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Website Launch



The Rossmoor Community Services District, in collaboration with our IT Services Contractor, Brea IT Services LLC, will launch its new website in early December 2011. The site will feature easier navigation, timely news and events, colorful photos, and dynamic content such

as video and social media links. We've updated and streamlined our online facility application process, expanded our Frequently Asked Questions section and much, much more. We are eagerly awaiting the website's debut and will be sending out an electronic notification to all email subscribers when we "go live." We would love to know what you think of our new look and welcome any suggestions on ways to improve the site even more. Please e-mail us at www.rossmoor-csd.org or post your comments on Facebook and Twitter.

Catch Us on You Tube



Thanks to the efforts of LATV's Larry Strawther, and District volunteer Don Broun, the RCSD Board Meetings are now broadcast online on [You Tube](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a8YCtJTPiA).

Government transparency tools have increased exponentially in recent years and the RCSD is constantly striving to go beyond the industry standard and instead be a model District. Now it's even easier for the community to stay informed about their local governance.

Here's the link...

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a8YCtJTPiA>

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BOARD MEETINGS

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



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PURE GENIUS



**"If I had
only known
I would
have been
a Locksmith."**

Albert Einstein-

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HOLIDAYS :**
562.497.0118



From Henry's Desk



Someone once said that information is power.

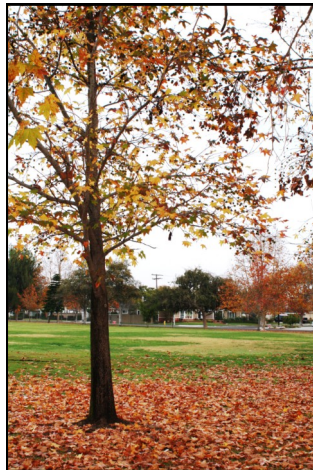
In today's world, information means survival. Busy lives often lead to bypassing information based sources. Understandably, people are often heard saying, "I didn't know that". The difficulty often comes from distinguishing information from opinion. Nonetheless, slanted or biased information is better than no information at all.

Your "RCSD NEWS" is one vehicle for knowing more about the local government that serves the Rossmoor community. As a government agency, however, the District is limited in what it can publish since it is public monies that pay for the publication. That is why it is important that other news sources be accessed in order to get a fuller picture of the issues affecting the quality of life in your community.

In this issue, there is information about the upgrade to our website, your ability to view District Board meetings on-line and on LATV3. You may also be able to view City Council meetings from neighboring cities on some cable systems. You are also encouraged to visit the Rossmoor Homeowners Association website which has a link from our District website. An easy and timely way to get the latest Rossmoor news is to provide us with your email address. E-mail blasts reach a growing number of residents. In an emergency, this may be your only source of information. So get connected and stay informed. —HT



Board Adopts New Fee Schedule

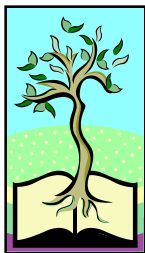


At their September 13th regular Board Meeting the RCSD Board of Directors adopted a new fee schedule. Here are some of the highlights: Picnic Reservations are now available to Rossmoor Residents only and a \$60 Picnic deposit is now required for groups greater than 100. Non Residents may use the sites on a first-come, first-served basis and a permit is required for groups of 50 or more. Facility rental rates were increased by 3%, and Attendant fees increased from \$15 to \$20, (see fee schedule online). Tennis Court rates are now per hour rather than per 1.5 hours. Rossmoor Signature Wall Banner Applications, which were previously no cost, will now incur a \$20 fee. Our hope is that the new fee structure will better assist with cost recovery as well as maintain the top rate parks and facilities Rossmoor residents have come to expect. —LD

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ELECTRONICALLY**



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Community Highlights



- Tennis Courts Have Been closed due to some necessary concrete replacement and resurfacing. We hope you enjoy playing on the newly refreshed courts which should be re-opened by November 1st. See our website for updates.



- School Safety: School is back in session. Please be mindful of all posted speed limits, children walking and riding their bikes to and from school and school buses boarding students. Also be wary of students using skateboards and scooters. Children don't have the same judgment skills as adults, so let's all look out for them together.



- October 1987 the first Domestic Violence Awareness Month was observed. That same year marks the initiation of the first national domestic violence toll-free hotline. One in four women will be a victim of violence by a partner in their lifetime. If you are in danger and you need help, please call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 800.799.SAFE (7233) or 911. <http://dvam.vawnet.org>



- District tree trimming has been completed for Rush and Rossmoor Parks and for all parkway trees in Grid 1. The rest of the tree trimming is in progress and should be finished by mid October. For all other tree related requests please contact the District Office at 562.430.3707, provide us with your name, contact information, location and brief description of the issue and we will generate a Citizen Service Request or CSR. The CSR will then be submitted to our Tree Consultant Randy Reynolds for prompt response.

Quarterly Quote...



"Your time is limited.

Don't waste it living someone else's life."

*-Steve Jobs-
Inventor/
Entrepreneur
Co-Founder/CEO
Apple Computer*

NEIGHBORLY TIP



We received an email from a Rossmoor resident stating that he had been receiving a deluge of unwanted marketing calls or "cold calls" recently from people who claim to represent home security businesses. He stated that he usually hangs up immediately after they identify their purpose or business, but realized that by doing so, he lost an opportunity to protect himself from potential criminals who might be using this "ruse" as a way of identifying unprotected homes. So in the future, he plans to say instead, "We are fully alarmed and don't need any additional services" before he hangs up. Thanks Bernard! Great advice!



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HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES



Anaheim Ice Skating Rink

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Anaheim, CA 92805
714-535-7465

Figure Skating, Ice Skating
and Ice Hockey



Orange County Zoo

1 Irvine Park Rd.
Orange, CA 92805
714-973-6847

Admission \$2 (Kids 2 & under free)



Ice Rink at the Spectrum

Irvine Spectrum (Nov. 2011)
71 Fortune Drive
Irvine, CA
949-456-6937

Located in Giant Wheel Court Adjacent to
Nordstrom and Macy's
For more holiday events in the OC click the link below:
http://www.orangecounty.net/html/events_winter.html



Whale Watching

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www.dolphinsafari.com
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400 Main Street & 309 Palm-Suite A
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Gray Whales can be seen
from the OC Coast from
December thru early April.

