

# Corona del Mar Residents Association NEWSLETTER

Spring 2009 Issue

**CdM Residents Association & CdM Business Improvement District ANNUAL TOWN MEETING** 

Wednesday, April 22: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Sherman Library & Gardens, 2647 East Coast Hwy, Corona del Mar

Come Early: Hosted Refreshments & Information Tables on the Patio @ 5:30pm

What a program we have planned! Once again the CdM Residents Association and the CdM BID are partnering to bring you 90 minutes filled with information about our community and our city.

"Be Informed . . . Be Prepared" - that's our theme this year. Mayor Ed Selich, Mayor Pro Tem Keith Curry, and Council Member Nancy Gardner will be talking about projects and issues that directly impact our 92625 neighborhoods and businesses. Chief Steve Lewis and Chief John Klein from our Fire and Police Departments will present updates on safety issues, including information about how we can remain safe and secure in our homes during these troubled economic times, how we can easily prepare our families to weather an emergency or disaster, and an update on Buck Gully, one of City Council's 2009 priorities.

Got questions? We hope so. To help keep our meeting on track and get everyone on their way home by 7:30pm, send in your questions ahead of time by email, phone or by USPS mail. See the box on the right: "Contacting CdMRA"

At the end of our program, we have a very special surprise for a few lucky attendees. We hope it's you!

# **Information Tables – Wander garden paths and visit with:**

NB Water Department "Waterwise"	OC Marathon
NBPD Neighborhood Watch	Oasis Senior Center
NBFD Neighborhood Preparedness	CdM Chamber of Commerce
Newport Beach Film Festival	<b>CdM Business Improvement District</b>

#### **CONTACTING CDMRA**







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## JOIN OR RENEW

Not a member? Join now and start receiving important news and updates impacting 92625 neighborhoods.

Applications and Renewal Forms can be found on our website at www.Cdmra.org/Member.html

We encourage you to provide us with your current email address as it helps us keep our costs, and therefore our dues, low. Your privacy is protected.

Don't know if you are paid up? Email or call to find out.

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# Membership Honor Roll



As our membership increases, so does our voice on issues that impact communities in 92625. The stronger our voice, the more effective we can be in achieving our overall goals of protecting, preserving and improving the quality of life of our community.

One of the most effective tools we have for growing our membership is YOU. Your recommendation to join CdMRA when you talk to neighbors and friends has a much greater impact than anything we can say. And we would like to recognize you for a job well done.

Starting with this newsletter, we will post the names of our members who have convinced others to join CdMRA. And if Honor Roll recognition isn't enough, we have another surprise for you! Don't delay. Tell your friends and neighbors to join. You'll be glad you did. Just ask Jane!

# CdMRA - Helping Local Government

As the city council member representing District 6, I rely on the Corona del Mar Residents Association as a great source of information. Representatives from various Corona del Mar neighborhoods attend the monthly meetings, so I learn first-hand and early on of issues that are affecting them. This "early warning" system means that we can often handle a situation before it rises to a problem level. The association also provides a sounding board, an effective way to gauge if there is community interest and support for an idea I or someone else may be proposing. And finally, because CdMRA is such a representative organization, it carries great weight with other council members when a measure has the association's support. I hope you will continue to support CdMRA and also consider getting more involved. Thank you.

Council Member Nancy Gardner

# Solicitors: What You Should Know

The city's Solicitation ordinance allows solicitors to be in our neighborhoods between the hours of 8:00 am and 9:00 pm every day. Recently, our courts have set aside the requirement for solicitors to pull city permits due to freedom of speech issues.

The issue of after-dark soliciting was raised at a CdMRA board meeting. Council Member Gardner took our members' concerns to city council who directed city staff to work on an ordinance modification to limit the number hours solicitors can be in our neighborhoods. This modification will be presented to city council for review in the next month or so. Be sure to contact CdMRA (see pg 1) if you have comments to share about this issue.

In the meantime, don't take chances. Don't open your door to strangers, regardless of whom they claim to be. Put a sign by your front door "**No Solicitors**" (pick one up at any hardware store or make one yourself). If a solicitor ignores your posted sign and proceeds to your door, call NBPD @ 949.644.3717 and report it as soon as possible.

# OC Marathon Comes to Corona del Mar

On Sunday, May 3, the OC Marathon starts at Fashion Island and for the first time in its race history will wind through CdM, taking in ocean views before heading to the Back Bay, Orange County Performing Arts Center, South Coast Plaza, the Santa Ana River and ending at the OC Fairgrounds. For information on timing of street closures for this event, and for a map of the course that winds through Corona del Mar, please visit our website at <a href="www.Cdmra.org">www.Cdmra.org</a>. For additional information, visit the OC Marathon website at <a href="www.OCMarathon.com">www.OCMarathon.com</a> or call OC Marathon offices at 949.222.3327. If you'd like to help out at a water station, call 562.427.4606 Ext. 221 and mention CdMRA. If your house is on the OC Marathon route, watch your mailbox for additional information coming soon.



# <u>Timely</u> News & Updates

Want access to more timely news about events and issues which impact Corona del Mar? Then be sure to visit our website regularly at <a href="https://www.cdmra.org">www.cdmra.org</a>

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#### Save The Date: August 19 @ 6:00pm

CdMRA, in partnership with NBFD, will host "Neighborhood Preparedness", a meeting open to all residents of 92625. It will be held at Sherman Library and Gardens from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm on Wednesday August 19. This seminar provides you with information and actions that will be invaluable in protecting your family in the event of an emergency or disaster. Don't miss out on this important opportunity.

In the meantime, if you are interested in hosting a Neighborhood Preparedness meeting for your HOA or neighbors, please contact Newport Beach Community Preparedness Coordinator by email at <a href="mailto:nbcert@nbfd.net">nbcert@nbfd.net</a> or call 949.644.3112.



# <u>CdM State Beach –</u> <u>Anchorage Update</u>

On March 1, the Harbor Dept started enforcement of a new ordinance limiting on-board overnight boat stays off Big Corona.



# Where Can I Find . . .

#### City Hall & Park Progress

http://www.city.newportbeach.ca.us/cmo/CityHall/cityHalldesignparkmasterplan.asp

#### **Group Homes Updates**

http://www.city.newportbeach.ca.us/grouphomes.html

#### **CdM Parking Study**

http://www.city.newport-beach.ca.us/EconDev/Downloads/CdM\_TechnicalMemo\_Rvsd\_Dec182008.pdf

# Police Online Reporting

# http://nbpd.org/services/report.asp

E-Select Alert City News Bulletins http://www.city.newportbeach.ca.us/eSelectAlert.html

City Projects, including Buck Gully, Banning Ranch, Oasis Senior Center Marina Park, Sunset Ridge Park and more http://www.city.newportbeach.ca.us/projects.html

**No Internet access? No problem.** Just call 949.644.3309.



# Green Building Task Force

The Green Building Task Force was formed in 2008 by the City Council for the purpose of recommending guidelines for more environmentally conscious development within the city.

The State of California recently adopted the 2008 California Green Building Standards Code which will become voluntarily effective August 1, 2009 and mandatory in July 2011. The standards cover commercial and residential construction and sets targets for energy efficiency, water consumption, diversion of construction waste from landfills, improvement of indoor air quality and conservation of natural resources.

The purpose of the City's Task Force is to review the state standards, identify standards that should be encouraged or required during the voluntary compliance period, create a public outreach program designed to inform residents and builders of the Green Building Standards and to recommend incentives to those that incorporate these Green Building strategies into their development. The incentives could be in multiple forms, such as, waiving municipal processing fees or accelerated and/or prioritized municipal plan review. The Green Building Task Force meets the first Wednesday of each month in the city council conference room in City Hall at 9:30 am.

You can find more information about this Task Force on the city's website at <a href="http://www.city.newport-beach.ca.us/PLN/Taskforce">http://www.city.newport-beach.ca.us/PLN/Taskforce</a> Green.asp



# General Plan / Local Coastal Plan

The General Plan / Local Coastal Plan Implementation Committee has been meeting over the past year to update the city's Zoning Code so that it is consistent with the policies adopted in the 2006 voter approved General Plan.

Topics cover all aspects of the Zoning Code from allowable building height and size, building setbacks, public view protection, commercial and residential parking standards and much more.

Currently, the committee is reviewing the development standards for bluffs and canyons throughout the city. This includes development along **Ocean Blvd**, **Carnation Ave**, **Pacific Ave**, **Brighton Rd**, **Milford Dr** and development along **Buck Gully** and **Morning Canyon**. Residents in these areas should participate in the Zoning Code update process so that their concerns, comments and suggestions can be considered. Once the committee completes its review, the new Zoning Code will be reviewed further in multiple public meetings before the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission will then make a recommendation to the City Council where the code will again be discussed in a public forum before it is finalized and adopted. The public is encouraged to participate at every stage of the update process.

If you have recommendations or concerns regarding the city's Zoning Code, please contact Greg Ramirez in the planning Department at 949.644.3219 for an updated meeting schedule. Additional information about this committee can be found at <a href="http://www.city.newport-beach.ca.us/PLN/GP">http://www.city.newport-beach.ca.us/PLN/GP</a> LCP COMMITTEE.asp

# Vista Point Proposal: Ocean Blvd & Dahlia

One of our CdM residents has developed a concept for creating a vista point in the area of Ocean Blvd and Dahlia. The idea incorporates a view terrace, a landscaped walkway and the installation of a sidewalk along Ocean Blvd between Fernleaf and Dahlia.

This proposal must have support from impacted residents in order to move through city planning for additional study. If you have an interest in learning more about this resident's proposal, contact CdMRA (see pg 1) so that we can collect community input on this idea.



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# **CdMRA Accomplishments & Goals**

## 2008 Accomplishments by the Numbers

24%: Growth in membership

10%: 92625 households who are members so far

87%: Dues spent on mailings (newsletters & postcards)

30%: Members with unpaid dues

29: 92625 neighborhoods

26: Neighborhoods represented by members

11: Board meetings with topical speakers

6: Email newsletters

2: Printed newsletters

2: Postcard mailings

1: Website updated frequently

1: Town Meeting

1: City Council Candidate Forum

Cash In: \$14,674

Cash Out: \$13,371 (Mailings = \$12,756)

# 2009 Goals: "Be Informed . . . Be Prepared "

100%: Members who have paid their dues

25%: Growth in membership

11: Board meetings with topical speakers

9: Email Newsletters

3: Printed Newsletters to Members Only

1: Printed Newsletter to all 92625 households

1: Website updated frequently

1: Town Meeting

1: Preparedness & Safety Meeting

Help us meet our goals by paying your dues on time, by encouraging your friends and neighbors to join and by providing your email address which helps keep our printing and postage costs down. If you are not getting our email newsletters, simply send us an email at <a href="mailto:lnfo@CdMRA.org">lnfo@CdMRA.org</a> and ask that we include you on our email newsletter list.

# **CdMRA Privacy Policy**

We have a strict Privacy policy which protects our members' contact information from being shared or sold.

## Let Us Hear From You

We encourage you to send in your comments, concerns and suggestions. From time to time we poll our members for their opinions on a number of issues that are important to 92625 communities and our residents' quality of life. Be counted; be a valued member.

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