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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

At the end of each year, I enjoy reflecting on the events of the past 12 months and looking forward to the promises of those months yet to come. Your board has worked diligently to tackle some of the several issues that have been outstanding challenges from the past.

We have aggressively worked towards bringing our receivables current and through the efforts of our CFO we are more current today than we have been in many years. (Thanks, Verdie) In addition, with the change in accounting staff we are much more confident in the accuracy of our reports to you, our members. (Thanks, Pat Mc)

We are more diligent in reviewing our new member applications to insure that all the necessary documentation is both accurate and timely. (Thanks, Annie). Our reporting of Board Meetings, our bulletins and our internal communication are a continuing challenge to insure that they are both timely and accurate.

The challenges from the Rincon fire have shown that we need to be more prepared in the case of a catastrophic emergency. This means working with our neighbors, our political representatives, the community at large and you the membership to be ready for the next event whenever it may occur.

Our maintenance team has improved the Park's appearance, has carefully upgraded our equipment and continues to keep the Board informed of the challenges within the Park's infrastructure. (Thanks, Steve and Andrew)

And you, the membership have kept us informed of what your needs (and hopes) for Paradise Park are for the near term and the future. (THANK YOU)

Merry Christmas

Fraternally,
Frank Haswell
PPMC President

"There are amazingly wonderful people in all walks of life, some familiar to us and others not. Stretch yourself and really get to know people. People are in many ways one of our greatest treasures."

Bryant H. McGill



MANAGER'S REPORT

This year has had its share of challenges, and I'd like to thank Andrew, Annie, Pat and Mark for all their help keeping the Park running smoothly! I couldn't have asked for a better, stronger team!

This holiday season, watching families take photos of their kids and pets, and hearing the kids' laughter as they run around at the light display at the Office has reminded me why this community is so special. Thanks to all the Members who have commented on how much they appreciate the display (and our tree upstairs)!

2019 is going to be a HUGE year for Park improvements to include the resurfacing of Keystone Way, and replacing the dump truck so we can stop relying on vendors for the hauling of green waste. I've been working with the Long Range Planning Committee to make sure that we're addressing the deferred maintenance issues that have gone unattended for years, and it looks like more projects will be presented to the Board in the upcoming months. My goal for the year is to reduce Park spending on things like copying/mailing of bulletins by going as close to all-digital as possible, improve member services by replacing the dump truck, and improving Park/Member information sharing by upgrading the Park website so all Members can have a "one stop" place to find information on events and emergencies.

Have a safe and happy holiday season!

Steve



EMERGENCY SIRENS

The emergency siren will give a long (5 second) BLAST and then short (3 second) BLASTS to identify the location of the trouble in the Park.



Section 1 = 1 Long, 1 Short
 Section 2 = 1 Long, 2 Short
 Section 3 = 1 Long, 3 Short
 Section 4 = 1 Long, 4 Short
 Section 6 = 1 Long, 6 Short

MONEY MATTERS

Treasurer/CFO Financial Report



2018 has been incredibly busy, but VERY productive!! I'm happy to report that past due account totals are lower than they have been in over 8 years, as of Dec. 20th, 15 Members haven't paid their first 1/2 TADS and 6 short-paid (the fewest in MANY years), and the Board has successfully put Reserve and Capital Improvement funds to work with the addition of a professional security camera system (HUGE thanks to the Browns!!) and by maintaining our corporate assets (i.e., the Social Hall floors, painting at the Office, etc.).

As we start 2019, I'd like to remind the membership that we not only have our second 1/2 TADS due in April, but also another escape tax payment. Please remember, you can always make payments BEFORE the due date!

On a personal note, I'd like to thank the membership for entrusting me with the opportunity to serve on the Board this year. It's taken blood, sweat and lots of tears, but we've made significant improvements in our bookkeeping system, receivables, and transparency in reporting of financial and legal information. It's my hope that as we, as a community, seriously consider the positive progress we've made when looking to nominate and elect future Board members—let's continue the momentum!

Enjoy your holiday season and have a healthy, happy New Year!!

Verdie

*** UPCOMING CERT TRAINING ***



The Basic CERT Training Class prepares you to handle disaster situations at home and in your community. You will learn what to do on your own, and as part of a CERT team. At successful completion of the Basic CERT course, you will receive a Disaster Service Workers badge, good for five (5) years.

Currently scheduled Basic CERT classes

Cabrillo College – Jan 22,29, Feb 5,12,16

Bonny Doon – Feb 21,28, Mar 7,14,21,23

Live Oak – Mar 13,20,27, April 3,6

Watsonville – April 24, May 1,8,15,18

Felton – June 6,12,20,27,29

Note: minimum class enrollment is 20 students, so encourage your friends and neighbors to sign up for classes with you! If there is insufficient enrollment, you will be notified 2 weeks prior to the class start date

**Go to santacruzcountycert.org to sign up
Please contact Dick Lovelace with questions**

PARADISE PARK MASONIC CLUB
Open Meeting of the Board of Directors
November 17, 2018

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9:34 a.m.– Small Social Hall

OPENING ITEMS

Roll Call: All 5 Board Members present. 34 Members signed in.

The Invocation was given by Bruce Wildenrad. The Pledge of Allegiance led by Bruce Wildenrad.

Consideration of Late Additions to the Agenda – None

Approval of October 20, 2018 Executive minutes. Approval of October 20th, 2018 Open Minutes. Motion to accept made by Bruce Wildenrad, Second by Verdie Polizzi with corrections. Passed 5-0.

Manager's Report — Steve Polizzi

Manager Steve Polizzi asking people to contact the Office if they need to be added to the eblast list. This will include receiving eblast information and Park bulletins as well as additional park activities information. Steve also reminding Members to have patience with the office/mail room during the busy holiday. Often companies say they have delivered a package, but it is not the case. Mail volunteers and office doing their very best! Steve also gently reminding all that the office counter is not a place to open and read one's mail. Please do that in the lobby or at your house. Steve reporting that the homeless shelter down the road from PPMC is closing at the end of November. This will result in a lot more homeless people heading our direction. Please be vigilant and call 911 if you encounter suspicious people. Steve can also be notified after calling the Sheriff but will not put Park crew in harms way. This is a Sheriff/ Police issue.

Steve informing all that he has been working with CalFire regarding erosion control at the fire site. Steve also meeting with, Bill Vaughn, who is an expert Forester to handle this issue. There will be work being done in that area soon. End of Steve's report.

President's Report — Frank Haswell

Frank Reporting that he met with CalFire daily during the time of the fire and continues to get updates. There was a debriefing held with the CERT team, ERT crew, Park Manager, Frank, Bruce and Verdie. They are all working on feedback received to improve the reactions to future emergencies. Frank telling all that in the open forum section of the meeting the Fire will be addressed in detail.

Treasurer's Report — Verdie Polizzi

CFO Verdie reporting that there was a P&L report provided to members in attendance. She reports that the Park is running a bit under budget, which is always good news. The costs of the fire will come out of the Operation account. Steve is working with the City of Santa Cruz regarding the bill for water usage from the fire. It will, most likely, be averaged from past bills, and hope for a refund of some kind.

She is working with Pat McDonald to ensure fundraising info to all Members. Any and all fundraising must be reported. If not reported our "nonprofit" status could be put at risk. Verdie emphasizing the importance of this.

Other Board Members — No Report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Bylaws – Bylaws committee worked on the question of Fences in PPMC. Currently working on the Reserve Plan.

ERT Committee — Dick Lovelace reporting on the CERT team and the PPMC Fire. He is very proud of the team as they worked extremely hard to evacuate those in Section 1 that needed to evacuate as well as handling all traffic and general safety. Dick reminding all the importance of the CERT team. The next CERT training will be held in February of 2019. Please consider taking the course and getting certified.

Ocean Street Extension — Bob Morgan reporting that the city is patching small potholes on Ocean Street Extension. Still a lot to do though.

Recreation Report — Lee Heathorn reporting that the pumpkin carving event was a great success. Elizabeth Arzouni will host any and all potlucks that do not have a host, they will not be cancelled if no one volunteers. Still encouraging hosting of these events though. Holiday party is being hosted by Donna & John Sorenson and will be held Dec. 8th.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS Con't.

Staking Committee — Bear Butcher reporting on John Sorenson's behalf. 2 stakings were completed this month for 396-C Cavern and 474 York Ave. Reports have been done and will now go to the Board for Review. There were a few questions regarding old stakings and when they will be completed. Frank responding that they will look into out-standing stakings.

Unfinished Business

210 Keystone submitted a building request for a fence. President Frank asking for a delay as he wants to talk with the neighbor.

New Business

Bylaw Committee R&P proposals regarding fences read by Verdie:

PROPOSED CHANGE:

6. Fences on Allotments

6.01 The Board of Directors must approve the construction of any new fence, latticework, privacy screen or barricade (hereby known as a "fence"). Any Member who wishes to construct such a fence must submit proposed plans or drawings to the Board as to the specific details of the proposed action.

A. No fence shall:

- 1. be considered an allotment boundary marker, as is referenced in Bylaw XYZ;***
- 2. be anchored to the ground and shall be moveable by an average person;***
- 3. not exceed 4' in height at its highest point measured from the ground; or face a street.***

B. Fences may:

- 1. be constructed with wood or composite material; and***
- 2. be stained or painted a natural color of woodland hues.***

All fences shall resemble one of the 3 options as illustrated in the building packet.

Any existing fences that do not meet the above criteria will be allowed to remain until they fail or want/need to be replaced, at which point it must follow this Rule & Procedure.

Motion made by Verdie to put this information to a vote of the membership with temporary placement in the Rules & procedures. Second by Bruce. Passed 5-0.

OPEN FORUM

Member Bob Levy at 237 Temple -Thanking the Board for resolving the issue with the Scott lawsuit. Asking that the property be returned to the original footprint. As it sits now it is an extreme fire hazard. Board responding that the Board is under legal restrictions and cannot discuss details of the confidential settlement, but the sale of the property will include specific requirements of the buyer. Verdie reporting that the park is having 2 appraisals done, one by an appraiser that is extremely familiar with PPMC.

Heather Ramos asking for Fence clarification if an allotment backs up to highway 9. Frank responding: Board to address and consider adding stipulations regarding Hwy 9.

John Mancini 503 Amaranth- Questioning who requires the Scott lawsuit be confidential? Answer- The Judge involved in the case.

Fred Dunn-Ruiz 382 Hiram- Asking about PG&E tree removal in the Park, and the option of putting power lines underground. Fred also asking about the minutes in the Bulletin and the reason for the delay. Board wants approved minutes in all bulletins, so they will be a month behind. Question on whether they will be read in the Open Minutes. Answer — Yes once they are corrected.

Jackie Rundell 231 Temple—Agreeing with the Levy's regarding the Scott improvement and the Fire hazards. She, as a neighbor, is very concerned for safety of the park. Again, confidentially prohibits extensive answers. Jackie states she's read the settlement agreement made on a court website.

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Heather Gloeckler 285 The Royal Arch - Suggest recording Open Session meetings. Manager Steve reporting that he is looking into a company called Zoom that would allow the meeting to be online.

Cindy Weigelt 230 Temple Lane- Asking if all improvements in the Park are required by the park to have homeowner's insurance. Answer- Park does not require verification, not in PPMC bylaws.

Debbie Keil St. Bernard- Encouraging people to be aware of where they are parking during times of emergency, i.e. flooding in the front of the park, too many cars to manage emergency vehicles.

Butch Downing 592 Keystone Way- Requesting thanks from the membership for himself and the Fire Brigade for their role in the fire emergency. He had heard rumors about the Brigade not being involved but insists this was not the case.

Sharon Simas 615 St. Augustine- Encouraged by the Boards actions on the Scott lawsuit and the requirements set by the Board. Please be careful in order to avoid even more litigation.

Dick Lovelace 501 Amaranth- Discussion about emergency sirens. Butch and Steve to check all siren batteries to prevent sections not being notified. Siren meanings to be added to bulletins so people know what the blasts mean. Dick also reporting that Reverse 911 was not activated for our fire. Dick to address with the city & county, PPMC is county office of emergency services, but city and county report conflicting information regarding responsibility. Dick to meet with Rosemary at the County offices to clarify. Dick commending our fire brigade and specifically Johnny Wells for taking CalFire to the actual fire location high on the hill. Clarification that the actual fire did not start on PPMC property but rather Parks property. Lots of Homeless folks living up there above PPMC and fire is being blamed on an illegal campfire. Thanks to Verdie for updating the Nextdoor.com app during the fire. Great, helpful information.

Linda Weaver 214 Keystone Way- Thanks to all for helping with an ill family Member. Discussing the unsheltered and how to handle. Going to get worse before it gets better. Hoping the Park can reject extreme actions and engage authorities for advice and enforcement. She will submit homeless report which is an opportunity for PPMC to make an impact. Requesting that a letter to be written to the County by our Park attorney. Linda submitting extensive emergency contact information and documentation.

Dennis Gloeckler thanking his son Jim Gloeckler and his family for providing dinner to the CalFire crew. They served 77 appreciative fire fighters. Thanks also to Liz Arzouni, Sue Ramos, Cory Ahlvin, Sharon and Bill Eckard.

Joanne Nelson expressing concern about the back gate being closed during the emergency. Steve reporting that he was instructed by the Sheriff department to keep it closed, not his decision. Joanne also wanting better communication during an emergency.

Bob Morgan- 495 Knight Templar- Thanking Steve for his hard work during the emergency encouraging PPMC to come up with its own Fire Watch system or have 1st Alarm address Company to handle. Bob encouraging all to step up and become involved.

Claude Lindquist suggestion that they identify correct services and what we are entitled to and then access them. Questionnaire to be in the next bulletin with suggestion for betterment. After receiving the returned questionnaires then adopt new protocol.

Pat McDonald thanking Annie and the office staff for coming in on the weekend of the Fire to field calls.

Extensive thanks to all from all! Response considered a success in all if not most scenarios. Always room for improvement though!

Question regarding new camera system– to be installed on November 28th.

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OPEN FORUM Con't.

Member Sarah Crampton 572 King Solomon- Explaining how fire was 15 feet from her improvement. Huge Thanks to all and especially to Cesar Smith for letting people know about the fire.

Chopsey Gutt- proud to be a member of this community. Board deserved praise. Lots of heroes in our midst and Chopsey was bolstered by all.

Bob Morgan taking the floor again to ask the Board what they plan on doing. Frank explaining all that they are doing via a questionnaire, debriefing etc. no decisions or changes to be made today at this meeting.

Question from the Membership- When will the Foresters report be completed? Crews to begin work soon. Trees will be marked for removal and process will begin. Calfire to send out a wood chipper shortly.

Cyndy Crogan asking about erosion control costs. Will CalFire help or insurance? If costs exceed deductible, insurance may be used, otherwise, will be paid for with Operating budget. Cyndy also thanking Steve for an amazing response.

Jackie Rundell encouraging all members to remove Bay trees. Very combustible. Encourage the Board to get a letter from Bob Bosso regarding Fire legalities.

Sharon Simas reporting money has been sent to communities effected by fire, encouraging the Board to look at it as well.

Motion to adjourned made and second provided.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

January Open Session Board Meeting

Saturday, January 19, 2019
Small Social Hall

Come and join your fellow Members, and share your concerns, ideas, suggestions, etc. with the Board

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS PENDING

Applicant	Date Posted	Member/Seller	Allotment
MEMBER			
Duncan Espinosa	08/15/2018	Longacre	489 Knight Templar
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS			
Jesslin Crouch	03/21/2017	Shari Crouch	410 Keystone Way
George Kane	07/11/2017	Harry Kane	277 Keystone Way
Michael Schaupp	08/07/2018	James Schaupp	430 Joppa Street
Zachary Caldwell	10/09/2018	Sandra Caldwell	459 York Avenue
Alan Mac	12/05/2018	Lisa Mac	602 Keystone Way
ALT.ASSOCIATE MEMBERS			
Joy Kane	07/11/2017	Harry Kane	277 Keystone Way
Sarvenaz Pahlavi	09/13/2018	Sharon Naraghi	228 Acacia
JoAnn Lyons	10/30/2018	Marie Anderson	319 the Royal Arch

Improvements for Sale by Member

All allotment use privileges and Membership are subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The sellers solely provide the descriptions of improvements for sale. Such information is not verified or checked for accuracy by Paradise Park Masonic Club, Inc. The Club does not warrant, and disclaims any responsibility for, the accuracy, truthfulness or completeness of any information provided. All questions about an allotment improvement should be addressed solely to the seller.

SECTION 1			
489 Knight Templar	Longacre Contact: Alcinda Walters 831-428-2431 SALE PENDING	\$185,000 Reduced! No Financing Offered	2BR, 2 1/2 BA Cottage in the woods. Improvement is 1,085 sq. ft. on allotment that is 5,034 sq. ft. Lovely patio on quiet street. Home has new carpeting and paint. Large kitchen which looks into living and dining room showcasing a fireplace with charming stone hearth and mantle. Extra large garage built into historic bunker with workshop area and loft for storage. Selling "as is."
SECTION 2			
293 The Royal Arch	Jerrold Largin Contact: Greg Wheatley 209-915-3804	All Serious Offers Considered	Buildable allotment for sale near picnic grounds. Includes existing septic tank and plans.
SECTION 6			
135 St. Alban	Propp-Stern Mark Zevanove, Agent 831-588-2089 BRE# 00662936	Reduced! \$270,000	Cute 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath home in Section 6. Come see this great little charmer. Some of the features include central heat, single floor living, newer appliance in a great location!!



SHIRTS FOR SALE

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T-Shirt	Forest Green	S	1	\$10
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T-Shirt	Gray	M	2	\$10
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Long sleeve T	Gray	M	3	\$16
Long sleeve T	Gray	2XL	2	\$15
Sweatshirt	Forest Green	S	2	\$21
Sweatshirt	Forest Green	M	2	\$16
Sweatshirt	Gray	S	1	\$16
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Sweatshirt	Gray	L	2	\$21
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Thank you, John and Donna Sorenson
for hosting the Holiday Party this year!

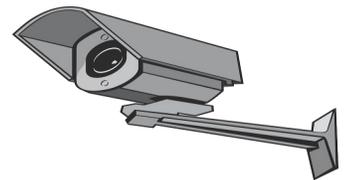


Fun was had by all and your effort was greatly appreciated!!

THANK YOU



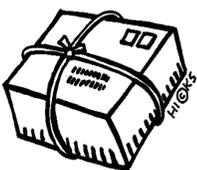
...to Sterling Communications and the
Brown family for the installation of our
NEW security camera system!!
We all appreciate your work and this
HUGE contribution to our Park!!



SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL THAT HELPED DECORATE OUR
BEAUTIFUL COVERED BRIDGE! IT LOOKS FABULOUS!!!

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PICK UP YOUR MAIL AND PACKAGES!!

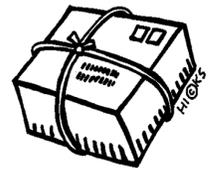
If you live in the front of the Park and have not received your packages, please contact the Office to see if we have it!



With the holidays here we don't have enough space to hold all the incoming package!

Please help us out by picking up what is yours!

Thank you from the office and the mailroom volunteers!!



PPMC SOCIAL EVENTS

REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS

GOLFER'S FUN PLAY: A group of PPMC folks play 9-holes at Valley Gardens in Scotts Valley **most Wednesday mornings**. If you would like to join in, contact Winston Chavoor at 831/824-8935.

KNITTIN' KITTENS meet the **1st Monday** of the month at 10:00 a.m. in the Small Social Hall. They play Canasta. For more information, contact Pat Rundell at 831/421-9360.

TUESDAY COFFEE meets **every Tuesday** morning In the Small Social Hall at 9:00 a.m.

STITCH AND MUNCH: ALL interested stitchers - Crochet, Embroidery, Knitting, Needlepoint, Quilting, Sewing (Other?) Is held on the **3rd Monday** at the Social Hall from 11 am to 3 pm; bring a brown bag lunch. For more information, call Sue Lovelace at 831/420-0501.

PARADISE PARK QUILTS OF VALOR meet **1st and 3rd Fridays**, 10:30 a.m. at the Lovelace's 501 Amaranth. All quilters are welcome. For more information, call Sue Lovelace at 831/420-0501.

BINGO meets on the **4TH Wednesday** of the month in the Social Hall from 7 until 10 p.m. Doors open at 6:30.

WINE AND CHEESE meets the on the Friday preceding the Board meeting.

SOCIAL HALL POTLUCKS will be held the **3rd Saturday** of the month beginning with a social at 5:30 PM following with a dinner at 6:00 PM. Please bring a dish to share, place settings and beverage of choice. Remember, our community is the heart and soul of Paradise Park; that means every one of you! Hosts needed for Potlucks from November 2017 - June 2018. To volunteer please contact Elizabeth Arzouni at 831/427-0475 or email at e.arzouni@gmail.com.

DECEMBER

BINGO will be held Wednesday, December 26th in the Social Hall at 6:30 p.m.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY CANCELLED DUE TO LACK OF HOST



JANUARY

WINE AND CHEESE will be on Friday, January 18th in the Social Hall from 4 until 6 p.m.

SOCIAL HALL POTLUCK will be on Saturday, January 19th with a social at 5:30 followed by dinner at 6:00 PM. Please bring a dish to share, place settings and beverage of choice. Remember, our community is the heart and soul of Paradise Park; that means each and every one of you! **Hosts needed for Potlucks for January and March**. To volunteer please contact Elizabeth Arzouni at 831/427-0475 or email her at e.arzouni@gmail.com.

BINGO will be held Wednesday, January 23rd in the Social Hall at 6:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY

WINE AND CHEESE will be on **Friday, February 15th** in the Social Hall from 4 until 6.p.m.

SOCIAL HALL POTLUCK will be **on Saturday, February 16th** with a social at 5:30 followed by dinner at 6:00 PM. Please bring a dish to share, place settings and beverage of choice. Remember, our community is the heart and soul of Paradise Park; that means each and every one of you! Darlene and Laurel Stumpf will be hosting this event. Hosts needed for Potlucks for March and April. To volunteer please contact Elizabeth Arzouni at 831/427-0475 or email her at e.arzouni@gmail.com.

BINGO will be Wednesday, February 27th in the Social Hall at 6:30 p.m.

APRIL

EASTER EGG HUNT is scheduled for Saturday, February 16th. HOST IS NEEDED



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