



# The Greenbelt

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## WHAT ABOUT SIGNS IN OAK HILLS?

The Oak Hills Homeowners Association recently approved a signage policy that should clarify what's okay and what's not regarding to signs on your own property and signs on the property owned by the Association. Please review the policy below. If you have any comments, please address them to the Board of Directors within 30 days. If there are no objections, this policy will take effect June 1, 2016.

*No signage may be erected or displayed, other than temporary signs for such activities as a property sale, rental, open house, garage sale, political, etc.*

*Temporary signage/balloons must be removed within 24 hours of event.*

*Signage should not present a nuisance nor be considered a nuisance within the neighborhood: that signage may not be more than four (4) square feet in size, vertical or horizontal.*

*Board of Directors reserves the right to approve, remove, or prohibit the placement of any signage on Association/Greenbelt property.*

## ANNUAL MEETING

The OHHA Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday May 3, 2016 in the North Monterey County High School Forum from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. Election results will be announced. The guest speaker will be Deputy Sheriff Jerry Teeter on keeping out neighborhood safe and secure.

## OAK HILLS GARAGE SALE

Suzanne Burr, who organizes the semi-annual Oak Hills garage sale in the Spring, has set the date for May 21, 2016. The **deadline to be included in the garage sale is May 10, 2016.** Suzanne will do all of the advertising for the garage sale as well as putting together maps and addresses of those home participating in the sale. She is quite emphatic that she needs to know who will be participating in the sale ahead of time in order to give Goodwill enough notice, as the Goodwill truck comes by afterward to take away anything that did not sell and sellers want to get rid of. Please call Suzanne Burr at 633-0514 to let her know that you will be participating in this year's event.

## OHHA BOARD ACTIVITY ROUNDUP

Announcement: **ANNUAL MEMBER MEETING TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2016, 7:00 PM**  
**NORTH MONTEREY COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL FORUM.**  
**GUEST SPEAKER: SHERIFF JERRY TEETER ON KEEPING OUR**  
**NEIGHBORHOOD SAFE AND SECURE**

These are the recent activities your Board is working on:

- The 17-year-old 75 gallon water heater for the pool and spa is being replaced by a more efficient 50 gallon one.
- We are still seeking bids to embed a stationary lamp for the Oak Hills sign on Highway 156.
- The Board authorized and completed maintenance and repairs for the pool building. You will notice the non-slip walkway at the entrance. Special thanks to Rod Karg, Renate Harvey, Jackie Lonero and Peggy Scoggin who all participated on the committee.
- It is an on-going project to cut down dead trees that may pose a threat to property and safety.
- The Board hired a contractor to remove weeds and spray the areas that connect the streets to the Greenbelt.
- The sidewalk repairs are being completed.
- The Board is working with an attorney regarding violations of County ordinances of using property in Oak Hills zoned only for residential use.

As member of OHHA you are welcome to participate at our regular meetings and offer your suggestions on making Oak Hills a better place to live during open forum or feel free to call or email me or one of your Board member representative.

From Your Board of Directors

Tom Dominy, President, OHHA

## GREENBELT MAINTENANCE

The mowing of the greenbelt is scheduled to begin later this month, weather permitting. Once the greenbelt has been mowed, Cal Fire will bring out their crew from the Gabilan Conservation Camp to clean up the greenbelt from fallen trees, remove several dead trees, reduce fire hazards by weeding areas that the mowing tractor could not reach as well as limb up branches on trees to reduce the fire hazards. This maintenance by the Gabilan Conservation Camp will take place over the next few months. If you happen to see the crews working, you are more than welcome to talk to them and let them know that they are appreciated for their hard work but please **do not offer them anything** as they are self sufficient.

## GREENBELT PROFILE

### RICH GARZA, President CENTRAL COAST VETERANS CEMETERY

Rich Garza moved next door to me on Maul Oak in 2012 with his wife Cathy who joined the Association's Board the same year I accepted the President position in 2014. Just talking to Rich one gets the idea you're with someone who knows a whole lot about many subjects. He was born in Brooklyn and raised in Manhattan and San Francisco so that alone gives one a clue that he has a broad range of experience of a whole lot of people.

After graduating from San Francisco City College, San Francisco State and Hayward State University armed with his Master's degree in Public Administration, he launched his career with the VA as the on-campus representative then worked for 23 years for the County Veterans Office of Sonoma where he was instrumental in development of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial at Sonoma State University in 1982.

With this background he was offered a position with the Military and Veterans Affairs Office in Monterey of which one of the duties was to proceed in getting a military cemetery developed at Fort Ord in 2003. As many of us know this has been a long and arduous process that lasted even beyond Rich's retirement in 2010. However, he was asked to stay involved with the Central Coast Veterans Cemetery Foundation and has been and now continues as the President. During his participation and tenure as President, the State of California made the crucial decision to make the necessary grant for Federal aid in 2013, Rich participated in the fund raising campaign to gain the necessary funds that would make the Fort Ord Cemetery a reality. Along with the partnership of the Monterey Community Foundation and many other generous individuals, Rich helped make it happen.

The first phase of the two decade long awaited Central Coast Veterans Cemetery will finally come to pass this Fall of 2016 for only the cremains of veterans to be placed in a columbarium. Phase two will be the in-ground burials sometime in the future. No one doubts with Rich Garza at the helm, that this will happen.

As President of the Oak Hills Home Owners Association, I feel confident that I can thank Rich Garza on behalf of all residents of our community for his fine work of this noble cause to offer a final resting place for our veterans on the Central Coast.

## HELP STOP CRIME

Smokey the Bear was famous for asking us all to help fight forest fires, well the same goes for helping to stop residential crime. It's a no-brainer that residents can take an important role in preventing crime by taking simple, sensible measures.

**Secure personal property**  
**Stay aware of your surroundings**  
**Report anything that may seem suspicious**

Dial Emergency 911 ---when life and property are currently being threatened.

Dial Non-Emergency 755-5111 ---when reporting a past tense crime or life and/or property are not currently threatened.

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### Greenbelt Advertising Policy

Oak Hills HOA is open to advertising for all members and non-members. Advertising rates are based on size of print and/or graphics. Proceeds of paid advertising is to be used to offset the production and postage costs of OHHA publications

### Greenbelt Advertising Rates:

(All advertising will run as space permits)

\$50 per 6 issues business card size art and print ready  
\$50 per one issue quarter page ad art and print ready  
\$75 per one issue for half page ad art and print ready  
\$100 per one issue full page pre-folded insert (provided by advertise)

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