# **RCSD NEWS**



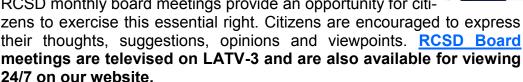


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### **BE SEEN AND HEARD!**

In America we have many freedoms—one of the most precious of these is freedom of speech. Every second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Rush Park Auditorium, the RCSD monthly board meetings provide an opportunity for citi-



In order to increase efficiency at its monthly board meetings and streamline the agenda process the District has enacted a new speaker card system. This system is standard in other surrounding cities and special districts. If you wish to speak on an agenda item simply fill out a speaker card prior to the meeting. Speaker cards can be obtained in the board room on the day of the meeting with instructions on our website.

Once you have completed a Speaker Request Form identifying the item and topic you wish to discuss, simply deposit the card in the speaker reguest box. Please fill out the card clearly by printing your name, date, topic, etc. and the agenda item number you wish to comment on. To speak on a matter not appearing in the agenda, but under the jurisdiction the Board of Directors, you may also do so by first filling out a speaker reguest card. You may then address the board during Public Comments at the beginning of the meeting. For more information go to our website and click on the speaker request link.



Board meetings offer important insight into the local governance process. They are also educational. Students and constituents can get to know community leaders, become informed on local events, crime trends and prevention, as well as controversial projects and activities affecting their neighborhood. So stand up! Speak up! You may just be the one with the courage to say what everyone else is thinking. —LD

For additional questions pertaining to board meetings, agendas and speaker requests contact the Administrative Assistant.

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#### **BOARD MEETINGS**

2nd Tuesday of each month @7 p.m. in the Rush Park Auditorium. Aired on LATV3.



### RCSD BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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## **EXECUTIVE MATTERS**

Spring has arrived. The parks are green, trees and flowers are in bloom, a variety of birds are nesting and the district is preparing for a busy summer. The fun and entertainment begins with the Rossmoor Community Festival on Sunday, May



3rd and continues with our Stellar Summer Events program outlined on page 3 of this newsletter. You may have noticed that we have a new phone. This upgrade will not only modernize and improve communications, it will

system in place. This upgrade will not only modernize and improve communications, it will also save time, money and precious district resources.

Another Mission Accomplished! Thank you to all of the citizens who participated in the On A Mission! E-Blast Campaign and Survey. We appreciated your input and suggestions regarding changes to the district's Mission Statement, Goals and Objectives. At its February 10, 2015 meeting, the board held a public hearing, received public input and adopted the final version of the document which is now available on our website for your review. We hope you like what we have done. As always, let us know what you think.

## A LIFE WELL LIVED—REMEMBERING SHIRLEY

This past January 25, 2015 Rossmoor lost one of its beloved neighbors and community leaders. Shirley Bailey was a member of the Rossmoor Community Services District Board of Directors during its formative years. She was a key contributor in the development of Rush Park and Rossmoor Park. She also served on the Rossmoor Homeowners Association Board, was past president of the Rossmoor Women's Club, worked with local schools and volunteered at the RHA monthly paper drive, which still continues today. Shirley and her husband Jim Bailey were generous with their time and active in the community. Both were instrumental in replacing the Rossmoor Signature Wall and the Sound Wall on the west side of Rossmoor. In 2012, the couple was honored by Cypress College Foundation's 37th Annual Americana Awards and named "Citizen of the Year." Rossmoor is a great place to live thanks to people like Shirley Bailey who cared enough to get involved. The Rossmoor Community Services District remembers and pays tribute to Shirley Bailey. We have all been honored to be a part of a life so well lived.

# **REGISTER WITH ALERT OC**

To receive important messages from AlertOC, register your contact information online by clicking on the city or area below in which you live or work. To register by mail, download a registration form found in the <u>FAQ</u> page and follow the return by mail form instructions.

### **LOS ALAMITOS HIGH SCHOOL REUNION CLASS OF 1985**

Attention: Los Alamitos High School Class of 1985, We are looking for alumni and faculty to celebrate our reunion on August 1, 2015 at the Old Ranch Country Club in Seal Beach, CA. For more information, please contact: Kim Petullo-Archer, 562 716 4272 or email Kim@KimArcher.com.





**Quarterly Quote:** "It is our choices, that show what we truly are, far more than our abilities." – *J.K Rowling (Billionaire Author)* 



# **SERVING UP SATISFACTION FOR 30 YEARS!**

RCSD Tennis Instructor Fernando Molina currently provides tennis instruction at Rossmoor Park. He holds a United States Professional Tennis Association Certificate and has been teaching local residents for over thirty years. He played on the professional tennis tour for seven years in many different countries. He also coached the national junior tennis teams of both Colombia and Venezuela.

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He is a valuable resource to the residents of Rossmoor and other local communities. For more information about about tennis lessons please contact Fernando Molina directly at (562) 209-3648.



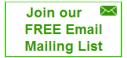
Fernando Molina is ready to serve at the Rossmoor Park Tennis Courts.

# BONUS E-CONTENT

E-mail us at <a href="resd@rossmoor-csd.org">rcsd@rossmoor-csd.org</a> and include the words SUBSCRIBE RCSD E-NEWS! in the subject line. Include your full name and street address.

#### **SIGN UP TODAY!**

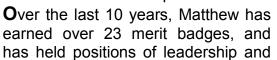




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#### ROSSMOOR EAGLE SCOUT RECOGNIZED

At the March 10, 2015 RCSD Board Meeting, Rossmoor Eagle Scout Matthew Wauters was recognized for his many noteworthy achievements with a framed proclamation from the RCSD Board of Directors. Matthew earned the rank of Eagle on November 18, 2014. He is a very active member of Troop 657.





Matthew Wauters
Eagle Scout-Troop 657

responsibility within the troop, including Senior Patrol Leader. Matthew is also an active member in the Order of the Arrow. He completed an Eagle project that benefitted underprivileged children in the neighborhood of Stanton, CA. He also led a Scout group that built a storage shed for the Children's Resource Center, which is operated by the Illumination Foundation.

Congratulations Matthew!

For ceremonial document requests please contact Liz Deering.







As spring approaches, the bare branches of our deciduous trees may reveal nests of the many birds that depend on Rossmoor trees for food and shelter. Several species of birds make their home here including hummingbirds, falcons, sparrows, warblers, finches and bluebirds, just to name a few. It is important to know that under the California Fish and Game Code, sections 3505 and 3503.5, It is unlawful to take, possess, or needlessly destroy the nest or eggs of any bird. Nest disturbances that lead to egg loss or abandonment of young birds can be punishable by hefty fines and/or imprisonment. Ideally, trees should not be pruned during the bird nesting season which can be from February to August. If a tree does need pruning during these months, it is important to inspect the tree for nests beforehand and to avoid disturbing or removing the nest. If an entire nest falls or is accidentally knocked from the tree, try and place it back where it came from. If this is not possible, move it to a safe location where the mother may find it again. If you find a baby bird that has fallen from the nest, carefully place it back in its nest or leave the bird where you found it so its mother can take care

of it or place in safer location if needed. It is a myth that a mother bird won't feed her baby once it is touched by a human. More information can be found through the Sea and Sage Audubon Society, which is the Orange County Chapter of the National Audubon Society.

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www.seaandsageaudubon.org.

