

# ◆ THE PARK PRESS ◆

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## BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

On Monday, April 9, 2007, your Park Paseo Board of Directors met at the clubhouse for its regularly scheduled meeting. Present were Directors Brian Hagadorn, Ric Cox, Howard Scott, Brian Grochow, Ernie Jones, and Manager Gus Aarnaes.

The minutes of the March 12, 2007 meeting were reviewed and approved as corrected. The Action Items and Responses Report from the March 12, 2007 meeting was also reviewed.

The Board reviewed and discussed quotes for the main facility bathroom refurbishing. The manager was instructed to itemize specific categories of work in order to have separate pricing to compare with different vendors.

A homeowner conflict was discussed relating to a backyard basketball unit constructed without following the proper application process. It was agreed that it must be removed.

The Board reviewed and discussed a copy of the Irvine Police Department procedures relating to dog barking issues. The manager was instructed to place an article in the Association Park Press April newsletter to summarize the main points.

The Board was notified that the installation of the office furniture is complete.

The financial reports for March 2007 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 five 30-day reminder letters, one attorney warning letter and one account to the attorney.

The Architectural Committee meeting minutes of February 28, 2007 were reviewed and were approved as corrected. The Architectural Committee meeting minutes of March 28, 2007 were reviewed and were approved as corrected. The architectural violation log was reviewed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm and the next Board meeting has been set for May 30, 2007.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### SWIM TEAM

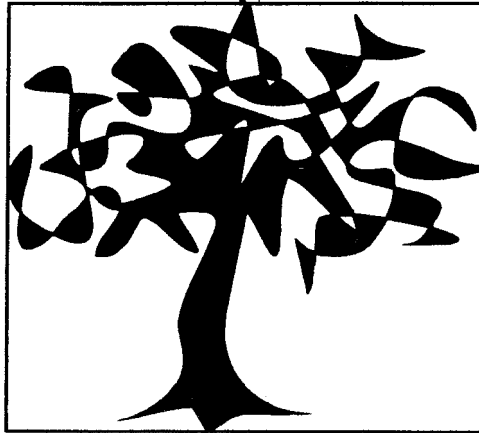
With the season getting closer, the Northstars team is getting set to SWIM! New swimmers interested in joining the team will be placed on a **waiting list** since the team is currently at its 120 member capacity. (Contact Lisa Saunders for registration information at (714) 832-7799 or [lisadvs@cox.net](mailto:lisadvs@cox.net)). The New and Returning Parent Meeting will be on Wednesday, May 16th, at the Clubhouse, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Information packets will be available at that time.

### IMPORTANT DATES

June 1 Practice begins  
June 15 Picture Day (4:00 – 7:00 pm)

### MEET SCHEDULE

June 16 Practice Meet, Park Paseo  
June 23 Home Meet, Park Paseo  
June 30 Home Meet, Park Paseo  
July 21 Home Meet, Park Paseo



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

### POOL HOURS

Christamon Pool:	Prosa Pool:
Sun – Thurs: 7 am – 10 pm	7 am – 9 pm
Fri & Sat: 7 am – 11 pm	7 am – 10 pm

### POOL GATES

*Please* do not leave the pool facility entry gates ajar. Help encourage everyone to close the gate! We cannot have unattended children in the neighborhood access the pools. Nor can we have children within the facility get out to the street. There is no inconvenience so great that overlooks the safety of our children. **KEEP THE GATES SHUT.**

## Board of Directors

### President

Brian Hagadorn 838-2625

### 1st Vice-President

Ric Cox 731-8848

### 2nd Vice-President

Howard Scott 669-1406

### Treasurer

Ernie Jones 832-4252

### Secretary

Brian Grochow 730-7231

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

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Email pphoairvine@sbcglobal.net

*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

Michelle Cavanagh	474-6075
Sophie Miller	949-697-3653
Tyler Killion	665-8078
Shannon Benson	573-4909
Melanie Duncan	838-2389
Chelsea Feller	669-5720
Erica Grochow	730-7231
Heather Sprague	832-4864
Nikki Morris	734-0192
Megan or Peter Gilroy	505-3033
Jolene Collins	734-6896
Jane Schmidt	832-7292
Megan Kelley	731-6009
Hannah Cooper	253-8725
Shannon Thomas (CHOC Safe Sitter Certified)	730-7028

## Announcements & Ads

### BABYSITTER WANTED

Family with 2 boys (9 months and 4 years old) is looking for a long-term babysitter for 1 afternoon (Wednesday or Friday) per week and the odd night out.

If you say yes to all the criterias below, please call us immediately (Sarah Santacroce, 949-892-9903):

- at least 18 years old and have at least 2 years experience
- English mother tongue or very fluent
- love to play
- very responsible
- at ease with a baby
- interested in a long-term job (not just for the summer!)

### TWO "MOUNTAIN BIKES" FOR SALE

Giant brand MTX 200, and Giant MTX 225, girls "youth" style, 15-speed bicycles. Very good condition, low mileage. Like an adult bike, but on a smaller frame or kids ages 8-14. \$85.00 each. Call Tim Costello: 714-745-3251.

### REWARD FOR LOST BICYCLE AND HELMET:

Lost girl's pink Specialized 6-speed bicycle and also a light blue, flowered helmet. This bike was left at Santiago Hills Elementary playground on Friday, March 16th. If found, please contact 714-508-8484.

### MICROWAVE AND STOVETOP FOR SALE

I have remodeled my kitchen and am selling the Whirlpool microwave (\$25 OBO) that was original in our homes and a 3-year old Maytag gas stovetop (\$100 OBO). Both work perfectly and look good. Call Sharon at 714-731-4439.

### HANDYMAN AVAILABLE

For general handyman work (e.g. broken utility doors, kitchen and bathroom drawers, and mailbox posts) you might contact John Bailey at 949-387-7640, Dan Lemire at 949-465-0001, or Ian Toby at 714-838-4635. They are capable of much more, so call them and discuss your need.

## Announcements & Ads Continued

### FOR SALE

Beautiful solid maple wood rocking chair. Excellent condition, \$200. Water Rower, rarely used, excellent condition. Paid \$1000, will sell for \$500. Call Julia at 714-544-6184.

### FOR SALE

Cabin bed, full size w/ 4 drawers with head board, dresser w/ 6 drawers, solid birch, \$400 obo, excellent condition. Call Steve, 573-5745.

### FOR SALE

Pecan Thomasville bedroom set, queen size, triple dresser, large framed wall mirror. Also, an electric hospital bed, items in storage, see and make offer. Call (714) 838-0431 after 8 PM and ask for Carole.

### FOR SALE

Baseball Academy batting cage card for sale. Call Annette for details at 714-832-9379.

### FOR SALE

1000 used bricks, ¢0.65 a piece, OBO. Call 714-731-2384.

### FOR SALE

Twin trundle bed with metal frame, \$65 OBO. Maple finish corner desk, like new, from Plummers, \$150 OBO. Call 714-505-2625.

### FOR SALE

Bellini Crib, good condition. White with gold trim. Call 714-669-9973.

## May Landscape Award Winner

The Davis Family of 20 Campanero West



## Manager's Corner By Gus Aarnaes

### Open Garage Doors

Reminder: There are a few homeowners who need a friendly reminder to keep their garage doors closed. Not only is this an issue of aesthetics; no one really enjoys looking across the street into their neighbors garage. It creates a negative image of our community to the people who drive through our neighborhood and more importantly, it will encourage thieves to drive our streets looking for desirable items to pilfer. Do we want the word to get out that we have garage doors open, possibly encouraging thieves into our community who, in turn, could find other opportunities for crime? Please keep the garage door closed.

### Home Improvement Reminder

With the spring season many homeowners will commence with home improvement projects. Many home projects such as repainting, replacement of windows, re-roofing, or new landscaping are begun at this time of year. Please remember the need for architectural approval by the Architectural Committee. Please submit applications for home improvement projects before work commences. Our guidelines read: "The plans processing fee for the Home Improvement Application and/or the Painting Application is \$50.00. This plan-processing fee will be WAIVED, provided approval of the Architectural Committee is obtained BEFORE any work begins on the proposed improvement. If not, the processing fee must be paid and will be a Special Assessment against the homeowner's lot in accordance with Article V, Section 9, of the Master Declaration." Please do not ask for special considerations (except emergencies). It is only fair to apply the rules to everyone equally.

### Utility/Meter Doors

A recent review of the existing utility /meter doors on the zero lot-line homes in our community reveals a need for many replacement doors. Both the Board of Directors and members of the Architecture Committee are in agreement that these doors must be the same as the original doors. In other words, they must be of a louvered design (as originally existed). Unfortunately, some homeowners have strayed from the original design and we now have doors made of pegboard, particleboard, wood remnants and designs unlike the original. These homeowners should expect letters requesting proper original-style replacement doors.

For your information, Ganahl Lumber will fabricate new utility doors similar to the original and can be contacted at (714) 513-3843 (ask for Ellyssa Gallagher).

### Automobile Oil Spills

The City of Irvine has a special crew that will clean up significant oil spills from vehicles on city streets. This crew removes large, wet and greasy oil slicks. If the offending vehicle owner can be identified, the owner may be charged for the cleanup. Please inform me of any very large or messy spills and I will contact the appropriate City office.

Gus Aarnaes

**Editor's Corner**

**If you have a "for sale" ad in the newsletter, please 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:**

**tinelson@gmail.com. Christine**

**STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE**

West of Yale: (Friday) May 4 & 18  
East of Yale: (Friday) May 11 & 25  
Please move your cars to keep our streets clean!

**WELCOME NEW HOMEOWNERS**

Please go by and welcome our new neighbors. Darlene Peck of 26 Entrada East, Sheila Richardson of 6 Lucero East, Clark and Stacey Fujiwara of 21 Eden, Henry and Frances Flores of 18 Delamesa West, and John and Mary Cooney of 10 Delamesa West.

**THE ORIGINS OF MOTHER'S DAY**

Julia Ward Howe wrote the Mother's Day Proclamation in 1870, as a call for peace and disarmament. An excerpt follows:

*From the voice of a devastated Earth a voice goes up with our own.*

*It says: "Disarm! Disarm! The sword of murder is not the balance of justice."*

*Blood does not wipe out dishonor, nor violence indicate possession.*

*As men have often forsaken the plough and the anvil at the summons of war, let women now leave all that may be left of home*

*For a great and earnest day of counsel. Let them meet first, as women, to bewail and commemorate the dead.*

*Let them solemnly take counsel with each other as to the means whereby the great human family can live in peace...*

Howe failed in her attempt to get formal recognition of a Mother's Day for Peace. Her idea was influenced by Ann Jarvis, a young Appalachian homemaker who, starting in 1858, had attempted to improve sanitation through what she called Mothers' Work Days. She organized women throughout the Civil War to work for better sanitary conditions for both sides, and in 1868 she began work to reconcile Union and Confederate neighbors. In parts of the United States it is customary to plant tomatoes outdoors after mother's day (and not before.)

When Jarvis died, her daughter, named Anna Jarvis, started the crusade to found a memorial day for women. The first such Mother's Day was celebrated in Grafton, West Virginia, on May 10, 1908, in the church where the elder Ann Jarvis had taught Sunday School. Grafton is the home to the International Mother's Day Shrine. From there, the custom caught on — spreading eventually to 45 states. The holiday was declared officially by some states beginning in 1912. In 1914 President Woodrow Wilson declared the first national Mother's Day, as a day for American citizens to show the flag in honor of those mothers whose sons had died in war (with specific reference to The Great War, now known as World War I). Nine years after the first official Mother's Day holiday, commercialization of the U.S. holiday became so rampant that Anna Jarvis herself became a major opponent of what the holiday had become. Mother's Day continues to this day to be one of the most commercially successful U.S. holidays.

**MAY 2007**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 PASSOVER INDIAN PRINCESS	2	3	4	5 PRIVATE PARTY
6	7	8	9	10	11 JR. GIRL SCOUTS	12 PRIVATE PARTY
13 MOTHER'S DAY	14 BOD MEETING	15 INDIAN PRINCESS	16	17	18	19
20	21 CUB SCOUTS	22	23 GIRL SCOUTS	24	25 JR. GIRL SCOUTS	26
27	28 MEMORIAL DAY	29	30 ARCHIT. COMMITTEE MEETING			