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## Unity for our Community

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## ASSOCIATION - FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2023

Here's a brief recap from our September 11, 2023 open meeting:

- The ballots for the revised *CC&R's* and *Bylaws* were counted at the September 11, open meeting. In order to pass either measure, a quorum of the voting membership, 259 members, needed to approve each measure. The total valid ballots received for the *CC&R's* were 334 of which 257 were "YES" votes and 77 were "NO" votes so the measure failed by two votes. The total ballots received for the *Bylaws* were 335 of which 266 were "YES" votes and 69 were "NO" votes so the measure passed by seven votes. The approved *Bylaws* will now be filed with the Secretary of the State of California. Since the *C&R* measure did not pass, the 2014 *Second Restated CC&R's* remain in force and effect.

## **BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Continued)**

- Under the GKA Governing Documents, The Secretary can hold the combined position of both Secretary and Treasurer, **JANE RECT** has stepped up and is now the **GKA Secretary and Treasurer**. Congratulations.
- Also, Congratulations to the 2023 Budget Committee members who are **PAT PIPHER**, Chairperson, **JANE RECHT**, **DON FORTNEY**, **PAM BYERS**, **TOM LARSEN** and **JERRY DYER**.
- **REMEMBER** the **GKA election season starts in the fall**. The nomination forms will be sent out soon. Please consider running for the GKA Board so we can fill our volunteer Board positions.

## **VICE PRESIDENT - PAT PIPHER**

**Violations and Collections:** August brought in several complaints about the use of the pool and spas. A few incidents required Board intervention which were handled with the lot owners and their key fobs deactivated until the issue was resolved. Everyone is entitled to use the pool and owners may bring guests, but it is still the owner's responsibility to make sure the rules are followed.

We have no new delinquent accounts but we still have our existing four (4) collection accounts. We are waiting for HUD to start foreclosure on two of them but to date, no Notices of Default have been filed. The Board is considering foreclosure on another one of the collection accounts and will seek legal advice before proceeding.

**REMEMBER**, if you're having trouble paying your assessment, contact the GKA Vice President. The Board gets no pleasure assessing late charges or placing liens or foreclosing on property, so please call me so we can work with you in clearing this debt.

## **SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT – JANE RECHT**

**H**i everyone. Our **GOLF KNOLLS ASSOCIATION (GKA)** General Meeting held on September 11<sup>th</sup> was a little low on attendance. Could it have been due to the later time for this meeting which included the CC&Rs/ByLaws voting? It was very disappointing to see the CC&Rs face defeat by two votes.

The *Tri-Unit* Meeting and luncheon was held at GKA on September 15, 2023. I would really like to thank everyone who helped make that meeting a success. These meetings are held quarterly rotating between each of the Units that included the Board, Support Committee Chairmen and Service Club officers. Our main area of concern is centered around two issues: security and waste management.

Now, if you did not notice, my new title is a combination of Director offices of '*Secretary*' and '*Treasurer*'. Come on guys – we are bleeding leadership! We really need at least two more Board Members. So now, '*Jane, the Treasurer*' reports that this is my financial report for the end of July 2023.

☺ *Where there is no vision, people perish.*

**RALPH WALDO EMERSON**

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

**ACCOUNT                      ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION**

***Cash Operating Funds***

California Bank	Checking .....	\$138,366	
California Bank	Money Market .....	229,496	
Petty Cash	Cash .....	54	
<b>TOTAL OPERATING FUNDS</b>			<b>\$367,916</b>

***Reserve Funds***

Charles Schwab	Checking	\$163,302	
Charles Schwab	Money Market	249,000	
<b>TOTAL RESERVE FUNDS</b>			<b>\$412,302</b>

**TOTAL OPERATING & RESERVE FUNDS                      \$780,218**

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	\$ 37,592
DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS	0
FOUR (4) ACCOUNTS IN COLLECTION	<u>17,747</u>
<b>TOTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE</b>	<b>\$55,339</b>

**STREETS/LIGHTING, SECURITY – HILARY WYLIE**

**H**ello, GOLF KNOLLS Residents! The broken cement on Via Zapata is being fixed by EMWD. If you see something – say something immediately! My cell phone is always on. One resident called me over an hour later to report a transient in their yard. I cannot do anything an hour later. I will ask you specific questions – be observant, notice clothing, hat, hair, etc. so the person can be I.D'd.

StreetlightoutagesSCE.com/outages is the website for street light outages. Call me with the address where the streetlight is.

DOGS – A seven (7) foot leash must be used at all times when walking your dog. NO dogs are allowed at the GOLF KNOLLS clubhouse – that includes the Parking Lot. I came very close to hitting a dog (unleashed) in the Parking Lot. Certified Support dogs are allowed. Have a Happy October!

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**GOLF KNOLLS EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM - MICK HEROD, CO-CHAIRMAN**

**H**ello everyone! We hope you are all doing well and enjoying the cool fall weather. There are a couple of items we want to bring to your attention this month. First, we want to remind you about the *Great California Shakeout* drill. We mentioned this in our article last month. This drill is held worldwide on the third Thursday of October every year. This year it will be held on Thursday, October 19, 2023, at 10:19 A.M. Mark your calendars for this date and plan on participating. You can go to [www.shakeout.org/california](http://www.shakeout.org/california). to register and get more information on how to be better prepared for the next earthquake.

## **EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (Continued)**

We have also been recycling your cans and bottles and appreciate your diligence in participating in recycling. We made \$150.00 in August alone! We have enough money in our budget to reimburse the fees to anybody who takes the first aid and emergency response classes available in Murrieta and Temecula and brings us a copy of their *Certification of Completion*. The available courses and their fees are: **First Aid \$50, CPR/AED \$40, Stop the Bleed \$20 and CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) \$25.** To register and get the dates, times and locations of these courses you can create an online account on the Temecula Community Services webpage. Again this offer is being made to members of our *Emergency Response Team* (Block Captains and Tent Captains) and anyone else in our community who is interested in acquiring the knowledge and skills to be able to help their family and neighbors in an emergency.

As always, we are in need of additional Block Captains to check on their neighbors in the event of an emergency such as a fire, flood or earthquake. Please call **BOB BONHAM** or **MICK HEROD** at the numbers on the front of this newsletter if you are interested in getting involved with our *Emergency Response Team*.

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## **COMMUNITY CLUB**

### **COMMUNITY CLUB PRESIDENT – ARLENE MUSCATO**

**H**ola Muchachos and Muchachas! *Taco Night* was great! I had to do a little dancing to entertain the crowd and that was fun. Whatever it takes to make the event great – right? Big thanks to **ROGER** and **MARGE MARCEAU** for hosting the event; **BETH** and **SANDY HARVEY** on tickets; **PEGGY DONNELLY** on 50/50; and a new volunteer, **BECKY NALKO** who helped in the kitchen. Coming down the pipeline is *Western Night* on **October 28<sup>th</sup>** - save that date. Donations will be \$10. Menu will be 5 different chili – cornbread, dumpcakes, ice cream and all the fixings, so brush off your boots and come on down to the hoedown in our own back yard. Hope to see ya'all there! Flyers will follow shortly. Hee Haw!

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### **WOMEN'S SOCIETY – PRESIDENT, GLENDA SMITH**

**H**ello to all! So nice to see everyone at our September luncheon. We had our '*Trash to Treasurer*' auction; it was a great success. We all had a great time and came home with nice treasures. The *Womens Society* would like to thank **CHUCK DONNELLY** and his many kitchen volunteers, we simply couldn't host these wonderful luncheons without you guys and gals. Our October luncheon will be celebrating our 90-year young ladies' birthdays. The speaker for the month will be announced later.

The *Womens Society* encourages volunteers. If you or someone you know would like more information, on how to become a volunteer, please attend our luncheon and ask **GLENDA** or **PAM BYERS, V.P.** how you can be involved. We look forward to seeing everyone on **October 23<sup>rd</sup>**.

**COMMUNITY CLUB (Continued)**

**WELCOME- LINDA FULLER, Vice President**

**H**ello everyone! Please join me and welcome one of our new residents in the GOLF KNOLLS ASSOCIATION community.

**CONNIE L. PINCKARD, Lot 051**

**PHONE: 714-299-7551**

**38145 Via Taffia**

CONNIE moved here from Anaheim Hills, California. CONNIE was born in Los Angeles, California and enjoys crafts and flowers. She has 2 children, 6 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren.

If you are one of CONNIE'S neighbors, stop by, introduce yourself, welcome her, and then invite her to one of our events.

**ATTENTION ALL GKA VETERANS** - We are planning a *Holiday/Veterans Dinner* and would like to invite you and your spouse to honor you at this event. Veterans and Spouses will receive a complimentary meal. If you would like to attend, please contact LINDA FULLER, Vice President/Community Club; phone number (951) 236-2556 by OCTOBER 25<sup>TH</sup>. When you call, please be prepared to give me your *Name, Branch of Service and Dates Served*. (This is very important). Thank you and sincerest thanks for serving our country!

"Be the light in someone's darkness"

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Please contact GLORIA BACHMANN (696-8253), to notify her of any BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES, illnesses or deaths **IN WRITING AND** place in tube at 28760 VIA DEL SOL. (No notices will be printed in the GOLF KNOLLS DIGEST 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. IF YOU ARE A NEW RESIDENT BE SURE TO ATTEND AN ORIENTATION MEETING.**

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**GENERAL INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENT**

- **SAVE THE DATE** - Saturday and Sunday, October 14-15

Saturday - 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Sunday - 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

**TEMECULA GREEK FESTIVAL @ OLD TOWN TEMECULA & TOWN CENTER**

(FOOD, MUSIC, ENTERTAINMENT, MUCH MORE)

ADMISSION: General \$3, Sr. Citizens \$2, Children over 12, \$1

FREE ADMISSION: Children under 12, US Military Veterans and First Responders

Check out: [www.TemeculaGreekfest.com](http://www.TemeculaGreekfest.com) for more details.

- **TRI-UNIT MEETING** - The 3-unit event was held at the GOLF KNOLLS Banquet Room on September 15, 2023 with vibrant discussions on many events, announcements and various subjects. One of the main topics discussed was the issue of **WASTE MANAGEMENT** between the three units and contact with the Murrieta Financial Advisor. The three units have been in discussion with **WASTE MANAGEMENT**, the city of Murrieta, and the City Council regarding prices, possible discounts, organic barrels in compliance, ADA compliance, etc. with no success. By uniting the 3 units, committees from the 3 sections are being organized to approach **WASTE MANAGEMENT** with stronger technique and expertise. The committees are:  
**UNIT 1** - SANDY VOLLMER, JAN TOWERS, MOLLY HANSON  
**UNIT 2** - TOM WOOLSLAVER, RAY CLARK, HENRY KANTROWITZ  
**UNIT 3** - BILLY RANKIN, ROGER MARCEAU, PAT PIPHER.

### TRI-UNIT MEETING (Continued)

Gates on the East and West side entrances off the Unit 1 Hot Springs properties were discussed, along with sharing finances, incidences, problems and possible solutions. Consideration of declaring the 3 units as 35% ACD (Affordable Connectivity Program) "low income", would qualify the units for grants and possibly help with the *WASTE MANAGEMENT* situation.

Warning about SOLICITORS who take advantage of seniors; NO TRASPASSING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY; and keeping dogs on a leash - owls and coyotes have been known to include them in their diet.

- **RECALL** - Toy and nursery product company *TOMY INTERNATIONAL INC.* is recalling, in the United States, about 83,000 of its *Boon Flair* and *Flair Elite Highchairs*. The bolts securing the highchair's seats can loosen, allowing the seats to detach. The highchairs under recall, according to the *U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission*, were sold in-person and online through retailers like *Bed Bath & Beyond*, *Target*, *Toy 'R' Us*, *Amazon* and *Walmart*. The "*Flair*" highchairs were sold from 2008 to 2009 while the "*Flair Elite*" models were sold from 2008 to 2017.

*NISSAN* is recalling more than 238,000 small cars in the United States because the tie rods in the front suspension can bend and break. The recall covers *SENTRA* compact cars from 2020 through 2022 model years. According to the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration*, if the rods become bent, they can break and affect the steering. Owners should contact dealers if their steering wheel is off center or they feel a vibration. Letters notifying owners will be mailed starting October 5. A second letter will go out once parts are available. Many of the same vehicles were recalled in 2021 to fix the same problem. Cars repaired under the previous recall will need to get the new tie rods when they are ready.

*GENERAC POWER SYSTEMS* is recalling 64,000 of portable generators due to the risk of fire and burns. The generators were sold at major home improvement and hardware stores in the United States and Canada from April 2011 through June 2023. Free repair kits are available for models GP1500E and GP1750E.

*KRAFT HEINZ* is recalling 83,000 cases of *individually-wrapped Kraft Singles American processed cheese slices* because part of the thin strip of film from the wrapper could stick to the slice and become a choking hazard. The recall affects 16-ounce *Kraft Singles American Pasteurized Prepared Cheese Product* with a "Best When Used Buy" date between Jan. 10, 2024 and Jan. 27, 2024. Also included in the recall are 3-pound multipacks of *Kraft Singles American Pasteurized Prepared Cheese* with a "Best When Used Buy" date between Jan 9, 2024, and Jan. 13, 2014.

Consumers who bought those products should return them to the store where they were purchased for an exchange or a refund. They can also contact *Kraft Heinz* at 1-800-280-8252.

## GENERAL INFORMATION (Continued)

### • LAMENT FROM GOLFERS, GOLF COURSE, AND RESIDENTS LIVING ON THE GOLF COURSE – BETH HARVEY

I like to welcome all the new residents to the GOLF KNOLLS community. Some of us living on the golf course are blessed with a wonderful view, like having a park in our own backyards. The important thing to remember is that the golf course is “PRIVATE PROPERTY” which means we do not have the right to: walk the golf course paths; let our dogs run or defecate on the course; allow our grandchildren to play on the golf course and that the golf course is not our own personal putting green or driving range. Please respect the rules of GOLF KNOLLS and The Golf Course.

- NOTIFY BOARD – If you know that an unauthorized under-age person is living in our community, please notify the GOLF KNOLLS ASSOCIATION Board with the resident’s address so that the Board can check it out.

### • SOME HOUSEHOLD HINTS

- ☐ Your lock can’t be picked if you leave your key in the inside lock.
- ☐ For those ‘no-see-ums’ insect bites – try one of the following for relief: apple cider vinegar applied to the affected area; a paste of baking soda and water allowed to dry on bites; or a paste of meat tenderizer and water applied to bites.

### • SENIOR FOOTBALL FANS – PAUL DASHNER

Take advantage of the LAST Friday Night *VISTA MURRIETA HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL* Varsity Football Game. A bus will pick up at Unit 2 Clubhouse Parking Lot at approximately 5:30 PM the night of the game and transported to *VISTA MURRIETA HIGH SCHOOL* – escorted to great reserved seats – and served a meal while cheering on the BRONCO FOOTBALL TEAM. After the game (approximately 9:30 PM) bus will return to Unit 2. ALL OF THIS IS FREE! So come join “*THE GOLDEN BRONCOS*” for a fun evening.

### **VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE**

Oct. 26 7:30 PM Vs. MURRIETA VALLEY H. S.

If interested in joining, call and “Get On The List”. Please contact: PAUL DASHNER (760)702-7553 (Cell); CHRIS DASHNER (562)867-0175 (Cell).

*Point of Interest – The VISTA MURRIETA HIGH SCHOOL invited the Murrieta KNOLLS seniors to their BINGO NIGHT on September 17<sup>th</sup> in their gigantic gym for a fundraiser for their band and color guard sports teams. They sent a bus to pick up the BINGO players at the UNIT 2 Parking Lot. The gym was packed; the seniors were given a royal greeting with reserved seating - including drinks, snacks, and door prizes. The ‘Double Action’ game paid \$700. (They certainly lived up to their reputation of being “THE MOST SPIRITED HIGH SCHOOL IN THE U.S.”.*

## **SENIOR FOOTBALL FANS (Continued)**

*Every BRONCO commits his or herself in a motto of CLASS : Character, Leadership, Attitude, Scholarship and Service.) Their next BINGO NIGHT will be in February. Help support this great generation attending this famous school.*

- **ALERTS – MARTI GABRIEL**

If you aren't on the *Alert System* and you have an internet email and you want to know what is happening in our neighborhood, give **MARTI GABRIEL** a call at 951-553-1259 or email her at [marilyngabriel@gmail.com](mailto:marilyngabriel@gmail.com).

- **ALERTS – MARTI GABRIEL**

8-25-23 **LOST** – Wallet on Saturday August 19<sup>th</sup>. The wallet belongs to **MATT FREIBERG**; if found please call 951-600-1395 and arrange for pickup.

8-28-23 **CAUTION** – Snake curled on resident's front porch. If you find one, 2 men will come at no expense to remove it, - **GLENN 951-642-2897 OR HENRY 951-202-1130**. They are experienced and will remove the snake and release it into the wild.

9-6-23 **LOST**- Small dog resembling Shih Tzh – light brown and cream color; tag on collar "SCRUFFY" with an old cell phone number. Last seen on Calle Cinife. Call 951-346-6788

9-7-23 **LOST** – Cell phone; call 951-553-1259.

- **WHO IS KNOCKING AT THE DOOR?** – Door to door soliciting is more than a nuisance. 'NO SOLICITING' means 'NO TRESPASSING'. Chapter 5.08 *Soliciting Code* states: ... "It is unlawful to engage in solicitation upon private residences." Soliciting is prohibited here at the 3 units; and it is unlawful to trespass and make false statements or misrepresentations. There are unscrupulous people who make a business of doing bad things to good people. **SHERRIE CURTIS** and some of her neighbors have had the unfortunate circumstances to encounter a deceitful door-knocking gardener from Riverside. He would quote one amount (\$300) then raise the price (\$700) and charging exorbitant prices, he lied and left the premises with a sloppy mess. He frightened elderly neighbors by telling falsehoods regarding the growth of bushes undermining their dwelling. **SHERRI** and her neighbors are warning their friends and neighbors to avoid contact with **ALFONSO, Urajo Tree Service (951) 496-2327**. He drives a white truck and when asked "How do you live with yourself?"...His response was "It's easy!"

- **PROFILES – MARTI GABRIEL**

A *profile* is a short article describing a person's life, work and/or character. We are all interested in knowing more about each other, which is a way of communicating. You may feel you don't have an exciting life, but you have lived, so you have a story to tell. Call **MARTI GABRIEL** at 951-553-1259.



• **INSPIRATION – From LYN MARI**

*Proverbs 12:1-* whoever loves instruction and discipline loves knowledge and learning. Whoever hates and rejects correction and reproof is foolish senseless and stupid.

*Proverbs 12:15-* ...A wise man listens to counsel.

- **SCHEMES, SCAMS, AND FLIM-FLAM** – For those who have filed an extension to pay the IRS and beat the October 15 deadline, the Internal Revenue Service has a new warning about another scam aimed at tax filers. It appears that scammers use the mail in an attempt to make people believe they are owed a refund. While you may have a refund coming. They advise not to fall for the scam. Victims get a piece of mail in a cardboard envelope from a delivery service. The letter inside uses IRS letterhead and words to the effect of “in relation to your unclaimed refund.”

The letter seeks personal information from victims including detailed pictures of driver’s licenses. All of these pieces can be used by identity thieves to obtain a tax refund and other sensitive financial information. Also included in the letter are contact information and a phone number. The IRS says neither belongs to the agency

As in most cases, the IRS says it “never initiates contact with taxpayers by email, text or social media regarding a bill or tax refund.”

Once on the phone, the scammer will push you to “verify” your personal information, such as your credit card number. Sometimes these alerts claim to be from your bank. No matter how you respond with a “yes” or “no” to these fake fraud alerts, you will be told to “verify” your response.

Never click on links, respond to messages or cell phone numbers. Ignore them; contact your bank using the phone number on the back of your card to verify the transaction.

☎ *Contact an IRS Customer Service representative to verify authenticity 800-829-1040. Go to the FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION at [www.ftc.gov](http://www.ftc.gov). If you believe you have been scammed, contact the*

☎ *FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION 1-877-382-4357 (1-877-FTC-HELP), 1-877-438-4338 your attorney general ([www.naag.org](http://www.naag.org)) and your local police.*

☎ *Ask to file a written report about the incident and file your complaint at [www.cslb.ca.gov](http://www.cslb.ca.gov) or call 1-800-321-2752.*

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- **BUNNY HOPPED AWAY AND IS LOST** – A pet black rabbit with a white nose is finding shelter with a loving family, MAURICE and BETSY CAMP, who is feeding him/her at 29080 Calle Cinife, until the owner welcomes the pet back home and doing their own “Bunny Hop”. The CAMPS would greatly appreciate any information regarding the return to the pet’s owner; MAURICE can be reached at 951-526-6786 and BETSY at 951- 526-6360.

☺ **Better an ounce of luck than a pound of gold. YIDDISH PROVERB**

- **DON'T MISS IT – GAY BREWER**  
**THE FRENCH FLEA MARKET AND BAZAAR** is almost here!!!  
**Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>** from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Enjoy the day with us; bring friends!!

- **TRIPS** – The **SUN CITY TRAVEL CLUB** hosts Day and Multi-Day trips; if anyone is interested in participating you can contact **NYLA (951-757-6760)** or **DEBBIE (1-858-442-1677)** between 9 AM to 7 PM. Trips will originate from Sun City.

**TRIPS:**

<b>Oct. 10-18</b>	<b>ATHENS &amp; GREEK ISLES</b>	<b>\$ 4475/5495</b>
<b>Oct. 12</b>	<b>CASINO HOP (PALA &amp; PAUMA)</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Oct. 15-19</b>	<b>PUERTO VALLARTA</b>	<b>995/1194</b>
<b>Oct. 24</b>	<b>GOLF MINING (JULIAN)</b>	<b>67</b>
<b>Nov. 2-10</b>	<b>SPAIN &amp; PORTUGAL</b>	<b>4299/5149</b>
<b>Nov. 15</b>	<b>VALLEY VIEW CASINO</b>	<b>53</b>
<b>Nov. 28</b>	<b>CHEECH MARIN ART MUSEUM &amp; MISSION INN LIGHTS</b>	<b>49</b>
<b>Dec. 14-16</b>	<b>CAMBRIA &amp; HEARST CASTLE HOLIDAY BY RAIL</b>	<b>999/1299</b>
<b>2024 May 4-15</b>	<b>CROATIA &amp; ITS ISLANDS</b>	<b>4999/5499</b>

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- **SAVE THE DATES**

<b>UNIT I</b>	<b>Oct. 28</b>	<b>HALLOWEEN SOUP/SALAD</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>\$13</b>
	<b>Nov. 10</b>	<b>VETERANS LUNCHEON</b>	<b>11:30 AM</b>	
	<b>Dec. 9</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE</b>	<b>4:30 PM</b>	
<b>UNIT II</b>	<b>Oct. 25</b>	<b>HARVEST DINNER</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>15.00</b>
	<b>Dec. 6</b>	<b>WINTER WONDERLAND</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>15.00</b>
<b>UNIT III</b>	<b>Oct. 14</b>	<b>FRENCH FLEA MKT.</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	
	<b>Oct. 28</b>	<b>WESTERN TRIVIA</b>	<b>5:30 PM</b>	
	<b>Nov. 11</b>	<b>VETERAN'S DINNER</b>		
	<b>Dec.</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS PARADE/SANTA</b>		

- **FURNACE MAINTENANCE** – The Gas Company and the California State Fire Marshal's office want to remind you that now is the time to make sure your home heating appliances are operating properly. While natural gas appliances are safe when they are currently installed, operated and maintained, regular check ups are important. Not only do check ups ensure safety, they also help keep your gas bills low during peak usage.

**FURNACE SAFETY & EFFICIENCY TIPS**

1. Check the color of the flames. They should be mostly blue but may have flecks of orange.
2. Regularly clean lint and dust from your heater's burner compartment.
3. Make sure heater vents are not blocked.
4. Keep all appliance combustion air intakes or openings clear. Never store items in, on or around the appliance that can obstruct airflow.

## FURNACE MAINTENANCE (Continued)

5. Forced air unit filters should be checked regularly and cleaned or replaced per manufacturer recommendation.
6. Make sure forced-air unit blower compartment panel is installed properly, particularly after cleaning or replacing the filter.
7. Keep children away from the floor furnace grill – it gets very hot. And never place rugs, furniture or combustible items over the grill or restrict air circulation in any way.

If you suspect any gas appliance is not operating properly, have it serviced by the Gas Company, a licensed plumber or heating contractor.

- **HALLOWEEN** – This day marked the end of summer and the harvest and the beginning of the dark, cold winter, a time of year that was often associated with human death. The Celts believed that on the night before the new year, the boundary between the worlds of the living and the dead became blurred. On the night of October 31, they celebrated Samhain, when it was believed that the ghosts of the dead returned to earth. By A.D 43, the Roman Empire had conquered the majority of Celtic territory. In the course of the 400 years that they ruled the Celtic lands, two festivals of Roman origin were combined with the traditional Celtic Samhain.

The first Roman festival, Feralia, in late October, commemorated the passing of the dead. The second was a day to honor Pomona, the Roman goddess of fruit and trees. The symbol of Pomona is the apple and the incorporation of this celebration into Samhain probably explains the tradition of bobbing for apples that is practiced today on Halloween.

- **SUPERSTITIONS** - Many societies in the late Middle Ages attempted to drive cats into extinction. As the witch scare mounted to paranoia, many innocent women and their harmless pets were burned at the stake.



A baby born with eyes too bright, a face too shrewd, a personality too precocious, was sacrificed for fear that it was host to a spirit that would in time become a witch by day, a black cat by night.

**SCOTLAND** – A strange black cat's arrival to the home signifies prosperity.

**BRITAIN** – A strange black cat's arrival to the home is considered good luck.

**JAPAN** – A woman who owns a black cat will have many suitors.

**THE WEST** – A strange black cat's arrival is a symbol of evil omens, especially tied to witches. Thirteen (13) % of Americans are superstitious about a black cat crossing their path.

**SMILE, STAY WELL AND GOD BLESS!**