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SORRENTO OAKS Newsletter



We miss Tony

Memorial Celebration of Tony Phillips: Nov. 13th, 1pm, Peace Church, 900 High St. Please join us. You may recall Tony (sp. 36) walking his blind dog, Tomas, and later, Vinny, a black Shih Tzu mix. He was a Religious Studies Professor, author of two books and many "good



mischief articles". When a single parent, he was Resident Coordinator, College 5 (UCSC). He loved history, poetry, music, Monty Pythons and Tin Tin and was noted for a quick wit. Peace Church Choir was a great joy for him. He's survived by Leona, wife of 38 years, six children and 5 grandchildren.

(Leona, sp. 36)

We've been missing Pete

Though we haven't had an article about Pete (sp. 43), your comments about him are important and we'll print them next month with thoughts from Jean. Pete did many things for us and for the park over the years and it isn't the same without him. Email your thoughts to Sandy (address below) or put them in the space 11 tube.

Glen pump

On 10/14, Bill (Maintenance), Mike (sp. 57) and Dan (sp. 17) pulled the pump, drained the pipes and disconnected everything until spring on the Glen Water System. Bill will take the pump to Capitola Pump Supply for the annual maintenance. Photo: Sharon (sp. 75)



Speeding

What's wrong with driving 10mph? What's wrong with telling those who don't live here that we are asked to remind others.



Clocks and smoke detectors

Daylight savings ends. Saturday, Nov. 5, is the day to set back clocks and replace batteries before we go to bed!

Our very own library

Paula (sp. 92) doesn't remember how long she's volunteered at our library. "I keep everything very informal! The mysteries, thrillers, sci fi, etc. are on the left shelf. Other novels and non-fiction are on the right hand shelf. Oversized books are a puzzle; they often are beautiful, interesting volumes so I try to keep them around. Shelves packed? I recycle them to a shelf in the laundry room. From there it is okay to take any to keep or pass on to someone else. Older magazines go on the counter for you to take. Thanks to residents who share books for the others to enjoy. What a nice thing to do! "

Welcome

Nancy (sp. 3) is a new member. We look forward to meeting you!

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Our paseo

Despite the heat on Friday Sept. 23rd, over 40 members of our community took part in Paseo de Sorrento...a stroll through the park visiting and stopping off at homes along the way for refreshments with a Spanish flair, including authentic Sangria at Miguel's (sp. 86) and Saundra's (sp. 35)!

Special thanks to the table hosts and neighbors who decorated, contributed snacks and staffed the tables. At event's end, everyone cooled off in back of the Clubhouse in shade and cool breezes overlooking our beautiful glen. Cake and iced tea was served to celebrate Sept. Birthdays (including Hedi's (sp. 6) delicious corn cake!) Roz (sp. 55), photo: Sharon (sp. 75)



Shuffleboard

Our shuffleboard court in the Glen has fallen into disuse, with the original painted lines so faded that they are invisible. If the lines were repainted and the court kept cleared of leaves and plant debris, would you use it? The Maintenance Committee wants to know! Please leave a note in Sharon's tube (sp. 75) or email her at plants@cruzio.com if you would use the court. Thank you. Shuffleboard was at one time a "big deal" among mobile home parks before the residents bought ours.

Sorrento Oaks won many trophies!

H20 pipes and \$\$

Freitas, our water engineers, gave us a draft map of pipes in our next water system and a nearly 200 page contract for use with our selected construction company. The Infrastructure Team is now reviewing these to ask Freitas for the final version. We'll hold a clubhouse and Zoom meeting for all in the park, answer questions, and invite suggestions. The Finance Committee is working on options for paying for this new water system. *Miguel (sp. 28)*. Our Board approved our 2023 budget, increasing our monthly operating fee by \$40 per month. Because our infrastructure has exceeded its useful life, we need to replace it. The exact replacement costs of our water, sewer, asphalt, gas and electrical systems are unknown at this time; it's expected to be in the multi-millions of dollars. An increase to the monthly operating fee will allow the Board to better fulfill its fiduciary responsibilities. Read the board meeting minutes for more information. *Diana (sp. 53)*

Be sure to read the Gas System Public Awareness flyer distributed this month!

Green Waste

Food waste can be collected in compostable BioBags and these can then be placed in the green bin: keeps them cleaner.

There's a request for folks to please bring in their bins as soon after collection as possible to keep the streets clear.

Read the info on free composting workshops in the GreenWaste flyer or on our bulletin board. *Jan (Office)*



photo: Jean-Anne (sp. 4)

Monthly Park Fees: Due on the 5th business day of the month.
Board Meetings: 4th Wednesday/month, 6:30 pm, clubhouse *
Finance Committee: 3rd Tuesday/month, 5:00 pm, clubhouse
Rules Committee: Aug - Oct as needed, 7pm, clubhouse
AC/MC Meeting: 1st Monday/month, 5:00 pm, clubhouse
Garden Committee: 2nd Wednesday/month, 4:30 pm, clubhouse
Bookmobile: Every other Tuesday 1:30 -2:15pm, outside clubhouse
Social Committee: Birthday Parties, 2nd Tuesday/month, & social events
Infrastructure Committee: 2nd Monday/month by Zoom 5:30 - 6:00 pm

Emergency Committee: No regular meetin

Emergency Assistance: Requiring Police, Sheriff, Fire Dept, Ambulance : **911 Any other urgent assistance:** Call James (sp. 53) or Ken (sp. 20)

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* Board Meetings are held in the clubhouse and by Zoom. Please check with the office manager if you want to attend by Zoom.