



**Murieta Homeowners  
Association**

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**OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday - Friday

9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sat. & Sun

Closed

**Important Dates:**

- **Presidents' Day, Monday 2/20, Office Opened**
- **Murieta's Pizza Night, Thursday 2/23 in the North Clubhouse @ 6:00 p.m.**
- **Applied Pest Mgmt. visit, 2/7 & 2/21 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.**
- **Women's Koffee Klatch, Monday 2/13 in the North Clubhouse @ 8:30 a.m.**
- **Finance Com. Mtg: Tuesday, 2/14 in the North Clubhouse @ 5:30 p.m.**
- **HOA Meeting: Tuesday, 2/14 in the North Clubhouse @ 7:00 p.m.**

# Murieta News



FEBRUARY 2017 – MURIETA HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

## Make A Difference in Our Community Serve on the Board!!

*NOMINATE NOW!*

Murieta's Annual Meeting of the Membership and Election of Directors will be held on April 11, 2017.

Murieta Owners are encouraged to step forward to serve as Board Members. Serving on the Board is a great opportunity to work on a team to improve our community. You can be instrumental in HOA decisions that increase the value of our property.



Nominee requirements are that an owner is living at Murieta and is in Good Standing. All you need is honesty, maturity and a willingness to be of service to others. Board members are asked to attend one monthly meeting a month and stay in contact with other Board Members and the office via email. Interested owners are encouraged to contact the office for a Nomination Form. **HURRY! BOARD NOMINATIONS ARE DUE BY FEBRUARY 28, 2017.**

## Murieta's Pizza Night

Have a slice of pizza and enjoy an evening with your neighbors! **Join us Thursday, February 23rd at 6:00 pm at the North Clubhouse.** All Murieta residents are welcome to attend.

This is an excellent opportunity for new, and not-so-new, homeowners to get acquainted with one another.

Pizza and refreshments will be served. Food and drinks will be served first come, first serve so arrive early for an evening of good conversation. Hope to see you there!



## Patios & Balconies



Only patio furniture and patio related items may be placed in your patios and balconies. In order to maintain a consistent and tidy appearance (and comply with the Murieta Rules), please take a moment to assess your patio or balcony and ask yourself if the items there are meant to be in a patio.

Indoor furniture, refrigerator, treadmill, storage items, boxes, recycling, garbage bags, cans or bins, ladders, tools, brooms, mops, vacuum cleaners, etc. are not permitted in your patios or balconies and must be stored elsewhere.

All pots and plants, and all other items, must be removed off of the patio fences and balcony railings. In order to prevent water damage or termite infestations, the wooden surfaces must be kept clear of all items. Pots and plants placed on tile floors must have pans underneath to catch water overflow.

## Dumpster Scavengers

The security gates continue to be an advantage as we face what appears to be increasing crime rates in our community. The Board looks for ways to improve security, including cameras and license plate readers. Cameras require expensive monitoring and neither prevent crimes nor offer 100% identification of those carrying out a crime.

Dumpster scavengers are persistent even after homeowner and police warnings. Cans and recyclables taken from bins do not increase our garbage bill and in any case, we do not see an easy way to prevent scavenging. Locking bins would result in large administration costs for keys, lost keys and a probable increase in dumping outside locked bins.

If at any time scavengers are intimidating or present a threat to anyone the Newark Police should be called with a good description and indication of what they are doing.

## Doors & Gates Security

There has been an increase in security doors & gates being propped open. Security doors, gates and fire doors were installed for the safety of Murieta residents. Please help keep Murieta a safe community. Do not allow uninvited guest into the buildings or gates. If you notice a door propped open, close it and if you witness someone propping the door open, please report them to the office.

## Common Area Carpet Steam Cleaning

The next round of common area hallway carpet steam cleaning will take place on the week of February 6th through 10th in Building 7 (39843), Building 8 (39821) and North & South Clubhouses.

Mr. Unlimited offers discounted rates to residents who would like their own carpets cleaned on the days that he will be in your building. If interested, please call Mr. Unlimited at: (650) 679-5544 for an estimate.

**Go Green - Go Paperless!** To request email Statements and Newsletters, please send an e-mail to [murietahoa@gmail.com](mailto:murietahoa@gmail.com) using your preferred email. **All participants are entered in an annual \$50 drawing each year.**



## Mailbox Break-Ins

There have been ongoing acts of vandalism at our mailboxes. Vandals destroy our mailboxes and steal mail. Mailbox replacement parts can be costly and come out of HOA dues.

Here are some helpful tips to protect your mail from thieves:

- ◆ Go paperless!
- ◆ Pick up your mail promptly after delivery especially if you are expecting checks, tax documents, credit cards or other negotiable items.
- ◆ If you don't receive a check, or valuable mail you're expecting, contact the issuing agency immediately.
- ◆ Tell your Post Office when you'll be out of town, so they can hold your mail until you return.
- ◆ Don't send cash in the mail
- ◆ If you change your address, immediately notify your Post Office and anyone with whom you do business via the mail.

If you see a mail thief at work, or if you believe your mail was stolen, call police immediately at their non-emergency number: (510) 578-4237, then call Postal Inspectors at: 877-876-2455.

## Dogs Clean-Up

Residents have reported excessive amounts of dog waste in the courtyard by the pool area near Building 7 & 8. Dog owners **MUST** clean-up after their dogs. Dog waste bags can be purchased from local pet stores or dollar stores such as Daiso.

In addition, dogs owners should also refrain their dogs from urinating against the buildings' walls. By doing so, it will reduce unnecessary overtime for our cleaning crew.

Thank you for being considerate of others so that we can all enjoy our common areas.



## Cable & Internet Setup

When setting up cable or internet, the technician will likely need access to the electrical room. Please coordinate your installation appointments with the office during office hours to ensure access.

