

Murieta Homeowners Association

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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Sat. & Sun Closed

Important Dates:

- Finance Com. Mtg: Tuesday, 4/11 in the North Clubhouse @ 5:30 p.m.
- Annual Meeting of the Membership followed by the BOD Mtg: Tues, 4/11 in the North Clubhouse @ 7:00 p.m.
- Bulky Bin: 4/11- 4/25
- Applied Pest Mgmt. visit, 4/4 & 4/18,

BOARD ELECTION

VOTE

BALLOTS must be received by TUESDAY, APRIL 11th, 7:00 p.m.

Murieta News

APRIL 2017 - MURIETA HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER



Have you Mailed your Ballot In Yet?

By now you received your ballots for the annual Election of Directors. You may ask yourself, why is it so important to vote? A top reason for casting your vote, is to protect your investment and our

Association may be the best tool you have to do just that.

You purchased your home with an expectation that your property would be protected by the CC&Rs (Covenants, Conditions & Restrictions), and maintained to a certain standard. The CC&Rs are legally binding covenants, filed with your real property records and are meant to protect, preserve, and enhance property values in the community. The Association enforces these restrictions which among other things, controls the appearance of the property (including patio's & balconies). If deed restriction violations are not corrected, there can be very negative results over time.

Association's also collect dues that fund the Operating budget which is used to pay for things such as the water bill, landscaping, pool, garbage and recycling services. The dues also fund the Reserve account which is used to pay for big ticket items such as roof repairs, painting of the complex and asphalt repairs.

How is this relevant to casting your vote? The Association, acts through its Board of Directors. Each member of the Board has the responsibility for making decisions that affect each member of this community. So, when you vote, you are deciding which candidate you trust to make those decisions on your behalf.

On this year's ballot three vital issues will be decided:

- Election of 5 Board of Directors for the 2017-2018 term.
- ♦ The issue of whether HOA Earthquake Insurance is purchased this year.
- The IRS Resolution. The IRS taxes any balance leftover (if any) in the operating account unless a majority of the voting members agree to "rollover" the balance at the end of the year into the next year's operating fund.

If you haven't already, please cast your vote and join us for the Annual Meeting of the Membership held at the North Clubhouse on April 11, 2017 @ 7PM.

Note of Appreciation for Mike Delong, Vice President (Retired):

"Thank you Mike for 3 years of dedicated service and creativity for our Murieta community. You have made an invaluable contribution as you involved yourself carefully in details about projects, expenses and staffing. Thanks to your leadership cooperation we have improved lighting, updated IT, computer resources and printing as well as an improved community participation, which helped us to become a safer, more energy-efficient, and more technologically advanced community. You also played a huge role in making the community's barbecues a success. Your sense of humor enabled us to endure long meetings and bring results that matter. Thank you for your commitment to excellence and enhancing the community in the best ways possible. Your leadership was about doing, and you did it! You will be missed."

NEW Candidate Profiles

<u>Judy Jones, Homeowner:</u> "Hi my name is Judy Jones. I am a new homeowner here in our community. When I first came here to see my unit I loved it. Some of my first thoughts were how nice the grounds were kept, it seemed very safe and like everyone really cared about the community. Living here now for eight months I continue to see how nice this community is, how nice the people who live here are and how organized the HOA is runned. Therefore; given the opportunity, I would like to serve on the board as one of our representative. A little about me: I have 27 years of experience working as a public servant and the last 15 years as a manager. As a manager, I monitor contracts, supervise staff, program planning/evaluation, oversee day to day operations and I have some experience with budget management. I also attend many meeting representing my agency. I would be new to serving on a board, however; feel I am able and invested in learning with the intention of ensuring our community continues to be safe, beautiful, friendly, and a desirable place to be a homeowner. Thank you for your consideration"

<u>Michael Macrohon, Homeowner:</u> "It is with great thought and enthusiasm that I respectfully submit my application to serve on the Board of home owners of Murieta. I grew up in Newark so I hold great pride in this city. My family of four have been a resident of this development for 7 years now. First as a renter for 5 years and now as an owner for the last 2 years. My interest in serving on the board is to advance the great community we have here and support the creation of great policies."

Preparing Makes Sense

Through its Ready Campaign, the Federal Emergency Management Agency educates and empowers Americans to take some simple steps to prepare for and respond to potential emergencies, including natural disasters and terrorist attacks. Ready asks individuals to do three key things: get an emergency supply kit, make a family emergency plan, and be informed about the different types of emergencies that could occur and their appropriate responses.

For more information visit www.ready.gov or stop by the office to pick up their Emergency Supply List.

Landscaping on Cedar Blvd

On April 11, 2017 at the Board of Directors meeting, the landscaping along Cedar will be discussed and/or decided. Please join us! **Your opinion matters!**

Earthquake Insurance?

Have questions about the proposed HOA Earthquake Insurance? Contact our Insurance Agent Paula Conrad at (650) 784-0964.

Common Area Carpet Cleaning

The next round of common area hallway carpet dry cleaning will take place on April 5th & 6th in Building 4 (39931), Building 5 (39865) and Building 6 (39887).

Mr. Unlimited offers discounted rates to residents who would like your own carpets cleaned on the day that he will be in your building. If interested, please call Mr. Unlimited at (650) 679-5544 for an estimate.

Paint Preparation

As we prepare for painting, landscapers will be cutting back hedges along the building and fences. Overgrown planting will be removed from fences. (Individual homeowners may need to cutback their plants for this reason.)

Bulky Items Pickup April 11th through 25th

The bulky item dumpster will be placed in the guest parking spaces against the back parking lot wall near Bldg. 3 (39953) during the week of 4/11 through 4/25. This is a great opportunity to clear out patios and balconies.

<u>ONLY ITEMS TO BE PLACED INSIDE</u> the dumpster include: furniture, mattresses, toys, bicycles and other non-hazardous household items.

ITEMS THAT CANNOT BE PLACED INSIDE OR NEXT

<u>TO</u> the dumpster include: all electronics (computers, monitors, TVs, stereo, telephones, printers, faxes, etc.), hazardous waste, tires, or auto parts; fluorescent tubes or batteries; appliances (stoves, microwaves, ovens, washing machines, dryers, dishwashers, refrigerators, or vacuum cleaners); food waste or liquid waste; and dirt, tile, construction debris, gravel, sand or rock.

<u>Disposing of Electronics</u> - All electrical items need to be recycled at any e-waste recycling center such as E-Waste Buyback & Recycling Center located at: 33548 Central Avenue, Union City, CA 94587, or for further information, call them at: (510) 468-2642.

The next bulky bin will be scheduled in Aug /Sept.