

MONTAGE AT MISSION HILLS NEWS ...

In early April it was reported to PPM that the pool equipment had been stolen from 36266 Dali Dr. The home had been vacant since last November. Also the new owners at 69702 Matisse Rd. reported that someone was trying to steal their pool equipment. The owners of each of those homes would appreciate information about any suspicious activities observed around their homes.

This again points out the fact that we have vanity gates, not security gates. They only keep honest people out. The bad guys know how to get in. During April we had new security covers installed on the gate operators to prevent people from removing the covers to open the gates.

As those of you who attended the annual meeting heard from Mr. Delbow of the Cathedral City Finance Committee, a ramification of the City's financial crisis is reduced police and fire services. The average response time in the City is 7 minutes; the acceptable normal response time is 4 minutes. This means we need to be watchful of suspicious activities within the neighborhood. And it means that we will be on our own for twice as long as within most other cities (and the bad guys know this). Also, there will be less follow-up on reports taken.

POOL DRAINING

All surface water in Montage ends up in the retention basin. In order to minimize the standing water in the retention basin it is important that all homeowners request approval from the Architectural & Landscape Committee when planning to drain their pools. The purpose is to allow scheduling so multiple pools are not discharged at the same time.

WEB SITE

The Montage web site is up and running, but it is a work in progress. New items are being added all the time. Also current news and alerts, such

as the notice about the pool equipment thefts are timely posted.

Other information available include: DOCUMENTS: Articles of Incorporation, By Laws, CC&Rs; COLLECTION POLICY; COMMUNITY MAPS; MINUTES; NEWSLETTER; RULES & REGULATIONS; CALENDAR OF EVENTS; LOCAL VENDORS and SPECIAL SERVICES – where homeowners can sign up to access information about their individual accounts.

Logon to:

http://ht3.hometastic.com/Sites/ppm/montage_mission/ or optional: ppmineternet.com and enter montage - check it out.

ARCHITECTURAL & LANDSCAPE

The A&L Committee requests you inspect your property to make sure that all lights are in working order, landscaping has been properly maintained and any necessary painting is done. Also, please check your watering & make sure you aren't over watering into the street.

DOGS

Please, if you think you need to walk them to do their "business" other than in your yard - walk them outside the gates. If you observe dogs on peoples yards please try to identify the home of the dog and report it to Jennifer at PPM. A \$100 fine will be assessed the homeowner. Urination on lawns causes large yellow (dead) spots.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board meeting will be the annual meeting on May 8, 2008 at the Braille Institute at the Southeast corner of Da Vall and Ramon at 5:00 PM.

Check the community message board on the wall by the retention basin or the web site for the agenda. It will be posted at least 4 days before the meeting.

Tom Tousignant, *President*
Board of Directors