



NEW HORIZONS

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E.MAIL: newhorizonsnews@yahoo.com **December 12, 2014**

Next week's activities at New Horizons

- Daily, 10:30 am **Water Aerobics**
- Sat. Dec. 13 11:00 am **Bridge Party** - see below
- Sun. Dec. 14 9:00 am. **Golf Tournament**
1:00 pm. **Getting to Know You** - Lounge
- Mon. Dec. 15 10:30 am **Bridge Club**
- Tue. Dec. 16 9:00 am **Ceramics Workshop**
1:00 pm **Scrabble** - Card Room
- Wed. Dec. 17 8:00 am **Men's Golf**
- Thu. Dec. 18 8:30 am **Ladies' Golf**
- Fri. Dec. 12 1:00 pm **Sit 'n Knit** - Lounge

NEW HORIZONS ELECTION 2015

Nominations are now open for our March 2015 elections. We are at the beginning of a very important period in life at New Horizons. There is nothing more important than having bright, active, interested residents step forward and commit their time, energy and ideas to the successful management of our Association.

We encourage all our residents to do some serious soul searching and decide if they are among those who can contribute to the continued effectiveness of this great place where we all enjoy living.

As a self-managed community we are dependent upon those volunteers that are willing to give of their time to serve on the Board of Directors. So give this careful consideration for yourself or to recommend someone who you feel could serve as a member of the Board of Directors.

The qualifications for Nominees:

1. Nominees must be resident owners of New Horizons.
- Only one resident owner per unit is eligible to serve on the Board of Directors at any one time.
3. Consent of a person, prior to a nomination from the floor, is required,
4. The nominee must agree to serve the full two year term.
5. Incumbents on the Board must file a Petition of Nomination.
6. Incumbents, not running for an additional term must file a written notice of this decision.

Gail Standley Board Secretary



Christmas



Some of us are getting together to celebrate Christmas Day. We are planning a 2 PM meal at Buca di Beppo. If you are interested in joining us, please call me.

Judy Foster (310) 326-2160

Updates to December's Calendar

There is no DMT meeting this month. See page 3 for more about our Disaster Management Team.

Sumie Imada

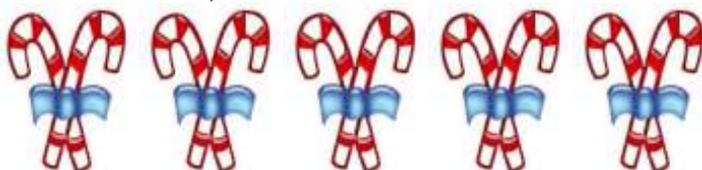
Saturday, Dec. 13 at 11:00 am - Lounge. **End of year party for the Round Robin Bridge players.** Food and libations will be provided

Shelly Zirkes

EMPLOYEE CHRISTMAS FUND.

Residents who wish to make a donation; please leave your checks made out to New Horizons HOA at the Clubhouse Office.

Donations will be evenly distributed among employees at the **Christmas luncheon for employees on Fri. Dec. 19, 2014.**



Community Bulletin
Civic Affairs Committee

Y's Senior Christmas Party: Every year the Torrance YMCA hosts a festive party for seniors. This year the celebration will be on Friday, December 19th from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. The cost is \$5.50 for seniors and \$6.50 for non-seniors. Presold tickets are available at the Senior Y office. Please see the flyer on the bulletin board for more details.

City of Torrance Boards and Commission Openings: The city is seeking residents who are interested in serving their community to apply for a four (4) year term beginning Feb. 1, 2014.

Applications are available in the Office of the City Clerk, on the website at www.TorranceCA.GOV, or call 310-618-2870. Applications must be received no later than Thursday, January 8, 2015. You must be a registered voter living in the city of Torrance. Commissioners are paid a stipend of \$10 for each meeting attended. See flyer on bulletin board.

Senior Computer Classes at the YMCA: Sign-up for sessions beginning in January. Classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM in the Senior Y office. For more details, call 310-325-5885 ext. 2732.

Have a happy and safe holiday season
Julie Dojiri, Committee Chairperson

Dear Readers

New Horizons maintenance and operating expenses are going up steeply. Roofing, plumbing repairs, re-plumbing, and now sewers needing work too, utility bills, etc. all necessitate raising HOA fees. The Board of Directors is looking at **all expenses**; how can they be reduced?

We need your input. Please let us know how you feel about receiving it every other week instead. **We have a small form you can fill out on page 3.** Drop it off at the News Office or send us your vote via e-mail.

We thank those who have already contacted us with their preferences. Those, who haven't yet, please do so. We will continue including the form for the next 3-4 weeks. Your comments would be valuable as well. The final publishing decision will be made by the Board of Directors, and we will give them all the information we gather.

The Newsletter Staff

TRAVEL CLUB NEWS for 12/5, 2014 By Ed Reilly,
Travel Club Chairman, New Horizons 310-326-4710

I want to thank all the travel clubbers who have signed up for our Christmas trip to the Candlelight Pavilion on Saturday December 13, to enjoy a wonderful luncheon and a terrific Christmas show. Because we are at the break point for the lowest fare, we can now offer this trip for \$99.00. If you have previously paid the original estimate, you will receive a rebate for the difference if you so wish. Just let us know. Oh, and be sure to get to the bus by 9:45 AM so we can get you logged in and ready to go by 10:00 AM, our departure time.

The signup sheet for our January 2015 trip to the Lawrence Welk Resort Theater to see "The King and I" is currently on the board in the Clubhouse. If you would like to see this classic show (and who wouldn't) please hurry in to the clubhouse and sign up now so we will know how many seats to reserve. The date is Sunday, January 18, 2015, as originally scheduled. Since this will be the next to last issue before the Christmas hiatus, I would like to remind everyone that **our January meeting will take place on Thursday, January 8, 2015.** This is because our regularly scheduled meeting date is the first Thursday of every month, and that date is January 1, not a good day for a meeting of any sort. Please put this revised date on your calendar now so you won't forget.

December: For the past 28 years the Candlelight Pavilion has presented original, family friendly Christmas stories with all the joy and magic you would expect of the holiday season. This year the story is entitled "Every day is Christmas." We have reserved seating on Saturday, December 13 to see this delightful program. The Candlelight is known as one of Southern California's finest dinner theaters, offering superb sit-down served lunches and dinners in an intimate setting and candlelight ambiance. Won't you join us as we celebrate the holidays at this fine restaurant and dinner theater highlighted with a little Santa magic? Yes, jolly St. Nick will be stopping by as he makes his holiday rounds. The cost for this very special candlelight Christmas experience is currently at \$107.00. If we can encourage just a few more folks to join us, the price will drop to \$99.00. The signup sheet is available and has now been placed on the board for your signature.

Do you enjoy traveling? If so, how about joining us? The Travel Club meets the first Thursday of every month at 7:00 PM in the Clubhouse. We always conduct a little business, discuss new and upcoming trips, see a travel related film and enjoy a social hour with refreshments. It is a lot of fun. Our next meeting will take place on Thursday, January 8, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the clubhouse. If you would like additional information, please call Ed Reilly at (310) 326-4710, or Sharon Rose at (310) 539-0811.

Men's Wednesday Golf Results 12/3/2014

A big hand for these eight players; Larry Neville, Vince Manto, John Calhoun, John Thomson, Craig Conant, Al York, Bob Branning, Jim White. Dumb enough to play golf in the rain.

Larr Bear

Winners

A Flight Low Gross Low Net

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|--------------|----|----|
| John Thomson | 50 | |
| Craig Conant | | 47 |
| Jim White | | 47 |

B Flight

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| John Calhoun | 53 | |
| Bob Branning | | 49 |

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Thursday Women's Golf Tournament 12/4/14

No rain, just a beautiful day!

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Winners

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|----------------|----|----|
| Renee Chang | 51 | |
| Barbara Bowman | | 51 |

B Flight

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|-----------------|----|----|
| Margaret Rodman | 67 | |
| Elisabeth McCue | | 51 |

Newsletter Publication Survey

What is your opinion?. Do you prefer us publishing every other week, or stay as it has been, every week?

Please mark one.

- a. Keep it weekly
- b. Go to every other week

Thank you for your vote.

Your name please print.

**DISASTER MANAGEMENT TEAM
NEW HORIZONS**

We do not have a meeting in December 2014. Our DMT will meet every other month starting in January 2015 at 1:30 pm in the Clubhouse Lounge.

Our Meeting dates are as follows: Thursday, January 15, 2015, March 19, 2015, May 21, 2015, July 16, 2015, and September 17, 2015.

New residents and new members are welcome to join us to find out what we can do to help our residents when a major earthquake were to hit us in the near future. Come join us and see what we can do to help each other at New Horizons in an emergency. At our first meeting in January, we will go over the evaluations from our October practice drill.

Sumie Imada

NEW HORIZONS – SOUTH BAY ASSOCIATION 22727 Maple Avenue, Torrance, CA 90505 310-325-3080

PETITION OF NOMINATION

I hereby declare that I am willing to submit my name as a candidate for election by the owners to the New Horizons – South Bay Association Board of Directors; and I hereby consent to the appearance of my name, address and present or previous occupation on all ballots to be used in connection with said election. If elected, I agree to serve as a member of the Board of Directors for a full two-year term and to devote whatever time may be necessary to serve the best interests of New Horizons – South Bay on its Board of Directors.

I, _____, do hereby certify that I am the resident owner, or one of the resident owners, or the resident spouse of a resident owner of New Horizons – South Bay Unit # _____ Tract 28757, and that I presently reside at

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Dated _____ 20____

Signature of Candidate



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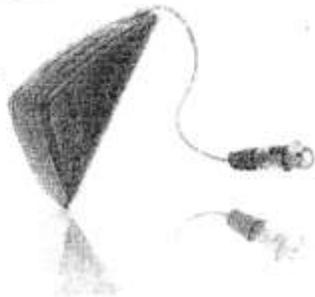
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Hi Everyone.

Linda Crickmore, Ground Maintenance

Our Employee Corner this month showcases another member of the Gardening Crew: Jose De Jesus Rodriguez. Jesus has been with us for 26 years. He is often mistaken for Sam, his older brother, but Jesus will smile and say good naturedly; "no, you're mistaken, I am taller than Sam."

Jesus has been married to a lovely lady named Maria for 8 years.

When he is not working at New Horizons, he is working at home in his vegetable garden. He also has fruit trees that he takes care of and even has a rooster or two, that are happy to wake him up for work instead of the usual alarm clock. It sounds like fun to me.

Jesus's favorite food is Carne Asada and Enchiladas. Likes to visit his family and is the one going all around to visit each one of the family and enjoying his time with them. Jesus has other talents other than gardening; he is a carpenter also. He built his mother a beautiful home in Mexico where she is enjoying the fruits of his labor.

Jesus is another very easy going gentlemen and so very nice and easy to work with. He also helps the residents when they ask him about where to plant something or not plant something. His advice and suggestions are always excellent. He will also help you plant your choices whether it be a bush or a Bird of Paradise.

He is a very hard worker here at New Horizons and also at home. He likes to watch television but guess what he is watching; old vintage moves from days gone by. Miss the good old stuff. His favorite color is blue, and his very favorite holiday is Christmas, as it is his birthday.

Merry Christmas and a very Happy Birthday to you Jesus. God Bless and we hope to keep you around for another 26 years.



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Another slice of life at New Horizons

Rose Briggs

Rose and her husband moved here in 1970 and she recalls that developer, Ray Watt, named Nadine Circle after his wife. Bill Briggs joined the Board as Insurance Chair and later was Board Chairman. Rose likes to stay in touch and is an avid reader of the Newsletter, her main source of condo info. A realist, she was not surprised to hear HOA fees will jump. "It's about time. A friend pays \$1,200 monthly with no amenities." She appreciates the Board, but wishes they would use the microphones to be heard.

Rose was active in the Art Club. "We paid for different teachers -- we painted portraits using resident models. When taught landscapes, I painted Peggy's Cove and a country view of Irvine." The Club held elegant teas treating residents while displaying NH art work. One brought his carvings. "Anyone could display."

Rose remembers the 20th Anniversary Party; decorations and dress matched a St. Patty's Day theme. One thing different then; smoking was allowed. "You could smell the smoke long before reaching the Club House door - it was that strong." Rose tackled that, sifting through the white rock floor decoration, removing cellophane cigarette wrappers and all sorts of debris before returning them to their spot. Then she took home the plastic flowers, hosed them down, rearranged and returned them to the lobby. "People saw me, but nobody said a thing. They must have thought I worked here."

Along with several other nanogenarians, Rose enjoys Monday bridge, played weekly in Town Hall. They are still sharp, those ladies and play a mean game of bridge. These are residents that New Horizons can count on now and, hopefully, for a long time to come.



Husband Bill with fellow Board Member, Walt Thomas, and his wife Dorothy



Rose with her painting of rural Irvine



Rose in a long ago fashion show



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