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Happy Valentine's Day!

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2024 SK ANNUAL MEETING

Residents hear about new trash rules, alarm event coming to SK

TRASH TALK: City of Murrieta Management Analyst Isaac Bravo explains the difference between recycling waste containers that Spring Knolls residents will receive under the new program starting in early March. Bravo answered questions for an hour at the Jan. 13 Annual Meeting. See a Q&A section on pages 4-6 for more information.



ALARMING FACTS: Red Cross representative Gerald Winkel describes to the Annual Meeting gathering the features of smoke detectors to be installed on March 9. Details, Page 8.



AND THE 2024 WINNERS ARE ... Inspector of Elections Yvonne Ruiz announces the results of the election for the 2024 Spring Knolls Board of Directors at the Jan. 13 Annual Meeting. See final official tally in HodgePodge, Page 10.

Board members report on '23, plans for 2024

The following are brief reports by all nine SK board members about what they did in 2023, and plans for 2024.

Candy Lee. I'm Residential Data and Fob Administrator, a position I've held for two years.

I make sure information from the owner/resident record forms is completed and enters our database.

I also monitor rent or lease form requests to ensure we don't exceed the maximum number of rentals allowed in Spring Knolls.

In addition, I process gate fob requests, and replace lost fobs, which are tracked in our system.

-Contact Candy at 951 239-0669

Ron Sieber. I've been Facilities Director since 2016, and there's always something needing attention.

A few examples: A duck family in the large pool. The Jacuzzi needs a new pump. Gutters need cleaning. A Library light doesn't work. A gate won't open.

In 2023 the large pool's filter needed to be replaced. The laundry room was flooded. New shelves were installed for the storeroom.

The clubhouse gates don't always

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2024 Board of Directors - (Seated) Candy Lee; Debbie Adelhelm, Ron Sieber and Sharon Kilpatrick. (Back row) Holli Hanson, Charleen Kirkwood, Sandy Vollmer, Shawnee Miller and Jan Towers.

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open. They're now working properly and we hope that continues.

Also on the facilities director to do list is maintenance on appliances, heating and the cooling system.

-Contact Ron at 951 541-6278.

Shawnee Miller. I've served since 2021 as **Rules & Regulations Director** and 2023 was a very busy year. My deep appreciation to Pamela Rosales for help with the Rules & Guidelines revision project. We're close to completing this task for our members. Our primary goal is to make existing rules or guidelines clearer and easier to use.

We continue to work to produce and update SKA forms to help all members negotiate our CC&Rs.

Please don't forget to review the new "Neighbor to Neighbor Policy," which outlines actions and causes of neighbor disputes and harassment. .

We had 24 escrows close in the past year, but that does not mean they were the only property transfers. It's advisable to have all property go through licensed escrows to make sure all parties, including Spring Knolls, are given the maximum protection of the law.

That said, the Board prevented at least 5 properties being sold to under-

age parties. We're also dealing with an upsurge in investors trying to turn our senior community into a rental community. I've been helping our treasurer revamp our accounting system.

-Contact Shawnee at 951 677-6862

Debby Adelhelm. The **Common Grounds Director's** responsibilities cover all HOA-owner property not considered part of your residence.

This includes clubhouse landscaping as well as the Via Princesa entrances, the dog park path, and maintaining streets. Improvements are budgeted for 2024.

In 2023 there was trimming of Sycamore, Pine and Pepper trees, bushes and flowering plants. Sycamores are cut back every fall, but other trees and bushes hadn't been trimmed in years.

Failing clubhouse concrete issues were also addressed. Also tackled in 2023 were severe rodent problems. Oleanders and the Canary Palm along the path were trimmed or removed due to a rat infestation in a house.

Also, the dog park was closed temporarily because gophers took over. And, some owners let their pets dig holes. Landscapers have set traps and the park was reopened once the gophers were killed and /or diverted elsewhere. Renovations were completed.

-Contact Debbie at 760 717-9876

Sharon Kirkpatrick I was asked to serve on the Board in mid-July of 2023 – our then bookkeeper had resigned and I'm now **Treasurer**.

I try to provide more transparency in what's required financially to maintain our community. I meet with association members to review accounts and answer questions. Please feel free to contact me for an appointment.

-Contact Sharon at 951-285-7800

Holli Hanson. I'm now the Spring Knolls **Secretary** after starting 2023 as treasurer. My strengths are more in line with the secretary's duties.

I also have taken over as the **Senior Helper** and am working to put on a Health and Safety fair for 2024.

Outside of board duties I'm active in the Boosters club and have helped organize many events, including the 4th of July parade. This past year the parade was more challenging because we had so many cars, carts and other modes of transportation.

I'm also involved in the Spring Knolls Emergency Response Team. We organized block parties and had an event for the National Shakeout.

-Contact Holli at 661 972-0799

Jan Towers. I'm Spring Knolls' **Vice President and Architectural Director**. Volunteering in the SK community is rewarding, especially when you

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♥ Debbie Adelhelm

♥ Elizabeth Ainsworth

♥ Dennis Applegate ♥ Robert **Armstrong** ♥ Norma & Roy Arroyo ♥ Bill Barnes

♥ Suzi Barnes ♥ Ruth Barnett ♥ **Kathi Barone** ♥ Sheila Bassett

♥ Roy Bedoya & Julie Crespin ♥ Maria **Berridge** ♥ Lisa Bingham ♥ John Bourman

♥ Lynn Bowen ♥ Helen Brewer ♥ Manuel Brietman ♥ Sandra Bright ♥ Marsha Brinker

♥ Susie Britt ♥ Jim Bronson ♥ Peg Callahan ♥ Ed Carey ♥ Mario Carrello

♥ Debbie & Ed Cavalluchi ♥ Mike & Joannie Chavez ♥ Joan Christian ♥ Joe & Jan Compton ♥

♥ Betty Cornell ♥ Jose Costa ♥ Tom Cottle ♥ Mark Davidson ♥ Louis & Laura de Rosa

♥ Bill & Nancy Desmond ♥ Dennis & Ginny Dillon ♥ Linda Dunn ♥ Betty Dutton

♥ Donna & Roger Eaker ♥ Kathy Ellis ♥ Miguel & Ruth Enriquez ♥ Bob Faelchle ♥ Karen Farr ♥♥

♥ Stephanie Feher ♥ Jim & JoAnn Feryan ♥ Shirley Fields ♥ Elsie Figueroa ♥ Judy Francis ♥♥♥

♥ Mary Furgerson ♥ Pam Gertz ♥ Don Gibbons ♥ Frank Goble ♥ Betty Gregg ♥ Kate Grieder

♥ Rachel Grims ♥ Roger Groon ♥ Robert Guerra ♥ Celestina Gutierrez ♥ Tino Gutierrez

♥ Sharon Guzik ♥ Lorraine Haber ♥ Alan & Holli Hanson ♥ Kathleen Hefley ♥ Chris & Max Heilbron

♥ Hank & Gail Hein ♥ Jim & Chris Henry ♥ Laurie Hoskins ♥ Audrey Hulen ♥ Bev Hutchins

♥ Karen Jacobs ♥ Janet Jenrock ♥ Roberta & Baldy Jiron ♥ Sharon Johnson ♥ Henry Kantowitz

♥ Jodie Kellerman ♥ Sharon Kilpatrick ♥ Charlene Kirkwood ♥ Patricia Lallou ♥ Dee Larson

♥ Mike Lehane ♥ Candy Lee ♥ Mario Lizarraga ♥ Steve Lopez ♥ Doria & Frank Lore

♥ Matthew Lyons ♥ Linda & Ron Matkins ♥ Cyndy May ♥ Brad McClain ♥ Lisa McKinney ♥

♥ Marlene McLain ♥ Bernard McKernan ♥ Ken Miller ♥ Lynda Miller ♥ Lori Miller ♥

♥ Shawnee Miller ♥ Glo Mojardo ♥ Mary Lou Morgan ♥ Dorothy Moore ♥ Laly Neri

♥ Jan & Steve Newton ♥ April & Ken North ♥ Linda North ♥ Linda & Dale Neuman

♥ Lorraine Ocanna ♥ Judy Parker-Matz ♥ Lee Porter ♥ Susan Portera

♥ Charlotte Pratt ♥ Sandy Pride ♥ Gary Prim ♥ Tim Profitt ♥ Sunny Prohofsky

♥ Bobbie & Ritch Purcell ♥ Dave Quinlan ♥ Robert & Paula Raquel

♥ Linda Rhodes ♥ Rick Roguemore ♥ Frank & Pam Rosales

♥ Kay Schmidt ♥ Raymond Seda ♥ Pamela Shore ♥ Ron Sieber

♥ Darlene Smith ♥ Pam Spense ♥ Karen Steinert ♥ Lee Sterling

♥ Karolyn Stoner ♥ Linda Terhorst ♥ Alan Thompson

♥ Julie Todd ♥ Jan & Jerry Towers ♥ Denise Tucker

♥ Maggie Underwood ♥ Dorothy & Sean Vaughn

♥ Diane & Sam Velasquez ♥ Mellie Villarreal

♥ Sandy & Ted Vollmer ♥ Tillie Wassan

♥ Rhonda Watson ♥ Bill Williams

♥ Betty & Jim Witt

♥ Cindy Woody

Join us in saluting your Spring Knolls volunteers!

In every minute they donate, volunteers show love for our community and all it offers. We thank past and present volunteers for the countless hours they devoted and continue to devote to help residents enjoy the special years in what we feel is Murrieta's #1 community. Most of the listed volunteers are from at least 2015. We added previous ones we could identify. Many volunteers have moved or passed away. We wish to acknowledge not only their contributions, but also thank numerous volunteers from other Knolls units who have pitched in to help us.

Spring Knolls' new trash program: A quick Q&A

What you can expect when the recycling/organics steps start in March



GREEN - LID CAN: Food, yard waste and other organic materials such as coffee grounds, tea bags...

BLUE - LID CAN: Traditional recyclables: bottles, cans, plastic, paper, cardboard...

GRAY - LID CAN: Limited to all other waste that is not organic or recyclable.

(Editor's note: A version of this Q&A was distributed during the Jan. 13 Annual Meeting. This version includes new information provided by Murrieta Management Analyst Isaac Bravo in his answers to resident questions.)

Q. First of all, why is this happening?

A. To help cut greenhouse gas emissions, and trim the amount of organics going into landfills, the state enacted Senate Bill 1383. The goal is to cut organic disposals by 75% by next year. Most of Murrieta is in its third year in the program.

Q. When does the service begin?

A. First week of March. Recycling and organic recycling containers will be delivered in February. Initially, you will not receive a new regular trash container.

Q. When will trash be picked up?

A. All three containers will be emptied on the same day with multiple trucks. Residents are **not required** to put all containers out every week, but are asked to control any foul odors from containers.

Q. How much will it cost?

A. If you enroll in what's known as the **Income Qualified Rate (IQR)** you'll receive a bill for \$23.68 for your March service. Soon after, you'll receive an **advance payment bill** of \$71.04 for the **second quarter of 2024**. If you're on a **Basic Service Rate (BSR)** you'll be billed \$29.70 for March, and \$89.10 for the second quarter.

Q. Is this more than what I'm now paying?

A. Yes. Due to added waste processing, containers, equipment and labor costs, the annual cost for those in the Income Qualified Rate category will rise \$10.68 per month,

from \$13 to \$23.68. For those who aren't enrolled in the lower rate, the monthly charge will be \$29.70.

Q. What's the difference between the IQR and BSR?

A. There are two. The **first** is that the lower rate is available to all Spring Knolls members **65 or older who apply for it**. It's also available to enrollees in another income qualified assistance program. WM will contact you about how to sign up for the lower rate. Residents also may call **(800) 423-9986** to set up service or enroll in the reduced rate.

The **second** difference is that those registered for the **Income Qualified Rate** will eventually receive 64-gallon waste containers to replace their 96-gallon ones. Those on the basic rate will receive only 96-gallon containers.

Q. Some owners are 65+, and rent homes to those between 55-65. Will that affect their payments?

A. **Billing is dependent on the account holder.** WM will first try to establish accounts with owners. However, if through their rental agreement an owner places trash payment responsibility on the tenant, then the tenant would need to apply for the lower rate.

If owner John (66) rents to Bill (65) and Maggie (58) he can qualify for the reduced rate. However, if he passes billing responsibility to Bill and Maggie then Bill, as a tenant, could apply for the reduced rate, but Maggie can't.

Q. Who will I pay for trash pickup — Waste Management or the Spring Knolls Association?

A. Starting in March, Waste Management will be handling **all** payments. You'll be setting up accounts, and pay WM directly. WM will contact owners about how to do that.

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Q. My 2024 dues include paying for trash pickup. Will I receive a reimbursement from the association after Waste Management takes over billing?

A. Yes. Once the service begins, the association will either credit your account or reimburse you for March through June (for six-month dues payments) or March through December (for annual payments). The reimbursements or credits will be at a \$13-per-month rate reflecting the cost before the recycling, organic waste program goes into effect. The exact procedures will depend largely on what residents wish.

Q. If I'm turning 65 later this year, should I arrange for the shift to the income qualified rate now?

A. No. Apply for the lower rate *after* you turn 65.

Q. What if a landlord is not at least 65, but the tenant is?

A. The landlord will decide how this will work. He/she may opt to have a 65+ tenant apply for the lower rate, or adjust leases to reflect changes.

Q. Will the current rates rise in 2025? If so, why?

A. Trash service rates increase annually and are based on the U.S. Labor Department's Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside region. The increase is a percentage based on the overall change in goods (e.g., inflation), typically between 2-3%.

Q. May I pay for a whole year in advance?

A. Any overpayment of bills becomes a credit in the account. Rates are adjusted annually in October.

Q. What happens if I don't pay my WM bill?

A. Your trash will be collected. Charges for missed payments will be included in your property tax bill.

Q. Waste Management asks residents to create an online profile to "put you in control of your account." When should Spring Knolls residents do that?

A. Account holders are encouraged to create their online profile as soon as their account is activated. Waste Management should be contacting you soon.

Q. Will online payments be arranged?

A. Account holders can arrange online automatic payments at <https://www.wm.com/us/en/user/register>

Q. What should I do with the 96-gallon container I have?

A. For now, you'll continue to use your 96-gallon trash container for your regular trash. It will be replaced when needed, probably in several months. In February you'll receive only the blue-lidded recycling container and the green-lidded organic container. If you're under the lower rate and have a 96-gallon brown or black container, for the time being



Questions? City Management Analyst Isaac Bravo invites residents to contact him or Waste Management for answers to other questions you might have. His phone number in the City Manager's office is **951 461-6449**. His e-mail address is **IBravo@MurrietaCA.gov**

you'll receive 96-gallon recycling and organic containers and still pay the lower rate. Waste Management currently does not provide residents a mix, such as a large container and two small containers or two large containers and a small one.

Q. OK, Can you give me a simple list of items about what kinds of waste should go into the different containers?

A. Sure. Here's what you can place in the various color-lidded waste containers. By color...

GREEN-ORGANICS. Food-spoiled paper. Uncoated paper such as napkins, paper towels, tissues and egg cartons are OK. So long as they are made of paper, they're considered organic and should go into the green-lidded container. Also, Paper coffee filters, coffee grounds, tea bags, bread, pasta, rice, grains, meat, fish, poultry, fruit, dairy, eggs, vegetables are organic waste. Yard waste (leaves, branches, twigs, plants.) No plastic bags allowed.



BLUE-RECYCLING. Flattened cardboard, paperboard, paper, glass bottles and containers. They don't need to be washed before tossing. **Do not throw out in plastic bags.** Also, empty milk and juice containers should go into the recycling container since they have liners made of synthetic.



GRAY-REGULAR TRASH Cooking oil and grease. Coated paper and foam products such as food service wrappers, to-go containers, pizza boxes, cardboard boxes and similar materials with liners made of synthetic materials. Pet waste and diapers. Also, bagged plastic food waste. Plastic bags contaminate organics and should be placed only in gray-lidded cans.



Q. What should we do with prohibited items such as batteries, electronic waste, paint?

A. These types of materials harm the environment and must be disposed of properly in specialized facilities. Riverside County offers all Murrieta residents no-cost drop off

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service through the Murrieta ABOP and Paint Care Facility at 25315 Jefferson Ave. on non-holiday Saturdays between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. For more information, visit <https://rcwaste.org/murrieta-abop-and-paintcare-facility> or call the Dept. of Waste Resources at 951-486-3200.

Q. Will all three containers be emptied every week?

A. Every week, all containers will be serviced on the same day. There will be separate regular trash, recycling and organic recycling trucks at different times on collection days. Murrieta limits waste pickup to 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Q. Should residents rinse out empty food cans or other materials before placing them in recycling containers?

A. Recycled materials do not need to be cleaned prior to placement in the recycling container.

Q. Waste Management prefers to have food waste in paper bags. Are bags supplied?

A. No, bags will not be supplied. Paper bags are a preferred alternative for organic containers, but not required. Plastic bags of any type should not be used in organic waste containers, even those labeled as compostable. They can contaminate the organic waste in a truck that will be used for compost. Such improper contaminants can be detected and result in fines.

The Association has bought a number of large organic bags that will fit in your organic containers and will be sold at a discount (packs of 5 for 50 cents) while supplies last.

Q. What happens if people don't sort their trash in separate containers?

A. Waste Management uses "Smart Trucks," which record and monitor recycling and organic containers. Every container has serial numbers linked to an address. When containers are emptied, truck cameras take photos of the container and serial number, and detect items that should not be in them. Examples are plastic bags in an organic container, or yard or food waste in a recycling container. Residents who don't correctly use containers will get two warnings. Continuing violations may result in a \$15.39 fine per violation.

Q. Where can I store three containers on my property?

A. That will be your decision. Waste management is not responsible for their location.

Q. I'm disabled and bringing three containers to the street is difficult for me. What can I do?

A. If you have trouble placing your containers on the street for collection, contact Waste Management at (800) 423-9986 for help.

Note: Responses to these questions came from the city, Waste Management and various websites.

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can work with and help residents find solutions to their issues. Now and then you get a kind word from someone regarding the work we're doing. It's very heartwarming and makes me want to do even more.

Architectural Director has been a good fit for me as I've been around the construction industry for most of my life. As a child my father was always putzing with different projects. My husband, Jerry, has been in the building industry for most of our married life, close to 46 years.

I worked for Corona-Norco Unified School District for 20 years and finished in the Maintenance Department. There was always plenty of construction and architectural related work happening at over 40 schools.

Previously, I was the SK Compliance Director. Charlene is now in that post and we often work together to resolve different issues.

I'm also a member of SKERT, attend Tri Unit Umbrella Meetings and I'm very involved in our Booster Club.

-Contact Jan at 951 616-4443

Charlene Kirkwood. My first full year as your Compliance Director was 2023.

I have had the opportunity to meet with many Spring Knolls residents and help them resolve some of their issues. It can at times be challenging and at other times very rewarding.

I've issued parking passes, approved estate sales, sent Police Protection letters for vacant properties and Rental Limit letters to homes that are for sale.

I've sent notices for multiple cars on a property, cars parked on landscaping, underage persons, barking dogs, loud vehicles, trees that need trimming, and weeds. I take messages left on the Spring Knolls voice mail and give them to the appropriate board member.

With the New Year I'll do my best to keep Spring Knolls the wonderful place that we call home.

-Contact Charlene at 951 348-0042

Sandy Vollmer. I've served as your President for the past 3 1/2 years. As president I'm like a general manager who helps monitor and coordinate matters to make sure our association is in compliance with governing documents, as well as laws affecting association business.

As you've already seen above, each of the nine directors has an area of responsibility. Throughout the year, each also participates in the compliance of our rules and guidelines, and participates in overall board decisions that impact our community.

I'm also the liaison with our legal counsel; compose letters and agendas; chair board meetings, and track annually required mailings /notifications, the extensive election process, contracts and other required events.

-Contact Sandy at 951 319-6749 (home phone).

Boosters Bits

Spaghetti Dinner first on the 2024 Boosters menu



Dorothy Vaughn
Boosters VP

I hope that the New Year is going well for all. We are sticking to our resolutions and all that good stuff. Blah, blah blah.

We will be having a Spaghetti Dinner on Feb. 10. Ticket price is \$10 per person. Doors open at 5 p.m. Dinner served 5:30-7p.m.

Tickets must be purchased in advance; there will be no tickets

sold at the door. Spaghetti with meat sauce or Marinara, salad, garlic bread, dessert, coffee, water or bring your beverage of choice.

There will be a drawing for door prizes. It should be a fun evening! Flyers will be delivered and tickets will be available. Call Debbie Adelhelm, 760 717-

9876 or Dorothy Vaughn, 951 696-0871 for tickets and if you'd like a ride to our event.

We're still in the process of planning events for the rest of year, but it was unanimously agreed there will be a Spring Knolls New Years Eve Party on Dec. 31! So, if you have a calendar, mark the date right away!



- Bill Allen
- Judy Benoit
- Aristeo Cadillo
- Bill Desmond
- Kathi Ellis
- Danny French
- Lisa Galvan
- Richard Goodreau
- Steve Gregg
- Jennifer Hanson
- Kathleen Hurt

- Virginia Johnson
- Anna Keen
- Dee Kudelka
- Marte Lange
- Armando Macias
- Rima Macias
- Mary McIlvain
- Mike North
- Patti O'Connell
- Marie Parker
- Robert Raquel

- Christina Ritchie
- Connie Ruddell
- Connie Saldivar
- Henry Saldivar
- Karen Skinner
- Nathaniel Spence
- Sam Velasquez
- Marie Waite
- Rhonda Watson
- Rita Weise
- Jean Weston

- Bill & Barbara Coleman**
- John & Mary Gaskins**
- Michael & Jennifer Hanson**
- Larry & Charlene Kirkwood**
- Charles & Diana Ludwa**



In Memoriam

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| <p>Katherine Bierman
(Dec. 1923 - Feb. 2012)
Via Norte Vista</p> <p>John Louis Campagnolo
(Feb. 1946 - Feb. 2019)
Via Azul</p> <p>Mario S. Carrello
(July 1936 - Feb. 2011)
Via Magnolia</p> <p>Lucy Josephine Carrello
(Jan. 1940 - Feb. 2011)
Via Magnolia</p> <p>Ann J. Chapman
(July 1919 - Feb. 2010)
Via Princesa</p> <p>Anita Toni Clarkson
(April 1942 - Feb. 2018)
Via Princesa</p> | <p>Betty Marie Clugston
(Oct. 1928 - Feb. 2017)
Via Amarilla</p> <p>David Saul Dudman
(June 1925 - Feb. 2012)
Via Azul</p> <p>Shirley Dudman
(Aug. 1926 - Feb. 2018)
Via Azul</p> <p>George Williams Evers
(Dec. 1921 - Feb. 1998)
Via Princesa</p> <p>Frank Goble
(March 1917 - Feb. 2000)
29148 Via Princesa</p> <p>Jack Maurice Graham
(Dec. 1918 - Feb. 2002)
Via Escarlata</p> <p>Ronald Wesley Guise
(Jan. 1932 - Feb. 2012)
Via Princesa</p> <p>Nahma Gurman
(April 1935 - Feb. 2002)
Playa del Rey</p> | <p>Lawrence Harper
(July 1942 - Feb. 2011)
Via Azul</p> <p>Donna L. Hastings
(Oct. 1941 - Feb. 2017)
Via Norte Vista</p> <p>Joseph F. Hellmold
(March 1942 - Feb. 2011)
Via Princesa</p> <p>Terrence Dale Hitt
(March 1929 - Feb. 2018)
Via Princesa</p> <p>Craig Kent Huckstep
(July 1935 - Feb. 2008)
Via Norte Vista</p> <p>Audrey Hulen
(Feb. 1932 - Feb. 2019)
Via Princesa</p> <p>Joanne Grace Jendrock
(April 1938 - Feb. 2016)
Via Norte Vista</p> <p>Harry Kropnick
(Jan. 1914 - Feb. 1995)
Via Playa del Rey</p> | <p>Dennis Gail Myberger
(July 1936 - Feb. 2004)
Calle de la Siesta</p> <p>Lucy Rodriguez
(Jan. 1940 - Feb. 2011)
Via Magnolla</p> <p>Louis M. Ross
(Nov. 1915 - Feb. 2004)
Via Norte Vista</p> <p>Wilbert Lee Spitz
(May 1926 - Feb. 2016)
Via Princesa</p> <p>Ida Edith Stein
(June 1914 - Feb. 2015)
Via Magnolia</p> <p>Selma Grace Williams
(Oct. 1925 - Feb. 2010)
Calle de la Paz</p> <p>Norman Casey Withers
(May 1929 - Feb. 2014)
Via Playa del Rey</p> |
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Bed shakers, smoke detectors to be installed March 9

Hello all; it's time once again to sign up for free Red Cross smoke detector / bed shaker installations on **March 9**.

Nearly two years ago, on May 21, 2022, the Red Cross, Murrieta Fire Department and other volunteers outfitted 35 Spring

Knolls and 50 Golf Knolls homes with the special devices. And, more than 100 were also installed in Old Town Murrieta.

This event is similar.

Some things to know:

Who: Call me at 714 493-1709 to sign up for an installation.

When: The installation event will run from 9:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. **Saturday, March 9.** Please be available between those times because we're not exactly certain when installers will arrive at the homes on their lists.

What: What will be installed? They will install as many smoke detectors as required for your home (generally one in each bedroom, plus one in the common area.) These are up-to-date detectors that will last for 10 years without having to change the batteries. They will also test your existing alarms to see if you need any replaced.

They only furnish smoke detectors, not carbon monoxide detectors. If you want a carbon monoxide detector, please

buy one and they'll install it for you.

For the hard of hearing, bed shakers can be installed on your bed to awaken you in case of a fire where you might hear a smoke alarm.

If you would like a bed shaker, please let me know and I'll get you on that list, as well.

- Alan Hanson chairs the Spring Knolls Emergency Response Team



Alan Hanson
SKERT chair



SHAKE TO AWAKE: Gerald Winkel of the Red Cross displays a free bed shaker at the Jan. 13 Annual meeting. Volunteers will install the devices for the hard of hearing on March 9. (Far left) A volunteer installs a free smoke alarm during the May 21, 2022 event.

'Senior Resource Fair' searching for people, groups for April 6 SK event

By **Holli Hanson**

The search is on for people or groups to come and do a table top display at our "Senior Resource Fair"



Holli Hanson

At first we were calling this event a "Health and wellness fair". That name didn't sit well with most of us because this fair is really about letting our residents know what resources are available to us.

Most of us don't know what the community has to offer us. Hopefully this will be very informative and helpful to us all. If there is anything you would like to know about please call me at 661-972-0799.

Or if you would like to help in some way in our community please let me know that as well.

Please mark April 6 on your calendar to join in the fun and knowledge.

As an added bonus, lunch will be provided, and there will be prizes.

Sign up today for valuable alerts about SK issues

If you're receiving our free blasts on **SK In the Know**, we hope you're checking them out because recent blasts have focused on the upcoming shift to the trash organic recycling program and the new waste payment plans.

If you've yet to sign up, please do so. More than half of Spring Knolls' residents receive these alerts. We believe everyone getting them not only benefits, but can pass along important information to neighbors who lack internet access.

PLEASE. Sign up today for SK in the Know blasts. E-mail your name, Lot # and phone number to: intheknowspringknolls@gmail.com



By Mary Lou Morgan
SK News Welcome writer

To help usher in 2024, we introduce you to six new Spring Knolls residents.

• **Lori and Warren Bryant**, 38260 Via Alegre, since December.

Lori moved here from a 43-acre estate in De Luz. In Lori's career days, she was an adoption social worker. She now spends her time loving on her adopted pooches, a scruffy terrier and a poodle Pomeranian. She loves plants and creatures and all that nature has to offer. She has one child living in Italy and two grands, one in France and the other in New Jersey.

Warren is an Army veteran and is currently

residing in a care facility.

• **Art Saenz**, 28763 Via Roja

Art is still in transition as he is doing some remodeling to his new digs. He is retired from the City of Beverly Hills, and previously lived in Alhambra and Simi Valley.

Art has two children and a passion for old cars. (He'll need to join our July 4th Parade!).

You'll probably see him cruising the hood on his bicycle. He also is an avid fisherman.

• **Lucinda Rodriguez**, 28714 Calle de la Paz.

Lucinda is retired from the Murrieta School District and has lived in Murrieta for quite some time. She has two children and one

grand. She's a walker, doing three miles most days. She also likes water aerobics and needlework (mostly cross stitch).

• **Mark and Kim Kennard**, 38650 Via Escarlata, since December.

The Kennards, from Temecula, are also doing renovations. Mark is a dental hygienist and Kim is a massage therapist.

They have one son, a young 25 year old. Mark is a published author, who loves aviation and has his private pilot's license. Kim spends quite a bit of time serving in her church, Temecula Calvary Chapel, and loving on her Bengal/tabby cat Mickey.

Mark and Kim met while serving in the Air Force.

Want to be welcomed to Spring Knolls? Contact Mary Lou at 760 613-7513 for her Welcome column!

Spring Knolls *Free* Classifieds

{ To place a free classified, email your ad with photo (optional) to tscjnews@gmail.com Questions? Call (951) 319-6749 }

SIT & STAND TABLE:
Brand new adjustable Sit & Stand desk/table. Makes a great gift. **Asking \$25.**
Originally cost over \$75.
Call Bill @ 951 240-9065.



MISSING KITTY: Tigger is a 4-year-old female, brown & gray tabby who lived with our clubhouse caretaker. She's a bit shy, so if you see her, please call Lisa immediately so she can come get her. **Lisa, 951 212-8781.**



MISSING MAX: My black & white long hair cat, Max, has been missing since Oct. 21. He lives on Via la Rueda. He's shy, so likely won't come to you if you call. Please call **Patti O'Connell at 916 955-3895.**



SIGNING PARTNER: I'm taking an ASL (American Sign Language) class and seeking someone who signs, to practice with. If interested call: **Pat, (970) 749-4221** Thanks!

HAIR CUTS / BEAUTY SERVICES: Offering hair cut and other beauty services in your home for your convenience (female & male). I'm a licensed cosmetologist with more than 18 years' experience. Call **Nancy @ (951) 414-9554**

Medicare Annual Enrollment is your opportunity to find the plan that works best for your needs. Even if you're happy with your current Medicare plan, take a few minutes to review all your options for next year.

Here are a few reasons why:

1. Your needs may change. You may find you're going to the doctor more or less often, the prescription drugs you take may be different, or your health needs may have changed.
2. New Medicare plans may be available. Review all your options to get the care you deserve within your budget.

Contact **Sarah**, a licensed insurance agent (Spring Knolls resident) at **310-980-9509** or sarah@sarahinsure.com, Or visit www.sarahinsure.com for more information. CA License # 0K16275. Explore your options today!

HANDYMAN SERVICES: Handyman services, gardening, driving to doctor visits, etc. **Steve Lopez 626-622-4552.**

SEEKING: Any books on woodwork crafts. Call **Jim at 714 851-5025.**

SEEKING NEW HOMES: The cats pictured are seeking new homes after their Golf Knolls owner recently passed away. Both are 11, healthy and "very sweet." Love people but not each other so much, so should go to separate homes. The black one is a female. **Frank @ 951 375-8707**



Email ad(s) to tscjnews@gmail.com or send to **38441 Via Paloma, Murrieta, CA 92563.** The **Spring Knolls News** is not responsible for content or accuracy of ads. Photos will run as space is available.

What's up in Spring Knolls & Beyond?

February 2024 (Note, this is a Leap Year)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Birthstone: Amethyst	Flower: Carnation			1 Murrieta Market Night 5-9 p.m., Washington Ave.	2 Groundhog Day SK Office hours: 9:30 a.m. – noon	3
4 Sunday Bible Study, 10-11 a.m. Unit 3 clubhouse	5	6 Bible Study, 10 a.m.—noon	7 Best Years 11:45—1:15 p.m.	8  BINGO, 1-4 p.m.	9 SK Office hours: 9:30 a.m. – noon	10 Boosters spaghetti dinner; \$10/person; 5-7 p.m. (see page 7)
11 Sunday Bible 10-11 a.m. Unit 3 Super Bowl Party 2 p.m.; \$3; food, Unit 3; Jeanne @ 951 600-9834	12	13 Bible Study, 10 a.m.-noon	14 Valentine's Ash Wednesday Boosters, 10 a.m. SKERT, 6 p.m.	15 Murrieta Market Night 5-9 p.m., Washington Ave.	16 SK Office hours: 9:30 a.m. – noon	17
18 Sunday Bible Study, 10-11 a.m. Unit 3 clubhouse	19 President's Day	20 Bible Study, 10 a.m.—noon Bunco 1:30 p.m..	21 SK Board regular monthly meeting. 9:30 a.m.	22	23 SK Office hours: 9:30 a.m. – noon	24 Breakfast, 9-10:30 a.m., \$7 per person. Unit 2; Sherry Tater, 951 536-4604
25 Sunday Bible Study, 10-11 a.m. Unit 3 clubhouse	26	27 Bible Study, 10 a.m.—noon	28	29	Note: All Spring Knolls listings are in Eaker Hall unless otherwise noted. Winter clubhouse hours, 8 a.m. - 7 p.m. for gym, library, pools, Jacuzzi and grounds.	

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2024 Board Election - Final vote.
176 valid ballots were cast in the election for **five** open seats on the 2024 board of directors. Results:

- X Debbie Adelhelm** **152**
- X Sharon Kilpatrick** **154**
- X Shawnee Miller** **159**
- X Ron Sieber** **164**
- X Jan Towers** **155**

X = won election

Results announced Jan. 13 at the Annual Meeting by Inspector of Elections Yvonne Ruiz, notary public, State of California

MEETING CANCELED: The regular meeting of the Spring Knolls Board, set for Jan. 17, was canceled. The **Feb. 21** meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. in Eaker Hall. The agenda will be sent out in **SK In the Know** and posted at the clubhouse.

BAGS FOR SALE: The Association has more than 400 large organic waste bags for sale. They will fit into organic trash containers (green-lidded) for yard and food waste and are available during Friday office hours for **50 cents** for a 5-bag pack or **10 cents** for individual bags. For now, residents are limited to five bags each. (The retail price for these bags is \$2.91 for a five-pack including sales tax, so these are about one-sixth the regular price).

OWNER-RESIDENT FORM: Remember that bright pink form in your January dues invoice? Please fill it out and get it to the office as soon as possible to avoid late fees. **They must be filed every year**, even if the basic information has not changed, in order to obey state law for 55+ age HOAs. If you need a blank form, there are extra copies outside the office.

Open & Closed

OPEN:

Board Office: Fridays - Feb. 2, 9, 16, 23
9:30 a.m.-noon

- **Clubhouse Winter hours: 8 a.m. - 7 p.m.** Gym, library, large swimming pool, open to all ages. Jacuzzi or billiards room. Call Facilities Director **Ron Sieber** at (951) 541-6276 for more information.

- **Showers:** Showers available

Eaker Hall: Events on clubhouse grounds require advance Board of Directors approval.

Contact **Debbie Adelhelm @ (760) 717-9876** at least two weeks in advance.

- **Dog Park, Clubhouse grassy areas:** Owners must keep dogs under control. No drinking or smoking.

CLOSED:

- **The small pool** is unheated until Spring, and is closed. The large pool is open during this period to all ages.