

# Crown Pointe *focus*



## Message from Outgoing Crown Pointe President

*I have led the team that visualized and created the Crown Pointe Newsletter. When preparing the past Board Messages in our newsletter, I would always bid farewell to Board members. However, I was asked to do my bidding this time. After 3 years, I concluded my formal tenure as Board President in August due to expanded personal & professional endeavors. The amount of time required to volunteer may be underestimated, especially with an active Board like CP that communicates weekly with each other and Bali to monitor, guide, innovate, and address business matters (e.g. contracts, construction, legal & CCRs, a 1970's infrastructure, security, landscaping, the gamut!)— no small feat given competing priorities in our daily lives. Decisions often require extensive communication (and friendly debate) to tease out the “gray areas”. We all call Crown Pointe & Bixby Knolls our home and strive to make decisions that are in the best interest of the overall community. I will not recount the host of matters that evolved in the last 3 years, but I do want to thank you for your support and kinship. My thanks and applause to the seated board I've worked with over the years, and to past members Billie, Phil, and Frank who were just as dedicated and insightful. I thank a few special neighbors (you know who you are) who also lent expertise and historical knowledge when we faced some extraordinary hurdles. I believe periodic changes in leadership are essential to innovation and incorporate new perspectives and so I'd implore any of you (new neighbors, too) to consider serving at least one term. I anticipate continuing as a supporting cast member on our committees. I'm still a text, email, chat, or 😊 a “walk” away. You all are really the cool kids of CP/BK, and I'm happy 😊 to be here. - Yolie ❤️*



*Thank you (you know who you are)  
for your contributions to our  
community!*

## Landscape/Architectural Committee (LAC)

We take this opportunity to wish our fellow Crown Pointe residents a belated yet happy 2023. We pause to consider the blessings. We begin by thanking homeowners who have made known their appreciation of the renewed and refreshed landscape throughout Crown Pointe. The renewals include introducing further drought-friendly plants and appropriate irrigation (drip system). Most observable is the Edith Way/Country Club Drive entrance. This merely marks the beginning of a strategic plan in the works on the part of the LAC working in collaboration with the HOA Board and our landscape contractor (Brightview). The well-thought-out plan will include enhancing the Terrylynn gate entrance landscape area and key HOA landscape throughout Crown Pointe.

Due to the unusual rainfall this past season, the community's trees, shrubs, etc., have shown their gratitude by producing abundant new growth. Many of our mature trees have expanded their branches, and the weight of these branches has required unscheduled trimming; attention is being given to such trees to help ensure their safety and that of surrounding areas.

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 warmer period?” Please consider sprucing up your courtyard beds with plants such as Coleus, Periwinkle, Petunia, etc. are wonderful choices for seasonal planting. Also, please consider giving our drought-tolerant species a try. 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).

We close with 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.

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

# Happy Fall !

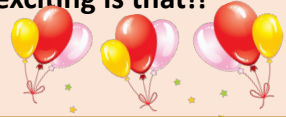


## The Crown Pointe Block Party Is Almost Here !!

September 23, (2-5 pm)

Are you ready for tacos, ice cream, lemonade, line-dancing, badminton, a bounce house, a basketball shoot-off, a cake-walk, a silent auction, and enjoying time with friends, family and neighbors?

Well, the Social Committee is ready for you! It looks like practically the entire Crown Pointe family is coming! How exciting is that!!



Please RSVP by September 15<sup>th</sup> (Cheryl Jones 562.537.3602)

**We are excited to see everyone !!**



*Crown Pointe Social Committee Members - Cheryl Jones, Justin Potier, Yolie Pina, Sue Danielson, Brenda Khanes, Bonnie Tann, Audria Quillian, Marcy McCullough, Carina Slepian, Linda Perry; all are welcome to join!*

### Crown Pointe Awareness Task Force (CPATF)

Get ready to “duck, cover, and hold” with other Californians as CPATF and the CP community take part again in the *California Shake Out* on October 19, 2023 at 10:15 a.m.

All residents are encouraged to get under a stable surface like a table and participate as we practice earthquake preparedness. It is also a good time to make sure your emergency preparedness kits and emergency contact information is updated.

For more information and resources on how to stay safe and prepare yourself for an emergency, please visit our CPATF table at the Block Party on September 23. Please stop by and say “hello” and sign up for our emails to get the latest incident reports and emergency preparedness information.

The committee is also looking into individual and group CPR/AED training for Crown Pointe community residents. If you are interested in more information, please contact [CPATF2019@gmail.com](mailto:CPATF2019@gmail.com).

In July and August, two incidents of interest were reported in Crown Pointe. In the first incident several car windows were smashed on Country Club Drive (a few of our homeowners were affected). In the second incident, a power washer was stolen from a homeowner’s balcony on Marion Way. Thank you, CP homeowners for reporting these incidents. Be a part of our Community Watch, and remember if you “see something, say something”. Let’s continue to keep our community safe.

*Crown Pointe CPATF Members – Audria Quillian, Marcy McCullough, Justin Potier, William Perry*

### 2023-2024 HOA Board

- \* Marchette Hogan-McCullough, President
- \* Audria Quillian, Vice-President
- \* Robert Staniford, Treasurer
- \* Bonnie Tann, Secretary



Autumn skies and  
pumpkin pies...

### Want to Volunteer or Have Newsletter Suggestions?

Drop us a line at [crownpointenews@aol.com](mailto:crownpointenews@aol.com)

#### **Vendor/Contractor Referrals**

Need a referral for services from your neighbor or have a recommendation to share? Email our CP neighbor, [carinaslepian@gmail.com](mailto:carinaslepian@gmail.com), for a list of home service referrals.

*These are recommendations from neighbors and not associated with BMG/Board.*

#### **Questions and Comments**

For Crown Pointe community questions and comments, please contact our Property Manager **Bali Management Group, Debbie Schneider**  
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