



A Newsletter for Crest

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July 4th in Crest – Join Us!

Mark your calendar for Crest's 61st celebration of July 4th. This fun-filled day starts with a family walk at



9:30. If you wish to join in the walk with your favorite pet, vehicle or home-made float, join us at South Lane Park at 8:45 for judging. This year's Grand Marshall will be Noelle Carranza. Trophies and ribbons will be given out in 7 different categories.

Bring your chair and a blanket and plan a day of picnicking at Nancy Jane Park with live music by Straight Six, vendor booths and lots of great food and beverages. CCA, E-Crest-Rians, and Kiwanis will be serving food to assist in the fund-raising efforts. This activity is the main fund-raiser for the Crest Community Association which supports and pays the big bills such as property tax and the ever growing insurance policy for the new community center.

A Crest Pageant will be held for the Little Crest Cowboy, Little Miss Crest, Crest Cowgirl, and Cowboy. The participants who raise the most change are the winners, assuming a parent is willing to step forward to volunteer. Crest CCA will provide the banners and ribbons; Participants should bring their bucket for the change donations.

Crafters should be set up by 7am. contact Kandhy at 444-4996 for more information.

This year's theme is "**Got 21?**" This slogan represents the amount of monthly monies we need to pay for a Fire Suppression Benefit Fee to save our Fire Department. T-Shirts will be for sale with our slogan.

Chairperson, Kandhy Franklin-Collins, is asking for volunteers to help with the road closures, manning the CCA and E-Crest-Rians booths, set up and clean-up for the park, and the Beer Garden - with a new beer jock, Morgan Goettsch. Please call Kandhy at 444-4996, or 977-1566 or email at crestcca@yahoo.com. We are also asking for new crafters, game leaders as well as patrols to keep the trash bags changed out (great job-meet a lot of people).



Casino Night – A Huge Success

Our thanks to all who attended the Friends of Crest / Crest Community Association, **Crest Casino Night** at the lovely Alpine Community Center. We packed the house, had fantastic



food and offered 100's of raffle items. A good time was had by all! Our very own "Mountain Echo" started the evening off with great live music, and Beck's Entertainment followed with DJ music for the entire evening. Our newly elected Assemblyman, Joel Anderson, dropped in to show his support.



The gaming tables were going full tilt until 11:00PM, and it appears that everyone left happy, while generously supporting a

great cause. The outcome was worth it. We made over \$15,000.00.



We would like to thank the following committee who organized, appealed for gifts for the raffle, sold tickets from house to house, and encouraged everyone to come. Congratulations! Chair: Gloria Harpenau, Co-Chair: Laura Valdez, Dawn Hubert, Kandhy Franklin, Noelle Carranza, Jackie Grace and Linda Chase.

Thanks to the many that helped sell tickets, volunteered to work, and supported our cause any way they could. A special thanks to: the Crest Fire Station, Bostonia Fire Station, East County Fire, San Miguel, and Alpine Fire Station, Crest Kiwanis and Alpine Kiwanis. Thanks to everyone

who donated raffle items, wrapped them created a wonderful presentation. Thanks to Judy Becker, our official photographer, for covering the entire evening.

A special thanks goes out to Jeff and Margo Liedy and family, for providing a splendid



gourmet dinner. And to the Fire House Brewery for donating 4 kegs of great beer! Thank you Tony from La Cresta Market for assisting us with the purchasing of the adult beverages, and to Jackie Grace's son in law for donating the sodas and waters. Thanks to Noelle Carranza and her "helpers" for keeping things flowing.

We will continue to solicit donations until we reach our goal of \$150,000.00. As of, June 25th we have raised \$103,683.00

Friends of Crest wished to thank the following donors of \$1000 or more:

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Look for a complete list of all of our donors in the next issue of The Crest Sun. Remember it is you, the individual donor who will ultimately make our fund raising drive succeed. Many of you have given what you can afford more than once. For many of us this is a financial sacrifice and we appreciate and thank each of you from the bottom of our hearts for supporting is very important effort.

Events and Contacts

Crest Calendar of Events		
6/30		Crest Country Celebration South Lane Park
7/3	1:00	Crest Historical Society Meeting - Library
7/3	7:00 pm	Crest Garden Club-Library
7/3	7:30 pm	Fire Board Meeting Crest Station
7/4	All Day	July 4 th activities at Nancy Jane Park.
7/14	8:00	Kiwanis Meeting St Louise Parish Hall
???	7:00 pm	Community Planning Group – CCA Bldg.
7/17	7:00 p.m	CCA Meeting
8/7	1:00 – Crest Library	Crest Historical Society Mtg - Library
8/7	7:30	Fire Board Meeting – Crest Fire Station
8/7	7:00	Crest Garden Club - Library
8/11	8:00	Kiwanis Meeting St Louise Parish Hall
8/20	5:00	Deadline for Sept/October Crest Sun advertisements
8/21	7:00	CCA Meeting St Louise Parish Hall
9/8		Crest Country Celebration- South Lane Park
10/20		Crest Fall Festival and Fun Show

Crest Community Contacts		
CCA	Noelle Carranza	447-6269
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Friends of Crest		44-Crest
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Crest Happenings

September 8th - Crest Country Celebration and Fire Station Fund Raiser

Due to the work still being done in South Lane Park, the Crest Country Celebration has been changed from June 30th to September 8th. The day starts at 8am with a health clinic, vet check, and micro-chipping then going into a "Fun Show" for both horses and folks. The event should end around 4pm. There will be a horseshoe tournament, a "paper horse race", pony rides, and tons more. Prizes, raffles and a used tack store with "craft booths" geared for country uses. Lunch and sodas will be for sale. Come and join the fun. If you have no idea what a fun show is, just ask a long time Crest resident, or call me at 444-4996. This event is sponsored by the E-Crest-Rians, Crest CCA and the Kiwanis.

Crest Fall Festival and Fun Show. – October 20

Crafters, home baked goods to be judged, the largest home grown pumpkin contest, along with the biggest zucchini will be a part of the day. Judges will be needed to taste the wares. Homemade jams, jellies, and pies will be on the judging block going to the highest bidder. Native American dancing, a band for square dance lessons and demonstration will also be a part of the day. A Western BBQ and the famous "bean dump" will be part of the food served up Country style! The main event will be an abbreviated horse show, which will finish with events that we call a Fun Show. Watch the boards and your emails for how you can participate and help. Call 44-CREST for more information. **Proceeds for the day will help to pay for the liability insurance for the park.**

Crest PTA News

Crest PTA has a new board for the 2007/08 year. Welcome.

President-Lynette Luker

1st VP(room parents)-Shelly Cartwright

2nd VP(membership)-Jewell Benson*

3rd VP(community concerns)-Dawn Hubert

Secretary-Taryn Askey

Treasurer-Lisa Cordes*

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*Thank you ladies for graciously accepting your two-year term. Remember, there are tons of places at school, and in our community, that just need that one last ingredient.. **YOU!**

We all appreciate the teachers, staff and volunteers at Crest School and wish everyone the very best.

Good Luck to all you kids ((hugs)) going to a new grade, a new school, maybe a new job, "who knows all the places you'll go"!

Our Back Yard

By Christina Seebold

I just want to say a big thank you to the organizers and supporters of the Crest fire station fundraising efforts. There is an amazing core of dedicated, hardworking citizens in this town, who make things happen, and make this a community worth being a part of.

We still need your donation." Only 10% of the residents have made a donation. Is it fair for a few to share the burden for all of us? Many small donations will help us meet our goal. Please donate today. A resounding "THANKS" to so many wonderful Crest residents and Friends who have given to the cause.

Remember there are 3 ways to give:

1. Go to www.thecrestsun.com and donate on line using your credit card with our secure pay-pal option.
2. Send you donation to Friends of Crest, 120 North Park Drive, El Cajon, CA 92021.
3. Drop your donation off at the Crest Fire Station.

Please look for the Friends of Crest, and The Crest Sun table at the 4th. of July for more information about these community organizations." Friends of Crest will also have forms available for donations to the Crest Fire Station.

When you get the Fire Assessment Ballot, it is imperative that you vote YES, and mail it in. If we do not pass this benefit fee, there will be layoffs, or a complete shutdown of the Crest Fire Station. We will be saying goodbye to fire and medical emergency response as we now know it. We will be saying hello to higher insurance costs.

East County Fire Protection District

Hello neighbors! The hard work of the Friends of Crest Fire Department fundraising committee, the generosity of many community members and the overwhelming success of the Crest Casino night has brought the district within an arm reach of obtaining the \$150,000 goal.

The donated funds have already begun to fund payroll expenses and the district continues to maintain the same level of service the residents of ECFPD have always enjoyed. It is awesome to see what our community can do when we pull together!

We are now coming into the 2nd phase of the plan to keep ECFPD on a track to recovery. We have received the results of the opinion surveys mailed out in April and as suspected there are more voters in the Bostonia area of the District as opposed to the Crest area. It will be necessary for all registered voters in Crest to return the ballots that will be mailed out in late July for their desires for our district to be heard.

Soon you will see Fire Fighter Union members out in force to answer questions and give information about the upcoming Fire Assessment vote. The offer for any Board member to come to your neighborhood to discuss the issues, concerns and plans for ECFD is always open. Contact the District office at 619-579-6034 to reserve a time and date.

We must keep up the momentum if we are to save the Crest Fire station and maintain our level of service.

Crestridge Ecological Reserve



Crestridge Reserve is a 3000 acre ecological reserve here in Crest that provides habitat for animals and plants. Through grants, thousands of school children in East County are provided an opportunity to get up close and personal with nature. The Union Tribune wrote a great article on our own Crestridge Reserve June 14. You can read the article on the net by going to:

http://www.signonsandiego.com/uniontrib/20070614/news_lz2ed14eastco.html

Information

Use a search engine for Crestridge Ecological Reserve or start at www.dfg.ca.gov.

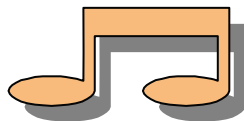
Donations: Call Crestridge Ecological Reserve at 619 437-7989.

Docents needed for education program:

Volunteers are needed to serve as field instructors in EDI's education programs. If you love the outdoors, are committed to sharing your love of the outdoors with children, enjoy doing hands-on projects with curious students, and want to learn more about ecology, this could be the opportunity you've been waiting for! Come be a part of changing the world in your own backyard!

Piano Lessons:

Contact
Debbie Joslin
579-2156



Crest Firefighters honor an on-going tradition by celebrating with the Crest Elementary graduating 5th Graders



On June 14th, 3 members of the East County Fire Protection District brought over the Brush Rig filled with cool refreshing water. Following a time honored tradition they joined Crest Elementary graduates in there final day as Crest Coyotes.

It was a warm day and the cool water sprayed from the truck was a welcomed relief. The guys then joined the students for hamburgers and hot dogs donated by the **5th Grade Parent Association**. The memories of the event will stay with the graduates for years to come!

Furniture For Sale:

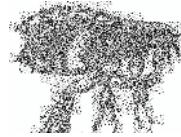
- 1 - Glass dining room tabletop, about 1" thick, semi-rounded, about 3' x 4' Would also make great work desk. All that is needed are to add the legs. \$70- obo.
- 2-Wheeled, roll around chair that unfolds into a single bed. \$130- obo.

Contact Judy Becker
Cell 619-820-4463

Critters in Crest

Fleas

By Stanley A. Shelton



Adult cat



Larva and egg

Just when I thought I'd run out of critters to write about for this column, something came up. Yup, we got fleas! I can think of nothing more miserable than sleeping in a flea infested bed in a flea infested house with flea infested furniture and carpet, in miserably hot weather! It's our cat's fault!

We have a long-haired cat. We call her "Her Royal Highness" or "Her Majesty" or "Her Royal Majesty" because of the way she acts, like most cats act. Our grandkids named her Peggy Sue. Having long fur, she sheds all of the time. Not just when the weather gets hot, *all* the time!

We were afraid to allow her to go outside in fear that she would disappear, like so many cats before her had. Coyotes and Great Horned Owls both make meals of domestic cats. But, she inevitably got out. The innocent grandkids, not paying attention, or the wife and me not paying attention and so she got out, several times. However, we soon discovered that she stuck around. She didn't go on hikes or wander off, she stayed close to the house and even expected to be let back in, whenever *she* wanted. Great, so the wife decides to put her out all day long, *everyday*. This would cut down on the tufts of cat fur all over the house that constantly had to be cleaned up. The *plan* seemed to be working.

This is when (and how), we got the fleas. "Her Majesty" would spend days outside, come in at night and bring fleas with her. We don't know how the fleas found her, or whether they were cat fleas, or some other kind of flea, but she got fleas in a very short period of time!

What we *don't know* is where the fleas came from. Her Majesty didn't have fleas before we allowed her to go outside, but I found out that there are a number of *named* fleas, and even more animals that can have fleas: dogs, cats, rats, rabbits, mice, squirrels, raccoons, possums, coyotes, chickens, humans, etc.

After a meal of blood, the female flea lays 15 to 20 eggs per day. Up to 600 in a lifetime, and usually on the host. The eggs usually fall off of the host, and in the case of our pets, into our carpets, or wherever the pet spends a lot of time when the animal is inside our homes. This happens outside too, of course.

There are cat fleas *Ctenocephalides felis*, dog fleas *C. canis*, rabbit fleas and rat fleas, maybe even more. Fleas pass through a complete life cycle consisting of egg, larva, pupae and adult.

Typical flea populations consist of about 50 percent eggs, 35 percent larvae, 10 percent pupae and 5 percent adults. The life cycle from egg to adult varies from two weeks, in warm spring or summer months, to eight months in cooler weather. Humidity, food, and species are also factors. Insecticides specifically labeled for fleas usually only work during the larval and adult stages, so it's important to apply insecticidal (flea) measures during that life cycle period. Vacuuming is also important!

What I used to know as a flea trap is now called a "monitor" of flea activity. Get a goose neck lamp, like those cheap old ones that were usually for use on a desk, then fill a shallow dish or pie tin with water and a drop of dish detergent (to break the surface tension of the water). Then, at night, direct the lamp light directly on the dish of water. The light will attract the fleas and the water will drown them.

Meanwhile, we bought and applied a three month treatment for fleas and ticks for "Her Royal Majesty". But it's still her fault. We also got rid of the fleas in the house with a "fogger".

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Remembering Our Crest Friends

Crest's Own Chincoteague Pony A Father/Daughter Wish That Came True

By Mary Robinson



Horse lovers, and there are many here in Crest, may be surprised to learn that a Chincoteague pony has taken up residence here far from the Virginia seashore where she was born. For Patti Rust this has been a dream come true . . .

Patti was just seven years old when she finished reading Marguerite Brown's 1947 classic book *Misty of Chincoteague*. She marveled at the fortitude of the young colts and fillies braving the chilly currents of the Assateague Channel, swimming behind their mothers across the narrow inlet to the shores of Chincoteague Island.

One year later, Patti's dad made a surprise announcement. In July, during Patti's summer vacation to visit her dad who lived on the East Coast, he would take her to see the ponies of Chincoteague swim across the Atlantic Channel. How could that be? Wasn't the book just a fantasy? Was there really a wild pony named Phantom and her foal Misty?

The legend of the Chincoteague ponies dates back to the early 1600's when the Spanish galleon *Santo Cristo* with a cargo of wild mustangs sank off the coast of Virginia. The surviving animals, referred to as ponies because of their stunted size, swam to

shore and became the ancestors of today's Chincoteague ponies. Full grown, the ponies are sturdy, shaggy and measure an average of 14 hands.

By the early 1700's, Pony Penning had become an annual event in Chincoteague allowing livestock owners to claim, brand, break and harness their loose herds. In the 1900's, it was custom to hold the annual Pony Penning on the last Wednesday and Thursday of July when hotels and boarding houses were booked months in advance as families and city folk gathered to celebrate summer and the wild spirit of the Chincoteague pony herd.

Years later the town of Chincoteague suffered a series of disastrous fires. Town officials authorized a carnival during the annual July Pony Penning event to raise funds for the local volunteer fire company by auctioning off the young colts and fillies of the Chincoteague herd. In July 1925, fifteen colts were sold and the profits received by the volunteer fire department funded the purchase of critical life-saving and ambulance equipment. Within ten years, the festival crowd grew to an estimated 25,000.

So, in the summer of 1978, Patti and her father, retired Naval Officer Alvin Platt, joined the celebration. They booked a hotel room on the shores of Virginia to see the ponies swim and watch the auction of the young colts and fillies. Four consecutive years they traveled together to the small town of Chincoteague to eat cotton candy and deep fried oyster fritter sandwiches (Al would eat two a day), drink birch beer (similar to root beer) and vow that "next year" they would bid on one of the foals. Sadly, they never did.

Now, twenty-eight years later here in Crest, Patti's father was dying of brain cancer. He had already battled six previous bouts of the disease all the while acting as an ambassador for Sister Cities International, traveling to Afghanistan to deliver school and medical supplies, promoting the annual Easter Celebration on Mt. Helix and sharing in the hopes and dreams of his wife Judy and Patti's two older sisters, Lenee and Sandy.

By February 2006, Al had given up his weekly racquetball game. In March, he lacked

the energy to walk more than 20 minutes on the treadmill. By June, he was exhausted. The drugs he took to ease the pain also slurred his speech yet inexplicably stimulated his appetite for things like spicy liver and onions and gooey fudge brownies. He would listen attentively to his many visitors but when he tried to respond, words escaped him.

One day last June, Patti researched the website of a ranch in Northern California advertising a beautiful bay Chincoteague pony mare for sale. Named "Chinco Taj" (short for Chincoteague's Taj Mahal or "crown palace"), the pony was purchased as a foal at the Chincoteague auction in 2000. "Taj" also sported a single white paint spot shaped much like the island of her birth on her left hind quarter. "This is just meant to be," Patti thought to herself. So she made arrangements for a vet check, transportation and purchase of the six-year-old mare as a final tribute to her father and the memorable summers she shared with him.

Taj is the epitome of the Chincoteague breed. With her calm, brown eyes and gentle disposition, she traveled easily from the California/Oregon border through the wine country and high desert, fast-forwarded through LA traffic, to finally arrive in the relative calm of North Crest. On July 1, 2006, Patti led Taj onto her Kent Drive property in view of the guest house Al and Judy shared.

Taj readily adjusted to the boulders and brush of nearby Crestridge Preserve. She watched coyotes, rabbits and hawks explore the vast expanses of scrub oak, sagebrush, mountain lilac and manzanita. Although it was a few days until Al was strong enough to get out of bed and wheel to the porch to see her, his eyes said it all when he finally met Taj on the 4th of July. He was so taken with the Chincoteague pony that he mustered the strength to reach up from his wheelchair to pet her soft brown face. Taj gently lowered her nose to help him reach.

On Tuesday, July 25, 2006, Al died at home surrounded by his family with Taj peacefully grazing outside his window. It was also the day before the 2006 swimming of the Chincoteague ponies...celebrating a shared memory between a father and a daughter.



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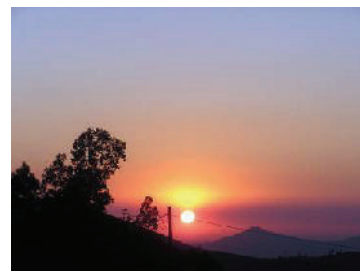
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Dinner at the Fire Station

By Christopher Rivera, Age 7

My grandmother and grandfather won the raffle for dinner with the firemen at the Spaghetti Dinner held at Crest Elementary School. My mother and I live in Orange County, so when we came down to visit, we were invited to go with them to eat at the fire station. When we got there, we sat in big chairs, took pictures, and watched the firemen make dinner and set the table. Mr. Matt was making something I never had before and I was scared. Mr. Brian let me help set the Table and Mr. Alex talked with me and my build a bear, named Zack. I dressed Zack in a fireman's suit for the special dinner. Mr. Brian gave me a fireman hat to share with my class. We took a lot of pictures for me to share with my class too. We ate dinner in the meeting room because there were a lot of us. I tried the chicken flautist that Mr. Matt made with his secret recipe and they were really good. I want my Mom to make them for me again. After dinner, I got to try on the fireman's clothes. They were too big for me. The firemen said they were glad to have us because we were different.



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Next deadline: August 20, 2007



A DUBIOUS PATH: NATIONAL ENERGY CORRIDOR WOULD GIVE UNWARRANTED FAVORITISM TO SUNRISE POWERLINK

SAN DIEGO— San Diego Gas and Electric is attempting an end run around California’s transmission line permitting process by seeking to include the route of its controversial Sunrise Powerlink as a “National Interest Electric Transmission Corridor,” County Supervisor Dianne Jacob told representatives from the Department of Energy at a public hearing on Thursday.

The special designation would give federal regulators the power to step in and overrule the State if the Sunrise proposal is rejected. The California Public Utilities Commission is expected to rule on the project early 2008.

“The Department of Energy should not steal energy transmission planning from the hands of California stakeholders and pile on yet another layer of costly, duplicative, bureaucratic review,” Jacob told the afternoon crowd.

“Instead, the Department should consider disturbing questions surrounding the case for the Sunrise, questions that negate the need for the Corridor Designation for San Diego County,” Jacob said.

Citing a 2006 decision by a three-judge arbitration panel, which determined that SDG&E’s parent company, SEMPRA energy, created artificial congestion on the region’s existing 500 kV transmission line, Jacob said SDG&E’s congestion claims are suspect.

“For these Enron-style shenanigans, Sempra paid \$70 million in fines to the State of California,” Jacob said and urged Federal officials not to base energy policy on what Jacob said was a case of “phantom congestion.”

Jacob said while the utility attempts to portray Sunrise as a lifeline to renewable energy resources in Imperial County, it engages in hypocritical activities that are counterproductive to the development of renewables.

Jacob said SDG&E won’t commit in writing to bar power from Sempra-owned generation near the U.S. Mexico Border from traveling along the Sunrise Powerlink.

“And last month, the utility lobbied heavily against a bill in Sacramento that would have increased the State’s renewable energy mandate to 33 percent by 2020. That’s 13 years from now,” Jacob said.

County Supervisor Dianne Jacob represents the people of the Second District which includes all of East County, the Ramona and Julian areas and the City of Poway.

Crest Country Celebration Rescheduled to September 8th

Due to the work still being done in South Lane Park, the Crest Country Celebration has been changed from June 30th to September 8th.

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Thursday, July 5 1:00 pm

- ❖ Sparkles the Clown – fun filled magic & bubbles show!

Tuesday, July 10 6:30 pm

- ❖ PS Video Game Week
July 10 – 13

- ❖ Cindy McQuien – forensic presentation on fingerprints, followed by hands-on activities.
Tuesday, July 17 6:30 pm

- ❖ Joe Gandelman & Friends
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Tuesday, July 24 6:30 pm

- ❖ SUMMER READING AWARDS –
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Tuesday, July 31 6:30 pm

AUGUST 2007

Children’s Programs

- ❖ Rosi’s Coloring Table
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Teen Programs

Make it and Take It Crafts:

- ❖ Hippie Swirl Art
August 3 - 18
- ❖ Ribbon Jewelry
August 25 - September 8

Family Programs – All Ages

- ❖ Friday Afternoon at the Movies. PG-rated
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About Crest.

Gregory Peck – A Visitor to Crest

As told by Beverly Nerbonne via an excerpt from the historical society newsletter.

In the 30s and early 40s, Gregory Peck's parents had a weekend cabin on Estornino Lane in Suncrest. Occasionally he would accompany them there. He attended the dances one Saturday night and listened to the music of Bea Eacrett on the piano and her husband Dick, on the fiddle.

Gregory's father raised roses. At this time my mother ran a dairy; we delivered milk to them. To earn spending money, I sacked up fertilizer to sell. Mr. Peck was one of my best customers; his roses flourished.

Gregory Peck wrote the following letter to Ann Holton:

Dear Ann Holton,

Between 1930 and 1935, my father and a carpenter friend built a cabin in Suncrest. I helped.

The cabin was painted green and white. It had a living room with a stone fireplace, a small bedroom, bath and kitchen.

It was a week-end house. We never lived there for any length of time. I went off to college in 1936, and I think my Dad sold the place around 1940.

As for my recollection, there was a community dance pavilion where there were dances on Saturday nights, during the summer. To a teenager, it was critical, working up the nerve asking a real live girl to dance.

Suncrest was rustic, but a great place, and I've never forgotten it.

Yours sincerely,
Gregory Peck



The following notes were obtained from the San Diego Times, September 27, 1933 written by George Gray:

The communities of Suncrest and LaCresta have a population of about two hundred and many part time residents. The local voters have to go to Bostonia, several miles away to record their votes, but they are going to make a request for a home voting place for their 100 or more voters.

A school bus, carrying over thirty pupils, leaves Suncrest clubhouse and the La Cresta center each school morning for El Cajon Grammar school and Grossmont High School and brings them back in the afternoon.



*Information for this article was obtained from the Crest Library from the **Crest Historical Society (CHS)**. CHS is always looking for new members. There is one general meeting a year. A monthly workshop meets the first Tuesday of each month at 1 pm at the Library. Members receive ECHOES, the newsletter, 4 times a year. For information call Dorothy Miller 444-0968.*

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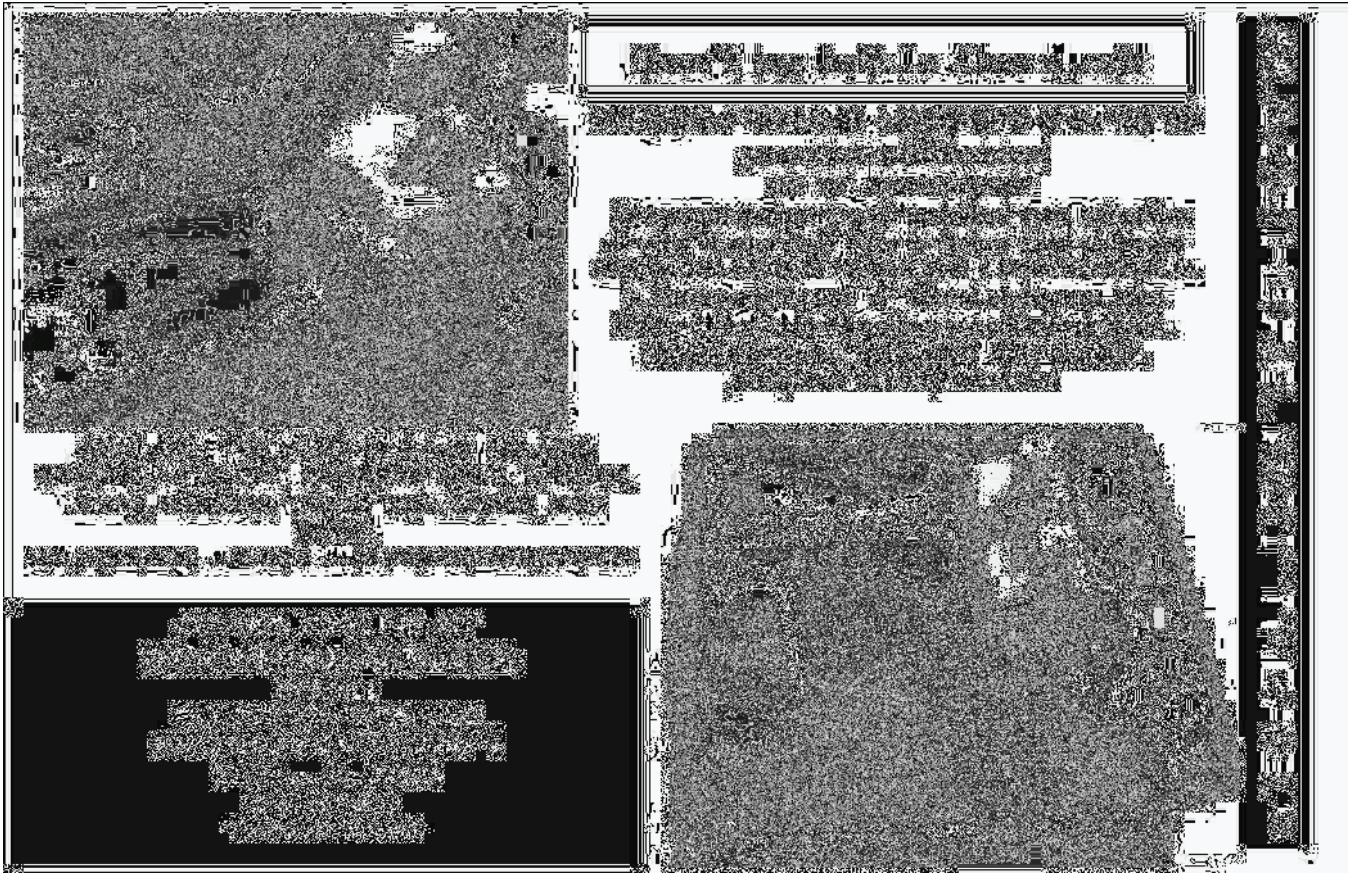
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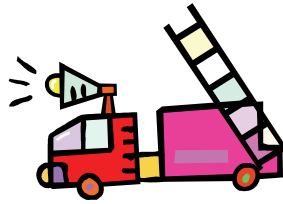
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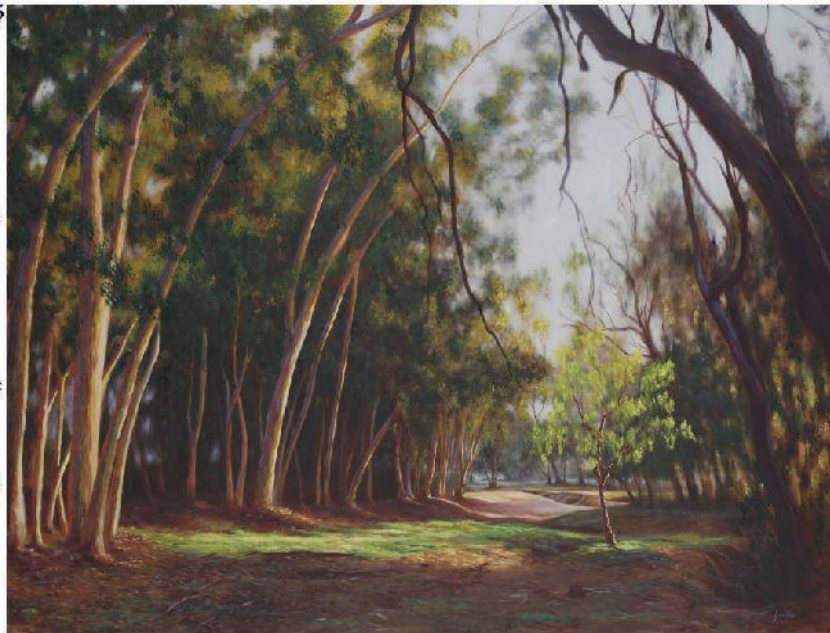
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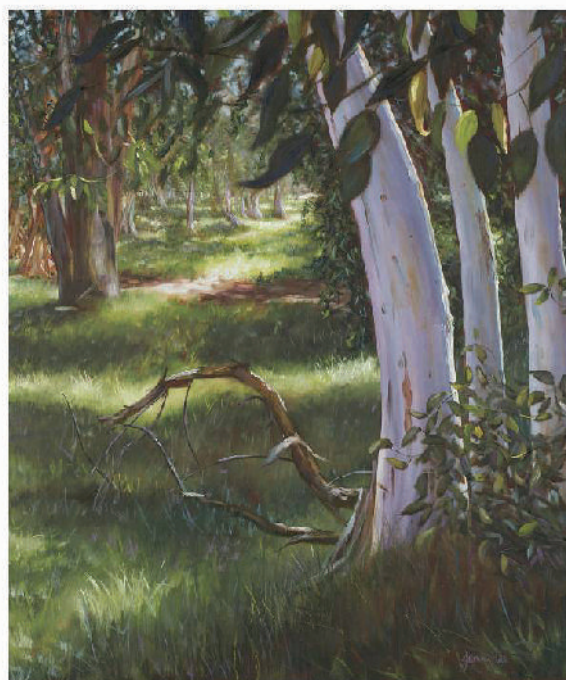
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Memories in Art of South Lane Park

I started this piece in May 2005 from a photo I had that was taken before the fires. It took me a little over a year to finish it. I really wanted to capture the magnificence of standing under the huge old Eucalyptus trees. I was devastated when I found out they were cutting almost all of them down and I had a very difficult time finishing this painting because of the deep sadness I felt. As you see, I overcame and did finish. Our family can now look at this painting and remember all the wonderful adventures we had there.



The Way It Was, original oil by Jennifer Kai Nilles



Out My Back Door,
original oil by Jennifer Kai Nilles

This piece was completed in 2002 when our family lived right next to South Lane Park on Eucalyptus Dr. My husband grew up there and has very fond memories of playing in the "forrest". He would climb trees, build forts, make rope swings, hide out, catch frogs, and build dams when it rained. He shared with us how there was once a California Condor nesting in the tall Eucalyptus trees and the San Diego Zoo was watching them because they are endangered. What an honor that is for our community to have that in our history. When we lived there, our children would run around out back doing the same things with their dad that he used to do.

I usually do reproductions of my work only upon special request. But given the loss of the trees in South Lane Park, I decided to make Gicles of these paintings available to Crest at an affordable price. It is my hope that you will be able to hang them in your home to enjoy for many years. These Gicles are printed on Archival Paper with Archival Inks. They should be treated as Fine Art, framed and Matted. Please call or email me for prices and info.

Jennifer Kai Nilles, the artist and Crest resident

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Letters to the Crest Sun

It's all about safety.

As a relatively new member of the Crest community, I worry about many things in regard to my young family's safety. I worry about my two kids, now 3 and 5 years old, getting into drugs once they start going to school. So, my wife and I are teaching them to be wary of strangers, what illegal drugs are, and how they may be presented with some choices in their lives. I worry about natural disasters such as earthquakes and fires. Consequently, we have stores of supplies and a plan for the family for such scenarios. Yes, I feel that I have consciously and actively done what I can to minimize dangers and threats to my families livelihood and survival. There is, however, one thing that I can not control. That is the actions of others.

As all of us know, the roads around Crest are frequently used by people passing through our community. Some just for fun on a Sunday motorcycle ride; some as part of their commute from Alpine to El Cajon, and some have to use the La Cresta and Mountain View roads as we live in this community. In any case, any of us who have been here awhile know that these two roads have always been dangerous and deadly to many of our residents as well as those just passing through on "joy rides". Bicyclists seem intent on making the roads even more dangerous, and there seem to be a few local residents that, unbelievably, also choose to make these roads much more dangerous than they need to be.

There is one driver I have observed over the last year or so that is truly reckless on these roads on a regular basis. I have observed the driver of this particular white Toyota truck, with a lumber rack and a "Bowtech" sticker on the rear window, passing people on shoulders, cutting others off, speeding, and generally driving like a complete idiot. After the last incident that directly involved me, I decided that, for the welfare of my family, as well as fellow residents, I needed to take action.

The message that I want to get across is this. Please, think about what you are doing. You are making decisions that are making these roads more dangerous for all of us. I am involved in professional motor sports and know well the thrill of going fast in a vehicle, but our public roads are not the place to do this. Please, make some mature choices that will keep you from ending up as a sign by the side of the road saying "In Memory Of..." If you still do not want to make the right choices for your own safety, please, stop and ponder the safety of your neighbors and possibly their children. We all, after all, are neighbors. Let's start acting like we truly know what that means.

Mike Holland

BIRTHDAYS AND CELEBRATIONS TO REMEMBER:

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Compiled by Noelle Carranza (Contact me to put in your sentiment for the Sept-Oct Edition , 447-6269)

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