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"THE VIEW" January, 2024

Happy New Year everyone! We are looking forward to a happy and prosperous 2024.

Not much to write about this month as the board meeting isn't until later in the month, Wednesday, January 24. Please keep in mind that is the date of our **Annual Board Election.** Please remember to vote! **If there are not enough homeowners voting, there will not be a quorum and an election could not be held.** <u>A "quorum" for our community is 25% of the membership or 64 homes out of 255 total members.</u> Annual meetings that do not achieve quorum are rescheduled to a future date. If that occurs, it will cost the association money!

Please Note: there are three candidates running for three board positions, Erma Wallace, Bob Victor and Dan Klaas. Be sure to check out all three candidate statements in your ballot materials. Each is on a separate sheet.

In past years we have barely made quorum so please vote! **Follow the ballot directions exactly.** Be sure you fill out the information at the top left of the white envelope. <u>The ballot will not be counted if the white envelope is not filled out properly.</u> Every year several ballots are disqualified because the homeowners did not fill out this information.

Debit card scams. Here is how it works: you get a call with the caller ID of your bank. The caller states he is from the Fraud Department calling about your debit card ending ---- (the last four digit numbers of your card). He will ask if you have been traveling and reports two suspicious charges from out-of-state stores (typically Lowe's and Walmart). He advises the bank will send a new debit card and verifies your address and phone number that he already has! He will then send a verification code to your cell and requests you read it to him. At that point, he will ask for your PIN number so he can "deactivate the number". If you say "no", he will then ask you to look at the phone number he is calling from. It will match the phone number on the back of your debit card! At that point, HANG UP and call your bank immediately. They will cancel your card immediately and issue a new one. Remember, banks and credit unions will never ask for your PIN number!

Be aware folks. These scammers are smart and good at what they do. They prey on seniors. Never, never give out information such as the above. Be suspicious and call your bank!

See you at the January 24th meeting. PLEASE VOTE!

Pat



Social Club	Social Club
Special thanks to all who continue to help with setting up our events. We couldn't have these events if it weren't for those who organize, set up, decorate, serve and clean up.	In March, 2024 the Social Club is planning a Spaghetti Dinner for the nominal price of \$5.00 per person. Details and date to be announced in the next newsletter.
The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am on December 14, 2023 by Carol Walker.	Friends of the Neighborhood are working on a special event for February. More details to come.
Financial Report: Bank balance is \$4,334.56, however the check to Yolanda for the Holiday Dinner in the amount of \$1325.72 has not yet cleared the bank on the Social Club December meeting date. The Holiday Dinner brought in \$1200 for reservations, bar \$67.50 and 50/50 \$85.00.	The Social Club needs a new shopper for the kitchen and supply closet. Jo Lippire has retired from that job after 10 years. If you're interested, contact Carol Walker at 904-708-0011 or email at ecrosheck@gmail.com. The next Social Club meeting is January 11 th at 10:00 am in the clubhouse. Everyone is welcome.
Holiday House Decorating Contest: The judges for this contest were: Judy Box, Nancy Lascurain, Judy Kathriner, Twila DeWalt and Jo Lippire. The three winners were: Gilbert and Emma Salazar, 14852 Eaglehead Mountain Dr., Jerry and Mary Little, 28360 Grandview Dr., and Ed and Janet Jarosh, 29323 Grandview Dr. Each winning household received a \$25 gift card and a sign was placed in their yards. Pictures of the houses are in this newsletter.	Join us and help plan some fun! The Social Club wishes you a very happy and blessed New Year! <i>The Social Club Committee:</i> <i>Carol Walker, Vivian Hollomon,</i> <i>Judy Box, Jo Lippire, Grace Paltikian</i>
Decorations in the clubhouse will be taken down and packed away on Saturday, January 13, 2024 at 10:00 am.	Outside Community Events
Most activities will start up again in January. Ladies' Night will not start again until February. The Ladies' Luncheon for January will be at the Olive Garden. The two co-chairs for Ladies' Luncheon are Pat Ezell and Grace Paltikian. You can check out the Outside Community Events column to find their phone numbers to RSVP. Also check out the calendar on the last page of this newsletter to find your favorite activity.	 Ladies' Luncheon Tuesday, January 9, 2024, 11:30 am Olive Garden 22880 Centerpoint Dr., MV RSVP: Pat Ezell: 310-382-0880 Grace Paltikian: 714-614-3809
The January TGIF on Friday, January 26 th is the Baked Potato Bar. The Social Club is providing the potatoes and toppings and residents are asked to bring a salad, side or dessert. Come and enjoy a great baked potato and mingle with your neighbors. See the ad on the next page for more information.	Men's Breakfast: Wednesday, January 10, 2024; 9:00 am Harry's Cafe 748 Ramona Expy., Perris RSVP: Dan Klaas: 909-223-0116
A Super Bowl party is planned for February 11, 2024 at the clubhouse. The time will be determined once we know where the Super Bowl will be played and the TV network sets the time for the game. Don Thomas is	Dine Out Thursday, January 18, 2024, 5:30 pm Mountain Mike's Pizza

network sets the time for the game. Don Thomas is
chairing this event. The bar will be open. See the ad in
this newsletter for more information.Mountain Mike's Pizza
25970 Iris Ave., MV
RSVP: Erma Wallace: 951-536-5122



TGIF Baked Potato Bar

Friday, January 26, 2024

5:30 pm

At the clubhouse

TGIF is hosting a Baked Potato Bar. The Social Club is providing the potato and toppings.

Please bring a salad, side or dessert.

There will be 50/50 and the refreshment bar will be open.

Come and enjoy the fun and a great baked potato!



<u>Baked Potato Toppings:</u> Butter Sour Cream Cheese Chili Broccoli



2024 SUPER BOWL WATCH PARTY

02.11.2024 TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED MOUNTAIN VIEW CLUBHOUSE

Free To Participate, Bring A Dish If You Wish Pizza Supplied By Our Mountain View HOA.



Something Lovin' from the Oven By Eunice Kang

A light, gluten free dessert. Serve plain or top with fresh or canned fruit or maple syrup.

(This was printed over a year ago, but worth repeating, since I am busy with the holidays.)



Baked Custard

Ingredients

- 1 cup milk (whole or low fat)
- 2 large eggs
- ¼ cup sugar
- 1 pinch salt
- 1 dash vanilla extract
- 1 pinch nutmeg

Preparation

- Preheat oven to 325°.
- > Heat a tea kettle of water to boiling
- > Heat milk in microwave about 50 seconds.
- Beat eggs with a whisk.
- > Gradually add milk while whisking.
- > Add sugar, salt and vanilla.
- > Whisk until sugar is dissolved, at least 1 minute.
- Pour into 3 custard cups.
- Sprinkle with nutmeg,
- > Place cups into a deep baking / roasting pan.
- Fill pan with enough hot water to reach halfway up the sides of the custard cups.
- Bake until custard is set (when an inserted toothpick comes out clean) about 1 hour.
- Remove pan from oven.
- When cool enough to handle, remove cups from pan.
- > Cool cups completely and then refrigerate.

Topping Options:

- Fresh sweetened berries
- Drained canned fruit
- Maple syrup

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 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

Holiday Decorating Contest Winners

Here are the pictures of the winners' decorated homes.

Congratulations!



Jerry and Mary Little 28360 Grandview



Gilbert and Emma Salazar 14752 Eaglehead



Ed and Janet Jarosh 28323 Grandview

Special Birthday



We wish Olinda Fritz a very Happy Birthday as she turns 80 years young on January 9th!

Quotes of the Month

"Take the first step in faith. You don't have to see the whole staircase, just take the first step."

~ Martin Luther King, Jr.

"Forgiveness is a reflection of loving yourself enough to move on."

~ Steve Maraboli

"A self that goes on changing is a self that goes on living."

-Virginia Woolf

"Every time you tear a leaf off a calendar, you present a new place for new ideas."

-Charles Kettering



Interesting Facts

MIT awards a certificate in piracy.

Earning the right to call yourself a pirate once meant living a rough-and-tumble life on the seas, robbing ships, and dodging naval law. However, modern swashbucklers enrolled at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology have a much easier go of it. Students who attend the esteemed university can earn a certificate in piracy by completing four classes: sailing, fencing, pistol shooting and archery – and then taking the school's secret pirate oath.

MIT began offering the optional certificate in 2012 as a way for students to enjoy fulfilling the school's physical education requirements, though the idea also stems from a decades-long joke. Campus lore claims that students who completed the four courses began calling themselves pirates in jest sometime between the late 1990s and early 2000s, though it took years for the school to make the campus caper into an official award, (at one point during the program's creation, receiving a commemorative eye patch was up for consideration in place of a formal certificate.) Today, MIT's Department of Athletics, Physical Education and Recreation issues the awards and the school – which traditionally abstains from giving out honorary degrees has even bestowed a pirate certificate upon actor Matt Damon for his "swashbuckling appreciation for science, engineering and space exploration." However, the university maintains that the program is all in good fun - the pirate certificate doesn't actually give students license to engage in any pirate-y business.



ARC Committee Notice



The January ARC meeting will be Monday, Jan. 22 at 9:30 am. 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 19, 2024.

A Bit of Humor

- I always say "Morning" instead of "Good morning" because if it was a good morning I would still be in my bed and not talking to people.
- For anybody else who got coal for Christmas, maybe we can link up and get the grill going or something.
- Hard to believe I once had a phone attached to a wall. When it rang, I'd pick it up without knowing who was calling. Amazing that I'm still alive!
- A day without coffee probably won't kill me, but why risk it?
- Shout out to everyone who can still remember their childhood phone number but can't remember the password they created yesterday. You are my people!

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- Live-streamed at www.svlcmoval.net
- Viewable later on YouTube

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