



**Murieta Homeowners Assoc.**

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**OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday thru Friday  
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

**Important Dates:**

- **Applied Pest Mgmt. visit, 5/5 & 5/19, 9:00—11:00 am**
- **Finance Com. Mtg: Tuesday, 5/12 in the North Clubhouse @ 5:30 p.m.**
- **HOA meeting: Tuesday, 5/12 in the North Clubhouse @ 7:00 p.m.**
- **Memorial Day: 5/25 OFFICE CLOSED**



# Murieta News

MAY 2015 – MURIETA HOME OWNER'S ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

## Annual Meeting Held

Thank you to all the homeowners that participated in the 2015 Annual Meeting both in person and by Ballot. The following owners form the 2015—2016 Murieta Board of Directors: Anthony Garside as President, Michael Delong as Vice President, Matthew Jue as Treasurer, Kirsten List as Secretary and Gary Yue as Director at Large. The 2015 IRS Resolution passed with a majority vote.

## Annual Financial Disclosure

An outside CPA reviews the Association's books once a year and does an Annual Report. A summary of this report will be mailed to each owner in early May. If you do not receive this important annual disclosure, please notify the office and one will be provided to you. Those owners that receive their monthly statements and newsletters by email will be receiving their Annual Review package by email.

## Mandatory 25% Statewide Reduction in Potable Urban Water Use

Last month Governor Brown directed the State Water Board to implement mandatory water reductions in the use of potable water. Paraphrasing from the State Water Board's website: The regulation is to take into consideration the different levels of conservation already achieved by communities based upon their relative per capita water usage. The Board will be further discussing strategies for further reduction of water use, and will continue this discussion at the May 12, 2015 meeting. All owners are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Murieta pays for both common area water and residential water use with your Association dollars. We now spend over \$100,000 a year on water. The common area watering has been reduced as required by the County to one day a week, and homeowners are being encouraged to be proactive about saving water within their units.

## Water Saving Tips

- ◆ Reduce watering of outdoor plants to once a week or less.
- ◆ If you do water outdoor plants, water only in the early morning or evening.
- ◆ Keep showers under five minutes, turn off the faucet when brushing teeth, capture and reuse cold water that runs while you are warming it up.
- ◆ Only run full loads of laundry and dishes in the dishwasher.
- ◆ Fix leaky plumbing. Running toilets or leaky faucets is wasting up to a hundred gallons of water or more a week. Fix it, or turn it off until it is fixed.
- ◆ Take your car to a carwash that recycles water. Let the car get dirtier than usual.

**NO NEW RENTAL PROPERTIES...** The Association is currently at full capacity for rental units with a waiting list of over 50 owners. Unauthorized rentals are subject to Hearings, daily fines and loss of privileges. Please see your CC&Rs page 13 regarding rental restrictions.

## Manager's Update

- ♦ Ekim Painting provided a full day of touch-up painting services here at Murieta towards the latter part of last month. You may have noticed that your patio fences we're touched-up.
- ♦ Dryer vent cleaning bids have been obtained and will be reviewed at the next Board Meeting.
- ♦ Planning for hydro-flushing kitchen drain lines is also in the works and will be discussed at the next Board Meeting. Proposals may be ready for Board review.
- ♦ The Asphalt/Re-paving project continues to be in the planning phase. Residents will be notified about the paving schedule in the next several months.
- ♦ Pools are scheduled to open on Memorial Day weekend, May 23, 2015.
- ♦ Parking sticker enforcement has begun. If you have not obtained a parking sticker, or have not placed it on the lower left of your vehicle's rear glass, you may soon be receiving a written notice.
- ♦ Reminder: the speed limit in all Murieta driveways is 8MPH. We have received complaints of drivers exceeding the speed limit and/or tailgating other drivers. Please be mindful of pedestrians and common neighborly courtesy.
- ♦ Please walk, not run, in all walkways and hallways for your own safety and for your neighbors' convenience. Please do not use the hallways as a recreational area as it can become a nuisance for other neighbors.

## Common Area Carpet Cleaning

The next round of common area hallway carpet dry cleaning will take place on May 6th & 7th in Building 7 (39843), Building 8 (39821) and the North and South Clubhouses.

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.

**Go Green - Go Paperless!** To request email Statements and Newsletter, please send an e-mail to [murietahoa@gmail.com](mailto:murietahoa@gmail.com) using your preferred email. **All participants are entered in an annual \$50 drawing each August.**

## Comments from our Neighbors.....Messy Patios

A homeowner at the Annual General Meeting made a comment that will upset some of us. Our neighbor told us that a realtor asked why we are not doing anything about the messy patios. Good question: If you look in our CC&R's on Article 6.1c you will see that we are all obligated to keep our patios looking presentable—which also maintains the value of our homes.

Suggestion: why don't you go out on the sidewalk and look up at your patio—does it look appealing or like a storage shed? Our HOA General rules tell us: **"Patio/Balcony furniture is limited to furniture meant for exterior patio/balcony. No appliances are allowed on the patio/balcony areas such as refrigerators, clothes dryers, etc. No flammable substance ..should be stored in the water heater/utility area. Do not hang clothing items, sheets, towels, etc. on your balcony."**

We are in the process of revisiting the whole Murieta complex to persuade those who are not being neighborly to consider the appearance of their patio. We are also going to request some homeowner to prune or cut down plants or trees that are too far overgrown. If your patio does not meet the standards we all signed on to when we purchased or rented our units you will hear from us.

## Women's Koffee Klatch

On 5/11/15 our Murieta Women's Koffee Klatch meets at 8:30 a.m. in the North Clubhouse. We would like women of all ages, owners and renters alike, to come and join us for coffee, donuts, bagels, sometimes fruit, and conversation. We have had some good discussions on what is taking place in our community.

## Saving Water?

We recently installed new high efficiency toilets at our place that save up to 2 gallons a flush! And the Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency paid for them! All you have to pay for is the installation.

Come to the HOA office or go to [www.bawsca.org](http://www.bawsca.org) for an application. What are you doing to conserve water?—at the Annual General Meeting we had some great suggestions—like changing your shower head etc. If you have a tip for us drop us a line and we may publish it to SAVE WATER.