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April Editorial

Last month's editorial featured, "5 Ways to Build a Community that Cares." Building such a community is a goal that takes time to develop and just as much time to maintain. There needs to be social structures and activities that encourage such an atmosphere. The Social Hour on the first Friday of (almost) every month is one such activity. Certainly, social events fall in this category as well as clubs and sports participation.

This month, I came across an article that sounded like a great idea for encouraging interaction among residents...particularly during the warm and beautiful days of late spring and early summer. Just a thought.

The following article was featured in Guideposts.

Everyday Greatness: Tables Where All are Welcome

By Diane Stark

Who She Is

Kristin Schell is the founder of The Turquoise Table, a movement of ordinary people who want to create community right in their own front yards. Ten years ago, she and her husband and their four children moved to a new home in Austin, Texas.

Kristin knew God had given her the gift of hospitality, and she tried to connect with her new neighbors by hosting Bible studies and playgroups. But those activities required planning ahead and coordinating schedules, not to mention cooking and cleaning.

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She turned a delivery mistake into a way to connect with neighbors and create community.



Credit: @Nicole Mlakar / nicolemlakar

One day, Kristin needed backyard furniture for a party and bought a few picnic tables from Lowe's. The delivery driver set one table down in her front yard by mistake, and Kristin couldn't get the image out of her head. "After the party, I painted the table turquoise—my favorite color—and put it in the front yard, just a few feet from the sidewalk," she says.

What She Does

That turquoise table became the place where Kristin and her kids hung out. Activities they used to do at the kitchen table, they now did out front at the picnic table. They played games, did crafts and ate snacks. "We got intentional about where we spent our time," Kristin says. "We became 'front yard people.'"

Joanne Price, Editor, The Breeze



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April Editorial

Neighbors began to stop by to introduce themselves and sit down for a chat. Kristin invited people to join her at the table for coffee or iced tea. "It was a simple way to slow down and connect with others," she says. The turquoise table was inviting and had a communal feel.

Construction workers on jobs in the neighborhood took their lunch breaks at the table. A babysitter walking by with her young charges sat down to rest. Then neighbors asked Kristin if their family could put a picnic table in their front yard too. A movement was born.

Why She Does It

People often hesitate to invite others into their homes. They think their house is too messy, it's not big enough or they don't have enough time. "Our perfectionism can cause us to miss out on the joy of connecting with others," Kristin says. Her picnic table takes away the excuses—and the pressure.

"I've learned that hospitality doesn't always mean entertaining people with a meal or a big party. At the picnic table, all I have to do is show up." She likes how it enables her to take a small step toward easing loneliness and building relationships in her community. "People's greatest need is to know that they are loved and that they belong," she says.

How She Does It

A decade after their Texas beginnings, thousands of Turquoise Tables exist in all 50 states and in 13 countries around the world. Not all of them are actually turquoise. "No matter what color it is, it's a friendship table," Kristin says.





Millennium Memo

After reading my March copy of *The Breeze*, it's fair to say that Coyotes were March's hot topic. Lots of advice was offered to scare them, including clapping, making loud noises, installing flashing lights and...my favorite...a liberal dose of Wolf Urine.

We're told that Amazon is a great source of Wolf Urine. I now believe that you can get almost anything from Amazon, but don't you wonder where they get their urine? Actually, I don't want to know that.

It must work, because after spraying urine around the exterior of the Clubhouse & Laundry Room for two weeks, coyote sightings have dropped off. I wasn't told if the smell of Wolf Urine affected attendance at Clubhouse Social Events.

In addition to wallowing in Wolf Urine, Kasey made daily phone calls to wildlife groups, spoke to coyote experts, put out a flyer, responded to resident calls...I don't think we'll ever doubt Kasey's devotion to his job. He clearly earned this month's Kudo.

With that problem solved, I wonder if those remedies would work on Solicitors.

SPARC in Palomar

Stacee's been back from Maternity Leave for a few months and is off to a great start in 2025.

Her first event was the January Home Maintenance Seminar, offering tips, checklists and ideas to make your home safer (did you know you should have your foundation piers checked every 5 years?).

February featured an Insurance Seminar on Feb. 13, the perfect romantic lead-in to Valentine's Day. Despite what you may have read, insurance for mobile homes is available, and with wildfires in the news, it's more important than ever to be informed.

Senior Gleaners makes its annual visit on April 15 to pick your excess fruit for donation to the Food Bank—and to keep it away from coyotes. Stay tuned for more details.

A Couple Simple Requests

Given the recent rash of fires, we ask that you pay attention to fire risks in your yard: weeds, trees/bushes needing trimming, flammable debris...your neighbor will feel safer, your insurance agent will be pleased and your homesite will look much better.

The other request: please make sure you let the Office know when you get a new pet. It's a Rule (15a), it's a simple process and there's a Pet Agreement for you to sign.

Have a Happy Easter, and remember: the best Easter is one spent with your peeps!

George Turk

President Millennium Housing



East Park

MARKET UPDATE & MANAGER'S REPORT







Home Sales

There were two homes sold during the previous month, and there are currently 5 homes in escrow. At the time of writing this article there are 3 homes currently listed for sale.

Maintenance Update

Reflective stop signs were installed on Lucilla and the posts were raised to make them more visible. The streetlights went out on Elm St and an electrical wire in the ground was repaired to correct this. In addition, the electrical wire behind the laundry mat was repaired. When staff was installing landscaping and a new irrigation system in the guest parking area on Elm St, they uncovered and repaired a water leak. A new jacuzzi pump was installed because the previous one was leaking.

Driving in the Park

The new stop signs look nice, so remember to stop and check them out. Obey the stop signs by coming to a complete stop, slow down and be the example. The park speed limit is 15 mph. Tell your spouse, roommate, and your visitors to watch their speed and drive slowly. There are blind turns that drivers cannot see around. Residents may be backing out of their driveway or walking a dog. Please slow down and keep everyone safe. Residents that walk at night, please wear bright/light clothing to be more visible. Wear something reflective so you can be seen by drivers.

Home Security

Lock your shed and vehicle. Install motion sensor flood lights for your carport and the exterior of your property. Be proactive and protect your property.

Landscaping

Take a walk around the exterior of your property and pull your weeds. Trim your bushes and trees. A little work now prevents a lot of work later.

The Social Club

To my surprise, it was announced at the PEERA meeting in March that Debbie Johnston was stepping down as Social Club President. I want to thank her for contributing her time to plan, decorate, and be the contact for all social gatherings. Many people want to enjoy the gathering, but not many want to plan them or clean up. Thank you, Debbie, for everything!

Short & Quick

- A lot of work goes into creating the new directory each year. Thank You Patty Gonzales for designing and donating the new directory covers!
- The Senior Gleaners of San Diego County will be picking fruit throughout the community on April 15th. The pricked fruit helps feed those in need and prevents it from going to waste. Call the office to sign up.

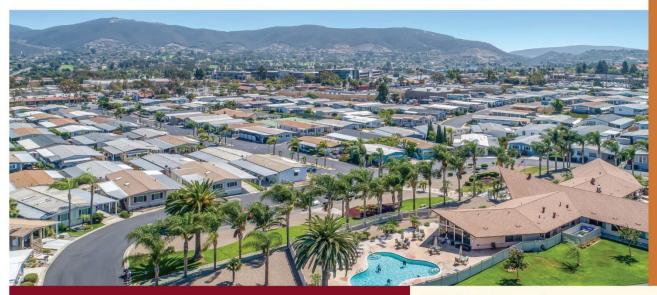
"Kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see". — Mark Twain

"Be the change you hope to see in the world." — Gandhi

Your concerns and needs ARE IMPORTANT!

If it is not urgent or an emergency, we encourage you to email us: palomareast@gmail.com

Palomar Estates East Residents Association



P E E R A

Notifications & Activities



Dear Palomar Estates East Neighbors,

Happy Spring! As the days grow longer and flowering plants begin to paint the expertly-cared-for landscape of our park with vibrant colors, the Palomar Estate East Residents Association (PEERA) is pleased to share important updates on some issues that matter most to you. We've been actively working to address your concerns and improve our shared living experience, and we're excited to highlight some positive progress.

Welcome Sherry Dorsey: Our New PEERA Secretary

We have some exciting news to share! The PEERA Board is thrilled to announce that our neighbor, Sherry Dorsey in Space #42, has graciously agreed to step into the role of PEERA Secretary. This is a vital position within our association, and we are incredibly fortunate to have Sherry join our team.

Sherry and her husband moved to Palomar Estates East in September 2023 after living in Vista for 23 years. She retired in Aug 2023 after being an Office Manager/Dental Assistant for over 40 yrs in Solana

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Beach. Her husband retired in April 2023, so their goal is to go out camping in their trailer and see their 9 grandkids.

Sherry brings a wealth of enthusiasm and a genuine desire to serve our community.

We know that she will be a valuable asset to the PEERA Board, and we are eager to work alongside her. Please join us in extending a warm welcome to Sherry! She will be formally introduced to the residents at our next PEERA meeting on Tuesday, April 1st. We encourage you to attend the meeting and get to know Sherry better.

Coyote Deterrent: A Promising Trend

One of the most pressing concerns voiced by our residents has been the frequency of coyote sightings. We understand the anxieties these encounters can create, and Felipe's team and Haven Management have taken proactive steps to mitigate the issue. We're pleased to report that spraying the predator urine, implemented in strategic areas around the park, appears to be having a positive impact.

While no one can guarantee the complete elimination of wildlife interactions, we've heard from residents that they have observed a noticeable decrease in the frequency of coyote sightings since the application. This is encouraging news and suggests that the efforts made are yielding the desired results.

The management team will continue to monitor the situation closely and we encourage residents to:

- Remain vigilant and report to the PEE office if any coyote interactions are aggressive towards humans
- Keep your pets on a leash and under constant supervision if outside.
- Don't leave food outside.
- If you have trees or bushes that are bearing fruit, PLEASE pick the fruit since it's an easy and pervasive source of food for coyotes and rats, especially the fruit that's on the ground.

If you're unable to pick, at least, the fruit closest to the bottom of the tree, please contact Kasey or me and we may have some volunteers who are willing to help pick fruit before the Senior Gleaners come to the park in April to do a more widespread fruit picking.

Wish List & Maintenance: Taking Action on Your Feedback

Your requests on the Wish List are very helpful in informing Haven Management what community improvements residents consider important.

PEERA Vice-Chair, Connie Bloem, has been diligently working to compile all the feedback received on the Wish Lists into a coherent and comprehensive spreadsheet. The process she initiated this year, requires careful attention to detail and a thorough understanding of residents' priorities, and a final report that will be presented to Haven Management is now nearing completion. In fact, it's possible that the completed list has already been submitted to Haven Management as you read this! Please see Connie's article in this BREEZE (pg. 10) for more details.

We extend our sincere gratitude to Connie for her innovation, dedication and hard work in this crucial project. The well-organized process used this year list will serve as a template for future Wish Lists to ensure that all residents' voices are heard.

PEERA Article Continued...

New & Improved PEERA Website

We continue to do research and planning on a revision of the PEERA website.

Two PEERA Board members, Jetta Russell and Ken Hodor, and I met with Tim Sheahan, President of the San Marcos Mobilehome Residents Association (SMMRA), John Mosher, the incoming President of SMMRA, and their web designer, Luke Byers.

Our goal in meeting with SMMRA was to exchange and share information on the design and content of each of our residents associations' websites so that the sites would benefit the residents of all the senior mobile home parks in San Marcos.

Among the topics that are proposed for the senior parks' websites include:

- Emergency preparedness
- Vendor resources
- Feedback from Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs meetings
- Dates for the San Marcos City Council meetings that affect homeowners rent and rights
- AARP events and discounts on senior services, etc.

Tim and John have, in the past, been very effective in lobbying at the City of San Marcos to keep space rents in senior mobile home parks as low as possible, as well as monitoring the County government's proposals re: the rezoning of senior parks.

Our intention is to collaborate with SMMRA, who also works closely with the Golden State Mobilehome Owners League (GSMOL) so that Palomar Estates East residents can benefit from SMMRA's and GSMOL's experience in

championing the property rights of mobile homeowners and preserving and protecting the hard-earned rights of senior mobile home parks through their advocacy, information and service.

Keep an eye out here in *The Breeze* for future updates on our joint projects.

Looking Ahead: Continued Collaboration

The success of our community relies on the active participation and collaboration of all residents. We encourage you to attend upcoming meetings, share your ideas, and contribute to the ongoing efforts to enhance life in Palomar Estate East.

As the year progresses, we will continue to prioritize:

- Open Communication: We are committed to keeping you informed about important developments and providing opportunities for feedback.
- Proactive Problem Solving: Our goal is to address community concerns promptly, fairly and effectively.
- Community Building: We strive to create a welcoming and inclusive environment for ALL residents.

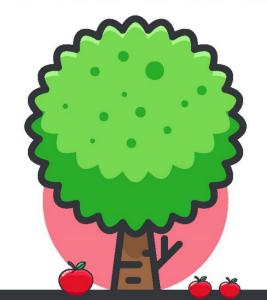
PEERA is proud to be part of such a vibrant and engaged community. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation!

Sincerely,

Michele Silva Chair, PEERA Board

The next PEERA Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 1st at 5:30 pm in the clubhouse.

PALOMAR EAST FRUIT PICKING PROGRAM



Sign up in the clubhouse to be added to our fruit picking day with Senior Gleaners!
Only citrus fruits, kumquats or apples can be picked! Deadline to sign up April 8th



Fruit Picking Date: April 15th

Time: 8:30am-3:00pm

The volunteers will be coming during this time















Wish List Update

PEERA Board

Dear Palomar Estates East Residents:

Due to Breeze deadlines, this update of Wish List activity will be somewhat dated when you read it.

PEERA agreed to extend the submittal date for Wish List from January 17th to January 31st. As of that date, we had 62 spaces who responded (16.6% of the community). Total line-item requests were 181 and were summarized into 11 categories.

February 1st, I continued to accept text and phone call requests. On February 20th, 62 letters were distributed to those who submitted forms. Group meetings were held on February 22 and 23 for only six categories that had many submittals. I wanted residents to share ideas, and for me to hear details and get some consensus of their ideas. This became beneficial to all of us.

There were numerous Maintenance items written on the Wish List form. These items were submitted to Kasey in the office, and he has already completed some of the requests. Be reminded that Maintenance items are not for Wish Lists. You can submit these requests to the office anytime throughout the year. Requests MUST be in writing please. (Suggestions/Complaints Form in office)

The primary topic of Coyotes was well addressed in the March issue of the Breeze. A variety of methods were provided for all residents to participate in abatement efforts.

The remaining summarized Wish List items are submitted to Haven Management Services by March 15th for review and obtaining additional price quotations. This information will generate a budget, to be approved by Millennium and Haven Management Services near the end of April. Major projects will be scheduled following final decisions.

My objective is to provide feedback to individuals who submitted requests, as I have information, and to provide general updates in *The Breeze* for the entire park. I encourage inquiries via text to 435-899-0976 and I will respond as quickly as possible. Thank you to those who made requests in January. If any resident wishes to add to our perpetual list or share new ideas, I want to hear from you in the event our final plan can be modified, or we will address it during a future budget period. Our common goal is to enjoy all that Palomar Estates East has to offer.

Connie Bloem PEERA Board Vice-Chair



Resident-Hosted Event





What nicer thing can you do for somebody than make them breakfast? ~Anthony Bourdain

Food for Thought

Healthy eating is important at any age, but becomes even more so as we reach midlife and beyond. As well as keeping your body healthy, eating well can also be key to a positive outlook and staying emotionally balanced. But healthy eating does not have to be about dieting and sacrifice. Rather, it should be all about enjoying fresh, tasty food, wholesome ingredients, and eating in the company of friends and family.

Eating with others can be as important as adding vitamins to your diet. A social atmosphere stimulates your mind, makes meals more enjoyable.

Even if you live alone, you can make healthy meals more pleasurable by:

Shopping with others. Shopping with a friend can give you a chance to catch up without falling behind on your chores. It is also a great way to share new meal ideas and save money on discount deals like "buy one, get the second half price or free".

Cooking with others. Invite a friend to share cooking responsibilities—one prepares the entrée, the other the dessert, for example. Cooking with others can be a fun way to deepen your relationships, and splitting costs can make it cheaper for both of you.

Take time to plan some of your meals as a social experience. The simple act of talking to a friend or loved one over the dinner table can play a big role in relieving stress, relaxing, and boosting your mood. So, gather your friends or family regularly and stay up-to-date on everyone's lives, creating lasting memories, too.

So, come join us for breakfast! The invitation was placed in your tube and is also here on this page. It's a great way to meet your neighbors. Time well spent.

Hope to see you soon!

Patty Gonzales



It has already been an eventful 2025 for the Social Club. The Social Club was reorganized to provide a more flexible format. The new Social Club Board now includes just three officers: President, Treasurer, and Secretary.

Our first major event – Mardi Gras – was a great success!

As you may know, Debbie Johnston, has decided to step down from the role of president. I believe that I speak on behalf of everyone who has participated in our community events for the past year when I say that her hard work has brought the community together and given us some wonderful memories. It is with much gratitude that we wish her well and hope she continues to enjoy attending community events without the work of coordinating them.

While Michelle Lema and I will continue to serve as Social Club Treasurer and Secretary, respectively, we need a President to continue to be effective. We are happy to announce that we have invited Sandy Wagner to fill that position, and she has accepted. Some of you may recall that she has served as Social Club President in prior years, and we are confident that she will bring her enthusiasm and positivity to the position. We look forward to an exciting rest-of-the year under her leadership.

Welcome back, Sandy!

Jen WeissSecretary



Mardi Gras Celebration



























Community Activities



All Are Welcome Come Join the FUN!

ACTIVITY	WHO TO CONTACT AND MEETING SCHEDULES			
BILLIARDS (POOL)	Peggy Shull : (619) 301-6591: Mondays , 1:30 to 3:30 PM at West			
BINGO	Debbie Johnston & Delane Johnson: Thursdays, 6 PM at West			
BOOK CLUB	Host Varies Monthly: 2nd Wednesday each month, 1:00 PM, East Clubhouse Card Room.			
BUNCO	Jetta Russell : (619) 994-5647: 3rd Thursday each month , 4:45 PM, games at 5 PM to 7:30 PM at the Palomar East Clubhouse in Card Room			
CAR CLUB	Sandy Wagner: (602) 882-2977: 1st Wednesday each month, 7 PM, Palomar East Clubhouse			
CERAMICS	Andrea Martin: Wednesdays, 6 - 8 PM, East Clubhouse, Arts & Craft Room			
DANCE LESSONS	Anne Pearson (858) 610-4816: 2nd & 4th Thursdays , 2 - 3:30 PM, East Clubhouse			
HAND & FOOT CARD GAME	Anne Litz (760) 846-5850 (Please leave message) or Marilyn Fluharty (218) 821-0337: Mondays and Thursdays, 1 PM, at Marilyn Fluharty's home (Spc 179)			
MANIPULATION CARD GAME	Linda Cockrell (626) 274-1662: Wednesdays, 6 - 8 PM, East Clubhouse Card Room			
PAINT CLASS	Dawn Anguiano, dawny46@gmail.com: (760) 802-2170 (1st Tuesday. 10 AM to 1 PM each month at Rancho Vallecitos)			
QUILTING GROUP	Tuesdays, 9:30 AM to noon, East Clubhouse Card Room.			
TAI CHI	Rudy Cobos (773) 519-6627: Fridays at 9:00 am, East Clubhouse			
ZUMBA	Saleemah (803) 463-2880: Mondays: 10 AM, Thursdays: 11:15 AM; Both at Palomar East Clubhouse			

Additional Park Activities

ACTIVITY	WHO TO CONTACT		
Billiards	Ken Hodor		
Bocce Ball	Carl Silva		
Card Games	Card Room		
Darts	Bill Richards		
Fishing	Bill Richards		
Fitness Facility	Ken Hodor		

ACTIVITY	WHO TO CONTACT		
Golf Putting Green	Dave Fenner		
Horseshoes	Dave Fenner		
Library	A.J. Jangula		
Pickleball	Joanne Price		
Ping Pong/ Tennis	Bill Mead		
Puzzles	Card Room		

Monthly Calendar

	APRIL 2025					
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WEEKLY ACTIV	WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: The following are regular weekly activities that occur on the day indicated.					
	1 PM – Hand & Foot Card Game 1:30 – 3:30 PM – Billiards (Pool) at West	9:30 AM – Quilting Group 10 AM – Zumba	6 – 8 PM – Ceramics 6 – 8 PM – Manipulation Card Game	11:15 AM – Zumba 1 PM – Hand & Foot Card Game 6 PM – Bingo (West)	9 AM – Tai Chi	
SPECIAL ACTIV	ITIES: The follow	ving activities oc	_			
		1 8 AM Donut Day – Clubhouse 5:30 PM PEERA Board Meeting – Clubhouse	7 PM Model A Car Club –Clubhouse	3	5:30 PM Social Hour at Main Clubhouse	5
6	7	8 10 AM to 1 PM Paint Class – (Rancho Vallecitos)	9 1 PM Book Club – Clubhouse	10 2 – 3:30 PM Dance Lessons – Clubhouse	11	12
13	14	8:30 AM to 3 PM Fruit Picking by Senior Gleaners – Signup in Clubhouse	16	17 4:45 – 7:30 PM Bunco – Start at 5PM at Clubhouse Card Room	18	19
EASTER!	21	22	23	24 2 – 3:30 PM Dance Lessons – Clubhouse	25	26
27	28	29	30			

Park Member News

Welcome New Neighbors

We look forward to getting to know you! Please fill out the envelopes found in your Welcome tote. You can return them to the Social Club and/or PEERA lockboxes in the clubhouse.

 Mary Cathleen Rex Space 180 Arrived: 2/13/2025

Emerald Foster Space 134

Arrived: 2/14/2025

Wedding Anniversaries

Apr 13 James & Pen McHugh Apr 25 Tony & Heidi Arauz

Remember...To be sure your anniversary is included on your special month, you can email The Breeze editor at PEE.TheBreeze@gmail.com. Be sure to send your email at least 2 months prior to your anniversary date.



The Rabbit Run is Coming!

Hello Spring! I see signs of spring popping up all around me. The once dormant bulbs are waking up from their naps. The flower buds are opening to sing their colors to the sun. The garden edibles are stretching and spreading and popping up. And, oh, hey wait! What's that? Something else is popping up around here... Oh, of course! I'm seeing the ears of that "wascally wabbit" gathering goodies for delivery later this month!

Yes, folks, it's almost time for my annual "Rabbit Run" through the park (and beyond). Due to the influx of so many wonderful newcomers, I've decided to try a different approach this year. I usually would just round up the usual suspects, take requests and suggestions, and then stick pins in the map in the park phone book for my delivery routing. This year I'm going to try to make it accessible to any and all residents. Keep your eye on your mail tube during the first week of April for a flyer/survey.

The flyer will ask if you like something dropped off at your house and preference choices if you do. It will also let you know where to drop off the completed preferences. Probably a box at my house or the clubhouse.) If you're not interested, you simply do nothing.

As always, this is a drop off situation rather than a "meet and greet" event. The Rabbit only has the one day to get to everybody, and is not as quick as in years gone by.....

Thanks for listening. Keep your eye on your mail tube. We'll see you soon! Now, I've got to get that Rabbit out of my carrot patch!

- Andrea Martin, Rascal at Large

Pool for Women

(Billiards not Swimming)

You are invited to join the ladies over at Palomar Estates WEST on Mondays at 1:30-3:30 pm for a few games of pool in their beautiful pool room at the clubhouse. You need not bring anything with you except the desire to enjoy the game of pool. It does not matter if you are a beginner, expert, or anywhere between - and it's FREE! If you have any questions, you may call or text Peggy Shull at (760) 532-2977.

Hope to see you there!



Park Member News

Celebrating Our April Birthdays!

2	Diana Bailey		
2	Jacquelyn Paul		
2	Rita Normand		
3	Kellie Lunsford		
4	Pam Scott		
4	Jani Tobin		
5	Susan Mortimer		
5	Kimra Ackley		
6	Stanley Wolfe		
7	Kathy Wortman		
8	Jerry Holloway		
10	Joann Ritchey		
10	Jerry Chamberlin		
10	Jen Weiss		
11	Carl Silva		
12	Irene Molina		
13	Michele Silva		

14	Susan Ewing		
17	Susan Helander		
17	Mikey Davis		
17	Lidia Penge		
18	Renee Ramswick		
20	Tom McKelvey		
20	Michael Ruth		
21	Catherine Thomson		
21	Paul Piper		
21	Harlan Lippincott		
23	Don Bomar		
24	Steve Budetti		
25	Jerry Brough		
29	Paul Hoffman		
30	Patricia Smith		

Book Club



Please come by the 2nd Wednesday of the month to the Clubhouse Cardroom. Stop by and check out our fun and lively chats.

Come when you want. Whether that's each month or when your schedule allows. Make new friends while discussing a variety of different genres of books.

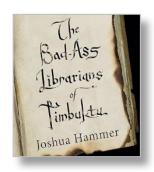
Please check us out in April. Reading our monthly book is not a requirement. Hope to see you soon!

- April Book The Bad-Ass Librarians of Timbuktu: And Their Race to Save the World's Most Precious Manuscripts, by Joshua Hammer.
 Host for April: Jetta Russell
- May Book The Last Bookshop in London: A Novel of World War II, by Madeline Martin
- June Book Nine Perfect Strangers, by Lane Moriarty

Book Review – Bad-Ass Librarians of Timbuktu: And Their Race to Save the World's Most Precious Manuscripts,

by Joshua Hammer

Review (Excerpted from Amazon.com)



In the 1980s, a young adventurer and collector for a government library, Abdel Kader Haidara, journeyed across the Sahara Desert and along the Niger River, tracking down and salvaging tens of thousands of

ancient Islamic and secular manuscripts that had fallen into obscurity. The Bad-Ass Librarians of Timbuktu tells the incredible story of how Haidara, a mild-mannered archivist and historian from the legendary city of Timbuktu, later became one of the world's greatest and most brazen smugalers.

In 2012, thousands of Al Qaeda militants from northwest Africa seized control of most of Mali, including Timbuktu. They imposed Sharia law, chopped off the hands of accused thieves, stoned to death unmarried couples, and threatened to destroy the great manuscripts. As the militants tightened their control over Timbuktu, Haidara organized a dangerous operation to sneak all 350,000 volumes out of the city to the safety of southern Mali.

Over the past 20 years, journalist Joshua Hammer visited Timbuktu numerous times and is uniquely qualified to tell the story of Haidara's heroic and ultimately successful effort to outwit Al Qaeda and preserve Mali's - and the world's - literary patrimony. Hammer explores the city's manuscript heritage and offers never-before-reported details about the militants' march into northwest Africa. But above all, The Bad-Ass Librarians of Timbuktu is an inspiring account of the victory of art and literature over extremism.

Other News...The Car Club

Do You Have an Interest in Old Cars?

The Palomar Model A Ford Club has met at our clubhouse for over 25 years. Jim Gates, one of PEE's first residents, was a member of the group and introduced them to our park, becoming their park representative.

With Jim's passing, various residents have been the club's representative. Each year, to show their appreciation for using the clubhouse, the club made a donation to social club. This year, as the club's representative, I asked that the money be donated to the Quilters group. Bill Allen, VP of the club, joined us to present a check for \$500. We are so appreciative, thank you!

The Model A Ford Car Club invites anyone to attend their meetings; you don't have to have an old vehicle or even become a member. Meetings are held the **first Wednesday of each month**, except December.

Doors open at 6 pm for social time and the meeting starts at 7pm. Each month, the club has a speaker regarding the cars, their restoration, suggestions on purchasing old parts needed to restore a vehicle, offering advice, and numerous other topics. The club is a great source of information and members are happy to help anyone.

In the past, our park breakfasts were held on the 1st Saturday each month, which corresponded with their monthly adventure. They would enjoy the breakfast and set off on their trip from here. The residents enjoyed seeing and talking with them about their wonderful cars. Many residents have gone on a ride-along; great fun riding in a rumble seat. You only have to ask them, they love to share!

—Sandy Wagner
President, Social Club



Car Club Donation to the Quilters Group

Around Town

Several upcoming April events in San Marcos are described below. Be sure to check out activities in surrounding communities as well. Easter is Sunday, April 20th, so there are lots of fun activities for families!

Spring Festival San Marcos

Sunday, April 6, 9 AM to 5 PM 251 North City Drive, San Marcos, CA

This event will host over 250 vendors, including talented artisans, crafters, local retain, and national businesses. There will be amazing food and live performances. Fun for kids!





Diversity Town Hall

Saturday, April 12, 10 AM to 12:30 PM San Marcos Community Center 3 Civic Center Drive

The San Marcos Youth Commission will host an interactive event celebrating diversity in San Marcos. This event will include live performances, food tasting and informational booths highlighting some of the amazing cultures that make up our city. This event will be held in the Main Hall at the San Marcos community center at 3 Civic Center Drive, San Marcos CA

4th Annual Lakehouse Food & Wine Festival

Saturday, April 26, 1 PM to 4 PM Lakehouse Resort, Lake San Marcos

Come sip, sample, and vote for your favorite food and drinks. More than 30 vendors showcasing the best from North County and San Diego.



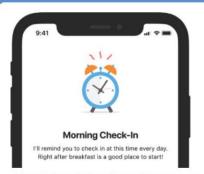




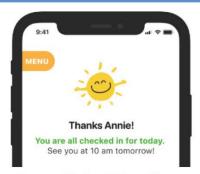
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