

# ◆ THE PARK PRESS ◆

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## MANAGER'S CORNER

### Cell Tower Information Meeting

Trillium Consulting Company has approached the Park Paseo Board with a request to increase cell phone coverage in North Irvine by installing a unique 3-flagpole facility just south of our tennis courts in the planter area.

Unlike traditional cell phone towers, these forty-five foot flagpoles would be painted brown to blend in with our architectural theme and fly the American, California, and Park Paseo logo flags. Park Paseo HOA would receive a small amount of income from the company which could help us hold our monthly dues down.

Before proceeding further, your BOD would like to hear input from our community concerning such an installation. **We have scheduled a community information meeting on Thursday, March 25th at 7:00 p.m. in our clubhouse** to view a photographic mockup and architectural drawings of the flagpoles and to have your questions answered. We would like to hear your thoughts about this possible construction.

### Sidewalk Repairs

The repair of cracked and damaged sidewalks along our greenbelts is scheduled to be completed the last week of February and possibly the first week of March, depending on the weather. Please advise your children to steer clear of the wet cement to avoid accidentally leaving a permanent mark in the sidewalks.

### Dog Owner Responsibilities

We get numerous calls from PPHOA residents who complain that dog owners continue to allow their dogs to run free on our greenbelts. Please keep your dogs on leashes as a courtesy to other residents. Dogs must remain on leashes as a matter of law. It is also a matter of common sense to be able to keep dogs 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.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Northstars Signups March 20th & 23rd

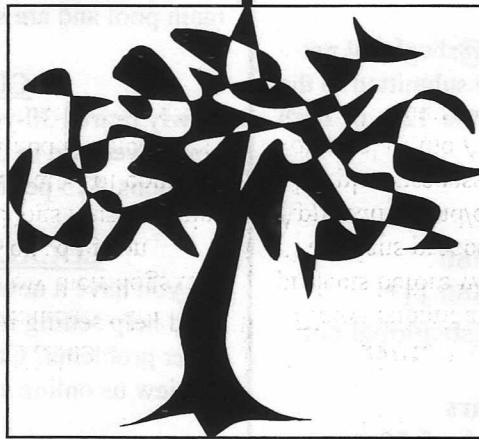
It is that time of year again! The Park Paseo Northstars swim team will be having registration on Saturday, March 20 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. and Tuesday, March 23 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at the clubhouse. Returning swimmers from last summer please watch your mailbox for upcoming swim team information. If you have never participated in our swim team and are 5-18 yrs. of age and want information, please contact Kim Knoell for registration information at kim-knoell@cox.net. We look forward to seeing you at the pool this summer.

### 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.



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

# Board of Directors

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Roland Philipp 669.1885

## Treasurer

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Board of Directors' meetings are held the second Monday of each month in the clubhouse at 6:30 p.m. Homeowners are encouraged to attend. Architectural Committee Meetings are held the last Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

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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 730.1560**

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Email pphoairvine@sbcglobal.net

## Clubhouse Office Hours

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

Irvine (Police Dept.) Animal Control 949.724.7092

*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

Leah Benzie	573.7590
Sophie Miller	949.697.3653
Tyler Killion	665.8078
Melanie Duncan	508.2582
Chelsea or Chloe Feller	669.5720
Nikki Morris	734.0192
Megan Kelley	731.6009
Hannah Cooper	824.9306
Sophia Berk	949.336.2199
Shannon Thomas (CHOC Safe Sitter Certified)	730.7028
Danielle Munson	832.6649

# Announcements & Ads

## PAINTING & WALLPAPERING

Do you need painting, wallpapering, or wallpaper removed? I am a Park Paseo resident who has worked for many of your neighbors. References available. Please call Jeff at Jameson Painting & Wallcovering 949.351.6562

## PRISTINE PLUMBING, INC.

Park Paseo residents who own & operate a full service plumbing company. Top priorities are quality, value, & customer satisfaction. We can provide you with Park Paseo references. Please call Richard at 714.397.5954 or www.pristineplumbinginc.com Pristineplumber@aol.com

## PPHOA DECK CHAIRS FOR SALE

We have 30 used blue/white chairs for sale for \$10.00 each. These chairs were replaced by new chairs at the main pool and are surplus. Call 714.730.1560

## 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

## LOCAL COMPUTER EXPERTS

Do you have a new computer, network, or software and need help setting it up? Do you need help solving computer problems? Call 'The Tech Guys' at 949.464.7955 or view us online at www.irvinetechguys.com

## TRANSFER YOUR PICTURES TO DVD'S OR CD'S

Why not put those old pictures, slides, VHS tapes, video tapes, and digital pictures onto a DVD or 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. or online at ncampbellphotography.com

## WEBER SUMMIT S-450 NATURAL GAS GRILL

Free-standing stainless steel BBQ w/36" of grilling space. Rotisserie, infrared unit & side burner on rolling cabinet. \$775.00 OBO Please call Barb at 949.455.1700

## LOST IPOD

Silver iPod may have been dropped on our greenbelt area. In black case w/clip. Call Barbara 949.455.1700

## 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 appear very capable.

## BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

On Monday February 8, 2010 your Park Paseo Board of Directors met at the clubhouse for its regularly scheduled meeting. Present were Directors Howard Scott, Mike Krahelski, and Brian Hagadorn. Also present were co-managers Gus Aarnaes and Ric Cox. The minutes of the January 11, 2010 BOD meeting were approved as corrected. The Action Item/Responses Report from the January 11, 2010 meeting was also reviewed.

The Board reviewed architectural violations regarding a garage door in need of repainting, an improperly located satellite dish in the front of a house, and failure to put away trash receptacles. The Board voted to set a deadline for repainting the garage door, thank the homeowner for relocating the satellite dish, and begin the fine process for the homeowner who had a pattern of leaving trash receptacles on the driveway.

The BOD reviewed the proposal from Earth Care Landscape to plant two king palms, add mulch to beds, and extend the existing hedge next to the spa gate and voted to approve the bid at a cost not to exceed \$1500.00. The BOD also approved a proposal to replace a poorly growing Chinese elm tree near 44 Diamante with an incense cedar tree at a cost of \$170.00.

The BOD spoke to the representative from Trillium Consultants who would like to install a flagpole-type cell tower in Park Paseo in the planter adjacent to the tennis courts. The BOD directed management to set up a public information meeting so that our community could provide input before the BOD made any decisions. The meeting was set for Thursday, March 25th at 7:00 p.m. in the clubhouse.

The BOD postponed action on re-tiling the women's showers at the main pool until license and insurance information could be obtained from the contractor.

The BOD acknowledged the Brooks Family at 34 Christamon West (see photo page 4) for winning the monthly landscaping award.

The Architectural Committee meeting minutes of January 27, 2010 were approved as corrected. The violation log was reviewed. The financial material for fourth quarter 2009 was reviewed and approved.

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## Community News Conservation Tips

### Indoor Water Conservation Ideas

You can reduce your water consumption by 20-40 percent without purchasing expensive equipment. Reducing water use can mean substantial savings on water, sewage, and energy bills. The following suggestions could help you get in the habit of saving water:

#### Kitchen

- Avoid using the garbage disposal. It uses a lot of unnecessary water. Start a compost pile instead.
- Run automatic dishwashers only with a full load
- Keep a container of water in the refrigerator for cold drinks. If you have to run your tap while waiting for cold water, collect running water in a pitcher.

#### Bath

- Turn off the tap while brushing your teeth or shaving.
- Take shorter showers. During droughts, turn off water while soaping up.

Remember, when you use less water, you are also using less energy, leading to even greater savings. Visit [www.auduboninternational.org](http://www.auduboninternational.org) for more conservation tips.

### Reduce Home Energy Bills

Homeowners can lower home energy bills, lower federal income taxes and increase home comfort by making energy-efficient home improvements that qualify for up to \$1,500.00 in federal income tax credits.

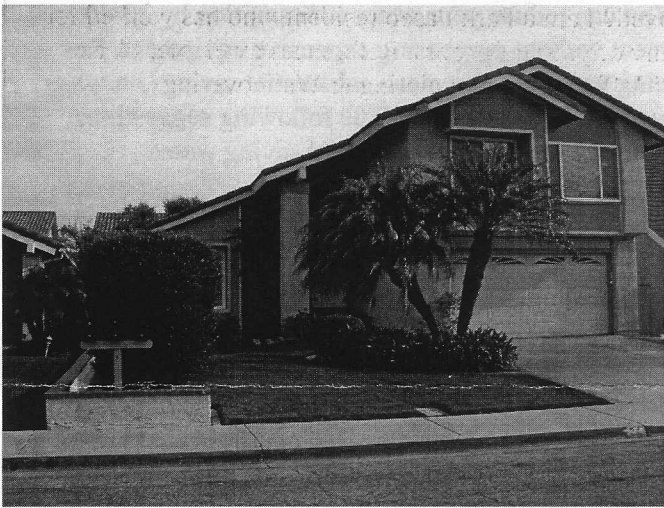
Consumers can take advantage of these credits by purchasing certain upgrades for the home. Each type of qualifying equipment creates a credit for 30 percent of the cost up to \$1,500.00. This is a one-time tax credit that can be claimed in part or in whole for tax year 2009 and/or tax year 2010. Included are energy-efficient vinyl windows, skylights, heat pumps, insulation, furnaces, & central A/C systems. Installation costs are covered for heating & cooling equipment but not for window or insulation products. For detailed information on what qualifies, visit [www.energytaxincentives.org](http://www.energytaxincentives.org).

### Board Minutes (Cont'd)

The delinquent account report was discussed and management was requested to send out nine 30-day reminder letters and two attorney warning letters. Two homeowner accounts were scheduled to be turned over to the attorney for collection.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:23 p.m., and the next Board meeting is scheduled for March 8, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.

**March Landscape Award Winner  
The Brooks Family of 34 Christamon West**



**EDITOR'S CORNER**

If you have a "for sale" ad in the newsletter, please call or email me and let me know if it has been sold or if you want your ad run for the next month. You can email me at: [pphoairvine@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pphoairvine@sbcglobal.net) or call 714.730.1560

**STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE**

West of Yale: (Friday) March 5 & 19

East of Yale: (Friday) March 12 & 26

May be viewed at [http://www.cityofirvine.org/cityhall/pw/streetmaintain/infrastructure\\_cleaning](http://www.cityofirvine.org/cityhall/pw/streetmaintain/infrastructure_cleaning)

Please move your cars to keep our streets clean.

**WELCOME NEW HOMEOWNERS**

James Wang & Ellen Hsu-Wang of 13 Christamon East

Kuei Shih & Mei Shih Lee of 18 Delamesa West,

& Ping Cheng of 30 Ensueno East

Stop by and say hello to your new neighbors!

**Tax & Finance Tips**

Avoid silly mistakes on your tax return. For example, you cannot deduct your association dues. Prepare your return as early as possible. Waiting until the last minute increases your chances of making simple mistakes. Plan for next year by collecting needed documents in a special tax file. Check your math! Simple addition or subtraction errors cause flags for IRS auditors. Pay on time! File on time. Filing late draws attention to your return.

**PARK PASEO HOA**

**MARCH 2010**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
February 1 was the deadline to have holiday lights removed!	1	2	3	4	5 Brownies 4:00-6:00 p.m	6 Private Party
7 Boy Scouts 1-4 p.m.	8 PPHOA BOD Mtg. 6:30 p.m. Daisy Scouts 4:30	9	10	11	12	13 Private Party
14 DST Begins-Spring forward an hour	15 Northstars BOD Mtg. 6:30 p.m.	16 Nv Indian Princesses 6:30 p.m.	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19 March 20th is 1st day of spring Brownies 4:00-6:00 p.m.	20 Private Party N'stars Registration 9:00 a.m.
21	22 Cub Scouts 6:00 p.m.	23 Northstars Swim Team Registration 6:00 p.m.	24	25	26	27
28 Palm Sunday	29 Private Party Passover begins at sundown	30	31 Arch. Committee Mtg. 7:00 p.m.			