

# HASLEY HILLS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

## NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2009

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### **2009 Board Meeting Schedule**

The 2009 Meeting Schedule  
is as follows:

August 6, 2009

October 1, 2009

December 3, 2009

We encourage your  
attendance at these  
meetings

Executive Session  
Meeting Schedule is as  
follows:

Executive Session meetings  
are held on the fourth  
Wednesday of every month  
for the purpose of discussing  
third party contracts,  
litigation and to conduct  
hearings.

### **County Trees**

As a follow up to our article in the last newsletter regarding the County of Los Angeles and the trees that are located in the county road right of way, we referred you to the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works and Mr. Nathan Birdwell.

These are the trees that are planted in your front yards and within the slope areas approximately 11 feet from the side walk.

The Association has sent a letter to Mr. Birdwell asking him to address maintenance of the street trees within the Hasley Hills community. We have drafted a form letter and included it in this newsletter for you to use to voice your concerns. Just sign the letter and mail it to the County of Los Angeles.

### **Meeting Location & Agenda**

All Board Meetings, Executive Session Meetings, Annual Member Meetings and Hearings are held at the Castaic Union School District office located at 28131 Livingston Ave, Santa Clarita CA 91355. The agenda for each meeting will be placed on the Association's website as noted above. If the Board of Directors determines that additional meetings are necessary, notification of the date and time are also stated on the website.

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Valencia, CA 91355

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#### **Crown Management**

(661) 799-1135

After Hours, weekends and  
emergencies

Contact Crown Management  
option 5

#### **Association Manager**

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Ext 210

#### **Assistant Manager**

Lisa Hoffman

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Erin Mills

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Architectural

Submissions

Hasley Hills Homeowners  
Association

P. O. Box 55099

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### **IF YOU SELL YOUR HOME**

As a reminder, it is your  
responsibility if you sell  
your home to notify your  
agent and/or escrow  
company that you are part  
of a Homeowners  
Association and are  
required to turn over all  
Governing Documents,  
including budgets and year  
end financial statements.

### **Lawn Care**

We continue to see a lack of maintenance of front lawns. We understand that homeowners may be trying to save water, but as previously stated, the CCR&R's require proper maintenance of landscaping. We are including the article from the last issue referencing how to save water and also maintain your landscaping. Also please be sure to check your irrigation systems as it appears that in many cases there are portions of lawns that require additional water.

### **Summer Drought Irrigation Tips**

**PENNY HANSEN**

#### **GREENPLACE LANDSCAPE & IRRIGATION MANAGEMENT**

- ❖ Irrigate in the early morning hours
- ❖ During triple digit weather you might need to irrigate EVERY day to keep the plant material viable
- ❖ If water runs off clay soil or slopes, consider, "cycling" splitting irrigation times into two or three parts. Cycling (also called cycle and soak) involves irrigating, shutting off the zone to allow water to soak in, then irrigating the remainder of the required time. For example, a 14 minute run time may be irrigated for 7 minutes, turned off while the controller advance to irrigate another zone, then irrigated for the remaining 7 minutes to achieve the total 14 minute run time.
- ❖ To determine how long a cycle should last, start the sprinklers and time the number of minutes until water runs off. The number of minutes will vary with each zone depending on the degree of slope, soil type, amount of compaction and other factors. Use this number as the maximum time to water before shutting down the zone and allowing for a soak period. Set multiple start times on the controller for cycle and soak irrigation.
- ❖ Dethatching and aerating your turf areas will reduce soil compaction and will improve the water absorption rate to eliminate run off issues. This also creates more room for the roots to grow.
- ❖ New irrigation heads and controller clocks are available that can assist you in conserving water. Please check with your gardener, your local nursery, or retail stores.

### **Architectural Committee**

If you are interested in serving on the Association's Architectural Committee please submit your name for consideration. You can either send a note to Nancy at Crown or email her at noneil@crowm-mgmt.com.

### **Association Management**

Lisa Hoffman will be assisting Nancy O'Neil in the day to day operation of the Association. If Nancy is not available, feel free to contact Lisa at 799-1135 extension 202 or by email at lhoffman@crowm-mgmt.com.

### **Homeowner Complaint**

The Association recently received information from a homeowner concerning a strong odor that is coming from property adjacent to Hasley Hills.

This odor is coming from Crimson Resources located over the hill at 29007 Hasley Canyon Road. If you smell an odor near this area, we have been advised that you should contact Southern California Air Quality Control at 800-288-7664. They will not dispatch an investigation unless they receive at least 6 calls in one evening from affected homeowners. If you get a message machine, you can just leave a message.

### **Spring Tour**

We will be touring early next year and one of the things we will be addressing is the painting of trim and garage doors. Please note that the Association was able to obtain the original colors from Richmond American Homes. Contact Nancy if you would like to get the original colors.

September 2009

Mr. Nathan Birdwell  
Los Angeles County Public Works  
38126 Sierra Highway  
Palmdale, CA 93550

Re: County Trees – Hasley Hills Community

Dear Mr. Birdwell:

We are writing to request your assistance with regard to the trees located within the County easement road right of way, including the trees within the homeowners front yards are as follows:

1. Trees need to be evaluated for stake and tie removal to prevent trunk girdling.
2. Various trees require re-staking and tying for the up-coming windy season.
3. All trees should be reviewed for compliance with the 8 foot sidewalk right of way clearance.
4. Various trees are in need of trimming.
5. Various trees have insect infestation and need to be treated.
6. Various trees have died and some trees are missing and need to be replaced.

As taxpayers we pay for this maintenance through our property taxes and we expect that a reasonable level of maintenance will be done by the County of Los Angeles, Public Works Division.

Sincerely,