything you fancy**

**November Winners: Rick Hanson (2), Twila DeWalt, Doris Polley, Sharon Cristino, Full House—Doris Asciak**

**For more information contact**

**Godfrey Asciak (485-5138) or Mike Frahm (243-6663)**

# TGIF

Come down to the Clubhouse and join us for TGIF on Friday, January 20, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. Bring a snack. Drinks are sold at the bar. Enjoy a great evening with your neighbors.



# WHAT'S HAPPENING

by Joanne Pavlik

'Twas the Christmas Season of 2005,  
When Mountain View revelers all came alive.

As Sharon and helpers all decorated the tree,  
Don, Charlie and Ed fixed our e-lec-tri-ci-ty.

The wreaths were all hung on the gates with care,  
In the hopes that by Christmas they still would be there.

You heard the laughs, setting up for dinner was fun,  
And everyone helped clean-up when the party was done!

The bar was stocked with a few new additions,  
While Crosby crooned out some familiar renditions.

Dressed all in red, and looking really fine,  
Santa gave out 'snowman poop' to keep exchange players in line.

Now we're getting ready for the year "2006",  
Wonder what your Social Board has in the mix?

Stay tuned to this channel, you'll read it right here,  
For now, your Social Board wishes you a "Happy New Year".

## Save The Date

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| January 1  | New Year's Brunch                                                    |
| January 4  | Candidate's Night, Social Club General Meeting 6:30 pm<br>All Come!! |
| January 20 | TGIF                                                                 |

*(Please check the calendar for the complete activities listing.)*

## WELCOME NEIGHBORS

by Charlotte Lillard



Welcome to Mountain View:

Steve & Bev Peterson—28600 Grandview Drive  
Rodney & Jean Bragg—14758 San Jacinto Drive  
Mary Roulhac & Vivian Hollomou—14768 San Jacinto Drive  
Maggie Davis—14572 Mountain Vista Drive  
Jim & Rose Marie Dawley—14767 Big Bear Drive

Call Charlotte if you see anyone moving in next door or down the street so that she can officially