



Colony Olivenhain



Newsletter of the Olivenhain Town Council

February 2003

From the President — Bob Campbell

Dear Neighbors,

First of all, a belated "Happy New Year" to all of you. And since the year is already 1/12th over, if you are like me and plan on getting anything done this year, you had better get to it now.

When I was abducted into...er I mean...elected into office, I promised to be a "good listener". So, what's on your mind? Looks to me that things are nicely quiet in our little burg. Outside of a noisy wind storm reminiscent of my growing up in Kansas, things appear peaceful. Am I missing something?--(besides my fence, which sorta blew away...anybody seen a brown and white yard fence?) Anyway, you know how to reach us and we are here to help in any way we can.



Hands are full taking care of the old Hall, improving the grounds, getting things organized, and raising "dough" to help with the Hotel and the Hall...BUT, we always will make time to listen. Stay in touch and write if you find issues. Otherwise, somebody please find my fence. And when you do, see if there is a new OTC member underneath it whom you can bring to the next meeting.

Monthly Meetings

OTC General Meeting

Wednesday, February 5, 2003

Olivenhain Meeting Hall, 7:30 PM

We've invited a representative from the Sheriff's Department to join us for our February General Meeting. We've suggested he comes prepared with the latest statistics on crime rates and traffic citation statistics, and be prepared for any questions you can throw at him. Oh yes, we've warned him that traffic speed on El Camino del Norte and dirt bikers in the back country at the end of Lone Jack Road are topics of interest to at least some of our members!

We've also asked what we can do to help Encinitas' finest get their job done, and what special programs there are that we ought to know about. Come join us and see what your tax dollars do for Law Enforcement in Olivenhain.

Building and Grounds Committee

Tuesday, February 25, 2003

Olivenhain Meeting Hall, 6:30 PM

Everyone is invited to attend or join the Building and Grounds Committee, and it looks as though we have a busy month planned in February. We hope to install sprinklers and plant trees, but the dates have not been reserved yet. Please check the OTC website and the Meeting Hall Message Board for notices about work days, and try to join us for this long anticipated project. We will need a lot of helping hands to accomplish this project. Twink Bumann has been working with contractors getting bids for the repair of the roof, and that work has also been tentatively set for February.

Additional work will be starting on the Germania Hotel soon now that Lou Haberkern, Hotel Chair, has a budget to work with! Thanks to everyone in the Valley who have purchased books or attended the Haunted House or Pancake Breakfast to facilitate this project!! If you are interested in helping on the Hotel project, please contact Lou Haberkern at lhaberkern@foundation.sdsu.edu or 760-943-9947.



Happy Valentine's Day to All!

Olivenhain Task Force News

A Committee of the Olivenhain Town Council

By Bruce Ehlers

BADGER BUILDING ... You may have noticed the new grading between the Rhodes School and Grangettos. A new, small office/retail building is being built. It will be single story, 5,000 sq feet and located in the SW corner of the lot nearest the road. Grangetto's Farm Supply will move there from their current location next door and their pipe and mulch storage will be moved to the back of the lot. Parking will be located on the eastern edge of the lot and will be partially screened by landscaping. The plans show the circa 1940's barn and granary will remain.

I did learn a couple of interesting and related items (although they are trivia.) The new building is within the Encinitas City Limits where as the current Grangetto's/EZ Rental building is outside Encinitas. The 3.71 acre eastern lot was never annexed into Encinitas even though it is west of Escondido Creek. Additionally, in 1992 the City Council approved a General Plan Amendment and Planned Commercial Development agreement limits future land use based on average car trip limits. It applies to both parcels (one parcel inside and one outside the city limits) since they share a common driveway. Any future use of the these parcels can not generate more than 1,950 car trips. The PCD also places many "Community Character-like" limitations on future developments on the western property. Why do I find this trivia interesting? It is an example of past actions of the City to protect our community. It is also an example that there can be obscure agreements attached to parcels that limit development. (I apologize to most of my readers for the excursion into trivia.)

LIBRARY PLANS ... Plans for the new downtown library continue to mature and progress. The Planning Commission approved the plans at their January 23, 2003 meeting. If you'd like to see how the design is shaping up, I will bring my copy of the plans to our Feb 5th OTC general membership meeting. The library looks fabulous. I can't wait to grab a book and sit on the deck reading and admiring the 180 degree ocean view. My only worry is that there will be a line of thousands of others wanting to do the same.

COMMUNITY CHARACTER SCHEDULE ... The Community Character Implementation Plan (CCIP) is still working its way through Planning Commission. There are only three more meetings planned before it is returned to the City Council. The last PC meeting on Feb. 27th at 6pm will review the entire CCIP and summarize recommendations to be given to the City Council.

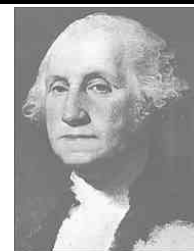
LA POSTA GATES ... Although not an Olivenhain item, many people will be watching this closely. The gates on La Posta will be re-re-re-re-reviewed during the Feb 12th City Council meeting. The meeting starts at 6pm at City Hall, 505 S. Vulcan in downtown Encinitas.

EMAIL NEWSLETTER FROM OUR COUNTY SUPERVISOR, PAM SLATER ... Pam's office sends out monthly email newsletter. Given we will be dealing with large budget cuts in the coming months, this may be the time to get on her email list. Contact dchlota@sbcglobal.net to be added to the list and tell him you're from Olivenhain. The email list is confidential. I've enjoyed the information and I have not gotten any email other than the monthly newsletter.

ARE YOU ON THE OTC EMAIL LIST? ... Remember to let us know when you change your email address. Send all email address changes to behlers@coppermountain.com. That way we can notify you of activities between newsletters.



Celebrate President's Day



Fundraiser Sales

“Colony Olivenhain” History Book

In 1981, Richard Bumann, descendent of one of the original colonists, published a local history book titled Colony Olivenhain.

The original printing sold out long ago, but thanks to a very generous donation by publishers Kristina and Reid Tracy, the Olivenhain Town Council has made this book available once again, and will be able to use all the proceeds from the sale of this book for renovation and repair of the Germania Hotel.

We have books for sale at each General Meeting and other OTC events, but if you can't make it to the meeting, you can pick one up at the Postal Corner. Buy several ... they make great gifts!

Olivenhain License Plate Frames

Those attractive, chrome Olivenhain license plates frames you may have seen around town are available at the Postal Corner. When supplies run out, Robert keeps a list of names to notify when the new order comes in. Stop by the Postal Corner today!

Olivenhain Cookbook

The first ever Olivenhain Cookbook is at the publishers, the recipes are being typesetted -- and Debbie McCauley is making decisions on covers, paper, etc., etc. The cookbook should be ready by March, which means it should be available at the General Meeting and at the Annual Bratwurst and Beer Festival in April. We're keeping our fingers crossed.

This special Olivenhain Cookbook is being published by Debbie McCauley to raise funds for the restoration of the Germania Hotel located on the Meeting Hall grounds. The cookbook is expected to sell for \$20-25 and would make a great gift to folks in Olivenhain and out.

To reserve one or more copies today, visit www.debbiemccauley.com and click on the Olivenhain Cookbook link.

What's with the Curb??

Curbing on 7th Street next to the Meeting Hall, was installed to divert the rainwater runoff away from the Meeting Hall property to the storm drain at the end of 7th and Rosemary. Once the area between the new curbing and the Meeting Hall property is back filled with dirt, it will be easier to drive over and help prevent new ruts from forming if our El Nino every shows up!

Thanks to the City of Encinitas Public Works Department for installing this erosion-control measure.

The Meeting Hall Message Board

We love to see the welcomes and birthday celebrations posted on our Meeting Hall message board. We'd just like to remind you once in a while about the guidelines for posting messages on the board.

- Messages may be posted for 72 hours. Residents are responsible for removing their messages after 72 hours.
 - Messages must have a date showing when the message was posted. Undated messages may be removed at any time
 - Place messages only in the area provided. Do not mount messages to the wooden frame or posts.
 - Use only the push pins provided. Do not use hammers, nails or staples as these will damage the message board.
 - No "For Sale" or other solicitation signs are allowed.
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Thank you, Thank you!

Thank you **Michelle Tutoli** for organizing the Holiday Party again this year. The children's play was great and the treats were good too!

Thanks again to the **San Dieguito Ryders** for donating an artificial tree to the OTC as part of our holiday decorations.

Thanks to **Olivenhain Self Storage** for their on-going donation of a storage unit to the OTC.

Olivenhain Play Group

The Olivenhain Play Group is up and running at Wiro Park every Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. For additional information, please contact Kate Poeschl at 760-632-0661.

City Council and Commission Schedules

Council/Commission

Regular Schedule

Encinitas City Council	2 nd , 3 rd , and 4 th Wednesday at 6:00 PM, Council Chambers
Planning Commission	1st and 3rd Thursdays at 6:00 PM, Council Chambers
Traffic Commission	2nd Monday, 4th Monday optional at 5:30 PM, Council Chambers
Parks and Recreation Commission	3rd Tuesday at 5:00 PM, Council Chambers
Senior Citizen Commission	3rd Friday at 1:00 PM, Council Chambers
Commission for the Arts	1st Monday at 5:30 PM, Council Chambers
Youth Commission	1st Wednesday at 4:30 PM, Council Chambers

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Commissioner's Corner

Steve Fitch, Parks and Recreation Commissioner

City Council is expected to approve the request for bid package to go out for Cottonwood Creek park for award in April and completion 6 months later. Council is also expected to select from bids to clean up the Hall Property (\$448,000). The Hall park consultant is expected to get the latest round of concept plans back to the Council in February. The plans were to include pools and several ball fields with a buffer of passive use space next to the houses. The Community Services department has changed its name to Department of Parks and Recreation. Ex Parks and Beach Superintendent, Phil Cotton has won the competition to serve as Director of Parks and Recreation. Phil was selected from a national field of talent so congratulations are in order for Phil. We don't know what the State withholding of license fee funds will mean to Encinitas budgets but we could be short \$1.8M this year and \$3.1M next year. Stay tuned, we'll keep you posted.

Pat Klaus, Traffic Commissioner

Let's talk about Roundabouts. If you've visited Legoland, you've negotiated a roundabout. As far as I know, this is the first roundabout installed in North County. This particular traffic calming feature is used widely in Australia, and is gaining popularity in the United States. Roundabouts are used in lieu of traffic signals to keep traffic flowing smoothly while allowing access from intersecting streets and slowing down all drivers to a safer speed due to the horizontal deflection required to move through the circle. Encinitas will soon be installing three roundabouts on Leucadia Blvd. between I5 and Vulcan.

To learn more about roundabouts and other traffic calming features, be sure to attend the public workshops which will be held to help shape the traffic calming policy and programs for Encinitas. Three workshops are planned, probably beginning in March. In these workshops, a traffic calming expert hired by Encinitas will present information of different traffic calming features. Following the presentation, citizens will participate in work groups to select the features most appropriate to each of the diverse communities in Encinitas. Come help shape the look and feel of the roads of Olivenhain for many years to come. Watch the newsletter for dates and times, or get on our email list in case there isn't time to get the information into the newsletter.