
Cellphones & Crosswalks

by David J. Canepa

We all love our smart phones but let's face it, they can be downright dangerous.

Since the year 2000, cellphone use has increased more than eight-fold. This increased use has unfortunately been accompanied by a dramatic increase in pedestrian injuries due to cell phone-related distracted walking.

I witnessed for myself at a busy crosswalk in Broadmoor Village so many adults and kids using their cellphones as they walked to school. It was chaotic as people paid little attention to their surroundings as they stared down at their phones.

I was with Stanley Roberts of "People Behaving Badly" who was taping a segment about cellphones in crosswalks. In fact, he first highlighted this growing problem in 2009.

According to a 2015 report by the National Safety Council (NSC), "distracted walking incidents involving cell phones accounted for more than 11,100 injuries between 2000 and 2011."

The NSC notes that it is "just as important to walk cell free as it is to drive cell free," because "pedestrians and drivers using cell phones are both impaired and too mentally distracted to fully focus on their surroundings."

Indeed, both the National Safety Council and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration recommend to "never use a cell phone or other electronic device while walking."

Here in California, as elsewhere, there is an important need for such legislation.

While traffic safety can often be a local concern that might be addressed on a street-by-street basis, the state Legislature has generally indicated that issues of traffic safety should be regulated statewide.

But, as the statistics show, the safety of pedestrians continues to be compromised by use of mobile electronic

devices while crossing the street.

That being said, the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors passed a resolution that I sponsored to urge the state Legislature to take action to promote traffic safety by prohibiting use of cell phones while crossing streets or, alternatively, giving express authority to local jurisdictions to regulate the issue.

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Jim Henry

Recently Jim Henry tendered his resignation from the Board to undergo medical treatment. We wish him well and hope he has a speedy recovery.

Jim, with his expertise in engineering and particular knowledge of the continuous pour concrete methodology, was of great help as we moved forward looking into replacing the tennis courts with a multi story garage. His good advice will be much missed.

Mary Slade

At its September meeting the Board appointed Mary Slade to fill the seat left vacant by Jim Henry's recent resignation.

Mary is a long time resident of Crown Colony. She has served on the Building, Maintenance and Finance and Budget Committees for a number of years. From her committee experience, she has acquired an extensive knowledge of Crown and its operations.

Board Meeting

Please note that the October 2017 Board Meeting has been cancelled. The Board will next meet on its regularly scheduled date in November.



**OBEY all traffic signs and Association Rules and Regulations.
Do not park in a RED ZONE or over the time limit of any VISITOR SPACE without
CCHOA permission. You will NOT be called. You WILL be TOWED.
DO NOT drive the wrong-way or back down ONE-WAY streets. The fine is \$100!**

Laundry Room Courtesy

Have you planned to do your laundry only to find all the washers are in use; or worse yet, all of the washers and dryers full, stopped and no one has either changed machines or picked up their finished laundry. How about dryers left with lint still in their lint screens or soap powder spilled over the machines or all over the floors!

It is important to remember to use less detergent. The high efficiency machines require only half the detergent to accomplish a quality wash. Remember to use only ½ of the amount of detergent you used in the former washers. Too much soap may prevent proper rinsing of your clothes and leave a soapy film on them.

Do not overload your machine. Only load clothes to the top of the agitator, do not "stuff" the clothes into the machine. Overloading can cause machine failure and you'll be left dealing with a wet, soapy mess.

Another good idea, is to set your kitchen timer for the amount of time your laundry will take. When the timer rings you will know your laundry is either ready for the dryer or it is finished. Washers run about 30 minutes. Dryers run 45 minutes or more.

When you are done with any machine, take a couple of minutes to make sure you have removed all your items. Items left in any machine will get mixed up with someone else's clothes and you may never see them again.

Please remember to clean the dryer's lint screen and toss any lint or fabric softener sheets away. Also, put any empty bleach or fabric softener bottles and empty detergent containers in the trash can.

If a machine is out of order contact Coinmach at **1-877-264-6622** or **www.coinmach.com** Give them the machine number. If you have lost your credits in a machine contact Coinmach. Give them the machine number. Coinmach mails refund checks every Friday.

Laundry Room Hours

The Association Office often receives complaints that residents are using the laundry rooms after hours. This disturbs residents living near the laundry rooms. The laundry rooms are open for use between 7:00am and 10:00pm. If laundry machines are operated outside these hours, the laundry room will be locked overnight.



Contact us via e-mail at
cchoa@crowncolonyhoa.com
On the Web:
www.crowncolonyhoa.com

Double Parking

It has been reported that several residents or their guests have been double parking in the complex. They have either blocked other residents' vehicles or the entrances to the garages. This cannot be allowed. We know that there is a parking problem in the complex and an open parking space is a rare occurrence. However, you and your guests must act responsibility and park your vehicles properly and in accordance with the rules.

Flu Shots

by Zubeida Mohsin

Folks, look at me! I am suffering from a violent cold in the head. My muscles are painful, my bones are aching and my poor throat is very sore. I feel I have a temperature too. Not only that, I am depressed as well, since I feel all my vital powers are exhausted.

You know what? I forgot to get myself a Flu Shot and got hit by influenza which is rampant all around these days. So, do your self a favor. Don't hang around pulling a long face like mine. Don't snivel and sneeze and make yourself miserable. Get yourself a flu shot before this epidemic attacks you. It is on the air, and all around you. Immunize yourself before it is too late. Influenza shots are available in all the hospital, clinics and drug stores and at little or no charge.

(Zubeida's article is as timely as ever this flu season-Ed.)

Emergency Contacts

Any resident living alone and/or having medical conditions, please give the Office your emergency contact information. It will be put in the your file.

Items in Garage

It has been reported that items are being left near the garage garbage room and elevator room doors. It would be greatly appreciated if residents would dispose of their large items by bringing them to the large compacting area at the south end of Half Moon.

This will lessen the need for the trash collectors, janitors and grounds keepers to continue to have to pick up resident's disposed of items.

NO SMOKING
in the Corridors, Elevators,
Laundries, Gyms or Clubhouse



August Board Highlights

Financial Report Ending July 31, 2017: Bautista & Co. reflected a surplus for the month of \$9,483, an ending cash balance of \$1,802,471 and total investments of \$1,607,227 which is designated to reserves.

Ratification of Window and Door Installations: The Board ratified the installation of windows and doors at 391 Mandarin Dr. #209, 381 Half Moon Lane #315 and 397 Imperial Way #101.

Ratification of Washer/Dryer Installation at 368 Imperial Way #327: The Board ratified the washer and dryer installation at 368 Imperial Way #327 contingent upon the owner submitting the agreement and following the guidelines.

Ratification of Proposals from Ideal Landscape & Concrete: The Board ratified the proposals from Ideal Landscape & Concrete to replace the concrete steps and reroute clean out pipe at Building 6 unit #11 for a cost of \$5,845 to be funded from lines #9998 and #9711.

Insurance Package Renewal for 2017-2018: The Board approved the renewal proposal package from Risk Strategies for 2017-2018 for a total cost of \$275,864 to be funded from line #5020.

Proposal from Pacific Nursery for Additional Plant In-Fill: The Board approved the proposal from Pacific Nursery for plant in-fill for a cost of \$8,371.97 to be funded from line #9915.

Proposal from Cagwin & Dorward for Labor Costs for Plant In-Fill: The Board approved the proposal from Cagwin & Dorward for the labor for the additional plant in-fill for a cost of \$2,400 to be funded from line #9915.

Proposal from Cagwin & Dorward to Replace Weathertrak Controller at Building 17: The Board approved the proposal from Cagwin & Dorward for \$3,595 to replace the Weathertrak at Building 17 to be funded from line #9912.

Proposal from Cagwin & Dorward for a Pathway Near the Pond at Building 7: The Board approved the proposal from Cagwin & Dorward for a cost of \$4,930 to put a pathway in near the upper pond leading to the dog park to be funded from line #9998.

Authorization for Sunrise to Proceed with Recording a Lien for APN#s 101-080-330, 101-090-420: The

Board approved the authorization forms for Sunrise to Proceed to record a Notice of Lien for the APN#s listed.

Coyote Sighting

Coyotes have once again been sighted at Crown Colony. Residents have expressed concern for their safety and that of their families and pets.

Under no circumstances should you try and feed the coyotes. Pets should be kept inside at night and when outside, on a leash. Small dogs should be picked up immediately if you see a coyote. Coyotes are naturally wary of people. If you are approached by a coyote, do not run, instead you should wave your arms, make a lot of noise. **Be big, bad and loud.** Coyotes are nocturnal animals, if you see one on Crown's property during daylight hours, notify the authorities immediately at 650-991-8119.

Dogs - 1

Both the Association Office and Security have received many calls throughout the month about dogs barking in the buildings. This happens during the day and evening hours. Most of the time, the resident is not home. It is each owner's responsibility to take care of their dogs and to make sure their pet does not create a disturbance that annoys the neighbors. Excessive barking is such a disturbance. It is also a violation of the noise rule and owners can, and have been, brought before the Board of Directors where fines can, and have been, levied. If anyone hears excessive barking, please call security at the front gate so they can determine what unit the dog is in.

Dogs - 2

Certain dog owners are allowing their dogs to defecate on the carpets in the hallways and then expecting someone else to pick up their dog's mess. This is not only unacceptable behavior on the dog owner's part, it also creates a health issue.

Dog owners need to be responsible and take their dog(s) outside to relieve themselves and then pick up the mess and dispose of it appropriately at one of the several doggie stations located throughout the property. If your dog cannot make it outside for some reason, you need to pick your pet up and carry it from your unit to the outside common area. Dog owners please take responsibility for your animals.



Do not leave bottles, cans, newspapers, or other trash on top of your parking space's locker. Thank you!

ONLY deck furniture, gas grills, planters, pots & approved storage on decks & patios. No brooms, mops or pots on rails



OCTOBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Coffee & Donuts 50¢ each 10:30am
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Coffee & Donuts 50¢ each 10:30am
15	16	17	18	19 No Board Meeting This Month	20	21 Coffee & Donuts 50¢ each 10:30am
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 Coffee & Donuts 50¢ each 10:30am
29	30	31 HAPPY HALLOWEEN	Clubhouse Hours Mon. thru Fri. 9 am - 10 pm Sat. 10 am - 10 pm & Sun. 10 am - 6 pm Recreation office: 991-3441 Staff: Anne & Cisco			

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COMMITTEE MEETINGS
Architecture: When posted
Building, Maintenance & Finance: When posted
Communications: When posted
Grievance: 3 rd Thur. at 6:15 pm
Recreation: When posted
Meetings are held in the Clubhouse unless posted otherwise. All meeting times approximate

IMPORTANT NUMBERS	
EMERGENCY	Dial 911
Front Gate (24 Hours)	994-0255 or dial 350 on any Building Directory
Crown Colony Office	756-8220
Rita Nicolas	e-mail: cchoa@crowncolonyhoa.com
Common Interest Management	286-0292
Bob Burton	
Bautista & Co.	697-7907
Cecille Osmena	214 Broadway Millbrae, CA 94030
Wave (Astound) Cable	Dat Tran - 415-407-4486 or 1-800-427-8686
Comcast Cable	866-502-5191 Craig Oborn
Satlink	Jake Sparacio - 415-658-9960 or 530-828-5033
Coinmach Laundry	1-877-264-6622
Crown Colony Properties	650-994-0300
Van Go Plumbing	415-755-7405

BUS to BART		
Monday thru Friday		
Leaves Crown Colony		
6:20 am	7:05 am	8:05 am
6:35 am	7:25 am	8:25 am
6:50 am	7:45 am	8:40 am
Leaves Colma BART		
4:35 pm	5:35 pm	6:30 pm
4:55 pm	5:55 pm	6:50 pm
5:15 pm	6:15 pm	7:05 pm
Schedule subject to change		