

CROW CANYON HEIGHTS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

May 2024 Newsletter

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The May 2024 newsletter for Crow Canyon Heights (CCH) is available for registered members at www.crowcanyonheights.com. It is also sent via email to all homeowners and residents who have an email address on record. If you wish to stop receiving simply send an email to "cchalert@comcast.net" and write "STOP" in the subject line or in the body of the message.

Questions to ponder: "Why do eggs come in flimsy styrofoam cartons and batteries come in a package that requires a chainsaw to open?"

"Why is it called "after dark" when it is really "after light"?"

NEXT BOARD MEETING

May 16, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m.

Audio/Video Conference bridge attendance info will be provided via email prior to the meeting

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Did you know the month of May includes...

- **Mothers Day**, celebrated throughout the world on the second Sunday in May (the 12th). Don't forget!
- **Memorial Day**, a national holiday to honor those who died or were injured in the US Military serving our country. Observed on May 27th this year.
- **Cinco de Mayo**, the anniversary of Mexican troops' victory over invading French forces in 1862.
- **International Day of Argania** - the Argan tree, native to North Africa, is believed to have grown over 80 million years ago and the oldest tree on earth(!). Argan oil is used in cosmetics, soap, medicine and more (May 10th).
- ... **and a host** of other observances in May, such as National Peace Officers Memorial Day, World Blood Cancer Day, National Wine Day, and National Mint Julep Day in honor of the Kentucky Derby, which was an exciting photo finish on May 4th.

Happy Mothers Day May 12th

Pool Opens May 17th

May 2024

Although the official beginning of summer is not until June 20th, we're fortunate to live in a location where seasonal change and warm weather and clear skies begin to visit sometime during May, moving us outside to visit with neighbors and friends. The pool area opens mid-May, and hopefully the weather will cooperate with warm and sunny days.

REMINDERS

Parking regulations have been mailed again to all residents. Applications for exceptions, exemptions, and driveway parking permits should be attended to without further delay. The Homeowners Association has contracted with an outside, third party, professional firm to enforce Crow Canyon Heights parking regulations. They are paid with a portion of monthly dues payments, and are underway making sure our streets and driveways are clear and in compliance with homeowner approved regulations.

Any questions can likely be answered by simply reading the regulations in the **Rules and Regulations Guidebook** found online, or by contacting HAS, our management company. See above for HAS email addresses and telephone contact information.

Recall this is the year our homes/buildings are scheduled for repainting, which will be a very large and costly project. The Association has not yet awarded a contract for required repairs in advance of painting, or to a painting contractor. You may see, from time to time, individuals walking around homes and throughout common areas to assess the project so that they can submit informed bids to be assessed and considered for a final contract award.

We have tentatively planned to include representatives of our landscape company, Artistic Landscape, to make a quarterly visit to our next Board meeting on May 16th, to share insights and expectations for the upcoming months, and to address questions from homeowners. This will be at the very beginning of the meeting, so if you are interested and can attend please be on time so you don't miss it.

FINANCE

2023 year end financial reporting was recently mailed to all homeowners. As discussed in the March Board meeting, the Association finished 2023 slightly under budget for last year. This was the initial basis, along with best estimates for 2024 operating expenses, for avoiding 2024 monthly dues increases for 2023, while almost all other HOAs were forced to increase dues.

OTHER BUSINESS

HELP TO MAINTAIN SECURITY AND KEEP OUR COMMUNITY SAFE: Our security gates are far from foolproof, however, they do represent a meaningful barrier to the criminal element. It is important to be vigilant and report any issue or problem to our management company. Keep their telephone number handy **(925-830-4848)**

We all should know by now, if you “see something, say something.” We have security cameras at various locations, and many homes are equipped with Ring or other outdoor cameras. Cameras are helpful when investigating events after the fact, and hopefully serve to deter potential violators, but speaking up and reporting things is the best defense for keeping CCH safe and secure. When leaving the property using one of the pedestrian gates, take a gate key with you. Jamming branches or other debris in the closing mechanism for re-entry results in future repair costs and defeats the purpose of security fencing and gates. If you need an extra key contact Colleen or Jennifer at HAS and they can help. This applies to both the Oneida and Shoshone section gates.

For more information including the schedule for upcoming Board meetings, see the CCH web site: (www.crowcanyonheights.com)

Reference the **H**omeowner **A**ssociation **S**ervices (**HAS**) online system with questions and for information (online.hoaservices.net/CaliberWeb2_HAS/#/), or email Jennifer at jtavares@hoaservices.net