

# The Meadow's Messenger

January 2024

A Quail Meadows West Homeowners Association Publication



**New year, new laws.** A flurry of bills, both this year's and past, will take effect in 2024 - some on Jan. 1 and others later in the year.

**Why it matters:** Keeping track of policy changes is critical for ensuring that you know your rights - as well as what not to do.

## Employment

- SB 616: Increases an employee's [entitled paid sick leave](#) from three days or 24 hours to five days or 40 hours.
- SB 848: Allows eligible employees to take up to five days of unpaid leave after experiencing a "[reproductive loss event](#)," which includes failed adoption, failed surrogacy, miscarriage and stillbirth.
- AB 2188: Bans employers from discriminating against or penalizing an employee over their [cannabis use outside of work](#).
- AB 1228 and SB 525: Raise [health care workers' minimum wage](#) to \$23 per hour by June and [fast food workers'](#) to \$20 per hour starting in April.

## Public safety

- SB 2: Prevents [concealed carry of firearms](#) in certain public spaces, including sidewalks and school parking areas.
- AB 701: Increases prison time for people [convicted of dealing high amounts of fentanyl](#).
- SB 14: Classifies [child sex trafficking as a serious felony](#) and imposes harsher penalties on people convicted of the crime.
- AB 645: Authorizes a pilot program to use [speed enforcement cameras](#) in San Francisco, San Jose, Oakland and three other cities.
- SB 673: Creates the emergency [Ebony Alert system](#) to help locate missing Black women and youth, who make up a disproportionate share of all missing people.

## Housing

- AB 12: Limits [security deposits](#) for a new apartment to just one month of rent starting in July.
- SB 407: Directs the California Department of Social Services to ensure LGBTQ youth are placed with supportive and gender-affirming foster parents.

## Health

- SB 345: Expands legal protections for California-based health care workers [who provide abortion pills](#) or gender-affirming treatment to patients in other states.
- AB 360: Bars coroners, medical examiners and physicians from using "[excited delirium](#)," a controversial term that civil rights advocates say enables law enforcement to justify the death of a person in police custody, as a cause of death.
- AB 663: Allows mobile pharmacies to [provide treatment for opioid use](#).

## Consumer

- AB 618: Imposes fees, including the cost of the first night's stay, on [campsite reservation holders](#) who cancel within two to six days before the start date.
- AB 1084: Requires department stores with at least 500 employees in California to [maintain a gender-neutral section](#) of children's toys.

## One Fun Thing!

- AB 261: Establishes the California golden chanterelle as the [official state mushroom](#).

M. Anderson

See You All At The Annual Meeting In January!

"Ninety percent of the time. It takes very little to govern good people. Very little. And bad people can't be governed at all. Or if they could I never heard of it."

Cormac McCarthy, author of "No Country for Old Men"





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# FINANCIALS

Quail Meadows West Homeowners Association, Inc.  
Financial Statement  
As of November 30, 2023

Debit	Credit
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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  
**February Messenger**  
**Is January 21**  
*(Earlier is always better)*

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

## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Susie DeBrine	1
Marsha Wicklund	2
Bob Cain	5
Trudi Forsyth	5
Brandon Frederiksen	11
David Adams	13
Betty Gunn	22
Carolyn Lander	24
Debbie Fowler	28
Nancy Dechant	29
Susan Mougeotte	29

## JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Jim & Susie DeBrine	18
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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, January 5 5:30 to 6:30 PM  
BYOB & Snacks to Share

## MEETINGS

### HOA Meeting

January 11 @ 7:00 p.m.

### Architectural Meeting

Monday, January 1 @ 9:30 AM  
**VIRTUAL MEETING IF NEEDED**

## SUNSHINE

### GET WELL CARDS SENT TO

Irene Johantgen  
Natalie Halvorsen

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**GIAN SPALLINO  
SAVANNA SPALLINO**

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*Bunco is a dice game of chance loaded with fun!*

**When:** January 19, 2024  
At 6:30 pm

**Where:** QMW Clubhouse

**Cost:** \$5 fee per player  
Snacks Included

**Contact:** Joyce Goble (805) 451-4597



**When:** Friday, January 5th  
From 5:30 to 6:30 pm

**Where:** QMW Clubhouse

**What to bring:**  
Your favorite beverage  
Finger food to share

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*With your QMW Friends and Neighbors on Sunday, December 31 from 6:00 to 9:00 pm. Bring your favorite board game, a snack to share, and your favorite beverage and watch the ball drop in New York City from the comfort of the QMW Clubhouse.*

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JANUARY						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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28	29	30	31			

  

FEBRUARY						
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MARCH						
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APRIL						
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28	29	30				

  

MAY						
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JUNE						
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Recycling & trash  
Organics & trash  
Holidays

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. 7570  
www.cityofsantamaria.org



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## Holiday Collection Service

- Following City holidays, 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](http://www.cityofsantamaria.org/ResidentialOrganicsRecycling)



## Recyclables

- Plastic bottles
- Glass bottles
- Aluminum foil and metal cans
- Paper and cardboard
- Plastic to-go containers
- 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**
- NO LIQUIDS**
- NO COMPOSTABLE PLASTIC**



## Trash

- Utensils and plastic straws
- Cartons
- Ceramics
- Masks
- Juice pouches
- Fabrics
- Diapers and plastic
- Plastic film and trash bags
- Chip bags
- Styrofoam
- Everything else
- NO ORGANICS**
- NO RECYCLABLES**







# JANUARY 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 6:00-9:00 pm 	1 9:30 a.m. Virtual if Mtg. Needed Architectural Committee 	2	3	4	5 5:30 p.m. 	6
7	8	9	10	11 	12	13
14	15 	16	17	18 HOA Meeting <b>January 11 @ 7:00 PM</b>	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26 	27
28 Messenger Deadline For February (Earlier is Better)	29	30	31			

NOTES:

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curbside pickup schedule is  
available on the previous  
page**