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# "THE VIEW" January 2022

# Hello everyone!

I trust this finds you in good health and ready to begin the New Year.

This sounds like a broken record, but we are back to mask mandates for all inside activities. The Omicron variant is highly contagious and even those fully vaccinated can contract it. Symptoms are like a head cold, milder than either the original Covid-19 or the Delta variant and less likely to land us in the hospital. Still, we need to take precautions. Wear a mask in public, keep your distance and wash your hands frequently.

Our next HOA meeting and candidate election will be on Wednesday, January 26, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. Please remember to vote and either mail your ballot back <u>prior to</u> Tuesday, January 25, 2022, by 5:00 p.m. or bring your ballot to the club house on election night, Wednesday, January 26, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. Be sure to read the ballot directions carefully! Follow them exactly or your ballot will be disqualified and your vote will not count.

In honor of the new year, how about some interesting facts about the holiday and its origin.

The earliest recorded festivities in honor of a new year's arrival date back 4,000 years to ancient Babylon. For the Babylonians, the first new moon following the vernal equinox —the day in late March with an equal amount of sunlight and darkness—heralded the start of a new year.

The first official recognition of New Year's occurred in the year 46 B.C. when Julius Caesar introduced a new solar-based calendar with January1st as the beginning of a New Year. The new calendar was a vast improvement on the ancient Roman calendar, which was based on a lunar system that had become wildly inaccurate over the years.

Why do we kiss at midnight? English and German folklore states that at midnight people would remove their masks and kissing was a way of purifying each other from evil. The superstition spread that a midnight kiss strengthens a budding romance and avoiding it could mean a loveless year ahead.

Which country is first to celebrate New Year's Eve? Worldwide celebrations continue past midnight into New Year's Day, January 1<sup>st</sup>. The *Line Islands* (Kiribati and Tonga) are examples of the first places to welcome the New Year. *Baker Island* (an uninhabited atoll that is part of the United States Minor Outlying Islands) and *American Samoa* are among the last.

Ok, that's all folks. Stay healthy and stay safe. Until next month,

Pat



# Mountain View HOA Board of Directors Meeting Highlights

Wednesday, December 1, 2021 – by Kevin Osmun

# **FINANCIAL SUMMARY:**

November 30, 2021

Operating Income/(Loss)	\$(14,336)
Y-T-D Reserve Funding Actual	\$ 26,390
Y-T-D Reserve Funding Budget	\$ 26,124
Operating Funds	\$ 110,366
Petty Cash	\$ 1,500

# **DELINQUENCY STATUS REPORT:**

As of October 30, 2021 there is a total of \$4,394.80 in delinquent assessments. This value represents an approximate delinquency rate of 1.34%, as compared to the last delinquency rate of 1.16 % on September 30, 2021.

# **COMMITTEE UPDATES:**

**Finance:** Reviewed statements. No issues with the current financial statement. (personal communication with finance committee Golden State stimulus 12/5/21)).

**Social**: The Social Club would like some new patio lights for the holidays and all year. They are going to review and update the Social Club bylaws. The Celebration of Life was a very special time.

**Architectural:** Slow month for projects. Some Notices of Completion were submitted, but maybe need to be handed in, please.

**Facilities**: Many items were repaired or replaced and the facility is looking good with no major issues. New Ping-Pong table pad is ready to be poured.

Landscape: New rock accents at Cactus gate and replace some damaged plants. A potential power source was discovered near the spa area and may facilitate some improvements there.

Communications: New Tech Committee met. The website was gleaned up and more will be done for security. Carol Walker will take over printing the newsletter. Don't forget to give your newsletter delivery person a nice Christmas gift, The cost for small classified ads is \$1 per line and \$20 for ½ page. Costs exceeded revenue by \$24.50 so far this year.

**Neighborhood Watch**: Frontier personnel are soliciting in the neighborhood. Please do not engage them just let them know there is no soliciting.

# **HOMEOWNER FORUM (for items on agenda):**

No homeowners wanted to speak

# **BOARD ACTIONS:**

Board accepted committee reports as presented.

### **Consent Calendar**

The Board approved:

- Approved Oct. 2021 Open Session minutes
- Approved October 2021 Financial Statements

The Board will research the cost of having the stored documents at Iron Mountain transported for review and potential disposal

### .Unfinished Business

**Ping Pong Table –** Tabled pending proposal by concrete area for table to be poured.

**Traffic Study –** Tabled pending full Board.

Pickleball - Tabled

**Website Maintenance/Security/Creation**— These items were resolved at the Technology meeting, along with other items on the agenda..

### **New Business**

Proposed Rule Change for AB 3182 - Tabled

Pool Winter Schedule. – The pool will not be heated from December 1<sup>st</sup> through March. The Spa will be open and heated during the winter months.

**Landscape Proposal**– Approved to remove leaning Junipers at parking lot and replace with existing and similar plants

**Gate Security** – A resident asked if there was a way to stop people from going under or over the gates. But there is no real solution to this.

### **HOMEOWNER FORUM (for non-agenda issues):**

No one spoke at the Homeowner Forum:

# **NEXT HOA BOARD MEETING:**

Wednesday, January. 26, at 6 pm, in the Clubhouse.

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Dear Neighbors,

Looking ahead to 2022, the Social Club is so grateful to all of you who are responsible for each event that is offered. We have a fun and great community because there are so many who volunteer. Every one of you make Mountain View a wonderful place to live and be a part of.



The HOLIDAY DINNER was great! Thank you to all whom helped decorate, set up, cook, attend the bar, serve and clean up. Lots of helping hands made everything run smoothly.

# **PATIO LIGHTS**

Thank you to the men on the facilities committee who put up the beautiful patio lights outside the clubhouse for us to enjoy



In January the Social Club Committee will be revising the Social Club bylaws to reflect more adequately how we currently operate, what we do and how we are managed.

We wish you all a very blessed and joyous new year!

The Social Club Committee:

Gretchen Williams, Joan Brodowsky, Judy Box and Jo Lippire Here is a recipe from our Holiday Dinner that several people asked for:

# Fresh Cranberry Salad

- 1 box cherry Jello
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup boiling water

Combine. Refrigerate while chopping:

- 3 cups fresh cranberries, chopped fine
- 2 cups apples, chopped fine
- 1 cup celery, chopped fine
- 1 orange, chopped fine

Stir with Jello. Refrigerate until set.

# Quotes of the Month

If you're always trying to be normal you will never know how amazing you can be.

~ Maya Angelou



Happiness depends on being free, and freedom depends on being courageous.

~ Pericles



I have not failed. I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work.

~ Thomas Edison

# Something Lovin' from the Oven

by Eunice Kang

Quick breads are great comfort foods for cold winter days. They are easy to make and scrumptious. They can be served warm or cold, with or without butter. Here are my favorites.

# Pineapple Zucchini Bread

| 3 cups flour 1 t salt 2 t baking soda 1½ t cinnamon ¾ t nutmeg | 3 eggs<br>1 cup oil<br>2 cups sugar<br>2 t vanilla |
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2 cups zucchini, shredded

- 1 8½ oz can crushed pineapple, well drained
- 1 cup raisins
- 1 cup walnuts, chopped
- Combine flour, salt, soda, cinnamon, nutmeg.
- Beat eggs, oil, sugar, and vanilla until thick.
- Add flour mixture and blend.
- Add remaining ingredients and blend.
- Turn into two greased loaf pans.
- Bake at 350° for 1 hour or until tested done.
- Cool 10 minutes. Turn out onto rack.

# Maple Nut Bread

| 2½ cups flour     | 1 egg  |
|-------------------|--------|
| 1 cup sugar       | 1 cup  |
| 3 t baking powder | 1 t ma |
| ½ t salt          | 1½ CL  |
|                   | W/a    |

1 egg, lightly beaten1 cup milk1 t maple extract1½ cup pecans or walnuts, don't chop

- Combine flour, sugar, baking powder, salt.
- Combine egg, milk, and extract.
- > Stir into flour mixture until all is moistened.
- Stir in nuts. Turn into two greased loaf pans.
- ➤ Bake at 350° for about 70 minutes.
- Cool 10 minutes. Turn out onto rack.



# THE GREEN THUMB CORNER.

From the Archives by Victoria Klaas

Greetings fellow gardening enthusiasts,

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 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.

January is really the first month of spring - from a garden's viewpoint. Flowering pear and almonds bloom in January and birds are already mating and searching for nesting sites. You can provide nesting boxes with small cavities (1 inch is ideal) to afford Wrens and Bluebirds a place to hatch young. The small openings will discourage the House Sparrow which will outcompete indigenous birds for food and nesting sites. Ideally, birds prefer shaded homes on north or east facing entries. Also consider providing cut human hair for hummingbirds. They will often have hatchlings in late January.

~ Happy Gardening, Victoria

# Committee Notice

# **Architectural Review Committee (ARC) Notice**



The January ARC meeting will be Monday, January 24 at 9:00 a.m. Any new Home Improvement Forms requiring ARC approval must be submitted to FirstService early enough for

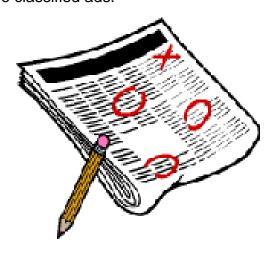
them to review and forward to ARC by Friday, January 21st, 2022.

# **Events News**

- Dominos resumes this month.
- Bingo resumes this month.
- Ladies' Luncheon resumes this month.
- TGIF returns this month.
- Ladies' Night at the Pool on hiatus until spring.

# Newsletter Ad News

We now have a *classified column* available for residents who would like to sell something. Also, many of you make crafts and you could make your crafts available for sale. The cost would be \$1.00 per line (50 characters/spaces per line). Grace Paltikian is our ad contact. She will also be the one who will collect the money for the classified ads.



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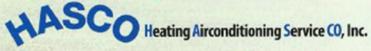






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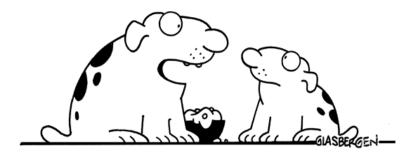
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