

# ◆ THE PARK PRESS ◆

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## MANAGER'S CORNER

### New Gates-Same Keys

We have received a number of phone calls requesting information when the new keys will be distributed. There are no new keys. The existing Medeco keys all work in the new gates but the action of the gate/key levers is somewhat different. When you insert the key in the main lock (not the upper deadbolt which is used to secure the facilities after hours) turn it clockwise almost 180 degrees, hold in that position and then depress the gate lever. The gate will open. The spa gate works as it always has. Remember to make sure all gates close securely before leaving the gate area.

### Spring Pool Schedule

The Christamon and Prosa pool heaters will be turned on beginning Thursday, April 1, so we may enjoy the pools heated to 80 degrees for the Spring Break holiday from April 3-11. During Spring Break, a security guard will be on duty as follows:

Friday 5:00 pm – 1:00 am  
Saturday 5:00 pm – 1:00 am  
Sunday 5:00 pm - midnight

Because of reduced use during Spring Break, we will not have lifeguards on duty at either pool until summer.

### POOL HOURS

Christamon Pool:

Sun – Thurs: 7 am – 10 pm

Fri & Sat: 7 am – 11 pm

Prosa Pool:

Sun – Thurs: 7 am – 9 pm

Fri & Sat: 7 am – 10 pm

### TENNIS COURT HOURS

Sa-Su-M-T-W-Th 7am-10pm

Friday 10am-10pm

(late start because of spray cleaning.)

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Northstars Season Set

It is that time of year again! The Park Paseo Northstars swim team is gearing up for the 2010 season. The parent meeting will be held May 24th at the clubhouse from 6-7 p.m. Practice will begin June 7. The dates of this year's meets are: **June 19**-home-practice meet **June 26**-away meet at Deerfield **July 10**-home meet vs North Irvine **July 17**-home meet against Court Side **July 24**-away meet at Oakcreek **July 31**-away

meet at Northwood Pointe. Championships-**August 14** with an end-of-year party **August 15**.

If you have any further questions about registration or the wait list please email Kim Knoell at [kim-knoell@hotmail.com](mailto:kim-knoell@hotmail.com).

### Clarifying Manager's Role

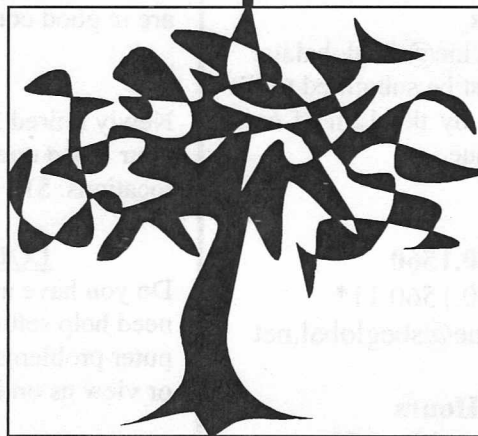
Our association employs a highly qualified professional community manager, and we think residents should know what the manager has and has not been hired to do. The manager has two primary responsibilities: to carry out policies set by the Board and to manage the association's daily operations.

Some residents expect the manager to perform certain tasks that just aren't part of the job. Here are a few clarifications to help you understand what the manager does.

The manager is trained to deal with conflict, but he will not get involved in quarrels you might be having with your neighbor. However, if association rules are being violated, the manager is the right person to call.

While the manager works closely with the Board, he is an advisor-not a member of the Board. If you have a concern, send a letter or e-mail directly to the Board.

The manager is always happy to answer questions, but he is not the information officer. For routine inquiries, like the date of the next meeting, please read the monthly newsletter. The manager inspects the community regularly, but even an experienced manager won't catch everything. Your help is essential. If you know about a potential maintenance issue, report it to him.



### 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

Roland Philipp 669.1885

### 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 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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### 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](http://www.pristineplumbinginc.com) Pristineplumber@aol.com

### PPHOA DECK CHAIRS FOR SALE

We have 30 used blue/white chairs for sale. These chairs were replaced by new chairs at the main pool and are in good condition. \$10.00 each. 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](http://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](http://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 March 8, 2010 your Park Paseo Board of Directors met at the clubhouse for its regularly scheduled meeting. Present were Directors Howard Scott, Mike Krahelski, Tanja Fournier, Roland Philipp, and Brian Hagadorn. Also present were co-managers Gus Aarnaes and Ric Cox and a Northstars officer. The minutes of the February 8, 2010 BOD meeting were approved as corrected. The Action Item/Responses Report from the February 8, 2010 meeting was also reviewed.

The Co-President of the Northstars presented a practice & meet schedule for the upcoming season. The Board voted to approve the Northstars use of the pool for 2010 (see schedule page one). The Northstars rep also stated that the starting block modifications would not be needed for this season.

The Board reviewed architectural violations regarding failure to put away trash receptacles and a homeowner requesting use of the clubhouse who had

*The PPHOA BOD voted to approve upgrades to shrubs, flowers, & ground cover in the planters next to the new spa fences.*

a dues balance in addition to fines for an architectural violation. The Board voted to fine the homeowner (who failed to appear) for failure to put away trash receptacles. The request to use the clubhouse was canceled. The BOD reviewed the proposal from Earthcare Landscape to re-grade the planter next to the new fence around the spa, add mulch and ground cover to beds, remove some shrubs and trees, and add flowering shrubs. The BOD voted to approve the bid at a cost not to exceed \$9750.00. The BOD also reviewed a letter of thanks from the Annual Landscape Winner.

The BOD confirmed Trillium Consultants' attendance at an upcoming community information seminar on Thursday, March 25 at 7:00 p.m. for a potential cell tower installation in Park Paseo.

The BOD acknowledged the Haines Family at 31 Alameda (see photo page 4) for winning the monthly landscaping award.

The Architectural Committee meeting minutes of February 24, 2010 were approved as corrected. The violation log was reviewed. The financial material for January 2010 was reviewed. The delinquent account report was discussed and management was requested to send out four 30-day reminder letters and two attorney warning letters. One homeowner account was scheduled to be turned over to the attorney for collection.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m., and the **next Board meeting is scheduled for April 12, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.**

## Community News Pest Control Tips

Pests inside your home can be annoying, harmful, & downright scary. Fortunately, there are many steps you can take to combat pest problems. Of course, your first step can be your last by calling an exterminator. But you can often save time and money by doing it yourself.

Here are some tips for treating bugs locally. Boric acid powder works as a localized pest control for spot-specific problems. Just sprinkle it behind the refrigerator or on the ground around the stove or washing machine. It kills roaches, water bugs, ants, fleas, and silverfish. These powders can be harmful to infants and pets so be sure to read the precautions.

Many insecticide sprays are readily available in stores or online. Generic brands are usually cheaper but may be diluted in strength. Be wary of taking on large projects, like treating for termites which can involve drilling or digging.

Staple products, like Combat, can also be effective if you know what pests they should be used against. Combat is used specifically to target ants and roaches. The pests take the bait back to their nests, where presumably it destroys the entire infestation. But again, be aware of safety precautions & eliminate attractants such as moisture, trash, and food remnants.

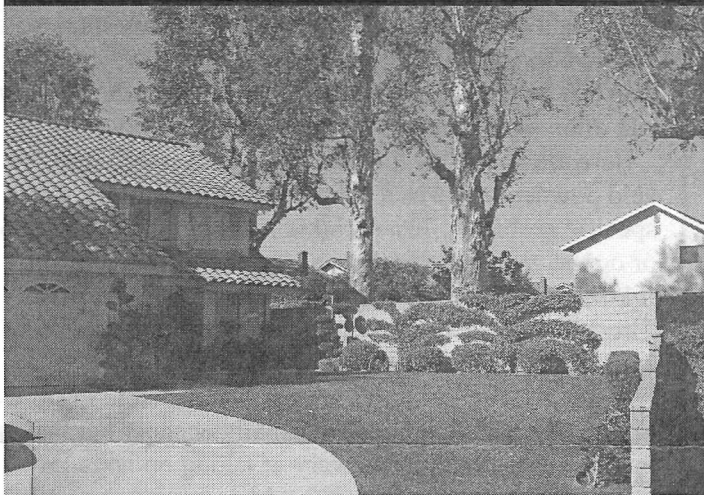
### Dealing with Graffiti

We've had several incidents of graffiti in our association recently. We monitor and remove graffiti from common areas as soon as possible and we encourage you to do the same. The association recommends these steps for dealing with graffiti:

- If you happen to see someone defacing property, don't try to stop it yourself. Call the police immediately and report a vandalism in progress. Make a mental note of as many details as possible about the perpetrators-how many, age, male or female, distinctive clothing or tattoos-that will help police.
- If you can discreetly use your cell phone to take a photograph do so-but don't endanger yourself.
- When graffiti appears on your property, photograph it before removing it. Record when & where it appeared. Share your documentation with the police & insurance agent.
- Encourage your neighbors to be vigilant also.
- Remove graffiti immediately. "Taggers" gain more notoriety the longer the graffiti remains.
- Install good lighting in areas vulnerable to graffiti.
- Plant shrubs or climbing vines in graffiti-prone areas.

Remember that working together we can reduce this problem in our community.

*April Landscape Award Winner  
The Haines Family of 31 Alameda*



**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) April 2 & 16  
East of Yale: (Friday) April 9 & 23  
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.


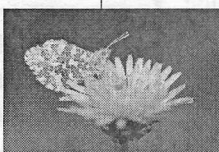
**WELCOME NEW HOMEOWNERS**

Alberto & Maria Cerri of 24 Ninos  
Kenneth & Lynn Lancos of 16 Ensueno East,  
& Fred & Mary Ninonuevo of 9 Eden  
Stop by and say hello to your new neighbors!

**Fight Identity Theft**

The following are suggestions to avoid having your identity stolen. Guard your PIN numbers at the ATM, gas station, or fast food restaurant. Don't let your credit card out of your sight—unscrupulous clerks or waiters can copy card information or swipe your card a second time and make a new card for themselves. Keep up with all receipts. Don't leave them in your car or out in the open. Open your credit card statements as soon as they arrive. Check your statement for errors. Be vigilant!

# APRIL 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Brownies 4:00 p.m.	3 Private Party
4 Easter Sunday	5	6 IUSD	7 Spring	8 Break	9	10
11	12 Daisy Troop Mtg. 4:30 p.m. PPHOA BOD Mtg. 6:30 p.m.	13	14	15	16 Brownies 4:00 p.m.	17 Private Party
18	19 Northstars BOD Mtg. 6:30	20 Indian Prin- cesses 6:30 p.m.	21	22 Earth Day	23 Private Party	24 Private Party
25	26	27	28 Arch. Com- mittee Mtg. 7:00	29	30	