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MANAGER'S CORNER

'Return to Sender'

Most homeowners read the newsletter and sent their HOA payment to the new off-site Asyst address with the 2009 dues totaling \$76.00. Many homeowners, however, dropped off their dues in the clubhouse mailbox again in February. Starting March 1, payments received at the clubhouse will be **'returned to sender'** since we are not able to process them on our computer system. Your new statement includes an envelope with the Asyst address. Please include your statement coupon when sending in your dues so that your payment may be credited properly to your account.

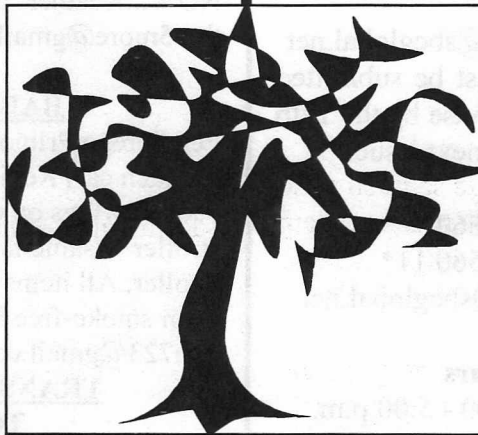
Call Your Bank

If you have your dues sent by your bank to our office automatically, please call them to change the account number, the amount to \$76.00, and the address to the new P.O. Box in Santa Ana.

Synthetic Turf

Your PPHOA Board of Directors recently sponsored an informational seminar on the viability of using synthetic turf on front landscape areas in Park Paseo. An industry representative from 'Turf-N-USA' brought samples and discussed various types, colors, backing, underlayment, drainage, and an assortment of other factors to consider when choosing artificial turf. The seminar was attended by a number of Park Paseo residents who are considering installing synthetic turf in their lawn areas.

The Architectural Committee meeting took the information presented at the seminar, examined the samples, and found four products 'acceptable for use' in landscape areas. They are: Decath-A-Lawn, Monarch, Mondo, Omega-III. They may be viewed at the clubhouse office. Gus Aarnaes, Association Mgr.



Park Paseo

Homeowners' Association
25 Christamon West, Irvine, CA 92620

COMMUNITY NEWS

Northstar Swim Team Registration

The Northstars Swim Team is a great way to develop swim strokes, continue school friendships and meet the neighbors! If your child swam last season, you will automatically receive your pre-registration packet in late February to reserve your spot on the team. New families interested in joining the team may contact Kim Knoell, Membership Coordinator, at 714.389.1106 or kim-knoell@cox.net to be placed on the waiting list. Swimmers must be 5 years old by 6/1/09. The registration dates are Saturday, April 4 (9:00 am-12:00 p.m.) and Tuesday, April 7 (5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.) It is very important that each swimming family attends one of the dates in order to sign up for volunteer positions and to order suits and sportswear.

Pools/Spa Closed

In the last two issues we outlined the new requirements for updates to the skimmers and grates to minimize possible danger to swimmers. Our pools and spa will remain closed until the safety updates are completed. We are in the process of obtaining permits for the work. The repairs should be completed in the next month, hopefully in time for spring break. The tennis courts & tot lot remain open.

Keep Garage Doors Closed

Several PPHOA residents have reported that during the Christmas season they had gifts taken from their open garages after completing a shopping excursion. If you recall from previous newsletters, Irvine city law requires that garages be kept closed to prevent such thefts and to discourage criminals from 'visual shopping' in our community.

Board of Directors

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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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Clubhouse Office Hours

Monday - Friday 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

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
Melanie Duncan	838-2389
Chelsea Feller	669-5720
Nikki Morris	734-0192
Megan or Peter Gilroy	505-3033
Jolene Collins	734-6896
Megan Kelley	731-6009
Hannah Cooper	235-8725
Sophia Berk	949-336-2199
Shannon Thomas (CHOC Safe Sitter Certified)	730-7028

Announcements & Ads

Moving-FOR SALE

Piano-Gulbransen spinet model-good condition \$95.
1950 Singer sewing machine in case w/attachments \$25. Please call 714.838.2823

COMPANION AIDE

Newly retired 30-year Park Paseo resident will drive your loved one to Dr. appts., shopping center, or other locations. \$15 per hour. Call Joe at 714.731.7285

OUTDOOR BOOT CAMP

TONE@HOME personal training has started an outdoor boot camp and we need more people. Only \$10 a workout. It's around the corner and some of your neighbors have already joined. Mon/Wed/Fri 6:15-7:00 am. Your 1st week is free! CALL NOW...Heather de la Torre 949.922.5822 or heather5more@gmail.com

BABY ITEMS FOR SALE

Peg Perego Primo Infant car seat w/2 snap-in bases (1 for each car) Revi black fabric w/white dots. Safety padded wings on each side. Peg Perego Pliko P3 stroller w/same fabric. Car seat also snaps into this stroller. All items were \$800 new-asking \$200. All from smoke-free home. Will e-mail photos to you fish723@gmail.com or 714.731.2331

TRANSFER YOUR PICTURES TO DVD'S OR CD'S

Why not put those old pictures, slides, film strips and digital pictures onto a CD for safe keeping or to 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.

HANDYMAN AVAILABLE

For general handyman work (e.g. broken utility doors, mailbox posts and more) contact Barry Williams at (714) 625-7637, Craig Davis at (949) 275-6782 or Wade Papke at (714) 635-4049. All have done some work for homeowners and they appear very capable.

HOME STAIR MOUNTED ELEVATOR

Ameriglide Home Stair Mounted Elevator (2 units) Heavy duty 1/2HP swivel seat w/armrests & wide high back (500 lb. cap.) Easy install-fits 7-step stairways w/2 remotes. Orig. \$4000+ea. Asking \$1999 for both. Please call Marcia at 714.730.5398.

March Landscape Award Winner
The Seoane Family of 18 Eden



STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE
 West of Yale: (Friday) March 13 & 27
 East of Yale: (Friday) March 6 & 20
 Please move your cars to keep our streets clean!

Dog Owner Responsibilities

We get numerous calls from PPHOA residents who complain that dog owners continue to allow their dogs to run free in Park Paseo. Please keep your dogs on leashes as a courtesy to other residents. Dogs must also remain on leashes as a matter of law. It also helps to be able to keep them restrained if other dogs appear. Please pick up after your dog so that our children can play on greenbelts without fear of soiling clothes or shoes that then track into our homes.

Holiday Lights Removal Deadline

The holiday lights and decorations were beautiful this year, as always. Thank you for your efforts! Unfortunately, they have to come down and I have to remind everyone that the deadline of Feb. 1 has passed and violation letters will be issued to all who failed to comply.

EDITOR'S CORNER

If you have a "for sale" ad in the newsletter, please email me and let me know if it's been sold or if you want your ad run for upcoming months. You can email me at: pphaairvine@sbcglobal.net

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REMEMBER TO SEND YOUR \$76.00 DUES
 TO ASYST-AND NOT TO THE CLUBHOUSE

1	2	3 Indian Prin-cesses 7:00-9:00 p.m.	4 Brownies Trp #810 1:30-3:00 p.m.	5	6	7 Private Party
8 DST Begins (Spring Ahead) Private Party	9 PPHOA BOD Mtg. 7:00 p.m.	10	11	12	13 Girl Scout Trp 356 3:30-5:30 p.m.	14
15	16	17 Indian Princesses 7:00-9:00 p.m.	18 Brownie Trp #810 1:30-3:00 p.m.	19	20 1st Day of Spring Girl Scout Trp 1287 3:00-4:00 p.m.	21
22	23 Swim Team Board Mtg.	24	25 Architectural Committee Mtg. 7:00 p.m.	26	27	28
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BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

On Monday, February 9, 2009 your Park Paseo Board of Directors met at the clubhouse for its regularly scheduled meeting. Present were Directors Howard Scott, Mike Krahelski, Ric Cox, Tanja Fournier, and Brian Hagadorn. Also present were manager Gus Aarnaes, Northstars Co-president Mary Condy, and association attorney Brad Walker.

The minutes of the January 14, 2009 BOD meeting were approved as corrected. The Action Items and Responses Report from the January 14, 2008 meeting was also reviewed.

The Board reviewed whether the association fine process should be initiated for an ongoing architectural violation relating to incomplete landscaping, visible irrigation pipe, and need to repair a brick planter after a second letter was sent. (Homeowner failed to appear and the fine process was begun with a \$25.00 fine.)

Northstars Co-president Mary Condy was present to discuss the upcoming swim season, home meet requirements, and possible modification of pool decks to accommodate new starting blocks. She stated that the current starting blocks will probably be good for another season or two and the team can use the time to build its cash reserve to be able to make the purchase. The BOD agreed to coordinate with cement contractors when the time comes to bore new mounting holes on the deck.

The Northstars restated their commitment to host the annual 4th of July concessions as a fundraiser and is looking for ideas for other fundraisers such as a swim-a-thon or car wash. The BOD asked Ms. Condy to return in March with a firm Saturday meet schedule from ISL so they could approve practice times, lane line use, Swim Board clubhouse times, and other requests.

Association attorney Brad Walker was present as requested by the BOD to discuss our retainer agreement, to add updates on current legislation concerning HOA's, and to provide assistance with contract language regarding our Asyst account.

The Board reviewed and discussed the Asyst software conversion. All seems to be progressing smoothly. Some homeowners, it was noted, have not changed the dues amount to \$76.00 and are still sending the dues to the clubhouse.

Board Highlights (Cont.)

The Board continued its ongoing discussion clarifying and streamlining the duties and responsibilities of the Architectural Committee. The Architectural Committee meeting minutes of January 28, 2009 were approved as submitted. The architectural violation log was reviewed. The BOD reviewed a number of observed violations including a home which was painted an unapproved color in 'trim' areas and a number of homes which have had vinyl windows installed but have left old windows in certain locations (not permitted) and asked the Architectural representative to report back at the next meeting.

The financial material for January 2009 was reviewed. Based on the previously adopted quarterly financial reporting, the 4th quarter financials were approved. The delinquent account report was discussed, and management was requested to send 30-day reminder letters as needed, no attorney warning letters, and one account is to be turned over to the attorney for collection.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 PM, and the **next Board meeting is scheduled for March 9, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.**

Springtime Home Improvement Projects

Spring is quickly approaching, and with it comes plans to improve and maintain our homes: painting, new roofs, windows, new landscaping, etc. Plan ahead and pick up a **Home Improvement Application** at the clubhouse office and submit these applications *no later* than the last Tuesday before the Architectural meeting for approval. The Architectural Committee meets on the last Wednesday of every month. Applications received on the day of the meeting are late, will not be on the agenda, and will be reviewed at the following month's meeting.

Home Improvement Reminder

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." This fee will be charged for non-compliance.