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# **MANAGER'S CORNER**

#### Hines Nursery Grading

In the near future you may notice grading activity in the open area bordered by Irvine Blvd., Jeffrey & Portola Rds., and the eastern portion of Park Paseo. The Irvine Co. (TIC) is preparing the land for use by local farmers who will be growing strawberries. Hines Nursery, who used to occupy this land, terminated their lease with TIC after multiple bankruptcy filings.

The grading process will take approximately six weeks

and standard dust control procedures will be in place. Residents who have questions should call TIC Helpline at 949.720.2610 and leave a message which will be returned within 24 hours M-F.

#### **Spring Pool Schedule**

The Christamon and Prosa pool heaters have been turned on so we may enjoy the pools heated to 80 degrees for April through September. During spring, 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
When summer arrives, we will add
security guard shifts from 5:00 p.m.—
until midnight each day to check

homeowners into our facility. We will add lifeguards from 12:00 noon 'til 6:00 p.m. daily at the Christamon pool (only) when IUSD school lets out on June 16. The lifeguard coverage will continue until Labor Day.

# POOL HOURS

#### **Christamon Pool:**

Sun – Thurs: 7:00 am – 10:00 pm Fri & Sat: 7:00 am – 11:00 pm

#### Prosa Pool:

Sun – Thurs: 7:00 am – 9:00 pm Fri & Sat: 7:00 am – 10:00 pm

#### TENNIS COURT HOURS

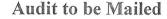
Su-M-T-W-F-Sa 7:00 am-10:00 pm Thurs. 10:00 am-10:00 pm

# **COMMUNITY NEWS**

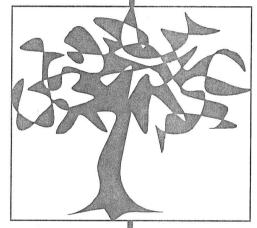
#### Northstars Swim Team

Our own Park Paseo Northstars Swim Team is a great way to develop swim strokes, continue school friendships and meet the neighbors! Important dates coming up include a parent meeting to select jobs for the 2011 season & a Northstars Board meeting. Watch for flyers from the swim team. New families interested in joining the team should contact Diana Dru at Diana@pacificautosoft.com for membership information. Swimmers

must be 5 years old by 6/1/11. Have a great season Northstars!



Your Park Paseo Board and management have a fiduciary responsibility to conduct business according to certain accepted accounting principles. We conduct an annual audit according to state law where we hire an independent auditing firm to pore over our financial records and issue a report to you, our 'stockholders.' This audit is mailed out to all homeowners no later than April 30th of each year which is also required by state law. Look for your copy in the mail in the next few weeks.



#### Park Paseo

Homeowners' Association 25 Christamon West, Irvine, CA 92620

#### Lighted House Numbers Required

For homeowners new to Park Paseo, the city of Irvine and the Irvine Fire Department has asked that we remind residents that they are required to provide lighted house numbers on the fronts of houses. This assists police and fire emergency vehicles in finding homes during emergencies. Since Ace Hardware in Heritage Plaza has ceased operations, the low-voltage light bulbs required for our original lights can be purchased in minimum 10-bulb packets from Candela Corp. 14420 Myford Rd. Irvine, 92606 Ste. 100. Ph. 714.662.4900. Cost is a very reasonable \$.45 a bulb. Part #6S6-30V-I. Candela has a Will Call desk so customers can walk in and purchase the bulbs.

# **Board of Directors**

# President Tanja Fournier Tanja Fournier Tst Vice-President Brian Hagadorn T14.838.2625 2nd Vice-President Roland Philipp T14.669.1885 Treasurer Howard Scott T14.669.1406 Secretary Mike Krahelski T14.345.6841

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.

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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

| 389.9778       |
|----------------|
| 949.697.3653   |
| 669.5720       |
| 734.0192       |
| 731.6009       |
| 824.9306       |
| fied) 730.7028 |
| 832.6649       |
| 508-8484       |
| 417.9320       |
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# Announcements & Ads

#### ARMOIRE, DVD PLAYER, DOG CRATE

Custom Pine Armoire-used for entertainment or storage \$150. DVD Player for car (w/case) \$50.00 Soft dog crate w/screened window on roof, sides, & front (collapsible) 19"H x 19"W x 27" Deep (used only 4 times) \$45.00 Call Rivi 714.731.8792 or e-mail rivialch@cox.net

#### DOG TRAINING FOR KIDS

Train your dog to do fun tricks like "High Five" "Roll Over" and "Play Dead." Sixteen year old Kayla will help you train your dog for only \$15.00 per class. Please call 949.579.0796 or e-mail alyako@cox.net.

#### HANDYMAN AVAILABLE

General handyman work (broken utility doors, mailbox posts and more) call Wade Papke at 714.635.4049, Barry Williams at 714.625.7637, Steve Goodson 714.293.5763 (flooring) or Craig Davis at 949.275.6782. All have done some work for homeowners & appear very capable.

#### 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

#### TRANSFER PHOTOS TO DVD'S or CD'S

Transfer photos/slides/vhs tapes to a DVD-or create a photo slideshow set to music. I provide photo scanning & archival services. Call Neil at 731.5241, visit my website at www. ncampbellphotography.com or e-mail me at neil@ncampbellphotography.com

#### PET SITTING

Member of Pet Sitters International available for pet sitting & dog walking. Cats, dogs, caged animals, & pets with special needs. Price based on number of animals & services. Please call Cary's cell at 949.798.9397 or at home at 714.389.7182.

#### REAL ESTATE AGENT

Eight year Park Paseo resident is offering a 4.5% listing fee to all Park Paseo residents. If you are thinking about selling, call me at 714.925.6305. I am dedicated to superior service. Valentina Younan, Realtor

#### **ITEMS FOR SALE**

Microwave oven-used once \$100.00 White electric stove/oven combo gd. cond. \$75.00 White side/by/side refrigerator \$100.00 Dishwasher-black, good cond. \$50.00 Call us at 949.275.4493

# **BOARD HIGHLIGHTS**

On Monday, April 11, 2011 your Park Paseo Board of Directors met at the clubhouse for its regularly scheduled meeting. Present were Directors Tanja Fournier, Mike Krahelski, Howard Scott, Roland Philipp, and Brian Hagadorn. Also present were co-managers Gus Aarnaes & Ric Cox. The minutes of the March 14, 2011 BOD meeting were approved as corrected. The Action Items/Responses Report from the March 14, 2011 meeting was also reviewed.

The minutes of the March 30, 2011 Architectural Committee meeting were reviewed and approved. The violation log was reviewed. The BOD approved a request from the SHS 5th grade to hold their annual end-of-year pool party at our facility with the stipulation that

the sponsors pay the normal security deposit and reimburse the association for two lifeguards.

The BOD discussed the bids to replace damaged and cracked sidewalks and voted to award the contract to Surgener at a cost not to exceed \$23,160.00. The BOD also approved a bid to purchase six new trash cans for the pool area and greenbelts at a cost of \$3800.00

repairing wood damage on our buildings, painting the clubhouse, spa building, Prosa pool building, & stucco walls. These repairs will be coordinated with the replacement of the patio cover at the Christamon pool. The BOD also awarded bids for replacement of damaged sidewalks.

The BOD awarded contracts for

The BOD also voted to approve the preliminary draft of the 2010 audit from Murphy, Murphy, & Murphy with minor corrections and directed Management to have it printed and mailed to each homeowner by the state mandated deadline. The BOD reviewed the bids to paint the clubhouse, spa building, Prosa pool building, all the stucco walls, and to repair damaged/rotted wood at all three sites and awarded the contract to Advanced Painting in an amount not to exceed \$17, 680.00. The BOD acknowledged the Falk family of 19 Ensueno East for winning the monthly landscape award.

The financial material for February 2011 was reviewed. The delinquent account report was discussed & management was requested to send six 30-day reminder letters, four attorney warning letters, and to turn one account over to the attorney for collection pending receipt of payments.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. The next Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 9, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.

# Community News Finances- "Be Prepared"

With millions of Americans unemployed, some for an extended period of time, those who currently have a job would be well-served by remembering the Scouting motto: Be Prepared. If you haven't been a victim of a layoff, it is highly likely that someone you know has. Let this grim reality serve as an incentive to get your financial ducks in a row in case you're the next one to find a pink slip in the mailbox.

The National Foundation for Credit Counseling (NFCC) recommends that consumers take the following steps to solidify their financial footing before a job loss becomes a reality in their life:

**Don't be caught off-guard**. Listen to the buzz around the water cooler. You don't want to be the last to know about a pending layoff.

Make yourself indispensable. Come in early and stay late. Volunteer for special projects. Get face-time with your boss. Doing these things is not a guarantee that you will survive a layoff, but they are steps in the right direction.

Familiarize yourself with government benefits. Your HR representative at work should be a good resource. Stay up-to-date on benefits changes for which you may be eligible.

**Track your spending.** The only way you can know where your hard-earned money is going is to write down every cent you spend. Do this for at least 30 days. The goal is to discover any leaks and plug them so that you can begin socking money away for the time when you may not have it.

Create a budget. Budget is not a four-letter word. If it helps, call it a spending plan. The point is to be in charge of your money, not the other way around. After you've tracked your spending, you'll be able to assign dollar amounts to each spending category. This can assist you in using your money to your best advantage.

Involve your family. Make all financial decisions family decisions, and your likelihood of success will increase dramatically. Talk about everything from the bills to the budget. The home is a great place to teach your children about financial issues, including the inevitable problems. Remembering when Mom and Dad worked through the hard times will be helpful when it's their turn.

Pay down debt. Find the money to dedicate to debt reduction by learning to live below your means. If you've created a lifestyle that is not realistic for your income, it's going to involve some serious adjustments. Consider taking on a second job and dedicate that paycheck to debt reduction. As burdensome as that may sound, becoming debt free has tremendous perks: it frees you from worry and allows you to build your savings account, begin investing and meet your financial goals. If you were to lose your job, your ability to service your debt obligations would obviously be compromised. Pay down debt while you still have the income to do so.

Get help. Take action at the first hint that you may be the next one in the unemployment line. Delaying only makes it harder to find a solution. There are many reputable credit counseling agencies with trained and certified counselors waiting to help you. Be prepared by sitting down with a counselor and getting your finances in order before trouble strikes. You may go online to www.DebtAdvice. org.

# May 2011 Landscape Award Winner Norton Family at 12 Glorieta East



#### **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 or call 714.730.1560

# STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE

West of Yale: (Friday) May 6 & 20
East of Yale: (Friday) May 13 & 27
May be viewed at http://www.cityofirvine.org/
cityhall/pw/streetmaintain/infrastructure\_cleaning

# WELCOME NEW HOMEOWNERS

David Gilmour of 15 Christamon West Pat & Patricia Garber of 30 Christamon East Hengwei & Josephine Hsu of 2 Alameda Stop by and say hello to your new neighbors!

# Free Stuff-Goodbye Clip, Hello Click

Before you head out to the grocery store or the mall, do a little web browsing for online coupons that can save you a bundle. You may have to download software to print the coupons to take with you-but the average savings per coupon is \$1.15. Entering 'free coupons' or 'grocery coupons' at popular search engines will bring up thousands of sites.

Typical sites include: www.ShopatHome.com, (This site lists stores alphabetically so you can look for deals & coupons before leaving home.) www.yada home.com (This site allows you to create your grocery list online and then searches for matching coupons.)

# MAY 2011

### PPHOA SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

| Sun                          | Mon                              | Tue | Wed                             | Thu   | Fri   | Sat                                   |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----|---------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1 Private Party              | 2                                | 3   | 4                               | 5   | 6   | 7 Private Party                       |
| 8 Mother's Day Private Party | 9 PPHOA<br>Board Mtg.            | 10  | 11                              | 12  | 13  | 14 Private<br>Party                   |
| 15                           | 16                               | 17  | 18 Brownie<br>Troop Mtg<br>1:30 | 19  | 20  | 21 Private<br>Party                   |
| 22                           | 23                               | 24  | 25 Arch. Committee Mtg.         | 26  | 27 No School<br>(K-8 IUSD)                              | 28                                    |
| 29                           | 30 Memorial<br>Day<br>(Observed) | 31  | Johnson Jago                    | n pending res<br>p.m. Tae acx<br>day, Mac 0.1 | a uslico est von<br>Custadori<br>Santadori<br>Santadori | e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e |