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ASSOCIATION - FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2023

Here's a brief recap from our June 12th, 2023 open meeting:

- Voting packages for the revised *CC&R's and ByLaws* were distributed in the Banquet Room between 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM on June 21st. Thanks for picking up your package and hope you enjoyed the ice cream.
- There is an open Directorship on our GKA Board. The position will be determined once we have interested candidates, so be sure and list your qualifications on a brief resume or a letter of interest and sent to the attention of the President at **GOLF KNOLLS ASSOCIATION 29070 Camino Alba,**
- JONATHAN INGRAM, Murrieta's former Mayor who is now running for 3rd District Supervisor, advised that he will set up a meeting with *Waste Management* and the fiduciary officers of GOLF KNOLLS, SPRING KNOLLS,

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Continued)

AND WARM SPRING KNOLLS to discuss the new laws governing waste disposal and the related fee increases. This is very good news!

- At the Tri-Unit luncheon, MICHAEL SAIZ spoke about his program **FAVORS FOR NEIGHBORS**. His mission statement is to help seniors in need with tasks they cannot do for themselves at no charge. In order to make this program work, he needs both donations and volunteers. If you are interested, please call 951-239-6953 or by email to mikesaiz33@gmail.com.

VICE PRESIDENT - PAT PIPHER

Collections: All first quarter delinquencies have been brought current. Good news! I continue to work on the 4 remaining collection accounts from last year. While 2 of these 4 lots are in foreclosure with HUD, no Notices of Default have been filed which leads to foreclosure. Fortunately, I found an advocate who will try to expedite the process. One of the 4 lots remains on a payment plan and the fourth lot is with our attorney and going through the lien process.

REMINDER TO EVERYONE - If you have any plans to install a home charging station, please notify ACC. They will require a copy of your permit and confirmation that you have complied with all the safety requirements or you run the real risk of starting a home fire.

REMEMBER: If you're having trouble paying your assessment, please call me. 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.

TREASURER'S REPORT - CHUCK DAVIS

The following is the month of June 2023 financial status:

CASH

Operating Funds

California Bank	Checking	\$150,257
California Bank	Money Market	228,988
Petty Cash	Cash	54

TOTAL OPERATING FUNDS

\$379,299

Reserve Funds

Charles Schwab	Money Mkt., Checking	194,771
Charles Schwab	Goldman Sachs	<u>249,000</u>

TOTAL RESERVE FUNDS

\$443,771

TOTAL OPERATING & RESERVE FUNDS

\$823,070

FACILITIES - DON FORTNEY

Hi Folks! We had a set-back in May for most of the month, due to constraints of GKA hiring practices; I was unable to use my handyman, MICAH NORTH, who presently does not hold a current Contractor's License. He is actively pursuing remedying this issue.

FACILITIES (Continued)

Meanwhile, my other handyman/contractor **BRIAN HOWITT**, in mid April, had surgery. He is on the mend, can return to light duty early in June.

Without options, the *Handicap* stall in the Men's Outdoor Bathroom by the Spa, remains incomplete in its repair/replace project. Have no fear; we will forge forward in our pursuit of refurbished bathhouse in months ahead.

UPDATE – *Handicap* stall in Men's Room has been removed and new valve and plumbing installed. Replacing 3 walls with tiles remains to be done. Meanwhile, painting and patching of walls took place June 9th and 10th; looks great. The final topcoat of epoxy flooring was done on June 19th. Due to curing the topcoat for longevity, removal and replacement of countertops, sinks and commodes, the bathroom remained locked until June 27th. Alternative bathrooms were used in the library lobby and the card room. Outdoor Spa remains unheated as we have yet to reach 77°F ambient (outdoors) temperature consistently.

Sorry for the inconvenience, but you will soon discover that it was worth the wait. Thanks for your understanding.

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

The ERT conducted *Neighborhood Gatherings/Block Parties* on June 3rd in several neighborhoods. Hopefully, you had an opportunity to attend at *Meet Your Block or Tent Captain*. We were not able to do this for every neighborhood yet, as we're still in need of a few good individuals or couples to act as Block Captains. Most months we only ask for a one-hour commitment to attend ERT meetings, so please consider it.

In addition to our annual budget, we have been collecting income from CRV can and bottle recycling. Year-to-date CRV income is up to \$475, with adds to our available funds. Your efforts in collecting and delivering recyclable bottles and cans are much appreciated. Remember, sort bottles and cans into separate bags when possible and put any glass into your own trash cans (glass does not generate as much income and broken glass is a major safety hazard).

ERT funds being spent as frugally as possible. Some recent purchases include a 100-pound propane tank (to fuel the large emergency generator at the Recreation Area), mobile trauma kits, Bleed Stop kits, a fifth First Aid tent, bulk propane tanks to allow light and heat for each tent, additional two-way radios, extra batteries, splints and other First Aid items. These are all items intended to assist residents in case of an area-wide emergency. Of course, we hope we never have to use these items, but we will be prepared when necessary.

COMMUNITY CLUB COMMUNITY CLUB PRESIDENT - ARLENE MUSCATO

Well summer has officially begun, starting off with our GKA BBQs. First BBQ was June 3rd and it was amazing. Lots of food, fun, and music. Chairing our BBQ was **DON** and **DONNA FORTNEY**. Thank you both and your amazing team for hosting the event.

COMMUNITY CLUB (Continued)

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Continued)

NOTE: No BBQs on July 1 and July 9 due to the 4th of July BBQ. Movie Night was changed to July 16; movie is *AVATAR* – starts at 6:00 PM; cost - \$3.00.

- **FOURTH OF JULY** celebration – line up at 8:30 AM in circle. Ceremony starts at 9:00 AM; Parade to follow. BBQ runs from 12:00 – 2:30 PM. Hot dogs, chips and root beer floats will be served for \$3.00 Decorate your carts and come celebrate with us!
- Don't miss our highly requested event "*Karaoke Night*" scheduled for July 6th (Thursday); doors open at 4:00 PM, cover charge \$3.00; fliers to follow. Bring appetizer to share.
- **FRACTURED FOLLIES** – August 4th and 5th; cost \$10.00; fliers to follow.

A BIG THANKS TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS. See you next month!

WOMEN'S SOCIETY – PRESIDENT, GLENDA SMITH

So nice to see everyone at our June luncheon, featuring MIKE O'DELL, who spoke on *Reverse Mortgages*. Lots and lots of helpful information. We enjoyed a wonderful luncheon, chicken, salad and dessert which was a huge success. Many thanks to CHUCK DONNELLY, and his kitchen volunteers, we simply couldn't do this without you guys and gals.

Our Guest Speaker in July will be courtesy of our friend, LINDA McCORMICK, who with contacts at her gym will provide healthy tips from *Silver Sneakers*.

The WOMEN'S SOCIETY encourages volunteers. If you or someone you know would like more information, please attend our luncheon and ask GLENDA or PAM BYERS, V.P. how you can be involved. We look forward to seeing everyone on July 24th.

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.

GENERAL INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENT

• **RESERVATIONS – BETH HARVEY**

Hi everyone! BETH HARVEY here; I will be unreachable for any reservations from July 26 through August 24, 2023. In my absence, please contact VICKI DAVIS (951) 698-5370 who has been generous enough to help and assist with Reservations. Thank you!

- **BINGO ENTHUSIASTS** – Please bring small bills and be prompt – no stragglers – BINGO cards sales begin at 5:30 or earlier and will not be sold after 6:30 PM so that the money can be counted. Please make sure the last number called on the card is marked and verified. There is a drawing of three door prizes and those with monthly birthdays receive a FREE game of three cards. The 50/50 drawing for two winners is available along with "Double Action", "Pull Tab", and "Last Chance" cards for a lucky winner. BINGO is the fourth Thursday of each month. Join them on JULY 27TH for a fun evening.

GENERAL INFORMATION (Continued)

- **ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS** – Thanks to PACIFICA LEE, from our former Mayor of Murrieta, JONATHAN INGRAM'S office, who graciously supplied information which hopefully may be helpful to assist those in need during these trying times.
 - **Help For Utilities** - SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS offers a 20 % discount on their monthly bill with the *California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE)* program. Call 1 866-716-3452 or visit myaccount.socalgas.com or socalgas.com/CARE.
 - ✓ The ***LOW INCOME HOUSEHOLD WATER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LIHWAP)*** is a temporary emergency program to help low-income families with assistance on past due water bills up to \$2,000. LIHWAP is a grant and does not have to be repaid. Call the *Riverside County Community Action Partnership at 951 955-4900* for an application. (You must be enrolled in the *Direct Pay Program* to receive payment.)
 - ✓ The County of Riverside is assisting with the ***COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP (CAP)***. Required documents for eligibility: current utility bills (electric, gas, propane); proof of household income (last 4 weeks); photo ID and social security card; birth certificate, US passport, or proof of legal residency. Call 951-955-4900; or visit www.calheapapply.com or www.capriverside.org.
 - **Help For Medical Needs** – ***MEDICAL BASELINE*** – 866-431-3517 – socalgas.com/medical
 - **Help With Phone** – Discounted telephone service for eligible customers – ***CALIFORNIA LIFELINE*** – 866-272-0357 – californialifeline.com
 - **Help With Home Energy** - Low Income Home Energy Assistance 866-675-6623. (See Page 7 'GAS BILL DISCOUNT')
 - **Help With Bills** – Past due bill forgiveness available for eligible residential *CARE* customers – ***ARRANGE MANAGEMENT PLAN*** - 800-427-2200.
- **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.
- **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.

- **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**.

- **SOME HOUSEHOLD HINTS**

- ☞ Remove blood stains with cold water. Warm or hot water will set a blood stain.
- ☞ Dust raisins with flour and they will not sink to the bottom of loaves or cakes.

- **INSPIRATION – From LYN MARI**

Happy Independence Day!!

Galatians 5:13 – You have been called to live in Freedom, my brothers and sisters. But do not use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in Love.

1 John 4- Love is of God.

- **GAS BILL DISCOUNT – California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE)**

program offers eligible SoCal Gas customers a 20% discount on monthly bills. Call (866) 716-3452 or visit [myaccount.socalgas](http://myaccount.socalgas.com) or socalgas.com/CARE.

- **SCHEMES, SCAMS, AND FLIM-FLAM** – Thieves are always looking for new ways to take your dollars. They have reached into the pockets of victims via phone calls, text messages, emails, social media and in person. The scammers have become masters of human psychology. Their message creates a sense of urgency for the victim to act quickly and to try to respond by clicking on a link or call a number. Victims lost over 3.5 billion to cyber criminals in the first half of 2022.

According to the *Federal Trade Commission (FTC)*, there were more than 150,000 reports of bank-related identity fraud. The victim receives a text from his/her bank asking if he/she tried to send money via *Zelle, Cash App, or Venmo* (which is the same as handing the thief cash.) The victim promptly responds "NO" - within seconds, the phone rings and the caller I.D. shows his/her bank's name including "*Fraud Protection*". The scammer's instruction is to transfer his/her savings to a new secure account. Result – loss of life savings to a scam. Be aware of:

- Fake websites that look like an official site.
- Scam phone calls impersonating a bank employee.
- Advance fee fraud claiming eligibility for a loan or 0% interest rate if you pay up front.
- Fake checks and money orders.
- Investment scams using the bank's name to steal.

📞 **Go to the *FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION* at 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) and your local police.**

SCAMS (Continued)

- ☎ *Ask to file a written report about the incident and file your complaint at www.cslb.ca.gov or call 1-800-321-2752.*
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- **IMPORTANT REQUEST** – The GOLF KNOLLS ASSOCIATION (GKA) thanks the many Lot Owners who attended the OPEN HOUSE on June 21st and picked up the voting packages for the Amended 2023 CC&Rs and ByLaws. It is very critical that every Lot Owner submit their **OFFICIAL BALLOT** no later than 5:00 PM on **AUGUST 14, 2023**. Your input is most critical and your vote is most important. **VOTE EARLY!**
- **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:

July 8	A DAY IN THE PARK – BALBOA, S.D.	\$ 55
July 20	VIEJAS CASINO	25
July 25	USS MIDWAY AIRCRAFT/OLD TOWN, S.D.	85
Aug 2-10	MT. RUSHMORE, YELLOWSTONE ...	Wait List
Aug. 11-19	BEST OF CANADA	2999/3649
Sept. 13-21	MT. RUSHMORE, YELLOWSTONE ...	3899/5149
Oct. 10-18	ATHENS & GREEK ISLES	4475/5495
Oct. 15-19	PUERTO VALLARTA	995/1194
Nov. 2-10	SPAIN & PORTUGAL	4299/5149
2024 May 4-15	CROATIA & ITS ISLANDS	4999/5499

SYMBOL

Helen Steiner Rice

Let the stars and stripes forever

Remain a symbol of

A free and mighty nation

Built on faith and truth and love!



WE HONOR ALL THE MEN AND WOMEN OF ALL THE BRANCHES OF THE MILITARY IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WHO OFFER AND GAVE THEIR LIVES FOR THE CAUSE OF FREEDOM. MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS AMERICA AND GUIDE US IN THE CAUSE OF JUSTICE, LIBERTY, AND PEACE.

Have a safe 4th of July – If you drink a fifth on the fourth, it is not likely that you will go forth on the fifth.