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#### **Next Board Meeting**

Tuesday, March 25, 2014 at 7 p.m.

Crown Hills Clubhouse

## Office Hours Change

Please note

Thursday office hours change to
10:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.
effective March 13th, 2014
during Daylight Savings time.

#### **Speed Limit on Our Streets**

Just a reminder - the speed limit on our streets is **20 mph**. Please be a good, safe, and polite driver while on our streets. You might even save a little gas by traveling 20 mph or less. Please **stop** at all posted stop signs. They are there for a reason. Thanks for making our streets safe!

#### The Crown Hills Question

## What are your traditions for St. Patrick's Day?



Respond on the "Contact Us" area on our website at <u>www.crownhills.org</u>. Answers will be posted in next month's Newsletter. Thank you.

**Answers to last month's question:** What did your Valentine surprise you with this year?

- ▼ I received a very beautiful bouquet of a dozen long stemmed red roses.
- My Valentine took me out to dinner.
- We went on a campout on the silver strand.
- I got a bouquet of roses and a teddy bear.
- ▼ Mine gave me nothing, but a "to do" list while she was away!
- My wife made me a special dinner I hadn't had in a long time and it was so-o-o good.
- ▼ I got a surprise trip on our Valentine anniversary.

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#### From the Office Administrator

**Thank you,** Carol and Greg Shue, for offering to be Co-Chairs for next year's New Year's Eve Party. We really appreciate you coming forward to take on this position.

**Notice** - We have been having a lot of satellites installed in Crown Hills. Please be sure to check the Architectural Standards for the installation requirements on the web site <a href="www.crownhills.org">www.crownhills.org</a> or call the office for clarification and/or a copy of the rules. You must fill out an Architectural Approval before installation. Thank you.

Warning – please do not feed wild animals. The small ones are cute, but feeding them draws bigger or more aggressive undesirable animals into the residential area. Thank you.



#### From Crown Hills Owner

Is your beautiful Birch tree looking sick, dying or dead? According to an arborist, we have European Birch trees in Crown Hills. It is a fast growing tree, planted by the developer because it looked good. This tree, however, is a river bottom tree, meaning it needs a lot of water. In our climate it is expected to live about 15 years. If you have put in a water saving landscape system, you may need to adjust the water to the tree.

The Alpine's Women's Club is open to all Alpine women. Next meeting is Tuesday, March 18th, 2014 at noon. The club is located at 2156 Alpine Blvd., Alpine, CA 91901. For more information please contact Karen Murphy-Linden at 619.445.5799 or Ldygala@cox.net

#### **Answers to Valentine's Word Search**

Candy, Cupid, Date, Flowers, Give, Happy, Heart, Hug, Love, Marry, Roses, Sweet

**Answers to Valentine's Word Jumble** 

Kiss, Arrow, Cupid, Friends, Candy, Card, Cherish, Couple, Date, Day, February, Flowers, Give, Love, Heart, Hug, Marry, Roses, Sweet, Jewelry

## Chipping from the Greater Alpine Fire Safe Council

See our website for the complete schedule for 2014. Our registration process is similar but different in that we have the new form required by our funding agency available online at <a href="https://www.greateralpinefsc.org">www.greateralpinefsc.org</a>.

**Wanted** - occasional dog sitter, in your home, for two small dogs. Call or email Marsha, 619-227-4470, mgear333@gmail.com

Need reliable house cleaning and/or home health care? Please call Michelle or Mel 808.778.1702. Available to work/free estimates. Dailey – Weekly. Jobs for bathrooms, kitchens and bedrooms.

#### March Madness NCAA

(courtesy of Associated Press as of 2.24.14)
San Diego State University's rank is 13
Record is 23-3; Points 886
First Round – March 18<sup>th</sup> & 19th

#### More Basketball Fun!

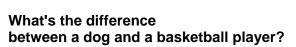
(From Spoonful.com courtesy of Disney)

How did the basketball players stay cool?

They sat next to the fans!

## Why did the basketball player stay home all weekend?

He didn't want to get called out for travelling!



One drools, the other dribbles!

#### Regular Clubhouse Activities

Mondays – Alpine Choral Rehearsal 7 – 9 pm Wednesdays – Card Games & Snacks 9 am Contact Shirley 619.659.0562

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday – Book Club – 6:15 pm

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday – Open Board Meeting – 7:00 pm

**3<sup>rd</sup> Wed** – Greater Alpine Fire Safe Council – 6 pm Contact Marci 619.445.3725

**3<sup>rd</sup> Friday** – Game Night – 6:30 p.m. Contact Kathie 619.445.1174

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## Board Minutes Summary - February 25, 2014

#### Homeowner's Forum

Owners asked for report on Homecare business and garage door repairs. Thank you to Jim Hook, Hilde, Jane, Frank, and the Berry's for helping remove dead pride of madeira plants near mailboxes.

#### Manager's Report

The pool fence has been repaired and painted, the kitchen slab has a leak and proposals for repair are being solicited.

#### President's Report

The Board and Pacific Green are looking for ways to conserve water, along with seeking rebates for conservation. Trees were removed by the Begonia drainage ditch and the ditch will be repaired. Pacific Green will help owners with their tree issues. The new RV rental contracts are being finalized. Board members are reviewing architectural applications and violations letters before they are approved and/or sent.

#### Treasurer's Report

Soto reported total assets of \$754,930.34 - \$25,412.12 checking, \$709.288.78 reserves, and \$19,729.44 in accounts receivable. Monthly income: \$58,871.97; Monthly expenses \$37,813.17; and a reserve allocation of \$10,748.17 resulting in net operating income: \$10,308.74.

#### Committee Reports

Architectural - Frank reported he is very busy. A Board member is reviewing all requests before approvals are given.

Landscaping – Jane reported some plants outside the exercise room were stolen. The committee would like gutters installed on the north side of the exercise room and repair the irrigation in front of the exercise room. Committee wanted to know if mulch from removed trees could be used on the east side of Gentian Way and along the northeast side of Victoria Park Terrace.

RV Storage – The stucco repairs have been made, contracts have been revised, and work continues on establishing procedures for enforcement.

#### Old Business

Clubhouse Area Security – Porter reported combining of the clubhouse with the RV lot has resulted in substantial savings and will continue to solicit bids for the combined work.

Well Drilling – The next step in the well drilling process is to determine the static level of the well and the real gallons per minute the well can produce. Porter will be getting proposals.

**Pool Heater** – The Board approved installation of a new heater by Pool Care Solutions.

**Exercise Equipment** – The Board approved the purchase of a recumbent bike.

RV Storage LED Lights - The Board approved the LED lights for the RV/Storage lot.

**Copier** – The Board approved the purchase of an office copy machine.

**Tree Trimming** – The Board approved the spring tree trimming/removal contract.

#### New Business

Committee Chairs – The Board approved Carol and Greg Shue to Co-Chair the New Year's Eve event this year.

**Bounce for Rent** – Liability insurance needs to be increased by owners for the one day event and the HOA needs to look into increasing their own.

Night Security – Because of a 21% price increase over the last 2 years Porter was instructed to solicit proposals for security service.

Crown Hills Homeowners Association Star George Mason is this month's Star! George has been very active in accounting services for Crown Hills. He'll always makes you smile. You see him walking around the neighborhood with Ezekiel. He works for the HOA on committees and anytime he is asked to do a job, he just gets to it and does his best. We thank you, George for many years of service to the Crown A Hills Community and appreciate your continued 🏠 involvement. Great Job! George!

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