



## Newsletter for Crest

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### Crest Residents Frustrated and Disappointed with Fire Evacuation Meeting

By Linda Hjelle

A meeting with the purpose of identifying additional evacuation routes for Crest residents was held Friday, October 17. Crest residents and the Crest Fire Safe Council strongly feel that lives depend on being able to exit Crest via alternative routes in the event of an emergency. This meeting was the final follow up to months, actually years, of planning. Fourteen agencies and the community were invited by the Crest Fire Safe Council to make this happen. The Crest Fire Safe Council and the CCA have worked with many agencies including San Miguel Fire Protection, Supervisor Dianne Jacob, and Michael Beck of the Endangered Habitats Conservancy on the critical issues related to establishing the Old Truck Trail grade as an evacuation route for years. Additionally, a route through Crestridge Reserve was on the agenda for approval. Grading approvals and gate issues had been resolved during prior meetings, but not yet formalized. All agencies involved were invited to hear, provide input, and to finalize the plan.

The agenda, which was emailed to Crest residents and agencies, was clearly written on the board as well as read aloud as the meeting started:

- Agree on emergency evacuation routes for both the Suncrest Truck Trail and through Crestridge Ecological reserve.
- Establish signage on the routes.
- Set evacuation practice day.
- Place information on web site and newsletter.

**What happened?** Crest was pretty much blind-sided by Cal-Fire at the meeting. At the onset of the meeting, as the first question was raised regarding utilizing the emergency evacuation road, a “mantra” began by Cal Fire: **“The Crest truck trail (as well as other suggested evacuation routes) is meant as ingress and egress access for emergency vehicles only.** Stating that the road is not wide enough nor paved adequately to conform to standards, Cal-Fire made it quite clear that it could not be used by residents. Their answer to the resident’s concerns regarding evacuation routes?

- Leave early down established routes
- Don’t come back

Throughout the meeting, the residents brought up alternate routes to the Suncrest Truck Trail that could be used/shared by emergency vehicles. These included the Dehesa Road access via South Mountain over Skeleton Flats, a route utilizing the Crestridge Reserve, and a Rios Canyon route. Even an alternative route through the Rios Canyon Avocado Ranch to the Lake Jennings interchange was brought up as a possibility by Darcy Jones of Jones Engineering.

As residents raised questions regarding what it would take to bring one or more of these routes into compliance, it appeared no one could answer these questions and kept changing the meeting direction into “tips and tricks” on how to be prepared for an emergency and what to take in your “go pack”. While the many agencies present shared great ideas on what to do to prepare, it appeared no one wanted to address the real purpose of the meeting: **What does it take to put our emergency route(s) in place and prepare our residents to use them safely?**

The one positive comment that came from the meeting was the suggestion that citizens of Crest write or call Dianne Jacob and request a

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meeting -- someone who might really be willing to listen to the concerns of Crest residents and help establish emergency routes out of Crest.

As a result of this suggestion and an understanding of the community frustration, Crest Fire Safe Council and the Crest Sun Newsletter personnel contacted Dianne Jacob's office to discuss the matter. A staff member from her office indicated she also believes designated routes should be available for the safety of the community and stated a meeting would be set in the future with key players.

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**UPDATE:**

**It appears there might be a positive outcome to this meeting after all. Cal-Fire requested a meeting with the Crest Fire Safe Council on Monday, October 27. San Miguel Fire Chief Ray Chaney and Cal-Fire Chief Tony Mecham met with Crest Fire Safe Council members. During the meeting they stated that their understanding of the October 17<sup>th</sup> meeting was that it was an informational gathering meeting and not for finalization of the routes. They wished to clarify their stand of this misunderstanding. They are on-board with Crest having alternate routes using the existing truck trails. We hope this latest meeting opens the door to better communication in the future, and there is more positive news to share next edition.**

**Crest Happenings**



1- Christian Kladis gets into the music during the drum circle.

It is great to feel a taste of fall – a bit of relief from a long hot season. CCA had the perfect day to hold “Acoustic Crest” on Sunday October 19. Outstanding music including a kid’s drum circle performed throughout the day. There were vendors selling their crafts and great food. Thanks to our very own Cathryn Beeks for bringing these fabulous artists together for Crest’s enjoyment. The day

started as 22 folks joined Crest Historical Society docents on a historic walk through Suncrest and La Cresta. It was a great Crest family event and we look forward to the next great Acoustic Crest event.

Join New Season’s Church Crest for their **Fall Harvest Festival** on October 31 from 6-8 pm. All are invited to join in on the fun. This is a great Halloween alternative for the kids and family alike. See page 15 for more information.

**Santa is Coming to Crest**

As we move into the holiday season, be sure to mark your calendars for an upcoming Santa visit. Crest Kiwanis has invited Santa to breakfast on December 13 from 8-10 a.m. (pg.16.) This is a great festive opportunity to have your kids visit Santa while having a great breakfast.



The Earth Discovery Institute (EDI) at Crestridge once again has **the Lilac 5K run on January 15<sup>th</sup>**. Check out page 11 for all the great things EDI is doing for our kids and

our community.

Want to help out this year? Kiwanis, along with St Louise and Crest K-Kids are conducting a **Holiday food/toy drive in Crest**. If you would like to help out, check out the Kiwanis page 16 for additional information.

Another great music night is scheduled for November 11 with Silva and Baird hosting the evening. Drop by and enjoy a fun evening of music. See page 10 for specifics.

Watch throughout this publication for many great free upcoming events for the holiday season including parades, festivals, light shows and more.

**West Nile Virus Alert in East County**

There have been 26 cases of West Nile in the East County with one of these in the Crest area. Even though we are in a drought, mosquitoes are on the hunt with animals and bird dishes being the new target. Please check your horse buckets and pet water bowls more often to keep them fresh.

# Crest Contacts

Crest Community Contacts		
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Crest Black Board (Call Mary if you do not get callback from Kathy in 24 hours)	Kathy	440-6097
	Mary	447-7199
Clubhouse Rentals <a href="mailto:rentals@thecrestsun.com">rentals@thecrestsun.com</a>	Jackie Grace (email)	442-1018
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Help Lines		
Child Abuse Hot line	(800)	344-6000
Highway Patrol: Traffic Related Abandoned Vehicles	(858)	637-3800
	(619)	441-4264
Sheriff (non-emergency) Alpine Station Licensing Division	Dispatch (858)	565-5200
	(619)	659-2600
	(858)	974-2020
San Miguel Fire Dst Crest Fire Office Public Info Officer Fire Chief www.smgfire.org	Business office.	670-0500
	Burn Permits	588-8112
	Leonard Villarreal <a href="mailto:lvillarreal@sanmiguelfire.org">lvillarreal@sanmiguelfire.org</a>	660-5356
	(website)	660-5359
		660-5351
Adult Protective Svs Child Abuse Hot Line	(800) (800)-334-6000	510-2020

Animal Control	(760)	438-2312
Auto Repair, Bureau	(800)	952-5210
Border Patrol	(619)	662-7321
CALTRANS	(619)	688-6785
Code Enforcement	(858)	694-2705
Contractor's Board	(Fraud) (800)	321-2752
Crime Stoppers	(619)	531-1547
FBI (telephone scam)	(858)	565-1255
Fish & Game	(951)	443-2944
Illegal Dumping	(858)	495-5143
Noise Abatement (dogs), abandoned vehicles, solid waste complaints	(858)	694-3741
Planning & Land Use	(858)	694-3741
Poison Control	(800)	876-4766
Postal Police (mail)	MailFraud(877)	876-2455
Real Estate fraud/info	(619)	525-4192
Road Conditions	(800)	427-7623
Secret Service -Fraud	Currency/Credit	557-5640
Social Services	(619)	401-6000
SD Regional Center	(858)	576-2938
US Forest Service	(619)	445-6235

## Stores and Restaurants

Crest Foods	Kevin pg. 20	444-8132
Rainbow Farms Mrkt	Mark -pg.8	444-7504
Verona Bistro	Maristella-p5	401-9100

## Businesses

Central Heating	Charles pg.14	444-9955
Glen Mitchel Realtors	Kandhy pg 17	977-1566
Kathy Kuts	Kathy	447-1945
Knox Reprographics	pg. 22	230-6300
Listenlocalsd.com Green Room	Cathryn pg 12	
Notary on the Spot	Betty – pg 10	820-3062
Simply Marvelous Organizing	Risa – pg. 12	440-1235
Real Estate & Loans SD Homes	Rayna -pg. 19	922-2524
Task Master – Concierge Errands, Housekeeping	Marlena pg 21	384-8119

Two Brothers	C.Mike pg 14 Dunaway	Amazon or B&N
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## Calendar of Events November-December 2014

10/31/14	6-8 pm	Harvest Festival –New Season’s Church- Crest Parking Lot – ALL INVITED
11/04/14	1:00 Tuesday	Historical Society Meeting– Crest Library
11/04/14	6:00 pm	Library Presentation – Pruning your Fruit Trees – Master Gardener
11/04/14		<b>DID YOU VOTE TODAY?</b>
11/08/14	6:30- 9:00	Music Night with Silva/Baird – pg. 10
11/10/14	10:00 am.	Garden Club –call to RSVP440-6097 or kathyfedor@gmail.com
11/10/14	7:00 PM	Sub Regional Planning Group – Old Ironside Park Harbison Canyon
11/12/14	5:30 pm Wed	San Miguel Fire Protection District Board Meeting - 2850 Orange Way – Spring Valley
11/13/14	6:30 pm	Kiwanis Board Meeting – clubhouse
11/13/14	9-12	Marie’s Painters
11/17/14	6:00 pm	Kiwanis Membership General Meeting @ Clubhouse – All Invited
11/20/14	6:00 – Thurs 7:00 pm	CCA Board Meeting CCA General Meeting (Crest Community Association) – Clubhouse
11/22/14	8-10	Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast
12/02/14	1:00 pm- TU	Historical Society Mtg – Library
12/05/14	9:00 am	EDI Meeting
12/11/14	6:30	Kiwanis Board Meeting
12/13/14	8-10 am	<b>Kiwanis Breakfast with Santa</b>
12/18/14	6:00 pm	Santa Comes to the CCA – Santa Night – 6:00 – Santa arrives at 6:30 Bring a dessert to share – No CCA meeting
12/08/14	7:00 PM	Sub Regional Planning Group – Crest Clubhouse
12/11/14	9-12 am	Marie’s Painters
12/18/14	6:00 – Thurs 7:00 pm	CCA Board Meeting CCA General Meeting (Crest Community Association) – Clubhouse
12/15/14	6:00 pm Mon	Kiwanis General Membership Meeting – visitors welcome – Clubhouse
12/27/14	8-10	Kiwanis Breakfast
01/15/15		Crestridge Liliac 5 K Run - see page 16 for detail

Crest School	November-December Dates 2014	
November. 10-11	Veterans Day – No School	
November 1- 21	Holiday Food Drive Crest School	
November 12-21	Parent/Teacher Conferences	
November 24-28	Thanksgiving Break	
December 1-12	Holiday/Food Toy Drive	
December 8-12	Santa Secret Shop	
December 22-Jan 9	Winter Break	

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**Going down the hill to eat? May I suggest**

# Verona Bistro

This is an unsolicited letter of praise for a really fine little restaurant near the 99 Cent Store at the bottom of the hill: **Verona Bistro, Italian and American Cuisine**. It's in the same center as Marietta's Mexican Restaurant, but at the other end.

The food at Verona Bistro is really good, *all fresh, and all made to order!* My 14 year-old grandson had the Bistro Burger, with caramelized onions and blue cheese (You can choose the kind of cheese and burger additions.) The soups are excellent. My daughter had a creamy carrot-dill soup. I told the chef: "It's my birthday. And I like anything. Surprise me!" A short time later, Chef John proudly served me fresh-caught *fresh* Canadian Salmon, dipped in an egg batter, and sautéed in white wine with lemon and topped with the most tender baby artichoke hearts! -served with light, whipped potatoes and fresh-that-day vegetables. The tiramisu dessert is the simply best I have ever had.

***This Italian (and American) food is not just spaghetti and meatballs! - Although those are delicious at Verona Bistro too!***

*Unfortunately, their beer and wine license has been really delayed a long time. So they invite you bring your own wine and they will provide the glasses and wine opener – making it an even more affordable lunch or dinner out!*

Having a party? Do yourself and your guests a favor, and check out Verona Bistro for catering your event. – Any theme, from French to Hawaiian.

**Verona Bistro's award-winning chef has worked in New York and some of the best restaurants in San Diego, from the Gaslamp Quarter to working with Chef Deborah Scott at Kemo Sabe's in Hillcrest, to the Marine Room in La Jolla. He has been featured in Food and Wine magazine. Finally, he wanted to go out on his own. And now he is right down at the bottom of our hill!**

Chef John and the delightful owner, Maristella, have had a tough time building their business in that location (where the Greek restaurant used to be-), and there is no real signage, aside from on the building itself, so it is not easy to see from the street. But it is worth looking for... excellent food, in a casual atmosphere, at comfortable prices. –Even \$6 Lunch Specials! **(Check out their website, and all the review stars on YELP and Trip Advisor!)** We are really fortunate to have them here. Please give them your support, so we will have them here for a long time! –Ginny B.

**Verona Bistro 619-401-9100**  
**1784 East Main Street, El Cajon, CA 92021**  
**www.veronabistro.com [veronabistro@yahoo.com](mailto:veronabistro@yahoo.com)**  
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# Crest Fire Safe Council

By Kandhy Franklin

The goal of the Crest Fire Safe Council is just what you read... a non-profit community group dedicated to keeping our community safe. Over the years, and especially since the 2003 Cedar Fire, this small group has made major strides. It has worked to clear brush and to put an emergency "One-Call Now" system in place. It has written and received grants to fund a fire siren and ham radio tower, in addition to our latest grant, which was awarded to provide signage for a clear alternate evacuation route in the event of an emergency.

The most important tasks on their radar at this point is to assure that the community is safe in the event of a fire, is prepared, and most of all, is able to get off the hill if our two main routes are blocked. Past experience has shown that a fire could easily block the Mt View route through Harbison Canyon once again leaving us with only one, if any route off the hill.

As noted on the cover page of this Crest Sun issue, the CFSC has continued to work toward that goal. They recently arranged a meeting with 14 agencies to finalize the process of establishing alternative emergency routes out of Crest, generate maps, post emergency information on web sites, video-tape routes, and set a practice emergency evacuation date. The result was disappointing to say the least when fire agencies ignored our goals at the October 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

What can you as a community do to help? Your involvement with the Crest Fire Safe Council is important. Kandhy Franklin, Kathy Fiedor and Debbie Milligan have done a fabulous job to date as core members of the Crest Fire Safe Council. However, three members are obviously not being taken seriously as demonstrated by the results of this recent meeting. The voice of the community must be involved, educated, and work toward obtaining a permanent outcome of safety. Crest understands that there is a good chance we could be on our own again, and we are preparing to be just that. You need to get involved, show up, and speak up! Remember your safety is your responsibility.

We have been told there will be another meeting date set with agencies who are willing to listen to our concerns. It is important that you are there to represent our community through your attendance and by communicating with Supervisor Jacob.

The Crest Fire Safe Council

## About Crest

Did you know the Crest Community used to be two different communities? Suncrest was developed starting in 1924. When the 200 lots were pretty much sold out, Dollie Cornelius set out to sub-divide 145 acres into 700 lots and create the community of La Cresta. On Sundays Dollie would set up her table in Nancy Jane Park near the road and sell lots for \$59.95 each. The dividing line between La Cresta and Suncrest was North Lane. Each community had its own water system, community clubhouse and store. And a rivalry existed between the two communities. Why you ask? Well the Crest Historical Society is publishing a book on the history of Crest which will provide the answer. Although slow, we are making progress and are in the proofing stage. Stay tuned; soon the book will be available.

Do you have photos or old stories to share with the Historical Society? They meet the first Tuesday of the month at the Crest Library at 1:00 pm. Or you can call Dorothy Miller at 444-0968.

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# **CREST LIBRARY CALENDAR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2014**

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## **TEEN PROGRAMS**

Video Game Fun! Daily    Teen Crafts on Fridays at 3:00 pm    Photo-Booth Fun 12/26 at 3:00 pm

## **YOUNG ADULT BOOK OF THE MONTH**

November and December    The Specials by Scott Westerfeld

## **FAMILY PROGRAMS**

Crafts Saturdays at 11:00 am

11/1 Amigurumi, 11/8 Hippy Swirls (bring your own bottle)

11/15 Button Making, 11/22 Wire Sculpting, 11/29 Fuse Beads

12/6 Knitting, 12/13 Ribbon Jewelry, 12/20 Origami, 12/27 Beeswax Candles

Nutri-friday the first and third Friday of the month at 3:00 pm Sponsored by the Crest Kiwanis

## **INDIVIDUAL BASIC COMPUTER CLASSES**

Saturdays from 12:00-1:00 pm

Call 619-442-7083 for an appointment

## **ADULT PROGRAMS**

Bingo every third Thursday of the month at 4:30 pm

## **ADULT BOOK CLUB**

### **BOOK FOR NOVEMBER and DECEMBER**

Water for Elephants ~ Sara Gruen

### **LIBRO DE NOVIEMBRE Y DICIEMBRE**

Agua Para Elefantes ~ Sara Gruen

Post your comment: <http://crestlibrarybookclub.blogspot.com>

Master Gardener: Pruning Fruit Trees on 11/4 at 6:00 pm

Jingle Bells Flannel Story-time 12/16 & 12/23 at 3:00 pm





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619-444-7504

## **Rainbow Market**

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***8:00 am to 10:00 pm Friday and Saturday***

***8:00 am to 9:00 pm Sunday***

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***Thank you for stopping at Rainbow Farms Market  
And shopping on the "Hill"***





# Crest Community Association

The Crest Community Association is looking to put a new face on its organization and would like your input. The CCA will soon be putting out a survey to all Crest residents asking for input on how to make our community just a little bit stronger, a bit more close-knit, and to revive the spirit of the Crest community. When you receive the survey in the mail, we hope you will take a few minutes to let us know your thoughts.

### Did you join the CCA in July?

Guess what? You are going to be rewarded for your promptness. The CCA is changing its membership year from July 1 - June 30 to January 1 - December 31<sup>st</sup>. It is felt it will be easier to remember these dates. So if you signed up promptly in July 2014, your membership is now valid until December 31, 2015. Those of you who have forgotten to sign up this year? You are just in time for the new year. Grab the application at the bottom of the page and send it in. Thank you, in advance, for your support.

### New CCA Officers:

There have been some changes to the CCA Board. We want to welcome Karen Burnworth, David Burnight, and Jackie Grace to the CCA team. Thank you both old and new board members for stepping up to help the CCA

Richard Blake – President	Secretary: Karen Burnworth (agreed to fill in until the next election in February)
Jen Coates – Vice President	Fifth Board Member – David Burnight
Secretary – Kathy Sawaya	Rental Chair: Jackie Grace (agreed to fill in until the upcoming election)

### THANKS TO ALL THOSE WHO PARTICIPATED IN OUR RECENT ACOUSTIC CREST EVENT AND DONATED THEIR WONDERFULLY TALENTED ABILITIES! WE LOVE YOU!



**Historical Walk Leaders:** Linda Hjelle, Kathy Fiedor, Sue Mullins, Mark Dudenhoefter

**Acoustic Crest Participants:** Baird and Silva, Linda Hjelle, Marcia Claire, Tara Alvarado, Hans Oropallo, Jeffrey Joe, Jessica Hull, Mocking Bird, Dan Gindling, Mercedes Scalzitti, Air Go band, The Ordeal, Union, David Jones, Levi James, Cathryn Beeks

**Helpers and our great bakers:** Karen and George Jessup, Silvia Binley, Laurie Jones, Jackie Grace, Shirley Watkins, Linda Chase, Bernie and Karen Burnworth, Richard Blake, Kathy Sawaya, Jen Coates, Eddy Coates, Barbara Kingsbury, Sandy Hulburt, Carol Gilmore

**Kevin of Crest Foods – Thank you for your donation of Pizza to the event!**

**Raffle Winners:** Cutting Board by Dan Gindling – Winner is Jeannie Andres Watercolor by Jackie Grace- Winner is Eddy Coates Planter by Linda Hjelle – Winner is Nicole Best of Crest (donations by: Risa Goldberg, Linda Hjelle, Janice Florence, Joetta Shipley, Rainbow Market and Crest Foods, – Winner is Kathy Fiedor And to Our wonderful vendors – Thank you so much for participating.

### JOIN THE CREST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION:

**CCA Membership Form:** Send this form in with your check made out to the Crest Community Association (CCA)  
Mailing Address: CCA 113 No Park Dr. El Cajon, CA 92021 Membership Year: January 1, 2015- December 31, 2015

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Membership Levels

\_\_\_ Lifetime \$500 \_\_\_ Business \$50 \_\_\_ Family \$35 \_\_\_ Individual \$25 \_\_\_ Senior \$12 (65+)

Interested in volunteering a little or a lot? Check area of interest: \_\_\_\_\_ July 4th Event \_\_\_\_\_ CCA Dinners \_\_\_\_\_ Music Nights \_\_\_\_\_ Clubhouse Gardening \_\_\_\_\_ Clubhouse maintenance \_\_\_\_\_ Board Member \_\_\_\_\_ Call me for specialized events

\*Your membership goes toward maintaining the clubhouse as well as sponsoring community-wide events.



## Music Night at the Clubhouse

Silva and Baird and Special Guests

November 8 – 6:30 – 9:00 pm

There will be a \$2 donation to CCA, a box to donate for snacks and drinks or BYOSW (Bring Your Own Sensible Whatever) and have a wonderful time.

Musicians play for tips

### **NEED A NOTARY PUBLIC?**

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### **ALPINE WOMAN'S CLUB**

[www.alpinewomansclub.org](http://www.alpinewomansclub.org)

#### **November 18, 2014 AWC Luncheon**

YANA (You Are Not Alone) presentation by San Diego County Sheriff's Department.

The Alpine Woman's Club's next monthly luncheon is on Tuesday, November 18 at 12:00 noon. The AWC is open to all East County women. 2156 Alpine Blvd., Alpine, CA 91901.

#### **Alpine Craft Boutique**

The Alpine Christmas 22nd annual craft boutique will be held from Thursday 10/30/14 thru Sunday 11/2/14. For more info call 619-846-6824

#### **ANNUAL FUNDRAISER**

Alpine Christmas Home Tour Event.

The Tour is scheduled for Saturday, December 13th from 10am to 3pm as a Scholarship fundraiser.

Please contact Carlette Anderson at (619) 438-4829 or email [carletteanderson@aol.com](mailto:carletteanderson@aol.com)



### **Check your Car's Vin for Safety Recalls**

Has your car ben recalled for faulty airbags or other factory defects? Check out [www.safercar.gov](http://www.safercar.gov) for to see if your vehicle is at risk. This is the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Safety Issue page You can even check your specific vehicle by entering your car's specific vin number from your registration slip.

### **From the office of DIANNE JACOB, SD County Board of Supervisors**

#### **SAN DIEGO COUNTY TO RATE ELDER CARE HOMES**

San Diego County wants to give families a new tool to find quality care for their elderly loved ones – a rating system for residential care facilities. The Board of Supervisors will consider a recommendation to develop the voluntary program, believed to be the first of its kind in the nation. At least 16 facilities have agreed to take part in the initial pilot phase of the rating system. The rating would be based on a wide range of measures, including staffing levels, medication management and dementia care. This will be a Board of Supervisors agenda item , Tuesday, Oct. 28.



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*Greetings from the Earth Discovery Institute and Crestridge Ecological Reserve. EDI and our conservation partners bring people together to learn about and support our amazing and precious local habitat. This newsletter shares updates on projects underway and opportunities to get involved. Celebrate what you have helped us accomplish, be inspired by the contributions of others, and consider your options for involvement in the coming months!*

**Lilac 5K Coming Up:** Crestridge Ecological Reserve will once again be host to the Lilac 5K Trail Run (or Walk!) and Kids Fun Run EDI fundraiser in the New Year. Mark your calendar for Saturday, January 31, 2015,



for this family-friendly event. Check-in takes place at the Horsemill Road entrance. Both events start in the oak woodland at the heart of the reserve. The Lilac 5K is a timed trail run or walk on the reserve, starting at 8:30am. All 5K participants get a T-shirt and medals for the top three finishers in each age group (under 17, 18-39 and 40+) will be awarded. A family event, the Kid's Fun Run, encourages anyone to walk or run a shorter loop. The Fun Run starts at 8:00am and all participants 11 and under get a ribbon. Well behaved dogs on leashes are also welcome.

You can preregister for the Lilac 5K at [www.earthdiscovery.org](http://www.earthdiscovery.org) by January 29, 2015, for \$25 (\$20 for Crest residents). Registration on the day of the race is \$30 (\$25 for Crest residents) between 7:00 and 8:30am. Preregistration for the Fun Run is \$10, and \$15 day of the race. For more information about this popular event—one of few in San Diego County that is all on unpaved trails—contact Earth Discovery Institute at 619-447-4715 or [info@earthdiscovery.com](mailto:info@earthdiscovery.com).

**Fall Native Plant Sale:** The community came out in full force for the 9<sup>th</sup> annual Earth Discovery Institute Native Plant Sale at Crestridge Ecological Reserve in late September. Those looking to replace thirsty exotics and support native wildlife purchased trees, shrubs, grasses and succulents that are native to Southern California's coastal sage scrub, chaparral and oak woodland communities. Over 300 native plants were purchased to beautify local yards and support EDI's outreach and education programs. Thanks for making this EDI's most successful plant sale ever!



**Education Program Back and Busy:** Crestridge Ecological Reserve will welcome back more fourth and fifth graders from the Cajon Valley Union School District for Earth Discovery Institute service-learning field trips this fall. Along with a hike through the habitat, students participate in new Next Generation Science Standard learning stations, and will explore the effects of erosion on the land. Students will continue to participate in habitat restoration by planting natives that support pollinators, stabilize slopes and preserve the reserve's natural biodiversity. Some Cajon Valley students along students from South Bay Union School District will participate in a 2-visit program that brings them to both inland and coastal areas to learn about habitat in the context of watershed and water quality. This program will support restoration of the stream corridor in the Horsemill area of Crestridge and is funded by the Southern California Wetlands Recovery Project (SCWRP).



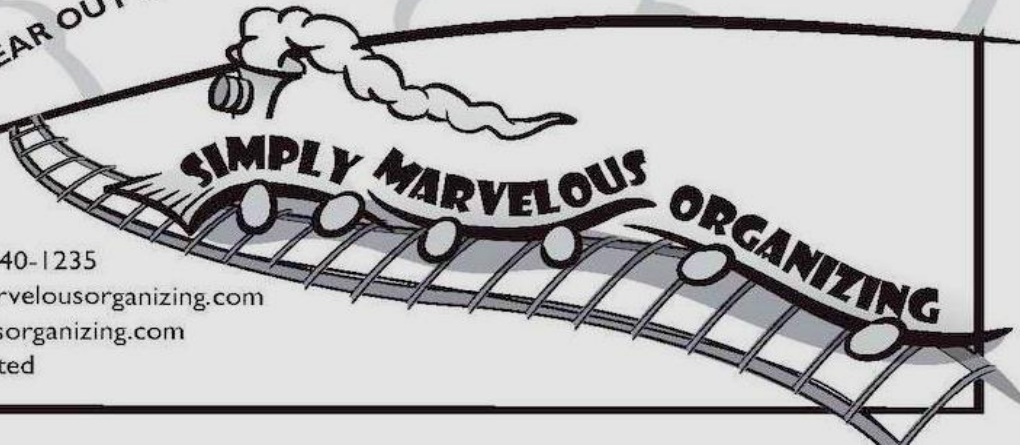
With the expert guidance of EDI's field instructors (including Crest resident, Kathy Sawaya), over 1,000 students are expected to learn science and experience the great outdoors at Crestridge this school year. Overall, EDI's programs will serve 1,700 students with nearly 4,000 field and classroom contacts. In addition to funding from SCWRP, grants from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the San Diego Foundation, San Diego Gas and Electric, the California Wildlife Foundation, and from your support through fundraising events and donations, will all contribute this year to student participation in EDI's education program.

**Stay tuned to happenings and volunteer opportunities at the Crestridge ER at [www.earthdiscovery.org](http://www.earthdiscovery.org)**

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# LISTEN LOCAL!



Hey neighbors,

Just a reminder to check out [ListenLocalRadio.com](http://ListenLocalRadio.com) when you get a chance. Every Sunday we post a new edition of The Listen Local Show which features local music, interviews with local musicians and news about what's happening in the community and it's all recorded right here at Catbox Studio at The Green Room in Crest.

Visit [ListenLocalsd.com](http://ListenLocalsd.com) for information about live music showcases and events in and around San Diego. Give me a shout at [Cathryn@ListenLocalsd.com](mailto:Cathryn@ListenLocalsd.com) to make an appointment to visit The Green Room featuring vintage and 2nd hand clothing for men and women and ask about our custom mixed media art pieces.

Music makes the world a better place and San Diego is FULL of amazingly talented folks. I look forward to introducing you to your next favorite band.

xo Cathryn Beeks

**LISTEN LOCAL RADIO**  
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## Crest Tidbits:

Do you have a Crest Tidbit? Email [editor@thecrestsun.com](mailto:editor@thecrestsun.com) or leave a message at 619-517-9838

### A CLEANER CREST

To Crest Residents:

I'm sure you all want to keep Crest beautiful... And yet I look, with dismay, at the litter left in front of people's mailboxes and along the road. What would be truly wonderful is for all of us to notice the trash around us, say 20 ft. around your mailbox, gates, etc., and pick it up. Yes, advertisers throw ads by your mailboxes, but ignoring them doesn't make them go away. Yes, the hill is horribly trashed, and this is mainly caused by the trash trucks not putting down their lids between stops. Call them and complain! We also have people deliberately throwing trash from their cars – and cigarettes! Report them – get their license and call it in. We all have to work on cleaning up our home!

Sylvia Cavins - Crest, CA

### Please Slow Down in Crest

This is to remind folks to watch the speed limit while traveling in Crest. It is extremely difficult to pull into La Cresta Blvd. from the side streets due to the excessive speed. It would also be helpful if people who live on corners trim their trees back for better visibility.



### Congrats to Grandma and Grandpa Mullins

Suzanne and Roger Mullins would like to introduce the newest member to their family, Penelope Aceves Mullins. Penelope weighs in at 7 lbs. 6 oz., is 20.5 inches long and was born October 14<sup>th</sup>. Dave graduated from the Crest Elementary School

class of 1992.

### Box Tops for Education

Do you know that box tops from Betty Crocker products can turn into money for schools? You can find Box Tops on over 250 participating products, including all Betty Crocker® baking mixes. With each Box Tops coupon worth 10¢ for your school, it can add up fast! Schools have earned over \$400 million through the Box Tops for Education® program since 1996, helping them to buy much-needed supplies, fund school programs and more. Start earning for your school today! For more information go to: <http://www.bettycrocker.com/products/box-tops-for-education> (Thanks to Diane of Freeport, Illinois –sister of a Crest Resident – Now here is someone who cares about Crest kids.)



### Fall Harvest Festival

New Seasons Church-Crest

2198 Suncrest Blvd.

Friday Oct 31<sup>st</sup> 6-8 pm

Games, Prizes, Face painting, cakes walk, treats for kids

More info: email: NSCrest@gmail.com

### JFS FIT-IT SERVICE

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- Age 60 and older
- Live in service area
- Answer a short questionnaire

Call 858 637-3354 [fixit@jfsd.org](mailto:fixit@jfsd.org)

Volunteer to Create a Safe Home for Older Adults

## JFS Fix-It Service

We need your help! JFS Fix-It enables older adults age 60+ to maintain their independence and remain safely in their homes. As a Fix-It volunteer, you'll provide minor home safety modifications and repairs at no cost to clients. We need volunteers of ALL skill levels. We can match you with an experienced Fix-It volunteer to teach you how to perform the tasks!

As a volunteer, you will:

- Install smoke/carbon monoxide detectors and door alarms
- Replace showerheads or install hand-held showers
- Repair window screens
- Install grab-bars and handrails

It's convenient, too! You choose times that work for your schedule and your supplies and mileage are reimbursed. You also receive the satisfaction of helping a fellow San Diegan live independently.

Volunteer Today!

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**ALL ability levels are needed!**

**HHSAA Jewish Family Service**

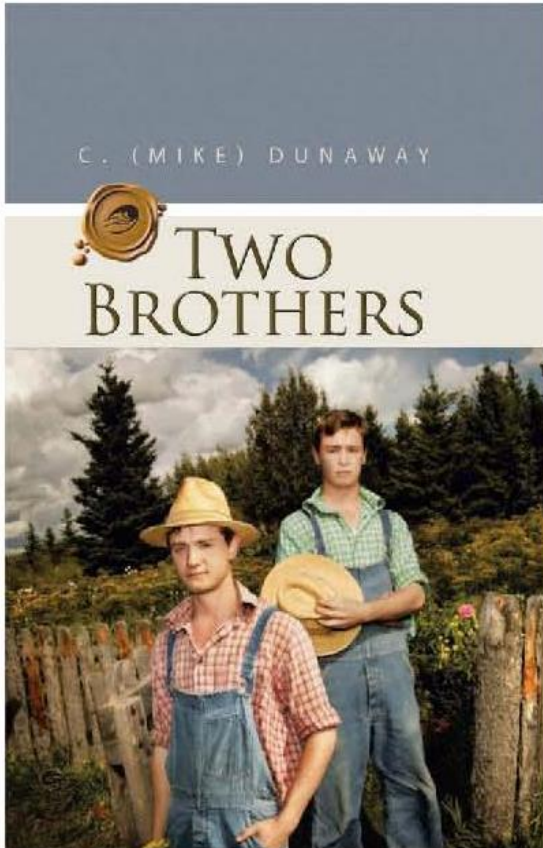
### Remembering our Crest Friends

#### Dianne Brehm – October 2014

The Crest Community is saddened to hear of the passing of long-time Crest resident, Diane Brehm. Services are pending. Watch the blackboard for more information.

**\*\*FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE\*\***

TWO BROTHERS  
C. (MIKE) DUNAWAY  

## **Murder spurs vengeance in C. (Mike) Dunaway's new Western** *'Two Brothers' tells tale of murder, all-out quest for retribution*

EL CAJON, Calif. – A pair of fraternal twin brothers moves to California from Oklahoma with their parents in 1871. The brothers, Bob and Bill Larsen, settle into a 300-acre Californian ranch as part of an exchange of properties with their friend in Oklahoma. But the brothers are attacked during their stay in the westernmost U.S. state by three Yuma State Prison escapees – whom admittedly killed the twins' parents.

In "Two Brothers" ([published by Trafford Publishing](#)), the new Western by author C. (Mike) Dunaway, Bob and Bill swear revenge upon the three escaped inmates and begin a 15-year-long quest for blood. As the brothers traverse the southwestern U.S., they learn survival and gun slinging skills on-the-fly in order to track down and kill the men who murdered their parents.

An excerpt from "Two Brothers":

"The boys waited patiently behind the rocks as the riders came closer and closer until finally they saw them cross the water far upstream pushing the horses hard as they could, but there were no warriors in sight. When the probable outlaws were out of sight, the boys went to the same area and crossed the river. However, they cautiously traveled slightly south through the hills for several miles and then turned back toward the east, making sure not to run into any oncoming Indians. They weren't prepared even to fight one Indian, much less a tribe."

### **Available at Amazon and Barnes & Noble**

#### **About the Author**

C. (Mike) Dunaway, Crest Resident has written five unpublished books, four of which are fiction. The fifth is an autobiography with some embellishment. "Two Brothers" is Dunaway's foray into the Western fiction genre.

# Water Conservation:

**Padre Dam has declared a mandatory conservation measures at the Drought Alert Level 2.**

## **Residential measures include:**

**Landscaping** \* Limit landscape watering to 3 days per week. \* NO watering more than 10 minutes per watering station per day with spray head sprinklers or hoses. \* Irrigate landscape before 10 a.m. and after 4 p.m. only.

\* Use a hand-held hose with a positive shut-off nozzle or bucket to water landscaped areas not watered by an irrigation system. \* Stop water waste resulting from inefficient landscape irrigation. Overspray and runoff are prohibited.

\* Repair all leaks within 72 hours.

**Washing** \*NO washing down paved surfaces. Sweep instead. \* Wash vehicles using a bucket and hand-held hose with a positive shut-off nozzle, or at a commercial car wash. Boats and boat engines may be washed down immediately after use, using a bucket or hand-held hose with a positive shut-off nozzle. Runoff is prohibited. Fountains \*Use recirculated or recycled water to operate ornamental fountains, ponds and similar decorative water features.

**To report water waste, please go to [www.padredam.org/waterwaste](http://www.padredam.org/waterwaste) or call 619-258-4644.**

## **Turf Replacement Programs**

The San Diego County Water Authority's **WaterSmart Turf Replacement Program** offers an incentive of \$1.50 per square foot to eligible customers who replace existing water-intensive turf grass with water-efficient landscaping. Customers may receive up to \$3,000 for residential properties and up to \$9,000 for commercial properties. For more information visit: <http://turfreplacement.watersmartsd.org/>.

In addition, Metropolitan Water District's SoCal **WaterSmart Turf Removal Program** offers an incentive of \$2.00 per square foot to replace turf grass with artificial turf or California friendly drought tolerant landscape. For more information visit: <http://socalwatersmart.com/>.

Water Authority and SoCal WaterSmart rebates can be combined, though they require separate applications, and include some differing requirements and limits. Both programs require participants to register and be approved for participation before removing turf grass.

## **Do you wonder if you might have a water leak or your Padre Water bill is too high?**

Do you realize you can monitor your water usage hourly, daily and/or monthly? When the CCA received a \$600 water bill a few months ago, it was extremely helpful to go online and see that our sprinklers were coming on in the middle of the night between 2 and 4 am a couple days a week because of a system mal-function. Here is the basic process to check your usage:

1. **Go to:** <http://www.padredam.org/118/My-Water-Use>
2. **Enter your 8 digit account number and your street number. There are plenty of options to review including current bill, prior month, and charts. Guess what day we accidentally left the drip system running? It was confirmed on the table below. Give it a try and be aware of your water usage.**



## **SDG&E Offers Programs to Help**

SDG&E has programs to assist residents in a variety of ways:

- **Gas Appliance Check** - Keep your natural gas appliances in safe working condition. Sign up for an appliance check-up. Sign up online at <http://www.sdge.com/residential/serviceorders>  
This service is free of charge.
- **Financial Assistance:** Depending on your income: <http://www.sdge.com/residential/apply-financial-assistance-programs> - California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) Program offers a 20% discount on your monthly bill. Another program, Family Electric Rate Assistance (FERA) Program bills customers at a lower rate for electricity within certain levels of usage.
- **Medical Baseline Allowance Program** - Residents who uses certain medical devices or needs space heating or air conditioning because of a medical condition may qualify for a 30% discount.
- **Vision Impaired Program** - a SDG&E service technician can make a home visit to mark range dials and thermostats to make them easier to use. To request one, or both, of these services call 1-800-411-7343.
- **Energy Savings Assistance Program** – (income eligible) Whether you rent or own, you could be eligible to receive free energy-efficient home improvements. SDG&E authorized contractors will come to your home and may provide free energy-efficient lighting; Repair or replacement of doors and windows; Microwaves, refrigerators and high-efficiency clothes washers; Insulation, weatherstripping and caulking.



# CREST KIWANIS

## Crest Kiwanis Christmas Breakfast with Santa!



December 13, 2014  
8:00 to 10:00 a.m.  
Adults \$5 - Kids eat free!  
All proceeds benefit Crest School!



**A special welcome to our K-Kids!**

**Make a Family's  
Holiday Bright**

Every year, Crest Kiwanis partners with the K Kids of Crest School and Saint Louise de Marillac Catholic Church to gather canned food and toys for families in need in our area. Additionally, Crest Kiwanis purchases turkeys, clothing, and gift wraps the toys for the children. If you would like to help us in this Holiday Outreach, please contact Suzanne Mullins 619 579 7120 or [suemullins@cox.net](mailto:suemullins@cox.net). Your participation would be greatly appreciated.

Submitted by Suzanne Mullins

- November 1-21, 2014 Crest School Holiday Food Drive
- November 13, 2014 Kiwanis of Crest Board Meeting 6:30PM
- November 17, 2014 Kiwanis of Crest General Meeting Social 6-6:30 Meeting at 6:30PM (Public welcome)
- November 22, 2014 Kiwanis of Crest Breakfast 8-10AM
- December 1-12, 2014 Crest School Holiday Toy Drive & Greenfield M S Food Drive
- December 11, 2014 Kiwanis of Crest Board Meeting 6:30PM
- December 15, 2014 Kiwanis of Crest General Meeting Social 6-6:30 Meeting at 6:30PM (Public welcome)

### Crest Crime Report 04/01/14 – 5/26/14

Obtained from [www.crimemapping.com](http://www.crimemapping.com) website

08/22/14	4:45 p.m.	Vehicle Break-in/Theft	100 Block.	Sierra Vista Dr.
08/30/14	7:00 p.m.	Vandalism (\$400 or less)	900 Block	La Cresta Blvd.
09/18/14	12:01 a.m.	Take Vehicle w/o Owner's Consent	900 Block	Silverbrook Drive
09/23/14	12:00 p.m.	Grand Theft	300 Block	Lento Lane.
10/27/14	9:30 p.m.	Likely to Cause Harm/Deal of Elder Dependent Adult	2100 Block	Suncrest Blvd



On average, more than 300,000 house fires occur each year in the U.S. — and most of them are preventable. In honor of [Fire Prevention Week](#), make sure to check your smoke alarms and familiarize yourself with the [fire hazards](#) around your home — especially these surprising ones:

- **Dust bunnies:** If dust collects near electrical sockets and floor heaters, just one spark can cause a fire. Sweep or vacuum your floors regularly to prevent buildup. Pay close attention to hard-to-reach areas, such as behind doors or around entertainment systems.
- **Clothes dryers:** Cleaning the lint trap should be part of your regular laundry routine. Left untouched, lint can build up in your dryer duct with every load of laundry. Have a professional inspect and clean your dryer at least once a year to help eliminate a fire hazard.
- **Glassware:** When sunlight passes through some kinds of glassware, the concentrated ray can ignite flammable materials such as stacks of papers. Play it safe by moving all glass accessories, including vases, away from windows.
- **Loose Batteries:** 9 Volt batteries which power smoke detectors are designed with both posts on the top. Bits of metal, including other batteries and loose change, can create a bridge between the posts that causes a heat-creating charge. To prevent this, keep unused batteries in their original packaging and cover the posts of expired batteries with black electrical tape before properly disposing of them.



**As always, if you are thinking about buying or selling, we should chat!**

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### Holiday Fun Events

Nov. 23	Mother Goose Parade
Nov. 23	2014 Encinitas Fall Festival
Nov 26-30	San Diego Jazz Fest
Dec 1-24	Musical Snowfalls, Chula Vista – Village walk in Eastlake
Dec. 5-6	Balboa Park December Nights
Dec. 7	Santa at Santee Lakes
Dec. 12-13	Christmas in the Village- La Mesa
Dec. 14/21	San Diego Bay Parade of Lights
Dec. 14	Gaslamp Holiday Pet Parade
Dec. 26	Port of San Diego Big Bay Balloon Parade, San Diego

**Plus: Check out First Friday Night  
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## CREST-DEHESA-GRANITE HILLS-HARBISON CANYON SUB-REGIONAL PLANNING GROUP

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The mission of the sub-regional planning group is to advise and assist the Director of Planning, the Planning and Environmental Review Board, the Zoning Administrator, the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors in the preparation, amendment and implementation of community and sub-regional plans.

Crest Planning Representatives are: Judy Bowen, Pat Ulm, Ralph Slagill, and Karla Caroll

Meetings are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00 pm. Locations rotate between the Dehesa School, The Crest Community Center, and the Harbison Canyon Community Center. The November meeting will be held at the Old Ironside Park on 326 Harbison Canyon Rd... The following are excerpts from the August 11 minutes pertaining to Crest:

F1. PDF2014-MUP14-034, Application for Cell Site Permit by Verizon at 515 Alta Lane, El Cajon (Crest). Chairman Wally Riggs introduced Ted Marioncelli, representing Verizon. Mr. Marioncelli distributed a handout of detailed construction drawings, and paired photographs of existing conditions and photosimulated images of the proposed project, and he proceeded to describe Verizon's proposal to establish 12 cellular telephone antennas and associated support equipment at the Padre Dam Crest Reservoir at 515 Alta Lane in Crest. The antennas will be hidden behind fencing/screens on pads at ground level, and will not be visible from below by the nearest neighbors or others. Verizon has secured easements from all 7 property owners who control access to Alta Lane, which is a private road. A public hearing for the Conditional Use Permit will be scheduled in December or January, and perhaps the project can be completed by March 2015. Planning Group members asked questions about the location and dimensions of the equipment enclosure, and the potential for noise impacts from the generator. Phil Hertel moved that the Planning Group recommends approval of the Verizon antenna project at 515 Alta Lane as proposed. The motion passed (8 yes; 0 abstain; 0 no).

### The following are excerpts from the September 14 minutes pertaining to Crest:

**E. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION.** Kandy Franklin, Crest Fire Safe Council Coordinator, invited everyone to attend the Crest Emergency Egress Summit that is scheduled for Friday, October 17, 6 pm – 8 pm, at the Crest Community Clubhouse. The San Miguel Fire Protection District, the Crest Fire Safe Council and the Crest Community Association are hosting this Summit meeting, and have invited representatives from all relevant public agencies, government offices, and other organizations. The goal of the meeting is to determine and initiate procedures for safe emergency egress from Crest using various routes, to conduct an "emergency community practice day," and to produce video filming of the adopted egress routes that will be imbedded on the websites used in the Crest Community. Kandy provided a handout about the planned Summit meeting that details the invited participants. She also talked about the need for better coordination with the Sheriff's Department and others, for awareness and implementation of the Community Wildfire Protection Plan for Crest; and she discussed the potential advantages for better funding opportunities that would result from reorganizing the Crest Fire Safe Council to qualify for recognition as the Crest Fire Wise Community.

**G1a. Presentation by Padre Dam Water District.** Chairman Wally Riggs introduced representatives from the Padre Dam Water District and invited them to give their presentation about the Padre Dam Advanced Water Treatment (AWT) Program. They described the history and current status of the District's drinking water supply operations, emphasizing that it imports 100% of this water from the Colorado River and the Sacramento Bay Delta, and that the price of this water has increased from \$500 per acre-foot in 2004 to at least \$1,300 per acre-foot in 2013. There are significant economic and water conservation incentives for the community that would result from an expansion of the District's wastewater treatment and recycling operations, and the AWT Program is an opportunity to reduce the District's dependency on imported water by approximately 15% of the current drinking water demands in the District (up to 2,000 – 3,000 acre-feet per year).

The District has received a \$3 million grant from the State's Proposition 50 bond fund to design, install and operate an AWT demonstration project to test and evaluate the proposed AWT process, which utilizes four separate water treatment steps to produce recycled water from the District's wastewater sources that could be injected into the Santee Basin Aquifer. The four treatment steps are 1) disinfection with free chlorine, 2) membrane micro-filtration, 3) reverse osmosis and 4) ultra violet light oxidation and disinfection. After these treatments and injection into the groundwater basin, the water would later be withdrawn, further treated and then added to the District's drinking water distribution system.

Completion of the AWT demonstration project is scheduled for the summer of 2016, after at least a full year of facility operation, at which time it will be producing about 100,000 gallons per day of reclaimed water. If the testing of the purified water from the AWT demonstration project shows that it meets California Public Health Department standards, then the AWT program will be expanded to treat and provide up to three million gallons (MGD) per day, which is a quantity that would meet 15% of the District's current drinking water demand with a locally-controlled, independent and drought-proof supply.

Planning Group members asked for clarification of several details such as the estimated future price of drinking water (at least \$2,000 per acre-foot by 2020); whether the AWT facility could be powered with solar energy, or with co-generated power from methane derived from the District's sewage treatment processes to reduce production costs (there are no plans for this); and whether the AWT program would be economical and viable if the present drought conditions are lessened by a return of normal historic rainfall patterns (it will still be useful and valuable to recycle wastewater, regardless of fluctuations in local rainfall amounts).

Tuesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. Did you vote today?





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140050289	ACT	DET	2223 Suncrest Boulevard	3	3	1,452	1955	\$394,000	9/12/2014			
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140045310	ACT	DET	2404 Suncrest	4	3	2,938	1968	\$599,000	8/16/2014			
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<b>140035088</b>	<b>PEND</b>	<b>DET</b>	<b>281 LILAC DRIVE</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1,800</b>	<b>1950</b>	<b>\$325,000</b>	<b>6/12/2014</b>			<b>Rayna Mack</b>
140028610	PEND	DET	102 Park	2	1	1,393	1950	\$200,000	5/28/2014			
140050801	PEND	DET	109 Scenic Dr	1	1	616	2003	\$299,000	9/15/2014			
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140017539	PEND	DET	236 Mountain View Road	2	2	1,736	1979	\$399,500 - \$419,000	4/3/2014			
140029753	PEND	DET	359 La Cresta Heights Road	3	2	2,000	1978	\$499,000	6/2/2014			
140025248	PEND	DET	1327 Horsemill Road	3	3	2,701	1993	\$739,500	5/12/2014			
140051327	PEND	DET	297 Chicory Lane	4	4	3,630	1993	\$757,000 - \$777,000	9/17/2014			
140044995	SOLD	DET	231 Lilac	2	1	790	1958	\$265,000	8/15/2014	\$265,000	9/19/2014	
140047259	SOLD	DET	428 MOUNTAIN VIEW	3	2	1,536	2004	\$299,900 - \$319,900	8/27/2014	\$338,000	10/16/2014	
140039275	SOLD	DET	159 BEECH PL	2	1	1,098	1940	\$324,900	7/18/2014	\$324,950	10/2/2014	
140038785	SOLD	DET	1120 Hamlet	2	1	1,170	1958	\$339,000	7/15/2014	\$319,900	8/28/2014	
140025212	SOLD	DET	319 Codorniz Lane	3	2	1,632	1978	\$369,900 - \$379,900	5/11/2014	\$372,500	9/23/2014	
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140030434	ACTIVE	LOT	00 Suncrest Blvd. 28	1.73	75,359			\$149,800 - \$195,900	6/5/2014			
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By Linda Hjelle

We are always looking for the perfect bargain to make our travel dollars stretch a bit more while discovering new ways to see the world. Here are two unique lodging options for you to explore.

**Harvest Hosts - The Unique RVing Experience**

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**AirBnB** – ([www.airbnb.com](http://www.airbnb.com)) AirBnB allows you to discover amazing and unique lodging around the world at reasonable prices. You can rent an extra room, an entire home, or unique accomodations like castles, igloos, RV's, and glamping accomodations. Maybe glamping is considered "glorious camping" from what I can see. One example is a teepee in Harbison Canyon which receives good reviews. Our daughter has used this website to book accommodations in several foreign countries including Columbia and Portual, and also San Franicisco in the US. She typically rents a room where she is able to have access to locals to help guide her in her travels and give her a local perspective. Asking her if there are downsides to this type of travel, she shared that locations may be off the beaten tourist path. They may not meet all the codes of a regular hotel. Her advice is to ask questions, and she prefers the owners live nearby. And she again reminds us that sometimes you get what you pay for. We are trying it for the first time as we plan a trip to Hawaii after the first of the year. We wanted to stay on the North Shore of Oahu, Hawaii but couldn't find anything under \$250 a night. We found a great little beachfront condo for \$125 a night with great reviews . Wish us luck! We will share our story when we return.



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 Thursday Evening: Home Fellowship in Santee 6:30  
 Friday Evening: Home Fellowship in Crest 6:30 PM



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