

It's Springtime-Let's look forward

Board Message

Spring greetings neighbors. SPRING has Sprung... and with it a hope for a return to normalcy, no matter how measured the pace. We hope all have weathered the COVID storm and share with us optimism for the future. With this Springtime edition, it is with enthusiasm and a bit of relief that we've been able to work through a myriad of key infrastructure issues, new and carryover projects. Oftentimes the Board's work, which consists of conversations, communications and outside engagement with others may not be evident, but collectively we were able to finally wrap up pressing matters related to the land lease. We thank you for your questions and comments during Board meetings and extend a special thanks to those who lent their neighborly expertise. We created a project

2021-2022 HOA Board

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plan for the Edith Way entryway and tackled challenging landscape issues that addressed deferred maintenance requirements along with the goal of maintaining the curb appeal of our community.

We welcome our new neighbors and encourage you to become familiar with the governing CCRs and policies (e.g. parking, architectural requests, etc.) and to contact Bali management with questions. We are excited to see all the amazing exterior improvements, but urge you to contact Bali if you have heavy duty vehicles, port-o-potties, large cranes, etc. so that Bali is aware of all projects impacting common area streets/roads/driveways; their responsibility is to ensure this community incurs no damage from your contractors and mitigate damage assessments to you. Bali is very responsive and can answer any questions to put you at ease before work commences.

Lastly, most of you know that the nation is experiencing the highest inflation increase in 30+years and as we strive to keep costs low, some expenditures along with some reserve line items are unavoidable. As such, we are reviewing the 2022-23 budget recommendations prepared by Bali and the independent reserve study for impact.

Reminder: Participate in our monthly HOA meeting every fourth Tuesday of the month, via Zoom during Covid-19 pandemic

Crown Pointe Awareness Task Force (CPATF)

On a beautiful spring day in April, CPATF, along with the CP social committee co-hosted a community engagement event on the grassy knoll of Edith Way. Residents of Crown Pointe welcomed City Councilwoman Stacy Mungo- Flanagan and her Chief of Staff Holly Unruh and Herlinda E Chico, Field Deputy for LA County Supervisor Janice Hahn's office. The "Meet and Greet" was both informative and constructive as the quests elaborated on their roles in our community and answered what were sometimes difficult questions from our residents. Topics included but were not limited to crime prevention, encampments, unhoused individuals, the Pacific Place development, ballot measures, and planned repairs on our roadways and streets. The guest speakers took time to mingle with homeowners and guests before and after the event while enjoying coffee, juice, doughnuts, and bagels courtesy of our social committee. The event was well received by those who attended. As homeowner Carina Slepian commented, "The speakers were wonderful and brought visibility to our community." And "It's inspiring to see how a community event like yesterday validated what a great neighborhood we have." A special thanks to Justin Potier, CPATF for his facilitation of this event and to all who attended. For those who requested subscription information to Stacy Mungo's newsletter, click here: Stacy Mungo Newsletter

CPATF continues to keep busy and wants to remind residents that April is Earthquake Preparedness Month in California. Residents are urged to prepare for the next big shaker and download the MyShake app for earthquake alerts. CPATF is also seeking names of residents with training and skills in emergency situations, such as firefighters, policemen, doctors, nurses, paramedics, and those with CERT or CPR training, etc. Please contact CPATF at CPATF2019@gmail.com to add your name to the "in case of emergency" list. Having a plan for our CP neighborhood can help save lives.

CPATF: Audria, William, Marcy, Justin

Questions and Comments

For Crown Pointe community questions and comments please call or email our property management group,

> Bali Management Group, Debbie Schneider debbie.schneider@balimgmt.com | 310-294-5370 x108

Vendor/Contract Referrals

Need a referral for services from your neighbor or have a recommendation to share? Email our CP neighbor, <u>carinaslepian@gmail.com</u>, for a list of referrals for internal and external home services. These are recommendations from neighbors and not associated with BMG/Board.

Landscape/Architectural Committee (LAC)

Spring is in the air and you may have noticed the early blooming of flowering plants in our landscaped common areas. We continue our close work with Brightview Landscape Company to help ensure the proper maintenance of landscape throughout the community. As we place our attention on these areas we thought you might enjoy the identification of tasks to help you get reacquainted with your outdoor space following the Southern California Fall/Winter and dormant period for several plant/tree species.

We are big believers that gardening should add joy not stress to your life, so consider the following tasks:

- When and where possible delegate tasks to members of your household who need an outdoor activity
- Make new beds, plant from bare-root, or container-grown plants
- Assess damage from the closing season, fix tools, fill in holes in the landscape, perform tend to your lawn (if you have one), perform essential pruning, feed/fertilize all of your plants

Sounds like a lot, be the victorious one - check things off one-by-one, your visual gardens and courtyard beds will be the envy of Crown Pointe, not to mention your favorite place to put your feet up and literally "smell the roses"! By the way, the LAC in collaboration with our Brightview landscape team has successfully completed its second round of focused enhancements of each street throughout the complex. We hope that you are enjoying the fresh looks we have created...the work continues!

LAC: Teri Staniford, Linda Perry, and Justin Potier



SURVEY THE YARD

■ First, look up and assess the trees. Make note of tree limbs that should be removed or cabled, especially those that overhang the structures. Hire an arborist to maintain large trees. Next, assess the mid-level. Cut down las year's perennial foliage, and toss it into the compost pile. Then, ground plane: Rake mulch from beds planted with bulbs before foliage appears, and refresh mulch in other planting.

Social Committee (SC)

Thank you Crown Pointe residents for completing the Community Survey (we had a 25% response rate). The goal of the survey was to gain input from residents regarding the types of activities you would like to see in our community. Based on the survey results, we will have the following activities in 2022:

July: Summer Movie Night with a Potluck.

September: Painting with a Twist. October: Halloween Candy Give-Away.

December: Winter Cookie Exchange along with a Secret Santa

drawing.

Dates will be provided soon to allow you to include these fun activities in your calendar. We appreciate all of you and look forward to seeing you! at our next event!

2022 Meet the Councilwoman & the County 4th District Board of Supervisor's Deputy







Homeowner's Corner

Long Beach Candidate Forum - Monday April 25th @ 6:00pm Expo Arts Building, 4321 Atlantic Avenue

Your LCNA hosts free Long Beach political forums each election year. This year, LCNA is partnering with the Bixby Knolls and California Heights Neighborhood Associations. The format is a debate style with predetermined questions by the debate committee.

- * 6:00pm Meet & Greet
- * 6:30pm Council District 5
- * 7:45pm City Attorney

- * 8:20pm City Auditor
- * 8:55pm City Prosecutor

Long Beach Mayoral Candidate Forum - Wednesday April 27th @ 6:00pm Masonic Lodge, 3610 Locust Avenue

The LCNA, Bixby Knolls and California Heights Neighborhood Associations are partnering to host the Mayoral Candidate's Forum. The format is a debate style with predetermined questions by the debate committee. * 6:00pm - Meet & Greet * 6:30pm - Mayoral Forum

Where flowers **bloom** so does hope.

Quote of the Quarter

FREE COVID-19 Test Kits

Visit: https:/www.covidtests.gov For the latest COVID-19 information

Visit: https://longbeach.gov VaxLB for Long Beach

SPRING IS HEREthe days are longer, the nights are warmer and we can finally put our heavy coats and gloves in the back of the closet. Winter is gone; flowers are blooming; trees are budding; birds are singing; and our residents are out taking a