

NEWS VIEWS

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COUNTRY VIEW HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION

HOA Board member elections There is still an open spot on the Country View HOA board and elections are coming up soon. Now is the time to submit a candidate statement and get your name in circulation. The board can always use extra help and fresh ideas!

Vehicle accident A few weeks ago there was a vehicle accident in Country View that had the potential for a very tragic outcome. Fortunately there were no injuries to people – only damage to a homeowner's property and the vehicle, which was totaled. The young man driving the vehicle and his passengers do not live in Country View, but reportedly were traveling up Tahiti in excess of 55 MPH when he lost control and crashed through a backyard fence, taking out a small redwood tree. A couple feet in either direction would have resulted in impact with a large redwood tree – and probably fatalities.

Every day motorists are observed traveling up and down Country View streets at speeds FAR in excess of 25 MPH – especially on Tahiti and Barbados. These are not just visitors and delivery drivers **but Country View residents**. Neighbors, you and your loved ones walk, drive, and sometimes play on these streets. Do you want someone racing past at unsafe speeds that can put you or yours at risk for injury or worse? Not likely. So demonstrate some consideration and responsibility and **SLOW DOWN**. Make sure you tell your driving age kids the same. We want a safe, quiet neighborhood. Not a raceway.

Smart911 – Check out this valuable, free service Over 70% of 9-1-1 emergency calls are made with mobile phones, but when you call 9-1-1 from a mobile phone, dispatch has very little information to help you – only your phone number and a general sense of your location. Smart911 is a free service that lets you store key information about each member of your household so first responders can access it while they roll and have those details available **before they arrive on scene** – either at your home or elsewhere. To create an account you go online at Smart911.com and enter a profile for each member of your household. This includes a physical description (you can even download a photo), and pertinent medical information such as chronic medical conditions, allergies to drugs or food, cognitive or memory problems, disabilities or mobility problems, and current medications. You can also include the home, work, or school address of a mobile caller; details or directions that will help responders quickly recognize and access the property; and provide details on the layout of your home and bedroom locations. All this helps facilitate a faster response.

As an example, you may have an elderly parent with multiple health issues living in your home. If your parent has a medical emergency, responders will download his/her profile from Smart911 and know before they arrive that your parent is diabetic, has a pacemaker, takes blood thinning medication, and is allergic to penicillin. Time is saved since you don't have to impart this information and needn't worry about forgetting key details in the moment of crisis.



NEXT MEETING

October 3, 2017

7:00 p.m.

Country View
Tennis Courts

Smart911 is a very valuable resource for people who live alone and may not be able to speak for themselves in a medical emergency; or for family members who experience an emergency while away from home. Another scenario is if a neighbor sees smoke coming from your home and calls 9-1-1. You and your family may all be asleep and unaware of the fire. But the fire responders will arrive knowing the profile of each individual who can be expected inside the home, thus increasing the efficiency of the search and rescue. You can even include a profile for your pets so they are included.

Smart911 does more than what is described here. Neighbors are strongly encouraged to visit the site and set up profiles for their households and advise loved ones in other households (especially elderly people or families with young children) to do the same. Seconds count in an emergency and having vital information in advance can save responders many minutes. Smart911 indicates that 15 minutes is saved on average. Those 15 minutes can save your life.

2017 Board Meetings

October 3, 2017 – 7:00 p.m. – Country View Tennis Courts
December 5, 2017 – 7:00 p.m. – San Ramon Community Center