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The Newsletter Staff

HELP WANTED

The Newsletter office needs a driver to deliver the Newsletter to the Post Office every Wednesday. This is a half hour job, but unfortunately, this is a volunteer job. There is no pay : (

RECYCLE FRIDAY IS MARCH 1st

Please have your recyclables out by 9am for pick-up. Thank you for separating the plastic crv beverage bottles and aluminum crv beverage cans. Please use plastic bags for your news- papers. Questions call Genie 534-2078

NEW HORIZONS BOARD APPRECIATION DINNER

March 16, 2013 To be held in the Town Hall

Barbara Helm: Recreation Council

MEETING: @ 4:00 P.M. FOLLOWED BY HAPPY HOUR

DINNER: @ 5:00 P.M.

THE FOLLOWING RECREATION COUNCIL MEMBERS WILL BE SELLING TICKETS:

Eva Barkoczki	310 534 3560
Jane Childs	310 539 2534
Inga Dorn	310 326 6402
Joyce Paine	310 326 7583
Harriet Willens	310 530 5390

Thank you, friends and neighbors, from the family of Bill Briggs. Your thoughts, words and deeds were a great comfort to us at this sad time.

Sincerely, Rose Briggs and family.

In Memoriam.

Jack Carruthers, long time resident in Building 503, passed away February 16th. He was an avid golfer, and member of the Traveling golf club.

Our condolences to Mary Carruthers, 23002 B Nadine Circle.

MEN'S GOLF TOURNAMENT, Wed., 2-13-13

A beautiful day! Not too many golfers out there enjoying the weather. Fred Koblizek won the Race to 34.

WINNERS

A FLIGHT	LOW GROSS	LOW NET
John Thomson	52	
Larry Neville		50

B FLIGHT

George Anderson	57	
Gene Aurand		57
Jim Kenny		52

Hole in One: None

Please keep repairing ball marks. There has been an improvement, but still too many un-repaired ball marks from the previous day.

Women's Golf Tournament

February 21, 2013

Only one flight since there were only eight golfers, but it was a beautiful morning. Maybe Spring is really coming. So all of you come out and enjoy!

9am on Thursdays until April.

See you there!

Winners

Gross	Renee Cheng	55
First net	Ruth Blume	45
Second net	Phyllis Mathis	50
Third net	Ann Owen	51
FREE PLAYER: ANN OWEN		

Make a note on your calendar

There will be no "getting to know you" in the Lounge on Sunday, March 17 A Private Party will be held there from 3:00 - 7:00PM.

Line Dancing

The March birthday celebrations will be on the second Monday, on March 11.



Please help find Joey the cat from Building 202 a good home. His owner passed away and he needs someone to love him. He is a great cat and loves attention.

Please call Tanya, 310 634 9391

CIC NEWS

Following the highly successful Hawaiian Luau and Pancake Breakfast , the CIC is deep into the task of planning the social event of the year, cuisines of the world. Chairmen have been appointed and brains are perking. Now ALL WE NEED is help from you. We know there are good cooks from all the countries in the United Nations in New Horizons. Get involved; show off your native country's cuisine. Just call Barbara Bowman at [1 310 325 6292](tel:13103256292) to volunteer. With your help we can bring an unparalleled culinary experience to New Horizons, as well as make new friends and, not any less important, contribute to the club dedicated to the improvement of our neighborhood.

And don't miss the next CIC meeting at 7:00 pm on February 27th in the Clubhouse lounge. Help yourself to a cup of coffee, grab a cookie, buy a ticket to the 50/50 raffle and join a group of active, friendly people. See you there.

Phyllis Mathis: CIC publicity

THERE'S A JUNGLE OUT THERE !

URBAN WILDLIFE

(In case you forgot)

From Tracy Drake, Manager and Naturalist, Madrona Marsh Preserve & Nature Center City of Torrance

Response to Paul Cohen's interest in our local urban wildlife at New Horizons:

"Locally we have opossums, skunks and raccoons. All of these are nocturnal and do not present any problems for residents. They will not attack and try their best to stay away from humans. These animals are abundant throughout Los Angeles County so, even if you were to have one removed, another would quickly take its place. Insistent people who do have these animals removed learn this lesson quickly and as quickly learn to live with wildlife.

Some people get concerned with raccoons getting too close to homes, but that is usually a result of cat food, dog food or water being left out at night. All of these should be removed at night."

TRAVEL CLUB UPDATE. 3/1/2013 : Ed Reilly,

Club New Horizons Chairman Phone: 326-4710

Our March meeting will take place on March 7 at 7:00 PM in the clubhouse. This will be our annual election of officers for the travel year 2013. All positions will be open, so come prepared to nominate members whom you think will do a good job. Please plan on attending this important meeting. In addition to the election of officers we will of course talk about upcoming trips, see a travel video and enjoy a social time hosted by our talented Hostess ladies.

On Saturday, March 23, we will be going to the Glendale Center Theater to see the award winning show "Crazy for You." (Don't refer to your March calendar for this event, because for some unexplained reason it got omitted. So, it might be a good idea to write it in. We leave at 11:00 AM and return at 6:30 PM.) Anyway, this is a riotously entertaining show, a romantic musical comedy filled with a number of George and Ira Gershwin's classic songs. "Crazy for You" won the 1992 Tony Award for best musical and the Laurence Olivier award for best musical revival. We've seen several plays at the Glendale and each one has been a winner. Lunch will be at the Outback Steak House. The cost for this exceptionally entertaining afternoon is \$77.00 per person. Checks are due now. The signup sheet is on the board. When you sign up, we ask that you also make your meal selection. Choices are: Sirloin steak, Chicken, Salmon or a veggie plate. We'll be leaving at 10:00 AM and returning at 5:00 PM. Let's make this trip a go.

In April we are taking a cruise to Hawaii. The dates are April 10 through the 24th. We sail round trip from San Pedro on the Golden Princess. Of course we visit all four islands. (We even spend a few hours in Ensenada, Mexico. Don't forget your Passport.) If you would like to go, give Ed Reilly a call at (310) 326-4710 and we will have the club make your reservations for you. We will need to know your name, who you wish to room with and whether you desire a stateroom with a balcony, a room with an ocean view or, perhaps, a mini suite. This will tell us how many cabins we need to have blocked and in what category. Once we determine what type of accommodations are desired, we can move forward and price according to individual desires. You are also free to make your own arrangements assuming you have a specific travel agency you like to use. Again, the ship is the Golden Princess and the dates are April 10-24, 2013. I've just learned of an extra incentive for you men and women who might be veterans. The cruise line is offering a \$250 shipboard credit in addition to other incentives if you are a vet. It makes no difference when you served. To be eligible, you only need to submit a copy of your discharge papers (DD-214) or a copy of your military retirement papers. If you have any questions, please give Ed Reilly a call.

LETTERS FROM RESIDENTS

HEATING BILL A PAIN ?

I have discovered during the recent cold spell resulting in discussions with Southern Ca. Edison...that our (my) radiant heating in the ceiling...is not only an antique but it is not efficient and expensive to run. SCE had loads of tips on how to stay warm and reduce the cost of electric heat. One thing they recommended MIGHT result in lower electric bills is a room heaterwhich costs less to run than heating up the whole ceiling grid.

Has anyone in New Horizons purchased an "efficient" room heater? I don't know what size to get and am wondering if anyone has a tried and true heating unit they can recommend.

Also I am wondering if a few of us went in together to purchase a room heater we might get a good discount. Can anyone make a recommendation?

Thanks so much. **Joanie Jones** 310-517-9350 bldg.625.

New Horizons is a wonderful place to live: the lush plantings and greens, the sports facilities, the club houses, good friendly communication, safety. But I would rank the residents as its number 1 resource: the willing volunteers, the gardeners, the governors and managers. Agreed! I appreciate all!

There is a problem shared by all residents, the expensive electric ceiling heating system. Suggestions abound: space heaters, do a lot of baking, wear two sweaters and a cap. I wondered if there is any resident who has an interest in finding a solution we can all share -- any one with scientific expertise, internet research skills, skills as an electrician, even wild imagination. I invite you to share your expertise and creativity for the good of all! Maybe we can even get it wholesale!

Thank you. **Irene Griffith.**

This a subject well worth opening a discussion on. I will kick it off by stating that ceiling heat, all heaters, lightbulbs, appliances, TV set, etc. are **all** practically 100% **efficient** in producing heat per electric \$\$\$. Nor is their heat efficiency affected by their age. The **"only"** difference is how **effective** they are heating **you**, the way **you** live in your home.

There is an electric heat source able to produce 2 to 5 times more heat per dollar's worth of electricity than all others. It is an air conditioner-like device called a **heat pump**, and I see them in practically any motel room. There are State publications available with information, they sell at Home Depot, etc. To heat a large area in your home, they are better than anything else available. I'd be happy to discuss heating pros and cons with anyone interested, and provide verifiable information.

Steve Bartok, on the NH Newsletter staff, Bldg. 100

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GOLF COMMITTEE MONTHLY GOLF TOURNAMENT
FEBRUARY 16, 2013

We had a great turnout for this tournament. 28 players enjoyed great weather and a demanding format. Gross scores were a bit high, but the competition was close in some cases.

We want to thank everyone who participated, bought raffle tickets and especially the volunteers. This tournament is most likely the highest grossing tournament in the last five years or maybe longer.

WINNERS - BEST 9 FORMAT

WOMEN

1st Place	Barbara Bowman	
18.5		
2nd Place	Marge Fry	
21.5		
3rd Place (T)	Norma Maurer	22
3rd Place (T)	Virginia Van Houtte	22
3rd Place (T)	Elisabeth McCue	22

MEN

1st Place (T)	Berni Birchall	20.5
1st Place (T)	Jim White	20.5
3rd Place	Fred Koblizek	21

PUTTS

Women	Janet Weber	29
Men	Al York	26

Hole in One None

50/50 Bo Bowman 103
 If anyone deserved to win, it is Bo. He sold the most tickets, and for his efforts, he received 7 extra entries. Was the winning ticket one of these?

The next tournament is on St. Patrick's Day. This will be a major fun event. Pizza, beer, wine and soft drinks. Same games, plus a new one. More winners, maybe some surprises. Sign up to find out!

Gene Aurand Golf Committee Tournament Director

NEW HORIZONS-SOUTH BAY ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING,

Wednesday, February 20, 2013

Chair Scott Munro called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Following the flag salute, roll call showed the following Board members present: Scott Munro, Kathy Lindbergh, Dorothy Adland, Leon Silverman, Gary Smith, Bud Brown, Marie Sasaki, Jeannie Rennhack, Joyce Harrington, Bob Lombardi, Jacob Aslay and Jim Kenny.

Absent: Arlo Diane Creamer and Barbara Helm.

The minutes of the meeting of January 16, 2013, were approved as written.

MOTIONS

Motion No. 1, presented by Joyce Harrington, Grounds Maintenance Chair

Move that the New Horizons-South Bay Association Board of Directors approve the amount of SEVEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED and TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$7,725.00) for the shaping, trimming and cutting of the olive trees and two (2) remaining pine trees. The preferred vendor is Finley's Tree & Landscape, Inc. The source of funding is the Grounds Maintenance Fund.

Seconded by Dorothy Adland and carried.

Motion No. 2, presented by Carl Aleccia, Buildings & Pools Chairman

Move that the New Horizons-South Bay Association Board of Directors approve the amount of SIXTEEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$16,500.00) for the plan preparation and approval from the City of Torrance and to repair the existing retaining south wall of the Madrona Med Center, 3290 Sepulveda Blvd., Torrance, by removing damaged part of wall and rebuilding it. Cause of damage to brick wall was a tree on New Horizons' property which has been removed. Three (3) bids have been obtained. The preferred vendor is HMH Construction Group. Source of funding is the Building and Pools Maintenance Fund.

Seconded by Jeannie Rennhack and carried.

Motion No. 3, presented by Carl Aleccia, Buildings & Pools Chairman

Move that the New Horizons-South Bay Association Board of Directors approve the amount of FOUR THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED and SEVENTEEN DOLLARS and FIFTY-THREE CENTS (\$4,417.53) for the emergency service of water extraction and remediation of a leak from a pipe in the wall in Building 503, at 23002 Nadine Circle, Torrance. This emergency service was performed Sunday evening, January 6, 2013. The vendor was Dry Down. Source of funding is the Buildings & Pools Maintenance Fund.

Seconded by Marie Sasaki and carried.

Motion No. 4, presented by Leon Silverman, Treasurer
Move that the New Horizons-South Bay Association Board of Directors initiate a search for an in-house office manager. The individual must be thorough and knowledgeable in accounting administration, contracts, and be able to assist our fund chairmen as well as work jointly with our executive board.

Not seconded.

Motion No 5, Emergency Motion presented by Carl Aleccia, Buildings & Pools Chairman

Move that the New Horizons-South Bay Association Board of Directors approve the expenditure of FIVE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED and SIXTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$5,365.00) for termite tenting of Building 307 on January 28, 2013. This service was performed by the preferred vendor, Ever/Safe Exterminating Co., Inc. For the record, this building was not termited in August 2010. Source of funding is the Buildings & Pools Maintenance Fund.

Seconded by Jeannie Rennhack and carried.

Motion No. 6, Emergency Motion presented by Joyce Harrington, Grounds Maintenance Chair

Move that the New Horizons-South Bay Association Board of Directors approve the expenditure of SIXTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED and SIXTY FOUR DOLLARS (\$16,364.00) for weather-based controllers to reduce water consumption by 20% for all irrigation areas EXCEPT the golf course. The preferred and recommended vendor is Plumber Stock, Stewart Jackson. There will be a rebate of \$14,550; net cost to New Horizons will be \$1,814.00. Vendor Plumber Stock recommended all labor be done in house. Source of funding is Grounds Maintenance Fund.

Seconded by Jeannie Rennhack and carried.

Discussion included question as to when rebate will be received. Gene Aurand explained the details.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Architectural – Gary Smith: Painting of Building 407 expected to be completed March 1. Requests for touch-ups will take 2-3 days then Building 408 will be started...

Buildings & Pools – Carl Aleccia reported work will start on the north wall adjacent to the medical center and should take one week.

BIS – Bud Brown: no report.

Civic Affairs – Marie Sasaki's 10 minute report is attached and, by reference, made a part of these minutes.

Condo Code Enforcement – Jeannie Rennhack: Garage cleaning and inspection is being planned. All work requests have been completed.

Grounds Maintenance – Joyce Harrington:

1. Grounds Maintenance is working with the Conservation Club on the new Recycling Program. Please read the newsletter article. A bin will be placed in Access 7 and Access 9 and one at the Clubhouse.

2. Joyce hopes to invite the account rep from Republic Waste to come to a Board Workshop and answer residents' questions.

3. The order has been placed for weather-based controllers, the rebate has been approved, and we are waiting for the equipment. The cost after the rebate is approx. \$359 plus shipping costs. There is a window of 60 days, after the approval, to get the job done and complete the paper work to get the rebate. 4. A new lawn mower has been purchased to replace the previous 10-year-old model that is inoperative. 5. Joyce read a portion of the e-mail received from Tracy Drake, Manager and Naturalist of the Madrona Marsh Preserve, relating to wild life such as skunks, raccoons and opossums. Ms. Drake advises not using traps as the wild animals return very quickly. Joyce plans on not using traps for a while. The traps are very expensive and, perhaps, they are not doing any good. Residents are urged NOT to feed animals.

Insurance – Bob Lombardi: All policies are in place.

Publicity & Newsletter – Jacob Aslay: Gave an overview of the status of the website and printing situation. Copies of the newsletter will no longer be available via the Admin office but may be requested directly from the Newsletter office.

Residents & Orientation – Jim Kenny: There have been 37 sales and 24 rentals in the 10-month period following March 2012. Resident Nancy Mulford will be helping with the data base program. Advised all Board members to obtain a copy of the schedule of fines and recommended these fines be implemented for residents who feed wild animals.

Executive Officers' Reports

Treasurer – Leon Silverman: Announced he will retire after the Board election and gave a 32-minute statement on reasons for this decision, including dissatisfaction with the selection of the insurance provider and the accounting process. He emphasized the need for a full-time office manager..

Secretary – Dorothy Adland: Candidates' Night is Monday, March 4 at 7:30 pm in the Town Hall. Homeowners are requested to submit their questions in written form. Tuesday, March 12, 2013 is the Annual Homeowners Meeting, and Board members will be given a copy of the minutes of the March 2012 meeting prior to March 12. The balance sheet as of January 31, 2013 is available.

Vice Chair Kathy Lindberg: All are welcome to attend the Employee Safety Meeting on Friday February 22.

OPEN FORUM

Questions regarding the Candidates' Night. Two insurance committee members expressed approval of the process for selection of the insurance provider. A reminder about the Board Appreciation Dinner: Board members are free; others' tickets available for \$20.00 each.

The meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm.

The next meeting will be the Annual Homeowners' Meeting on Tuesday, March 12, 2013 at 7:30 pm in the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted, *Dorothy Adland*, Secretary

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