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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT DICK PRYOR

Tis the time of year to say Merry Christmas to everyone and a big thank you to all of you that have volunteered for the many activities we have had, especially the annual park work day, the Easter egg hunt, the 4th of July party and the Ice Cream Social. We have stayed within our expense budget and were fortunate that there were no unplanned major expenses. There was very little vandalism. The park and pool maintenance contractors did a good job in keeping the park the pride of our home owners association. I especially want to thank Audrey Blake for the time she has spent in producing our monthly newsletter.









SOCIAL DIRECTOR-CLAUDETTE OSTRANDER

This really does not fall under "Social" but just wanted to make sure you have a chance to see our lovely Christmas tree at the park entrance. It is worth a moonlight stroll on a brisk evening just to take in the beauty of the season.

We have 2 very special fellows to thank for this – Marvin Potts and Dick Pryor. Thanks fellows, it really looks great!

Thanks to all of the 2013 volunteers and participants in our Social activities: You made it a special year and a Very Merry Christmas and prosperous New Year to all!

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ECA BOOK CLUB

10:00 A.M. Monday, January13th is the date of the next ECA

Book Club. The January book is by *Colum McCann*, *Transatlantic*. (If you liked his book, *Let the Great World Spin*, you will also enjoy this—his sixth novel). This selection offers many avenues for thoughtful discussion.

Meeting is at Audrey Blake's 4418 The Court.

COME JOIN THE FUN AND GET ACQUAINTED!

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WATCH FOR ANNUAL NEETING, FEBRUARY 26, 2014

TREASURER—CLAUDETTE OSTRANDER

2013 has been a very interesting year with contracting with a management company to handle our association's assessment deposits and paying the bills. They supply an in-depth report monthly on our finances. They also keep the Board of Directors advised in any new changes to the State and Federal laws as they pertain to associations. Trust me – there are a lot of laws to keep track of.

A very sincere thank you to all our members for your patience and cooperation in this transition. Next year will be smoother.

You will be receiving our annual newsletter about mid January. Please take the time to review it and mark your calendar for the annual owners meeting February 26, 2014 7:00pm at Pasadena Avenue School.

A very Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy, prosperous New Year to all!

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH—

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Being safe in our neighborhood means more than just securing our own homes and property. Our beautiful park is "ours" as well. Neighbors who use the park to walk in these winter months have reported that the gates are often left ajar, if not gaping open. While it's sometime handy to leave a gate ajar if you intend to return quickly, it really does make the entire area less secure, especially at night. Please be a courteous good neighbor and slam that gate behind you!

Whether you are at home or off at work or on vacation, make sure that everything is locked up securely. This includes backyard gates, all doors to your garage, doors from your rear yard to your house and doggy doors when not in use.

Suspicious people loitering, lingering, wandering around going door to door or up on properties in your neighborhood at night should be reported to dispatch as being suspicious. Describe their behavior to the dispatcher. If they have a vehicle, get a good description of everything and be a good witness. Call immediately, don't wait. 874-5115. Don't tell them you're calling the cops or tip them off. DON'T FOLLOW OR CONFRONT.

If someone knocks or rings your doorbell, talk through the door. Teach your kids to talk through the door, but not to open it.

If you know that your neighbor is gone, be alert to unusual lights/activity in the house/garage at night. Call 9-1-1 if you think that a burglar may be there. The early cover of darkness and cold and rain will keep most people inside as soon as they get home. It's perfect weather for burglars.

When you shop, go store to store or arrive home, take everything, out of your vehicle. Never leave anything, including jackets or bags.

DATES TO REMEMBER



Book Club

10 AM, Monday, January 13, 4418 The Court



Next Board meeting Annual meeting

7 PM, Jan. 9, 4419 Park Green

7 PM, Feb.26. 2014, Pasadena School

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Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays

Irom your ECA Board, Feature writer, Linda Kax And Your Editor, Audrey Blake

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