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“THE VIEW” January 2021

Hello everyone!

I trust everyone is making their way through the holidays and in good health!

This has truly been a very unusual year. In normal times, by this time in December, most of us are frantically trying to finish up our Christmas shopping, wrapping piles of gifts, perhaps attending holiday parties and trying to get ready for Christmas Eve or Christmas Day with our families. But this year that has all been put on hold. I don't have to tell you the endless events that have led up to this point. You know that sad story. So, instead, let's think about all the positive aspects of 2020 instead...hang on now, I'm trying to really think... 😊

Before writing this article, I spent time looking back, musing about life with COVID and how it may have affected not only myself, but many of us in Mountain View. The absolute first thought that came to mind was that I would **never, ever** take my family and friends for granted again. It's not that I didn't love them in the first place, rather I realized I had forgotten how utterly precious they truly are to me. This, my friends, is a definite positive!

So, let's see if we can find other positive outcomes from this year. Because we had fewer exercise outlets, we walked more. From walking, perhaps we became more physically fit (well, maybe that's an arguable point) and certainly we met and got to know more of our neighbors. We could not eat at restaurants, so we saved money there. And we learned we could get our groceries delivered to our front door! I also learned that ordering from Amazon is not as easy as it appears. When you are given a quantity of 'one', read the fine print! I cannot tell you how many times I ordered 'just one' and ended up with six or eight or ten in a box. I wasn't alone in this comedy of errors either. We had a virtual swap meet at our end of Grandview from swabs to Rice Krispy Bars to brownie mix and eight cans of cake frosting (that would be me) along with an unknown number of jars of spaghetti sauce.

Then there was the traffic, or lack of it. Wasn't that a great perk while it lasted? Of course, we gained Tele-medicine, and new industries like mask making companies and breweries who converted their tanks to making much needed hand sanitizer. Since we could not go anywhere, we used less gasoline, so that saved us money, too. Oh, and what about ZOOM? Who knew it was a communication program? I thought it was just a word used to describe someone driving fast. Yet, some of us are using it on a regular basis now. The Social Club was ingenious figuring out ways to keep our community in touch and those events were a great success.

There was a lot of fear, uneasiness and sadness this year. We all recognize that. But in spite of it, we have come through intact and we are smarter, perhaps in better shape and stronger for it. Mountain View is a special place to live. We look after one another, help take care of one another and through it all, we are always there for one another. I'm not sure it gets any better than that. Let's get through the last few days of 2020, get our vaccinations and look forward to much better outcomes next year. We are all SO ready for it!!

Merry Christmas, happy Hanukkah, happy Kwanzaa and happy New Year everyone. Wherever you will be for the holidays, stay safe. We'll talk again in 2021.

Pat Roy



Happy New Year 2021

The Social Club will continue, to the best of our ability, to plan events using the restrictions for our county. We may have to cancel or change any of these events, as necessary.

**Rescheduled Holiday Dinner Grab and Go
Saturday, January 30, 2021
4:00-4:30pm pick-up**

Menu is the same: decide between Lemon Chicken and Beef Tri-Tip with sides of mashed potatoes and gravy, California veggies, garden salad with dressing on side, roll and apple pie. If you have paid and the new date is good for you, then you have reservations for the 30th. If you need a refund or you don't have reservations and would like this dinner (cost is \$12.00 per person), please contact Judy Box, 951-208-4818 by Jan.24th.

Firefighter Appreciation on Valentine's Day

Let's LOVE on our firefighters and show them our appreciation. Last year was a rough year for them and we want to show them our thanks from a community that uses their services as first responders quite often. So please consider bringing to the clubhouse on **Sunday, February 14** (Valentine's Day) a purchased, good size frozen dinner (trays of lasagna, enchiladas, mac and cheese, etc.), that they can heat up when hungry. Also, they are grateful to receive stuffed animals that they keep on the truck to give to children who have just experienced a tragedy. Jo Lippire and Judy Box will be in the clubhouse parking lot from **1:00-1:30pm** that Sunday afternoon to receive your gifts. So please consider supporting our firefighters by **bringing a frozen dinner and/or stuffed animal** to the clubhouse for us to take to them in appreciation for all that they do.



Notes:

- The Social Club dining activities (TGIF, Dine Out, Ladies' Luncheon and Men's Breakfast) are not able to meet until restaurants open.
- We would like to thank Luanne English for an enjoyable Secret Santa event.
- We also want to thank Yolanda Tacas for being flexible in catering our delicious holiday dinner yet to come!
- Things keep changing for our community, so when facilities are open, events will again take place. Therefore, it is important to check the COMMUNITY CLUB EVENTS PAGE for information or to call the contact person.
- The **Social Club's meeting** is once a month on the second Thursday at 10:00am on the clubhouse patio or Pickleball court. We invite residents to join us. Please bring your ideas to share. We want to continue to be a great community! **Our next meeting is Thursday, January 14.**

The Social Club Committee wishes you a wonderful new year.

*Gretchen Williams, Joan Brodowsky,
Judy Box and Jo Lippire*

Mountain View Social Club Financial Report

MOUNTAIN VIEW SOCIAL CLUB FINANCIAL REPORT

By Judy Box

November 15, 2020 - December 14, 2020

Balance Forward:		\$1,589.93
Income:		\$0.00
	TOTAL	\$1,589.93
Expenses:		
Grab n Go Bags	\$190.60	
Board Member Gifts	\$121.49	
	TOTAL	\$312.09
Funds On Hand;		
US Bank	\$1,091.25	
Petty Cash	\$186.59	
	TOTAL	\$1,277.84
		\$1,277.84

A DAY TO CELEBRATE

By Luanne English

Greetings friends and neighbors, I hope all of you will have a wonderful, safe January!

Here are some special dates for the month of January:

January 1st New Year's Day

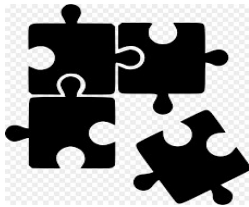


January 18th Martin Luther King Jr. Day



January 29th National Puzzle Day

Englishman John Spilsbury, a London Engraver and Mapmaker, invented the jigsaw puzzle in 1767. The first puzzle was a map of the world. It's a great day to get a new puzzle and enjoy working on it while staying warm indoors!



THE GREEN THUMB CORNER

From the Archives by Victoria Klaas

Greetings Fellow Gardeners:

January is the ideal month to plant all types of bare root plants, including deciduous fruit trees and roses. These plants are available at local nurseries and garden centers now. Their root balls are small, but resist the temptation to economize on the size of the planting hole. You will need to incorporate good compost into the planting mix so roots can expand. Compost should not be full of dry wood. Decomposing wood is bacteria and will rob the soil of nitrogen. It is worth paying a little extra to obtain a well composted product. Plant growth this time of year is in the roots. The larger and more vigorous

THE GREEN THUMB CORNER

From the Archives by Victoria Klaas

(continued)

the root ball, the larger and faster the tree or shrub will grow in suitable weather.

Prune deciduous fruit trees such as apple and rose bushes. 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 have strong new growth later in the season. Look for dormant leaf buds branching outward and cut just above them. A well-groomed plant will produce large, healthy blooms. Rake and dispose of dead flowers and leaves beneath your plants.

Use dormant oil on deciduous fruit trees and roses to protect them from diseases and insects. You can make your own by using 2 tablespoons of canola oil and 1 tablespoon of baking soda mixed with a gallon of water. This will effectively smother and kill the overwintering eggs of pests like aphids, scale and mites.

Plant annuals for winter color. Violas, Pansies and Iceland Poppies provide color until warm weather. Also, consider Snapdragons, Lobelia and White Candytuft. Refrain from cutting back any frost damaged growth on tropical and subtropical plants (Bougainvillea, Hibiscus, etc.) This "thatch" protects plants from further damage in subsequent frosts. It is best left alone until approximately April 1st. Also, do not plant new tropical or subtropical species until April. They need to acclimate to cold weather over a period of weeks and could die of shock if planted during winter.

Happy Gardening, Victoria



Mountain View Spotlited Homes Of The Month

Hello Mountain View friends and neighbors,

The homes we chose this month are beautiful. We have so many beautiful homes in our HOA, that it is very difficult to choose one to spotlight. But we do our best. Hope you enjoy the pictures.

If you see a home that you would like to be highlighted, please contact any of the committee members below.

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Margaret McCaron**



**14552 Mountain Vista Dr.
William & Gwendolyn Cathy**

Homes Decorated For The Christmas Holiday Season



Somethin' Lovin' From The Oven

By Eunice Kang

Lemon Meringue Pie

Filling:

1 1/3 cup sugar
6 tbsp cornstarch
1/2 cup lemon juice
4 egg yolks, beaten
1 1/2 cup hot water
2 tbsp butter

Meringue:

4 egg whites
1/3 cup sugar
1/4 tsp cream of Tartar

Crust:

1 unbaked pie crust

Crust:

- Make the butter pie crust below or buy Pillsbury crust in the store and place in pan.
- Press crust to pan. Prick all over with fork.
- Flute edges. Bake at 450° 9-12 minutes.
- Reset oven to 350°.

Filling:

- Mix sugar and cornstarch in a heavy kettle.
- Gradually stir in lemon juice, beaten egg yolks, and hot water in that order.
- Cook and stir to a boil. Stir in butter until melted.
- Pour into cooled pie crust.

Meringue:

- Add cream of tartar to egg whites in mixer.
- Beat on high until soft peaks form.
- Gradually add sugar while beating.
- Beat until stiff peaks form.
- Spread on pie and bake for 12-15 minutes.
- Cool completely, then cover.
- Chill at least an hour before serving.

Butter Pie Crust

1 1/3 cup flour 1/2 tsp salt	1/2 cup unsalted butter 4 tbsp ice water (approximate)
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- Combine flour and salt. Chill.
- Dice butter. Chill for 30 minutes.
- Cut butter into flour with knives, pastry cutter, or blender until fine granules form.
- Sprinkle with water a tablespoon at a time, tossing with fork until it clings together.
- Work into a firm ball with hands. Chill 30 min.
- Roll out thinly on floured surface.
- Place in pie pan without stretching.
- Chill for 30 minutes before baking or filling.
- Use as directed in pie recipe.



HOA Alerts and Notices

Waste Management has changed their pick-up schedule for "green can" waste. Effective immediately, pick-up will only occur every other week. Green waste was not picked up this week (12/10/2020) but will be collected next week (12/17/2020). The "every other week pick-up" will continue until further notice. If you need green removal sooner, contact Waste Management for directions on how to accomplish this. If you have questions, please call Waste Management.



Hi Neighbors,

Some people in the neighborhood are getting scam texts that say they are from Pat Roy (our HOA President).

But they are not from Pat and they come from a different phone number.

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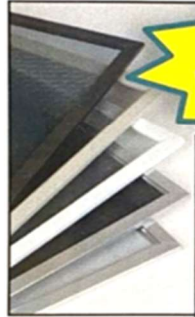
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