

Crown Pointe

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Board Message

Neighbors! FY 2022-23 certainly proved to be another extraordinary year. The Board thanks all the homeowners/committee members who volunteered their expertise and time to help achieve our goals. The Crown Pointe (CP) accomplishments were shared in the Annual Homeowners Meeting in May; amongst these were completion of 2nd phase, multi-year infrastructure projects, installation of new mailboxes, and execution of a new contract for patrol services. We continued efforts to minimize financial ‘hits’ while assessing/realigning the budget to accommodate unanticipated and substantial increases in our agreements caused by inflation. The Board spends countless hours each month ensuring that the collective community’s interests are protected and that often involves rigorous engagement. So, as we close the current fiscal year and look forward to the next, we extend gratitude to Frank Hall for his valuable contributions and welcome new Board member Bonnie Tann. Also, we can’t forget YOU for hanging in there with us by being curious and asking questions so that we can work with Bali for greater oversight. Finally, what makes CP vibrant is YOU – so please keep chatting with neighbors, lending your voice, and coming out to social and safety meetings. There is no doubt we all play a role in making CP a highly desirability community and the best little neighborhood this side of BK 😊.

HOA 2022-2023 Board

- Yolanda De Ramus, President
- Audria Quillian, Vice President
- Robert Staniford, Treasurer
- Frank Hall, Secretary
- Marchette Hogan-McCullough, Director

*BOD for 2023-24 ratification pending



Crown Pointe Artists Discovered! The Social Committee organized a Paint & Sip event on the grounds – 9/2022

Landscape/Architectural Committee (LAC)

We take this opportunity to wish our fellow Crown Pointe residents a belated, yet happy 2023. We take pause to consider the blessings we received in 2022 and the start of 2023; residing in this lovely community is surely one of those gains. As we move through this year, we consider renewed and refreshed landscape throughout Crown Pointe. The renewals include the introduction of further drought-friendly plants, and a greater presence of those previously tested. An attempt to revitalize the grassy areas has occurred via the deeper shaving of the lawns, followed by a layer of fertilizer and spot seeding (sprinkling of grass seed) throughout. We are grateful for the cooler climate and earlier aid provided by water from above; new life is springing from the thatch-smothering grass hidden below. We can also attribute the beautiful blossoms in full bloom to the earlier gift of rain. Throughout the complex, plants and shrubs are boosting their buds.

As the Landscape/Architecture Committee (LAC) may focus on appropriate plants for larger landscape areas, you may ask, “What flowers can I plant during the remainder of this cooler period?” Please consider sprucing up your courtyard beds with plants such as chrysanthemums, nasturtiums, and asters are wonderful choices for seasonal planting arrangements. With the notion of self-planting, **please** be reminded that homeowners are **not permitted** to plant in the common area (HOA Landscape Maintenance Area – that portion of a Lot for which the Association has responsibility). Nor, are homeowners permitted to groom (cut, trim, etc.) these plantings by the HOA. If you have questions regarding the planting and/or care of HOA landscape areas, please contact Debbie Schneider (Bali Property Manager – Bali Management Group, Inc. (310) 294-5370 extension 108).

A warm welcome to our newest Landscape/Architecture Committee (LAC) member – Brenda Kay Hanes, who without hesitation accepted this volunteer position. Brenda “hit the ground running” and has been actively involved in helping to fulfill the duties of the LAC. Thank you, Brenda, for your community spirit and volunteer efforts. Also, William Chu remains on the LAC as a member offering advisement related to architectural matters. We are fortunate to have Mr. Chu as a fellow Crown Pointe neighbor and blessed to be able to rely on his expertise as a certified Architect.

* Crown Pointe Landscape and Architecture Committee – Linda Perry, Brenda Haynes, William Chu

The son of a resident, Arlie Romero, is collecting recyclables to raise funds for a student trip. If you’d like to donate, call **323.683.9097**.

“You cannot control anything except the way that you feel.” - Craig Marshall

A reminder to dog owners
Please respect the grounds and pick up your dog poop.

Have a wonderful summer!

Crown Pointe Awareness Task Force (CPATF)

CPATF planned and executed a successful Emergency Preparedness drill on Saturday, May 20, at 10:30 am. Thirty-one Crown Pointe residents met at their designated meeting places on Avery Place, Marion Way, Edith Way, and Terrilyn Place after receiving an email from CPATF notifying them of a *fake* emergency disaster. CPATF members manually opened the gates; and role was taken before the groups made their way to the Edith Way communication center on the grassy knolls. CPATF committee members donned with orange emergency vests for quick identification communicated with one another via two-way radios. Emergency supplies were gathered from the guard shack and carried to the meeting site by volunteers and CPATF members. After the drill, the attendees reviewed what went well during the exercise and what could be improved. Afterward, everyone enjoyed a delicious lunch and conversation with other homeowners and tenants. All of those in attendance expressed their appreciation for the practice, and it was agreed upon that the Emergency Preparedness drill should become an annual event. Thank you to all those in attendance for your participation and valued input.



Emergency Preparedness Drill for Crown Pointe Residents (5/2023)



Meet & Greet Councilwoman Kerr (6/2023)

On June 3, at 10:30 am, CPATF assembled neighbors for a "Meet & Greet" on the grassy knolls of Edith Way. Residents were welcomed with coffee, juice, and a wonderful continental breakfast courtesy of our CP social committee. Our district 5 Councilwoman, Megan Kerr, met with Crown Pointe residents and answered their many questions on crime, homelessness, city utilities, safety on the metro, nuisances on Del Mar and the Dominguez gap property, updates on Park Place, and other issues of importance to our community. Councilwoman Kerr was honest, open, forthright, and responded to all CP questions. Anything she was unable to answer, she and her staff said they would research the topics and get back to us with answers. Thanks to all residents who sent their questions in advance. A special thanks to Justin Potier who coordinated this event with the district 5 office. Those who attended expressed their appreciation for time spent with Councilwoman Kerr, her representatives, and their CP neighbors; and would like to do it again with the inclusion of Janice Hahn's office, the LBPD North division and representation from LB public works. CPATF would like to acknowledge all the volunteers and neighbors who gave up their Saturday morning to make this another productive event. (Megan Kerr Office : 562.570.5555 / district5@longbeach.gov / <https://www.longbeach.gov/district5/>)

** Crown Pointe Awareness Task Force Committee - Audria Quillian, William Perry, Justin Potier, Marcy McCullough **

COMMUNITY

Crown Pointe Social Committee

It's Block Party time!!

You don't want to miss Crown Pointe's Block Party on September 23rd from 2pm to 5pm. Bring the entire family for tacos, ice cream, music, line-dancing, a bounce house, a basket auction and yard games.

***Eventbrite evite coming soon.
Tickets: \$7.00 per person.
Three or more tickets \$5.00 per person.**



At Crown Pointe Holiday Party organized by the Social Committee and hosted by Justin Portier, 12/22.

Social Committee: Cheryl Jones, Justin, Yolie, Sue, Brenda, Bonnie, Audria, Carina, Linda, all are welcome to join!



Vendor/Contract Referrals

Need a referral for services from your neighbor or have a recommendation to share? Email our CP neighbor, carinaslepian@gmail.com, for a list of home service referrals. *These are recommendations from neighbors and not associated with BMG/Board.* Drop us a line at crownpointenews@aol.com.

Questions and Comments

For Crown Pointe community questions and comments, please contact our Property Manager **Bali Management Group, Debbie Schneider** debbie.schneider@balimgmt.com

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