

RANCHO DOMINGUEZ NEWS & VIEWS

Community Newsletter ♦ MARCH 2015

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Judy Murray, President John Karagas, Vice President Paul Swiontek, Treasurer Jack Parra, Secretary Steve Ritz, Member at Large

ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

The Board of Directors Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Travis Ranch Activity Center, 5200 Via de la Escuela, Yorba Linda. Executive (Closed) Session begins at 6:00 p.m. and General (Open) Session and General (Open) Session is at 6:45 p.m. Homeowners are encouraged to attend the General Session. New members are always welcome. If you would like to join a committee or run for the Board, please contact Jennifer Sarkis, Certified Community Manager at Optimum. Elections are in May of each year.

The next three Board meetings are scheduled for:

Tuesday, March 10, 2015 Tuesday, April 14, 2015 Tuesday, May 12, 2015 (Budget Meeting)



Welcoming the First Day of Spring which officially begins on Friday, March 20, 2015!

Your Rancho Dominguez Community Association Board would like to take this opportunity to update RDCA members on happenings in our Community.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Landscape Report:

The Board walked the Association the latter part of January to evaluate newly renovated areas and slopes, and to discuss priorities for the coming year. The renovation project area along the stretch of Dominguez Ranch Road at Via de la Esquela looks great. The renovation of this long strip next to the wall will help prevent water run-off and certainly has served to enhance the perimeter of our community. This beautification was accomplished with RDCA

This beautification was accomplished with RDCA Association dues. It was not provided by the City as some may believe. Renovation projects will continue along Dominguez Ranch to Yorba Ranch Road as our budget permits.

The south entrance to Via Noriega was felt to be a high priority. O'Connell Landscape offered recommendations and noted the need to keep some hedge material at the top of the slope to prevent automobile headlights from shining into the home on the corner. O'Connell will provide pictures of proposals and these will be placed on our website (ranchodominguezcommunity.org). Homeowner input is always welcomed!

The long awaited replanting of the slope behind Via Marcos has been completed in the largest project area. It was planted with a hedge, Low-boy Acacia and Lantana. The smaller project area on Via Marcos will be done in the near future.

Two areas in our Community were identified for possible TURF REMOVAL REBATE from Yorba Linda Water District. The two areas in our Community which may qualify are the wrap-around corners on Via Lugo and Via Bernardo. These two areas are presently mowed by our landscape crew and, thus, may qualify **as** "turf". Turf removal rebates are also available to homeowners (\$2 per square foot). Go to YLWD website for further information.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Water Rates: We are told our water rates will surely increase in July, which will mean increased water bills for our Association. Your Board of Directors is doing everything possible to conserve water and hold the line on expenses so as not to increase Association dues. So far, we have been successful in holding the dues to \$90.00 per month.

BECOME A BOARD MEMBER

Board Vacancy: With the resignation of John Karagas from the Board, we are left with a vacancy on the Rancho Dominguez Community Association Board. This will be an appointed position by the present Board members until our Annual Meeting in May. While the Board can function with four members, we are looking for members who are interested in serving their community. If you are interested, please contact Jennifer Sarkis at Optimum Professional Property Management.



The Board would like to take this opportunity to thank John Karagas for his years of service to our Rancho Dominguez Community Association. He was always involved and engaged during our Landscape District issues with the City of Yorba Linda, and also served as Chairman of the Architectural Committee. If you have submitted plans in the past few years, you know how "on top of things" John was in that capacity. Thank you John!



Note to Landlords: The Rancho Dominguez Community Association encourages members who lease or rent their home to provide the tenant information to our Management Company in case there is an emergency and need to contact the resident.

᠁ᢛᡢᠬᡅ᠋ᡱᡊᡗᡊᡔᡗᡢ᠋᠋ᠺᡘᢄᡷ

MANAGEMENT COMPANY

Optimum Professional Property Management, Inc. (ACMF)

A CCREDITED COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT FIRM

17731 Irvine Boulevard, Suite 212

Tustin, CA 92780

(714) 508-9070 Fax: (714) 665-3000

Web site: <u>www.optimumpm.com</u>

Office Hours: M-F 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Assessment Billing/Collections: (714) 508-9070, Extension 1

Administrative Assistant: (Applications, Forms) Deborah Kirby, Ext. 223 Email: <u>dkirby@optimumpm.com</u>

Maintenance Coordinator: (Landscaping/Lighting) Sherman Wiggs, Ext. 245 E-mail: <u>swiggs@optimumpm.com</u>

Certified Community Association Manager: Jennifer Sarkis, CCAM, Ext. 237 E-mail: jsarkis@optimumpm.com

> Senior Certified Community Association Manager: Morgan Taylor, CCAM, Ext. 238 E-mail: <u>mtaylor@optimumpm.com</u>

IMPORTANT DATES & HOLIDAYS



Please remember that Daylight Savings begins Sunday, March 8, 2015. Don't forget to adjust your time!!



Optimum Professional

Property Management will be closed on Friday, April 3, 2015 in observance of Good Friday.