



The High Tide

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A Newsletter for Residents of Cañon del Sol

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

During the February board meeting, the board set the date for the 2022 annual general meeting (AGM). The AGM will be held on Saturday April 2, 2022 via Zoom. The agenda and draft minutes from the 2021 AGM will be available on our website in early March. In addition, Anderson & Co. will be sending out all of the details required to join the meeting. All owners are encouraged to attend this meeting. Any owners wishing to participate in person may contact Anderson & Co. as they will have a conference room at their office for in-person participation on April 2.

I want to make sure all are aware that we have a new primary contact at Anderson & Co., and her name is Dianne Kingsbury. Dianne can be reached via phone at the main Anderson phone number or by email at: Dianne@acomgt.com.

The board also discussed the need for a more rigorous use of the work order process available to us from Anderson. All owners looking to have the HOA inspect or repair something should fill out a work order request with Anderson & Co. This will aid in the tracking of all ongoing HOA efforts.

As part of the section B painting project, we will be working to track and document all owner expanded and/or additional decks. We will use this data to update the title documents for all homes that fall into this category. Anderson will be contacting owners with the specifics as we work through this process. When we finish this effort in Section B, we will begin to work on sections A and C. One of the primary uses of this information is to determine the financial responsibility for necessary maintenance and repairs.

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Please know that the board is aware of the potential issues related to the new county-wide composting program. We will explore options with the hope of finding a shared community solution that could be used by those who do not currently have a green yard waste bin.

And finally, with the updated indoor mask requirement changing, masks will no longer be required for fully-vaccinated individuals when inside the clubhouse. We will review re-opening the clubhouse for homeowners' private events, which require reservations. All information about clubhouse use can be found on the HOA website.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns! Cheers,

Bob

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From the Editor

February is the month of love, Black History, and groundhogs. When Punxsutawny Phil emerged from his den on February 2, he looked around, saw his shadow, and predicted six more weeks of winter. That might be a good forecast for Pennsylvania, but not so much for the central coast. We had been experiencing some extraordinarily sunny and warm weather until Valentine's Day when it became chillier. Nonetheless, I hope you were warm with love on the 14th and enjoyed your Valentine's Day. And back to Punxsutawny Phil, if you want to learn a bit more about groundhogs, check out the information on page 4.

If you like plants and want to see an area adjoining your home spruced up, read the article below and get in touch with Judy Matthews. Judy is also looking for volunteers to serve as *area coordinators* to monitor our common area landscaping. Talk to Judy to learn more about what's involved. It is a relatively small task that you can do to help keep our community looking its best.

Karen McCarty has shared a restaurant recommendation with us on page 4. Don't forget about our Tuesday afternoon Game Days. Come and share the fun! I've learned some new games that I thoroughly enjoy. See page 3 for this and more things to do.

It would be great to see more of you at our monthly Co-ed Book Club meetings. Read more about the meetings and books we're reading on page 5.

Finally, if you like to comb the beach, the best time to do so is an hour after low tide. I did this earlier this month and found eight beautiful sand dollars in a single walk. (Don't forget that if a sand dollar is purple, it's still alive and must be put back into the water.) There are many apps that make it easy to keep track of the tides. I use one called "Tide Now CA." It's easy to read and can be set to your location.

Lorraine Margon

LANDSCAPING COMMITTEE

Considering a refresh for your front yard area?

A number of homeowners have elected to improve the common areas adjacent to their homes. This has included everything from ivy removal, to splitting large plants, to replacing old plants. If you are considering updates and would like more information regarding recent landscaping efforts, please contact Judy Mathews. Judy will be happy to share info so you can get a cost estimate for the changes you have in mind, as well as help you to navigate the HOA landscape approval process so you can get a sense of the steps necessary to get your work approved. A listing of currently approved plants for the community is available on the CDS website and might be a useful resource for you to reference.



Area Coordinators: Volunteers Needed. We are seeking volunteers who have an interest in a particular area of landscaping within our community. Volunteers would simply keep an eye on the landscaping in that area and give the Landscape Committee a heads-up with any concerns or needs. Please let Judy know if you are interested: 408-655-5141 or mathewsjc50@gmail.com

THINGS TO DO

DON'T FORGET: GAME DAY
every Tuesday, 3-5 pm in the Clubhouse!

Cards, board games, billiards, table tennis and more. Bring your own beverage.



Santa Cruz Museum of Natural History
1305 East Cliff Drive

Mini Fungus Fair
Saturday, February 29
9 am - 2 pm

presented by the
Fungus Federation of Santa Cruz

Downtown Santa Cruz Wine Walk

May 1, 2022
3-6 pm

Details and tickets:
<https://tinyurl.com/46dnvz2s>



41st Annual Clam Chowder Cook-Off



Saturday February 26 and
Sunday February 27
10 am - 5:00 pm each day
Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk



**"Good Vibrations"
Quilt Show**
Pajaro Valley Quilt
Association
February 26-27

**Santa Cruz County
Fairgrounds**
www.pvqa.org

Banff Centre Mountain Film Festival at the Rio Theatre

February 25-27 at 7 pm; www.riotheatre.com

From exploring remote landscapes to adrenaline-fueled action sports, films selected for the 2021/2022 World Tour are sure to captivate and amaze you.



FOOD



FEB 23 – MAR 1 2022
SEVEN DAYS OF
BURGER LOVE!
\$10, \$12 OR \$15 BURGERS · SANTACRUZBURGERWEEK.COM

RESTAURANT RECOMMENDATION *by Karen McCarty (436 Oyster Drive)*

Miyuki is a tiny gem of a Japanese restaurant located at 452 East Lake Avenue in Watsonville. It is a little bit out of the way (but on the way to the Watsonville Staff of Life) and definitely worth the trek. My daughter and I went there for lunch recently, and the special lunch bento



boxes were incredible! Their food is excellent, and their servings are very generous.

www.miyukirestaurant.com
831-728-1620

DID YOU KNOW?

Groundhogs were once thought to be quite solitary. However, Christine Maher, a behavioral ecologist at the University of Southern Maine, has found some information indicating that groundhogs are more social than we knew.

She studied 513 groundhogs in great detail at the Gilsland Farm Audubon Center, a 65-acre sanctuary of rolling meadows and forests on the coast of Falmouth, Maine. She found more social behaviors between these animals than originally thought. For example, the younger groundhogs often don't leave the burrow as early as two to four months, as previously thought. About half of those in Dr. Maher's study did not leave at all.

More research is needed. The thinking is that groundhogs may cohabitate when circumstances deem it necessary; when food is scarce, for example. The benefit of staying home is that if they don't travel, they may avoid car accidents and other harmful incidents.

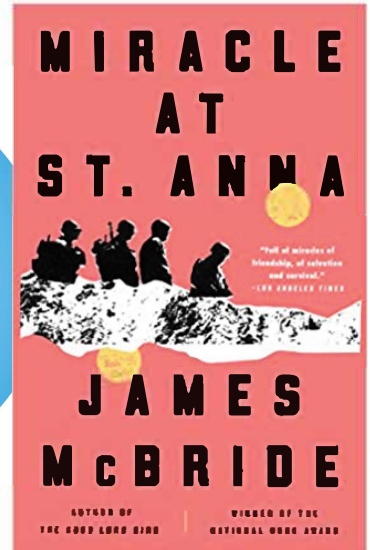


- **Groundhogs are the largest members of the squirrel family, are herbivores and weigh ten pounds.**
- **A groundhog is also known by these names, among others: woodchuck, groundpig, whistlepig, land beaver, and Canada marmot.**
- **They typically live alone on a territory that is not quite an acre. They create tunnels that can be 20 to 50 feet long and have multiple entrances. Some rooms are below the frost line, so they can hibernate.**
- **The average groundhog can remove 700 pounds of dirt a day to create its burrow.**
- **They are native to the eastern half of North America and across Canada into Alaska.**

CDS COED BOOK CLUB



Join
Us!



The CDS Co-ed Book Club is currently accepting new members

Last month, this book club read *Cloud Cuckoo Land* by Anthony Doerr. It's an interesting book that all members enjoyed. Doerr is an excellent writer. It is described in a review by NPR as ". . . a book about books, a story about stories. It is tragedy and comedy and myth and fable and a warning and a comfort all at the same time."

Next month's book is *Miracle at St. Anna* by James McBride, which will be discussed at the meeting on Tuesday, March 15, at 1:30 pm in the Clubhouse. [Read it and join the Club on the 15th!](#) For information contact Judy Mathews: 408-655-5141 or mathewsjc50@gmail.com

LIBRARY



Santa Cruz Public Libraries

<https://www.santacruzpl.org>

La Selva Beach Branch Hours

Tues - Thur 11 am - 6 pm

Fri - Sat 12 pm - 5 pm

Book Drop is open 24/7.

Branches closed for renovations:

*Aptos Boulder Creek
Branciforte Garfield Park
Scotts Valley*

Book Drops are open 24/7

RAINFALL TOTALS FOR LA SELVA BEACH

Rain season is October 1 to September 30.

Season to date 18.08 inches

Last year to date 3.92 inches

Last year total 15.67 inches

Rain data is current as of 2 pm on February 14, 2022, as reported in the [Santa Cruz Sentinel](#).



TV & MOVIES

NETFLIX Limited series: *Inventing Anna*, starring Julia Garner (*Ozark*); follows a con woman who lies her way into New York's most elite scene, fleecing everyone as she climbs the social ladder.

Series: *Sweet Magnolias* has returned for season 2; centers around three women in a small town and their ups and downs of relationships and parenting.

AMAZON PRIME VIDEO Movie: *I Want You Back*, stars Scott Eastwood who plays a fitness trainer whose girlfriend becomes obsessed with him after he breaks up with her.

IN THEATERS *Marry Me*, starring Jennifer Lopez; about a pop superstar who chooses to marry a total stranger (Owen Wilson)

WANTED

your
NEWS

Please submit anything you wish to share . . . family news, pets, travel, etc.

Send pics/info to:
LorraineMargon@gmail.com

CALENDAR NOTES



Board Meetings

All Board meetings are held on the first Monday of the month at 4 pm via Zoom.

CDS Game Day

Every Tuesday 3-5 pm - in the Clubhouse

CDS Women's Book Club

Every Wednesday 4-6 pm - in the Clubhouse

CDS Co-ed Book Club

Third Tuesday of the month at 1:30 pm - in the Clubhouse

Private Party

Monday Feb, 21 5:30 to 9:00 pm - in the Clubhouse

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Annual Homeowners
General Meeting

Saturday, April 2, 2022



The sunset lights up the sky in swirls of yellow, orange and pink above homes in CDS, turning parts of the sky purple. *Photo by L. Margon.*



HELPFUL INFORMATION

Cañon del Sol Community Website

<http://www.canondelsol.com>

username: cds | password: surfandsun

CDS Board of Directors

President	Bob Carpenter
Vice President	Judy Mathews
Treasurer	Colin Tierney
Secretary	Jesse Fielding
Director-at-large	Bruce Margon

CDS Property Management Company

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