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# **“THE VIEW”**

## **March 2022**

Hello everyone. Hope all is well in your neck of the woods.

At our last board meeting we were approached by two homeowners who were visibly upset over an ongoing property issue, a filthy, nasty problem no one really wants to talk about. They are having to clean up piles of dog poop on a regular basis both in their yards and/or on the sidewalk. This is a topic I have addressed many times and, unfortunately it is only getting worse. They are not the only neighbors dealing with this problem. It is up and down Grandview Drive. I have seen yards with two piles of poop, poop lying on the sidewalk, and poop in the gutter. It is a filthy slap in the face to those neighbors who are affected. This is fast becoming a health issue and we need to find out who is responsible. The brunt of the problem is occurring on Grandview between Pikes Peak and White Mountain on the north side of the street. Whoever is walking the dog or letting it out by itself, is doing so after dark or possibly around dawn. Judging from the size of the waste, the dog is of medium size. Let's solve this dilemma...if you see something, SAY SOMETHING!

Just a heads up regarding opening mail from FirstService Residential. **Don't throw it out!** Take the time to open it because often it contains important information which may pertain directly to you. For example, several homeowners reported accidentally throwing their voting ballots away. Others tell us they “never saw” the Age Verification form that we are required by law to fill out and return to FirstService Residential. In the instance of the Age Verification form, tossing it will land you on a non-response list and ultimately, fined until you DO return it. Why is the age form so important? By statute, the association must comply with age verification procedures designed to ensure compliance with 55+, CC&R requirements. Every two years, management must submit age verification forms for all homeowners. Senior communities that fail to strictly enforce age restrictions can lose their status as a senior community.

Homeowners often want to know why they cannot just speak whenever they want at an HOA board meeting. Here's why: California Civil Code 4920(a) “During Homeowner Forum-Agenda Items, **items included on the agenda** that are raised by homeowners may be briefly responded to by the Board/Management; **however, no action may occur with respect to that item unless deemed an emergency by the Board...**”.

Likewise, during Homeowner Forum – Items NOT on Current Agenda, **items not included on the agenda** that are raised by homeowners may be briefly responded to by the Board/Management; **however, no action may occur with respect to that item unless it is deemed an emergency by the Board...**” In both instances, there is a 3-5 minute time limit for a homeowner to speak.

Until next month...

*Pat*



# Mountain View HOA Board of Directors Meeting Highlights

Wednesday, February 23, 2022 – by Erma Wallace

## FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

January 31, 2022

Operating Income/-Loss	\$-15,144.98
Y-T-D Reserve Funding Actual	\$55,423.98
Y-T-D Reserve Funding Budget	\$52,248.00
Operating Funds	\$109,558.09
Petty Cash	\$1,500.00

## DELINQUENCY STATUS REPORT:

As of January 31, 2022, there is a total of \$4,741.69 in delinquent assessments. This value represents an approximate delinquency rate of 1.32%, as compared to the last delinquency rate of 1.20% on December 31, 2021.

## COMMITTEE UPDATES:

**Finance:** Reviewed reserve study. All looks well. Water bill higher than usual.

**Social:** Updated by-laws approved. All revenue from the newsletter ads will go to the social club.

**Architecture:** A few applications and notices of completion were submitted.

**Facilities:** An engineer is to be requested for information on options for the removal of the bench on the Pickleball court.

Gym exit signs are to be repaired. The shower tiles are also to be repaired.

**Landscape:** Rocks and mulch are to be added to the back of the barbeque grills and the gate entrance. Dead plants are to be removed and replaced.

**Communications:** There was no ad revenue for the newsletter this month and it took \$85.00 to print. **We encourage residents to tell good vendors about advertising in our newsletter. The prices are reasonable, and the newsletter is well read.**

**Neighborhood Watch:** Signs are to be rotated so speeding drivers will notice them.

**Management** – Cost of project applications may be increased from \$50 to \$75.

## HOMEOWNER FORUM (for items on agenda):

No speakers.

## BOARD ACTIONS:

Board accepted committee reports as presented.

### **Consent Calendar**

The Board approved:

- Jan. 2022 Open Session minutes
- Dec. 2021 Financial Statement

### **Unfinished Business**

**Ping Pong Table** – Issue tabled until next meeting.

### **New Business**

**BAMCO** - concrete invoice remaining balance \$106.88.

**Landscape Proposal** – See Landscape Report.

**Technology Committee** - was approved, and members appointed. By-laws will be submitted at the next meeting.

**Social Club By-laws revisions** – Approved

**Draft Reserve Study** -Approved

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

Grace Paltikian requested December revenue from the newsletter ads to go to the Social Club.

Jesse Roulhac asked to have a new Billiards Club and asked to have the pool table repaired.

Kevin Osmun talked about avoiding conflicts with vendors.

## NEXT HOA BOARD MEETING:

Wednesday, March 23, at 6 pm, in the Clubhouse.



### MARCH

#### National Quilt Day, Saturday, March 19

We have great quilters in our neighborhood that we would like to honor by having the clubhouse open from 9:30-11:30am on National Quilt Day, for them to display some of their craft. Come to see their fine quilting and learn some of the techniques, special qualities and stories behind the quilts.

Also, enjoy some light refreshments with neighbors on the patio. No food or drink will be allowed in the clubhouse.

If you want more information, please contact Jo Lippire, 801- 440-2956

#### Spaghetti Dinner, Friday, March 25

Come and enjoy a home cooked spaghetti dinner...spaghetti with sauce and meatballs, fresh green salad, garlic bread and cheesecake. All for \$10.00 per person. Dinner from 5:30 – 7:00 pm, the bar will be open at 5:15pm. Reservations are required. Call Joan Brodowsky at 951-807-5036 to reserve by no later than March 21.

Payment (cash or checks made out to the Social Club) will be collected at the door on the night of the dinner.

The **Social Club's meeting** is once a month. The next meeting is **March 10 at 10:00 am in the clubhouse**. All residents are welcome.

#### **The Social Club Committee:**

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



### SPAGHETTI DINNER

*Friday, March 25*

*At the clubhouse*

*\$10.00 per person*

*5:30 -7:00 pm*

*50/50*

*Reservations required by  
March 21*

*Call 951-807-5036*

#### Dinner includes:

*Spaghetti with sauce and  
meatballs*

*Fresh Green Salad*

*Garlic Bread*

*Cheesecake*



### Quilt Show at the Club House

Our local quilters will be showing their quilts at the club house on Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Light refreshments will be available on the club house patio by the fire place. We quilters love to share our passion for quilting, so please join us on National Quilt Day at the club house.

If you are a quilter and would like to show a couple of your quilts, please call or text Jo Lippire by March 4th at (801) 440-2956 or email [jlippire@aol.com](mailto:jlippire@aol.com). I need to get a count and figure out how to display the quilts.

If you are not a quilter but you have a special heirloom quilt you would like to show, we would like to include those quilts in the show also.



### Sitooterie

**Pronunciation:** sih-TOO-ter-ee

**Part of Speech:** noun

**Origin:** Scottish, 1920's

**Definitions:**

1. A small building or area where people can sit outside.
2. A summer house, conservatory, or gazebo.

**Examples of sitooterie in a sentence:**

- "The sitooterie was set up for a small afternoon party."
- "She enjoyed being able to relax and read in the sitooterie for hours."

### Ataraxy

**Pronunciation:** ADD-uh-rack-see

**Part of Speech:** noun

**Origin:** Greek, 17<sup>th</sup> century

**Definitions:**

1. A state of calmness and tranquility.
2. Freedom from mental disturbance or anxiety.

**Examples of ataraxy in a sentence:**

- Meditation and other methods of practicing mindfulness will help you achieve ataraxy.
- She was able to finally find ataraxy after years of therapy and facing her demons.

### Quotes of the Month

If you want to conquer fear, do not sit home and think about it. Go out and get busy.

~ Dale Carnegie

We delight in the beauty of the butterfly, but rarely admit the changes it has gone through to achieve that beauty.

~ Maya Angelou



## Something Lovin' from the Oven

by Eunice Kang

Since many of you have lemons from my tree, I am republishing my lemon meringue pie recipe.



### 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 or buy a pie crust pastry 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 saucepan.
- 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 on high.
- Beat on high until stiff peaks form.
- Spread on pie and bake for 12-15 minutes.
- Cool completely, then cover.
- Chill at least an hour before serving.

**Tip:** Sometimes meringue gets watery on the bottom and pulls away from crust. This can help:

- Pour **hot** filling into crust and add meringue immediately. (This starts cooking the meringue from the bottom to help keep it from watering.)
- Make sure you seal the meringue edges well.

#### Lemonade

- Boil 1 cup of water with 1 cup of sugar. Cool.
  - Add to pitcher along with 1 cup of lemon juice and 3 cups of water. Chill.
  - To serve, put ice in a glass and add lemonade.
- (You can add green food coloring for St Pat's Day)

## THE GREEN THUMB CORNER

From the Archives by Victoria Klaas

Hello fellow gardeners!

Spring has sprung! It's a great time to work outdoors in the garden. If you have pruned back winter-weary perennials you will be rewarded by strong, fresh, new growth. New growth is hardy and can increase your plant numbers. Choose new growth that "snaps" when it is bent and is not "rubbery." Take cuttings that are approximately 4"- 6" inches long. Remove all but the top set of leaves. Plant in a small (3 inches or smaller) pot filled with damp sand or sterile potting soil. Using "Rootone" can greatly increase your odds of success. Softwood cuttings from your favorite plants: When planting softwood cuttings make sure the nodes from which you removed lower leaves are in tight contact with the sand. It is from these nodes that new roots emerge. Place the pot in a shady area preferably where a sprinkler will hit it and then just ignore it for a few weeks. If you gently tug on the cutting and it resists pulling you know it has rooted and is ready to place in the garden. The technique works very well with most softwood perennials. Roses, especially miniatures, grow fast and are easy to start with this method.

Don't be in too much of a hurry to cut back tropical and subtropical shrubs. Frost is still possible through early April. Although unlikely, it may still occur.

Annuals and perennials at garden centers: Now is the time to plant warm season annuals and perennials. Season bloomers are also available, but remember, they will eventually die from high temperatures. Avoid Iceland Poppies, Violas, Pansies, Calendulas, Snapdragons and Nemesia. Annuals like Ageratum, Marigolds, Petunias, Nierembergia, Calibrachoa ("Million Bells"), Salvias, Pentas, Verbena, Impatiens attract bees, butterflies and hummingbirds. Region safe perennials include Achillea, Agapanthus, Campanula, Columbine, Shasta Daisies, Gaillardia, Coral Bells, Daylilies, Carnations, Dusty Miller, and Pentas. Bulbs. Gladioli, Tigridias, and Watsonias are available for planting.

Plant your summer vegetable garden, herb garden or replace spent herb plants. Lawns may need de-thatching. If you have an existing turf lawn, fertilize it this month. You only need to water the granules 4-5 minutes one time.



~ *Happy Gardening, Victoria*

# A Series About Our Area and Local Geology

## Geology and Earthquakes (Part III – Final)

By Kevin Osmun

### Earthquakes

Earthquakes are measured by their magnitude. Everybody has heard of the Richter Scale. This scale measures the magnitude of the earthquake as it reaches a seismic station. You've seen the news with the seismograph and the needle jumping back and forth. It is measuring the magnitude of the earthquake. Earthquakes are measured from 1 to 9 on a logarithmic scale. This is a log 10 scale so a 6 magnitude earthquake has 10 times more magnitude than a 5 magnitude earthquake. Now an earthquake with a magnitude from 1 to 4.9 is micro to light, 5 - 5.9 is moderate, 6-6.9 is strong, 7 - 7.9 is major and above 8 is called great. The San Jacinto and San Andreas faults are capable of producing an earthquake above 7 or a major earthquake. The Elsinore fault is below 6.9 or a strong earthquake. But being capable of doing it and actually doing it are two different things. So maybe unpack one suitcase. No one can predict the where and when of the next earthquake. That is not possible. You can only look at the past and prepare for the future.

What actually happens when an earthquake takes place? When a fault ruptures energy is released, and an earthquake happens. This energy is released as seismic waves. Seismic waves are waves of energy that travel through soil, rock and some through water. I don't want to get too technical here as there are several different kinds of seismic waves, and they all move in different ways. The two main types of waves are those that travel through the earth called body waves and those that travel on the surface are called, you guessed it, surface waves. The seismic waves that travel through the earth are called Primary or P-waves and Secondary or S-waves. The P-waves are the fastest and arrive first at a seismograph or your house. These are compression waves that push the material, which then rebounds so you get a push-pull or back and forth motion. S-waves are the second to arrive and they move the earth side to side or up and down. Interestingly these waves cannot travel through liquid like the P-waves. That's how we determined the earth's outer core is liquid magma. What is very important to note is that the velocity of these waves of energy is dependent on the density and elasticity of the material they are going through. Remember I said we live on thin layer of soil underlain by bedrock so these waves will have less amplitude, which equals less shaking.

The real bad boys are the surface waves, Surface waves travel only along or through the surface of the earth. The surface waves are of a lower frequency than body waves and are the last to arrive. However, they are almost entirely responsible for the damage and destruction caused by earthquakes. These surface waves move side to side (Love waves) and up and down (Rayleigh waves). It is this side to side and up and down motion that causes all the damage. Imagine lifting your house, even just an inch and dropping it or shaking it side to side. The good news is the strength and damage of these surface waves are reduced in deeper earthquakes.

Whoa, don't pack that bag yet. Luckily you are living in one of the best earthquake resistant structures around. As we know the most damage is caused by the up and down and sideways movement of the seismic surface waves, Well, the material that reacts the worst to that type of motion is a rigid material. Masonry, especially unreinforced masonry, is the worst material you can have over your head in a major earthquake. The California Building Code (CBC) is updated frequently and seismic design is not neglected. The homes you live in have had adequate protection from the affects of these surface waves. For example these homes have shear walls, on the corners, to reduce the back and forth sideways motion. Further, the homes are of wood frame construction, which means they have some give to them as opposed to rigid masonry.

So what can you expect in a major earthquake? A lot of shaking back and forth and some up and down or rolling motion. But following the basic earthquake advice of securing items will be a big help. There will be some damage to the house stucco (rigid) and concrete flatwork, like driveways may crack. If severe enough you could have some structural damage to the house. But you will not be swallowed up by the earth or buried under your house. The CBC has minimum requirements intended to protect life and prevent collapse of a structure (house) during an earthquake. It allows damage, which means buildings may not be habitable or functional after a moderate or large earthquake, but it must stand long enough to have everyone get out of the building without it collapsing. Thank God for the government. They have your back.

So that's the end of this series. I hope you feel it was worth reading and you learned something new. Remember, no man knows the day or the hour when a major earthquake may happen so do your best to be as prepared as possible. There are numerous websites that have earthquake preparedness information. Most are simple things like a gas meter shut off, extra food and water, and simple tie downs for large objects that could fall if shaken back and forth or up and down.

## Committee Notice

### Architectural Review Committee (ARC) Notice



The March ARC meeting will be Monday, March 21 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, March 18th, 2022.

## A Bit of Humor

All of my childhood punishments have become my adult goals: Eating vegetables, staying home, having a nap, going to bed early.

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Being a little older, I am very fortunate to have someone call and check on me every day. He is from India and is very concerned about my car warranty.

## 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 (714-614-3809) is our ad contact. She will also be the one who will collect the money for the classified ads.



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**RUMMAGE SALE**



**Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 7 am – 3 pm**

**Sunday Worship, 9:30 am:**

- In-person (Face masks optional)
- Live-streamed at [www.svlcmoval.net](http://www.svlcmoval.net)
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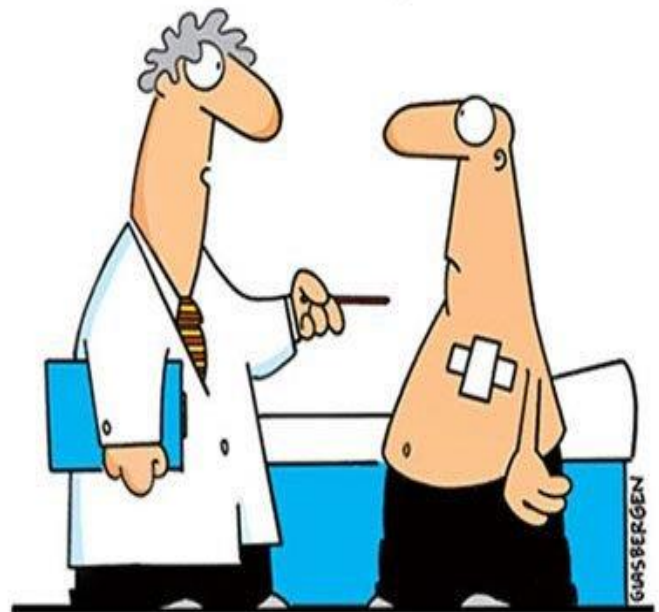


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