



WARM SPRINGS KNOLLS

A 55+ Community



Community Newsletter

November 2024

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A Note From Our President- Woody Smith

Well, we had our Board Meeting on October 19, and thank you to all who attended. It's always nice to see our homeowners. I wish more of you could attend. Our meetings are very informative, and it's nice to get acquainted.

Steven Penn, from Alliance, attended our meeting and was very helpful explaining our new budget. Also, Steven gave us the good news about WSK being nominated for HOA of the year! This was a great surprise and honor. There are no more than 5 associations that are nominated each year. That is from all of Riverside County, except the Desert area. So over 500 associations, with only 5 nominations, we are in the top! This award is based on the quality of the community and upkeep of amenities, pride in ownership, maintenance, and upkeep of homes by owners, along with our Financial strength!!! We will know if we have won this award on November 16. Of course we want to win, but just getting in the top 5 shows when we all work together it pays off!! Everyone will want to live in WSK!! Thank you everyone for appreciating what a great community we live in.

With the Holidays approaching, please watch for the upcoming events. November 2, is a Breakfast. French toast with all the goodies that go with it.

The HOA board and I would like to wish many blessing upon our WSK community and have a wonderful Thanksgiving Day.

Woody

2024 Board of Directors

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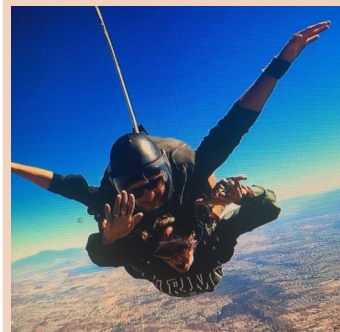
Community Association of the Year Medium size HOA's 101- 500 homes



Presented to award recipients who have gone above and beyond within their communities. This would be things based on quality of the community, maintenance and upkeep of amenities, pride in ownership/maintenance and upkeep of homes by owners, and financial strength. This nomination is out of any HOA communities that are within Riverside County (minus the desert).



Collette Allen recently celebrated her late husband Dale Allen's 76th birthday in a very special way. Dale served two tours in Vietnam as a paratrooper and also taught skydiving.



Collette, with her grandson as co-pilot, did her first skydive out of Lake Elsinore to celebrate his birthday. She had the time of her life and the most memorable way to pay tribute on his birthday.



2024 Volunteers

Activities

Sherry Tatar
951-536-4604

Audit Committee

Open position

Clubhouse Rental

Debra Clark
562-322-7727

Compliance Officers

Frank Biddle
760-716-4775
Ken Marsh
714 3-93-8804

Emergency Prep

Open position

Library

Open Position

Newsletter

Ray Clark

Senior Advocate

Shelby Price
951-303-4409

Streets/Infrastructure

Jim Francis
951-440-2215

Welcome Committee

Marsha Brinker
Therese Leone
Joanne Marsh
714-401-7648

Website

James Sebring
760-294-1122

Police (non-emergency)

951-304-2677

Waste Management

(Trash bin replacement)
714- 558-7761

From the Treasurer– Joanne Marsh

We had a board meeting on October 19, and we heard from the budget committee on their recommendation to stay at \$85 a month. I gave my recommendation as chairperson of the budget committee, my recommendation as well as our financial adviser, Steven Penn, from Alliance, who came to give reasons why we should raise the monthly dues to \$95.00 .

There was a 2-hour discussion. The main reason to go up was that we have multiple capital projects that need to be completed in the next few years. These projects will deplete our reserves to an unacceptable level. Our 50+ year old community needs more work as time marches forward. Capital projects are paid from reserves, and reserves only increase from operating, and that only comes from assessments.

Several people are still concerned regarding the trash issue from last year. Unfortunately, this has effected their ability to see the larger picture of protecting our community and ensuring our financial future and well being.

Joanne

WSK HOA FINANCIALS

YTD as of end August 2024

Operating:	\$ 99,033.92
Reserve:	\$138,209.81
CDs:	\$142,571.28
Petty Cash:	\$ 489.01



WSK Annual Membership

Meeting

January 18, 2025

Voting @ 10 - noon

Annual Meeting @ 1:pm

Welcome New Members

Rae Shearer & Alan Kline 38066 Via Del Largo

From the Vice President– Henry Kantrowitz

Our WSK Coyote family has faced trauma and sorrow this month. On Oct. 13th, their kid (pup) was struck by a car and killed on Via La Colina. I moved her from the middle of the street and set her on the canyon side above the curb. She was then picked up by animal control two days later. A good chance a car was speeding as many of the cars do on that street. The pup was less than a year old, probably around 10 months old. After the body was taken away, the family came by that night and smelled where she was hit in the middle of the street. Then they smelled where animal control had removed her. They stood there for about a minute to say their goodbyes and then went over to their trail leading down into the canyon.

The family comes into our community to hunt for rabbits and rats. Their ancestors have been here longer than we have. Their food supply is limited in the canyon. They normally have a large range to eat, so they need to use the land we have taken from them to survive. Please slow down while driving our streets so this kind of tragedy can be avoided. Please don't use rat poison as well. Either use live traps or kill traps to get rid of your rat problem.

Henry



From Architectural Director– Tom Woolslayer

Notices went out for palm tree overgrowth this week. Let's remember the curbs around our homes are our responsibility; please maintain them.

Our community award nomination is a credit to all of our homeowners. Most everyone does a great job of maintenance and improvement. Your HOA has referrals and recommendations if you need assistance.

Thank you to those that have completed the architectural request form. It's an easy 1-page form and normally approved the same day received.

Please call if you have questions. Tom Woolslayer, (951) 252-5652

From the Secretary– Sherry Tatar

I'd like to take a moment to address an issue that comes up all too often in our community. It is actually, by percentage of our community numbers, a very small few. Even if this information can help those few keep from running into problems, it would be worth it. If you are going to sell or rent your home, you are required to have your realtor post that our community is 55 years and over. You must notify the Warm Spring board of any caregiver requirements and file paperwork for prior approval. Your purchasing realtor has to go through our management company, Alliance Management. All these things need to be done before the escrow process to avoid considerable monthly fines or potentially block the sale or rental of your home. If you have questions about any of the steps you might need to take depending on your situation, call the board, and we will be glad to guide you to the answers.

Sherry Tatar

From Activities– Sherry Tatar

Don't forget about breakfast at Warm Spring Knolls this Saturday from 8:30 to 10:00 We will be having French toast, sausage, hash browns, fruit, and coffee cake - all this for \$8 per person. Come enjoy a cup of coffee with us.



On another note, I know it may be a bit premature, but I want you all to mark your calendar for December 7th at 6:00 pm. The WSK Activities Committee will be preparing a holiday dinner for you. All the details are still being worked out, but they will be coming to you in an email and by flyer.

Sherry Tatar

Medicare Information Meeting

Hi there, for those of you that missed the Medicare meeting that we had in the clubhouse on October 10th, we will hold another one on November 20 for information on your Medicare carrier, the changes on your Medicare carrier, and what might benefit you. There is some good information that you may need to know. So please feel free to come November 20th @ 1:pm at the WSK clubhouse.

From Facilities Director– Nancy Misko

Happy Fall! For those of you who did not attend our October Board meeting, I will repeat a few items that were brought up in the facilities department.

Our golf cart parking area was installed with striping and signs; thank you to Ray for his many skills! We also installed solar lights in front of the clubhouse entry area, which look great at night and prevent parking in the rocks. Unfortunately, a couple of dogs have been doing their business on them already.



I am not sure that our residents realize that our pool and building is old...hitting 50 years soon! We pay \$750 a month just for the weekly service alone, and on top of that, many issues pop up, like this month alone over \$2000 for repairs. The pool heater fan is being fixed, as well as other issues in the mechanical parts of both the heater and spa. The spa will be completely replastered in the next month to the tune of \$13,000. Our pool may have another 1-2 years for a complete replaster as well, which will cost in the area of \$30k. The pool is a huge expense, and the fact that it basically runs 24/7 makes it more prone to wear and tear.

I also have had many residents ask to keep the pool heated all year, which both Units 1 and 3 do. This all costs money and possibly raises the heating bill another \$3k a month.

Our pool table is finally getting a facelift, which includes new felting and bumpers. Originally the table was donated, and over the years it has had much damage. Earlier this year Ray Clark replaced the destroyed pocket leathers, which he did a beautiful job and saved us some \$\$ for installation.

We also had the carpets cleaned in the clubhouse which required everything to be moved... Again, thanks, Ray, for helping me. Due to much spillage from events, we are getting large stains more frequently. Randy Pozos, who is a resident here in WSK, does great work.

Our TVs, were donated but we do not pay for a network service. Only Roku-type free internet networks are available. They are getting a lot of use, especially for exercise and meetings.

Our roof needed repairs, and Henry, Glenn, and Hector are working on sealing a few leaks. Word is that we are expecting some "atmospheric rivers" and heavy rains again this winter.

The plateau area of our property also requires some drainage repairs, and we are currently looking at estimates and plans for repair. The cost could be up to \$10,000, but we are looking for alternative ideas. We are also installing a "WSK Residents Only" sign on the plateau.

It takes a village to keep up with our aging common property. I can use any help to keep costs down. If you have a skill or want to help clean the pool or common areas, please let me know. I am an unpaid director, not a caretaker. The other units are lucky to be able to utilize their live-in caretakers to clean and fix items daily.

Happy Thanksgiving to all!!!

Nancy

From Key's & Calendar– Debra Clark

What are we thankful for and how did Thanksgiving come about:

The first Thanksgiving comes from Pilgrim chronicler Edward Winslow, who wrote:

“Our harvest being gotten in, our governor sent four men on fowling, that so we might after a special manner rejoice together, after we had gathered the fruits of our labors; they four in one day killed as much fowl, as with a little help beside, served the Company almost a week, at which time amongst other Receptions, we exercised our Arms, many of the Indians coming amongst us, and amongst the rest their greatest king Massasoit, with some ninety men, whom for three days we entertained and feasted, and they went out and killed five Deer, which they brought to the Plantation and bestowed on our Governor, and upon the Captain and others. And although it be not always so plentiful, as it was at this time with us, yet by the goodness of God, we are so far from want, that we often wish you partakers of our plenty.”

During the American Revolution, the Continental Congress designated one or more days of thanksgiving a year, and in 1789 George Washington issued the first Thanksgiving proclamation by the national government of the United States; in it, he called upon Americans to express their gratitude for the happy conclusion to the country's war of independence and the successful ratification of the U.S. Constitution. His successors John Adams and James Madison also designated days of thanks during their presidencies.

In 1817, New York became the first of several states to officially adopt an annual Thanksgiving holiday; each celebrated it on a different day, however, and the American South remained largely unfamiliar with the tradition.

Thanksgiving Becomes a Holiday

In 1827, the noted magazine editor and prolific writer Sarah Josepha Hale—author, among countless other things, of the nursery rhyme “Mary Had a Little Lamb”—launched a campaign to establish Thanksgiving as a national holiday. For 36 years, she published numerous editorials and sent scores of letters to governors, senators, presidents, and other politicians, earning her the nickname the “Mother of Thanksgiving.”

Abraham Lincoln finally heeded her request in 1863, at the height of the Civil War, in a proclamation entreating all Americans to ask God to “commend to his tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife” and to “heal the wounds of the nation.”

He scheduled Thanksgiving for the final Thursday in November, and it was celebrated on that day every year until 1939 when Franklin D. Roosevelt moved the holiday up a week in an attempt to spur retail sales during the Great Depression. Roosevelt's plan, known derisively as Franksgiving, was met with passionate opposition, and in 1941 the president reluctantly signed a bill making Thanksgiving the fourth Thursday in November.

First and foremost, I'm thankful for my Lord Jesus Christ my savior! I could not do life without him, nor would I want to. I have so much to be thankful formy husband had a new birthday October 16, a year ago he had a triple bypass and basically, I got him to the hospital just in time. So thankful he's still here with us. I'm so thankful for all the blessings in my life and there are too many to list. I hope and pray that all of you have a very blessed Thanksgiving!

Debra



2025 Board of Directors Elections

Elections will be held on January 18th, 2025, from 10:00am to noon. The Annual Meeting follows at 1:00PM.



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James - A Public Announcement

Tips for managing stress during the holidays coming up. Yes, it is that time of the year.

1. Set priorities. Think about what's important to you and say no to plans that make you feel too stretched.
2. **Be flexible**, be ready to switch gears. And cut yourself some slack if something doesn't work out.
3. Stick to a budget. Be realistic about what you can afford.
4. Set boundaries. Embrace the people and situations that make you feel safe and comfortable.
5. **Practice mindfulness**. Be mindful when you experience moments of joy during the holiday season. Could be the smell of a pine tree or the big smile on a child's face during celebrations.
6. **Stay active**. Make time for daily exercise.
7. **Eat well and moderate substances** by keeping an eye on maintaining a balanced diet.
8. **Practice deep breathing exercises**.
9. **Express gratitude**. Writing down the people and things you're grateful for can go a long way toward managing stress...
10. **Spend time outside**. This one is easy. We live in Southern California.
11. **Get extra support**. You can search for community events or gatherings, support groups, or therapy. Share your thoughts and feelings with a trusted friend or family member.

Thanks, Shelby

November 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>GK Bible Study at Golf Knolls Clubhouse Sunday morning's 10-11am</p>	<p>Chair Exercise 10:30am</p>	<p>Chair Yoga 9:am Line Dancing 12-1:30 pm Card Games 1:30-4:30 pm</p>	<p>Chair Exercise 10:30 am</p>	<p>Yoga Class 9:am TRASH DAY</p>	<p>Chair Exercise 10:30 am HOA OFFICE Hours 9-12 Tom</p>	<p>WSK Breakfast 8:30am \$8.00</p>
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