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HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2025



Da Vinci



Monet



Van Gogh



Matisse



Picasso



Chagall



Dali

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY TONY MICHAELIS, President



Our next **Board Meeting** is scheduled for March 14th at 9:30 am. A final agenda and **Zoom** invite will be sent to Homeowners on Monday, March 10th. We will also be sending a

reminder email with the agenda and **Zoom** link the morning of our Board and Annual meetings, moving forward as a way to encourage participation and provide easy access to our meetings.

The **Annual Homeowners Meeting** will be held on **Saturday, March 15th at 8:30am**. At this year's meeting we will be reviewing the Association's activities over the past year with a budget overview, Committee reports, and a Homeowner Forum to provide input and feedback to the incoming Board.

Following the **Annual Meeting**, we will be holding our fourth annual **Block Party** from **noon to 3 pm**. This year it will be located on **Chagall Court**. A big thank you goes out to our **Welcome and Social Committee Chair**,

Frank San Juan, and Committee members for their hard work and preparation for this gathering of neighbors and friends to celebrate our Community. Cathedral City Mayor Nancy Ross, Representatives from the Police and Fire Departments, and Mission Hills Membership and Sports Club Managers will also be addressing our event this year.

Exciting news! The Board has approved a new phone directory and tag reader (RFID) system for the Gerald Ford and Da Vall gate entrances. We anticipate installing the new system in the next several months. Please review the newsletter article on this subject which follows. The Board also approved the next phase of our palm replacement project which will complete the palm installations along Gerald Ford and Da Vall. In addition, a scaled back refresh of the corner landscape will also be completed in March and April.

If you have any questions, comments, or would like to discuss any HOA-related issues, please call or send me an email.

MONTAGE GATE ACCESS—UPDATE

BY TONY MICHAELIS, President

The Board has approved the replacement of the kiosk phone directory and the addition of a tag reader (RFID) which is similar to the **Mission Hills Country Club** entrance gate system. The existing equipment and technology are decades old and in need of upgrade and replacement. This project is funded through our reserve fund. The current Board has chosen the **CellGate** advanced telephone entry system and the **Infinity Carina** long-range RFID tag reader unit. In addition, the Board has chosen **Patton Door & Gate** as our contractor for these new products and for ongoing gate update and maintenance.

The **CellGate** unit is a digital display with an access code and phone directory tab which has phone, photo and video features. For more information [Click Here](#). The system

works along with the **CellGate** phone app—**CellGate Mobile Connect**. The **CellGate** access code does not start with a “#” sign, but we plan to keep current passcodes without the “#” sign as a way to promote a smooth transition. The initial installation will include 2 tags per home. Additional tags will be available for approximately \$15. We will continue the use of the HomeLink and handheld remote entry options during a transition period, but will phase out these systems in the future. The gate cards will continue to operate at the pedestrian gates and at our two entry kiosks.

A future email with details on the installation schedule, tag distribution dates, and tutorials on the **CellGate Mobile App** will be sent out to all Homeowners very soon.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or want more information regarding this project, please call me or send an email.



CellGate telephone entry system



RFID long-range tag reader

GET TO KNOW YOUR 'DALI' STREET ARTIST

BY WALTER GENDELL, Artist on Dali Drive

Thirteen years ago, as I began to contemplate retirement and thinking about what life may be like after working 40+ years, I became involved in photography. As my interest in photography grew, so did the images I captured. I began by photographing that which seemed ordinary and less vibrant and therefore barely noticed. These images were more monochromatic and therefore enhanced this sense of ordinary from our sight but can take on more interest and meaning when seen through the eye of a camera.

Recently I have focused on how interesting

juxtapositions of images and color combinations can tell a story or elicit an emotion—a flower arrangement, reflections in a window or an ordinary street scene. This was represented in my recent show called *Reflections* at UCR Palm Desert Center.

I continue to experiment, grow and “break the chain of routine.” Believing all things deserve a second chance (similar to starting a second career). I have on occasion also refurbished old picture frames that I find in antique and consignment shops. What this means is each picture is somewhat unique and not perfect. As in art, this adds an element of individuality that I find very rewarding.



2025 ELECTION NEWS—UPDATE

JOHN GEARY, Inspector of Elections (IoE)



This year Montage met the requirements for an **Election by Acclamation** because only three self-nominated candidates filed Board Applications for the three available Board positions. As a result, ballots were not needed to be sent out to Montage Homeowners. Tony Michaelis, Sue Johnson and Gary Roman will continue to serve as members of the Board effective March 15th, 2025.



In past years, we have also had a carryover income vote on the ballot. However, it has been determined that this requirement is not needed based on our tax filing status.

If you have any questions about this year's election process, please raise them at the **Annual Homeowners Meeting**, which will be held via **Zoom** on March 15th. You will receive meeting materials and a link before the meeting.

2025 MONTAGE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The faces below should look familiar to you, since the three incumbents, Tony Michaelis, Sue Johnson, and Gary Roman were reelected as members of the Board of Directors. Their two-year terms will begin at the March 14th Board Meeting when individual Board assignments for the year will be determined. It is gratifying to know that our Homeowners

genuinely appreciate all the contributions that the Board has been making in keeping **Montage at Mission Hills** one of the most desirable places to live in the Coachella Valley. We also want to thank these Homeowner volunteers for the excellent job they have been doing on behalf of our Community.



Tony Michaelis



Norm Giere



Thomas Harp



Sue Johnson



Gary Roman

“Thank you for your service”

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC)

BY NORM GIERE, Chair



The Architectural Review Committee is responsible for approving all Montage home improvements.

Improvements as defined in our CC&Rs include home painting, exterior doors, landscaping, hedges, solar, systems, awnings, screens, driveway, etc.

Homeowners must submit an **Architectural Improvement Request (AIR)** and receive approval before proceeding with any Improvement. The **ARC** meeting to review **AIRs** is on the first Friday of every month. The **AIR** form can be downloaded from our website by [Clicking Here](#). The **AIR** needs to be submitted to the **ARC** by the Friday preceding the meeting date.



ARCHITECTURAL IMPROVEMENT REQUEST

PROPERTY ADDRESS _____ DATE _____

HOMEOWNER (Print Name—all Homeowners must submit request) _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

HOMEOWNER (Print Name—all Homeowners must submit request) _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

MAILING ADDRESS (if different than property address) _____

REQUESTED IMPROVEMENT(S) _____

You are hereby advised that the work described above is proposed for the indicated property address and approval thereof is requested.

Attached are _____ set(s) of drawings of the work to be done and a complete description of all materials to be used.

A security deposit of \$1,000 is required on all swimming pool installations. Artificial turf installation requests require the Homeowner to fill out the **Artificial Turf Requirements** form that can be downloaded at www.montageatmissionhills.org. Please complete and attach it to this request.



Yearly date palm installation—This year, six date palms are being removed on the Gerald Ford/Da Vall corner, and six date palms on Da Vall. We will be installing five Mexican fan palms (*Washingtonia filibusta*) along Da Vall, and five date palms on the Gerald Ford/Da Vall corner.

The **Palm Installation Program** is all part of our 10-year palm replacement plan, and we are proceeding on schedule. After this year's install there are only eight remaining date palms in the detention basin that will need to be removed.

Montage Address Light Sign—Owners it's probably time to replace the old fixture with the new LED technology. If you would like to spiff up the front of your home with a new lighted address sign we suggest the LED light from Aero-Lite.



The model used in our Community is the **PLHN4LED**. If you are interested in the new light you can [Click Here](#) and you will be taken directly to their website.

MONTAGE CORNER REFRESH PROJECT

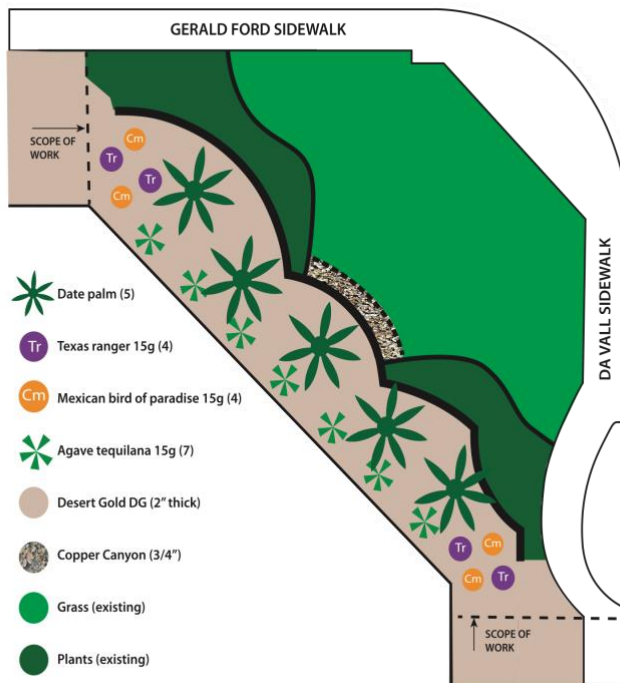
ED SCHNAARS, Corner Refresh Project Chair



The Montage Corner Refresh project focuses on creating a natural and visually appealing desert-inspired design. The final plan includes the installation of drought tolerant plants, warm lighting, decomposed granite (DG) for a cohesive and low-maintenance aesthetic, and restoring the lower wall and signage.

Plants and Layout

- Date palms— Five new palms will become focal points providing shade and structure.
- Agave tequilanas— Blue-green architectural succulents will add texture and symmetry.
- Mexican Birds of Paradise—Spaced out to add vibrant seasonal blooms.
- Texas Rangers—Strategically spaced for their lush green foliage and purple flowers.



Ground Cover and Lighting

- Decomposed Granite (DG)—Loose application for a seamless, natural blend with the surroundings.

- Lighting: Warm-toned lights highlighting the palms and agaves for a welcoming ambiance.

Irrigation System

- Drip Irrigation: Installed for each individual plant to ensure efficient watering while conserving resources.

Execution Plan

- The project will be carried out by Conserve LandCare, ensuring professional installation.
- Work is scheduled to begin in late March to early April 2025.

The design prioritizes a low-maintenance and water-efficient landscape that blends naturally into the surrounding environment.

This is Phase 1 of the Corner Refresh Project. The next phase will eliminate the grass area, (in order to be in compliance with state law) and the existing plants in the flower beds will be replaced with drought tolerant species.



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE

BY CHUCK MIDDLETON, Chair



Once again, this year the Emergency Preparedness Committee will have a table at the Fourth Annual Homeowners **Block Party** scheduled for March 15th (aka by Julius Caesar fans as *The Ides of March*).

Stop by to say hello. And if you haven't yet already received it, pick up your **Emergency Preparedness Kit**. We are honing in on the completion of this distribution and, sad to say, there is **NO PRIZE** for being the last Homeowner to receive one.

If you want more information or would like to become a member on the **Emergency Preparedness Committee**, please email me at cmiddleton@roosevelt.edu

WEBSITE COMMITTEE

BY SCOTT REESE. Webmaster



The Montage website has just celebrated its tenth anniversary. As one of the first and arguably the best HOA websites in the Coachella Valley, our site is not just a convenience—it has also evolved into a transformative tool designed to educate, enhance communication, streamline management, and cultivate a stronger sense of Community. By offering a central hub for information and interaction at montageatmissionhills.org, we hope you agree that it improves the quality of life for Montage residents and website visitors.

As the webmaster and editor of the MontageatMissionHills.org, I want to share a few examples of how our association website serves as a vital tool for enhancing Community life. The website is more than just an archival repository or a digital noticeboard—it's a resource that fosters connection, enhances transparency, and streamlines your daily operations. As the

website continues to expand, here's why it has become such an essential part of our neighborhood.

Improved Communication

Our website is your primary source for all Community-related updates. Everything you need—from upcoming [HOA events and board meeting schedules](#) to [ARC agendas](#), important [election results](#), and [governing documents](#)—is only a few clicks away. Working together with our excellent bimonthly **Artisan** newsletter, the website offers expanded content from newsletter articles, provides access to [past newsletter issues](#), and delivers essential real-time informational updates. Additionally, the website includes information on how to [contact the board directly](#), promoting open and effective communication.

Streamlined Processes

Living in an HOA sometimes involves administrative work, and our website makes this process seamless. Through the montageatmissionhills.org site you can [link to our Community Manager](#) to submit maintenance requests and [make dues payments](#). You can download [official forms](#), from wherever you may be. These features

save residents and board members time while ensuring tasks are handled efficiently.

Enhanced Transparency

We believe that trust is built through openness. That is why we use our website to share our [meeting agendas](#), [board minutes/decisions](#), and important [financial documents](#). This transparency allows all members to stay informed about how their dues are spent, Committee activity, and the projects shaping our Community. Keeping Homeowners in the loop promotes understanding and a stronger sense of trust and accountability.

Fostering Community Engagement

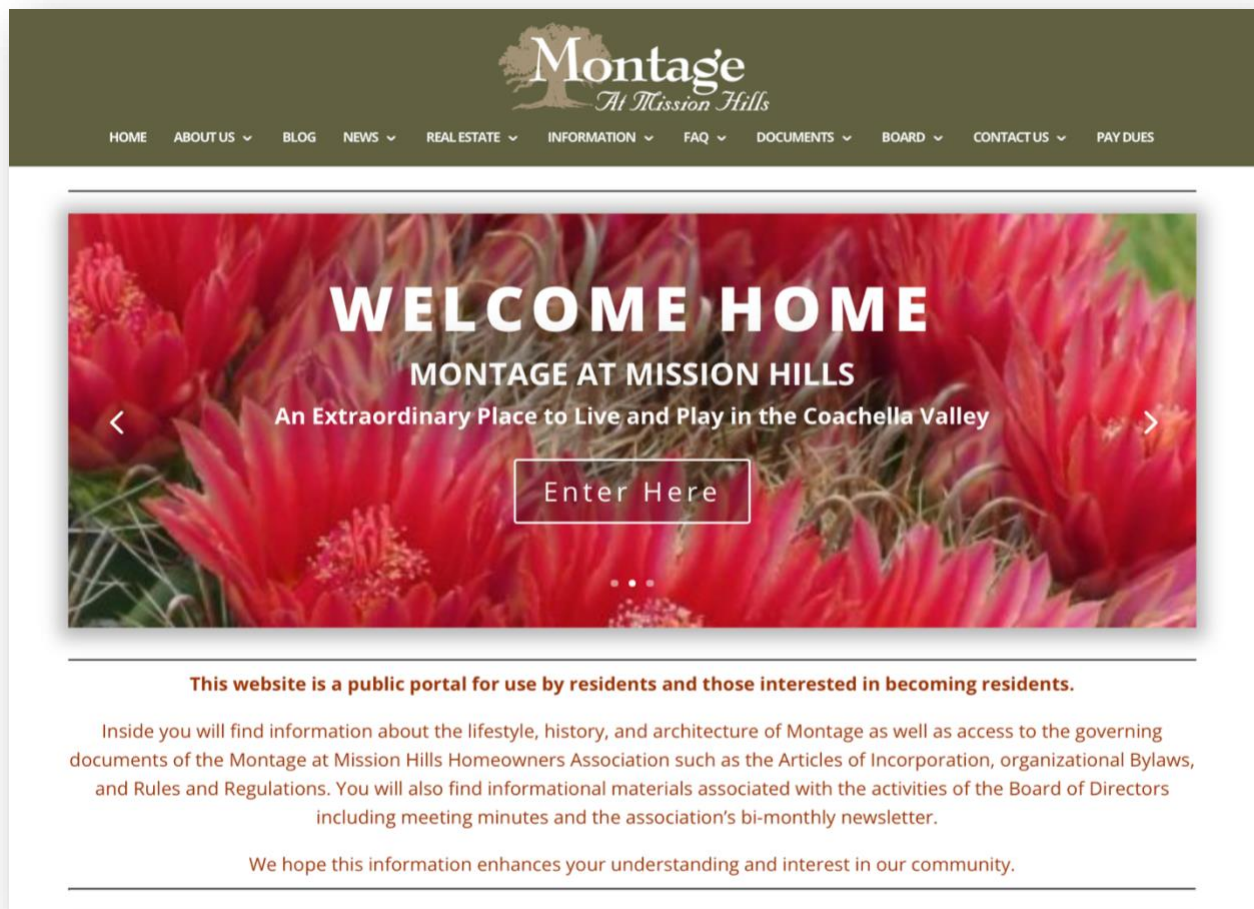
Our online platform isn't just for updates—it's also a place for connection. The [Montage Next Door page](#) offers access to reviews, classifieds, forums and discussion boards, which allow residents to share ideas, raise

concerns, and collaborate on Community initiatives. This inclusive space ensures everyone has a voice, even if they can't attend in-person meetings.

Accessible Anytime, Anywhere

One of the most valuable aspects of our website is its 24/7 accessibility. Whether you need to review HOA [rules and regulations](#), [get an answer to a question](#), or [download a form](#), you can do so anytime from any device. This convenience keeps everyone informed and engaged.

Our goal with [montageatmissionhills.org](#) is to make Community life more organized, informed, and connected. If you haven't explored all the features yet, I encourage you to visit and see how the site can help you. If you're interested in joining the website team, please contact me at webmaster@montageatmissionhills.org



WELCOME AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

BY FRANK SAN JUAN, Chair



The **Welcome and Social Committee** is pleased to be hosting our **Fourth Annual Neighborhood Block Party** on Saturday, March 15th from **12 noon to 3pm** on the straight part of the street of Chagall Ct. before the

bend to the cul-de-sac.

Cathedral City Mayor, Nancy Ross, will be at our event and will be bringing representatives from the Police and Fire Departments. The goal of bringing these representatives is to better connect them with the local Community that they serve in a relaxed environment. They are part of our Community and this engagement will hopefully build better relations and bridges of communication. Additionally, we will have representatives from Mission Hills Country Club providing us with information about new developments and events happening at the Country Club.

This year we will be having **Uncle D's Smokehouse BBQ & Grill** food truck providing us with delicious barbecue sandwiches. And back by popular demand, **Handel's Ice Cream** for dessert! Instead of having several separate tables, and small high-top tables, we decided to have long

communal banquet tables in order to facilitate and encourage increased interaction among the residents.

All attendees will have the opportunity to participate in our **'Raffle'** with several prizes that definitely will be appreciated!

There are a lot of commonalities among the residents of Montage that many of us are unaware of — such as shared interests in Community volunteer activities, growing up and living in various local communities and states across the U.S. and now calling Montage home, common professional experiences, people that enjoy playing and are passionate about certain sports and gaming activities, and a host of other personal experiences that binds us all.

The **Welcome and Social Committee** is committed to strengthening our Community bonds by fostering meaningful and positive communication between residents, and bringing to light what we all share in common—rather than our differences.

We look forward to all of us getting together and having a great time at our **2025 Neighborhood Block Party**.

Please email your **RSVP** to Frank San Juan at frankcsanjuan@gmail.com by March 2nd. This year it is important to do so since we need to give a more accurate headcount for **Uncle D's Smokehouse BBQ & Grill** food truck and **Handel's Ice Cream**.

Come meet the neighbors.





HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

BLOCK PARTY

Come meet the neighbors.



Saturday, March 15, 2025

12:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Chagall Court

RSVP to Frank San Juan by March 2

frankcsanjuan@gmail.com

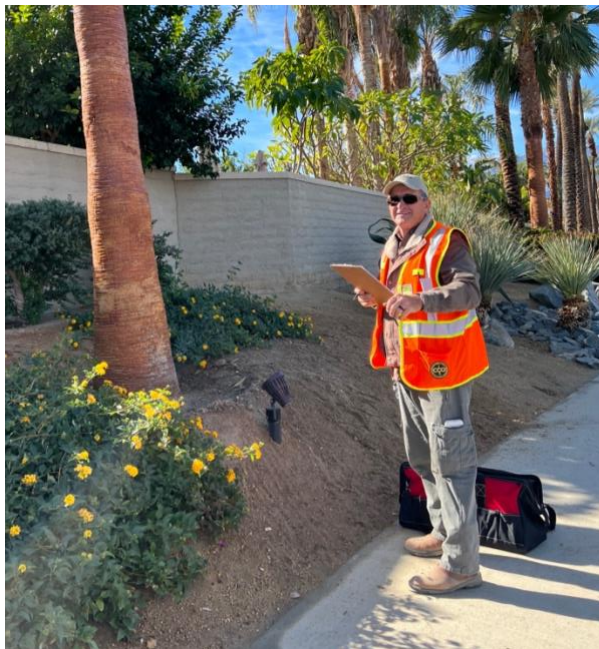
Food, Drinks and Fun!

THE ROLES OF CERTIFIED ARBORISTS

SCOTT REESE, Montage Homeowner

In the Coachella Valley climate, maintaining the health and beauty of trees requires ongoing commitment from both Homeowners and the HOA. When considered as a group, Montage palm trees are the second most valuable asset for the HOA, following the streets. In 2016, the Board discovered that many perimeter date palm trees were aging, inadequately maintained, and in decline. At that time, the Board hired the **Hermann Design Group**, Landscape Architects, to evaluate the palms and develop a replacement program.

Montage first engaged Master Consulting Arborist **Gregston D. Young** to help manage the new palms through a competitive selection process based on his extensive expertise in streetscape palm tree management and risk assessment. Gregston Young has consulted on palm tree risk assessment, care, and replacement at Montage since 2020.



Gregston Young, Certified Consulting Arborist

When it comes to tree care, what is the difference between a Gardener, a Certified Arborist, and a Consulting Arborist?

While gardeners may have been trained on the job and be skilled at pruning and general plant care, the main differences between a Certified Arborist and a Certified Consulting Arborist lie in their expertise, scope of work, and certification requirements.

Certified Arborist

- Credentialed by the [International Society of Arboriculture \(ISA\) Certified Arborist](#) as an ISA Certified Arborist.
- Focuses on tree care, maintenance, pruning, removal, and health assessments.
- Typically works for tree service companies, municipalities, or landscape firms.
- Requires passing the ISA Certified Arborist exam and maintaining education credits.

Certified Consulting Arborist

- Credentialed by the American Society of Consulting Arborists (ASCA).
- Specializes in high-level tree risk assessments, legal and insurance reports, expert witness testimony, and forestry planning.
- Often works independently or with homeowners associations, municipalities, law firms, and developers.
- Most have university training in arboriculture, horticulture, forestry, or a related field.
- Requires advanced training, experience, and in many cases, the Registered Consulting Arborist (RCA) designation.

In short, a **Certified Arborist** is hands-on with tree care, while a **Certified Consulting Arborist** provides expert analysis, reports, and professional advice on complex tree-related issues. Both adhere to a code of ethics, ensuring high standards in tree maintenance and safety practices.

[Click Here](#) to continue reading this article.

PREPARING FOR NATURAL DISASTERS

SCOTT REESE, Montage Homeowner

We have all been following the recent news of the devastating fires in the Los Angeles area and their effects on lives, homes, and communities. Many homes may have been lost due to inadequate preparation and retrofitting, which could have reduced the damage.

Articles are emerging about homeowners who are driven to consider what may have once been viewed as extraordinary tactics and improvements to protect their homes against what has seemingly become a year-round fire and disaster season. These events underscore the importance and cost-effectiveness of proactively preparing homes to withstand natural disasters rather than dealing with total loss and rebuilding.

Understanding the Risks in Montage

Our Community is positioned to face natural and man-created hazards. The risks include:

Wildfires and Windstorm Conflagrations:

Our desert climate and high winds create ideal conditions for fast-moving fires. Wind-borne embers can ignite roofs, landscaping, and other flammable materials.

Earthquakes: The Coachella Valley, which is located near the San Andreas Fault, is highly susceptible to seismic activity.

Flash Floods: Though rare, intense storms have been seen to overwhelm local drainage systems and cause significant water damage.

Extreme Heat and Power Outages: Rising temperatures have increased power outages as utility companies shut down grids to reduce wildfire risks.

Chemical Spills: Our proximity to I-10 and the nearby railroad corridor poses the risk of hazardous material accidents.

Reflecting on disasters like the Northridge Earthquake, the Palisades and Altadena Fires, and Hurricane Hilary, it's clear that our Community is not immune to such events. Preparing now can make all the difference.

Financial and Emotional Costs of Rebuilding versus Retrofitting

Stories from Los Angeles highlight the heavy toll of losing a home—financially, emotionally, and logistically. Rebuilding can take years and often goes beyond what insurance covers. Conversely, proactive preparation tends to be far more manageable and cost-effective over time. The benefits of preparation include:

Enhanced Home Salability: Planned and retrofitted emergency features are appearing in property sales ads as new home features.

Cost Savings: Incremental improvements and retrofits, equipment, and training done over time can be done cost-effectively.

Insurance Benefits: Many upgrades can lower premiums or even be necessary to secure insurance coverage.

Peace of Mind: Knowing that you've taken steps to protect your home and loved ones.

Call to Action

There are many ways to prioritize our time and focus, but the simplest and most effective method is to address urgent tasks first. Given recent events, preparing for the impending emergency feels essential. However, waiting until a tree or houseplant becomes unhealthy to take action may be too late. It's much more effective to organize for what truly matters instead.

Waiting for trouble often means spending more of our days managing issues as they arise. From what we are witnessing the time to start is now!

WALKING YOUR DOG SAFELY

There are many dog owners in Montage who enjoy walking their pets at night. This can be a peaceful and enjoyable experience, but it can also come with some additional risks. Darkness reduces visibility for both you and your pet, making it essential to take extra precautions to ensure safety. Whether you're navigating dimly lit streets or quiet parks, here are some essential tips for a safe and enjoyable nighttime walk with your furry friend.

Use Reflective Gear and Proper Lighting
Visibility is one of the biggest concerns when walking your dog at night. To make yourself and your dog more noticeable to drivers, cyclists, and other pedestrians, use reflective gear—a reflective vest or clothing with reflective strips. Similarly, equip your dog with a reflective collar, leash, or harness.

Additionally, carrying a flashlight or using a hands-free headlamp can help illuminate your path and alert others to your presence. LED light-up leashes and collars are also excellent options to improve visibility.

Keep Your Dog on a Short Leash
A short leash gives you better control over your dog, reducing the risk of them running into traffic, chasing animals, or encountering hidden dangers. A non-retractable leash is ideal for nighttime walks.

Stay Alert and Avoid Distractions
Nighttime walks require your full attention. Avoid using headphones or being distracted by your phone. Being fully aware of your surroundings helps you notice approaching cars, people, or other animals that could pose a threat. Listen carefully for unusual sounds, such as barking dogs or vehicles approaching from behind.

Be Mindful of Traffic
Even if you're walking within Montage, don't assume drivers can see you. Walk against traffic so you can see oncoming vehicles, giving you extra time to react if needed.

Dress for the Weather
Temps are heating up in the desert, so dress appropriately for evening walks. Remember to walk your pet in the early morning or late evening hours when the asphalt is cooler.

Carry Identification and a Cell Phone
Identification, your phone, and some form of emergency contact information in case of an accident. Your dog should also wear an ID tag, and consider using a GPS collar if you're concerned about them getting lost.



Final Thoughts
Walking your dog at night can be a great way to unwind and bond with your pet, but safety should always be the top priority. By using reflective gear, staying alert, choosing safe routes, and keeping your dog under control, you can ensure a safe and enjoyable nighttime walk. With these precautions in place, you and your dog can enjoy your evening stroll with peace of mind.

PLEASE BE RESPECTFUL—AND PICK UP!

FRANK SAN JUAN, Montage Homeowner

It has come to the attention of the Board that there has been a lot of dog waste found in some of our residents' yards, in the street, and on the outside perimeter of our Community.

We would kindly like to remind homeowners, their guests, and temporary residents of our Community that they are responsible for all dog waste clean-up **and should carry pet waste disposal bags when walking their pets in the Community.**



We also refer our dog owners to the Cathedral City ordinance 10.10.020 which states that **owners shall not knowingly fail, refuse, or neglect to clean up their dog's feces immediately and shall dispose of it in an asanitary manner whenever the dog has defecated upon public or private property.**

Dog poop can become quite noxious and toxic, as well as posing a health risk to our Community. Dog poop left uncollected can transmit bacteria, viruses, and parasites to humans and other animals. Also, dog poop can also be carried into waterways and contaminate our water supply. The unsightliness of dog poop can also cause ill feelings and irritation between neighbors, negatively impact the aesthetics of our Community, and possibly affect attracting new Homeowners.



Please Be Respectful and abide by our Pet Policy and keep everyone safe and our Community looking beautiful!



RULES AND REGULATIONS



The *CC&Rs* and our *Rules and Regulations* are part of the Governing Documents of our Homeowners Association—known as the HOA. These documents protect, enhance, and maintain the homes and the common areas of the Community. The primary argument for HOAs is that they create and enforce rules that will preserve the value of your property.

A lot of our property's value comes from the homes that surround it, which is why keeping all homes in the Community up to the same standards can ensure that homes retain their relative value over time.

Here are some of the most common rules to be aware of and to follow:

Garages—lights must be on in the evening; doors only open for entering and exiting.

Driveways—must be kept clean and free from automobile oil stains.

Improvements—all improvements require an *Architectural Improvement Request (AIR)* to be submitted for review and Committee approval.

Landscaping—yards must be maintained in a neat manner; hedges cannot exceed 9 feet; trees cannot overhang street.

Lighting—garage lights, HOA yard lights, and address lights must be on in the evening; lights must be “warm white” or 2400K bulbs.

Noise—we follow Cathedral City Municipal Code 11.96.030; sound needs to be limited between the hours of 10 pm to 7 am.

Painting—solar external boxes, electrical panels, conduit, wiring, and cabling must be painted to match the exterior of the house.

Parking—Owner's cars must be parked in driveway or garage; guests may park on the street for no more than 3 days.

Pets—must be on a leash when outdoors; Owner's must pick up and dispose of waste promptly and properly.

Trash—containers may be put out Monday and returned by Wednesday evening.

What are the PROs of our HOA?

- Home values benefit from the HOA rules and stability of the appearance as well as uniform maintenance of the property.
- Membership in *Mission Hills Country Club* provides access to additional amenities such as tennis and pickleball, swimming pool, gym, croquet, and Clubhouse.
- Our property management company will mediate disputes between neighbors for property-related issues that violate rules such as obnoxious noise, pet issues, and any other regulations that are broken.

For more detailed descriptions concerning our rules and regulations please refer to the *CC&Rs* and *Rules and Regulations* which can be found on our website or **Click Here**

'GOOD HOUSEKEEPING' TIPS

Avoid rats in your citrus—Citrus is ripening nowadays so it is important to pick fruit when it's ripe. Fallen fruit left on the ground will only be a calling card for rats and pests. Help keep our community a rat-free zone by picking fruit when it is ripe or has fallen.



Close your garage door—In our *Rules and Regulations* it states that “garage doors shall not be left open, except for short-term projects (i.e. cooling, cleaning, organizing) as long as excessive noise does not emanate from the garage.” **Please keep doors closed.**



FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

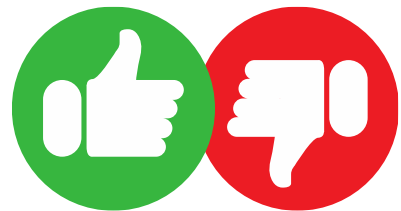


Our March Board Meeting will be conducted on Friday, March 14th at 9:30 am. The Agenda and instructions will be emailed to all our Homeowners who have provided the **Consent Form** for receiving electronic documents (required by State law) on Monday, March 10th. If you don't receive this information please contact Tony Michaelis at tonymichaelis@icloud.com to receive the **Montage Consent Form**. Email instructions will be sent to Homeowners prior to the meeting.

Meeting notices and Agendas are posted on the **Community Message Board**, located on the wall at the Da Vinci/Van Gogh curve. Homeowners are encouraged to observe the meeting and are invited to participate during the **OPEN FORUM** portion. Please understand that the Board cannot act on any items that are not on the posted Agenda.

YOUR COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS

If you have something that you would like to share with the Community or the HOA Board please email Tony Michaelis at tonymichaelis@icloud.com for Board consideration. And if you would like to submit an article for the **ARTISAN** please send it to Norm Giere at giereARC@gmail.com. We encourage and welcome your participation and feedback to make our newsletter inclusive and reflect our Community.



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Montage Website

MontageatMissionHills.org

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Cathedral City Vacation Rental Hotline
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Contact Gary Roman for purchase of a gate access remote control.

The current cost is \$45 per unit.

Burrtec Waste and Recycling

Contact for any refuse issues including bin replacement: 760.340.2113 or
burrtec.com/cathedral-city

Cathedral City Guide and Calendar

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