

The Meadow's Messenger

December 2023

A Quail Meadows West Homeowners Association Publication



HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

*The Board of Directors would like to wish each of our Association members and their families the very warmest of greetings and best wishes during the holiday season. We have much to be grateful for, particularly all of our neighbors and the people who make this such a wonderful community. We often hear about the acts of kindness you do for one another in the community. We often see the hard volunteer work you do in your yards and serving on committees. We love where we live and believe we are surrounded by some of the best people in the world. May you enjoy the company of the ones you love and may you be blessed with peace and joy through the holiday season as well as the entire year. **Quail Meadows West HOA.***

By now you should all have received your HOA End of Year state mandated disclosures. As you can see, your HOA is doing well and with the help of Robin, our financials are doing well. We have created our 2024 budget without having to increase the HOA dues.

We had quite a bit of tree trimming and will continue the process into next year's budget.

We had a mailbox broken into and are in the process of replacing it. Unfortunately, it (break-in) has become more common than we wish or expected. The USPS decided all the mailboxes are now HOA's responsibility and the new required mailboxes are significantly more expensive. Most community style mailboxes are coming out of the Midwest and takes time to ship it here. Just as a FYI, we only have to replace them as needed and not required to change them all. Each one is running \$2500 installed so it is not an inexpensive job.

"My idea of Christmas, whether old-fashioned or modern, is very simple: loving others. Come to think of it, why do we have to wait for Christmas to do that?" – Bob Hope

Michael & Rita Anderson

CC&R's and Rules and Regulations

In the coming editions of the Messenger, we will be reviewing sections of our “[Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions](#)” (CC&R) and our “[Rules and Regulations](#)” to assist owners and residents in our understanding of the our shared responsibilities in keeping QMW the best private gated community on the Central Coast.



From our [Rules & Regulations](#)

HOME EXTERIOR REQUIREMENTS:

1. **IS THE INDIVIDUAL OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO OBTAIN ANY REQUIRED BUILDING PERMITS FOR THEIR PROJECT FROM THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, OR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. For information on what requires a permit, call Santa Maria Community Development Dept. @ 805-925-0951, Extension 241.**
2. No exterior changes to your house (painting, building or re-modeling of patios, shutters, porches, re-roofing, replacement windows or Satellite Dish etc) may be made without the prior written approval of the AC.
3. A dimensional plot plan of any additions to a home must be submitted before any digging or structural work takes place. The plot plan must show 'set backs' from all property boundaries and the AC must make a physical inspection of the site and approve the plan and all materials to be used before the work commences.
4. Storage sheds not larger than 10' by 10' are permitted inside the fenced section of the yard, provided written approval of the AC is received in advance. Such sheds must be made of the same materials as the home, i.e. Masonite siding, wood fascia, matching composition roofing, and must be painted to match the home. Electrical outlets in these sheds must have a permit from the Santa Barbara County building department and be designed so as not to overload the house circuits.
5. Installation of spas, pools or saunas must be approved in writing before work commences. The plot plan should be accompanied by the manufacturer's specifications. A permit must be obtained from the City of Santa Maria and be shown to the AC before work is started.
6. Structural plans and materials to be used to build patio covers, porches and rooms must be approved prior to commencing construction. Recommended materials are: wood, Masonite, glass, masonry or any wood grain material. **ABSOLUTELY NO SHINY ALUMINUM, CORRUGATED FIBERGLASS OR GALVANIZED METAL PANELS MAY BE USED.**
7. Downspouts and rain gutters do not require approval, but must be painted to match the house and trim.
8. Exterior siding is to be kept in good repair including the paint. When re-painting the exterior of your home, you must do one of the following:
 - a. To re-paint using the same colors and shade of house and trim, advise the AC in writing of the colors you are using.
 - b. If you wish to change colors or shades of colors on the house or trim, you must submit color samples to the AC with your written request.
 - c. If you wish to paint the entire house one color, you must submit a detailed explanation along with a sample of the color to the AC with your written request. Fascia board must be painted a trim color.
9. Fencing is required and may not be removed or altered in any way. AC approval is required to replace the fence and approve of a paint color for the new fence.
10. Air conditioners must be installed at ground level in the rear yard. Window Air Conditioners must not be visible from the street.

IN ANY CASE DO NOT START ANY PROJECT WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL FROM THE ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE.

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Clubhouse reservation for private events may be made with the 1st Vice Chair. Applications are at the Clubhouse and on our website <http://quailmeadowswest.com/>

**The Deadline For
January Messenger
Is December 17**
(Earlier is always better)

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Keith Mougeotte, Editor and
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qmw.messenger@gmail.com

FINANCIALS

Quail Meadows West Homeowners Association, Inc.
Financial Statement
As of October 31, 2023

Debit	Credit
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DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Nancy Dechant	1
Kathie Sanchez	3
Joyce Bolder	4
Shelly Hoffman	5
Maria Dingman	11
Nora Mainville	18
Jeff Hargis	19
Yvone Wight	31

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Michael & Rita Anderson	11
Ron & Darlene Wynn	11
Duffy & Marci Watson	29
Danny & Dana Avila	31

If you would like your birthday or anniversary put in the Messenger, simply email your request to the editor. **New residents will not have this information published without their written consent.**

CLUBHOUSE, POOL & SPA

Regular Hours Are:

10:00 am To 9:00 pm

WINTER HOURS

(December 1 thru the last day of February)

10:00 am to 8:00 pm

The Pool & Spa are **CLOSED**



REGULAR EVENTS

Happy Hour At the Clubhouse
Friday, December 1 5:30 to 6:30 PM
BYOB & Snacks to Share

MEETINGS

HOA Meeting

January 11 @ 7:00 p.m.

Architectural Meeting

Monday, December 4 @ 9:30 AM

SUNSHINE

GET WELL CARDS SENT TO

None Sent

SYMPATHY CARD SENT TO

Selena Fierro

Upon the death of her husband
Ruben

Thilly Ayers

Upon the death of her husband
Jess

**DO YOU KNOW A NEIGHBOR IN NEED
OF A CARD FROM OUR HOA?**

**CALL JUDY ADAMS
(805) 937-9819**

NEW RESIDENT

None to Report

HELP SAVE \$ AND PAPER

If you are currently receiving a printed copy of the Messenger, won't you consider receiving it via your email each month? This will save our HOA the cost of printing and the effort of hand delivering printed copies. And it is good for the environment!



Come join your QMW neighbors and friends for a new game night!

Bunco is a dice game of chance loaded with fun!

When: **NO BUNCO
IN DECEMBER**
WILL RESUME
IN JANUARY

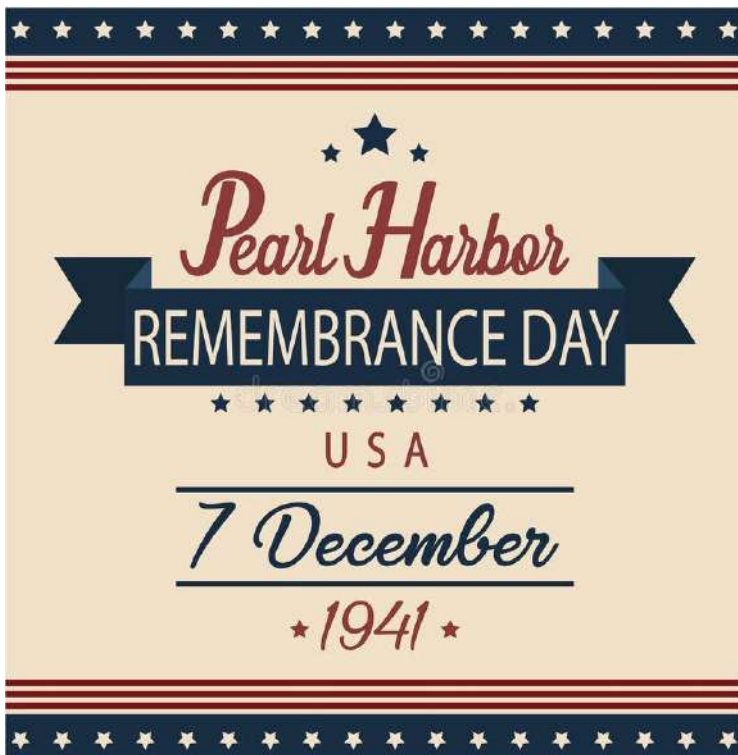
Where: QMW Clubhouse

Cost: \$5 fee per player
Snacks Included

Contact: Joyce Goble (805) 451-4597



Grab your favorite beverage and a finger food to share. Then head to our clubhouse at **5:30 pm** for a **Happy Hour** and **Trimming the Tree** get together with you QMW friends and neighbors. Decorations will be provided, but **additional ornaments are welcome!**





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2023 Residential Collection Schedule



CITY OF SANTA MARIA CUSTOMERS

JANUARY							JULY						
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Recycling & trash
Organics & trash
Holiday

Containers must be placed out for service by 6:00 a.m. on your scheduled collection day.
On weeks with City holidays, collection service occurs one day later.

CITY OF SANTA MARIA (805) 925-0951 ext. 7270
www.cityofsantamaria.org

Utilities Department

2065 East Main Street, Santa Maria CA 93454

Holiday Collection Service

- Following City holidays, street sweeping and solid waste collection occurs one day later than usual. Place residential containers outside by 6:00 a.m. the next day.
- On City holidays, the Santa Maria Regional Landfill will be closed, reopening the next day at 7:00 a.m. The Utilities Department administration office will also be closed on all City holidays.

HOUSEHOLD Hazardous Waste

Take advantage of the **FREE Household Hazardous Waste Facility** at the Santa Maria Regional Landfill and keep the environment safer.

- Used motor oil • Paint • Pesticides
- Batteries • Light bulbs • Household cleaners

Wednesday 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. • Saturday 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Organics Recycling

What is it? A law in California created to save landfill space, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and create a reusable product for landscapes.

How? Place food scraps in your organics container, including meat, bones, fish, fruit, vegetables, bread, cheese, and more.

For more information:
www.cityofsantamaria.org/ResidentialOrganicsRecycling

Recyclables

- Plastic bottles
- Glass bottles
- Aluminum foil and metal cans
- Paper and cardboard

NO PLASTIC FILM OR TRASH BAGS
NO LIQUIDS
ALL CONTAINERS MUST BE CLEAN

Organics

- All green waste
- All food scraps, including bones and shells
- Food-soiled paper

NO PLASTIC FILM OR TRASH BAGS

Trash

- Everything else
- Utensils and plastic straws
- To go containers
- Ceramics
- PPE
- Juice pouches
- Trash bags
- Fabrics and Diapers
- Plastic including film and trash bags
- Chip bags



DECEMBER 2023



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3	4 9:30 a.m. Architectural Committee MEETING	5 5pm to 8:30pm PRIVATE PARTY	6	7 PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY	8 Hanukkah December	9
10	11	12	13	14 HOA Meeting January 11 @ 7:00 PM	15 CANCELLED 	16
17 3pm to 8pm PRIVATE PARTY Messenger Deadline For January (Earlier is Better)	18	19	20	21	22	23 10 am to 9 pm PRIVATE PARTY
24	25 Merry Christmas	26	27	28	29	30
31	 NOTES: The City of Santa Maria curbside pickup schedule is available on the previous page					

November 2023							January 2024						
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