

CYPRESS HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION (CHOA) NEWS
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Board Meetings

Clubhouse #2, 7:15pm

Thursday, March 25, 2010

Thursday, April 22, 2010

Homeowners' Forum follows the Board meeting. Agenda are posted four days in advance at both clubhouses and on the CHOA website.

Board of Directors 2010



L to R: Brean Cheung, Jean Redfearn, Katie Bryson, Judith Fischer, Betsy-Ann Toffler

At the February Board meeting, the third attempt to reach a quorum failed. David Cane, CHOA's attorney, advised that the incumbent Board of Directors remain in place until the 2011 election. The new officers are:

Betsy-Ann Toffler, President 714-527-9220
Jean Redfearn, Vice-President 714-699-1406
Judith Fischer, Secretary 714-761-4503
Brean Cheung, Treasurer 714-851-3158
Katie Bryson, Dir-At-Large 714-814-6716

Clubhouse Reservations

Sabrina Moreau, 714-252-9021 (10am-7pm)
clubhouse@cypresshoa.org

Painting Progress

Arenas Painting has completed the buildings on each side of Larwin at both the Ball Rd. and Denni St. entrances. Currently, the buildings in the middle of the street are being painted. Then the project will shift to the Denni St. end, back to the Ball Rd. end, and then again to the middle. Completion date is 2011.

Homeowners who need new front doors are encouraged to install new doors when the painters reach their buildings. Arenas Painting has installed many new doors throughout the complex at reasonable rates: 714-612-5924.

Meet Jean Redfearn:
New CHOA Board Member

I bought my condo in CHOA in May 1979 and raised my three children here. I loved being part of the community. But as a single parent, working fulltime and participating in Pop Warner football, cheerleading, and drill team, I had little time for further involvement.

Eleven years ago, I remarried and moved to Texas but was fortunate to be able to keep my condo here and to find good tenants. I worked as a public relations representative for a city, addressing the concerns and resolving the issues of many homeowners' and neighborhood groups. This was excellent preparation for my current involvement in Cypress.

I moved back to Cypress about a year ago. I live in Tanglewood North but still rent out my CHOA condo. I am involved on several committees and serve as Secretary of Tanglewood North's Board of Directors. Before my appointment to CHOA's Board, I regularly attended Board meetings and served on the Painting Committee last year. I look forward to being a more vital part of the community and to involving more homeowners to make CHOA the best it can be.

Committees: Can YOU Volunteer?

Become involved in your community! You don't have to sign up forever; there are special projects, such as the budget preparation or a Fourth of July picnic or disaster preparedness or pool and restroom monitoring that need your help.

Please contact Jean Redfearn, 714-699-1406 or gjredfearn@gmail.com, if you have extra time and can offer expertise in these areas:

Finance
Community Relations
Landscaping

Earthquakes – Are You Ready?

The recent and devastating earthquakes in Haiti, Chile, and Turkey are reminders that homeowners should have an ample supply of food and water (at least a week's worth and for the pets, too), and a family plan for keeping everyone connected when the earthquake strikes.

The Board hopes to develop a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program for CHOA that teaches participants how to provide basic emergency response services after a disaster. www.cert-la.com/index

"Drop, cover, and hold on!" is the drill suggested for taking shelter under a sturdy desk or table and holding onto the legs. This will help protect from falling and flying debris and other non-structural hazards. It also increases the chances of ending up in a "survivable void space" if the building collapses. Standing in a doorway is no longer recommended advice.

The Southern California guide to Putting Down Roots in Earthquake Country is full of earthquake preparedness tips and is available for downloading at www.earthquakecountry.info.

Finances

Income Statement, January 31, 2010

	January	Budget	Variance
Income	<u>69,571</u>	<u>70,750</u>	<u>(1,179)</u>
Expense			
Utilities	6,875	11,667	4,792
Landscape	6,850	9,433	2,583
Buildings			
& Grounds	1,178	4,148	2,970
Pools	2,837	2,088	(750)
Admin.	<u>21,106</u>	<u>20,914</u>	<u>(192)</u>
Total	38,846	48,250	9,404
Reserves			
Non-capital	6,800	6,800	0
Capital	<u>15,700</u>	<u>15,700</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	22,500	22,500	0
Total Expenses			
& Reserves	<u>61,346</u>	<u>70,750</u>	<u>9,404</u>
Net Surplus	8,225	0	8,225

Architectural Changes Need Approval

Homeowners: please remember that you must obtain Board approval for changes you want to make to your unit relating to:

Patio fences and patio covers
Window replacement
Front door and screen/security/storm doors
Solar panels
Landscaping
Satellite dish installation (If the dish is improperly installed, homeowners will be required to reinstall it correctly at their expense.)

Architectural forms can be downloaded from www.cypresshoa.org (or call Yamy, 949-581-4988, ext. 275) and should be submitted at least 10 days prior to a Board meeting.