

The Mission Bell

Newsletter

October 1995



BOARD NEWS

The Mission Board of Directors met on Wednesday, Aug. 16, at 6 p.m. at the Montecito Village Apartments. Steve Perkins, President, announced that the tax resolution submitted to homeowners had passed. The Board also discussed the increase of violations of the CC&R's and resolved to initiate stronger enforcement in order to maintain the high quality of the neighborhood.

Steve also communicated Rancho Santa Fe's (our security company) concern about residents leaving their garage doors open. Several thefts have been reported. Some homeowners have left their doors open all night. You will be called by the security company in the middle of the night if this is the case. Please be more vigilant about this.

The Board also authorized a Holiday Decoration contest that would result in the award of first, second and third prizes. They need a committee of homeowners to establish guidelines and dates of judging. Anyone interested in volunteering, please contact a Board member immediately as time is important.

The Board meets every other month on the third Wednesday at 6 p.m. at the Montecito Village Apartments. All homeowners are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Committee Reports

Social Committee

Thanks to everyone who made our 4th of July Block Party such a huge success! We had a great turnout of neighbors to share fantastic food and lots of fun.

Many residents were thrilled to win the raffle prizes, which get better each time. All profits are reinvested by the Social Committee for the next block party and new raffle prizes. The highlight of the party was a 4th of July parade of beautifully decorated bikes, wagons and strollers. It was a most enjoyable afternoon and we urge everyone to come to the next one!



A special thanks to the Social Committee who always contributes so much of their time and efforts. Thanks to: Norma Craig, Joanne Henry, Katy Lines, Ginger Marburger, Konnie Mastro, Kathy Quigley, Sue Ruddick, Ellen Stotmeister, Melissa Hartman, Natalie Myerson, Laura Thompson, Penny Vaughn and Mari Ettlinger.

Also thanks to the Committee's mates for all their help setting up and cleaning up. We couldn't do it without you guys!



The Missions' Block Party will become an annual event in the future, rather than our usual semi-annual party. Hope to see you all next summer! Any ideas for future parties? Let the Social Committee know.

Architectural Committee

It's wonderful to see the changes in our community as homes are sold and the landscaping is completed. Thank you for your part in keeping the Missions as the nicest neighborhood in Oceanside.

When making architectural improvements please ensure that you plan ahead with your contractor to allow time for the committee to review your plans. Please submit your plans, along with the completed forms and all neighbor signatures, to the Chairperson,

(Mari Ettlinger 754-9767) no later than 5:00 p.m. on Sunday prior to a scheduled meeting.

We are making an effort to update committee records. If you have not received a final inspection on your completed improvements, please contact a committee member. Thanks again for your help. We wish you all *Happy Holidays!*

Finance Committee

Two homeowners have volunteered to serve



on the Finance Committee. They are John Rahkola and Jerry Salyer. Their duties will include advising the Board how to best invest

the Association's funds and how to manage our monies in general. We all appreciate their willingness to serve.

The Board would also like to thank John Haggerty for his tenure on the committee. We all appreciate John's considerable time, efforts and expertise.

Community Liaison

El Corazon

El Corazon de Oceanside, "the heart" of the City, is a 445 acre parcel of land donated to the City of Oceanside by the Rancho del Oro Land Co. It is located just south of Mesa Drive and east of El Camino Real. The crucial question is how to develop this land – both short term and long term.

The first of a series of meetings was held last month at which homeowners made recommendations and gave ideas on how this might be accomplished. Several of "The Missions" homeowners were present at the

September 23rd meeting held at King Middle School.

Several stages of planning inviting community participation will be scheduled in the future. Watch for notice of future meetings if you're interested. Attendance is strongly recommended.



GOOD NEIGHBORS

Rancho Santa Fe Security
 ("We are here to serve you.")

Rancho Santa Fe has asked that homeowners notify them if you plan to be away so they can better monitor any strange activity or cars around your home. They have also connected a number of Missions homes to their security system. If interested, call them at 942-0688 for a review of your present system and cost for conversion.

Missions' Garage Sale

Any garages for sales? Some of us need another one just to store all the things we have.

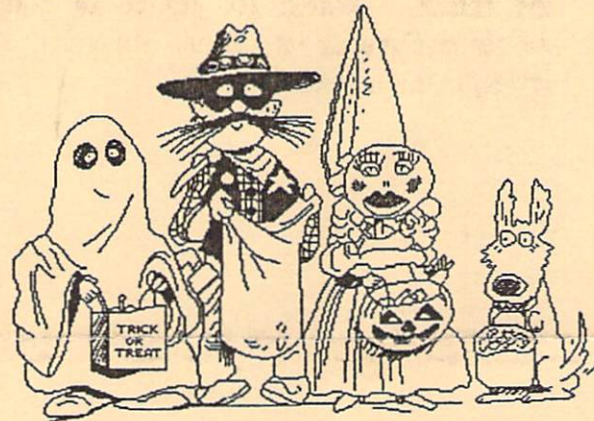
The Missions is planning a neighborhood garage sale Saturday, February 10 (rain date February 17). Each neighbor will be responsible for his or her own sale, but we will advertise as a group using funds from the Social Committee.

All participants will receive a special sign for their yards. A bake sale is also being planned for that day. The Social Committee would greatly appreciate any donations of baked goods.

Anyone wanting more information, please call Konnie Mastro (439-2349).

Halloween Safety

Fun and safety can go together when our little ones go trick or treating. Here are a few ideas on how we can accomplish this.



- Purchase individually wrapped treats, nothing homemade.
- Have your walkways clear and well lit to your front door.
- Use make-up on your children rather than masks.
- Dress them in costumes that are short enough not to impede walking.
- Accompany your little ones throughout the neighborhood. This is a great way to enjoy the evening and visit with your neighbors.
- Introduce yourself as trick or treaters come to your home.
- If you are going to be away, let your neighbors know so they can be a little more alert.

Have a fun evening!

Child care needed

A recently arrived homeowner needs help finding child care for three children ages 3, 7 and 9. Hours negotiable. Must be able to drive. Call Barbara Mueller, 757-8516 if you can help in any way.

For sale

Homeowner has following items for sale. Prices negotiable. Call 757-8516.

2 twin beds
Oak coffee table
Lighted hutch - 2 pieces
Microwave ovens - 2
Washer
Sleeper sofa
Oak computer desk
Assorted pictures
AT&T wireless security system

Resident Complaints

We live in what is becoming a rather large community, and in a perfect world, we would all get along very well. However, in reality, sometimes neighbors have minor conflicts and complaints. If you have any problems with a neighbor, and do not feel comfortable confronting them, please call Glenn at Webb and Associates (800 498-1129). He will tactfully discuss the problem with the offender or send a very polite letter. If we all try to be considerate and thoughtful, and observe the CC&R's, life in the Missions will continue to be pleasant.

☺HAIL AND FAREWELL☺**WE SAY GOOD-BYE TO:**

Dana & Sue Harris and family
437 Benevente Drive

Robert & Tricia Waller and family
345 Huelva Court

AND A HEARTY WELCOME TO:

Jeff Harris & Penny Schultz
415 Alcaras Court
722-3307

Norman & Prudence Hay
425 Alcaras Court
721-9321

Paul & Barbara Mueller and family
250 Benevente Drive

Harold & Jane Deakin
265 Benevente Drive
722-6946

Wes & Pat Harvey
270 Benevente Drive
721-4767

Brian & Joyce Gardner
275 Benevente Drive
722-7891

Robert & Linda Sweeney
437 Benevente Drive

Jeff & Kristy Davis & son Owen
345 Huelva Court
754-7077

Mike & Ruth Hammer
322 Justina Drive
757-0864

Rick Graham & Louise Deems
341 Justina Drive
757-9319

Please add these names and numbers to your Directory.

We need your help—it is not always possible to know when neighbors move into and out of the neighborhood and when new babies arrive. If you know of any such events please let Sue Ruddick know - 754-2410. If we don't know, we can't print it!

THE MISSIONS DIRECTORY

It is almost ready to be printed. If you have not been contacted regarding your entry in the Directory, please call Sue Ruddick immediately. (754-2410)

BEYOND THE WALL

William Heise County Park

You could join the throng of weekend visitors in Julian who sample a couple of slices of apple pie with ice cream (cinnamon flavored is the best), browse the antique shops, and call it a day. You could, but we have a better idea. Pick up your pie and picnic supplies in Julian, then head west to William Heise County Park, where you can have your pie and work off a few calories, too.



San Diego County has more than 40 county parks, but 950 acre Heise is one of the most

beautiful, particularly in winter, when you can enjoy the crisp air (the park sits at about 4,200 feet) on a short hike through fragrant forest of pine, cedar, and oak. Dine alfresco at one of the well-maintained picnic sites that lie along the thickly wooded plateau above Cedar Creek, which flows along the southern end of the park. Then hit the trail.

Families with young children will enjoy the self-guided nature trail, an easy ½ mile loop hike through a thick canopy of oak trees that begins at the tent campground in the eastern corner of the park. If you're up to something a little more strenuous, take Desert View Trail, a 2¼ mile loop off the nature trail. Breaking out of the trees you climb steep slopes into dense chaparral, including large stands of manzanita that are so tall and thick in some places that they enclose the trail in a dense tunnel. From Desert View Trail, you can take Canyon Oak Trail a 1¼ mile loop. For the seasoned hiker, there is a 5 mile trail called the Kelly Ditch.

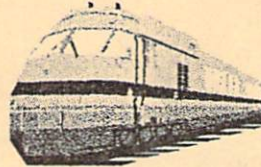
The park is 60 miles northeast of San Diego. From Julian, take State Highway 78/79 one mile west to Pine Hills Road. Turn south, go

two miles to Frisius Drive, turn east, and drive about two miles to the park's entrance. The park is open daily from 9:30 a.m. until sunset. For trail conditions and other information, call (619) 694-3049.

The Coaster

If you're planning a day trip to San Diego, and you don't want to drive, consider taking the Coaster. The Coaster is a commuter train which originates in Oceanside and stops in Carlsbad, Encinitas, Solana Beach, Sorrento Valley, Old Town, and finally downtown San Diego.

The trip from Oceanside to San Diego takes about 1 hour and cost \$3.25 one way. Round trip tickets are available at the train station on Tremont Street. There are five departure times from 5:34 a.m. to 7:48 a.m. and an additional 11 a.m. train. Return trips range from 4:20 p.m. to 6:35 p.m. Call the station for schedule and fare changes (800 262-7837). Parking space is available.



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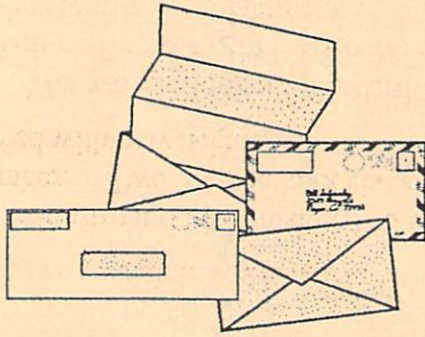
Cheers! to new neighbors who landscape. We're beginning to look like an established community.

Cheers! to drivers who are careful driving through the neighborhood, especially now that school has started.

Cheers! to our young entrepreneurs who provide pet sitting and walking services in the neighborhood.

Cheers! to everyone who helped in any way with the Block Party

Cheers! to Sue Ruddick, who almost single-handedly has revised and updated the Directory. What a job!



Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

What is the current status pertaining to the build-out of our development?

Dear Homeowner,

Currently, there are four houses under construction. There are only 11 lots left, three of which have been sold.

Construction is scheduled to begin in November. Two of the models are now occupied with new neighbors.

We are all looking forward to the completion of construction when we can say good-bye to dirt, dust, and noise.

The Missions Board of Directors meeting is usually held on the third Wednesday, every other month at 6:30 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for December 1995.

However, due to the holiday season, the meeting will be held the second Wednesday of the month, December 13, 1995, at 6:30 p.m. at the Montecito Village Apartments Clubhouse.



Thanks again for your contributions and continued support.

Call Ellen (754-2227) if you wish to contribute any information or have any suggestions for the next "Mission Bell." Please notify us of births, deaths or important anniversaries.

Staff Changes

Sue Harris, the Newsletter Committee's longtime typist and computer expert, has moved to Pleasanton, CA, with her husband Dana, and son Jameson. Her contributions were greatly appreciated, and she will be missed by all of us.

Fortunately, we have a new volunteer, Peggy Rahkola, who has generously offered her services. Peggy and her husband, John, live on Huelva Ct. We look forward to her joining our team, and thank her for her time and expertise. Welcome, Peggy!

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