# GI Knolls News

### October, 2024

### Mick Herod, Editor



### WHAT'S NEW? By Mick Herod

CROSSWORDS: This Newsletter is a Work in Progress. That's just a formal way of saying "Trial and Error." Last month I put forth a crossword puzzle challenge, with a \$25 gift card for the person with the earliest correct solution. That person was Sara Walston. Congratulations, Sara! Honorable Mention goes to Jan Lunday, who was the second correct submission, just a few hours after Sara.

But that was all...just two submissions. So, no more competitions. There is a new puzzle in this issue, with no time limit and no prize. Take your time and enjoy exercising those brain cells.

To make the puzzle a bit easier, ALL of the words can be found in THIS Newsletter.

DIRECTOR OF ELECTIONS: Same as last year, I have been appointed the Director of Elections for the 2025 HOA Board. Watch your tube for informational flyers, as well as your postal mailbox for official election information, forms and ballots.

<u>UNSUNG HEROES</u>: This will be a new column where we will spotlight some of the volunteers within Golf Knolls who have done something to improve our neighborhood, our facilities or Association-owned equipment,

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### WHAT'S INSIDE THIS EDITION?

IMPORTANT: OCTOBER MONTHLY HOA MEETING CHANGE. The Open Meeting will be held on Monday, October 14 at **6:00pm** in the **Banquet Room**. Following the meeting you will have the opportunity to meet the **2025 HOA Board candidates**.

There's a new *Brain Teaser* question on Page 2. See if you can solve it.

There is a ribbon-cutting ceremony and dedication coming up on Saturday, October 12. See the article on Page 5 for all of the details.

There's a new crossword puzzle on Page 11. ALL of the words can be found in this issue.

The process of electing the 2025 HOA Board of Directors has begun. See the article on Page 12 for the details.

You can check your September crossword puzzle answers on Page 19.

### **GKA UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

Patio Candlelight Dinner ------Saturday. 10/5 New GKA Signage, Library Dedication and Ribbon-Cutting Ceremonies ------ Sat. 10/12 HOA Meeting and *Meet the Candidates* for the 2025 HOA Board **6pm** --- Monday, 10/14 Bingo ------ Thursday, 10/24 Women's Society Luncheon--- Monday, 10/28

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### **Brain Teaser Question**

What is the only English four-letter word (in capitals) that reads the same upside-down, right side-up, forwards and backwards. Sit down, have a sandwich, and it may come to you. The answer is in this Newsletter and will be embedded within one of the articles (one more challenge).

<sup>&</sup>quot;It's paradoxical that the idea of living a long life appeals to everyone, but the idea of getting old doesn't appeal to anyone."

—Andy Rooney

# FROM THE PRESIDENT By Pat Pipher

BOARD ELECTIONS: The 2025 Election process has begun. Nomination packages were mailed mid-September. The package included the Rules as well as the candidacy requirements. Please consider running for the Board. GKA needs a full Board to adequately handle all processes and tasks within the Association and to avoid using a management company.

COTTAGE: The GKA Board of Directors is pleased to welcome Kellie Crivello who joins GKA as a part-time employee effective November 1, 2024. Kellie will occupy the cottage and work part time within the facilities. Her duties will include inside cleaning and light maintenance as well as some outside work. Since she is part-time with GKA, she can make other arrangements to help the Community Club and Women's Society.

**CELL TOWER:** Some years ago Verizon made an easement agreement with GKA to install a 5G cell tower. The payment we received purchased the entire solar system in the parking lot. Verizon sold their interest to American Tower who is the current owner of the easement. AT&T applied to and was approved by American Tower to add "branches" to the existing tower. To do that, AT&T needs to create an easement to install a new meter so that all additional electrical bills go to them and not GKA. What that means is they will run their cables or conduits underground from the tower and under a small portion of the GKA front lawn for a new meter to tie into the existing electrical utility in the street. GKA property will be returned to its original state.

APOLOGIES: The street markings you see from the clubhouse to a portion of Camino Alba were made to locate existing utilities for future installation of the new meter. Many of the markings inadvertently intruded on private property. The vendor was out early September and removed most of those erroneous markings and will come back out to finish the job. Sincere apologies to those affected. Although the Board was not involved in this process, if your yard has not been properly restored, please let me know.

# VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT By Vicki Davis

Oh my, here we are in the last quarter of 2024! I'll bet you're asking yourselves, "Where has this year gone?" Seems like the older we get, the faster the days fly by! This report reflects the month ending August 2024.

Escrows year-to-date: 20 closed, 3 deleted

Current escrows: 2 waiting to close

Collections: 5. 3 were paid, 1 is in escrow and 1 with a pending lien

Violations: Started August with 4 lots, success with 2, working with the other 2.

October 4th quarter HOA fees are due by October 15th. Save yourselves the late fees and pay on or before!

As a resident and trying to be a good neighbor I am requesting that you please slow down on our streets, pick up your doggie poop and your cigarette butts. Let's all be respectful of GKA and our lovely community!

# LANSCAPING REPORT By Judy Kirkpatrick

Last month I walked the eintire landscape areas around our facility with the supervisor from Excel (our landscaping contractor).

We are receiving bids to increase the irrigation around the new trees at the end of the parking lot. We are also receiving three bids for the 2025 landscaping contract.

Two new irrigation valves and a timer for the planters in front of Gate 2 have been installed.

Weed control is being addressed weekly.

Landscape Committee members have trimmed smaller plants around the pool area.

Two large palm trees in the back yard of the cottage will be cut down.

A rock border was installed to delineate the area reserved for dogs. A new disposal can is provided for your convenience. The tall bushes at the far end of the dog area have been trimmed, for easier maintenance.

If you see any Landscaping issues that need to be addressed, please let me know. My contact information is on Page 2.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

### By Frank Lippman

We will be working on our 2025 Budget during October. The Budget Committee will meet several times during the month and the Budget will be published on October 31<sup>st</sup>. If you have any project that has to be included in the 2025 Budget, please submit your request by October 4<sup>th</sup>.

Cash & Accounts Receivable for August 2024

| Cash & Accounts Receivable for August 2024  |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| Cash Operating Funds: California B & T CheckingCalifornia B & T Money Market                      | \$231,174<br>\$167 |
| Reserve Funds:  Wells Fargo Bank Checking  Wells Fargo Bank CD  Total Reserve Funds               | \$100.395          |
| Total Operating & Reserve Funds   | <u>\$861,654</u>   |
| Accounts Receivable*  | \$901<br>\$14,941  |
| Year-to-Date Operations IncomeYear-to-Date Operations Expenses* Includes Waste Management credits |                    |

# FACILITIES UPDATE By Pat Pipher

### General Maintenance:

- All pool railings have a fresh coat of paint.
- The pillars at the middle gate entrance have been painted.
- Updated signs were installed on all 3 gates as well as the pool and spa areas.
- Numerous minor repairs and maintenance items were completed.
- Our maintenance vendor has been busy building shelving for the Library, so read Jane Recht's article on the Library progress (see Page 5). A BIG thank you to Jane and to all the helpers who made this move so successful.

### **Outdoor Spa:**

The outdoor spa has been a big topic of conversation. The Facility Director started the renovation work with the demolition of the outside covering; we found the real issue was the plumbing. The plumbing, jets, etc. all needed to be replaced but because of the age, parts were not available, which meant full replacement. Many, many attempts were made to locate a plumber who would handle the job, and all replied the job was too small for the effort it would take. Thanks to one of our GKA residents who works with pool contractors, Steve Augustine, a highlyrated pool and spa contractor agreed to handle the work, including the plumbing and all the finishes. The work should start in mid-October and take about a month, weather-permitting.

# ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL, ETC., ETC. By Jane Recht

Greetings from Jane, the co-secretary, ACC, and ADA Director.

The Architectural Control Committee or ACC is organized into three teams of two committee members who do front yard inspections twice a month and escrow inspections as required. I would really like to thank our teams of hard-working individuals that include: Carol Armstrong, Barry Charelle, Don Fortney, Judy Kirkpatrick, Peter Kofoed, Sharon Kofoed, and Marlene Phelps. Thank you, guys. I really appreciate all your hard work.

We are in our third year of ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) compliance.. We have just completed the office ADA bathroom remodel which included a new sink, paint, drywall repair, floor tile. dispensers, and removal of the wall tile. Unfortunately, whoever installed the original sink did not tile under the sink and used liquid nails to adhere the original sink cabinet to the wall, which caused all kinds of damage to the drywall. Regardless, the work has been completed and now the remaining ADA project for 2024 is to install three additional automatic door openers.

The "Francine Hill LIBRARY" is close to being completed. The new custom bookcase looks fabulous. (Good job, Micah.) We just need furniture recovering, a free-standing corner desk, cloths, shelf tags, and paintings to hang. All of the books that were temporarily on the floor have been shelved. I must say the green paint in the library just kind of grows on you. You can access the Library through the BBQ patio, right next to the Billiard Room.

We are currently looking for a volunteer to serve as head Librarian. If you like working with other people and keeping books organized...then boy, do I have a job for you! It doesn't take much time, The rewards of meeting and making new friends and a feeling of accomplishment are waiting for you. We will even pay twice as much as the

GKA Board gets paid. (Just joking, we will pay triple!)

The Library dedication and ribbon-cutting ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, following the unveiling of our new *Welcome to GKA* sign. Festivities start at 11:30am, along Camino Alba.

Please come and enjoy our newly-remodeled Library and join us in honoring Francine Hill, who has given 44-plus years to GKA serving as the Digest editor. I really hope to see everyone there.

# UPCOMING CELEBRATIONS By Don Fortney



We have two exciting opportunities coming up on Saturday, October 12th, from 11:00am—12:30pm at the Recreation Facilities.

First, the unveiling of the new *Welcome* sign, which will be mounted on the lawn facing Camino Alba, near the South Gate.

Second, we are having a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new *Library* and are formally dedicating it to Francine Hill.

We will be serving cake and light refreshments, i.e., coffee, tea & ice water.

We are asking each chairperson of a volunteer committee to participate in displaying literature, past and future flyers, nomination forms and sign-up sheets. The goals here are to inform new (and current) residents about the functions we volunteers do at GKA and to encourage their future participation.

This will be an excellent opportunity to have a fun, social, celebratory event to meet and greet your new neighbors and old friends.

Hope to see you there!

<sup>&</sup>quot;I was thinking about how people seem to read the bible a lot more as they get older, and then it dawned on me—they're cramming for their final exam." —George Carlin

# STREETS AND SAFETY REPORT By Alan Maretsky

Hello fellow Golf Knollians.

Our project to update overnight parking passes is progressing. As mentioned at the last meeting I was awaiting samples from a third vendor. It seems they aren't interested so we're moving forward. Once everything is finalized, we will get things ordered. Distribution will be done via door bags. Each home will receive one overnight pass. If you need an additional one for an additional temporary guest, please reach out to me. These passes can also be used for overnight RV or trailer parking but be mindful of the time limit restrictions for these vehicles. There will be a charge for a lost parking pass.

Anticipated date for implementation will probably be late October or November. You will be updated in the next GK Newsletter.

Also, I am inspecting our street signs to see what needs to be replaced, removed or added.

Thanks to all for reporting street light outages. So Cal Edison takes care of these pretty quickly. I'm notified when they have been repaired. Also, thanks to EMWD for the somewhat rapid repair of the water main leak on Calle de Buho. If you spot water gurgling up from the street, PLEASE contact me at (661) 886-1117 immediately. A small leak can be the precursor to something far worse and we don't need a sinkhole messing up our community.

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## MONTHLY PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

I'd again like to remind everyone that **STOP SIGNS** are designed for that purpose. They're not 'ignore' signs, so STOP. I really don't want to hear the sirens from AMR, MPD and Station 3 rolling up here because someone decided that they are exempt from the rules! The Board will be discussing, in the future, some ways to ensure that vehicles do stop (no, not speed bumps). Also, watch your speed. I've observed many vehicles going more than 20mph, especially around the turn on Via Taffia. Slow down, please.

### This is the ONLY kind of 'California Roll' allowed in the Knolls communities



As a reminder, if you see a street safety issue, workmen blocking street access (not public utilities), street damage or any other streets-related issues, please reach out to me directly at (661) 886-1117, or my email: <a href="mailto:maretsky52@gmail.com">maretsky52@gmail.com</a>. I will respond as soon as possible.

# DIRECTOR AT LARGE REPORT By Hilary Wylie

Want to stop receiving the grocery ads thrown in your driveway every week? You can opt-out by calling 800-437-0479. The process takes 4-6 weeks.

# WOMEN'S SOCIETY REPORT By Glenda Smith

No article was submitted for October.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Always be nice to your children because they are the ones who will choose your retirement home." —Phyllis Diller

# COMMUNITY CLUB REPORT By Jeanne Nichols

Fall is finally here. Say goodbye to our hot, hot summer (hopefully).

### **SOCK HOP**

In September we had one of the best events of the year. It was our Sock Hop. Thanks go out to Glenda Smith, Pam Byers and all of their volunteers. The menu was hot pulled chicken sandwiches, baked beans, coleslaw, potato salad and a big pickle spear. For dessert, a "make your own" sundae bar.

We had many games and a ton of fantastic prizes. Francine Hill won the yo-yo contest, Vicki Davis was the Queen of the Sock Hop, and Clark Baldwin was the King. Al and Madelyn Padilla won the best-dressed couple. See photos from the event on Page 16

### COMMUNITY CLUB ELECTIONS

Community Club elections are coming soon. You will first receive a Nomination Form. You may nominate yourself or someone else (with their prior permission). Drop your completed form into the GKA Office mail slot.

If you would just like to help out from time to time, please put your name and contact information on the bottom of the form.

### CANDLELIGHT DINNER

Join us for a candlelight dinner on the Patio on Saturday, October 5. Details are on the flyer that you have received (or see Page 9). This should be another great event.

# WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS By Linda Fuller

Hello everyone - Please join me and welcome the newest residents to our GOLF KNOLLS COMMUNITY (GKA).

**BOBBIE HERRON Lot #390** 

29141 Calle Cisne PHONE: 562-435-2246

Bobbie was born in Chicago. She enjoys the gym, pool, and concerts. Bobbie has many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

KATHLEEN LORD Lot # 403

38370 Via Ventoso PHONE: 847-293-9150

Kathleen moved here from Niles, IL. She was born in Peoria, IL. Kathleen enjoys biking, reading and cooking. She has 3 stepgrandchildren.

"Be the light in someone's darkness"

# NEW RESIDENTS' ORIENTATION By Steve and Marlene Phelps

Welcome to all new residents.

Did you know that as an owner or renter you are required to attend a new resident orientation within 30 days of the close of escrow?

If this applies to you, please give me a call at 760-214-3553 to schedule an appointment.

The orientation lasts for approximately 1.5 hours and is given on Wednesdays at 9:00am by appointment only.

Once you have completed the orientation, you can come to the GKA office and get your gate fob on Fridays between 9:00 am and noon. The fob grants you access to the pool area and other Golf Knolls amenities.

We're looking forward to meeting you!

# INSPIRATION By Lyn Mari



Vote in wisdom for Righteousness.

Proverbs 29:2—When the righteous are in authority, people rejoice. When the wicked rule, people groan.

Proverbs 28:4— Those who forsake the laws (of God and man) praise the wicked. But those who keep the law, struggle against them.

Psalm 19:9—The law and judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

# EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM By Mick Herod







The County of Riverside has established geographic zones for conducting evacuations due to catastrophic events. In **Golf Knolls**, our **Evacuation Zone** is labeled **MUR-2097** and it covers the entire Unit 3. Other nearby Evacuation Zones are as follows:

MUR-2100 The Golf Course adjoining GK.

MUR-2095 SK (Spring Knolls) and WSK (Warm Spring Knolls) north of Via Princesa.

MUR-2096 SK south of Via Princesa, including the Murrieta Hot Springs Resort and the adjoining Golf Course property.

The Brain Teaser answer is "NOON."

MUR-2093 West side of Warm Springs Creek.

MUR-2027 Across Hunter Rd. from GK (north end of Calle Quedo and Via del Largo).

These maps can be found by going to *rivcoready.org/active-events* then entering your address in the top-right corner of the map.

There are three levels of evacuation, going from least- to most-restrictive:

<u>Shelter in place.</u> Go indoors, shut and lock doors and windows. Stay put until contacted by emergency personnel.

<u>Evacuation Warning</u>. Potential threat to life and/or property. Those who require additional time to evacuate, and those with pets and livestock should leave now.

<u>Evacuation Order</u>. Immediate threat to life. This is a lawful order to leave now. This area is lawfully closed to public access.

The *rivcoready.org* website is part the Riverside County Emergency Management Department and has much more information about protecting yourself and your family. It's never too early to begin planning for an emergency!

# CONCERT BY THE POOL By Don and Donna Fortney

On Saturday, August 24th, we all enjoyed a lovely evening on the pool deck, listening to live music from a 20-person combo called "The Valley Winds Band." From clarinets, drums and trombones, to electric bass, keyboards and a beautiful female vocal stylist, the entire audience listened, clapped, danced and sang along. The weather was the coolest evening we've had recently, making the event very comfortable for the first half of the performance; then the light jackets and sweaters came out for a quick hug. One member of the band who resides here in Golf Knolls, Jim Giuseppe, was before thrilled to play his beloved community. He was also delighted about the turnout, 90 people, who told him they would love for the band to return in the future. Many thanks go out to our volunteer teammates for set-up and tear-down chores: Tom & Leslie Larsen, Marlene Phelps, Marc Dobberstein, Tom Reno, Mick Herod and others.

### `HOW TO RESPECTFULLY RETIRE AN OLD AMERICAN FLAG By The Flag Man



Start by holding the flag in a customary triangle manner

Prepare a fire large enough to burn the flag completely

Place the flag in the fire

While the flag burns, witnesses should recite the Pledge of Allegiance or salute

In lieu of your own ceremony, but you still want to ensure your flag will be properly retired, you can take your flag to a retirement location. This includes Murrieta Fire Station #1 (near City Hall), a local VFW or an American Legion Post, where they will honorably retire your flag.



# HELPING HANDS UPDATE By Peter Kofoed

I want to thank all the GKA seniors that are asking for assistance. There have been occasions when we have been unable to accommodate your request. As we get more volunteers I am hoping we can open "new categories of service" for our residents!

The hot weather has been a factor in getting volunteers to respond. Hopefully, we will see more volunteers for "gardening." When we get those additional volunteers I will be creating "teams" so the jobs will be easier to handle. Since we started we have seen requests for the trimming of very thick and large bushes/trees, etc. In some cases there was a lack of proper equipment and a risk to some of our volunteers.

This is not a criticism of the property owners in GKA. There are a lot of residents who have trees and bushes that extend "above" and "over" parts of the roof of their houses. In my time in GKA we have had one fire that burnt a home down in "less than 10 minutes." Think about this, as it could occur again. The resident was able to safely get out of the house, but as seniors we need to be careful and "prepared" for anything and everything!

We need all of our residents to get your trees and bushes trimmed on a regular basis and keep your roofs clear of materials which could make a fire hazard a much greater threat.

We can still use more volunteers as we are not able to meet all the requests from our residents. Please call me if you want to volunteer. After four months, the "directors" find it hard sometimes to identify an available volunteer. I have asked the following before from volunteers and I will make my request again so we can maintain our efficiency.

It appears from our records to date that few volunteers would be asked to assist no more than once in a 10-12 day period. However, the directors do not know when you are working/traveling or just not available ahead of time. What would be really helpful is for our volunteers to text me once a week, preferably on a Saturday or Sunday. Just tell me what day or days you will be unavailable the following week. The reason why is not

important or necessary, just the communication. Please make sure you provide your full name. Thank you.

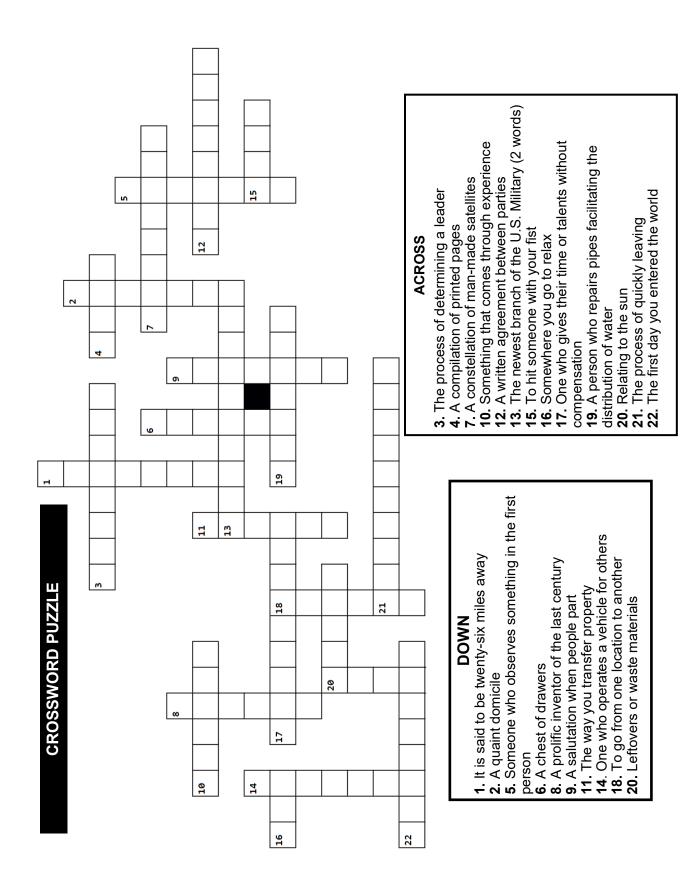
My thanks to everyone in our community. I first came to GKA in April, 2011. I was a renter for a while. We bought a house later and have been happy to be residents here. I have watched how far we have come and "grown" and the willingness of many, many residents that reached out, in so many different ways, to help their neighbors! As seniors, the faces of our residents change over time. However, their needs and our ability to be good neighbors will continue!

Peter W. Kofoed 858-722-0823



### BINGO! By Marti Gabriel

- GKA Bingo is always the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the Month in the (always cool) Banquet Room.
- The next Bingo night is on Thursday, October 24th. Doors open at 5:30pm and bingo cards are sold until 6:30pm.
- A Power Ball number is drawn at the beginning of the Bingo session. If Bingo is called and it happens to on be the power ball number, then you win \$250.00.
- The Power Ball is active during regular games only. With games such as Pull-tab cards, Double action, X or Black out, the Power Ball doesn't count.
- Bingo is a fun activity. Bring a friend to enjoy an evening out.
- There are refreshments and extras to take home.



# 2025 HOA DIRECTOR ELECTION By Mick Herod Inspector of Elections

The 2025 HOA Director Election Process has begun. In the second week of September., each Owner was mailed the Notice of Nomination Procedures and Nomination Forms. These items were mailed to the Owner of Record for each Lot. Nomination Forms are due by the close of business on October 11. If you have not received this information, it is possible that the GKA Office does not have the correct information on file. You may request a copy from the Office, but it is recommended that you also assist in correcting any outdated information that is on file.

The Pre-Ballot Notice of Meeting and Candidate List will be mailed in mid-October. Any corrections to the Candidate List must be made by the close of business on November 13. This will also be the deadline for Candidates to present their Candidate Statements to the Inspector of Elections.

There will be an Open Board Meeting on November 14 at 6:00pm in the Banquet Room (in place of the 3:00pm meeting in the Meeting Room). At the conclusion of this meeting you will have an opportunity to meet the Candidates.

All Election-related mail should be addressed

to the Inspector of Elections and deposited in the GKA Office mail slot, the mailbox located outside of the Banquet Room, or by U.S. Mail to 29070 Camino Alba, Murrieta, CA 92563.

All Candidates will be vetted. If there are more vetted Candidates than there are openings on the 2025 Board, the Official Ballots will be mailed in mid-November. If there are fewer Candidates than openings, the current Board can declare the outcome of uncontested elections without the need for balloting (as occurred last year for the 2024 Board). Whether by voting or acclamation, the 2025 Board will be announced and sworn in at the January 13, 2025 (open) General Meeting. Actual Board positions will be determined by the new Board at a meeting the following day, on January 14, 2025.

We encourage all Owners and potential Candidates to support this upcoming Election by self-nomination (or by nominating someone else, with their permission) and the prompt return of Ballots (if Ballots are required). This will ensure we continue to have a healthy, strong Board of Directors governing Golf Knolls. The alternative could be a Management Company that would diminish our ability to be self-governing and be definitely more costly than a strong cadre of volunteers.

Thank you for considering to become a Board member!

### FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS ENDING SOON By Paul Dashner, GKA Resident

Attention Senior Football Fans. The Vista Murrieta High School Football Team invites the Knolls communities to their home Varsity football games.

A bus will pick us up at the Unit 2 Clubhouse at approximately 5:30pm the nights of the games and take us to Vista Murrieta High School. We'll be escorted to our great seats, where we'll be served a "box dinner" while cheering on our "Broncos" football team.

At the end of the game we'll return by bus to the Unit 2 Clubhouse (around 9:30pm).

All of this is at no charge. If you're interested in joining us, call and "get on the list." Please



call Paul Dashner at 760-702-7553 or Chris Dashner at 562-867-0175.

Remaining home games are as follows:

10/4 7:00pm vs. Chaparral High School10/10 7:30pm vs. Centennial High School10/18 7:00pm vs. Roosevelt High School



# OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS By Gloria Bachman



| Jun Arpon, Jr    | 16 |
|------------------|----|
| Teresa Bolton    |    |
| Laura Bryant     | 21 |
| Pamela Buck      | 31 |
| Steven Dehlinger | 13 |
| Sherrie Eggers   | 6  |
| Ben Eisenstein   |    |
| Matt Freiberg    | 23 |
| Mike Gonzales    | 9  |
| Karen Gooding    | 11 |
| Aileen Gresham   | 7  |
| Jack Jessen      | 28 |
| Jo Lippman       |    |
| John Macias      |    |
| Jon Mansur       |    |
| Andy Margolis    | 28 |
| Hal Margolis     | 23 |
| George Markakis  | 31 |

| Molly McCune 15     |
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| Madelyne Padilla 28 |
| Cheryl Rhodes8      |
| Brandon Ripka 5     |
| Roxanne Rummler9    |
| Jean Sheplor 19     |
| Peter Silva 10      |
| Patricia Smith 20   |
| Sue Spoelhof9       |
| Jean Tabb 24        |
| Howard Taylor 8     |
| Bill Thiesse 16     |
| Robert Tomeoni 1    |
| Shalone Venemen6    |
| Linda Wagner 16     |
| Joanne Wells 26     |
| Karla Williams 14   |
| James Wirt 30       |



# OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES By Gloria Bachman

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| John Comes and Angel Toussaint 13 | Sam and Arlene Muscato 13 |
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| Don and Lynda Kinnsch 14          | Doug and Linda Schmidt 20 |
| Corby Lee and Brenda LeGrand 30   | Joel and Andrea Wilson 14 |
| Dennis and Janet Leffler6         | James and Dorothy Wirt 1  |
| Michael and Tammy Lopez 10        | ·                         |

Our condolences to Bonnie Davis on the loss of her son Cary McDaniel.

Please contact GLORIA BACHMAN (951-696-8253), to notify her of any BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES, illnesses or deaths <u>IN WRITING</u> AND place in tube at 28760 VIA DEL SOL. (No notices will be printed in the *Golf Knolls News* without written notification.) WE WANT YOU TO BE A PART OF OUR COMMUNITY, so keep us posted. If you don't see your birthday or anniversary, please call.

# GKA Alerts By Marti Gabriel

Join the Alert system. This is a voluntary email 'blast' to Knolls residents providing urgent communications. To subscribe, contact Marti Gabriel at 951-553-1259 or by email at: marilynngabriel@gmail.com

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# SCAM or NO SCAM? Part I By Mick Herod

Online scams are everywhere. How many times have you received a warning about your bank account being compromised...even when you've never done business with that bank. That's an example of *phishing*. Yes, pronounced the same as *fishing*, because the scammer is *fishing* for your private information, be it your login and password, social security number, account number, etc.

So, if you were a Bank of America customer, would you find the image on the following page to be authentic or phishing? Now, since this article is on SCAMMING, you'd say it's a scam. But, look again. Doesn't it look exactly like your login page? If it IS a fraud, how would you know it? So, is it phishing or is it legit? Look closely at the entire page, and you may find a clue. If you think you know for sure whether it's a scam or a legitimate email (and why), turn to Page 16.

### **SOLAR COMPANY CONSUMER ALERTS**

BAD EXPERIENCES WITH SOLAR COMPANIES AND INSTALLERS WITHIN GKA

From Bill and Sue Spoelhof:

Beware EverBright Company and Bright Ops installers.

During the past four months since installation of the solar, we have been having so many problems with EverBright Solar, after their sales rep's pitch of "You won't have to do anything." Their installers, Bright Ops Solar, improperly installed things in the initial installation, switching two wires so we got charged by So Cal Edison for overages (\$2,000). When they finally sent someone to fix it, the battery lasted two days but now is not charging. After calling them daily, no repairs have been scheduled. Plus, we have been told by Bright Ops that they will not refund or pay back any money lost in overages that we had to pay. We are totally frustrated and feel that people in our community should be warned against using these companies.

If you need more information, you can contact us at 616-881-9680.

### From Mick Herod:

Avoid Complete Solar, My Solar Home and their contracted installers. Almost ONE YEAR elapsed before we could take advantage of using our system, though the solar panels had been on our roof for over ten months. This was due to the companies' engineering specifications being incorrect and causing major delays before SCE would approve the installation. Then, when billing began, the salesman's promised credit of \$900 (first six months free) never materialized.

While the system is now working correctly, the frustration of dealing with incompetent people and their lies was not worth the trouble. Do your homework. Check out at least three solar companies. Talk to your neighbors who have solar about their experiences. Consult the Better Business Bureau. Get any promises in writing. Don't be pressured by salespeople trying to get you to sign the contract on the initial visit. If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

### VEHICLE RECALL SEARCH

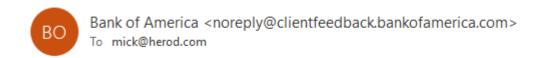
Did you ever wonder if there has been a recall on your vehicle? It's easy to check if there are current recalls.

Go to <u>www.nhtsa.gov/recalls</u> From there, you only need enter your license number and state in which your vehicle has been registered.

You can also search by VIN or year/make/model.

This same website also allows you to check for a tire recall by entering the tire brand and tire line, such as *Michelin XZ*, *Firestone ATX* or *Bridgestone Turanza*.

<sup>&</sup>quot;I love a good nap. Sometimes it's the only thing getting me out of bed in the morning." —George Costanza, Seinfeld



WARNING! Suspicious activity has been detected on your Bank of America account(s). Please take action immediately.



### Dear Customer:

We have detected suspicious activity on your account(s). Please log in <u>immediately</u> to change your password, then follow the instructions to prevent further unauthorized transactions (or you may click on the link below).

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# SCAM or NO SCAM? Part II By Mick Herod

The entire email on Page 15 is made up of images taken from the official Bank of America website. Now, I'm not a cybercriminal, but if I can fabricate an authentic-looking email, how much better can a professional crook do? Whether you enter your login information in the red space or go to the link that's given (repeated below), your login info will be recorded and (likely) used for fraudulent purposes. Look VERY closely at the link below for the spelling of "america." Use a magnifying glass if necessary. Did you catch it? The actual spelling is "ARNERICA." You'll see there is a (very, very slight) space between the "r" and the "n." The particular font used lends itself to the ruse. So, if there is any doubt, CALL YOUR BANK OR FINANCIAL INSTITUTION at the number listed on your statement or credit card. Any phone numbers shown in a phishing email will likely go to the scammer's call center, and the operators there can be *very* convincing. Don't give scammers the benefit of the doubt!

### Bankofarnerica.com

### **FUN AND GAMES AT THE SOCK HOP**

Photos clockwise, from top left: The Sock Hop organizers, Best-Dressed Couple, even Elvis was in the building, and friends sitting around the table









# Golf Knolls Neighbor to Neighbor October 2024



Share your recommendations, list items for sale, and items wanted. The preferred method for submitting your ad is by sending Email to

peggydonnellysemail@yahoo.com.

You may also place your notice in Peggy's mail tube at 29055 Calle Alta or text it to 949-500-4099 by the 15th of each month.

PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR NAME AND PHONE NUMBER.

### For Sale:

### **MEDICAL EQUIPMENT**

NEW – 1 aluminum 4-wheel Rollater, brakes, seat, pouch, folds up. \$20

NEW – 1 steel 4-wheel Rollater, brakes, seat, pouch, folds up. \$15

NEW - 1 walker. \$5

NEW - 1 bedside table with wheels. \$20

NEW – 1 bedside commode, never used. \$10

1 electric foot massager with remote. \$20

50+ totes full of holiday decorations. \$10 & \$15 ea. Includes tote & contents.

For Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Valentines, Easter, St. Patrick's, Winter, Spring, Summer and fall.

Please contact Richard Osborne at 951-239-1121. 28880 Calle Alta, Murrieta, CA 92563

### Services Offered:

"WE DRIVE...You Relax... If you need a ride to the Market, Doctor, Vet or do some shopping please give Ted or Linda a call when the need arises. We are prompt and reasonable and serving all of GKA. Chauffeurs Ted or Linda will help you from door to car, help with walkers etc. and help you out of the car or to your doctor's door etc. Call 951-316-4971"

PLACE YOUR AD HERE

### For Sale:

Char-broil Big Easy Oil-less Turkey Fryer. Like new only used twice. Very clean. \$75.00 obo. (Propane tank not included) Please call Greg at 909-215-9087



### For Sale:

Golf cart, Club Car, in excellent condition, 1 year old, new batteries with 2 chargers. Delivery available. Asking \$2,900. Please call B.J. at 951-301-3702

### PLACE YOUR AD HERE



### Services Offered:

### **NOTARY PUBLIC**

Peggy, (AKA Margaret) Donnelly, (a GKA homeowner) is a fully commissioned Notary Public, she will happily come to your home for Notary services.

Margaret Donnelly Notary Public commission number 2460354. Please call 949-500-4099.

NOT AN ATTORNEY OR PARALEGAL

Peggy also does alterations, fast and reasonable.

### In Search Of:

Greeting card makers or "scrap bookers", we have a greeting card makers group in the Golf Knolls. We meet about once a month to make cards. We need more members. This is not a just come and make cards event. Each contributes a card to be made by all. This is how it works:

- You create a greeting card.
- You provide all materials and tools needed for all other members to recreate the card, you also provide an envelope for each card, and I place the needed materials in a baggie for each member.
- At the meeting each shows their card, and how to use the tools.
- Everyone rotates from station to station creating each card.

It's a lot of and you leave with some beautiful cards. If you are interested or have question please call or text Pat at 970-749-4221

# SEPTEMBER CROSSWORD PUZZLE ANSWERS

### **DOWN**

- 1. Banquet
- 2. Community
- 3. Orange
- 5. Owner
- 6. Knoll
- 7. Resident
- 8. Clubhouse
- 10. Chaparral
- 11. Library
- 12. Soliciting
- 15. Golf
- 16. Stop
- 17. Bingo
- 19. CRV
- 22. Scam

### **ACROSS**

- 4. Sock Hop
- 9. AED
- 13. Lighthouse
- 14. Digest
- 18. ERT
- 20. Root Canal
- 21. Contributor
- 23. Centennial



October 4-10 is World Space Week.

If you're in the right place (clear view of western sky) at the right time (if the launch goes as scheduled), you can observe the rockets contrails of ascending Vandenberg Space Force Base. You can find out the (scheduled) times of future by searching launches the web spacelaunchschedule.com and choosing 'Vandenberg SFB' under the 'Location' dropdown.

SpaceX (Elon Musk's company) schedules multiple launches per month (mostly for *Starlink* satellites).

Starlink satellites provide internet service to homes, RVs or boats, where no other alternative exists, for a monthly service fee. Nearly 12,000 Starlink satellites are planned to be launched.

Other entities that also launch from Vandenberg include the U.S. military, NASA, Firefly Aerospace, Northrop Grumman and United Launch Alliance.







The Sun City Travel Club hosts day and multi-day trips. For more information or to sign up, contact Nyla (951-757-6760) or Debbie (858-442-1677) between 9am-7pm. Trips depart from and return to Sun City.

| Thursday, Oct. 10 Hamilton (Broadway Musical) at Hollywood Pantages\$135          |
|---|
| Monday, Oct. 14-22 Costa Rica (9 days/8 nights)\$2899d, \$3399s                   |
| Monday, Oct. 21\$52   |
| Tuesday, Oct. 22-25 Riverside Casino-Laughlin, NV \$434d, \$569s                  |
| Saturday, Nov. 9\$73  |
| Monday, Nov. 11-15 Ensenada & Catalina Island CruisePrices vary                   |
| Wednesday, Nov. 20 Viejas Casino—Alpine\$25                                       |
| Monday, Nov. 25\$70 Monday @ Museums—Exposition Park in L.A\$70                   |
| Sunday, Dec. 8 Holiday Lights Cruise (San Diego Bay Parade of Lights) \$125       |
| Sunday, Dec. 8-12 Smoky Mountain & Pigeon Forge (5 days/4 nights) \$2799d,\$3479s |
|   |
| Monday, Dec. 16\$35   |



# October 2021 **GKA Community Calendar**



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|--|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| ant Only                                   | day's by Appointmy   | Modera                              | 10:00 - Noon                        | Tues - Card Room                 | Unit III                            | BIBLE STUDY                          |
| ation                                      | GKA Mandatory Orientation  | GKA                                 | Time                                | Day                              | Unit                                | Activity                             |
|  |  |                                     | Room                                | MR: Meeting, Room, CR: Card Room | LEGEND: BR-Banquet Room, MR:        | LEGEN                                |
| The same                                   | The state of the s | <b>31</b>                           | 30                                  | 29                               | 28                                  | 27                                   |
|  |  |                                     |                                     |                                  |                                     |                                      |
|  | (C)  | Halloween                           |                                     |                                  | Women's Soc. Lunch - BR<br>12:00 PM | Bible Study - MR<br>10:00 - 11:00 AM |
| 26   | 25   | <b>65</b> 66 24                     | 23                                  | 22                               | 21                                  | 20                                   |
|  |  | BINGO - BR<br>Doors open at 5:30 pm | Private Party - CR<br>1-4 PM        |                                  | Budget Mtg - MR 2 PM                | Bible Study - MR<br>10:00 - 11:00 AM |
| 19   | 18   | 17                                  | 16                                  | 15                               | 13 HOA Mtg - BR 6PM 14              | 13                                   |
|  | IDAM   | Financial Overs. Cmt - MR 10 AM     |                                     |                                  | Budget Mtg - MR 2 PM                |                                      |
|  | (GKA/CC) - BR  | 7:00 PM - CR                        | 1:00 PM - CR                        |                                  | Women's Soc. Mtg - BR 11 AM         | 10:00 - 11:00 AM                     |
|  | Tri-Unit Mtg   | Emerg. Respon. Tm Mtg.              | Emerg. Res. Tm. Mtg                 | GKA - MR 9-1:00 pm               | GKA Exe Mtg - MR 10 AM              | Bible Study - MR                     |
| HOUSE 12                                   | 11   | 10                                  | 9                                   | 8                                | 7                                   | 6                                    |
| OPEN                                       |  |                                     | Private Party - CR 9-4 PM           |                                  |                                     |                                      |
| Golf Knolls Open House<br>11:00 - 12:30 PM | Private Party - BR   |                                     | GK Community Club Mtg<br>MR 1:00 PM |                                  |                                     | Bible Study - MR<br>10:00 - 11:00 AM |
| 5  | 4  | 3                                   | 2                                   | 4                                | Beth Harvey ~ (714) 349-4087        | Beth Harvey ~                        |
| BBQ Patio 6-10 PM                          |  |                                     |                                     |                                  | Contact:                            | Con                                  |
| Candle Light Dinner on the<br>Patio        |  |                                     |                                     |                                  | For Facilities Reservations         | For Facilities                       |
| Saturday                                   | Friday   | Thursday                            | Wednesday                           | Tuesday                          | Monday                              | Sunday                               |
|  |  |                                     |                                     |                                  |                                     |                                      |

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Unit III

Tues - Clubhouse
Sun - Meeting Room
Thurs - Card Room
Wed - Card Room

10:00 - Noon 6:00 - 9:00 PM

Contact: Steve Phelps (760) 214-3553

Wednesday's by Appointment Only 9:00 to 12:00 ~ Meeting RM

BIBLE STUDY (non-demonational)

BIBLE STUDY

Unit

10:00 - Noon 10:00 - 11:00 AM

Unit III

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY