

# Crown Hills News December 2013

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Friday Closed

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#### **Next Board Meeting**

Tuesday, January 28, 2014 at 7 p.m.

Crown Hills Clubhouse



#### **New Year's Eve Party Reservations**

Call the Crown Hills Office 619.659.3520 until the 19<sup>th</sup> of December. Then please call the PHOAC Office at 619.229.0044 or Lydia at 619.445.5271, or Barbara at 619.659.1443 Your reservation will be confirmed by receipt of payment.

# New Years Eve Party

The Crown Hills Community New Years Eve Party is scheduled for Tuesday evening December 31, 2013 time 7:30 p.m. until???

Make your plans now to attend this special event featuring:

- Dance music provided by DJ Ed Reeves
- > Free line dancing lessons
- > Bountiful gourmet buffet
- Party favors and table snacks
- > Champagne on each table
- Door prizes
- > Times Square "Countdown" Live

Dance and socialize the night away with friends and neighbors

All this for the unbelievable price of \$15 per person

Non-resident guests are also welcome at \$15 per person

This is an **adult** only party please

The size of our clubhouse will limit the number of party goers so reserve your spot early! Anyone who would like to help with club house set-up and decorations please call Lydia.

See you there!!

#### The Crown Hills Question?

The first Crown Hills Question was answered by several homeowners: What is your favorite holiday activity? Answers: Top answer – Seeing Family, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Going to Church, and 3<sup>rd</sup> – Traveling. December's question is

"What new exercise machine would you like to see added to the exercise room and which would you remove?"

Answers will be posted in the January Newsletter. Respond on the "Contact Us" area on our website at <a href="https://www.crownhills.org">www.crownhills.org</a> Thank you.





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#### From the Office Administrator

I hope that the joy of the holidays will fill your hearts and homes. As the year ends, I think about all I am grateful for. My work here with you is one thing I treasure. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you. I wish you Happy Holidays and much success in the New Year 2014.

~ Mary Hartig

#### Crown Hills Annual Holiday Decorating Contest Put your decorating hat on and compete for prizes. Judges will be coming around the neighborhood from December 20th - 22nd to choose the best holiday decorated houses. Good Luck on your

Clubhouse Reservations – Please note, the fob only allows you entrance on the day you rent the clubhouse from 5 a.m. to 10:45 p.m. Thank you.

Library - Thank you to Joe & Sandra who left cookbooks in the Library. Thank you to all who donate to the library. Sometimes we have an overabundance of donations, so donations of magazines, text books, and manuals will no longer be accepted.

**Exercise Room Cleaning** – The exercise room is closed on Mondays and Fridays from 9 – 9:45 a.m. for cleaning. Please be sure to complete your exercise routine and leave the room before 9 a.m. Thank you for your cooperation.

#### Tree Infestation & Disease

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Pacific Green's arborist reported some of our pine trees in Crown Hills have a bark beetle infestation. other trees/bushes have a disease known as Xyella Fastidiosa. The trees infected with bark beetles have to be cut down and moved offsite to prevent the spread of the beetle. Pacific Green is investigating new treatments which have been successful in preventing the spread of the beetle and will recommend appropriate treatments. The Xyella Fastidiosa disease currently has no cure or preventative measure. Effected plants will have to be removed. Pacific Green is guiding us in the best way to handle these issues and prevent further infestation and disease. We are taking every measure to ensure the safety of the rest of our foliage in common areas. Be aware, homeowners are responsible for trees and plants on their property. The Department of Forestry will be asked for help in tree removal. The Board will look into help for individual owners facing these problems on their property.

# No parade next July if no chair steps up by Jan 31st

#### Well Drilling

Well drilling started; the company went less than 100 feet before hitting 15 gallons of water per minute. The well was drilled to 700 feet with no additional water found. The Board authorized more drilling, the company went down to 1015 feet and hit 30 gallons of water per minute. Unfortunately the 1st 100 feet of the well needs a steel casing. This casing will cut off the first 15 gallons of water hit, leaving the well with 30 gallons per minute capacity. According to the well drilling company 20 gallons per minute could be brought to the surface. This capacity could handle the water needs for the first two billing periods of the year. After that the well would not be capable of keeping up with the needs of the Association which exceed over 50,000 gallons a day during the warmest months of the year.

The good news is the well can be used in conjunction with City water to irrigate at a substantial savings to the Association. The return on the Association's investment, if homeowners vote to make the investment, will take longer than originally expected.

The landscape committee will be entertaining ideas to reduce water usage throughout the community. Additionally, the landscape company has been instructed to prepare proposals to reduce water usage as well. A homeowner suggested the use of solar power may offset the electrical expense for the pumps.

Now that we have hit water, we need to take the next step to incorporate this water into our irrigation. In the near future owners will be asked to vote approval of funds for the project. If approved, the money will be used to build the necessary distribution system including concrete pad for the holding tanks, holding tanks, pumps, connections, etc. These costs will all be spelled out in the cover letter you will receive with your voting material. Please attend the homeowners meetings for more information. Thank you.

#### For Sale

Closet sliding glass doors sized 81w x 80h. Perfect for plan 4 front bedroom. \$40. Please call Amy at 619.247.2096 or email <a href="mailto:anykathry@yahoo.com">anykathry@yahoo.com</a>

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# Board Minutes Summary - November 26, 2013

#### Homeowner's Forum

Owners asked for clarification on budget.

#### Manager's Report

The least violations ever were on the last walk through. There are a few chronic violators. The Board asked for photo documentation and files composed for major violators.

#### Treasurer's Report

Soto reported the total assets of \$730,243 comprised of \$23,064 in checking, \$686,746 in reserves and \$19,932 in accounts receivable, monthly income of \$58,344, monthly expenses of \$32,341, and a reserve allocation of \$12,262 resulting in net operating income of \$13,356. Year to date income reported to be \$583,580 and year to date expenses of \$448,297, and year to date reserve allocations of \$122,615 resulting in a net operating income of \$9,987. Soto reported the Association is on budget.

#### Committee Reports

**Architectural** – Frank reported work has slowed. He is working to finalize previous applications.

**CC&R** – Watson reported a need to update rules and regulations in the near future with guest parking being one rule that would be addressed.

Fire Safe & Disaster - The walk through for fire safety should be in March or April.

**Landscaping** – The Committee is continuing to work on the front entry area.

Water Conservation – Jim reported the water usage for 2012 and 2013.

**RV Storage** – John will resubmit a request next year for unused funds. The drainage swale behind the storage buildings needs repairs and the rental agreements are being updated.

#### **Old Business**

**Clubhouse Area Security** – Porter reported a 16 station HD DVR with 35 days of data storage is sufficient for our needs. We will need digital cameras instead of analog.

**Well Drilling** – See the article in this newsletter.

**New Year's Eve** – Plans are in the works for the New Year's Eve party.

#### **New Business**

**Fitness Bike** – Request for a new recumbent bike for the fitness room discussion concluded with input needs to be gathered on which piece of equipment should be removed first.

Copier – Cost benefit analysis is being completed and then a decision will be made.

**Tree Trimming** – See "Tree Infestation & Disease" article in this newsletter.

**Speeding** – Discussion on speeding in the neighborhood brought up many aspects of the issue with no logical conclusions and will be continued on the January meeting agenda.

Next Board Meeting Tuesday, January 28, 2014 at 7 p.m. in the Crown Hills Community Clubhouse

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# Crown Hills Homeowners Association Star

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Tom Smith is this month's Star. Tom is in charge of our HOA elections, including gathering Election Inspectors and presenting them to the board. He verifies that election schedules are carried out according to the regulations of the HOA. He serves diligently on the Finance Committee. Let's hear it for Tom! Hurray! Hurray! Thank you, Tom!

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#### Regular Clubhouse Activities

Mondays – Alpine Choral Rehearsal 7 – 9 p.m. Wednesdays – Card Games & Snacks 9 a.m. Contact Shirley 619.659.0562

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday – Open Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday – CHIRP Meeting – 7 p.m.

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

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

Contact Kathie 619.445.1174