



Mountain House Community Services District Newsletter

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Opportunities for Community Involvement

The MHCS D Board of Directors has established several advisory committees that are designed to give residents an opportunity to provide input on issues important to the community. The committees include: Schools Committee; Public Safety Committee; Parks and Recreation, Special Events and Youth Programs Committee; Public Communications Committee; and the recently established Youth Action Committee. The committees are comprised of Board member appointees and citizen members. The purpose of each committee is to consider issues within their purview and take recommendations to the full Board for consideration.

Currently, the Public Safety Committee, chaired by Director Matthew Balzarini, has a citizen vacancy that is open for applications. The Public Safety Committee considers information from various law enforcement agencies, the Fire Department, San Joaquin County Emergency Medical Services, Neighborhood Watch, and the input of the community with regard to safety concerns. The committee meets monthly on the first Wednesday of the month. Applicants must consider the time commitment and possess a strong interest or a background in public safety. Residents are encouraged to apply by downloading the application from the MHCS D website and submitting it to the MHCS D by 6:00 pm on Friday, April 2, 2010. Applications are also available at the MHCS D Offices

The Youth Action Committee, chaired by Director Bernice Tingle, is seeking enthusiastic teens from the age of 12 to 18 who have an interest in identifying community activities needs for the teens of Mountain House, and learning about governmental relations. For more information, please contact Director Tingle at btingle@sjgov.org.

Community Awareness

A safe community is achieved through the efforts of law enforcement and a diligent community looking out for one another. There is an unusual crime occurring in Mountain House and law enforcement needs your help. There is an individual, or individuals, who take apart air conditioning units, and remove the copper/aluminum piping. This is done to recycle the piping as scrap metal. If you see suspicious people in front or in the back yard of a vacant home, please give Mountain House Police Services a call at 468-4400. Keep gates locked as a deterrent and report street light outages in residential areas. Although arterial and collector streets are only lit at intersections (except for Main Street and De Anza Boulevard) if you have doubts as to whether a light should be on, you are encouraged to report the outages to the MHCS D.

Residents are also encouraged to join their local Neighborhood Watch program and become involved in community activities as a way to get to know neighbors and other community members. Let's help keep Mountain House safe.

The 6th Annual Great Egg Hunt

10,000 Eggs!! Mountain House's Biggest One Yet! New and Improved Field Sections. Bigger Toddler and Pre-Walker Section. Different field set up for 3-4 year olds, K-1st, 2nd, and 3rd grades.

Where: Wicklund School Fields
When: Saturday April 3, 2010
(No Rain Date)
Time: 12:00 pm

Healthy Household Habits for Clean Water

Last month's newsletter included ways that each resident can help protect our waterways and ultimately the water we drink. The tips below are a continuation of the efforts the MHCS D has put forth to educate residents on how they can do their part. Future Newsletters will contain more ways to protect our water.

Home Repair and Improvement

- Before beginning an outdoor project, locate the nearest storm drains and **protect** them from debris and other materials.
- **Sweep up** and properly dispose of construction debris such as concrete and mortar.
- Use hazardous substances like paints, solvents, and cleaners in the **smallest amounts possible**, and follow the directions on the label. Clean up spills **immediately**, and dispose of the waste safely. Store substances properly to avoid leaks and spills.
- Purchase and use **nontoxic, biodegradable, recycled, and recyclable** products whenever possible.

Schedule of Events

Public Safety Committee Meeting

Date: Wednesday, March 3, 2010
Time: 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Location: Fire Station Community Room

MHCS D Board of Directors Meeting

Date: Wednesday, March 10, 2010
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: MHCS D Board Room

MHCS D Coffee and Tea Social

Date: Wednesday, March 17, 2010
Time: 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Location: Information Center next to Library

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- Bring your own basket.
- All are welcome
- Adult supervision required
- Egg Hunt for children only

For more information, please contact 209-835-7330

MHCS D Board of Directors

The Board of Directors held their regular meeting on February 10, 2010. Some of the actions include:

- Established a deposit policy for all new municipal utility accounts
- Reconsidered deposits for delinquent municipal utility accounts
- Adopted a resolution outlining committee terms
- Received the Mid Year Budget Presentation

For complete information, residents can watch the Board meetings from the comfort of home by going to the MHCS D website and clicking on the MHCS D Board Meetings tab. Or, Come on down!!

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