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Ho Ho Holidays!

“To Inform, Protect and Beautify Mesa Verde.”

Reforesting Mesa Verde	“Snoopy House Display 2016”
	

“Tree Beautification”

The Tree Beautification process was a success! Although not everybody qualified to receive a tree, we were still able to add about 30 into our neighborhoods landscape. A major thank you needs to go to Jim Ortiz over at the City of Costa Mesa who coordinated the tree planting and informed us Mesa Verde residents, of what we can do to take care of our new green additions. Here are a couple of tips for the care of our trees:

1. Keep new trees well watered throughout this hot and dry season.
2. Fill the tree well with water. Let the water drain and then refill the tree well again. You will be watering less during the winter time.
3. The watering of the tree for the first six (6) months is crucial for the establishment of the trees.
4. Do not prune or remove your own tree. (Call the city to have them come take a look at your tree.) You do not want to incur any costs due to gas/water pipe breakages.
5. If you notice a difference in the newly planted tree (yellow leaves, no leaves on branches, etc). Please contact the City and the City will evaluate the tree.
6. If tree stakes or tree ties are damaged or vandalized. Please contact the City and the City will replace.

We have taken a break as of November 1st 2016 on taking tree requests but will be back open for business starting March 1, 2017. We greatly appreciate everybody who had a tree or trees planted and look forward to hearing requests and continuing to beautify Mesa Verde.

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“Peanuts”

The beloved Snoopy House holiday display has been a Costa Mesa and Orange County holiday tradition since 1966, attracting an estimated 80,000 visitors annually. This year, Snoopy House, is celebrating its 50-year anniversary.

The holiday display features scenes populated by "Peanuts" characters and is available for viewing from 5:30 to 9 p.m. nightly from Dec. 10 through Dec. 23 in front of Costa Mesa City Hall located at 77 Fair Drive. Opening night will be Dec. 10 with a formal presentation beginning at 5 p.m. Santa will make special visits to the event from 7 to 9 p.m. from opening night, Dec. 10, through Dec. 23. Children and their families will have opportunities to receive free photos with Santa.

Volunteers and supplies needed -Volunteers are being sought to assist. If you have an organization that would like to paint or decorate, contact Community Liaison Jennifer Christ at (714) 754-5347 or jennifer.christ@costamesaca.gov. Please note space is limited.

Talent wanted - The City is seeking holiday musical acts to open City Hall’s Snoopy House each night at 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. from Dec. 10 through Dec. 23. Interested parties may contact Community Liaison Jennifer Christ by phone (714) 754-5347 or jennifer.christ@costamesaca.gov.

Nonprofits wanted to staff food and beverage booths - The city is also offering fundraising opportunities to nonprofit youth groups to sell beverages and snacks. Evenings will be designated on a first-come, first-serve basis, and groups will be limited to one night. Interested parties may contact Community Liaison, Jennifer Christ by phone (714) 754-5347 or jennifer.christ@costamesaca.gov

To read the entire article please take a look at the



following links:

https://www.waterproofmag.com/back_issues/200810/waterproofing_clay.php

<http://www.foundation-repair-guide.com/expansive-soil.html>

“Waterproofing in Expansive Soil”

Many of us here in Mesa Verde are aware of our clay soil issues. In order to maintain and protect our homes we have found a couple of articles in hopes to inform on the steps to protect against foundation harm. One of our neighbors here in M.V. has used these methods and has found that it has helped tremendously to fight the clay soil battle. Here are a few things that these articles suggest to protect the foundation of your home.

- Use drip irrigation to water trees and plants, thus minimizing the amount of water that is soaked into the soil. It’s also a good idea to avoid having trees and bushes within 10 feet of the house, because they tend to absorb water and dry up the soil. It also prevents roots from cracking the foundation walls.
- Install gutters and downspouts so water is deposited well away from the house. Soil around the foundation also needs to be sloped away from the house.
- Compact the soil around the foundation. “The compaction of the backfill is key,” said Troy Mardesen, vice president of Denver-based Mardesen Construction Services.

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ABOUT YOUR MVCI MEMBERSHIP: There are so many issues that affect our everyday lives: traffic and safety, security, mixed-use development, civic issues, the airport, our schools—the list goes on and on—and it can be overwhelming to keep up on everything. Fortunately, your MVCI board of directors has expertise in multiple areas. We meet monthly to discuss issues and strategize on mitigating any potential negative impacts. We attend public meetings. We write our representatives. We host general meetings to bring you relevant topics we feel are of greatest significance and interest. We send out newsletters. In return, we depend on you—our members— for the organization’s survival. Without our members, we would be unable to support our mission, sustain program operations, and effect change in our community. We hope you will continue your support for MVCI by renewing your membership. If your name is not listed on the 2016 membership at our website, won’t you please think about becoming or renewing your membership today? Thank you!



MESA VERDE COMMUNITY, INC. 2016/2017 MEMBERSHIP FORM

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY

CHECK ONE New ____ Renewing ____

☐ Lifetime \$500.00 ☐ Platinum Club \$50.00

☐ Annual \$20.00 ☐ New Member \$20.00

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☐ \$5.00 ☐ \$10.00 ☐ \$15.00 ☐ \$25.00

☐ Other \$

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