

# The High Tide

November 2018

A newsletter for residents of Cañon del Sol Vol. 1. Issue 6

# **President's Message**

Among other things, this newsletter provides me with an opportunity to communicate to owners with respect to actions taken by the Board. A couple of things of note are as follows.

First, at its September meeting, the Board elected to expand the property insurance coverage the Association maintains to include, among other things, certain external improvements made by members to their units. This should not be interpreted as a suggestion to owners to change coverages they may maintain, or refrain from obtaining coverage, for external improvements for which they are or may be responsible. As the Board has consistently recommended, owners are encouraged to periodically review their insurance coverages with their insurance agents.

Secondly, at its last meeting the Board adopted both its operating budget and its reserve budget and plan for 2019. Copies will be sent to owners later this month. In its budget deliberations, the Board, as it does annually at this time of year, considered changes to our monthly assessments. The last change in assessments was a 5 percent reduction in 2013. Since that time, no cost of living or other change has been made. Expenses for outside services continue to rise. And the development is aging, requiring significantly more repair and maintenance attention. While the Board determined not to make a change at this time, no assurances can be made with respect to assessments in the future.

Turning to other matters, (1) the pool will remain heated through the Thanksgiving weekend, and (2) residents are reminded of the Association rules regarding pets and parking. Members are asked to police common areas after their pets, and parking spaces are intended for use by visitors and guests and not owners and tenants.

An early Happy Thanksgiving to all.

Henry Bose



### Please bring:

- Your own beverage of choice
- A side dish or dessert to share
- For the gift exchange:
  - > Ladies bring a woman's gift under \$10
  - > Gents bring a man's gift under \$10

*RSVP to Pat Vance at 831-728-8707* 

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### **HOA Notes and Reminders**

Residents should not put any promotional material into mailboxes, such as business advertisements. Thank you for your cooperation.



The pool heater will be turned off on Nov. 26 for the cold-weather months. The spa will continue to be heated.



## **Things To Do This Month**



Local artists join forces with talented Arboretum volunteers to produce one-of-kind living succulent wreaths and dried floral wreaths, floral centerpieces and other artwork for this sale. These beautiful botanic creations & decorations will make the perfect seasonal accent for your home, or holiday gift for loved ones!



Shop over 30 arts and crafts vendors for handmade jewelry, cards, art, pottery, ornaments, woodcraft, jams, soaps, garden art, clothing and more. Find great bargains at the giant Friends of the Library Book Sale. Bake sale and hot food. Live music all day. Kids' crafts at 1 pm.

# **Upcoming Events**



**Lighted Boat Parade**, on Sat., Dec. 1 at 5:30 pm, sponsored by the Santa Cruz Yacht Club. This is a parade of 50 beautifully-decorated power boats and sailboats parading through the Santa Cruz Harbor. It's a family-friendly event with hot drinks and snacks available at various locations through the south harbor.



Heritage Holiday Crafts & Gift Fair: Friday-Sunday, Nov. 30 – Dec. 2. Times: Fri. 10a-6p; Sat & Sun 10a-4p; Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds. Three buildings full of crafters and gifts. Admission: \$6. Free parking & shuttle service.

## **Aptos Village Update**



Aptos Village continues to make progress at its Soquel Drive and Trout Gulch Road location. The project recently announced that the following local businesses plan to join New Leaf Community Markets' fifth location there. Those businesses include the Penny Ice Creamery, Cat & Cloud Coffee, Sereno Group, Sockshop & Shoe Company and a restaurant led by Michelin 3-star chef David Kinch. More info: TheAptosVillage.com

### **Restaurant Reviews**

by Mary Ann Herlihy

LOCAL: Village Host Pizza & Grill

One of our closest restaurants and a family favorite is the Village Host Pizza & Grill, located in the Seascape Village Shopping Center. Their menu includes a wide variety of pizzas, sandwiches and burgers. My personal favorite is the Deluxe Hamburger. Best of all is their salad bar which has a lot of fresh choices and great ranch dressing. They also serve wine and beer, but take note that drinks and salads are ordered and paid for at a different window.

There is a mini arcade, which our grandsons love and which keeps them occupied while waiting for their pizza order. (I always bring a bag of quarters.) They have a couple of TVs for watching sports.

You can find discounts on pizza in the Val U Pak coupons that arrive in your mail. Coupons are also available online. And if you don't want to leave home, they'll deliver to CDS from 5-9 pm.

Other locations include Capitola (Nob Hill Shopping Center on Bay Avenue), Belmont, Burlingame and San Luis Obispo.

Open 7 days a week from 11 am to 10 pm

4 Seascape Village, Aptos; 831-685-8646

#### TRAVELING TO SO-CAL, two good options....

#### Along I-5 Harris Ranch Restaurant and Inn

My favorite I-5 travel stop, aside from the In-N-Out in Kettleman City, is Harris Ranch at the intersection of I-5 and CA-198. At 2 1/2 hours from CDS, it is just the right distance for a restroom break, a little shopping and great food.



The actual ranch started in 1937 and now covers 18,000 acres in the San Joaquin Valley. Harris Farms raises cattle, vegetables, fruit and nuts.

We've enjoyed both breakfast and lunch in the restaurant, which is comprised of the Harris Ranch Kitchen Restaurant, Express BBQ and Steakhouse. My personal breakfast favorite is the Ranch Hand Breakfast of two eggs, bacon or sausage, biscuits or toast and potatoes or fruit.

For lunch there are many salads to choose from or vou can treat vourself to the delicious Ribeve Dip Sandwich. Meals always provide generous servings.

The service is fast and efficient. You can have a leisurely meal or a short but satisfying stop.

A few minutes in the gift shop is a must as there are always fun seasonal gifts to check out. If you don't want to go to the restaurant, you can get coffee and baked goods to go in the shop.

> Hours Restaurant Daily 6 am - 10 pm Daily 9 am - 9 pm Express Steakhouse Sun-Thurs 5 to 9 pm Fri-Sat 5 to 10 pm

Harris Ranch - Address & Phone 24505 W Dorris Ave, Coalinga, CA; 559-935-0717

#### **US-101** Apple Farm Inn and Restaurant

Apple Farm Inn and Restaurant is another convenient stop, also 2 1/2 hours from CDS. If you are heading south, the timing is great for a breakfast or lunch break. It's an easy stop immediately off the freeway.

Their prices are similar to those at Harris Ranch. One difference is the delicious boy-

senberry jam served with their fresh biscuits.

The service can be slightly slower than at Harris Ranch, but the food makes up for it.

They also have a cute gift shop and a bakery, so some browsing or shopping will beckon to you.

Hours Breakfast: Daily 7:00 am to 1:00 pm Lunch: Mon-Fri 11:30 am to 5:00 pm

> Sat-Sun 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm Dinner: Daily 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Apple Farm – Address & Phone
2015 Monterey Street,San Luis Obispo, CA
805-544-2040

### **Resident's News**

### contributed by Lorraine & Bruce Margon

We took our 5-year-old granddaughter, Evelyn, to the county sheriff's office's annual "Trunk or Treat" outdoor event on Friday, Oct. 26. It was a fun event and quite popular. Highlights included a bouncy house, treats, games, and snacks. We know we're biased, but we did think she made an adorable cheetah.





# **Recipe Corner**

Something cute for your feast



#### **Turkey Cheese Ball Recipe**

18 oz. package cream cheese

1 C. shredded cheddar

About 1/2 C. of chopped up mixed nuts

2 candy eyes

1 Slim Jim

Pretzel sticks

1 round chocolate candy (e.g., Whopper or Pom Poms for the head)

1 candy corn

A few teaspoons of melted chocolate melts to adhere the eyes and "beak"

- Soften cream cheese and cheddar cheese. Cream the cream cheese and add in the shredded cheddar. (This can be done by hand or with a food processor.) Do this until both are thoroughly mixed together.
- Wrap this mixture into a piece of plastic wrap and form it into a ball. Then place in the refrigerator for a few hours to firm it up. Remove from fridge and roll in chopped nuts, being careful to keep the round shape. Place pretzels as in picture to make the nice full tail of the turkey.
- Use some chocolate melt to glue the round chocolate candy to a 4- or 5-inch piece of Slim Jim. It may be tricky to get this to stay in place, so place in freezer if needed to harden it up faster.
- 4. Glue on the eyes and "beak" candy corn and place in the freezer for a few minutes.
- 5. After inserting the "neck" Slim Jim into the cheese ball, place the entire thing on a plate and into the refrigerator for overnight.
- 6. Serve with Ritz crackers placed around your turkey cheese ball.

The Leonid Meteor Shower can be seen this month. Peak time is Nov. 17-18. You

are likely to see up to 20 meteors per hour from a very dark site. The best time to look for meteors is for several hours after 12:01 am on Nov. 18, looking to the east. However, a



bright waxing gibbous moon will be out for much of the night on the peak dates; so, you can also try watching this shower during the predawn hours, or after the moon has set.

# Library

### La Selva Beach Library Hours

Sun & Mon Closed
Tue & Wed 10 am - 7 pm
Thursday 10 am - 6 pm
Fri & Sat 12 pm - 5 pm



Nov. 16 Movie at 10 am: Ocean's 8

PG-13 2018 Thriller/Mystery 1h 51m

Do you know about Cruz511? It's a traveler information website for Santa Cruz County. You can quickly learn about real-time traffic conditions and view real-time webcams along various



spots along Hwy 1. Go to the website (cruz511.org), click on the "DRIVE" tab and you'll see the traffic cameras' link.



# Residents' News

As always, I'd love to include any personal news you'd be willing to share (birth of a child or grandchild, new pet, wedding, travel, milestone anniversary, you won an award, etc.). Have a recipe to share? Do you want to start an interest group of your own?

### We'd love to read all about it!

I'm always interested in your newsletter feedback.

Lorraine Margon@gmail.com 831-345-2394



## **Emergency Preparedness**

Mary Ann Herilhy and John Mellow are formulating a plan for CDS emergency readiness. To this end, they have organized two meetings for residents.

**Planning Meeting.** The first meeting will be held on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>December 20 at 4 pm</u> in our clubhouse. This will be a preliminary meeting for anyone interested in taking part in the planning process.

**General Meeting.** All residents are invited to attend the first general meeting on <u>Friday</u>, <u>January 11 at 6 pm</u>, also in our clubhouse.

For more information contact:

-- John Mello: I-got-rhythm@att.net -- Mary Ann Herlihy: maryannherlihy@att.net

### \*\*\* Please put these dates on your calendar!\*\*\*

As we all know, disasters don't plan ahead, but you can! Start planning now if you have not already done so:

https://www.ready.gov/make-a-plan



### **Editor's Note**

My goal is to issue a newsletter each month. I was unable to produce one for October (just in

case you were wondering). I typically wait until after the monthly HOA board meeting, which takes place on the first Monday of each month. I'm glad to know so many people are enjoying these.



Lorraine Margon

# Relief Agencies for California Wildfires

If you have a desire to donate funds or supplies to survivors of the Camp Fire in Butte County, and/or the Hill and Woolsey fires in SoCal,



the below-listed agencies are a few of those that are currently accepting donations.

- -- American Red Cross is accepting monetary donations for disaster relief. Visit www.redcross.org, call 1-800-RED CROSS or text the word REDCROSS to 90999 to make a \$10 donation.
- -- The Salvation Army is taking donations to support disaster relief and provide meals to first responders and evacuees. Donors can give online at the Salvation Army's Del Oro division website:

https://deloro.salvationarmy.org/del\_oro/camp-fire-response

Or, mail donations to The Salvation Army, P.O. Box 348000, Sacramento, CA 95834.

- -- The North Valley Community Foundation has two funds: The Camp Fire Evacuation Relief Fund and the Butte County Schools Fire Relief Fund. Donors can make an open gift to the school fund, or designate a specific use, like textbooks or school supplies. Donations are accepted through the foundations' website, www.nvcf.org.
- -- The United Way of Northern California is taking donations for its NorCal Fire Relief Fund through its website, www.norcalunitedway.org, and by text: send the message BUTTEFIRE to 91999.
- -- The nonprofit, <u>Direct Relief</u> is currently donating needed resources to emergency response crews (respiratory masks, health kits, etc.) to fires throughout California.

https://www.directrelief.org/emergency/california-wildfires/

-- The non-profit <u>California Community Foundation</u> has a wildfire relief fund to help displaced survivors with everything from housing and medical supplies to mental health care. To learn more about this fund or donate directly, visit:

https://www.calfund.org/wildfire-relief-fund/

Source: Aptos-LaSelva Fire Dept. Protection District

### **Helpful Information**

### **Cañon del Sol Community Website**

www.canondelsol.com username: cds | password: surfandsun

#### **CDS Board of Directors**

President Henry Bose
Vice President Mary Ann Herlihy
Treasurer Bob Carpenter
Secretary Jesse Fielding
Director Bruce Margon

### **CDS Property Management Company**

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#### **CDS Resident Manager**

Scott Thomas 831.722.4048 scott.thomas06@comcast.net

#### **CDS Clubhouse**

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First Alarm Security - Patrol Division 831.684.1111