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Ted Gray captured this photo of a mountain lion behind their home on North San Como about 7:30am recently.



# OUR MOST INTERESTING VISITORS

Marianne Chavanne spotted this visitor looking for lunch in her backyard in the middle of the afternoon recently.

photos vy Lorraine Villarreal

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Lorraine Villarreal spotted two woodpeckers doing what woodpeckers do - at left in a tree in the park on Gitana, at right on a palm tree at the clubhouse.





Lorraine Villarreal took this photo on these teensy snails, so tiny they didn't look real.







#### The Tale of an Owl

Terry Hunter was walking in the Nature Park when we spotted crows and a raven attacking an owl on the ground. He chased them away and called his wife, Kristen. She located the right place to take him, the Ojai Raptor Center, so they managed to bundle him up and take him there. Photos were taken by Terry. The left one he titled "Caught in the ivy." The others clearly show the injured wing. Let's all hope the Raptor Center has been successful in patching up this little guy.



The deer are back!



photos by Lorraine Villarreal





Lorraine Villarreal spotted these three CH-46s flying overhead heading back to base. She said they're also known as Phrogs.





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## SAVE THE DATE

Next Social Committee Event Hawaiian Night September 28, 5:00 PM Ticket Sales Start September 16





NOTE: Event will be catered by Hidden Cafe. Menu and price will be included in flyer to be distributed soon.

#### **An Opportunity To Serve**

Hi Fellow Homeowners.

First let me welcome the many new homeowners that have joined us over the past several months. Lucy and I have lived here for 11 years and think this recent year has brought us so many new people. One way to get to know people is to get involved with our fun activities, attend our board meetings (next on is Monday, September 9 at 3PM at the clubhouse) especially if you are unfamiliar with homeowner associations, and get involved with one or more of our various committees which serve as the heart of our community.

As President of the board, I want to assure you that our primary roles is to ensure the safety of our residents and to ensure that we all are aware of, and follow our common-sense / common-courtesy guidelines with regard to how we respect and interact with each other that includes how we do our landscaping and home modifications.

Presently, there are two openings on our architectural committee which I think is one of the most fun and active of our committees. You will have an opportunity to meet and guide so many homeowners as they present their plans for remodeling their homes and landscaping.

Please contact Malisa to let her know of your interest in being part of the architectural committee or any one of the other 10 plus committees where our homeowners work as volunteers to make Cam Springs one of the most wonderful places in the world to live.

Also, please contact Malisa who is equally wonderful with her support of all of us if you have any questions, concerns or suggestions for making our community more beautiful and friendly.

Welcome and blessings to all,

John Gardner, President The Springs Homeowner Association 818-292-7156



#### **MEXICAN TRAIN**

Join other Springers to play Mexican Train (a dominoes game) each Wednesday afternoon at 3:00pm in the Clubhouse card room. No experience necessary. Contact Sarah Legan at 818-268-2287 for information.



#### **RUMMIKUB**

Join other Springers to play Rummikub each Thursday evening at 6:00pm in the Clubhouse card room. Bring along your own game, if you have one, just in case we need extras. No experience necessary. Contact Marianne Chavanne at 805-358-1544 if you'd like to be added to her reminder text group.

#### **SHANGHAI**

Join us on Fridays at 12:30pm to play Shanghai, a card game based on Gin Rummy.

Call Rose 805-383-5572 or Lois 805-384-9027 or just come to watch.



#### **SCRABBLE**

The Scrabble players are seeking additional players to join them the last Wednesday of each month a 1:00pm. Contact Camella Moore at 818-515-4190 or cambm15@gmail.com.



#### LOW KEY WATER EXERCISE

Join us each Wednesday at 9am for a Low Key Water Exercise.Class.

No need to sign up in advance; simply show up at the pool and enjoy.



#### **MAH JONGG**

Learn Mah Jongg on Tuesdays at 12:30pm: Keep your brain sharp with Mah Jongg, a game of skill, strategy, and some luck.

Call Rose 805-383-5572 or Lois 805-384-9027 or just come to watch.

#### VENTURA REGIONAL FIRE SAFE COUNCIL (VRFSC)

Nearly 150 communities across California have created fire safe councils to help protect their homes and neighborhoods from the devastating effects of wildfire. They are contracted and funded through CalFire and private donations. The VRFSC is a 501c3 non-profit organization whose goal is to ensure that our local communities are fire resilient, safe, and prepared to withstand the threat of wildfire. To this end, for homes in high-risk areas (that's us), they will conduct free wildfire risk assessments, primarily focused on Zone 0, the first 5-foot perimeter around your home. They will discuss their findings with you and also send you a written report. It's for your information and there's no requirement to follow their recommendations.

To schedule an appointment, sign up online at venturafiresafe.org or call 805-746-7365.

#### **Real Estate Trends for The Springs**

**ACTIVE LISTINGS:** 

Address: Square Footage:

No active listings currently

#### **UNDER CONTRACT:**

6476 San Como Ln	1,650	\$895,000.00
1173 Itamo St.	1,650	\$758,000.00
6220 Gitana Ave.	1.561	\$859.000.00

#### SOLDS:

Address	Square Footage:	List Price:
6342 Irena Ave.	1,561	\$750,000.00
6611 Fino Ave.	1,650	\$835,000.00
6295 Irena Ave.	1,578	\$650,000.00
1124 Belleza St.	1,650	\$810,000.00
1116 Belleza St.	1,657	\$825,000.00
6124 Gitana Ave.	1,578	\$760,000.00
1136 Belleza St.	1,511	\$799,000.00
6262 Irena Ave.	1,561	\$755,000.00
1146 Paquita St	1,650	\$810,000.00
6077 Gitana Ave.	1,561	\$835,000.00
1148 Belleza St.	1,650	\$830,000.00
6473 San Como	1,650	\$820,000.00
6139 Irena Ave.	1,553	\$840,000.00

<sup>\*</sup>Data taken from CRMLS 8-9-24

**Becky Duarte @ Premier Options Real Estate** 

DRE#01232355

## REMEMBER, IN THE SPRINGS ~



Are you guilty of going too fast once you're in our community? Come on folks, you have the power to make The Springs safer by simply slowing down. What is the rush??

# The Springs Homeowners Association Financial Report for July, 2024

**List Price:** 

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Beginning Operating Balance	\$55,385.79
Cash Receipts	\$66,280.90
Reserve Trans from Operating	\$<16,096.80>
Cash Disbursements	\$<56,191.71>
Transfers/Misc.	\$<4,817.64>
Interest Earned	\$7.94
Ending Operating Balance	\$44,568.48
Beginning Reserve Balance	\$1,20,379.89
Reserve Trans from Operating	\$16,096.80
Cash Disbursements	\$<0>
Transfer/Misc	\$0
Interest Earned	\$5,041.71
Ending Reserve Balance	\$1,341,468.40
Reserve Liability	\$<1,341,468.40>
Reserve Overage or Shortage	\$0



## **Birthdays**

Edwin Wai	3	Hong Kong
Marta Garza-Laird	5	Chihuahua, MX
Rose Gearhart	6	Carmichaels, PA
Betty DeBay	8	Montreal, Quebec,
Canada		
Fred Driver	8	Queens, NY
Nancy Chalker	9	Los Angeles, CA
Judy Cash	10	Glendale, CA
Donna Leigh	10	Los Angeles, CA
Richard Stockton	10	Detroit, MI
Sam Bernstein	15	Los Angeles, CA
Calvin Miller	15	Oxnard, CA
Daniel Simon	18	Los Angeles, CA
Ilene Zins	19	Torrance, CA
Harriett Colbo	22	Yakima, WA
Lee Brown	23	Boston, MA
Ann Eisler	24	Los Angeles, CA
Jamella Munoz	26	
Mark Heyes	27	Hollywood, CA
Laura Kerrigan	27	Brooklyn, NY
Ben DeAscentis	28	Newport, RI
John DuMoulin	28	San Francisco, CA
Rita Elliott	29	Romania
Edward Niedzwiecki	30	Nanticoke, PA



## **Anniversaries**

Kevin & Nancy Quinn	3	Swampscott, MA
36 years		
John & Jackie DuMoulin	10	Thousand Oaks, CA
35 years		
Tim & Suzanne Smith	16	Mission Viejo, CA
46 years		
James & Lauren McKaye	17	Camarillo, CA
47 years		

Note: If your birthday/anniversary information is incorrect or incomplete, please contact Malisa in the clubhouse office to have it corrected.

#### **VC ALERT**

Everyone in The Springs should register with VC Alert in order to receive emergency notifications.

Register online at *vcalert.org* or by calling (805) 648-9283.

### Watch Duty, a Helpful New App

Watch Duty is a non-profit, non-partisan, non-government organization focused on disseminating public safey information in real time from verified sources. The service is powered by active and retired firefighters, dispatchers, and first responders who monitor radio scanners and collaboate around the clock to provide up-to-the-minute information. They alert you of nearby wildfires and firefighting efforts in real-time. If you think you smell smoke, Watch Duty will soon become the first place you check.

# Please submit Newsletter photos or articles to Robbie Dornick at jonrobdor@gmail.com

#### THE SPRINGS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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