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# December Editorial—*Tis the Season*



In the SoCal, we get the most amazing sunsets this time of year. This one was taken on October 31, Halloween evening, by Debbie Johnston (spc-10). Thank you, Deb!

The month of December can be challenging. I don't know about you, but I find myself melancholy this time of year. I can't help but remember the good and the bad of the years and people gone by.

If you've lost a loved one recently, please do not feel you need to be alone. All you need to do is reach out. So many of us have found ourselves in similar situations, and are more than willing to help you start anew.

To combat this year's melancholy, I have launched a home-remodel project, both inside and out. I am slowly going through possessions that no longer serve me, and letting them go one-by-one. I can't tell you how much better I feel in doing so. In letting go, I am opening myself up to new things, people, and experiences.

From all of us at The Breeze, we wish you good tidings and a far better year to come!

Drop us a line anytime: PEE.TheBreeze@gmail.com

Our country and indeed, the entire planet, appear to be topsy-turvy and in an up-roar, but in letting go, even that isn't getting me down. I am just too excited to see what my home will look like once it is finished. And I haven't spent a fortune either. Empire Carpets offered a price and terms I couldn't resist. From the moment the new flooring was installed, I was off and running—changing this, throwing out that re-purposing other items.

The pièce de résistance will be when the exterior of my home is repainted—in four colors no less. Many thanks to our own Patty Gonzales (spc-286) who personally helped me explore the possibilities to find an incredible color scheme for the size, style, and location of my property.

I truly can't wait, but first I need to get rid of more stuff!

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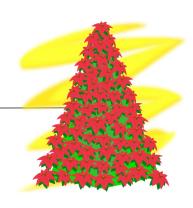


# Community Publicity

Patty Gonzales, Publicity, PEERA Board Member

# O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree!





### Details

- Saturday, December 3 | 1 to 7 p.m.
- Photos with Santa | 1 to 4:30 p.m.
- ◆ Tree Lighting | 5:35 p.m.

### Location:

San Marcos Civic Center 1 Civic Center Drive, San Marcos, CA 92078

"The Christmas tree is the centerpiece that ignites the holiday spirit."

# How fortunate is our community...

Not only is San Marcos a recreation destination, it was also ranked 20th in Fortune's Best Places to Live for Families.

I wholeheartedly agree that the resources and amenities available to residents and visitors alike are what set our beautiful city apart from the rest.

The support provided in partnership with Parks and Recreation promotes general wellness, happiness, and a greater sense of community.

Have a tree-mendous Christmastime!

Patty



# Millennium Memo

According to the Governor's website, the California Legislature passed 1,166 bills this year. 997 of those were signed into law, 169 were vetoed. As far as I could tell, there are only two new laws that might impact Palomar East.



# SB 869—Manager Training

This new law requires managers of Manufactured Home Communities to complete a 6-hour online training course, plus 2 hours of continuing education every 2 years. Tenant activists fought hard for this, although I'm not sure why. 6 hours isn't much training.

Kasey is qualified to teach these classes, but if the law requires him to take a course, that's what he'll will do. He doesn't need it, but if it's a day off work, he won't mind.

### AB 2031—Meet & Consult

"Management shall meet and consult with the homeowners, upon written request, within 30 days of the request, either individually, collectively, or with representatives, or with a group of homeowners who have signed a request to be so represented."

I'm not sure why that required a new law, but I guess some Park owners won't talk to their residents. It's been a while since we've gotten together, but we're happy to do so any time the PEERA Board suggests.

### A Couple More Items

- SPARC, our resident services partner, is planning a fun Holiday Event on Dec. 20: Band & Bingo (with holiday music), a catered lunch...we're reserving 40 spots for Palomar East, plus 20 each for Palomar West & Rancho Vallecitos. Sounds fun, doesn't it?
- Lots of projects were completed last month: Palm Tree trimming (\$6K), new Picnic Tables at the Clubhouse Patio, hydro jetting the sewer lines, Clubhouse Bathroom Remodel...we also hope the remodel of the Spa bathroom is done by the time you're reading this.

Regarding that last item...did you hear that someone stole the toilet from the San Marcos Police Station? So far, the Police have nothing to go on.

### A Risky Gift?

One resident told me that she got her husband a dog for an early Christmas present—a Pug, actually. "Despite the squashed nose, bulging eyes and rolls of fat, the dog seems to like him," she said. I'm glad they're getting along.

Have a Merry Christmas & a very Happy New Year!

**George Turk** 





# **MARKET UPDATE &**

East Park

# MANAGER'S REPORT



Martin Hernandez Park Manager/Maintenance

















FOR

Feliz Navidad from all of the maintenance staff. The team and I look forward to serving the Park in the New Year.

### **HOME SALES**

There were no home sales since the November Breeze. Two homes are currently in escrow, and six homes are for sale.

### MAINTENANCE UPDATE

The dying African daisies were removed around the clubhouse. Healthy new ones will be planted in their place. Fresh flowers were added around the clubhouse.

Additionally, new concrete steps at the top of the clubhouse entrance walkway were removed and new concrete poured. Also, paint now highlights the steps for added visibility.

### WINTER IS ALMOST HERE

The rainy season is upon us. Make sure your gutters are free of debris, leaves, mud, and weeds. Take a glance around your property. Trim your bushes, trees, and remove the surrounding weeds. When the new year begins you will have one less item on your to-do list.

### WELCOME ABOARD

Dave Fenner has joined our team as weekend Park Patrol. He will now be sharing this position with Lanny Lippincott. When Dave passes by, give him a friendly wave or a shout out. He will appreciate it.

### SHORT & QUICK LIST

- **Slow Down**. The park speed limit is **15 MPH**. Be the change you want to see.
- Dogs must always be on leashes. They must be kept indoors. Clean up after your dog. Be responsible.
- Make sure you have a **Space** Improvement form filled out before making changes on your home. This includes house color, shed, adding concrete, and planting landscaping.

### HOLIDAY BAND AND BINGO

The SPARC Holiday Band and Bingo event scheduled for December 20, booked up quickly with at least 20 residents waiting in stand-by.

You did it again Stacee... Great Job!

### Your concerns and needs ARE IMPORTANT!

If it is not urgent or an emergency, we encourage you to email us:

palomareast@gmail.com

Cheers to a happy & healthy holiday season!



# **Palomar Estates East Residents Association**





# **NOTIFICATIONS** & ACTIVITIES by Carl Silva

### "Keep the Ball Rolling!"

The ballots are in, the votes are counted, and a great big Congratulations goes out to Patty Gonzales for being elected Palomar Estates East Residents Association's 2023-2024 Board Chair!

With Patty already implementing our Wish List policies and updating our map board, entrance events board, and clubhouse bulletin boards as acting "Publicity Chair" and "Park Beautification Chair," the ball is rolling.

We can move smoothly forward into 2023 keeping the completion of the upper clubhouse renovation as well as the rest of our Wish List projects. We will be seeking out suggestions from our residents for more park improvements to add to next year's list.

I too was elected to next year's board as a member-at-large. I will fill in one or two of our open positions to assist Patty and our board to finalize the current renovations and upgrades and to start the next phase.

Chairperson

Carl Silva Vice-Chairperson Don Antrim Secretary Kristen Antrim Treasurer Pete Eiden

### Members At Large

**Community Services** Henry Robicheaux Complaints Paul Thiboutot **Emergency Prep** Lanny Lippincot Membership Gordon Lilley **Publicity** Patty Gonzales **Technical Support** Ken Hodor

There are still member-at-large positions open, and we encourage anyone wishing to jump on board to help us get the job done joining us!

### **Announcing the 2023 PEERA Board**

- Chairperson—Patty Gonzales
- Vice-Chair—Don (Doc) Antrim
- Secretary—Kris Antrim
- Treasurer—Pete Eiden
- Membership—Carl Silva
- PEERT—Lanny Lippincott
- Technical Support—Ken Hodor
- Complaints—Paul Thiboutot

Please join me in congratulating Patty, welcoming the entire board, and sharing your support to help the team see our park wishes and dreams come true in the new year.



Carl Silva Chairperson



Don Antrim
Vice-Chairperson



Kristen Antrim
Secretary



Pete Eiden Treasurer



# Your Voice in Our Community PEERA Board

The currently open member-at-large positions include:

- Publicity
- Community Services
- Park Beautification

Please join me in congratulating Patty and next year's board, and throw all your support to help these people see your park wishes and dreams come true!

This being my last article as PEERA Chairman, I must say I am proud of what we have accomplished over the last two years from weathering through a pandemic to the dedication of the sports park to "Jim Gates Memorial Sports Park," to pushing to get our clubhouse updated and renovated, and to assisting our Social Club in bringing you as much entertainment and social gatherings as possible.

I want to personally thank our board members for their continued support, suggestions, and co-operation in getting all these things done.

THANK YOU! from the bottom of my heart.
I'm looking forward to helping Patty and our board throwing the ball all the way into home plate to complete the remaining upgrades left to do throughout our park!

However you celebrate the upcoming season, be it Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, or just Holiday Season, remember 'tis a season of happiness and joy. So as the saying goes, "Don't worry, be happy," and spread a little of that around.

### Season's Greetings everyone!



Ciao! Carl



# Social Club News

# December 2022



2022 Social Club Board			
President	Sharon Irving		
Vice President	Michele Silva		
Secretary	Marilyn Tippetts		
Treasurer	Debbie Johnston		
Membership Chair	David Tisdall		
Members–at–Large			
Dolores Bsharah	Anne Litz		
Leslie Dranko	Sally Yeater		

Making New Friends **V** Caring and Sharing the Journey

# December Festivities Wrap Up 2022 ... Welcome In A Great New Year!

"Here we come a-wassailing," sang carolers of good cheer ... sipping hot ale to warm their toes in merry old England. Little has changed since these holiday hearth traditions, soon to be celebrated with love and good cheer in the festive Palomar Estates East Clubhouse on Saturday, December 17 at 5 pm.

The Social Club and PEERA invite you to join us for our fun annual Holiday Dinner. It's where neighbors gather, and laughter abounds whenever we're in each other's company for the holidays – not to mention after-dinner caroling and visiting with Santa. There is no charge for the sumptuous dinner hosted for residents, but reservations are required for this popular event. (Please see the Holiday Dinner Flyer on page 11 for all the details and contact information.)

Don't miss hearing the exciting results of the 2023 Social Club Board Elections at our General Membership Meeting on Saturday, December 3 at the Clubhouse at 11:30 am. This will be our final quarterly business update meeting of the year, attended by Social Club members, and as usual, open to all community residents.

Please use this end-of-year meeting opportunity to learn what the Social Club is all about, and how satisfying it is for 'we volunteers' to bring entertainment to all throughout the year. This is a great time to **renew your dues for 2023**, **or to consider joining The Club** as you engage in the fun and rewards of membership in the New Year. (See the Social Club Membership Envelopes in this issue.)

The Social Club's December festivities wrap up this very special year on New Year's Eve!

Come to The Bash on Saturday, December 31, where glitz and glam share the evening's dress code. As we celebrate 2022 and welcome in a New Year together, we'll be enjoying heavenly hors d'oeuvres (hot and cold) as we dance the night way to the live music of the incredible Boatrockers. (Please watch for your New Year's Eve Party Flyer with more details.)

# HALLOWEEN POTLUCK PARTY BASH

# ... A GRAVEYARD SMASH!

There's no doubt that the **October 29 Halloween Spooktacular** was a graveyard smash! Co-sponsored by the Social Club and PEERA, and co-chaired by Andrea Martin and Debbie Johnston and their champion volunteers, this event brought out the most creative in all of us – from the imaginative costumes to the delicious potluck dishes cooked with care. As the live DJ cranked away on the very scary Clubhouse stage, residents truly outdid themselves in custom costuming! All attendees participated in the costume judging, and here are their winners of the five featured categories:

### **Category Winners**

5-Minute Costume Rick ScottBest Costume Dyana Preti

Best Duo
 Sandy Wagner and Bob Maxwell

Goofiest Nancy NealSpookiest: Burke Ewing





# Halloween Costume Winners!

Photos by Pam Peterman, Staff Photographer, Sharon Irving, and Debbie Johnston. Sharon Irving 760-310-1086 sharon@beauty-pr.com



If you're not a member of the Social Club yet, come join us ... and the fun!

# MORE HALLOWEEN FUN!







Andrea Martin chaired a great event!



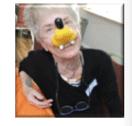






Debbie Johnston our Co-Host (ticket-taker)









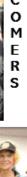


Our Illustrious DJ!











# Palomar Estates East Social Club & PEERA



# Holiday Dinner

# Saturday, December 17, 2022

5:00 pm Dinner in the Clubhouse After dinner: Caroling & Santa!

THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR PALOMAR ESTATE EAST RESIDENTS **BUT RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED.** 



# Make your reservation in the Clubhouse

Saturday, Dec. 3 10:00 –11:30 a.m.

(before the General Membership meeting which starts at 11:30 a.m.)

• Friday, Dec. 9 10:00 a.m. - noon

If there are still seats available after 12/9 at noon. reservations can be made for non-residents by calling Leslie Dranko at (760) 295-2026. If reservations are 'sold out', call Leslie about our wait list.

If you are a resident and are unable to go to the Clubhouse on the above dates, reservations can be made by calling Leslie (760) 295-2026.









# Holiday Dinner Menu:

- Ham
- Mac & Cheese (Vegetarian)
  - Mixed Vegetables
    - Salad
    - Rolls & Butter
      - Dessert





# Clubhouse Beautification

Patty Gonzales, Interim PEERA Board Member



# About Our Bulletin Boards ...

Our bulletin board displays are a creative way to share information, fostering the community spirit. The goal is to keep them visually stimulating and pleasing for quick focal points.

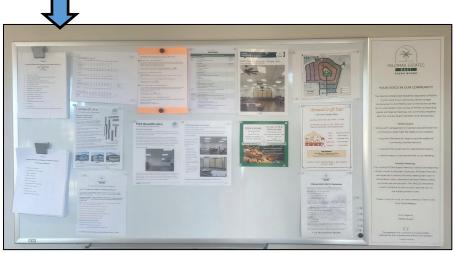
Too often bulletin boards are just thought of as decoration when they really are to emphasize public information. Those two qualities do not have to be mutually exclusive; a bulletin board can be both informative and decorative. A classic bulletin board is still a steadfast source of information and inspiration.

The PEERA Board, Social Club and Sign-Up Event bulletin boards are all located in the hallway leading to the cardroom. These boards are not for resident posting. The content posted is managed by PEERA and Social Club or event planners.

The Resident's Boards are located in the hallway leading to the pool area. There is one larger board along with two smaller boards. These boards are maintained by the PEERA Publicity member-at-large. When placing any type of notification, please date it in the right bottom corner. Notifications posted will be removed in 30 days. If the post date is not noted on your notification, it could be removed sooner as part of the maintenance process.

Out with the **OLD** and in with the **NEW**!





"Extraordinary things are always hiding in places people never think to look." ~Jodi Picoul

# About Our Clubhouse Stage ...



When it comes to hosting an event, we want everything to be perfect. That includes the atmosphere, of course. Creating the best and most suitable atmosphere can sometimes be hard to achieve with lots of people. But with a stage there are many possibilities.





As with anything in life, remodeling projects can come with their ups and downs. Certain phases seem to go a mile a minute, while others feel like they've lasted a lifetime and a half, all while it looks as though nothing is being completed. Fear not — this is pretty typical. And, while every project is different, a good portion of our clubhouse renovations are getting completed.

**Stage Before Update** 



Clubhouse Storage Cleanout

As I write this article we are finishing up baseboards, new hand railing and touch up paint. Come on by and take a peek of the progress being made. Along with the stage, check out all four restrooms and the spa area.









# East Park Events Calendar

REPEATING EVENTS: All Calendar Activities Repeat Every Week EXCEPT for Those in RED TYPE!

SUNDAY	MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY	
4	11:15 PM Zumba West 1:00 PM Hand & Foot* 2:30 PM Men's Bocce 3:00 PM Yoga Zoom 6:00 PM Yoga West & Zoom		5:30 PM PEERA Board Meeting  10:00 AM Chair Yoga West & Zoom 2:15 PM Zumba Zoom 1:00 PM Hand & Foot* 7:00 PM Darts		9:30 AM Fi 10:30 AM Zu 1:30 PM Po	penber 7 PEARL BOR ber Arts umba Zoom ool/Billiards eramics
11		12		13		14
18		19	11:00 AM	20 SPARC Band & Bingo	T WY	Ninzeri Winzeri
25 Va.) Va.) (Jubilia)		26		27		28

# December 2022

Visit our official website for more news! Palomar-Estates-East.org.

Or, visit our new beta website and give us your feedback: glctest.com.

THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
	and & Foot* umba Zoom	9:00 AM	2 Tai Chi	11:30 AM Social Club General Membership Meeting	
BREEZE Deadline  2:00 PM Dance Lessons			9	10	
	15		16	5:00 PM Social Club & PEERA Holiday Dinner FREE (reservations required)	
2:00 PM	Dance Lessons		23	24	
	29		30	5:00 PM Social Club & PEERA New Year's Eve Bash (tickets on sale soon)	



# **Calendar Notes**

- ◆ Event Locations: Most events are at the Palomar East Clubhouse. See the Community Resources & Activities page for details & exceptions.
- Card Games: A red asterisk (\*) indicates a card game.

# **Notable Days**

- 3rd Social Club General
  Membership Meeting
  (Election Results)
- 6<sup>th</sup> **PEERA Board Meeting** (Election Results)
- 7<sup>th</sup> Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day & Full 'Cold' Moon
- 17th Social Club & PEERA Holiday Dinner (Details: Page 11)
- 18th Hanukkah begins
- 20th SPARC Holiday Band and Bingo (Sold Out, Standby Only)
- 21st Winter Solstice (shortest day of the year)
- 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day
- 26th Kwanzaa begins
- 31st Social Club & PEERA New Year's Eve Bash

# Park Member News



# Let's Celebrate Our December Birthdays!

1	Pen McHugh		
2	Joanne Robinson		
2	2 Iola King		
2	Ken Hoder		
3	Connie Long		
3	Joe Franco		
3	Lloyd Hurst Jr.		
4	Jeanine Proulx		
4	4 Jorge Usi		
4	Anne Pearson		
4 Cheryl Liley			
4 William Bing			
5	Lori Elder		
6 Lucy Wheeler			
6	6 Terrie Stelfox		
11 Lynn Pallonetti			
13	Liona Sharing		

14	Joan Wilfert		
16 Charlene Erickson			
16	16 Rebecca Zimmerman		
16	Pam Peterman		
17	Gary Neff		
17	Dolores Berenty		
18	Linda Calhoon		
20 Henry Robicheaux			
21 Sharon Noble			
22 Becky Pena			
23 Marie Losey			
24 Tim Curtis			
24 Judith Young			
24 John Paquin			
24	David Fenner		
26	Martin Dicks		
26	Esther La Fuze		

# **December Trivia**

 Birthstone: Turquoise (wisdom, tranquility, protection, good fortune, and hope)



◆ Color: Blue

• Flower: Holly and narcissus

# **Western Astrology**

◆ Sagittarius: 11/22—12/21

The Centaur

Fun, freedom-loving adventurers, with a magnanimous disposition (can be Inconsistent and restless)

◆ Capricorn: 12/22—01/19
The Ram

Ambitious, determined, materialistic, and strong (can be pessimistic and cynical)

# More December Trivia

The meaning of Christmas comes in the remembrance and celebration of God's presence in our world through his son Jesus Christ. Christmas is also extensively celebrated by non-Christians as a seasonal holiday, on which popular traditions such as gift-giving, feasting, and caroling take place.

About 350 A.D., Pope Julius I set December 25 as the date when the Church would commemorate when Jesus was born. Many historians believe that the Church stirred up interest in a festival at this time of year to counter the pagan festivals surrounding the Winter Solstice, but no historical document explains Rome's precise reasons for setting this date.

# Park Member News

# **Wedding Anniversaries**

Tom Erickson & Gigi Meisenholder	Dec 8
Brenda & Don Bomar	Dec 19
Bethany & Camilo Gonzales	Dec 23
David & Shirley Tisdall	Dec 23
Dan & Kathy Warren	Dec 27



"Love grows more tremendously full, swift, poignant, as the years multiply." ~Zane Grey

# Till We Meet Again...

David Neff Space 303 Arrived: 01/2012. Deceased: 10/10/2022.

Il Kang Space 214 Arrived: 05/2012. Deceased: 10/31/2022.



"There are no goodbyes. Where ever you'll be, you'll be in my heart."

~ Mahatma Gandhi

### Fun Facts about the Month of December

December is the 12th month (and last month) in our modern-day Gregorian calendar (as it was in the preceding Julian calendar).

However, it was originally the 10th month of the Roman calendar (until 153 BC). Hence, "December" comes from the Latin word decem, meaning "ten."

Back in Roman times, the calendar only had ten months and began with March! The winter period was not even assigned months because it was not an active time for military, agriculture, or civil life.

The month of December originally consisted of 30 days. When January and February were added to the calendar (around 700 BCE), December was shortened to 29 days. Then, in the subsequent Julian calendar, two days were added to December, making it 31 days long.

# **Our Community Resources & Activities**

# All Are Welcome



# Come Join the FUN!

Details for all activities are located on the Palomar East Cardroom Hallway Activities Bulletin Board and on our website: Palomar-Estates-East.org.

Activity	Details		
ACRYLICS PAINTING Dawn Anguiano (dawny46@gmail.com): 3rd Tuesday, 10am—1pm, East			
CERAMICS Andrea Martin: Wednesdays, 6—8pm, East Arts & Craft Room			
DANCE LESSONS	Anne Pearson (858) 610-4816: 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Thursdays, 2—3:30pm, East Clubhouse		
FIBER ARTS	Sally Yeater (719) 651-2866: Wednesday, 9:30—11am, East Arts & Craft Room		
SPARC	Henry Robicheaux (760) 207-6896: PEERA Community Services		
TAI CHI	Rudy Cobos (773) 519-6627: Fridays at 9:00 am, East Clubhouse		
YOGA	LuAnn Foster (480) 203-4330: Monday—Thursday at various times and locations		
ZUMBA	Saleemah (803) 463-2880: Monday—Thursday at various times and locations		

# **Additional Park Activities**

Billiards—Lower Clubhouse	Ken Hodor
Bingo—West	Delane Johnson & Debbie Johnston
Bocce Ball	Carl Silva
Card Games	Card Room
Darts—Lower Clubhouse	Don Bomar
Fishing	Don Bomar
Fitness Facility—Lower Clubhouse	Ken Hodor
Golf Putting Green	Henry Robicheaux
Horseshoes	Henry Robicheaux
Library	A.J. Jangula
Pickleball—Lower Clubhouse	Bill Mead
Ping Pong—Lower Clubhouse	Bill Mead
Puzzles	Card Room & Firepit area
Tennis—Lower Clubhouse	Bill Mead



# Did You Know...

You can start your own activity here in Palomar East. For example, a Bridge Club, Mahjong Club, Water Aerobics, etc. If you want to use park facilities, schedule days and times through the Front Office. We can add your activity to the BREEZE Calendar too!

# Great Neighbors Make Great Neighborhoods

To live in a great neighborhood — and enjoy all the comforts that come with being part of a tightknit community — we have to be a great neighbor ourselves. There's certainly no shortage of examples in our park both good and well, room for improvement.

### But what does it mean to be a genuinely good neighbor?

After researching, experts agree these are just a few basic ways to build and maintain positive, long-lasting relationships with our neighbors. It requires more than lending someone a cup of sugar.



# **Keep Up Your Curb Appeal**

Just one unkept home on a street can reduce the appeal (property values) of the entire neighborhood. Hence, we don't want to become known as the owner of "that home" — i.e., the one with knee-high weeds, overflowing gutters, dirty windows, and torn screens or curtains, peeling or faded paint, decor scattered across the front yard like a yard sale, or a carport that looks like a thrift shop at best.

We should be evaluating and cleaning up the property of our homes as often as the seasons change. For most of us, outdoor space is a precious commodity. We should want to make the most of what we have, with pride of ownership. There are so many easy ideas and tips to simplify your efforts. Google it.

# Be a Responsible Pet Owner

Pets can be a big bone of contention between neighbors, so we need to keep them in check. Start with pet etiquette 101: Clean up after your pooch. When you take your dog for a walk, do not deposit your dog's poop bag into someone else's trash can or just leave it for them or the park maintenance to deal with. It sounds basic, but it happens more than you think. Domestic pet poop attracts wild animals into the park. They are either hunters or poop eaters or both. Food for thought.

### **Review Community Rules**

When living on leased land, we must comply with the rules provided, signed, and agreed upon by us when we purchased our homes. Still, many residents don't take the time to review Association rules.

These rules share roommate / age / visitor policies, designated parking, speed limits, landscaping / painting / construction permissions, pet restrictions, and more. Breaking the Association's rules cannot only result in "**fines**," but also ruffle feathers within the community and rightfully so.

It's our responsibility to police ourselves if we want to avoid conflict with either neighbors or management—Best we do it before we get upset or dig our heels in when requested to conform to the "rules"—Review your lease.

If it's listed, keep it simple...Just Do It!

### Palomar Estates East is an "active" 55+ community.

Residents who choose to live within active adult communities have moved beyond raising their own children or grandchildren in their homes and are simply interested in living among other adults who are in the same phase of life.

Therefore unlike "assisted living" or "elderly care facilities," it requires us homeowners to maintain the exterior of our homes and our landscaping by either doing the maintenance ourselves or hiring someone to do it for us—same as you would or did in a previous neighborhood.

There are conversations or requests that Park Management or the PEERA Board should extend themselves and/or provide services that are not listed on our lease agreements or provided for in our By-Laws. Unfortunately, neither are responsible for our ever-changing life challenges whether they be physical or financial. But we residents can be the great neighbor and volunteer an offering of help.

### That is what makes a neighborhood great!

Patty Gonzales, PEERA Board Member, Park Beautification Interim

# My Halloween Photo Favs

Gayle Cinnamon, Editor, The Breeze



I know it's Christmas and at the same time, I'm still remembering this year's fantastic Halloween Bash. I received so many photos from Pam Peterman and other residents that the overflow from those shown on the Social Club pages could go on for another two pages or more. So, here are a few more uncensored from Patty Gonzales that I feel show something a little more candid.

















