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“VRBO & Airbnb coming to a Park near you!”

Have you heard about AB 861, a bill the Governor just signed? It says that if a Park rents homes, then residents can rent their homes as well. That sounds fair, doesn't it?

There's a difference, however. If your neighbor subleases his/her home, the Park has no control over your neighbor's renter. If the renter abuses the rules or bothers you, we can't do much about it. We have no legal arrangement with that person.

Another concern with AB 861: there are no limitations on those rentals. If a resident wants to operate a short-term vacation business, we'd likely have to allow it. Imagine the impact that could have!

Not in Palomar, however. Non-profit-owned parks are exempt from AB 861. The ban on renting can continue, your neighbors will be homeowners and the VRBO threat is gone.

Why the exemption? Because any of our homes would be available only to very-low or low-income folks at below-market rents. That would help Palomar meet its housing quota without having to impose limits on who can buy your home. This is good news!

We have dodged the VRBO bullet. Kudos to Assembly Member Bennett, who thoughtfully provided language in the bill that protects your Park.

Palomar Resident Pat Dobbins Turns 100 on Dec. 18

How long ago was that? For some perspective, we might recall that sliced bread wasn't invented until 1928, by a guy named Otto Rohwedder of Davenport, Iowa. It was first commercially sold on July 7, 1928--93 years ago.

With that in mind, can we say that sliced bread is the greatest thing since Pat Dobbins?

A Couple Other Items

- No big expenditures lately, but we did spend \$2,412 for a new recumbent bike for the Gym.
- Have you seen the new Bocce Ball courts yet? Those have been very popular at some of our other Parks. It can be challenging at first, but in no time, you'll be proud of your Boccismo. Give it a try.

Holiday Dilemma

I'm trying to decide what to get my wife for Christmas. There are a lot of things money can't buy. Not one of them is on my wife's list, however. Oh, well...

Have a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year!

George Turk

ATTENTION

Starting January 1, 2022, throwing food waste in the the trash will be illegal in California and the violators could be fined. Food waste will now go in the green bins along with landscaping waste and be know as COMPOST

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- Now is the time of the year that we start nagging everyone about cleaning their rain gutters. So, here it is! Get your rain gutters cleaned before we have any more heavy rains come along. (We need the rain!)
- Dog Park Hours 8:00 am to 8:00 pm
- Please keep your envelopes. When you pay your rent, we prefer to get only your check.
- Oh, I almost forgot. Please pickup after your dog.
- Do not let your dog on anyones property unless invited.

Holiday Crew Schedule

In observance of the Christmas and New Year's Holidays the Park Office will be closed on Friday, December 24th and Monday December 27th, as well as the following Friday December 31st and Monday January 3rd. As always we will be leaving the Park in Doug's capable hands when the office is closed. Doug will be opening the Clubhouse, Pool and Jacuzzi making sure the chemicals are balanced and the facilities are ready for your enjoyment. For any Park emergencies don't hesitate to call 1-888-518-6064 and they will contact Doug.

Let's Talk Seriously About Trash

We would like to make some suggestions for putting trash at curbside. Please do not place trash bags in the gutter. When we get a heavy rains the rushing waters push the trash downhill. We would prefer that the bags are placed on the asphalt just outside of the driveway.

We understand that animals sometimes get into the trash bags scattering trash into the street. We were told years ago that if you spray the bottom of the bags with ammonia/water the animals won't go near it.

The crew is also asking that I mention using strong bags. When they are throwing the bags up over the side of the truck they don't want the weaker bags to break and send the contents flying.



Letter from the PEWRA Board President

Hello Neighbors and Friends. There is lots to share this month so here goes. 😊

I would like to shout out to the Social Connection for hosting a fabulous Halloween Party with great food, costumes, and dancing. You host the best parties! I would like to shout out to Mikkie Sawyer and my fellow Breakfast Club members for preparing and serving an outstanding breakfast in November! Thank you to our San Marcos Sheriff Department for coming to speak with us at breakfast. Thank you, Diana Primeau for your help with the Community Driveway Sale. Your advertising efforts brought lots of shoppers to our sale. My last shout out is to Felipe and our Maintenance Crew. The new chairs for the Pavilion arrived the day before our November breakfast. There was a lot of moving chairs here and there, and you did a great job of getting it all done for us. Thank you so much. We really appreciate you!

The Bocce Ball courts are complete! There are two sets of equipment for resident play, stored in the closet next to the gym. Felipe and team will install a fence by the courts to offer privacy to those residents whose homes back up to the courts. Finally, the Board will purchase benches for the area. Let's play!

The new chairs are in the Pavilion and look great! The new sound system components are here and will be installed in the coming weeks. After the holidays, the room will be painted, and new carpet installed for a beautiful new look. We hope you enjoy it.

The Garden Club volunteered to create a beautiful space in front of the Clubhouse. Thank you. We look forward to seeing what you do.

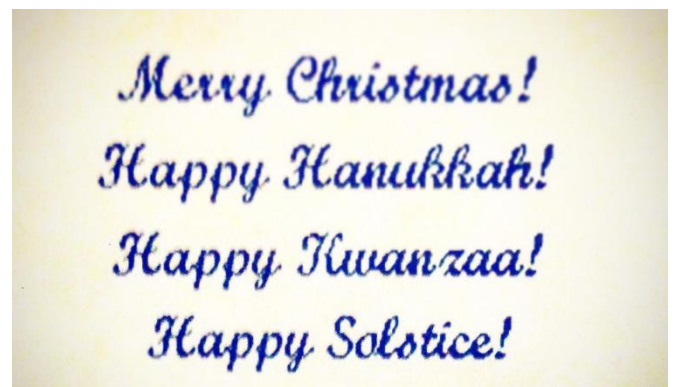
It has become necessary to move our Board meetings back to the evening. Our next PEWRA Board meeting will be Tuesday December 7th at 6:30pm in the Clubhouse. We hope to see you there.

The Board is initiating several exciting new projects. Stay tuned for details.

I wish you all a safe and Happy Holiday Season and New Year.

And always, if you are alone or need help, please contact the Park Office or any Board Member. If you have a neighbor who is alone, please call them to say hello and check on them. Stay safe and be well.

Thank you and take care of one another. Lu Ann



RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION BOARD

President: LuAnn Foster
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Board Meeting: 1st Tuesday of the Month at 6:30 pm in the Pavilion

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Fire, Sheriff or Emergency in progress, such as break-ins, health problems or a life-threatening situation call 911.

If you have a non-emergency question or to file a report, please call the San Diego Sheriff Dept at 760-510-5200.

ACTIVITIES DIRECTORY

<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>TIME & DAY</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>PHONE</u>
Aqua Exercise	9 am M-F	Trish Coy	760-536-9338
Billiards (Men)	9 am Tu	Stan Lindsay	760-598-0582
Billiards (Women)	1:30 pm M	Lynn Chialtas	760-310-1354
Bingo	6:50 Th	Delane Johnson	612-240-4049
Breakfast	1 st Sat 8:30 am	Mikkie Sawyer	760-690-7825
Bridge	1:30 pm M	Connie Krell	760-734-6522
Darts	W 6-8 Game Room	Chuck Thomas	707-799-6555
Dog Park	8 am- 8 pm Daily	Debbie McQuillan	858-663-2822
Feeling Fit	TBD	Danyll Monroe	760-888-7018
Garden Club	1 st M 2 pm	Ann Kreile	760-421-8338
Golf (Men)	8 am Th	Doug Doucette	760-734-1232
Let's Dine Out	Times vary	Christine Parkman	559-779-8380
Library	Open Daily	Eileen LaLone	858-229-8648
Mahjong	1 pm Th	Kim Stevenson	760-703-4872
Medical Rehab Lending Closet	Open as needed.	Rusty Bassett	619-301-9551
		Jessie Nieto	408-666-8088
Mexican Train	2 nd and 4 th Tu 4:30 pm	Diana Primeau	442-245-1412
Pickleball	8:00 am to 12:00 noon daily Open Social Play Both Courts	Dana Eads	760-216-7284
	12pm to Sunset: One court Open Play, One court Closed Play (when available)		
	M-W-Fri 8am-10am Pickleball Club Group Play Beginners are welcome!		
Ping Pong	Tu 10:30 am	Nejla Gharajedaghi	760-536-9583
R.E.A.D.Y. Panel Emergency Preparedness		Bryan Cooper	858-342-3335
Shuffleboard	1:30 pm M	Rusty Bassett	619-301-9551
Social Connection		Linda Swink	760-855-2008
Tennis	9 am W & Sa	Rob Edwards	760-807-5683
Walking Group	7:30 am W	Ruthann Kirby	760-734-1340

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♪ *It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas*

Everywhere "we go" ♪

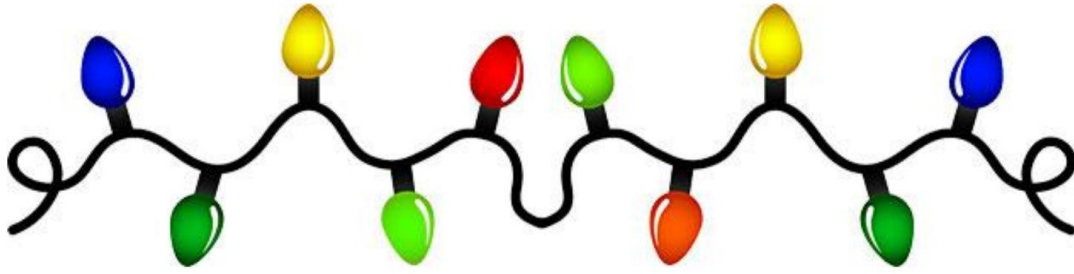
Bring it on... We need this wonderful time of cheer. So great to have our friends and neighbors around us. What else can be said, join in and celebrate "friendships" and fond memories, while enjoying breakfast "together". Special Guest..... Mayor, Rebecca Jones

Start "YOUR" day with us,

December 4th 8:30 am.

*Sign up at the Clubhouse, Show up on time,
"just because" Food seems to disappear quickly.*

Mikkie



HOLIDAY HOME DECORATING CONTEST
Final Judging December 21*

Light up PEW!

Show us your best Holiday lights and decorations

Be Merry. Be Bright. Make your place a delight!

Prizes

- 1st Place \$100
- 2nd Place \$50
- 3rd Place \$25

*Judges will roam the park during December to view the decorated houses and will make their final judgement around noon on the 21st of December. Winners will be contacted on December 21st by a member from one of the sponsors. Decorations should be viewable from the street.

***Sponsored by the PEW Breakfast Committee and
the PEW Social Connection***



POTLUCK

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR A CASUAL
FREE HOLIDAY PARTY**

December 15th | 5:00 to 9:00 pm

- Social Connection to provide the turkey and ham
- Bring your favorite side dish or dessert suitable for 6 people
- BYOB

**MUSIC PLAYLIST & DANCING | 50/50 drawing
OPTIONAL WHITE ELEPHANT GIFT EXCHANGE**



Gift exchange is optional

- Bring a wrapped gift maximum value \$15
- This might be a gift at home you have received and would like to regift

Brought to you by the PEW Social Connection

Please sign up at the club house by December 10th. Park residents only.



LET'S DINE OUT --- IN JANUARY 2022

We are taking a break for the month of December. We will resume our monthly "Dining Out for Lunch" in January. Be sure to read your next HILLTOPPER publication to find out WHEN and WHERE we will be gathering and sharing a meal together.

In the meantime, enjoy this beautifully festive holiday, sharing time and memories together. Look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

Christine Parkman

A Special Happy Birthday to Pat Dobbins

Pat will be 100 years old on December 18th. Imagine all the things she has seen from World Wars to the Spanish Flu to COVID. Nancy Sims wrote a wonderful article about her for the June 2021 Hilltopper. If you see her around, take a minute to wish her Happy Birthday.



Photo by Nancy Sims



Sad to Report

Resident Dottie Lineal Space #39 passed away on 9/8/21.

She had been a resident since 1997.



INTERVIEW WITH A PEW WISE ELDER

Mr. Jim Edwards

Interviewed by Nancy Sims



Good afternoon, sir. Where and when were you born? In Aberdeen , Washington, across the river north of Portland, Oregon, on March 26, 1928.

Where did you grow up? In Walla Walla, Washington. My mother moved there to be with her family as my dad passed when I was one yr. old. Later, she remarried Jack Edwards, and they had a son, John, when I was 18. My stepfather, Jack, was a Manager at Standard Oil Co, but was laid off due to the Depression. In 1936, when I was 8, my family moved to Venice, CA. My folks were broke; my dad couldn't get a job anywhere, even though

he had a Bachelor's degree in Engineering. Mom finally got a job with Adohr Milk Farms in Los Angeles. Her job as a bookkeeper kept us going during the Depression. By the way, my mother was an accomplished musician. She was first chair for the Washington State Symphony before she married. **Very Cool!**

Where did you go to school? I graduated from Venice High School in 1945: I went to UCLA, majoring in pre-med.

Did you play any sports or extra -curricular activities? Yes, I was a very good tennis player; started when I was in High School. I played in several tournaments with the UCLA team, and I lettered for 2 years. My dad saw that I had great potential, so he took me to a pro coach in Beverly Hills, Norval Craig; I learned a whole lot from him. I worked in his pro shop stringing racquets and rallying with clients, among them Van Johnson, the actor.

In 1946, they were still drafting younger men, so I joined the Navy. I became a Hospital Corpsman in San Diego; I later worked at Long Beach Navy Hospital, since I had some pre-med experience. I was a third class Petty Officer, but I was still playing tennis in my free time.

How did that happen? The Commanding Officer at the Hospital saw that I was a good tennis player, so in exchange for teaching his kids to play tennis, he gave me the job of taking care of the pitch n' putt golf course on base.

A good deal, yes? Oh, very good! At that time, I was able to go back to UCLA and still serve in the Navy on half time duty. I played tennis, taught the C.O.'s kids to play tennis, went to school, took care of the golf course, AND did my Navy duties.

WHEW! Yes, but I enjoyed every minute!

How did you meet your wife? I was discharged from the Navy in 1948 and joined the Naval Reserves. I was still attending UCLA, where I met my wife, Patricia, through mutual friends. We



married on August 15, 1948. I was still in school; we lived in La Habra Heights, about 40 miles from campus in Westwood. I had an old Model A Ford, which I drove to school every day.

Do you have children? Yes, three, and one grandson. My oldest, Rob, lives here in the park, and also loves to play tennis. My daughter, Terry, lives with me, and helps me a lot; our youngest son, Mike, is deceased. **So sorry.** Thank you.

What about your career? The Korean War broke out in 1950 and I got called back into the Navy on active duty, assigned to the USS Bairoko in the Yellow Sea.

When I returned, I went to USC (Univ. of Southern CA) and got a degree in Geology. With a wife and three kids, I had to go to work; I worked for my wife's father, who owned the McCullough Tool Company in Los Angeles. They made tools for the oil industry. I was the General Manager; my Geology background proved to be an asset to the company.

After a few years I left the company, and moved with my family to Denver, Colorado; I attended the University of Denver and got an MBA. While in school. I started a logging company and worked there until the 1980s. My business was buying companies, building them into successful enterprises, and taking them public.

Very Impressive! What next? My wife and I bought 5 acres of land in Avon, CO, near Vail, and we built a 3 unit condo; my son Rob helped build it. Suddenly I was in the Real Estate business!

Did you ever retire? Oh yes. I retired in 1994, and we moved back to California, to this very house in PEW! The house needed a lot of work, so Patricia stayed here to supervise the work on the house, and I went back to CO for a short while to help finish digging a well.

And how do you like the Park? We have loved living here; we both were very active. We played doubles tennis at least 2 times a week. The reason we bought this place was because of the tennis courts and the lovely view.

You were also active how? We belonged to the tennis league, of course; I was a founding member of the Newcomers' Club; we helped with the events presented by the Social Committee; I was on the PEW Board for 2 years.

A very full life! Now I have some personal questions for you:

What 3 words would you use to describe yourself? I'd rather let others do that.

OK then, what would your kids say about you? I listen to their criticism all day long (ha-ha). They think I'm a pretty good guy.

What would your friends say? They'd say I was a hard worker.

Your wife? My dear Patricia passed in 2015; she was 88. She fell off a small stool and broke her hip; she never came back from the hospital. I miss her every day; we were married for 68 years. I thank her every day for being with me for so long. **So sorry for your loss.**

What is your secret to longevity? I was very active all my life. I made many good friends in my college fraternity, playing tennis, in the Navy, and in my career. I had a wonderful wife and kids. My grandson Jesse recently said to me " You've had a good life, Grandpa." I agree it's true.

In addition, I'm very religious, I am a Christian and I've been re-born. I'm not afraid of dying; I'm very ready to pass on. I have happy memories of almost all of my life.

What is your favorite memory? Our wedding day, August 15, 1948.

Any words of wisdom for our readers? God Bless Everyone.

Thank you so much for your time and interesting, inspiring conversation. You are very welcome. What a pleasant way to spend an afternoon!

Friends *Visiting* Friends

The Holidays are coming!!

A time for **family, friends, food, good times.**

Some of our residents are alone and would love a friendly visit, an ear to listen to their Holiday memories, maybe watch a movie or have a cup of tea.

If you would enjoy a visit,
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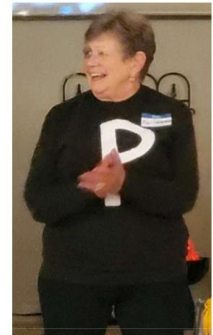
if you have extra time to help a fellow resident get into the Holiday Spirit.

Call: Christine Parkman at (559)779-8380

Halloween Committee



Halloween Party



Halloween Party



Thank you to our many photographers. Sorry I couldn't use them all.

Happy Holidays from the Garden Club!!!

We introduced two new members

- Susie Butler, and Jeanine Gettinger. Welcome!

We are discussing the possibility of establishing a Community Garden

behind Space no. 180, Cindy Palermo's unit. If you have any other suggestions on that, please bring them up at the next meeting. What a nice idea!

Also, we have been asked by the PEW Board to improve the appearance of the area directly in front of the Clubhouse, which is currently covered with artificial grass.

We are looking into options for this project.

Did you know that PBS has a garden show? It's called "A GROWING PASSION" - a how-to-do responsible landscaping. Check it out! It has plenty of gardening information for all !

Next meeting, Merlin Chancellor has invited a Vector Control Speaker to be here and talk about issues related to pests and critters. Some of our members shared these thoughts: put peppermint oil, diluted with water, in a spray bottle to deter mice, and also use Dawn detergent, diluted with water, in a spray bottle to discourage bugs, or clean up white fly. Some good ideas!

We will update you on our Weidner's' Gardens visit in next month's Hilltopper.

We are visiting it later this month.

Anyone thinking of gift ideas for the Holidays? How about a Weidner's' Gardens gift card? \$ 25 and up. Call 760-436-2194 to purchase. They have holiday plants for sale! What a nice gift for the gardener in your life!

Next Meeting is Monday, December 6th at 2:00. Any questions, call Ann Kreile at 760-421-8338

And a very special thanks to all of you for your well wishes, while I'm recuperating from a broken ankle. Hope to see you soon! 😊 Debbie Stevenson





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BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

Garry Larson	1
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
			Darts 6-8 pm	Mahjong 1pm		Breakfast 8:30 am
5	6 Garden Club 2 pm	RECYCLE 7 Men's Billiards 9am Board Meeting 6:30 pm	8 Darts 6-8 pm	9 Mahjong 1pm	10	11
12	13 Women's Billiards 1:30 pm	14 Men's Billiards 9am Mexican Train 4:30pm	15 Holiday Potluck 5-9 pm Darts 6-8 pm	16 Mahjong 1pm	17	18 Pat Dobbins turns 100!! Wish Her Happy Birthday
19	20 Women's Billiards 1:30 pm	RECYCLE 21 Men's Billiards 9am	22 Darts 6-8 pm	23 Mahjong 1pm	24 Office Closed	25
26	27 Office Closed Women's Billiards 1:30 pm	28 Men's Billiards 9am Mexican Train 4:30pm	29 Darts 6-8 pm	30	31 Office Closed	

Don't Fall for Door to Door Solicitors

By Debbie McQuillan

It is against park rules for anyone to do door-to-door soliciting in the park. Many of us have had gardeners, power washers and painters knock on our doors. The only group that I know that has park permission to go door to door is the Synergy Company that does free energy saving things. If you aren't sure call the office during business hours.

The San Diego Police in a KPBS article stated the following:

"When home and someone knocks on the door without appointment, we recommend you acknowledge the knock and let them know you are home. People have been surprised when a burglar using soliciting as a front thinks no one is home and enters the home after getting no answer on a knock. Ask the purpose of the visit and observe through a peephole. If it is a solicitor, ask to see the 'Issued City License/ ID card of the person.' Do not open the door if it isn't present or even if it is and you feel uncomfortable. Inform the person of your intention to call the police if they don't have a license to solicit and then place a call to our non-emergency number of 619-531-2000. We would like you to report these persons as potential "casers" or suspects. Very rarely are good services and reputable companies using door-to-door solicitation as legitimate means of commerce. More than likely it will be someone using a ruse or scam to separate you from your money. All the stories of 'helping get to a college trip' or 'for poor children / women/ etc....' are by and large fictitious and should in no way be encouraged with your hard earned money. We regularly encounter vans full of out of state persons with criminal history staying in our motels / hotels for just this purpose."

<https://www.kpbs.org/news/2014/jun/03/san-diego-police-work-stop-door-door-soliciting/> The non-emergency number for the San Marcos Sheriff department is (760) 510-5200.

If you need a gardener, power washer, housekeeper, or painter, ask your neighbors, or ask Next Door. There are several good ones that work in the park. Don't fall for someone looking to make a quick buck.