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## MANAGER'S CORNER

#### 'Kudos' to Homeowners

The vast majority (all but 12 of 625) homeowners complied with requests in the newsletter & payment notices and sent their HOA payment to the new off-site Asyst address. As we stated in previous issues, we are no longer able to process them on our computer system here at the clubhouse. The new payment/statement must be sent to the Asyst address (PPHOA c/o Asyst Data Group P.O. Box 15525, Santa Ana, CA 92735-0525). Please include

your coupon when sending in your dues so that your payment may be properly credited to your account. Homeowners whose banks send

monthly checks-make sure the account number is changed to a P001–number and the check for \$76.00 is sent to the Asyst office.

We hope to have a full electronic (no paper) transfer payment option by summer 2009.

#### **Ducks Have Returned**

Ducks have returned to our pools this year, in larger numbers than usual and it appears we have some homeowners and their children that are feeding them. The ducks are incredibly messy around the pools and their droppings are not desirable for any of us swimming in our pools.

Some homeowners are also experiencing these messy birds in their backyard pools. Feeding the ducks may be tempting, but these birds, which are beautiful in the wild, do not deserve to become dependent on human handouts. Please show that you care by not feeding them.

#### Pools/Spa Repairs Scheduled

The Park Paseo pools & spa repairs have been tentatively scheduled for the week of April 6-10 to make them compliant with recently enacted safety regulations. Difficulties in completing the repairs were made more severe due to scheduling the northern California company which originally fiberglassed our pools to come to southern California. Over ten years ago we had all our pools/spa fiberglassed to reduce operating costs, to eliminate black algae, and to minimize 'foot friction' injuries to swimmers. We are HOPING to have pools & spa open by IUSD spring recess. Gus Aarnaes, PPHOA Mgr.

# **COMMUNITY NEWS**

#### **Northstar Swim Team Registration**

The excitement is building as we all look forward to another season of fun competition and camaraderie! New swimmers interested in joining our swim team will be placed on a waiting list. The registration dates for new and returning swimmers will be Saturday, April 4th from 9:00 a.m. to noon and Tuesday, April 7th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Registration will be held at the Park Paseo clubhouse. Please make sure you attend one of these reg-

istration dates in order to select your volunteer positions for the season. If you need further information please contact Kim Knoell at 714.389.1106 or kimknoell@cox.net.

### **Board Spot to Open**

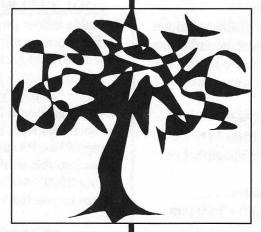
Your PPHOA Board is requesting that homeowners who would like to interview for an upcoming vacancy on our 5-member board please contact Gus Aarnaes in the clubhouse office by phone or by e-mail to set up an interview slot at the upcoming April 13 BOD meeting.

Gus Aarnaes, who came on board as onsite manager in September 2001, has worked tirelessly (without any

vacation time most years) and with selfless dedication as our onsite manager. He now wishes to reduce his hourly obligations which will allow him to travel and to take part in his favorite pastime-snow skiing.

Twenty-year BOD member Ric Cox, who recently retired, has agreed to take on the role as part-time manager and has been training with Gus the past three months. For you long-time homeowners, you may recall Ric took over for Howard Carroll, our original manager, in 1989 when Howard suffered a heart attack and had bypass surgery. Since that time, Ric has served on our PPHOA Board in all capacities including serving as newsletter editor for ten years and organizing the July 4th festivities all through the 90's.

Please be prepared to submit a written candidate's statement if you wish to be considered for the position. The person selected would stand for election in the fall.



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

## **Board of Directors**

| President          |          |
|--------------------|----------|
| Howard Scott       | 669-1406 |
| 1st Vice-President |          |
| Mike Krahelski     | 345-6841 |
| 2nd Vice-President |          |
| Ric Cox            | 731-8848 |
| Treasurer          |          |
| Tanja Fournier     | 838-9558 |
| Secretary          |          |
| Brian Hagadorn     | 838-2625 |
|                    |          |

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.

Park Press Editor.....Ric Cox

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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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#### **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 Certi | ified) 730-7028 |  |
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# **Announcements & Ads**

#### **ESTATE SALE 3/27& 3/28**

We are moving from Park Paseo and have hired an estate liquidator to sell our household furnishings. The sale will take place Friday, 3/27 and Saturday, 3/28 from 9:00 a.m. –2:00 p.m. at 20 Diamante. Come early to get the best buys.

#### **Moving-FOR SALE**

Piano-Gulbransen spinet model-good condition \$395. 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

#### POOL TABLE/WHITE BOARDS FOR SALE

Foldable indoor ping-pong table with net and accessories. Good condition. \$60.00. Three large white boards, \$10.00 each. Please call 714.669.0727

#### **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. Peg Perego Pliko P3 stroller w/same fabric. Car seat also snaps into this stroller. All items were \$800 newasking \$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 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 Craig Davis at 949. 275.6782 Barry Williams at 714.625.7637, 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.

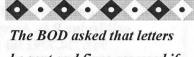
# **BOARD HIGHLIGHTS**

On Wednesday, March 11, 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 and Architectural Committee chairman Art Goldstein.

The minutes of the February 9, 2009 BOD meeting were approved as corrected. The Action Items and Responses Report from the February 9, 2008 meeting was also reviewed.

The Board reviewed whether the association fine process should be initiated for three ongoing architectural violations relating to improperly installed satellite dish visible from the street, for unsightly items stored in the side yard, and for a broken planter in need of repair after a second letter had been sent. The first two violations were corrected by meeting time, and the third homeowner failed to appear so the fine process was begun with a \$25.00 assessment.

Architectural Committee chairman Art Goldstein was present to discuss positive changes to the committee. The BOD wants to create a charter for the group to make their commitment to the community more meaningful.



the BOD asked that letters be sent and fines assessed if homeowners do not complete vinyl window installations so that all windows match.

The BOD agreed to table a landscape bid for improvements around the pool areas until the new perimeter fencing is installed.

The BOD approved the Northstars Saturday meet schedule from the ISL which includes three home meets during the summer. The practice schedule times and clubhouse use requests have yet to be submitted..

The BOD commended the manager for the smooth transition to the new Asyst billing system. With upcoming major projects now coming online, the contracted billing to an off-site company allows our management team to be more efficient and homeowner friendly.

The BOD reviewed and discussed the required modifications to our pools/spa and communicated its desire to have all facilities completed as soon as possible. The manager has secured a firm May 1 deadline but is working to have all repairs finished in time for IUSD spring break.

The BOD requested further study of the total replacement of our sprinkler heads to water-saving rotating sprinkler heads and possible rebates from IRWD.

# Board Highlights (Cont.)

The BOD reviewed & discussed the request by many escrow companies to include a year's compilation of Board meeting minutes along with escrow demands. The BOD agreed to have the manager copy and provide the minutes at the prevailing cost.

The BOD approved renewing membership in NIVA at an annual cost of \$135.00 which includes monthly newsletters keeping our BOD apprised of North Irvine developments. The BOD reviewed the NIVA general meeting notes.

The BOD acknowledged the Iverson family (see photo page 4) at 9 Campanero East for winning the April land-scape award.

The BOD reviewed the Architectural Committee meeting minutes of February 25, 2009 and then communicated to the manager and Architectural Committee chairman that a number of homes have had **vinyl windows** installed but have left old windows in certain locations (not permitted). They asked that letters be sent and fines be assessed if the job completion is not forthcoming.

The BOD acknowledged that the Earthquake seminar put on by the Orange County Fire Authority was a success and plans on having the next seminar this spring on water safety.

The financial material for January 2009 was reviewed. The delinquent account report was discussed, and management was requested to send six 30-day reminder letters, and two attorney warning letters. No homeowner accounts are scheduled 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 April 13, 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, and new landscaping. Plan ahead and pick up a Home Improvement Application at the clubhouse office and submit this application no later than the last Tuesday before the Architectural meeting for approval. The Architectural Committee meets on the last Wednesday of every month. 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.

# April Landscape Award Winner The Iverson Family of 9 Campanero East



#### **EDITOR'S CORNER**

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

#### WELCOME NEW HOMEOWNERS

Ray & Laura Borda of 27 Fortuna East Hector & Karla Gomez of 29 Entrada West Stop by and say hello to our new members!

#### STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE

West of Yale: (Friday) April 3 & 17
East of Yale: (Friday) April 10 & 24
Please move your cars to keep our streets clean!

#### Dogs Strike Fear in PPHOA Residents

We get numerous calls from PPHOA residents who note that dog owners let their dogs run free in Park Paseo. If a dog comes running up to a stranger-they do not know if your dog is friendly or wants to bite. Please keep your dogs on leashes as a courtesy to other residents. Dogs must also remain on leashes as a matter of law. Leashes also help to be able to keep pets 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.

If a dog/dog owner is a continual violator please call Irvine P.D. Animal Control at 949.724.7092 for assistance.

# **APRIL 2009**

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|                                | 6   | 7<br>Indian<br>Princesses<br>7:00-9:00 p.m.  | 8<br>Passover begins at<br>sundown                | 9            | 10<br>Girl Scout Troop<br>#356<br>3:30-5:30 p.m.   | 11<br>Private<br>Party                        |
| 12<br>Easter Sunday            | 13<br>PPHOA BOD<br>Mtg. 7:00 p.m.                       | 14 IUSD  | 15 Spring Break-                                  | 16 No School | 17   | 18<br>Private<br>Party                        |
| 19                             | 20<br>Cub Scout Pack<br>#693<br>6:00-8:00 p.m.          | 21<br>Indian Princesses<br>7:00-9:00 p.m.  | 22  | 23           | 24<br>Girl Scout Troop<br>#356<br>3:30-5:30 p.m.   | 25<br>Private<br>Party                        |
| 26                             | 27<br>Swim Team BOD<br>Mtg. @<br>Clubhouse<br>7:00 p.m. | 28   | 29<br>Architectural<br>Committee Mtg<br>7:00 p.m. | 30           | The region was a character to the charac | enci (IOT) u<br>nge atua im s<br>Lagrage u fa |