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### **BOARD HIGHLIGHTS**

On Monday, November 13, 2006 your Park Paseo Board of Directors met at the clubhouse for its regularly scheduled meeting. Present were Directors Howard Scott, Brain Grochow, Brian Hagadorn, Ric Cox, Ernie Jones, and Manager Gus Aarnaes.

A homeowner was present to discuss a set of missing clubhouse keys checked out for rental of the clubhouse. The Board instructed the manager to refund the deposit and notify the homeowner that as a result of this incidence, the clubhouse has been re-keyed (\$636.00) and the key return policy

has been changed. It is now mandatory that the keys must only be returned directly to the manager.

Two homeowners were present to discuss problems associated with two Chinese Elm trees along the greenbelt behind their homes. It was decided that the two trees will be removed.

Two homeowners were not present as requested, to show cause why the association fine processes should not be initiated for on-going architectural violations relating to aging, wind damaged (missing and displaced tiles) and unsightly wood shingle roofs. One of the homeowners was fined \$25.00, and the other was given a warning.

One homeowner was not present as requested to show cause why

the association fine process should not be initiated for an ongoing architectural violation relating to holiday lights wrapped around the front decorative beams of the house. The homeowner was charged a \$25.00 fine.

Another homeowner was not present as requested to show cause why the association fine process should not be initiated for an on-going violation relating to improper location of a satellite dish. It was noted that the satellite dish has been removed and assumed to be installed on the rear half of the residence.

Other homeowners were not present as requested to show cause why the association fine process should not be initiated for an on-going violation relating to a front yard tree blocking safe access and usage of the public sidewalk by pedestrians. It was noted that the tree had been appropriately trimmed.

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## Community News

#### 2007 Budget

You should already have received your copy of the budget for 2007. As noted in the budget letter and the previous newsletter, there will be an increase of \$3.00 in the monthly dues from \$65.00 to \$68.00. This new rate will take effect with the January 2007 dues.

#### **Attention Park Paseo Residents**

Traffic delays may affect your normal route on Sunday, January 7! The 3<sup>rd</sup> annual OC Marathon takes place on Sunday,

January 7, 2007 and the course layout could affect your normal Sunday morning travel time, so please plan ahead! Please visit the Parking & Directions page on www.OCMarathon.com for resident information, expected delays, alternate routes and more. You may also call the hotline at (949) 222-3327.

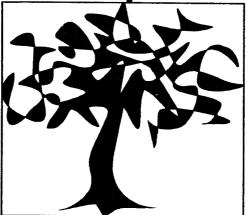


Let's put our holiday decorating skills to use and see who will be selected as this year's holiday best. The winner will be announced in the January or February issue of the Park Press newsletter.

### Clubhouse Rental Reminder

Homeowners are already booking the clubhouse for activities for 2007. To

avoid disappointment, please book early. Be prepared to sign the rental contract along with the necessary payment to reserve your date. Please call me at (714) 730-1560 to verify availability for your desired date and time.



Park Paseo
Homeowners' Association
25 Christamon West, Irvine, CA 92620

## Welcome New Homeowners!

Please go by and say hello to our new neighbors. We all remember what it's like to be in a new neighborhood! Welcome to Bryceton and Mary Danico of 16 Alba West, and Troy and Emily Palmer of 8 Delamesa East. We're glad to have them in our community!

#### **Board of Directors**

President	
Howard Scott	669-1406
1st Vice-President	
Brian Hagadorn	838-2625
2nd Vice-President	
Brian Grochow	730-7231
Treasurer	
Ernie Jones	832-4252
Secretary	
Ric Cox	731-8848

Board of Directors' meetings are held the second Monday of each month in the clubhouse at 7:00 p.m. Homeowners are encouraged to attend.

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All copy/ads for the Park Press must be submitted to the manager's office in the clubhouse by the 12th of each month to be included in the next issue.

Association Manager

Gus Aarnaes
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Would you like to add your name to our babysitter list? Drop a note by the office with your name and phone number and we will add it to our list.

LOCAL BABYSITTERS	
Shannon Benson	573-4909
Melanie Duncan	838-2389
Chelsea Feller	669-5720
Erica Grochow	730-7231
Heather Sprague	832-4864
Carly Kopec	838-6590
Nikki Morris	734-0192
Rachel Gross	368-1088
Megan or Peter Gilroy	505-3033
Cayla or Alexia Perry	730-6676
Jolene Collins	734-6896
Jane Schmidt	832-7292
Megan Kelley	731-6009
Karen Barak	389-6426
Ma'ayan Barak	389-6426
Shannon Thomas (CHOC Safe Sitter Certified)	730-7028

## **Announcements & Ads**

#### THANK YOU

Families Forward thanks all the families of Park Paseo that participated in the food collection drive by dropping off food items in the collection box on the porch of the Kelley home. Your kind actions will help to replenish the food pantry at Families Forward. Families Forward is a non-profit and contributions are tax deductible:

Families Forward 9221 Irvine Blvd.

Irvine, CA 92618 Tax ID # 33-0086043

Thank you to the following real estate professionals for the distribution of the Families Forward shopping list flyers to our Park Paseo neighborhood:

Murray & Amy Falk, Century 21, Northpark Office Susan Trapp, Century 21, Barranca Parkway Office Families Forward thanks these professionals too!

#### **COMPUTER/PHONE TECHNICIAN**

Computer repair, upgrades, antivirus, training. Home/office networking, wireless, cabling, etc. Phone install and repair. Microsoft certified (MCSE). If I can't fix it, you don't pay. Free estimates. Call Tyson: 714-469-3862.

#### FOR SALE: CHRISTMAS DECORATIVE ITEM

Linen guest towels, ornaments, Merry Christmas blocks with handmade wood Santa's, gold bead garland, silk poinsettias, decorative Santa's, stuffed toys. Great prices. Call to see, 714-838-6872.

#### FOR SALE: TWIN BED

Extra firm, \$99. Call 714-731-9359.

#### MOMS CLUB OF IRVINE-NORTHWOOD

Playgroups, park days, field trips, Mom's night out, service projects, holiday parties, and more. Please call Kelly Blum at 949-857-0185 or Diane Colline at 714-669-0222.

#### MARKETING, WEB SITE SERVICES

Need help growing your small business or web site? I'm a Park Paseo resident, with 20 years of marketing experience, who enjoys helping people for very reasonable rates. Call Glen at 949-241-7533 or email glennwilk@internetmktg.net.

#### PHOTO SLIDESHOW

Why not put those old pictures, slides, film strips and digital pictures onto a CD for safe keeping or show off your best pictures with a Photo Slideshow set to music. I provide comprehensive photo scanning and archival services. Call Neil at 714-731-5241.

## Welcome to Park Paseo Board Highlights cont.

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The Board continued to review and discuss the height of two side yard and a front block wall of a residence. It was agreed that based on the original wood fence design, the walls are not considered to be in violation.

A bid from Leonard Chaidez for needed trimming of the clubhouse entry pear trees was reviewed and discussed. The Board instructed the manager to accept the bid for \$780.00 but to also emphasize the need to "thin out" the trees.

The Board was reminded of the upcoming annual election meeting scheduled for Monday, November 27, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. A quorum requirement of 319 ballots is necessary to conduct a complete meeting.

The Board reviewed and discussed performance deficiencies by Patrol One as documented by the manager. The manager was instructed to discuss with Patrol One the possibility that \$25.00 could be subtracted from their invoice every time the facilities are not locked or unlocked properly.

The Board reviewed and discussed for inclusion in the Park Press newsletter, information relating to the upcoming Orange County Marathon scheduled for Sunday, January 7, 2007. The manager was authorized to include the official information provide by the city.

The Board reviewed and discussed the bid from Bradford Benton, CPA to conduct and prepare the on-going association audit and taxes for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2006. The Board agreed to accept the bid for \$2100.00 for the annual audit and preparation of tax returns.

The minutes of the October 9, 2006 meeting were reviewed and approved as corrected. The Action Items and Responses Report from the October 2006 meeting was also reviewed.

The General Meeting notes of the North Irvine Villages Association were reviewed and discussed.

The financial reports for October 2006 were approved subject to final revision by the accountant and annual audit. The Association bank account statements were reviewed and discussed. The delinquent account report was reviewed and discussed, and management was requested to send three 30-day reminder letters and two 30-day attorney warning letters.

The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed mailing materials relating to the already approved 2007 budget. The materials were approved with the understanding that the final dollar amount for the reserve allocation would be inserted upon receipt of the final reserve study figure from the RDA (Reserve Data Analysis) report.

The current status of the Franklin Templeton account was reviewed and discussed. The Board instructed the manager to sell half of the account balance (\$80,000) and re-invest the proceeds into a CD with either Salomon Smith Barney or Edward Jones, whichever has the superior interest offering.

The Architectural Committee meeting minutes of October 25, 2006 were reviewed and approved as corrected. The architectural violation log was reviewed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM and the next Board meeting has been set for December 27, 2006.

### Manager's Corner Stay Safe This Holiday Season

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone in Park Paseo a safe and happy holiday season. With that in mind, I would like to re-run a previous column that many residents found helpful.

#### TIPS ON SAFEGUARDING YOUR HOME DURING THE HOLIDAYS

The holiday season is approaching, bringing joy, happiness, and new opportunities for everyone—especially burglars. The rise in burglaries is attributed to the mass purchase of merchandise and the tendency for many of us to let our guard down during the holiday season. We suggest that you follow these security measures to reduce your risk of being a burglar's next holiday victim.

#### **Around The House**

- Always close your drapes when you're not home so you're not exposing your holiday gifts.
- Put lights on timers to make it look as if you're not home even while you're at parties and shopping.
- Always remember to lock your doors and windows when leaving, even if it's only for a brief time.

#### **Holiday Shopping**

- Try to park near a busy entrance to the shopping mall or store.
- Carry only \$100 or less in cash when shopping. Many malls have indoor ATM's where you can get money.
- Carry only one credit card and use it for all purchases.
- When resting, don't leave your packages on the ground.
- Have your car keys in your hand so you don't have to linger before entering your car. Keys can also serve as a weapon against an attacker.
- Avoid setting down your purchases when getting into your car.
- Put purchases in the trunk, not on the back seat of your car, so potential thieves can't see them.
- If you think you are being followed, drive to a public place or police station. If it is unsafe to get out of your car, honk your horn and flash your lights.
- If your car breaks down, open the hood and attach a
  white cloth to your antenna. If someone stops to help,
  stay in your locked car (windows up) and ask him or
  her to call the police or a garage.

By following these simple security measures, you can help ensure a happy and safe holiday season.

Gus Aarnaes

#### **Editor's Corner**

If you have a "for sale" ad in the newsletter, make sure that you call me and let me know if it's been sold or if you want your ad run for upcoming months. Drop it by the Clubhouse or email me at:

tinenelson@gmail.com.

Christine

#### STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE

West of Yale: (Wed.) Dec. 6 & 20 East of Yale: (Tues) Dec. 12 Please move your cars.

## December Landscape Award Winner The Mel Family of 16 Prosa



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17 PRIVATE PARTY	18	19	20	21	22 WINTER BEGINS	23
24	25 CHRISTMAS PRIVATE PARTY	26 KWANZA BEGINS	27	28	29	30 PRIVATE PARTY