



The Fiesta Bee



A Monthly Newsletter for the Fiesta Gardens Homes Association, San Mateo, CA
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President's Message

By Steve Strauss

Let's build a cabana!

The plans have been approved and hopefully by the time you read this, or shortly thereafter, we'll have the permit to build!

Now comes the fun part.

First let me thank the Board (past and present), Denise Iskander, Steve Gross, Chris Brandi and everyone else that has gotten us to this point and are ready to take the next step. We are currently working on the financing plan and should have information as soon as we get the bids. We'll also be doing some good old-fashioned fundraising – commemorative bricks, sponsorships, benefactors, etc. – whatever we can find will help get us a building.

Like I've said before, this is going to take a community effort. If you or anyone you know wants to contribute anything – time, money, resources, etc. – to the project, please let us know.

When built, the cabana will benefit and be for ALL OF US! In addition, the plan is to make the cabana available year-round (right now you can only have a party during pool season). This means holiday parties, graduation parties, back-to school parties, retirement parties, showers, birthday parties, meetings, get-togethers, group gatherings, etc. – all year!

Get on board. Be an active participant towards the success of the project. Come to the Board Meetings and learn what you can do to help.

A special shout-out to Roland, our Parks Director, for taking care of the graffiti on the wall behind the tennis courts. Dedication above and beyond!

See you at the Meetings and at the Pool! Enjoy what's left of summer!

Find past issues of the Bee, FGHA documents, announcements and more at the FGHA webpage
www.FiestaGardensHoa.com

The next Board meeting will be
Wednesday, August 8
7PM in the cabana.

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Civic Report

By Richard Neve

TAP:

Restriping of the Ginnever / 19th Avenue intersection is complete. Restriping of Bermuda from Ginnever to the school will begin soon.

Funding has been secured to assess the Norfolk/Fashion Island Blvd. intersection and for making 19th Avenue two-way between Ginnever and Delaware.

Measure P.

The County Elections Division has validated the required 5,185 signatures to put a measure on the November ballot to renew the height, density and affordable housing protections in the San Mateo General Plan to 2030. Hundreds of the 7000+ signatures turned in did not even need to be checked to reach this goal thanks to a remarkable 88% valid signature rate. Thanks to all the residents in Fiesta Gardens who signed or went out and collected signatures!

It is now up to the City Council to take action at their July 16 meeting to officially put the measure on the ballot.

In spite of this broad community effort, the Bohannon Company, San Mateo Building and Construction Trades Council, and the San Mateo Area Chamber of Commerce are trying to prevent the measure from getting on the ballot. They also seem to be trying to get the City Council to place a competing measure on the ballot meant to confuse voters and to "carve out" exemptions to the height limits so that high rise buildings can be built on their own properties.

If you signed the petition, please contact the City Council members to voice your concern over recent developments and that they should respect the wishes of the thousands of voters who signed the petition.

Other:

The recent sidewalk improvements in Fiesta Gardens were part of the federally funded Safe Routes to School Program (the bulb-outs at Ginnever/Bermuda were part of this program).

The City did not inform us ahead of time that this was going to happen, but they were apologetic and intend to have better communication moving forward.

FGHA FINANCIALS

**Association Financial
Statements can be found on
the website:**

<http://www.fiestagardenshoa.com/fga-documents.html>



MONTHLY CALENDAR

FIESTA GARDENS

August 8

FGHA Board Meeting
7pm, Pool Cabana

August 15

Deadline to get articles and ads to Bee Editor.

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August 6, 20

City Council meeting

Where: City Hall, Council Chambers
When: 7:00 p.m. - ?

August 9

Small Business Expo - San Francisco

Small Business Expo is America's BIGGEST & most anticipated business-to-business networking event, trade show & conference for business owners, entrepreneurs, start-ups, decision-makers or anyone who works for a small business or is interested in starting a small business. For more info or to register:

<https://www.thsmallbusinessexpo.com/city/san-francisco/>

Where: San Mateo Event Center

When: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Cost: FREE - \$100

August 2, 9, 16

Central Park Music Series

8/2 - Apple Z (Top 40/Dance Party)

8/9 - Mitch Woods and His Rocket 88's (Boogie Woogie Blues)

8/16 - Club 90 (Party)

Where: San Mateo Central Park

When: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Cost: FREE

August 25

Chili Cook Off

This event by the San Mateo Firefighters' Association will feature live music (featuring 'Explorer' and '92 South'). The cost of the event is \$10.00 which gets you tastings of the chili, one bowl of your favorite chili, and one drink (beer, wine, soda, or water). The proceeds will benefit the MDA. This is a wonderful opportunity to hear some great music and have fun. The chili cook-off will feature a car show and a Home Brew Competition in which local brewers will compete against each other to decide the best local beer in the area. There will also be a slide and dunk tank for kids!

Where: San Mateo Central Park

When: 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Cost: \$10.00

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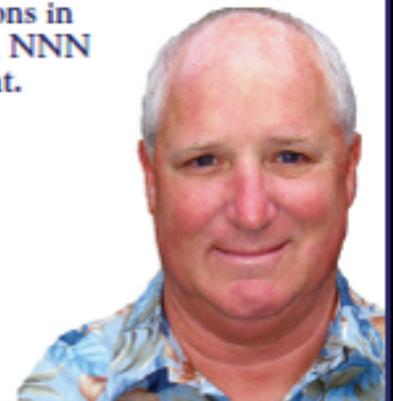
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FGHA BOARD MEETING – June 5, 2018

Approved Minutes, Respectfully Submitted, Karen Debono, Secretary

The Board Meeting, which was held at Fiesta Gardens Pool Cabana, was called to order at 7:01pm.

Board Members in attendance were: Steve Strauss – President, Steve Muller – Pool Maintenance, Mike Russell -- Vice President, Rich Neve – Civic, and Roland Bardony -- Parks. Steve Stanovcak -- Pool Operations. Carmen Quaresma -- Social Director were absent.

May 2018 Minutes: On a motion duly made and seconded and approved by all board members present, the minutes of the May 2, 2018 meeting were approved as written.

Financial -- Christina Forrest

- Gave a report on the delinquent accounts status.
- Christina Forrest will be leaving as FGHA's treasurer. Steve Gross will be taking over the Treasurer position.
- Due to the change of treasurers, Steve Gross will be finding a new bank for the association that he can use online.

Interim President – Steve Strauss

- o Reported that he had received an email from a resident inquiring why FGHA financials were not available online.
- o Instructed Karen Debono – Secretary to add the financials to the FGHA website.

Vice President -- Mike Russell

- o Nothing to report

Open Forum:

- o Homeowner would like to know who at the City of San Mateo can he report potholes to.
- o Bermuda Bridge Rebuild – may be rebuilt. Board Member, Rich Neve will do some research to see what he can find out and provide a report.

Civic -- Rich Neve:

- o Reported that Measure P collected over 7,000 signatures and made it to the ballot.
- o Traffic Action Plan - restriping project inside FGHA should begin in the next couple of months
- o Sewage Tank designs for the tank are now going through the approval process. They should be breaking ground in 2019 and take approximately 3 years to complete.
- o Handicap Street Corners – City creating in FGHA.

Social -- Carmen Quaresma:

- o No Report – absent

Parks -- Roland Bardony

- o Fiesta Meadows Park will be closed on the 4th of July due to previous alcohol consumption and illegal fire-works being shot towards 101. It has also been reported that people are riding mini bikes at the park.
- o Basketball Court – green nets have been installed to keep kids from throwing rocks from school.
- o Children's Park – wood chips will be installed tomorrow beginning 7am. They will blow in and rake. Cost: \$4,300.
- o Grass area is beginning to turn yellow. Scapes has been contacted to adjust water timer.
- o The City of San Mateo presented an award to one of FGHA homeowners for maintaining her house and landscaping.

Pool Maintenance -- Steve Muller

- o Pool Heater has been repaired.
- o Pool light is not working. A vendor will order a new LED panel for it. The current part cannot be replaced.

Pool Operations -- Steve Stanovcak

- o Several school parties have been planned and booked.
- o Swim Lessons will begin soon.

Old Business:

- o Denise Iskander – New Clubhouse Committee Head, has sent out an Invitation to Bid to ten contractors.
- o FGHA now has permit for the new Clubhouse but must pull before August 4th or will have to pay a fee.
- o Once the total cost to build the new Clubhouse is known, the process will begin to find out how FGHA will pay for it.

- o A contractor is needed to pull the permit. The board is willing to pay for the contractor's time to pull the permit.
- o Update Website: Carmen Quaresma was absent and will provide a report at a future board meeting

New Business: Steve Strauss – Interim President

- o No new business

Calendar Review:

- o No discussion regarding Annual Calendar

ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING DATE

It was noted that the next Meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 11, 2018 at 7pm. There being no further business before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm.



Social Director's Report

By Carmen Quaresma

Summer is going by very fast! I hope everyone have been enjoying the summer sun and good weather. We have two movie nights scheduled on August 18th and September 15th. Please rank the movie choices to pick our movies this summer. Link:

Pool Operations

By Steve Stanovcak

We are in full swing of the pool season. Come on down and enjoy the pool -- the temperature is just right. June was a busy month for pool parties. We had 17 pool parties booked in June. There are still plenty of dates open the rest of the pool season and, as you know, our best weather is yet to come. Just send me an email if you are interested in booking a date. Pool party information can be found on our website: www.fiestgardenshoa.com.



Residents, remember to wear your wristbands and sign in when coming to the pool. If you are bringing a guest there is a \$2.00 guest fee. You may bring up to 5 guests.

Pool hours will remain 12:00 noon until 8:00 p.m. until Wednesday, August 15th. Starting Wednesday, August 15th, the pool hours will change to Monday through Friday 4:30 p.m. -- 8:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday will remain 12:00 noon until 8:00 p.m. These hours will remain until Sunday, October 14th, which will be the last day the pool will be open for the year.

In the evenings at 6:00, if no one is at the pool, we may close early. If you plan to come down to the pool after 6:00 p.m. please call the pool and we will stay open for you. The pool phone number is 650-574-0558.

**Fiesta Gardens Homes Association
Board Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, August 8, 2018
7:00 PM**

1. Call to Order
2. Reading and Approval of Minutes
3. Financial Report – Steve Gross
4. Board Reports:
 - i. Civic – Rich Neve
 - ii. Social – Carmen Quaresma
 - iii. Parks – Roland Bardony
 - iv. Pool Maintenance – Steve Muller
 - v. Pool Operations – Steve Stanovcak
 - vi. Vice President – Mike Russell
 - vii. President – Steve Strauss
5. Old Business
 - i. Cabana Clubhouse/Bathrooms/Guard House Renovation Update
 - ii. Website Calendar Updates (Carmen)
6. New Business
 - i. Pool Party & Bee Advertising Fee Discussion
7. Questions and Comments
8. Adjournment/Break into Executive Session if needed



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