

New Horizons Newsletter

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President's Notes

As we bid farewell to the old and welcome the new, I want to extend warm wishes for a joyous and prosperous New Year to each and every one of you.

Living together harmoniously requires a shared commitment to the rules and guidelines that govern our community. As we embark on this new chapter, let us reinforce the importance of adhering to these regulations, which are designed to enhance our quality of life and maintain the beauty of our surroundings.

Our community rules are not arbitrary; they are the foundation upon which our collective well-being rests. From architectural guidelines to landscaping standards, each rule serves a purpose in preserving the character of our neighborhood and fostering a sense of pride among residents. By respecting these regulations, we contribute to a visually appealing and well-maintained environment that we can all take pride in.

One of the key elements of a successful HOA is the active participation of its residents. As we embrace the opportunities that the New Year brings, let us recommit ourselves to being responsible and engaged members of our community. Attend meetings, voice your opinions, and collaborate with your neighbors to find common ground.

May this New Year be a time of shared growth, strengthened community bonds, and the realization of our collective vision for a harmonious and thriving neighborhood.

Wishing you all a wonderful and rule-abiding New Year!

Gail Standley, Board President



2024 HOA Dues - \$494.00



2024 Notice **USPS Newsletter** Readers



NHSB Newsletter is a great communication tool. We are diligent in keeping readers up to date on **New Horizon** South Bay community news and Association information. In 2024, the Newsletter publication is going digital and we will not distribute the newsletter via the United States Postal Service (USPS) to readers. We do not want to lose the USPS readership and we appreciate their patronage.

If you are a USPS reader and want to continue receiving the monthly Newsletter, we want to give you the option of being part of our e-mail list, or choose to read the Newsletter in New Horizons South Bay website at **nhsb.org** at your convenience. The Website also has archived issues that can be accessed at any time.

We appreciate that the New Horizons South Bay Newsletter is key to keeping offsite readers informed. We want to make the transition easy and give readers ample time to notify us on your option of reading the publication.

To be added to the Newsletter e-mail routing list, please let us know by e-mail at:

nhnewsletter@yahoo.com Subject - E-mail for Newsletter

If you need further information, please call us at: 310-325-3080

Thank you for being a Newsletter subscriber.

Newsletter Team

IMPORTANT NOTICE

2024 HOA Dues

The 2024 New Horizon South Bay Association Budget has been approved.

The 2024 HOA fees will be \$494.00: a 3.56% increase.

Don't forget to call your bank to change your automatic payment.

> Mary Lee Lombardi, Treasurer **NSHB Board**





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General Manager Notes

Happy New Year! I wish you all a blessed, prosperous, healthy year! We want to give a big thanks to everyone who gave to our holiday fund. There are no words to express our gratitude.

Below are a few reminders:

- No smoking in common areas, i.e., balconies, decks, pools, sports center, clubhouse.
- Roof installation is in progress in **Building** 421.
- · Gutter cleaning is currently in progress.
- Sewer line jetting continues to be on a monthly scheduled routine. DO NOT FLUSH WIPES!
- Building inspections are in route; maintenance and painters are working in Area 4.
- Garage Inspections: Avoid a violation and clean out your garage parking space.
- All unit and landscape modifications require approval before the commencement of work.
- More trees are being added to the schedule for

trimming. Thank you for your patience.

- Tripping hazard repairs are in progress.
- Lastly, please help me congratulate our Employee of the month, painter- Jorge Ponce.





Janet Garcia,

PMP General Manager Property Management Professionals



Election Update News

Just a reminder that we have an election coming up and there will be four (4) openings for the Board of Directors.

If you or anyone you know is interested in running, please submit a candidacy application by **January 29, 2024**. You must be a resident in good standing (Please see **Election rules** noted on the candidacy form). You may get a candidacy form online at **www.nhsb.org** or stop by the New Horizons office located in the Clubhouse lobby.

We need some new candidates with new ideas to improve our association.

Thank you for your consideration,

George Bunce, Board Secretary

Coyote Sightings



The City of Torrance has an active five-month trapping season from October to March. In the 2022-2023 trapping season, there have been 22 coyotes captured. There have been 4 sightings within the last two weeks.

Resident Hazing

Hazing is an important tool for preventing nuisance coyote behavior. Residents are encouraged to safely use deterrents (sound, visual, uncomfortable approach) to discourage coyotes from interacting with people and exhibiting undesirable behavior in residential areas.

Several of New Horizons resident dog owners have a regular dog walking group. They can be seen shepparding their pets around the community. The group is fostering a support group for pet owners and exchange common ideas. They are the community's first line of defense looking out for the coyotes in our neighborhood.

As a community, we want to get the word out to all pet owners to be careful with your pets. Do not let them out without a leash and always monitor their time outside your homes. We will try to notify residents of coyote sightings as promptly as possible in 2024. Be on the lookout.

Keep your pets safe !!!!!!

New Horizons South Bay



2024 Election Notice

Attention all Owners:



Get Involved! Our Elections are coming up in April 2024, so it is time to start thinking about running for the Board. As a member of the Board of Directors, you will have the opportunity to play a pivotal role in shaping the future of our organization. Your responsibilities will include:

- Setting strategic goals and objectives to further our mission.
- Providing oversight and governance to ensure fiscal responsibility and ethical conduct.
- Contributing to decision-making processes on key initiatives and policies.
- Serving as an ambassador and advocate in the community.

If you know someone who would be an asset to our community, talk to them about running. We are a diverse group with lots of different talents all of which we need to keep our community growing and keeping up with the times.

GET INVOLVED!!



The Holidays are approaching, and New Horizons has always done an

PMP Employee Holiday Fundraiser.

Please drop off bring your check/cash gift to the Clubhouse office.

Make checks payable to:

N.H.S.B. Association Designate it: Bonus Fund

All donations will be distributed evenly among the PMP staff.

Thank you.

Golf Enhancement Project Update

According to the Board, there will a partial opening of the golf course staring the week of Thanksgiving. The north half of the course

Holes 6, 7, 8 & 9 will be available for play.

Please keep on the lookout for the golfers and posting on when the remaining course will open.





Kids—Buddy Bench Cap Collection Program



using them to make **benches** for kids in our schools.

Let's help!

A New Additional Collection Container is now located at Sports Center. Keep giving & recycling!!!!

200 lbs. of caps & lids to make one park bench!Recycling Bin Locations in the complex:

- Clubhouse
- Sports Center



Holiday Ceramic Sales

The **Ceramics Club** has created many lovely items small and large for **decorating or for Gift giving**. Sales are not for personal gain. All sales offset upkeep and supplies for the **Ceramics Club**.

You are welcome to window shop our creations and stop by to make a purchase.

We are open on Wednesdays or call:

310-530-0911

Mary Carruthers, Chair



COOKIES N' CAROLS HOLIDAY CHEER

A big thank you to everyone who attended this fun event. The cookies were delicious so was the cider and the great holiday music.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS EVERYONE!

New Resident Orientation Committee



New Horizons Rules to Live By:





Need Help? PMP is here for you 24/7

Contact our Community Care Team at 310-694-0600

+When you are connected, **Choose Option #1**

Then press the (*) to talk to a live operator!

PMP GATEWAY

NHSB's Online Resident Portal

With PMP GATEWAY you can:

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- •View The Community Calendar
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- Log in at connect.pmpmanage.com.
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 - Communication Preferences
 - Community Updates
 - HOA Documents
 - Submit & View Requests
 - •Communicate with Management

ABANDONING FURNITURE ON HOA GROUNDS IS PROHIBITED

Recently various pieces of furniture have been abandoned on the grounds of the HOA (sofas, bureaus, individual chairs, bookcases, etc.). This is a problem because there is no automatic pick up of discarded furniture. The HOA must pay a fee for a company to pick up and remove these items.

If the owner of the items can be identified - **the** cost of removal is added onto their monthly **billing.** If the owner cannot be identified, then HOA funds must pay the bill which means all owners become responsible for the removal cost.

PLEASE BE CONSIDERATE - the office can provide names and numbers of individuals and companies who will pick up your discarded furniture.

DELIVERY REMINDER

Delivery drivers have a challenging time finding your address to drop off goods. When placing orders, take the time to better direct them.

PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR Access # & Building

in the second line of your address on all your orders. This will help the delivery person find your unit.

> **Resident Name** XXXXX Nadine Circle (A or B) Access # - Bldg. # XXX Torrance, CA 90505



Thank you in advance for recycling the boxes and being good to the earth. **PLEASE** be kind to your neighbors by breaking down your boxes until they are flat!! If someone else takes out your trash, (family member, friend, caregiver), please remind them to flatten the boxes. We all thank you!

Holiday Guest Rules

Please abide by CC&R Rules regarding guests. If your visitors are staying for an extended period, please inform the office.

NHSB Administration

Happy Holidays to Everyone.

Please be Safe during this time of year.

Thank You!!!

The Newsletter Team wants to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the volunteers who make the monthly Newsletter happen. It is truly a group effort to get it to press every month.



Club/Activity Heads who write and contribute their articles.

Gail Standley, The Board President's uplifting and informative President Messages.

Janet Garcia, PMP Management who keeps us informed on community news and ongoing projects.

The Men's & Women Golf Club scores.

Feature writers: Shelly Zerkes (Culture Corner) & Kim Edwards (Resident Spotlights)

Newsletter Production Groups: The fearlessly devoted group that label the Newsletter and distribute the routes. **Heather Lamont**, who runs printer pick-up and USPS drop

Lynn Scolman, Newsletter accounting who diligently tracks advertiser billing and newsletter expenses.

Esther Audrey who maintains our reader subscriber database, prints labels, and ensures all subscribers receive a copy by route delivery, mail, or email and makes sure newsletter is posted to the nhsb.org website.

And most of all, thank you to all our Readers and all devoted advertisers.

Looking forward to another eventful Newsletter year. 2024.

Sandy Spann, Editor



DISASTER MANAGEMENT **TEAM** (DMT)

Fire Safety Seminar Thursday, Jan. 18, 2024 2:00^{pm} i Clubhouse Town Hall.

Daniel Singleton, Torrance Fire Department Community, presents fire safety tips. We hope you will attend.

SMOKE DETECTOR INSPECTION

In conjunction with the American Red Cross, we are setting up residential smoke detector check / replacement events.

A **sign-up** sheet will be posted on the Clubhouse bulletin board in January. Residents who want their smoke detectors checked, and if necessary, replaced free of charge can sign up.

Looking forward to seeing resident participation in the 2024 Disaster Management Team meeting.

DMT Meeting: Thursday, Jan. 18, 2024 2:00^{pm}

Location: **Clubhouse Town Hall Fire Safety Seminar** Topic:

Massie Pasan, Chair



Volunteers Removing Holiday **Decorations**

Volunteers needed to assist take down the holiday decoration. Please join us in the Club house on

Sunday, January 7, 2024, at Noon.

A big task becomes small with many hands Helping.

Heather Lamont



Thank you for all the elves that showed up to decorate the Clubhouse for the holidays.

Sandy Spann, ribbons on both trees, Charlene Lee, Joanie Jones, Tom Kasterko, Elsie Wu, Heather Lamont, Lynette Hazly and the PMP staff who brought down decorations from the attic, assembled the trees and set up the front entry liahtina.



Alert **Catalytic Converter Thefts**



Victimized vehicle owners found themselves sometimes waiting months for a replacement for the device that limits harmful exhaust emissions. Each month from October 2022– January 2023, there were more than 900 reports of auto-part theft in the city, according to publicly available Los Angeles Police Department data.

New Horizons South Bay

One of our residents had the catalytic converter removed from her car while shopping at the local Ralph's Supermarket the week of Thanksgiving.

Do not park by the left side of Ralph's near the bottle redemption structure at night. Ralph's does not have any **security cameras on that side of the building.** Replacement parts and labor cost exceeded **\$3,000**.

It is rare for an arrest to be made for any individual theft because under current law, when loose parts without receipts are found, it is difficult to prove a crime has been committed. Filing an insurance report usually does not cover parts if you have a limited plan, which means you might be out of pocket for replacement. The repair work inconvenience!! usually takes about three weeks. Another

Be informed....Let's be careful out there.

Elsie Wu, Resident



CLUBHOUSE HOLIDAY CHEER







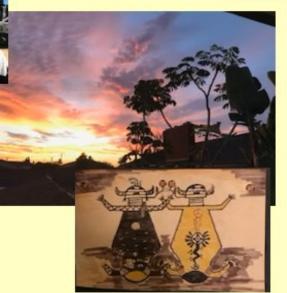
My Sunday Salon

New Year Dawning Clear!
Busy Birds Chatter All Day

Like People.

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My Sunday Salon meets on the 3rd Sunday of the month in the Clubhouse.

Kathleen Buchanan, Director

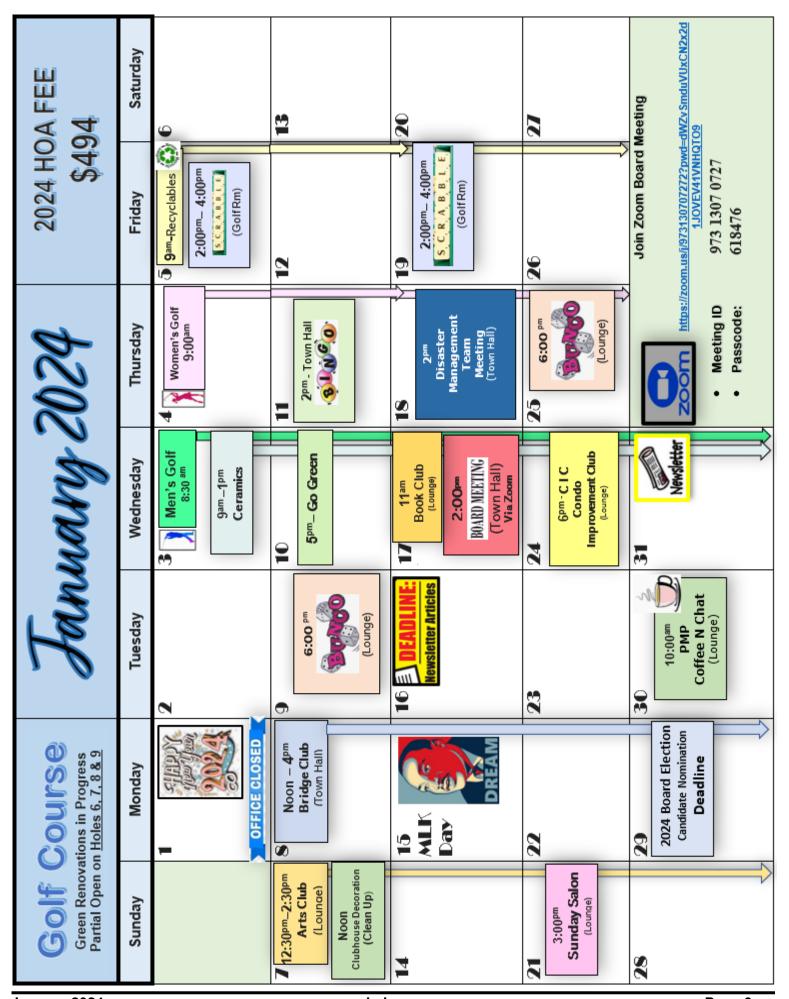
5 Ways to go green

While you're considering what New Year's resolutions to make, think about having some goals that are good for you and the environment. While you're considering what New Year's resolutions to make, think about having some goals that are good for you and the environment.

Go Green

- **Reduce food waste.** It's a huge burden to the environment. If global food waste were a country, it would be the third largest emitter of greenhouse gases behind China and the United States because growing, packaging, shipping, and storing wasted food takes a lot of energy. Then it starts to rot, creating more gas. At the same time, one in eight Americans still doesn't have a steady supply of food. This can change. Simply changing the size of your plate, using a smaller refrigerator, and planning your meals can make a huge difference in changing your behavior when it comes to wasted food.
- 2. Tweak your diet. Our food system contributes to nearly a quarter of all greenhouse gas emissions. Just by making a few small tweaks in our diets, we can make a massive impact to reduce global warming. Keep these quick facts in mind: a 6-oz serving of beef emits about 330 grams of carbon. Chicken emits only 50-60 grams. Fish emit just 40 grams and veggies emit just 14. You don't have to give up red meat entirely but think about switching to a diet with less beef and more vegetables and fish. The earth and your doctor will be happier for it.
- 3. **Reduce, reuse, recycle.** Lauren Singer, a New York City resident, did this in a big way and managed to fit four years of the trash she produced in a single mason jar.
- 4. **Skip the overnight shipping.** shopping online generally has a smaller carbon footprint than driving to the store. But before you select the fastest delivery option, consider whether you need that laundry detergent or new sweater in two days.
- 5. End e-Waste. Reduce toxic waste in landfills from electronics. When a device needs to be replaced, be sure to recycle according to the Environmental Protection Agency,

Barbara Marriott, Chair





New Horizons South-Bay Association 22727 Maple Avenue Torrance CA 90505 310-325-3080 admin@nhsb.org

January 6, 2024

CANDIDACY NOMINATION REMINDER

The annual meeting is scheduled for **April 09**, **2024**. There will be four board seats up for election for a two-year term. Please fill out both sides of the nomination form if you are interested in running for the Board. **Candidate Nominations** must be submitted on or before **January 29**, **2024**, after which time nominations will not be included in the mailed ballot packet. Anyone may self-nominate.

Qualifications for Candidates and Directors (see Election Rules for more details): You must be a Member of the Association at the time of nomination. You must be current in the payment of regular and special assessments. You may not serve at the same time as another person who holds joint ownership to your unit. You may not serve if you have a past criminal conviction that would prevent or terminate the Association's fidelity bond coverage. If you are disqualified from nomination, you have the opportunity to engage in Internal Dispute Resolution pursuant to the California Civil Code.

Section 5.7. Uncontested Elections. When, at the close of nominations, the number of qualified candidates nominated does not exceed the number of vacancies, the candidates may be declared elected without need for balloting and shall take their seats on the date set for the membership meeting.

The candidacy nomination form should be submitted to:

The New Horizons South Bay Office or

Mail to:

New Horizons South Bay Association c/o PMP Management 22727 Maple Ave, Torrance CA 90505

Or Email: jgarcia@pmpmanage.com

Please call to confirm receipt (310) 325-3080.

Janet Garcia,

PMP General Manager Property Management Professionals



Monthly Activities & Club Meetings

Arts & Craft Club (Ceramic Room)

12:30 pm to 2:30 pm Sundays

Bingo (Town Hall)

2:00 pm (Town Hall) 2nd Thursday

Jan. 11th

Board Meeting (Town Hall and via Zoom)

2:00 pm 3rd Wednesday

Jan 17th

Bridge Club (Town Hall)

Noon to 4:00 pm Mondays

3rd Wednesday **Book Club (Lounge)** Jan 15th 11am

Bunco (Lounge)

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm 2nd Tuesday Jan 9th 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm 4th Thursday Jan 25th

CIC (Condo Improvement Club (Lounge)

4th Wednesday

Jan 24th

Holiday Cheer Party-Wednesday-Dec. 6,-6 pm

Ceramics (Sports Center)

9:00 am to 1:00 pm Wednesdays

Coffee N Chat

Last Tuesday of the Month 10:00 am

Jan 30th

Conservation Club (Lounge)

Quarterly 11:00 am

DMT (Disaster Management Team)

3rd Thursday every other month 2:00 pm

Jan 18th

Go Green Group (Lounge)

3:00 pm - **Quarterly 2024** Jan/Apr/Jul/Oct

Jan 10th

Ladies Golf (Golf Course)

Thursday 9:00 am start

Partial Open (Holes 6, 7 8 & 9)

Men's Golf (Golf Course)

Wednesdays 8:30 am start

Partial Open (Holes 6, 7 8 & 9)

Newsletter Last Wednesday of the Month

Jan 31st

Picnic Fun Club

10:00 am 2nd Thursday

Will resume activities in 2024

Recyclables (by Clubhouse)

10:00 am Fridays

Scrabble (Golf Room)

2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

every other Friday Jan 5th & Jan 19th

Sunday Salon 3:00 pm

3rd Sunday Jan 21st



Interested in Stock Market

We are forming a social group to discuss stocks in the Lounge at HOA.

If interested please call Ram at 310-303-2963

Ram Bangia, MBA, CPA (Retired)

Brand New

New Horizons Book Club

Jan 15th at 11:00 am in the Lounge



We will meet the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 11:00am to noon in the Lounge.

Tom Lake by Ann Patchett January

The Boys in the Boat by Daniel James Brown February

March Horse by Geraldine Brooks

Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus April

hanks so much for everyone's support and help navigating this new place. For more information call:

Teresa Turner (310)918-3169

This season give gifts that will be treasured.

"The Gift of Art"

The South Bay Watercolor Society 2023 Member Show Watercolor and Acrylic paintings by local artists



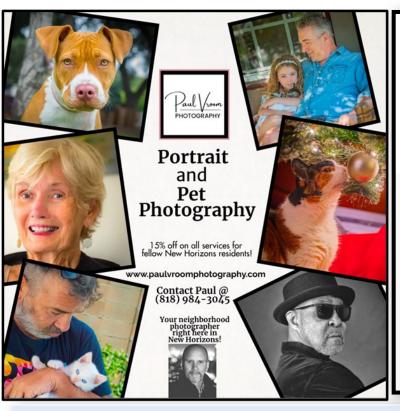




In the gallery and online (www.destination-art.net) Nov. 30 DESTINATION: ART 1815 W 213th St. Torrance 90501

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Traditional HELOC VS. HECM LOC Comparison	Traditional HELOC	HECM LOC
Line of credit (LOC) cannot be frozen, reduced or cancelled if the ongoing terms of the loan are met		v
Unused line of credit grows each month, regardless of home's value		✓
Allows homeowner to access the equity in their home for funds they can use for any purpose while owning their home	V	v
No monthly mortgage payments required*		✓
Minimal credit requirements		€
Minimal income requirements		•
Age-based loan: Homeowners 62 and older		€
Government-insured loan		€
Non-recourse protection insures the borrower can never owe more on the HECM loan that what the house is worth		v

For those seniors who may be considering a traditional Home Equity Line of Credit (HELOC), a HECM (Home Equity Conversion Mortgage) Line of Credit can also secure access to home equity without the burden of required monthly mortgage payments.* The comparison chart highlights the advantages that a HECM line of credit provides, which may make it a better choice and is just one of the many payout options offered.

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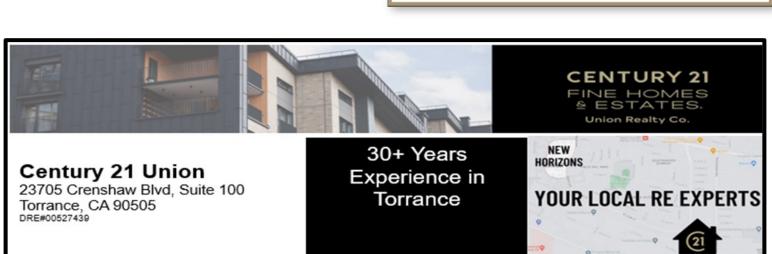
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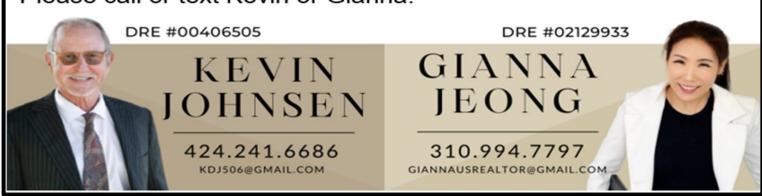
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