

May 2024 Issue >>>

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Beyond the Garden Gate 4th

NEW!!! Speaker Series 9th & 23rd

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The Flora Park Village Newsletter

What's Happening in the Community...

HOA BOARD MEMBERS

President: Janette Hoekman

Vice President: Dianna Sepulveda

Secretary: Mary Chen **Minutes of the HOA**

Meetings are on our Website: (Tab: HOA Information)

<https://www.floraparkhelpdesk.com/>

Treasurer: Mike McGarry

Member: Tom Damask

Property Manager Jerald Allen

Email: florapark@theprimeas.com

Office Hours: Mon-Tue-Thu-Fri 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Wednesday 10:00 am – 6:00 pm

Please log onto floraparkhelpdesk.com to schedule an appointment.

--- Office Closed May 24th & 27th ---

Drop-in hours: 10:30a – 12:30p and 3:30p – 4:30p

Property Manager's Phone: (714) 710-5291

Emergency after hours: please call 800-706-7838

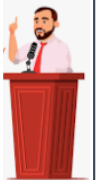
NEW!!! Speaker Series

The Social Committee is lining up some amazing speakers on informative subjects. The first presentation will be on the **Cypress Senior Center & the Cypress Library**.

May 9th at 4pm in The Gathering.

The second presentation will be a **Panel of Experts** speaking on **Trusts and Estates**.

May 23rd at 4pm in The Gathering.



Maintenance Committee Report

We all work together to keep our community safe and beautiful!

If you see any common area property that needs repair or attention, *please*, email your concern to **Jerald Allen, Property Manager**, or drop a note in the box at the main entrance to The Gathering. **Deanne Grasmeyer, Committee Chair**



➤ No Street Sweeping in May ◀

Ovation at Flora Park Website

<https://www.floraparkhelpdesk.com/>

On the **HOME** page you will find tabs for the **Referral List & Marketplace & Safelist Vehicle & Helping Hands & Tech Team & Photos** of our Events.

The **NEWS** tab has **Jerald's Weekly Email & the Monthly Newsletter** + more.

You can even book appointments with Jerald. You can get Recipes.

AND there is a link for FEEDBACK on the Home page for comments and suggestions. Submit photos, recipes, and announcements directly to Diane Ortega 310-483-9005 chilidreamer@gmail.com



There is a limit of 4 Guests per HOUSEHOLD in the Facilities.

NO ONE MAY SEND FAMILY OR FRIENDS TO THE GATHERING ALONE WITH A FOB.

Swim times are posted.

Please report infractions to Jerald.

ACTIVITIES AT FLORA PARK

COMMITTEES and their LEADERS To Join a Committee, Contact the Leader

Garden Committee -- -- -- -- -- contact Terri Allen (714) 514-4649
 Landscape Review Committee -- contact Liz Breslauer (562) 761-7488
 Maintenance Committee -- -- -- contact Deanne Grasmeyer (714) 595-6817
 Pickleball Committee -- -- -- -- Co-Chairs Gary Fong (562) 533-2774, Sue Duits (714) 743-6118
 Social Committee -- -- -- -- -- Diane Ortega (310) 483-9005 & Lanny Carpenter (562) 225-9014

CLUBS and their LEADERS To Join a Club, Contact the Leader

Book Club -- -- -- -- -- contact Linda Seplak 949-236-1566
 Bridge Club -- -- -- -- -- contact Connie Price 562-596-6711
 Knitters Club -- -- -- -- -- contact Patty Ramsdale 562-822-8938
 Ovation Photo Club -- -- -- -- -- contact Philip Jen Kin 562-761-2434
 Walking Club -- -- -- -- -- contact Linda Albertson 562-964-5399

GROUPS and their LEADERS To Join a Group, Contact the Leader

American Mahjong -- -- -- -- -- contact Mary Schewatz 818-519-4931
 Art In Ovation -- -- -- -- -- contact Carol Hart 562-221-3045
 Bocce Ball / Ladder Golf -- -- -- -- -- contact Barry Lakin 310 871 3408 or Jake & Judy 949-295-3778
 Community Connection -- -- -- -- -- contact Ron Glassman, email brooklyn.ron1@verizon.net
 Drop-in Chinese Mahjong -- -- -- -- -- contact Maria Cunningham 562-500-1693
 Mandarin Spiritual Group -- -- -- -- -- contact Stanley Kao 714-914-5633
 Helping Hands -- -- -- -- -- contact Diane Ortega 310-483-9005 & Linda Barringer 909-815-7281
 Men's Fellowship -- -- -- -- -- contact Steve Sollitt 562-244-1382 or Ken Grasmeyer 714-595-6970
 Qigong Class -- -- -- -- -- contact Annette McNeil 908-229-1999
 Senior Christian Fellowship -- -- -- -- -- contact Jeanne Obert 310-569-4331
 TaiChi Class -- -- -- -- -- contact Stanley Kao 714-914-5633
 Tech Help Team -- -- -- -- -- email Michele Dow for IT help ovationtechhelpteam@gmail.com

Garden Committee Report "Inch by inch, row by row, gonna make this garden grow," John Denver, Garden Song
 That's just how we feel about every square inch of our community garden as we tender blooms and greens, and watch them grow! We want to give a **shout out** to all of our garden friends and a special **THANK YOU** to those who responded so quickly and generously to our recent request for donations. Expenses were higher this year, and your extra funds will help us purchase many of the basic things we still need to keep our garden growing.

Stop by the garden to enjoy the lovely space you're helping us create!
 Ready to pick this week: Fresh greens and beets in boxes 10-12, Onions in box 16
 Please let the baby apples on our new tree grow; they are not ready to be picked.

Bake Some, Buy Some, Eat Some! See flyer in Jerald's Weekly Updates >>>>

On **Friday, May 17**, we'll be having our **BAKE SALE Fundraiser** from **2pm-5pm** on the **Gathering patio**.

Please join us, and if you can help bake something for our sale, please text Terri at 714/514-4649.

Thank you! **Your Neighborhood Garden Tenders**



Pickleball Committee Report In May, we had the first *Dinkin' and Drinkin' Social*. **It was so much fun!**

More than 40 residents participated! We ate pizza & snacks and of course, drank beverages. Dinkin' is a next level skill in pickleball that many do not utilize as routinely as the pro's. But now, maybe, more of us will **dink, dink, dink**.



Sue Duits

& Gary Fong, chairs

We also had a raffle for some prizes.

Social Committee Report

The Social Committee would like to invite you to come play SkipBo with us on Wednesday, May 1st and May 8th from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. No sign-ups are necessary, just show up. BYO drinks and snacks. Let's see if this should be a weekly play date. Diane Ortega and Lanny Carpenter Social Committee Chair



MARKET PLACE LIVE!!

BRINGING FLORA PARK'S "ONLINE" MARKETPLACE TO YOUR GARAGE

Sat May 25th
10am-12pm

Contact
Kathy Rutt to participate
(424) 398-1648



See Videos of the Show on
<https://www.floraparkhelpdesk.com/>



Landscape Committee Report



Behind the Garden Gate Tour will be Saturday 10:30am-2pm, May 4. There will be treats and some prizes behind the gates of the homes on the tour. The bulletin boards will have the list of homes with gardens to view. **Look for the >>>**



Landscape and irrigation updates were completed on many of the parkways around the community. KC landscape's team had to dig up much of the old irrigation tubing, adding some new, to better control water flow. This hopefully will reduce the water flow by 25% in some areas. The water is still off in most areas, and should be turned on soon.

Weeds, weeds.... Our gardeners are spraying only the weeds, leaving them to die all the way to the root. You might ask? Why don't we spray everywhere for weeds? Well, the spray KC landscape uses kills on contact. We don't want to overspray and kill plants. As a reminder: Homeowners are NOT to add plants to the front of their homes. These plants will be removed. If any damage or replacements costs occur, the homeowner will be billed. If you have landscape issues please direct them to Jerald. If you ask the guys working here at Flora Park, they may not know the answer or give you the wrong answer. Happy May Day, Liz Breslauer, Landscape Chair

The Emergency Preparedness Leadership Team



Community Connection



Ron Glassman maintains The CC List which you can use to communicate with the Ovation Community. Email: brooklyn.ron1@verizon.net

The following Lists are on our website: floraparkhelpdesk.com/

Susan Kadomatsu maintains The Referral List of resident-recommended professionals for any of your household needs. To get the List, email: floraparkreferrals@gmail.com

Yvonne Butler maintains The Paint List which lists different paints used in our homes. Use the **DOCUMENT LIBRARY tab on the HOME page.**

Email: polarbear12285@gmail.com

Grant Uehara maintains The Marketplace List which lists items you want to sell or give away. Email for the list: grant.uehara@gmail.com

CLUBS and GROUPS

Mandarin Spiritual Group (MSG)

We meet at The Gathering on Tuesdays from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm. Contact Stanley Kao 714-914-5633



SPIRITUAL & FAITH-BASED GROUPS

Ovation Helping Hands

We are excited to host another **MEET & GREET** to welcome our new community members. Drop by The Gathering anytime between 6:30-7:30 on **Tuesday, May 21st** to say hello and meet our new neighbors. We provide support for our residents when needed. If you need some support, or wish to volunteer, contact Diane and Linda: ovationhelpinghands@gmail.com Text or call *Diane Ortega* 310-483-9005 & *Linda Barringer* 909-815-7281

“At Ovation, you are never alone”



Friday Nighters Potluck Dinner at 5 pm

Bring a main course, or a salad, or a dessert, and something to drink. You may bring a guest, but no one under 21.

Host & Hostess: Russ & Janette Hoekman

Water Aerobics

Classes have resumed on Mondays and Wednesdays. The pool heaters are on. Yay! Linda Wong



Studio Exercise (in the west gym)

Mondays & Wednesdays 9:30 am.

Walk-in. All residents are welcome. We use YouTube videos designed for over 60 years of age.

Bring a mat and light weights. Leader: Michele Dow



Art In Ovation Group

Each Thursday we paint with watercolor or acrylic. 10-12 pm. Occasionally there is special instruction from various people. It is fun! Come and enjoy. Contact: Carol Hart carol.kohala@gmail.com



The Book Club Book>>>>

Wednesday, April 17 at 1:30 pm in The Clubhouse. Contact: Linda Seplak



American Mahjong Group

Mondays 1-3 pm Clubhouse. Mary Schewatz



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP

The men meet every Thursday in the Clubhouse, 1-2 pm. We study one Bible chapter each week. Contacts: Ken Grasmeyer or Steve Sollitt



Drop-in Chinese Mahjong Group

Tuesdays at 1 pm Thursdays at 6 pm Bring quarters. Contact Maria 562-500-1693



BOCCE

Bocce Ball Group

Group Play is Thursday at 10 am.

LADIES are welcomed! Contact:

Barry Lakin or Jake & Judy DeRuyter



Ladder Golf Group

We play on Tuesdays, 10 am in the Patio area. “Ladders” are set 15 feet apart, and Bolas are tossed to ladders. Contact: Barry Lakin (see above)



Philip Jen Kin's Photo Club

Contact Philip by phone or email: jenkindds@gmail.com

Photos on <https://www.floraparkhelpdesk.com/>

Creative Writing: ovationcreativewriting.tumblr.com

View posts and/or post your own thoughts on this site.



Knitters Group We meet Tuesdays at 10 am. Contact Patty Ramsdale



TaiChi Class Stanley Kao

Thursdays from 8-9 am on the Patio.



Qigong Annette McNeil

Fridays from 9-10 am on the Patio.

No class on Friday, May 24 & 31

***Special Event: T'Chi Chih Tuesday May 7, 3 pm



Senior Christian Fellowship

We meet the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays from 6:30 to 8:30 pm, in the Clubhouse. Please join us for a very interesting new study guide entitled, “Who is the Holy Spirit?” We will have books available for you. The group is open to all residents at Flora Park, and I'm sure some of your friends are attending. We serve light refreshments and, of course pray together. We would love to have you join us. If you are interested, please e-mail me: Jeanne Obert, obert.jeanne@gmail.com.



Tech Help Team

Do you need help with your Smart Phone, Computer, iPad, email, internet, or Apps?

Send an email explaining your question to:

ovationtechhelpteam@gmail.com

