



Crown Hills News January 2013

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Next Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 22, 2013
at 7 p.m.
Crown Hills Clubhouse

Letter from the Board President

This has been a productive year. I am pleased to report to you, the choice of Professional HOA Consultants, Inc. as our management company has proved an excellent decision. We have accomplished more than in the past because they are “on top” of projects and follow through with them. There are still many “to do’s” on our list. The Board, with assistance from PHOAC, will be addressing them. In the February newsletter we will outline the goals for 2013.

Below is the year 2012 in review:

- PHOAC hired Mary Hartig as office administrator. (FYI: hasn't missed a day of work)
- The newsletter is now being produced by PHOAC.
- PHOAC initiated four ways to pay fees and provided access to your account online.
- Spending authority streamlined to ensure expenses can be dealt with promptly.
- Trash Service fee reduction was initiated.
- RV bin price was reduced approximately two thirds.
- A new security camera system was installed
- Wi-Fi set up for the clubhouse area.
- Décor, paint, and new furniture in clubhouse completed.
- A new treadmill and slightly used elliptical machine were purchased.
- Approved a new exercise equipment maintenance program.
- Electrical repairs were made in the exercise room.
- Electrical Repairs: Air-conditioners, outlets, alarm system, and replaced main panel.
- Stair railings were painted and repaired.
- The monument sign was painted.
- Painted clubhouse parking lot spaces/curbs and stop sign markers.
- New house colors and stone veneers were approved.
- Pacific Green handled erosion control lots 110-115, grass removal and mulch on Gentian, brush abatement and slope stabilization
- Three new doggie stations were purchased and installed gratis by Pacific Green.
- Monument sign and clubhouse landscape renovations were completed.
- Additional drainage ditch repairs were made.
- Per Padre Dam requirements installed backflow and cover.
- Approved tree trimming contracts.
- Pest Control for all common areas initiated.
- Architectural rule amendments were approved.
- Crown Hill HOA rules changes were approved.

Submitted by: Judy Watson, President CH HOA

From the Office Administrator

Thank You

To all those who helped work so hard to make the New Year's Eve celebration a great success: the planners, the decorators, the cooks, the furniture movers, the balloon crew, the setup and cleanup crew. Door Prize donations from: Alpine Chorale, Pacific Green, Carroll's Business Supply, Shue Family, Ms. Harrell, Mr. Gonzalez, the Smiths, the Houghtons and the Bradfords. Thank you so much! We couldn't have done it without you!

To Greg Shue for delivering our newsletter this past year. Ever since he took on the job, he hasn't missed a delivery. Thank you, Greg. We appreciate your manners and diligence in delivering the newsletter faithfully. We hope you will continue to serve Crown Hills in this very special way again this year. ~Mary

To all who donate books to our library we want to thank you. Some people donate every week, others in large batches or some very special volumes. Thank you to all who consistently think of our library. It really makes it a great place to visit.

A special "Thank you" to Pacific Green and all the help their employees give us all year long. Whenever, there is no one else to call on, they are always there. They help with events, seasonal changes, emergency situations, signage, trash, security measures; almost anything you can imagine they have helped us with as a courtesy, even though it is not part of their job. Latest help was donating a \$50 gift certificate for the door prizes at our New Year's Eve celebration. Thank you...thank you....thank you.

Volunteers needed

We need to fill these positions as soon as possible. Call the office at 619.659.3520 if you are interested. July 4th Parade Chair. Current chairperson will help you co-chair this year. Please call the office or Hilde 619.659.8707.

HOA Landscape Committee Chair
HOA Violations Committee Chair

Garage Sale

Crown Hills Community Semi- Annual Garage Sale
March 9th 8am – 2pm

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Tuesday, January 22, 2013 at 7 p.m., Crown Hills Community Clubhouse

In Memoriam

Jim Green went to be with the Lord on January 8, 2013. Jim and his wife, Shirley, are original residents of Crown Hills. They lived here before the conventional houses were built. He was well known in Crown Hills for his friendly way and always being willing to help. He served as President of the HOA and on several committees over the years. Jim also was a dedicated volunteer with the Sheriff's department. He was especially proud of his duties relative to elder abuse. His contribution to our community and Alpine is without question. Jim was a tireless volunteer for the Salvation Army. He was a regular at the Tuesday morning card games where he livened up the day with his quips. We will miss him. Check the bulletin boards for information.

Crown Hills Night Security

Harold, the HOA's Security person, can be reached at 619.561.9904 between the hours of 11 p.m. - 5 a.m. If you have a concern (other than an emergency) during these hours, call Harold. He will help you. **Call 911 for life threatening emergencies.**

Safety - Stay Informed County

Emergency website:

<http://www.sdcountyemergency.com/>

Sign up to get free wildfire/emergency alerts sent directly to you: www.EastCountyMagazine.org

Cal Fire San Diego Twitter feed:

<https://twitter.com/DALFIRESANDIEGO>

You can follow Viejas Alerts at www.Twitter.com to receive brief text alerts on your cell phone or mobile device.

RV Lot Trash Bin - Not For Homeowner Use

If personal waste is left by the RV lot trash bin, the HOA is charged an additional fee for disposal. This includes refuse from people who rent RV spaces and storage lockers. When cleaning out a storage locker or an RV vehicle, **do not** dispose of your personal waste in the HOA Waste Management trash bin – take it home! It is a violation to leave your waste for the HOA to dispose of. Anyone found doing this risks being fined. Allied Waste will pick up 2 large items twice a year at no charge to the homeowner. Call them for an appointment.

Helpful Hints

Use a timer for some of your indoor lights or get a motion sensor for outdoor lights.

Note: Alpine Chorale will begin rehearsals Jan 28th.

Congratulations Holiday Lights Decorating Contest Winners!

Our community was twinkling with lights and decorations this holiday season. It was really hard to choose the three best decorated homes this year. But after going around and around on each street, the judges finally agreed, and are happy to announce:

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| 1st Place | Al & Linda Prida | 2516 Columbine | - \$50 gift certificate |
| 2nd Place | Ron & Deborah Spineto | 2326 Hyacinth | - \$30 gift certificate |
| 3rd Place | Ken & Nancy Hauer | 2331 Hyacinth | - \$20 gift certificate |

Honorable Mention Certificates:

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| Todd & Anna Klingensmith | 2468 Columbine |
| Tito & Georgia Cruz | 1907 Verbena Terrace |
| Arthur & Judith L. Myers | 1905 Verbena Terrace |
| Marten & Shelby Mendibles | 2325 Hyacinth |

Thanks to the anonymous judges who really enjoyed looking at the beautiful displays! They mentioned Hyacinth and Verbena Terrace had the most participation.

New Year's Eve Celebration

Over 60 Crown Hills residents danced away the Old Year and welcomed the New Year at the annual dinner party held at our Clubhouse. All agreed the food was plentiful and delicious and the company was lively and spirited. Party managers Barbara and Lydia would like to acknowledge all of the wonderful Crown Hills neighbors who attended and helped to make this the best affair ever. A special thank you goes to Carl and Marcie Berry, Bob and Tarsi Massey, Mary Kay and Paul Bradford, Art and Beth Puls, Ann and Barry Cole, Helen Kendrick, Tito Cruz, Marsha and Art Gear, Tom Smith, and Snake Houghton. **See Photos.**

Office and Clubhouse Information 2013

The office will be closed on the following dates:

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| New Year's Day | January 1 |
| President's Day | February 18 |
| Good Friday | March 29 |
| Memorial Day | May 27 |
| Independence Day | July 4 |
| Labor Day | September 2 |
| Thanksgiving Day | November 28 |
| Christmas Day | December 25 |
| Closed Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays | |

The Clubhouse is not available for private parties on these days:

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| New Year's Day | Super Bowl Sunday |
| Easter Sunday | Memorial Day July 4th |
| Halloween | Labor Day |
| Christmas Eve | Thanksgiving Day |
| New Year's Eve | Christmas Holiday (12/25 - 1/1) |



Crown Hills Homeowners Association Stars

If you see someone doing anything which improves our community in a voluntary capacity, please let the office know. Every day, owners/residents help make this community a wonderful place to live. Each month we like to post the names of some of these wonderful people. So, keep your eyes open and report any "starring" activity. Thank you.

January's Stars, Charles and Francine Ritchie walk our community picking up trash. They have been observed on a regular basis by many. This is our way of saying "Thank You" for making our Crown Hills more beautiful each day. We appreciate what you are doing. Thank you so much!



Pet Safety

Coyotes are hunting. Unfortunately, some owners are finding this out by losing their beloved pets. Please be careful of your pets. There are wild animals about that are looking for food and your pet may be easy prey.

Regular Clubhouse Activities

- Mondays** – Alpine Choral Rehearsal 7 – 9 p.m.
- 1st & 3rd Mondays** – Writer's Guild 9:30 a.m.
- Wednesdays** – Card Games & Snacks 9 a.m.
Contact Shirley 619.659.0562
- 4th Tuesday** – Open Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
- 1st Wednesday** – CHIRP Meeting – 7 p.m.
- 3rd Wed** – Greater Alpine Fire Safe Council – 6 p.m.
Contact Wende 619.733.5579
- 3rd Friday** – Game Night – 6:30 p.m.
Contact Kathie 619.445.1174