



CPHA

Calabasas Connection

Calabasas Park Homeowners Association Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Now that summer has ended, and we are back to school, back to work, and done with our vacations, it is time to look forward to business as usual. We at CPHA have several daunting tasks that we are working on. First, we are trying to get together with the Boards of other Calabasas communities to select some projects that will either mitigate the traffic, or beautify our City in Calabasas. There is money in a school fund from the builders of the "Oaks", set aside for such purpose. In the coming weeks and months, we will be considering several options.

A committee is busy at work trying to obtain a program of merchant discounts for our members. Once this is in place, there will be added benefits to our members at various stores, shops, and restaurants in the area. Speaking of restaurants, we are trying to get some upscale restaurants to move in and take the place of a few others who have left.

Our Lake has never looked better than it has now with the added sidewalks, and lights. Speaking of the Lake, our security is in full force round the clock to make certain it is safe, and only people who belong are walking around it. The Lake, of course, was host to several successful concerts this summer, and our annual 4th of July run and dog show. All of these events were well attended.

I look forward to working with our new City Council and making sure that the interests of CPHA are always at the forefront.

Barry Hammond, President

DID YOU KNOW?

- CPHA has 21 voluntary Board of directors, representing all communities?
- CPHA has 13 different committees to deal with a variety of issues? You are welcome to come to our monthly meetings.
- Calabasas has 23,000 residents?
- CPHA has over 2800 member households, representing over 25% of all Calabasas residents?
- That your CPHA owns the Lake, Park, Creek and Greenbelts? We are one of the only HOA's who own property.
- Calabasas offers free Trolley rides; Dial a ride for \$2.50/trip; and 5 City shuttle busses for only \$.50/per ride or \$50 for one year unlimited use?
- **STTOP.....Sheriff Teen Traffic Offender Program.** To report an offender just call 1-877-stop and give the License and car information.
- **"No drugs down the drain"**. You can drop off all unused or expired pharmaceutical medications, syringes, needles, etc. at the Sheriff Station on Agoura Road.
- **Electronic waste disposal** is available at Vons on the 3rd Saturday of each month from 10am-3pm; or Albertsons on the 1st Saturday of the month 10am -3pm (batteries, computers, laptops, TVs etc)
- **Water Based paints** and oil can be dropped off @City Hall 10am-2pm on the 2nd Saturday of every other month.
- **In an earthquake or other emergency**, the Tennis and Swim Center is our **Triage Center** to help the community.
- **Exciting New Programs for Senior Citizens:** The City of Calabasas is offering exciting new programs just for senior citizens like knitting, line dancing, arts and crafts, computer classes, bingo, and more at the Calabasas Library. Contact Deborah Steller 818-224-1600

34TH ANNUAL JULY 4TH LAKESIDE FUN RUN

Once again a Fabulous 4th of July was enjoyed by all. CPHA joined with Dan Huncke of the Tennis and Swim Club and the City of Calabasas in creating a wonderful day and evening for everyone.

In addition to the Races, pancake breakfast, Pet Show, and Splash Party at the Tennis and Swim Club, the day was topped off by a Fire works show at Calabasas High School.



MORE...DID YOU KNOW?

- **Free bulky item pick up from Waste Management** October 22, 2011 Call for appt. 1-800-657-1171 (Furniture, mattresses, water heaters, appliances, etc.)
- **Report a pot hole** in the road, a broken street signal, graffiti incidents or tree problem. Please call the city or go to www.cityofcalabasas.com and look under "connect" for public works citizen request system.
- **Interested in having an event at the Civic Center?** There are four rentable spaces available for events or meetings at the Founders Hall which is a beautiful banquet hall with modern AV capabilities, outdoor patio and courtyard. Also available is an outdoor amphitheater and plaza space. Send for info at: roomrentals@cityofcalabasas.com
- **Calabasas Delivery Service**...Brings products to people's doorsteps and provides free services for seniors. From medicine to groceries and wine, a new company in Calabasas delivers products to customers. The Calabasas Delivery Service, is an extension of the Malibu Delivery Service and is now in Calabasas. The delivery company recently signed an exclusive deal with Caruso Management Company, which oversees the Commons in Calabasas. They will deliver anything from anywhere that doesn't deliver. If seniors need prescriptions or any other medically related products picked up, that is done for free!! Orders cost a flat rate of \$11 and can be placed on the phone or the company's website. No order is ever too small for them. 818-457-6867 calabasasdeliveryservice.com

PLEASE PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG

Did you know that if dogs were counted in the City's population, they would account for approximately 16% of the population? Animal waste contains disease-causing pathogens that, when left on the ground, wash down storm drains and contaminate beaches. Dog waste left on the ground can increase the risk of viral infections, especially after becoming wet due to rain or sprinklers.

Anyone who walks an animal on public property that isn't theirs must retrieve and dispose of animal waste. Failure to remove the animal waste may result in fines issued by the City. Picking up after pets is about more than etiquette; it's about public and the environments health.

CPHA BUSINESS DISCOUNT PROGRAM

The CPHA BUSINESS DISCOUNT PROGRAM has begun. Many businesses in Calabasas will provide special discounts to CPHA members. If you have a business interested in participating, and would like further information- CALL..... ALEX SOTERAS, Discount Program Chairman at 818-269-9389

BOARD OF DIRECTORS WORKSHOP

On Monday evening, September 12th, a special 3 hour workshop of the board of directors was held with our new CPHA attorney, Mr. Leonard Siegel. Our Community Association Manager, Ida Worth, reviewed the governing documents, the California Civil Code, the Davis-Stirling Act, as it applies to homeowner organizations, and the roles and responsibilities of Board members. She explained to the board, which almost all members were present, how homeowner boards should conduct themselves and conduct their meetings. Our new attorney Lennie Siegel discussed legal issues, how to avoid litigation and also the new legislation and how it affects homeowner organizations. It was a most successful and productive meeting.



The photo above, from left to right, depicts our President, Barry Hammond, Community Association Manager, Ida Worth, our attorney, Leonard Siegel, our Vice President and Workshop Chairman, Gerry Kirshbaum, and, Assistant Manager, Jennifer Herzig.

I CAN HEAR YOU NOW

Yes, sound really travels, especially if you live on the lake.

Anyone who lives on the lake knows that the lake acts as a microphone for all sounds. Please keep that in mind when walking on the path in front of the Lake homes. The Lake homeowners would like to thank you for understanding and for keeping your voices down when using your cell phones or talking to friends while walking on the paths or fishing, etc. The voices go right into their homes as the sound bounces off the lake.



BE THE FIRST TO KNOW

However, to make this happen, we need your email information! Just go to our website: calabasasparkha.com and fill out the form on the home page. Be sure to include your name, address and phone numbers. Your information will not be used for any other purposes and your privacy will be protected. This information will be helpful in allowing us to send you "blast" information, in between newsletters, on timely, interesting or important issues. Please get your information to us ASAP so we can include you in our first exciting online issue! Sign up today.

WE LOVE DOGS, BUT...

Stricter enforcement of leash and "poop" laws will now be in effect. Citations and or fines will be issued to pet owners who do not comply with City, County and State laws regarding picking up dog "poop" or letting pets run free or off leashes. Please keep your dogs' leashes very short when other people are near. Thank you for your help on this important issue so everyone can fully enjoy the park.

P.S. This is also a health issue when the "poop" comes into the homes on our shoes, as well as a Lake water chemical balance problem.



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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

CPHA pledges its leadership to nourish and enhance our Calabasas lifestyle by preserving and protecting the ambience and environment, and by maintaining standards that benefit all members of our community. Calabasas Park HOA is your advocate for homeowner issues and information.

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Members of CPHA own the common assets of Calabasas Lake and other greenbelt areas. Your Board of Directors is elected by the members to protect, preserve, maintain and enhance the asset of the association. Comprising of over 2,800 families in Calabasas Park we work in close partnership with the Sheriff, School District and City of Calabasas to further the best interests of our community. All Directors are volunteers in service.

Barry Hammond, President
Gerry Kirshbaum, Vice President
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Directors: Cathy Bertovic
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SPECIAL NUMBERS

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CPHA Fax 818-591-3044
Ross Morgan and Co. 818-907-6622
Billing Questions (x. 266)
Escrow Questions (x. 207)
Graffiti Hotline 818-224-1600 x 683

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

****ANDREWS INTERNATIONAL SECURITY****
(800) 452-1622

IRRIGATION/LANDSCAPE EMERGENCIES
(AFTER HOURS) CALL VENCO
(800) 350-6831 • (805) 981-2400

BOARD MEETINGS

Second Tuesday each month
Check calabasasparkha.com for details

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