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NOTES FROM NELSON

By President, Joanne Nelson

I recently read an article entitled "Make way for Joy." It stressed that in this very busy season, one should take time to do the little things that give you inner peace in your life. For me that is spending time with my family and loved ones. It is getting together with very special friends here in Paradise Park. It is making cookies for my neighbors and dog biscuits for their dogs. It is taking long walks all bundled up.

A very special person passed along an article entitled "Masonic Grumblers," which I want to share with all of you (see next page of this Bulletin). While this article refers to individual Masons, and individual households, it isn't much of a leap to see how it also could apply to a close-knit community like Paradise Park Masonic Club.

Any time of the year isn't about being a "Masonic Grumbler." It isn't about self-interests. It isn't about not doing for others. It is about seeing what you can do to make Paradise Park a better place.

At the last Board meeting, in addition to interviewing candidates for Office Secretary, we worked on some very difficult legal positions, made some difficult decisions on staking problems, discussed personnel issues, passed emergency rules and procedures and launched the new Board of Directors-supported official Paradise Park Masonic Club Website, <http://paradiseparkmasonicclub.com>. This website will support emails for PPMC Board of Directors, Office Staff and Members of PPMC who otherwise would not have the ability to email. All of which will have long-range benefits for the membership. To learn more about our new website, check Important Information form the Board in this Bulletin. While you can't please all the members, all the time, we try to do our best.

With the coming holiday season upon us, take time to breathe in that special joy that comes at no other time. And when you are making your New Year's resolutions, think about a resolution to bring joy to others here in the Park rather than being a "Grumbler." Being alone this time of the year is hard and brings sadness to many. If you discover someone in your neighborhood is spending Christmas alone, why not set an extra plate at your table and have that neighbor join in with your family celebration?

With the closing of this year, the Board of Directors wishes you, and all those you love, a very Merry Holiday Season and a Happy New Year.

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**PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THE
GREEN WASTE SERVICE POLL
FOUND AT THE END OF THE BULLETIN.**

MASONIC GRUMBLERS

Grumblers can hardly of right, be designated by the adjective Masonic, for the chronic grumblers is guilty of decidedly un-Masonic conduct. It will not be denied, however, that there is a considerable class included in the ranks of the fraternity, who in common speech may be spoken of as "Masonic Grumblers." They are faultfinders in and out of season. They have the gift of caustic speech and use it unsparingly. Domestic life is embittered by the habit of scolding, which some member of the household has acquired, and which is indulged in on the slightest provocation. There are homes over which a shadow almost constantly rests because members of the family circle accusing each other of faults and shortcomings—criticizing each other for defects of one sort and another in character and conduct. We do not need to say how dreary and sad a home may become, when these grumblers at the conditions which prevail, the food the surroundings, the allotments or work, etc., get in almost continuously their small shot of sarcasm, innuendo and complaint, while they scold about each other—the absent, if not those present—and so augment the general discomfort. How sharp the contrast between the homes thus affected, and households where love rules and courtesy is the general manifestation. The chronic grumbler and the severe critic find no place at the table or fireside of such an abode. The members are all generous, forbearing and kindly in thought, purpose and word, one to another, and the atmosphere is always bright and cheerful. Blessed is such a home—and blessed are they who contribute by their amiability, their patience, and their good sense, to establish it in the right conditions. Oliver Wendell Holmes says:

"Many years ago, in walking among the graves at Mt. Auburn, I came upon a plain, upright white marble slab, which bore an epitaph of only four words, but to my mind they meant more than any of the labored inscriptions on the surrounding Monuments: 'She was so pleasant.' That was all and it was enough. That one note revealed the music of life of which I knew and asked nothing more."

The Masonic Lodge, or other craft organizations, includes a family among whom the pleasantest relatives should not exist. Harmony is the end and aim to be secured. Social companionship, good fellowship, the married ministries of affection and mutual helpfulness, all these are conducive to the desired result. But what an obstruction is presented by the presence and words of even a single member, who has taken on the habit of grumbling about the organization, indulging in harsh criticism about means and measures, and finding fault generally with what is done or attempted. How disagreeable the scolding Brother makes himself. It may be needful sometimes to show up faults of management, and faults of Brethren, and to indicate the weakness and defects of a system in course of procedure; but to be all the time doing this sort of work is to make one offensive to his fellows and reduce his influence to the minimum.

In the many years of Masonic fellowship with which we have been favored, we have found Brethren greatly respected and loved, who deserve to be remembered for being "so pleasant." They were always casting "oil upon the troubled waters," they were kindly, genial, forbearing, helpful Brethren. Of who we had much rather think than of the other class, "whose teeth are as spears and whose tongues are as swords." Not every one is so constituted as to be a model of amiability; but each man may learn how to curb the perversity of his lower nature, may cultivate sympathy and good will, and greatly restrict himself in the expression of harsh judgments and unnecessary fault-finding. The Mason must do this if obedient to the precepts and spirit of the institution into which he has entered.

Henry D. Moore, 32°

Masonic Review, March 1889

Reprinted in The North Light, November 2007

- - LETTERS FROM THE MEMBERSHIP - -

Your Letters From the Membership and articles of interest to the membership are welcomed for publication. Deadline for submitting articles is the Monday following the Board meeting. Submit articles to F. Dunn-Ruiz, 606 Paradise Park or dunnruiz@hotmail.com in Microsoft Word format.

Letters to the Editor must be limited to 150 words (longer letters are subject to cutting), contain no negative reference to individuals and be accurate regarding legal or procedural issues – omitting hearsay and gossip.

No letters this month

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE BOARD

OFFICIAL PPMC WEBSITE OPENED! The Board of Directors is proud to announce the launch of the Official Paradise Park Masonic Club Website: <http://paradiseparkmasonicclub.com>

The screenshot shows the website's layout. At the top, the text "Paradise Park Masonic Club" is written in a decorative cursive font. Below this is a navigation menu with links for: home, about us, local business resources, rules and forms, bulletins, points of interest, member photos, masonic links, board of directors & staff, maps, restaurant reviews, local weather, upcoming events, contact us, and password. The main content area includes the title "Paradise Park", the address "211 Paradise Park Santa Cruz, CA (831) 423-1530", a "Welcome" section with a paragraph about the club's history starting in 1924, and a photograph of a large tree. The footer contains the text "HTML & CSS VALID" and "Copyright © Paradise Park Masonic Club".

The Board has heard (very loud and clear) from many of our Members about the need for reliable, web-accessible information, and that this has been an area of frustration in the past. We believe that the launch of this new website is a very positive step in fostering more open communication channels.

This great new site has all of the important information regarding PPMC; including contact names, past PPMC monthly Bulletins, upcoming events, etc. Plus a wide variety of useful information and resources designed to benefit all of PPMC's members. You will also find many useful tools and links to assist you in receiving the most out of your Membership in PPMC.

As with any new endeavor, there is always opportunity for improvement and enhancements, so please visit the site often for the latest updates, and provide any ideas and feedback on how we can make the site better for the membership to: webmaster@paradiseparkmasonicclub.com

Special **THANKS** goes out to Karla James who has so graciously volunteered her time and expertise to make this very valuable and positive contribution to PPMC!

Stay tuned for even more upgrades next month.

BILL LIND'S WATER PROJECT UPDATE: Sections 1 and 2 are now completed including drains and an extra fire hydrant on Cavern. Pacific Underground is about 2 weeks behind schedule.

We are still within budget for the project. As of the beginning of December, we had \$96K left in the contingency fund. The extra drains and hydrant will total about \$20K. This means we start Section 4 with about \$76K contingency.

Section 4 will be started by the time you receive this Bulletin. The plan is to finish Section 4 around mid January.

Patch paving the trenches depends on weather. Believe me, I don't like the mud either.

MORE IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE BOARD

BOARD UNANIMOUSLY APPROVES RULES ENFORCEMENT IN DECEMBER EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There has been some unfortunate confusion concerning the comprehensive vote on the PPMC rules and procedures that the Membership approved on the June 2006 ballot. Unfortunately, due to some procedural errors, not all of the rules were voted upon, which has lead to a situation where some of the rules could be interpreted as not currently being in force.

The Board believes that the vast majority of our Members, see this as more of a “semantics over intent” issue. The Board unanimously voted on December 8, 2007 to adopt all of the rules that were in place prior to the June 2006 election, but not voted upon, thus ensuring a clear regulatory framework from which to operate until the Membership can vote on them in the next election. We felt this to be the most prudent course of action, rather than going through the expense of a special election, given that we believe that in the vote at the next election, the revised rules will be overwhelmingly supported. This also gives the Board the opportunity to update some additional wording changes that have been submitted by the Past-President’s Committee.

FRIENDLY REMINDER: The PPMC Spokesperson rule states *“Every Member who communicates with a governmental agency regarding Park business shall first consult with the President of the Board. Only the President of the Board, or his or her designee, has the authority to be a spokesperson for PPMC.”*

We have many Members that really do want to contribute, and have the best interest of PPMC in mind when they speak with outside agencies; but unfortunately this can sometimes be misinterpreted by those agencies or companies that the person is doing so on behalf of the entire Membership.

So please, if you want to help in an official capacity, we ask that you receive authorization from the President of the Board prior to any discussions.

PAT HERZOG’S INSURANCE REPORT: We are close to procuring insurance for our fire volunteers. We have one quote and are awaiting another in the next few days. Once we have insurance, we will take the steps to reactivate our fire volunteers.

DIRECTORY UPDATES: The 2008 Membership Roster will go to press in January. If you have any changes in your listing as it appears in the 2007 Membership Roster or if you wish to include your EMAIL ADDRESS or CELL PHONE NUMBER, let the Office know as soon as possible.

DUES RECEIPT DUE: Don’t forget that in order to be a Member in good standing, you must submit a copy of your Lodge or Chapter dues receipt to the office on or before April 1st each year, even if you are a Life Member. This is true for Associates and Alternate Associates as well as Members. You can tell if you are up to date by looking at the mailing label on the Bulletin. The bottom line says **2008 dues receipt: M A AA**. The first (M) is for the Member, next (A) for the Associate and third (AA) for the Alternate Associate. If a Y follows the M, A or AA, then that dues receipt has been received by the Office. If there is a blank space, then the receipt has not been received.

INFORMATION FROM THE MANAGER

I would like to remind you that the Park crew does not pick up household garbage; they only pick up green waste.

I wish you all a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

DO YOU HEAR THE FIRE SIREN? The fire siren is sounded each month at 1:00 p.m. on the Saturday of the Board meeting. If you are in the Park at that time and do NOT hear the siren, please report it to the Office.

'TIS THE SEASON...FOR MORE TRASH TALK:



Our Christmas trees are Recyclable... But there are a few guidelines. No flocking. No tinsel. All decorations must be removed. Try to keep these guidelines in mind when purchasing and decorating your tree. If you choose a flocked tree you will need to dispose of your tree at your own expense. If you choose to tinsel your tree, you may also need to bribe some neighborhood kids for an hour or so to pluck the tinsel off your tree before it can be recycled.



MOST GIFT WRAP CAN BE RECYCLED! First, I would suggest saving the wrapping paper, tissue, ribbons and bows to be used again next year. But if that isn't possible, please recycle.

Most gift-wrap is recyclable. One exception would be Metallic paper. The rule of thumb is if you gently wad a piece up and it doesn't want to spring back open, it is probably too metallic to be recycled. When purchasing gift-wrap, try to avoid the metallic papers. A little bit of tape won't hurt the recycling process.

Most ribbons and bows are not recyclable. The rule of thumb is if they won't tear, they are not recyclable. Although, they are reusable!



STEELHEAD SEASON: IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN.

The steelhead season began DECEMBER 1, 2007 and runs through MARCH 7, 2008. Fishing only on the first and last day, Wednesdays, Saturdays, Sundays, and Legal Holidays.

Please provide the Office with the names of those fisherpeople you wish to sponsor for PARKING PERMIT while in the Park fishing. For further information call FISH & GAME at 831/649-2870.

EDITOR'S NOTE-CORRECTION: Last month's Bulletin contained an error of mistitling the Board Members Lind and Herzog. Pat Herzog is still the Vice President and Bill Lind is still the Treasurer.
Fred Dunn-Ruiz

GREEN WASTE SERVICE POLL: Please complete and return the **Green Waste Service Poll** found at the end of this Bulletin.

IN MEMORIAM

Ada DeVore 12/13/07

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR SEVEN MONTHS ENDING NOV. 2007

	Spent thru Nov	Budg thru Nov	Under(+)/Over(-)	Annual Budget
Income:				
Member Assessments	\$285,872	282888		\$484,950
Member Dues and Transfer Fees	\$27,108	25433		\$43,600
Init.Fee/ Fin Chg/Pena/ Use Fee	\$36,482	4083		\$7,000
Bank Interest	\$6,923	4200		\$7,200
Misc Income, Member Serv, Donations	\$2,136	1458		\$2,500
AT&T Comcast (7% Return)	\$4,767	3908		\$6,700
TOTAL INCOME	\$363,288	\$321,971	\$41,317	\$551,950
Employee Expense:				
Employee Salaries & Bonus/Raise (\$7000)	\$85,355	86479		\$148,250
Employee Benefits	\$24,085	19250		\$33,000
Employer Federal/State Taxes	\$6,818	9333		\$16,000
Worker's Compensaton	\$3,334	8167		\$14,000
Total Employee Expense	\$119,593	\$123,229	\$3,636	\$211,250
Insurance:				
General Business	\$31,612	30625		\$52,500
Total Insurance Expense	\$31,612	30625	-\$987	\$52,500
General Office Expense:				
Supplies/Permits/Gen.Exp.	\$2,033	3500		\$6,000
Postage and Communications	\$4,771	6310		\$10,817
Utilities (Electricity, propane)	\$8,675	9042		\$15,500
Total General Office Expense	\$15,479	\$18,852	\$3,373	\$32,317
Member Service Expense:				
Water	\$44,623	52500		\$90,000
Security/Safety	\$227	2625		\$4,500
Green Waste/Dump Fees	\$2,475	2625		\$4,500
Bulletin Printing	\$2,184	2042		\$3,500
Trash Removal	\$19,561	26957		\$46,212
Recreational Activities	\$1,709	1750		\$3,000
Total Member Service Expense	\$70,780	\$88,499	\$17,719	\$151,712
Tax Expenses:				
PPMC Co Prop Tax	\$26,738	28000		\$48,000
State and Federal Taxes/Fees	\$319	1167		\$2,000
Total Tax Expense	\$27,057	29167	\$2,110	\$50,000
Repair & Maintenance Expense				
Park R&M Exp (water, trees, roads,tools)	\$24,721	9917		\$17,000
Vehicle Expense (gas, oil, maint)	\$5,524	4083		\$7,000
Building R & M Expense	\$8,608	4375		\$7,500
Equip Rentals, R & M Expense, Fire Equip	\$1,817	292		\$500
Total Repair & Maint Expense	\$40,670	\$18,667	-\$22,004	\$32,000
Other Operating Expenses:				
Accounting/Tax Preparation/Audit	\$5,854	2917		\$5,000
Legal	\$1,918	3208		\$5,500
Historical Committee	\$346	350		\$600
Other Miscellaneous Expense	\$995	613		\$1,050
Total Other Operating Expense	\$8,912	\$7,088	-\$1,824	\$12,150
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$314,103	\$316,125	\$2,022	\$541,929
Net Income = Income - Expense	\$49,185	5846	\$43,339	
Checking/Savings Accounts	\$1,039,332	SBA Loan 4%, 2028		\$267,823

JANUARY COMING EVENTS

TUESDAY COFFEE

EVERY TUESDAY
SMALL SOCIAL HALL, 9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.
OPEN TO EVERYONE IN PPMC
COME JOIN THE FELLOWSHIP

KNITTIN' KITTENS LADIES' CANASTA

FIRST MONDAY EACH MONTH
SMALL SOCIAL HALL, 11:30 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.
MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 2008
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2008
Sponsored by Pat Rundell

MEN'S CLUB

FIRST WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH
SMALL SOCIAL HALL, 11:30 A.M.
JANUARY 2, 2008
CHEF: BILL UBER
SPEAKER: CHARLEY FRIEDMAN
MUSICOLOGIST, SANTA CRUZ HISTORIAN
AND AFTERNOON HOST OF KSCO
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9
IS VALENTINES DINNER
LOOK FOR THE VALENTINE'S FLYER
TO BE POSTED
ON BULLETIN BOARDS SOON

BINGO

THIRD WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH
SOCIAL HALL, 6:30 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2008
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2008

BOOK CLUB

SECOND THURSDAY EACH MONTH
JANUARY 10, 2008
7:00 P.M. TO 9:00 P.M.
BOOK: "TO RHYME OR NOT TO RHYME"
BY: JANE CARSON LOGAN
HOSTED BY VICKIE HENDERSHOT
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
CALL VICKIE AT 427-2190

MONTHLY POTLUCK

THIRD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH
AT SOCIAL HALL @ 5:30 PM
JANUARY 19, 2008
WILL BE CANCELLED
UNLESS A HOST IS FOUND
WATCH FOR UPDATES ON THE
BULLETIN BOARDS
VOLUNTEERS FOR FUTURE HOSTING,
CALL LOIS HARDY AT 426-3172

SANTA CRUZ SHRINE CLUB MONTHLY LUNCHEON CRAB FEED

EVERYONE INVITED
JANUARY 26, 2008
\$20.00/PERSON
SOCIAL HOUR: 1:00 P.M.
LUNCH: 2:00 P.M.
TO BE HELD AT
CONFIDENCE LODGE #110
RESERVATIONS REQUIRED
CALL CARL CHRISTENSON @ 831/460-0695
BEFORE JANUARY 18, 2008

For Sale By Member

Member's improvements offered for sale as of **December 19, 2007**. All allotment use privileges and Membership are subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The sellers solely provide the descriptions of improvements for sale. Such information is not verified or checked for accuracy by Paradise Park Masonic Club, Inc. The Club does not warrant, and disclaims any responsibility for, the accuracy, truthfulness or completeness of any information provided. All questions about allotment improvements should be addressed solely to the seller.

ADDRESS	MEMBER	PRICE	DESCRIPTION
SECTION 1			
437 York Avenue	Alcinda Walters 831/425-2842	\$283,000 SALE PENDING No Financing	2 Story 3-BR 2-BA with new flooring. New appliances, new forced air(central heating), new custom fireplace, new water heater, new deck w/hot tub, lg eat-in-kitchen w/skylight & beautiful Victorian ceiling, lg balcony off master BR, carport w/shed. Lots of storage & closets. Great location near playground & covered bridge. Low maintenance.
SECTION 2			
287 The Royal Arch	Cyndy Crogan 831/426-2756	\$ 198,000 No Financing	1 BA, 2 BR, 1,872 sq ft improvements, large carport/storage area & tool room, small yard, semi-furnished, covered patio, includes 2 propane wall heaters, washer/dryer, refrig., oven, wood burning stove insert; septic tank in good condition.
364 Eastern Star	Jeanne Jelcick Call for Appt./Info. 831/429-2215	\$289,500	Cute little 4BR + sleeping loft or 2BR + office + den. Upgraded septic & electric. Modern kitchen, stack washer/dryer. Good sun & great privacy w/huge beautifully landscaped allotment. Call 831/429-2215, 426-7666, 325-3928.
SECTION 3			
SECTION 4			
SECTION 6			
196 St. Bernard Street	Robert E. Ferguson Call for Appt. 831/429-9954	\$ 359,000	1 BA, 2 BR, 6910 sq ft allotment, 1175 sq ft improvements, all up to code (local, state, fed) in '98. Wrap-around partially covered deck. Dual pane windows, fully insulated, gas heat. Lg living rm/exposed beams, custom drapes, lg family kitchen/dining rm, custom cabinets, tile countertops, laundry rm, pantry, all wall knotty pine paneling. Cedar-lined build-in wardrobes, lg linen closet & attic. Separate shop/storage bldg. Lots of sun, river view & abundant parking. Incl gas stove, dishwasher, microwave, demand hot water heater, water filter system, ceiling fans.

READ THE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS PENDING LIST! This list is published so that you have the opportunity to advise the Board about these candidates for Membership. If you have information that you believe the Board should consider before voting for Membership on any of the candidates, please contact the Board President in writing.

Paradise Park Masonic Club MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS PENDING

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Date posted</u>	<u>Seller/Member</u>	<u>Allotment</u>
<u>MEMBER CANDIDATE</u>			
Susan L. Lovelace	11/14/07	Alcinda Walters	437 York Avenue
David Bruce Sellery	11/07/07	Pegge Garcia	428 Joppa Street
<u>ASSOCIATE MEMBER</u>			
John Edward Wurster	11/13/07	Marjorie A. Wurster	325 The Royal Arch
Jill Mautino	10/12/07	Susan Azevedo	157 St. Victor Street
James Allen Helton	10/18/07	Claudia Fickes	574 Scottishrite Avenue
<u>ALTERNATE ASSOCIATE MEMBER</u>			
Jill Louise Reneau	11/30/07	Evelyn B. Kipp	400 Cavern Street

**PARADISE PARK
CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

DATE	EVENT	Venue	MEMBER/Chair
December 2007			
25-Tue.	OFFICE CLOSED - CHRISTMAS		
January 2008			
1-Tue.	OFFICE CLOSED - NEW YEAR'S DAY		
2-Wed.	Men's Club - 11:30	Small Social Hall	A. Avery
2-Wed.	Long Range Planning Cmt. - 6 pm	Small Social Hall	C. Crogan
5-Sat.	Tree Committee 10-12	Conference Room	S. Taylor
7-Mon.	Knittin' Kittens 11:30 - 4:30	Small Social Hall	P. Rundell
8-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	
15-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	
16-Wed.	Bingo 6:30-8:00pm	Large Social Hall	Y. & M. Jones
19-Sat.	BOD Open Meeting 9:30 am	Small Social Hall	J. Nelson
19-Sat.	Potluck 5:30 pm	Social Hall	host needed
22-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	
29-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	
February 2008			
2-Sat.	Tree Committee 10-12	Conference Room	S. Taylor
4-Mon.	Knittin' Kittens 11:30 - 4:30	Small Social Hall	P. Rundell
5-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	
6-Wed.	Long Range Planning Cmt. - 6 pm	Small Social Hall	C. Crogan
9-Sat.	Men's Club Valentine's Day Bash/Dinner - 7pm? See posters	Large Social Hall	A. Avery
12-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	
16-Sat.	BOD Open Meeting 9:30am	Small Social Hall	J. Nelson
16-Sat.	Potluck 5:30 pm	Social Hall	host needed
19-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	
20-Wed.	Bingo 6:30-8:00pm	Large Social Hall	Y. & M. Jones
26-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	

**2007-2008 ACTIVE
COMMITTEES**

If you wish to be on any of these committees, please contact President, Joanne Nelson.

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON

Building	Tony Averill
Budget	TBA
By-Laws	Jacob Koff
Long Range Planning	Cyndy Crogan
Past Presidents	Bob Sand
Recreation	Bill Eckard
Staking	John Doman
Tree	Steve Taylor

OTHER COMMITTEES CHAIRPERSON

Dam	Jean Allan
Emergency Response Team	
911 Medical	Diana & Jim Cook
911 Traffic Control	Ray Hoffman
Communications	Don Moore
VIP	Alcinda Walters
Historical	Barry Brown
Industrial Safety	Pat Herzog
Orientation	Jim Reynolds
Social Hall Renovation	Charlotte Reynold

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bookkeeper_ppmc@sbcglobal.net

**2008
BOARD OF DIRECTOR
MEETING DATES**

2008 MEETING DATES

01/19/08
02/16/08
03/15/08
04/19/08
05/17/08
06/21/08

06/28/08 Annual Meeting 7:00 pm

FIGHT THE BITE!

Don't Let Low Standing Water



423-6449 or 423-6449

www.agdept.com

WEST NILE VIRUS:

YOU CAN HELP STOP mosquitoes breeding in Paradise Park. Please check your allotment and those of your neighbors who may not be here for breeding grounds

- * Mosquitoes breed in standing water.
- * Don't let water accumulate even in small containers like planters, pet dishes or rain gauges.
- * Check for trapped water in tarps that cover stored items, depressions in driveways, holes in trees, cast-off tires, empty paint cans, etc.
- * Flush birdbaths, play pools and pet watering bowls at least twice a week.
- * Avoid over-irrigating; drain or fill low spots
- * Treat standing water that can't be drained by pouring a little vegetable oil on the surface or use Mosquito Dunks, a BTI--containing "biscuit" that kills mosquito larvae available at garden centers.
- * Report to the office any area you believe is a mosquito breeding spot.

HAND-HELD RADIOS---ARE THEY FOR YOU?

During the recent earthquake, members of your CERT team immediately and spontaneously went into action, communicating with each other on Park radios. They took flashlights and went out in golf carts, cars, or on foot to search neighborhoods for signs of damage to homes, bridge, tree limbs or power lines. Others phoned members who live alone. Did you know all this was happening?

If you need to call for help, or want to talk to your neighbors or the response team during an emergency, here's an idea: **Family Radio Service (FRS)** radios are hand-held radios (walkie-talkies) that can be purchased by anyone for less than \$50 a set (2 radios and charger). Pick up your radio, push a button and you can talk to anyone in your neighborhood with a similar radio turned on. One at a time can talk, but many can listen. Unlike the Park radios, which reach all parts of the Park, FRS radios reach only parts that are in line of sight. (No mountain in the way.)

Phone and cell phone service may be interrupted during an emergency, due to overload. This makes them unreliable for emergency use. In those cases, FRS radio communication could be a lifesaver. The radios can also be used in other situations. For instance, keep in touch with home when out walking. Use for car-to-car communications, within a reasonable distance.

We would especially encourage all CERT-trained members to purchase and use these radios, however the more members who have them, the better the communication possibilities. If you are interested in knowing more about FRS, please contact your Communication chairman Don Moore at 423-6449 or email donm57@aol.com with the subject line "FRS". He may be able to purchase them at a discount if he buys them in quantities of a dozen or more sets. He will set up training sessions as needed.

MEMORIAL FUND

WE WELCOME SUGGESTIONS FOR MEMORIALS

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Bob Biendle, Chairperson

Paradise Park Green Waste Service Poll

To: Members and Guests,

Currently, all members of Paradise Park have basically the same level of service for garbage, recycling and yard waste. Each allotment is allowed a maximum of 35 gallons of garbage each week and unlimited recycling and yard waste.

Many of our members are doing such a great job of recycling, they are finding they no longer need the 35 gallon service and can easily reduce to the 20 gallon service. We also have a few members that consistently need more than the 35 gallon service.

We would like to adjust the garbage/recycle/yard waste service to more accurately fit our needs.

Below is a poll. Please fill in the blanks and check the appropriate boxes to help us move towards our goal.

Name:

Address (allotment#):

Section:

GARBAGE:

- The current 35 gallon garbage pick up per week is the appropriate size.
- I would like to reduce to the 20 gallon garbage pick up.
- I would like to reduce to the 10 gallon garbage pick up.
- I would like to increase my garbage pick up to 64 gallons per week.
- I take my garbage to the dumpsters at the office.

RECYCLE:

I take my recycling to the community bins at the:

- Firehouse Section 4 Section 6
- I am using a green, 18 gallon tub. I am using my own container(s)
- I am using a 64 gallon blue recycling cart.
- I am satisfied with the current process.
- I would like to switch to: 18 gallon tub 64 gallon blue cart
- I am interested in a free worm bin for composting kitchen scraps.

This address/allotment is used: Full time Part time



Please return this poll to:

Myra Sandretti/Recycle Coordinator, 253 Paradise Park, Santa Cruz, CA. 95060