



The Greenbelt

Oak Hill Homeowners Association

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OHHA Annual Meeting—May 2

The Oak Hills Homeowners Association will hold its Annual Meeting May 2 at the North Monterey County High School. This meeting is open to all homeowners. We will have guest speakers, hold the election of Board Members, and encourage comments and suggestions for the improvement of the current tennis court site.

See pg. 3 for recreational court options letter from the Board.

At this time, we have four positions open with only one incumbents seeking reelection.

We would like to solicit nominations for the volunteer Board of Directors. Anyone wishing to

serve on the Board is asked to submit his/her name to the OHHA office, P.O Box 689, Castroville, CA 95012, or office@oakhillshoa.org. You may include a paragraph, 50 words or less, about why you wish to be on the board no later than March 31.

Without volunteers, the Board will cease to function. Please consider joining this worthwhile group of dedicated volunteers who try to keep the Association running smoothly and within

the boundaries of the new laws governing Homeowner Associations.

Guest speakers will include Dave Crozier from the Neighborhood Watch Program at the Sheriff's Department, who will give a short presentation. Also, we will have Jerry Morgan from TAMC to discuss the status of the proposed widening of Route 156. (See pg. 4)

The agenda will be mailed out with the ballot in April.



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New Web Site has:

- Current and past Greenbelt issues
- Aerial map of Oak Hills
- Announcements & pool schedule
- Documents
- Lost & Found
- Community Support
- Contact Board Members
- Pictures

Announcements

Spa Safety

Once again we ask that anyone using the spa not to carry glass objects into the spa room. Broken glass in the spa area is not only dangerous, but it is expensive to clean up.

Homeowners, please supervise your children and keep our spa safe for all.

Community Calendar

The Greenbelt is starting a new policy of publishing events that might be of interest to the residents into our Com-

munity Calendar. Fundraising events should be for Non-profit groups.

All submittals should be sent to SueJ@oakhillshoa.org, and should include contact information and a short paragraph, 100 words or less, describing the event.

The Greenbelt reserves the right to edit submittals for space and may not be able to publish everything if space is needed for other issues and announcements.

The Oak Hills web site, however, will publish flyers. In the Community Support section. Submittals of that type need to be submitted to:

office@oakhillshoa.org.

Commercial Ads

The OHHA offers to publish ads in the Greenbelt for \$25 for six issues equaling one-year's worth.

Ad size is the average business card. If you don't have a card, the editor can design a simple ad for you.

If you wish to place an ad on the website, the cost is \$2 per month with a minimum of six

Adopt a Pet—Choices & Options

In the market for a family pet? Consider getting a full-grown dog or cat. Not only do you pass up the puppy-chewing and house-breaking stages, but you don't get an unwelcome surprise when your supposed miniature schnauzer grows to be the size of a Clydesdale – with an appetite to match!

The county Human Societies offer a wide variety of pets eager for adoption.

If you want a particular breed, make sure you check out the pet rescue places. Sites such as www.1-800-save-a-pet.com and www.petfinder.com let you browse for that special pet and gives you helpful tips about what to expect from certain breeds.

If you are looking for a lab,

check out the Central California Labrador Retriever Rescue (CCLR) site at www.cc-labrescue.org/top_dog.html. This site gives a description of each dog, quirky stories and personality traits as well as any medical issues you might encounter when adopting. Senior dogs, over 9 years old, may be adopted at a reduced rate. All dogs have their shots and have been spayed or neutered.

Town Cats is like the CCLR site. Stories and pictures accompany each cat description. Again, all cats have their shots and have been spayed or neutered.

Far too many pets are waiting for adoption. Please open your heart to one of these animals.



If you are unable to adopt another pet, please consider a donation to these worthwhile agencies. Most donations are tax deductible, but check with your accountant.

Please spay or neuter your own pets in order to reduce the number of animals that are unwanted, unloved, abandoned and destroyed each year.

Tennis/Recreation Courts-Options

Oak Hills Homeowners Association Members:

As many of you, especially the tennis players, know, the tennis court area of our recreation facilities is in deteriorated condition. The tennis courts are an important part of our community as they provide both a place for recreation and add value to all homes in our community. Improving/restoring the area is essential to maintain/increase the property values of Oak Hills.

After hearing from several homeowners, the Association Board of Directors explored the idea of renovating/redesigning the area to include two (2) tennis courts (reduced from the current four (4) courts) and adding a multipurpose play area which would accommodate rollerbladers, volleyball and/or basketball players.

As you know, the costs of services and materials has risen dramatically in the past few years. Concrete, labor, fuel, and other construction costs have skyrocketed. For instance, the cost of blacktop for a simple repair of the tennis courts has increased by roughly \$2000 just since last September.

The Board is determined to improve usability of the recreation area. Extensive research has indicated that costs for renewing the area vary from about \$12,000 to more than \$300,000

depending upon what plan is chosen.

There are, of course, many levels of repair which fall between these two figures and they are being considered. The low figure is a very simple repair of the existing court surface which would temporarily fix the cracks but do little beyond that to “smooth” the surface. The very expensive estimate is basically building 2 tennis courts and a multipurpose play area from scratch. This plan also includes some drainage work which would reduce damage from water due to the run off from Highway 156.

Further, the Board is working vigorously to adopt plans for the maintenance of these recreational facilities in order to lessen future repair/replacement costs.

The Board is soliciting ideas and suggestions from interested homeowners about the proposed configuration of the area, specific types of recreation facilities desired, ideas to stretch our repair dollars and any other thoughts regarding the situation.

This discussion will be a major topic at the Annual Oak Hills Homeowners Association meeting at the North Monterey County High School on the 2nd of May.

Your Association
Board of Directors



***An Important Letter
from the Board***



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www.oakhillshoa.org

Calendar of Events

March Board Meeting—Wednesday, March 8, 7-9 p.m. in the Library of North Monterey County High School.

April Board Meeting—Wednesday, April 12, 7-9 p.m. in the Library of North Monterey County High School.

Annual Meeting—Wednesday, May 2, 7-9 p.m. at North Monterey County High School. Guest speakers, board election, etc.

Community Garage Sale—one Saturday in May. Watch for the sign.

Community Calendar

1st Annual Car Show

The North Monterey County High School Band is sponsoring a Car Show, May 13, 2006, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the NMCHS, 13990 Castroville Blvd.

This show is to raise money for the NMCHS Condor Marching Band, Color Guard & Dance Co which has plans for a trip to Italy next spring, where they will be performing.

Cars may be entered for \$15 in advance or \$20 the day of the show, space permitting.

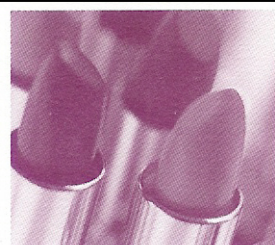
Vendors and craft booths are being solicited and donations to the school's band are gratefully appreciated.

For more information, please check out the flyer on our website under community events, or call Naomi Flickinger at 594-2666 or Cori McCarthy at 633-5987.

Public Meeting: Rte. 156

Watch the paper or the OHHA website for an announcement of a public meeting date on the widening of Route 156. TAMC and Caltrans will be soliciting comments on the placement of the additional two lanes, access from Oak Hills and other issues. This meeting will be scheduled for some time in April.

Please take the time to watch for and attend these meetings.



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