

# THE VIEW NOVEMBER 2007

Mountain View Community Association

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## THE HOA BOARD LETTER

by Fred Humphrey



As I am writing this, the wind is howling around the house and depositing a pile of dirt on our front doorstep. I hope you make it through the wind and fires with a minimal amount of damage and discomfort. I know I will have a major clean-up project when it stops. If you have a tree that is damaged and needs to be replaced, there is a new expedited form which does not go to Prescott but directly to the Architectural Review Committee. This saves time and money. Contact any of the ARC members listed in this newsletter.

Elections for the HOA board are just around the corner. You need to apply in time to put your name on the ballot in preparation for the January elections. Please consider running for the HOA Board. Your commitment is eleven meetings per year. The term is two years. There is no better way to find out about how your community is run and to have a direct influence.

Are you going to make any changes to your landscaping, in the front and/or back? If it is anything but a plant or two, you need to make an application to the Architectural Review Committee through our property manager. You must receive approval before making the change. If you are in doubt, call a member of the ARC. Their phone numbers are listed in this newsletter. If you need approval and do not obtain it, you will be subject to a fine by the HOA. If your project is later disapproved, you may have to remove it. Why take a chance—call.

Verizon Communications Company has informed the HOA that they will be installing fiber optics cable on their rightsof-way within the project. notification before they start work will be made directly to the homeowners.

Your Social Committee has many events scheduled each month which are open to all residents of Mountain View. Each Newsletter has a calendar for the upcoming month and articles stating the time and place for the activities. All residents are welcome at any of these activities. Come to one of the activities and meet your neighbors.

Monthly HOA meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month, except for November, which will be held on Thursday, November 29, 2007. Come to a meeting and see how your community is run. At each meeting we have an open forum session which is open for all comments from homeowners. We all need to participate to make Mountain View "a great place to live."



# **Mountain View Community Association**

Financial Statement September 30, 2007

Income Statement	Current Month	Year To Date
Revenue		
Assessments	\$25,755.00	\$51,510.00
Interest	\$1,274.76	\$2,980.86
Other	\$758.00	\$1,108.00
Total Revenue	\$27,787.76	\$55,598.86
Expenses		
Utilities	\$3,892.75	\$7,497.78
Land Maintenance	\$4,749.98	\$9,785.13
Pool Maintenance	\$525.00	\$1,277.00
Community Build-		
ings	\$692.13	\$1,373.09
Other Areas Main-		
tenance	\$3,616.10	\$4,579.22
Administration	\$4,343.62	\$9,126.01
Total Operating Expenses	\$17,819.58	\$33,638.23
Reserve Funding	\$6,473.06	\$13,830.55
Total Expenses	\$24,292.64	\$47,468.78
Net Revenue/		
Expenses	\$3,495.12	\$8,130.08
Balance Sheet		
Assets		
Operating Assets	\$23,412.35	
Reserves	\$493,971.65	
Other Reserve		
Assets	\$2,334.00	
Total Assets	\$519,718.00	
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities	\$12,102.13	
Reserves	\$496,305.65	
Equity	\$11,310.22	
Total Liabilities	\$519,718.00	

## THE GARDENER'S CORNER

by Carole Sweeney

From the gardener's corner... November will probably bring rain, so sit back and relax if you did all your planting in October. If not, get to work! Later this month, plant your hyacinth and tulip bulbs that you refrigerated six weeks ago. Add super phosphate to the soil before planting. Nancy Phillips recently sent me a planting tip I had forgotten. After you have put your new plant into the soil, wet some newspapers and lay them around the plant. Cover thickly with mulch and you will never see a weed around the plant. This month you can cut back alyssum, coreopsis, geranium ivies and lantanas to one third or one half their sizes. Don't cut back to the woody stems or you might kill the plant. Stop feeding your young tropicals such as avocado, citrus, guavas and loquats, and water them well to guard against frost. Lightly prune top heavy trees so the winds can blow freely through. This lowers the threat of toppling. Thanksgiving is the first day for fruit tree dormant spraying. Be sure to water your trees before spraying; otherwise the oil spray may damage the tree if the roots are dry. Cut back on watering and feeding your roses now and mulch them with compost. Let the faded roses make rose hips until December or January when we can begin hand pruning and spraying.

Water is becoming scarce and expensive. **Bewaterwise.com has some handy tips to reduce** water waste. You can save 500 gallons a month by checking all your sprinklers for leaks. overspray and broken sprinklers. You can save hundreds of gallons a year by using mulch around your plants to reduce evaporation.

Happy digging in the dirt!

# **Project Linus** by Janet Jarosh

A big *Thank You* to all who donate cash or yarn to our cause. The Children especially thank you!



This quarter we donated 464 blankets more to Loma Linda Children's Hospital and Parkview Hospital's NICU, plus 8 to children of soldiers from this area killed in Iraq. (88 blankets were donated from Mountain View Blanketeers). The total-to-date is 12,582 blankets donated locally since 1998.

Please make a monetary donation to help defray the cost of making these "security blankets." A donation jar is available at the Clubhouse during TGIF's. Checks can be made payable to Project Linus (a 501c3 Charity, tax deductible). Thank You! Janet Jarosh/Coordinator, 14711 Grandview Dr.,



Trash Pickup will be on Saturday, November 24th during Thanksgiving week.

# What's Cooking? (from Katie's Kitchen Corner)

by Katie Wenke



Joan Willams says this recipe "will make your Thanksgiving easy by preparing and cooking the turkey overnight on the eve of the BIG day. This will be the easiest and most tender turkey – ever."

#### Overnight Roasted Turkey

Do the following the night before you serve the turkey:

Stew the neck and gizzards in water with celery and onion. Refrigerate the broth for making gravy the next day. Make sure your turkey is thawed, washed with running water, and dried. Fill with dressing at both ends and close. Smear the outside of the bird with butter, as if you were giving the bird a facial. Put it, breast up, in the bottom of a roasting pan (use a trivet, if you like), and cover entirely with heavy-duty aluminum foil. Tuck it around the sides of the bird, inside the pan. Set the oven for 275° or 300° no higher. Use the lower temperature for larger birds over 15 lbs. Cook the turkey for 30 minutes for each pound of weight. Set your alarm clock and go to sleep. When the alarm goes off, shut off the oven, but leave the covered turkey inside.

An hour before dinner, take the turkey out of the oven and remove the aluminum foil. Preheat the oven to 325°. Smear the turkey with the drippings in the bottom of the pan, and put it back in the oven. Check every 15 minutes or so, and re-baste the bird. Serve and enjoy.

### Sausage-Walnut Stuffing for Turkey

1 C butter

1 onion, chopped

1 TBS poultry seasoning

1/3 C parsley, chopped

<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> C celery, chopped

½ lb. pork sausage, cooked and drained

1 C walnuts, chopped

3 quarts bread stuffing (enough for a 12 - 14 lb. turkey)

Melt butter and add onion, poultry seasoning, parsley, and celery. Cook about 5 minutes. Add pork sausage, walnuts. Mix with bread stuffing. Stuff both cavities of the turkey with the stuffing mixture.

#### **POTPOURRI**

by Joan Williams

We are starting a new column designed to give information and helpful hints to homeowners in our community. If you have any tidbits to pass on, please call Joan Williams at 924-4876 or e-mail at joanjwms@verizon.net.

Attention all you gardeners! Are your clippers and toppers getting dull? Carole Sweeney has told me that a handy place to get your tools sharpened at a reasonable price (\$2 per tool) is the lawn mower repair shop. Wow, we won't have to muddle through with dull tools, or, heaven forbid, buy new ones. She also hinted that we could get our shovels sharpened there too. The stores sell the shovels with dull edges so that they won't be subject to lawsuits due to customers cutting themselves on sharp edges. Sharpening them should make digging in the dirt easier.

For those of us who are ineffective gardeners, but who like really fresh produce, consider going to a local farmers' market. There are many advantages to this—the food is grown locally and almost always harvested the day before the market—fresh, fresh, fresh; the food has a much better flavor because, again, it is grown locally; and the produce has adjusted to our climate and growing conditions. This makes for a stronger plant with better flavor. And, more often than not, the food is organically raised without pesticides.

I have been to two of the local farmers' markets. These are both open on Saturday mornings.

#### **Downtown Farmers' Market in Riverside**

Saturdays from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. Main Street Pedestrian Mall next to the Mission Inn

#### Temecula Farmers' Market in Old Town, Temecula

Saturdays from 8 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. 6<sup>th</sup> & Front Streets in Temecula

There are other evening markets in Redlands and Yucaipa. The produce is slightly more expensive, but well worth it, and it's a fun trip to go there and just mooch around.

Again, remember, any helpful hints you would like to pass on to your neighbors can be suggested in this column. Let's get the word out!



# LADIES LUNCHEON CHINA GARDEN

23300 SUNNYMEAD BLVD. Moreno Valley

Tuesday, NOVEMBER 13, 2007
12:30 PM

Call if you need a ride.

PLEASE RSVP—Sign up in Clubhouse, call or e-mail.

Joanne Phillips - jotphillips@verizon.net

\*\*Save the date December 11th for the next Luncheon."



#### **COME ON DOWN**

TO THE CLUBHOUSE FOR LINE DANCING
TWO HOURS OF FUN AND EXERCISE

(No experience necessary) Every Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. Any questions, call Doris



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## **BUNCO**

Bring Your \$4.00 and Join Us at the Clubhouse

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2007

6:30 pm

#### Last Month's Winners

Most Wins - Doris Polley Most Bunco's - Twila DeWalt Most Baby Bunco's - Marilyn Dawson Most Losses - Janet Hansen Fuzzy Dice - Mary Ortiz

(Bring a snack to share.)

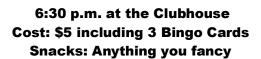
For more information contact:

Marilyn Dawson

Marilyn6515@verizon.net

# **BINGO**

**Tuesday, November 27, 2007** (4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month)



#### **September Winners**

Coverall: Sharon Cristino, Doris Polley, Rick Hansen, One Coverall shared between Doris Polley, Sharon Cristino and Bev Bailey

For more information contact Godfrey Asciak or Mike Frahm

THERE WILL BE NO BINGO DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2007.





Please join us for the

# **HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE**

Sunday – December 2<sup>nd</sup> 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

We would love to share our homes with you as we begin this festive season.

Jay and Marilyn Dawson 14848San Jacinto Drive

Donna Casteloes 28540 Grandview Drive

Katie Wenke 14724 Grandview Drive

Chuck and Judy Hedger 14720 Grandview Drive

Don and Laurie Phillips 14703 Grandview Drive

Maggie August 14540 Grandview Drive

Twila DeWalt 14562 Mountain Vista Drive

Patrick and Joanne Phillips 14642 Mountain Vista Drive

Take a drive (or a healthy walk) around the community to enjoy the holiday outdoor decorations too!



## WHAT'S HAPPENING

by Jo Pavlik

WHOA!! What a nice time we had at Santa Anita Racetrack on Senior Day! Thanks to Wayne Williams for rounding us up and making the arrangements. Thanks also to Judy Hedger who keeps our Bowlers rolling, and Pat Phillips who keeps the golfers swinging. We thank Georgene Tacke and Carole Sweeney for their caring committee work. If you or a neighbor suffers a need, please give them a call. Janet Jarosh and the Linus Project bring joy to traumatized children with their creative blankets. Anyone is welcome to contribute his or her time, blanketeering, or donation of yarn. Katie Wenke keeps us in the know on delicious popular recipes, while Doris Asciak helps us dance off those extra pounds AND enjoy doing it! Sue Janssen, our website guru and directory editor, displays Mountain View on the web, and keeps our contact information up to date; AND, what would we do without Lori Humphrey, our newsletter editor! She keeps us informed, makes our articles look good, and edits The View. (Move over Barbara Walters and Whoopi!) Thanks to you all!

The Social Board is looking forward to seeing everyone come out for the festivities planned during the Holidays. See the special events we have planned below and join us.

November 30: 6:30 pm, Deck the Halls will be a TGIF gettogether. Would a tree trimming and carols add to the mood?

December 2: Holiday Walk of Homes. Call Marilyn Dawson or Katie Wenke for participation and questions.

December 9: 6:00 pm, Holiday Party and Gift Exchange. The refreshments are complimentary, all come and enjoy! No-host bar is available. Our friendly "Steal That Gift" game is optional participation, but loads of fun to play or watch!

Your Social Club and HOA extend a
Thank you to all of our Veterans,
AND
We wish everyone a safe and
Happy Thanksgiving.