



WARM SPRINGS KNOLLS

A 55+ Community



Community Newsletter

December 2024

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A Note From Our President– Woody Smith

With the holidays approaching, please watch for the upcoming events at our WSK clubhouse. December 7th, is our Christmas dinner, December 11th, Sip and Paint, December 12th, Santa is coming to our clubhouse and December 19th were having a cookie exchange.

Once again, from the HOA board and I, we would like to wish all of you in the WSK community Happy Holidays with many blessings. Have a wonderful Christmas and New Years Day.

Woody



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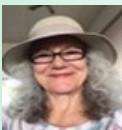
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Keys & Calendar

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It's Back!!!

An easygoing afternoon of BYOB and a canvas with paints. Kristina Merrick, a local Medicare Agent Representative, will be bringing this fun afternoon of painting with acrylics on your own canvas with step-by-step instruction by Kristina herself. There's a \$5.00 charge for this get-together on December 11th at 5:pm. Space is very limited, so call ASAP to reserve a spot. When the seats are filled, no more reservations will be taken. Call Sherry (951) 536-4604.

Cookies! Cookies! Cookies!

We are having a cookie exchange on December 19th at 2:pm in the WSK clubhouse. Make 3 to 4 dozen of your favorite treats to share for Christmas. We will have a few games, good fellowship, and trade cookies. This way you get different recipes and cookies of all kinds for Christmas.

Call Debra Clark 562-322-7727 to make your reservations please! We can accept 12 reservations only!

From the Treasurer– Joanne Marsh

On November 12, we had a board meeting. One of the agenda items was to approve \$50,000 to be transferred from operating to reserves. It was approved unanimously by the board.

We also approved the percentage change for the Tri Unit MOU. Our board has approved the GK 20% WSK 15% SK 65% for a section of the roads.

January is right around the corner. Please make sure you are setup correctly with Alliance to start off the New Year hassle-free.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Joanne



WSK HOA FINANCIALS

YTD as of end October 2024

Operating:	\$102,274.56
Reserve:	\$138,250.79
CDs:	\$144,119.67
Petty Cash:	\$ 449.90



WSK Annual Membership Meeting

January 18, 2025
Voting @ 10 - noon
Annual Meeting @ 1:pm

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

Sue Starling

Newsletter

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Senior Advocate

Shelby Price
951-303-4409

Streets/Infrastructure

Jim Francis
951-440-2215

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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 Secretary– Sherry Tatar

It's that time of year when you can expect to receive your annual packet. It will be sent via email or hardcopy by US mail. If you don't receive it by January 15, contact the office to let us know so we can make sure you get yours. It's important that you be informed as a homeowner and take the time to go through your packet to review how your community is run. In this packet, you can find some useful information like budget, election candidates, assessments, rules, and penalties, as well as membership rights. Keep your copy close at hand should any questions come up, and you'll have answers at your fingertips.

Sherry Tatar



From Activities– Sherry Tatar

If you've been in the clubhouse lately, I hope you've noticed all the time and hard work the Activities folks put into making it ready for the winter holiday. Bells, holly, greenery, and bows everywhere. Have you considered donating to our food and toy drive yet? Items can be dropped off at the clubhouse. non-perishable foods or an unwrapped toy. Santa will be dropping by on December 12th at 5:30 or six for a Jolly good visit and to pick up our donations. I hope to see you peeking in to see him for a little while. We'll be serving cocoa and cookies for everybody.

On 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



From Architectural Director– Tom Woolslayer

Happy Holidays to all. Please remember to put your Christmas lights on timers. They look nice but your neighbor might not want their bedroom to be lit all night long. If you feel like you shouldn't be climbing a ladder please don't. We have lots of handy man type people that can help. All Christmas lights should be down by January 6th.

Thanks and Merry Christmas
Tom Woolslayer



From the Vice President— Henry Kantrowitz

Welcome to Winter! brrrrrrrrr

December as well as winter is upon us. It is that time again that Mother Nature brings us colder weather and shorter days. Many plants, and animals have had to adapt to this time of year. Millions of years of evolution have helped adapt trees, plants and animals to survive winter. So how has evolution helped these plants and animals to adapt? Many animals have learned to go into hibernation during this time. They have prepared themselves to be able to sleep all winter long. Most reptiles and amphibians go into hibernation since they can't regulate their body temperature. They go underground to avoid the extreme colds. Many mammals, such as bears, have evolved to know what food to eat to produce enough fat to get through the winterlong sleep. Many types of squirrels and chipmunks have learned to store acorns and seeds to get through the cold. The same for woodpeckers. They store acorns by hammering them into trees and digging them out during winter. Our local scrub jays are capable of burying about 400 acorns before winter, and remember where they put them during this time. The ones that they forget sprout and help spread new oak trees in spring. Over time, it has become instinctive for all of these creatures to make it through winter. Another way that numerous birds deal with the winter is the evolution of migration in late fall. Some of our summer birds leave for warmer climates, such as orioles, most of our hummingbird species, and others. White crown sparrows migrate here from Alaska each winter to enjoy our not-so-cold winters. When I lived in Costa Rica, I would see some of the local species that live here down there in winter.

A large amount of trees and plants are deciduous, losing their leaves to conserve energy, which they have lost because of the cold days. Some trees in autumn have their leaves change color due to the shorter daylight and changes in temperature. The leaves stop their food-making process of photosynthesis. The chlorophyll breaks down, leaving the green color, which disappears. The yellow to orange colors become visible and give the leaves part of their fall splendor. Then, in winter, there are several reasons deciduous trees lose their leaves. By losing leaves, the tree spends less energy through the harsh winter. The tree also conserves water within the trunk since the leaves are where moisture transpires. Losing leaves allows wind to blow through the leafless branches, putting less stress on the tree, which can be a concern during winter storms.

Isn't the process of evolution incredible, helping so many plants and animals to adapt to change? Thank you, Mother Nature, for giving us the gift of winter. If it wasn't for your efforts, this planet wouldn't be what it is today...

And Happy Festivus for the rest of us! Henry



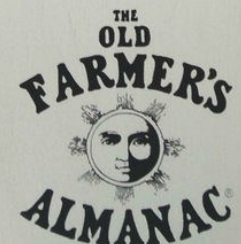
ODE TO A COW

When life seems one too many for
you,
Go and look at a cow.
When the future's black and the
outlook blue,
Go and look at a cow.
For she does nothing but eat her
food,
And sleep in the meadows entirely
nood,
Refusing to fret or worry or
brood
Because she doesn't know how.

Whenever you're feeling bothered
and sore,
Go and look at a cow.
When everything else is a fearful
bore,
Go and look at a cow.
Observe her gentle and placid air,
her nonchalance and savoir faire,
Her absolute freedom from every
care,
Her imperturbable brow.

So when you're at the end of your
wits,
Go and look at a cow.
Or when your nerves are frayed
to bits,
And wrinkles furrow your brow;
She'll merely moo in her gentle
way,
Switching her rudder as if to say:
"Bother tomorrow! Let's live
today!
Take the advice of a cow."

— 1936 —



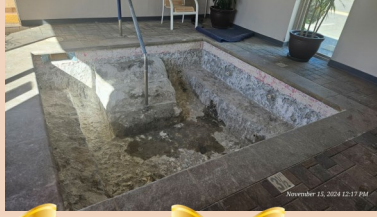
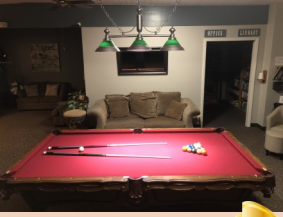
Shelby Price



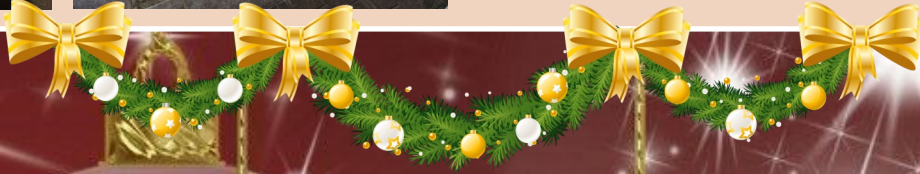
From Facilities Director– Nancy Misko

Update on the clubhouse facilities.

The pool heater has been shut down for winter, but the pool is still open for those of you who are into polar bathing. The clubhouse pool table has been restored with a beautiful burgundy felt. Our spa has been getting a complete makeover, which consists of chipping off all of the old plaster and tile and replacing it with new. Nancy



*Merry
Christmas*
& HAPPY NEW YEAR



From Key's & Calendar– Debra Clark

Well, another year gone, wow! Time goes by so fast! Now that the year is ending, I've just been reflecting on all the blessings I've encountered. We have had some good times in the clubhouse with all our activities over the past year.

The Clubhouse looks great, the pool table looks great, and it's nice to see so many people using it. I'm very excited about the spa getting redone and can't wait to see the finished project.

Christmas time is my favorite time of year! I love to decorate and bake wonderful things. I love to get together with people to sing and dance and do crazy things. I really do enjoy living here, and there's so much to be joyful about all the time, especially this time of year. May all of you have a very Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year! Enjoy today as if it were your last day on earth.

I don't want a box "under the tree", "I'm not looking for a card" or "any money", "cause today is a gift", "and that's all I need", I guess that's why they call it "The Present". ✨ "THE PRESENT" by Forrest Frank

Happy Birthday, Jesus!
Blessing, Deb



🎀 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.

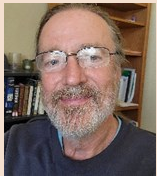
2025 Election Candidates



Frank Biddle - I have lived in Warm Spring Knolls for 5 1/2 years. I am a retired civil litigator and a Cal State Fullerton graduate. I have a BA in French and a J.D. from Western State University College of Law. Returned peace corps volunteer/Morocco. Will make sure our rules are followed across the board including HOA board members. As your Board Member I will do everything to maintain our property values.



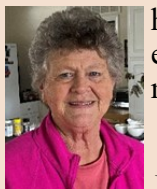
Debra Clark – Incumbent - Hi, my name is Debra Clark. I've lived here for a little over three years. My husband and I retired and moved out here because our only son moved out here with his wife and family and we got to be near those grand babies. I've been on the Board for two years. I came on the Board as secretary and now I'm the Keys and Calendar girl. I am running because I enjoy being involved in our community and keeping it safe and beautiful. I also enjoy tag teaming with facilities on taking care of our community area for Warm Springs Knolls. Calendar girl has a high interest in keeping our clubhouse and pool area beautiful. It can sometimes get a little hectic and overwhelming, like when we had several court dates to keep squatters out of our community and after all the hard work it paid off! It's worth seeing the finished product of whatever we're working on at the time. I enjoy praying and seeing prayers answered. I am a firm believer in that! I'm involved at our church and babysitting keeps us quite busy. I love to play games. Don't have many hobbies. I just try to enjoy the life that I have been blessed with.



Glenn Ingraham - Since moving here in 2013 I am proud to have played a part in making WSK a great place to live. I started by writing and producing the monthly newsletter in 2015 and went on to do so for seven years, most of that while still working full-time. Once I retired from my career in risk management, I served in various roles on the board including President (three years). During my terms of office, I did the work that needed doing by working with residents to solve problems, negotiating contracts with service providers, overseeing and/or assisting with major construction projects, dealing with lawyers over legal issues, and working with our sister HOAs on issues that affect us all such as rewriting and pushing through the tri-unit cost sharing agreement (Memo of Understanding). During it all, what I most appreciated was the chance to work with the great people of our community. Whether we were climbing around on the roofs to repair a vent or drain, digging up asphalt on Donoso to prove to EMWD that the water leak was their problem and not ours, or working with Bud, Chris, Henry, and Nancy to renovate the pool deck and parts of the spa building, it has always been the people that have made working for our community worthwhile. And now, after a two-year break, I'm ready to jump back in. Our residents need board members that work with the city to keep us safe and does the work necessary to ensure the improving value of our homes and amenities.



Nancy Misko – Incumbent. I have been your Facility Director for the last 4 years. I decided that I would like to continue on your Board and maintain the integrity and property values of our WSK community. I have been instrumental in remodeling our clubhouse and pool decking and always making improvements on the grounds. I have been involved in all aspects of our Board, including Secretary and Activities, and continue to learn more about the governing HOA laws which we must follow. I have a B.A. in Marketing from California Lutheran University and am retired from General Motors and the education field. I also held my CA Realtor's License for 20 years. I am totally invested in our Knolls community and always help when needed. We have a little piece of paradise up here and I enjoy volunteering my time to keep it beautiful and safe.



Margaret Ortiz – I have been involved with Warm Springs community for most of the 20 years that I have lived here. I have been on the Board for many of those years holding multiple positions. I am honest and trustworthy and will try to keep a calm approach to the challenges that occur being a board member. I would love to serve once again helping our community in any way possible.



James Sebring - I was the previous WSK Treasurer for over 4 years, in which time I took the HOA from paper checks and cash payments to modern payments by Credit Card and EFT – direct electronic payment from bank to bank, thus increasing the security of payments and accounting. I modernized the HOA financial Audit system, by reducing the time to complete from over an hour to less than a half hour, while increasing the accuracy of auditing. I was responsible for having the HOA invest money into CDs for increased interest earnings. As in the past, I will make an effort to improve our HOA in any way possible. I will strive to make the HOA open to your voice and concerns. I feel the Board is there to support our community as best we can through communication and leadership.



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\$140,000	14,000	65,000	28,000	100,000	1,000	\$392

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Rates are examples of replacement cost on newer manufactured homes in most CA parks with a \$500 deductible.



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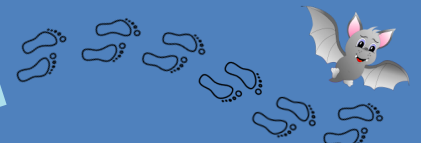
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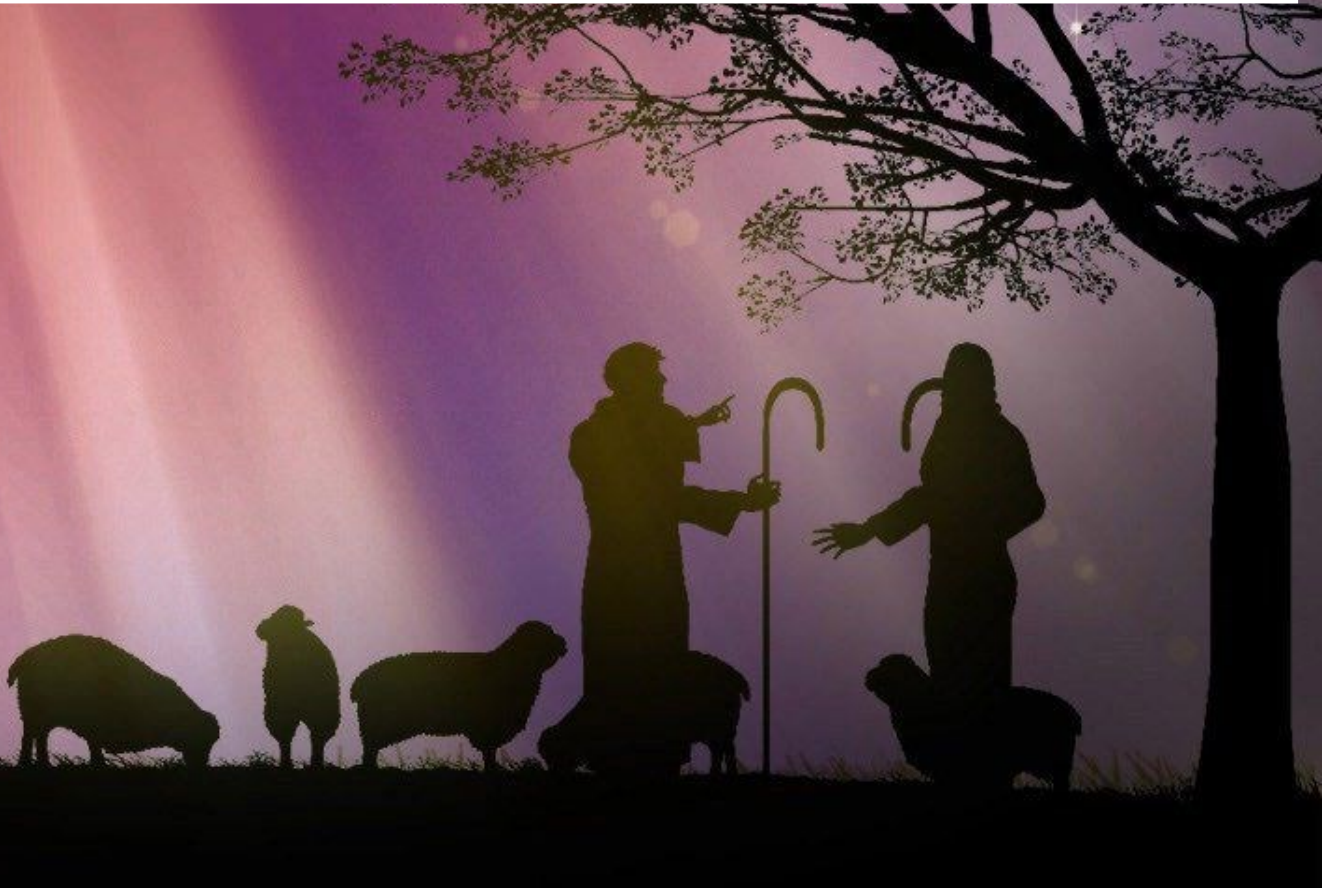
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Pauli Sommer 38260 Via La Colina



December 2024

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

1 GK Bible Study at Golf Knolls Clubhouse Sunday morning's 10-11am	2 Chair Exercise 10:30am	3 Chair Yoga 9:am Line Dancing 12-1:30 pm Card Games 1:30-4:30 pm	4 Chair Exercise 10:30 am	5 Gentle Yoga 9:am TRASH DAY	6 Chair Exercise 10:30 am HOA OFFICE Hours 9-12 Debra	7 WSK Christmas Dinner NATIONAL PEARL HARBOR Remembrance Day DECEMBER 7
8 Chair Exercise 10:30am	9 Chair Exercise 10:30am	10 Chair Yoga 9:am Line Dancing 12-1:30 pm Mex-Train 1:30-4	11 Chair Exercise 10:30 am Sip & Paint Clubhouse @ 5pm	12 Gentle Yoga 9:am Santa's Here  5:30-6:30 TRASH DAY	13 Chair Exercise 10:30 am HOA OFFICE Hours 9-12 Henry	14
15 Full Moon 	16 Chair Exercise 10:30am Golf Knolls Women's Luncheon	17 Chair Yoga 9:am Line Dancing 12-1:30 pm Card Games 1:30-4:30 pm	18 Chair Exercise 10:30am	19 Gentle Yoga 9:am Cookie Exchange WSK @ 2pm TRASH DAY	20 Chair Exercise 10:30 am HOA OFFICE Hours 9-12 Tom GK Christmas Party (5:30)band/prime rib \$20.00	21  First Day of Winter
22	23 Chair Exercise 10:30am	24 Chair Yoga 9:am Line Dancing 12-1:30 pm Mex-Train 1:30-4	25 Merry Christmas Happy Birthday Jesus! Hanukkah Begins 	26 Gentle Yoga 9:am Kwanzaa Begins  TRASH DAY	27 Chair Exercise 10:30 am HOA OFFICE Hours 9-12 Joanne TRASH DAY	28
29	30	31 Chair Yoga 9:am Line Dancing 12-1:30 pm New Years Eve Spring Knolls Party 6:30 				