### MESA VERDE COMMUNITY, INC

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#### "To Inform, Protect and Beautify"

## WATCH

# Beautification





MVCI is encouraging residents to form neighborhood watch programs. Roxy Fyad, Public Affairs Manager at Costa Mesa PD states:

"The Costa Mesa Police Department is reviving Neighborhood Watch, an important crime prevention initiative. Neighborhood Watch groups can provide residents with a greater sense of security, responsibility and personal control of their neighborhood to reduce crime while at the same time building positive relationships between neighbors. A group should hold regular meetings in their neighborhood, with a police representative present, to discuss recent crime incidents, crime prevention, and overall crime stats.

It was a huge success! We have officially planted 54 trees in Mesa Verde. How's that for Reforesting! Thanks to Jim Ortiz and the gentlemen that come out to do the plantings, we are on our way to a more beautiful Mesa Verde. If you have any questions regarding a tree on your property, Jim is the guy to call. He also wanted me to remind everybody that has received one of these trees, to keep them well watered, especially when the hot summer sun comes out to play!

Jim Ortiz (714) 327-7490 E-mail: Jim.Ortiz@costamesaca.gov https://mesaverdecommunity.org/

#### Crime Prevention continued-

It is important to always be alert and observant. Studies have shown that when residents know how to report suspicious activity, crime rates in their neighborhood can be reduced significantly. Neighborhood Watch groups are "the eyes and ears of the police." Whether crime is up or down, neighbors are encouraged to always maintain a level of vigilance reduce crime their to in neighborhoods. In this day and age, apps and social media are popular and useful platforms to stay connected and informed, but they should not replace friendly and personal interaction. Knowing your neighbors makes it easier to recognize strangers, who may not have legitimate business in your neighborhood." If you would like to start a new program in neighborhood, Contact MVCI through our website and we will help you get started. Webpage: https://mesaverdecommunity.org/

#### Update on Fire Station #1

Costa Mesa City Manager Tom Hatch was the guest speaker at the March MVCI General Meeting. One topic was Fire Station #1, at Royal Palm and Adams Avenue, which was the oldest of the six fire stations in Costa Mesa. It's being replaced with a new station designed for the 21st century. Construction is expected to be completed in about a year. The estimated cost is 10 million dollars, and due to revenue obtained from South Coast Plaza and the Costa Mesa Harbor Boulevard of Cars (164 dealerships, large and small), the project will be paid for in cash entirely. Mr. Hatch said that upon completion, **MVCI** membership will be invited to tour the new building.

Some members of the audience expressed concern about the fire trucks entering onto Adams Boulevard en route to an emergency. Mr. Hatch explained that this concern had been brought up during the planning process. After much consideration, the resolution was determined to be installation of controlled light signals which will stop traffic on Adams Boulevard before the fire trucks leave the station.

A self-guided tour of Mesa Verde Water-wise gardens. Check the Mesa Verde Community Inc. website in late June for this feature. We'll list dozens of beautiful low water gardens in the neighborhood, and you can check them out at your leisure. Let us know if there's a great one near you, contact us at https://mesaverdecommunity.org/



"HANDY TRICKS AND TIPS:" a new MVCI website feature

**FIRST ISSUE: GARDEN FUN!** Attract more hummingbirds, plant water-wise flowers they love! Find it at https://mesaverdecommunity.org/

### SUMMER FUN FOR THE FAMILY





#### Concerts in the Park

Free concert for Costa Mesa Community. Live bands, food trucks, kids activities, raffles to support local non-profit organizations, beer and wine garden.

**Location:** Fairview Park (Placentia Ave near Estancia High School).

**Date/Time Information:** Tuesdays: July 11, 18 & 26 Music starts at 6pm

### THANK YOU JOE!

Mesa Verde Community, Inc. would like to pay tribute to Joe Panarisi, one of our Board members, who passed away. Joe was a member of MVCI for many years; he found time to contribute to his neighborhood as well as his many other philanthropic activities for the City. Joe was our Beautification Chair and spent many hours researching, interacting with the City, and accomplishing as much as possible to make Mesa Verde residents proud that we Live here. We will all miss you -- thank you, Joe, and your family.

Joe Panarisi (June 15, 1934 - April 26, 2017)

-MVCI Board Members

#### **ABOUT YOUR MVCI MEMBERSHIP:**

The lifeblood of any organization is its membership, and especially that of a resident association like MVCI. Our motto, "Inform, Protect and Beautify" gives us a track to run on, but it is the force of our members who will drive these initiatives. And, of course, there is always the issue of funding. We need your dollars in the form of membership dues, and donations. If you are a current member (April 1 – March 31), thank you. If not, please take a moment to join NOW! And, if you believe in what we do, recruit your friends and neighbors. They will love you for it!

Please join or renew now, send your dues with the attached form

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2017 Membership Form (From 4/1/2017 to 3/31/2018)
MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY: (Please Check One) Renewal New Member
DUES TYPE:(Check One) Lifetime - \$500 Platinum* - \$50 (includes annual dues) Annual Dues - \$20 SPECIAL
DONATION - OPTIONAL (Includes Beautification and special projects)
(Please Check One) \$5.00\$10.00\$15.00\$25.00Other \$ TOTAL \$
NAME: ADDRESS:
PHONE(S): EMAIL(S):
PLEASE LET US KNOW YOUR COMMENTS:
Please make your check payable to: Mesa Verde Community, Inc. Mail to: Mesa Verde Community, Inc. – P.O. Box 4102,

Costa Mesa, CA 92628-4102 Please visit our website: mesaverdecommunity.org \* Platinum members give generously beyond the regular dues to help MVCI with activities, newsletters, meetings and special

projects.

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