



## MAY 2010 HOA NEWSLETTER

**Association Meeting:** The next community association meeting will be 6:30PM May 18<sup>th</sup>, at the East Valley Community Center.

**May in Escondido:** News about events in our larger community:

- **Cruisin' Grand:** American-made vintage cars of many makes, models, park and cruise along historical Grand Avenue and its many shops and restaurants. This nationally recognized event runs from the first Friday in April through the last Friday in September.
- **Escondido Renaissance Faire:** May 01<sup>st</sup> & 02<sup>nd</sup>; The Annual Spring Faire and "Shakespeare in the Park" recreates the age of chivalry among the wonders of nature at Felicita County Park.
- **Restaurant Week:** May 02<sup>nd</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>; "May the forks be with you"
- **Old Escondido Mother's Day Home Tour:** May 09<sup>th</sup>; Five historic homes in the Old Escondido Historic District will be open for tours on Mother's Day.  
<http://www.oldscondido.org>

**Fire Gate Access:** Because of the continuing expense of repairing the fire access gate between Hidden Trails Road and Hidden Estates Lane, the board has decided to detach the gate from the electric motor so that the gate must be manually operated. A pad lock will be placed on the gate with the fire department having the only key. The gate is for fire department access only, but the responsibility for its operation rests with the HOA.

**Window Replacement Fraud:** A window replacement company called Pacific Home Remodeling is canvassing HOAs by going door to door and falsely representing themselves as being the HOA preferred vendors. They, reportedly, have over 70 complaints filed against them on the BBB website and are under investigation by the CSLB (California State Licensing Board).

**Sharing our Time and Talent:** Volunteers are needed to help serve on or establish on of the following neighborhood committees:

- **Design Review** - reviews homeowner applications for exterior improvements. As required in the CC&Rs, all exterior improvements require prior approval.
- **Water Wise** - the 'eyes' of the community and advises the management company of any landscaping needs. Special attention to be made to water meters and a consistent monthly usage.
- **Activity** - coordinates activities the entire family can enjoy. Past events included a summer picnic in the park at Frances Ryan Park.
- **Safety & Graffiti** - works with the local police department and helps form a neighborhood watch. Additionally, they identify any safety concerns and present possible solutions.
- **Communications** - This committee is responsible for content with the Hidden Trails newsletters and web site.

**Escondido's Heritage:** Irrigating a Citrus Ranch. Here's the Lewis Boyle ranch circa 1900. It was located near Oak Hill and Midway. Check out the wooden irrigation flume being used to irrigate the orange trees. Source: <http://www.escondidohistory.org>



**HOA Officers (\*all are volunteers):** [board@hiddentrailshoa.com](mailto:board@hiddentrailshoa.com)

President: Gene Marzo; Vice-President: Michael Albo; Secretary/Treasurer: Bob Dunbar.

**Design Review Committee:** Co-Chairs: Marcus Harrel (760) 740-9131 & Darryl Turner. Adjunct members: Rick Wood, Dennis Van Rumund. Meetings typically held 6PM, second Tuesdays at Soprano's Restaurant, 360 Midway Ave.

**Property Manager:** Donna Beaulieu-CCAM, [dbeaulieu@menas.com](mailto:dbeaulieu@menas.com), Menas Realty (858) 270-7870 x15. Visit <http://www.menas.com> regarding billing or repairs.

**City of Escondido, Code Enforcement (graffiti):** 839-4650

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