

CROWN COLONIST

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Supervisors Appoint Officers

By David J. Canepa

A big thank you to outgoing San Mateo County Board President Carole Groom for her superb leadership in 2019 and congratulations to Supervisor Warren Slocum who was appointed to lead the board in 2020.

I was especially humbled to be named vice president of the board on Tuesday, Jan. 7, the first board meeting of 2020. Thanks to Supervisor Horsley for nominating me.

At the swearing-in ceremony, Slocum spoke of equity, opportunity and inclusiveness as his top priorities for the upcoming year. I agree. Although, we live in prosperous times here in San Mateo County, not everybody's boat is rising, not even close.

I look forward to working with my colleagues this year to tackle the tough issues of solving our Health System's deficit, keeping our community safe, creating more affordable housing and being prepared for any potential natural disaster or other emergency.

In other news, the 2020 Census gets underway soon and it's critical that every person living in the county is counted to secure federal funding for medical services, including clinics and children's health insurance, housing, emergency preparedness, nutrition programs, infrastructure and a host of other services.

However, there are some hard-to-count neighborhoods in the county that could jeopardize the amount of federal dollars the county receives. African Americans, Hispanics and renters are commonly the most undercounted. A 1 percent undercount, for example, could cost San Mateo County coffers up to \$75 million in lost revenue a year, or about \$750 million over the next 10 years.

As co-chair of the county's Census efforts this year, I can tell you that our Office of Community Affairs (OCA) is starting to conduct extensive outreach to highlight the importance of the Census and why each

resident needs to be counted.

Most residents will get an invitation to respond online to the 2020 Census starting March 12. Some households will also receive paper questionnaires and reminder letters will be sent out March 16. If you haven't responded by March 26, you will receive a reminder postcard. If you haven't responded by April 8, you will get a reminder letter and paper questionnaire in the mail. Starting April 20, a final reminder postcard will be sent before Census workers start to follow up in person.

It is critical at this time to let everyone know, citizen or not, that the data collected is completely confidential. There is no citizenship question on the Census and no individual who participates in the Census will be put at risk in any way. So, please take the name to participate in the Census this year because everyone counts.

(David J. Canepa serves on the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors and is a former resident of Crown Colony.)

Plan Ahead

Crown Colony's 40th Annual Meeting will be held on March 28, 2020 in the Clubhouse. The meeting will begin promptly at 11:00am.

Seating is a bit limited and will be on a first come, first seated basis. We expect our Supervisor, David Canepa to attend.

Holiday Hours...

This year Presidents' Day Holiday falls on Monday February 17th.

Date	Office	Clubhouse	Bus
2/20/17	Closed	Open 10am - 6pm	No

Reminder: When the Clubhouse is **closed** you will be unable to add money to your laundry card.



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!

And The Candidates Are:

Rosemarie Barrios

I've lived at Crown Colony since 2005 and served on the Board since 2015. I retired from UCSF Medical Center after 30 years as an administrative assistant and previously co-owned three businesses. I enjoy walking my dog daily and feel I serve as another set of eyes to keep our community well-kept and safe. If something needs attention, I photograph it and email the office with the location. It always gets fixed. It is important to be a positive advocate for improving our community. I've been instrumental in getting our little dog park with its improvements and with upgrading our laundry machines from coin-operated to money cards.

I love Crown Colony and I want to have a good impact. I've enjoyed serving and hope to continue with Sharon Singletary and Mary Slade. Rick Crump has been an excellent President for many years and hope he stays for many more.

Sharon Singletary

I have lived here since 2006 and have worked over 3 decades in Health Care Services as a Licensed Professional. I currently serve on the Board and assist with any and all concerns my neighbors present to myself and to the Board. In the 2 years that I have served, alongside fellow nominees Rose Barrios and Mary Slade, I have contributed in making it easier to navigate our HOA goals and challenges. Keeping the line of communication open is highly crucial. I can see how my involvement and participation in this process makes a tangible difference in a successful Community. If I were to be elected, I would work to keep HOA fees affordable and also work to improve amenities and services in a cost effective manner.

Let us continue making Crown Colony HOA the desirable Community that we have envisioned and will always be proud of.

Mary Slade

I want to continue to help make the community I live in be a better place for all those who live here. Where everyone has an opportunity to have their needs listened to, and can live together in a safe and well

maintained HOA. I have lived at Crown Colony for 17 years and have served on several committees and am now currently serving as Vice President on the Board of Directors. I retired as of January 2018 and now have the time to dedicate myself to help maintain the community I live in so that all those who live here have an enjoyable and well managed place to thrive. I think it is both a responsibility and privilege to help shape and maintain the rules and policies of the HOA so all of us can enjoy the diverse community we live in.

Note: Since both the bylaws and rules permit election by acclamation and the Board can use acclamation if the number of candidates is equal to or less than the number of seats open, The Board will elect these three candidates to the Board at its February 2020 meeting.

Rate Increases

Every year as we begin to budget for the next fiscal year, we look at potential rate increases and how they may affect the next fiscal year's dues.

PG&E, with the California Public Utility Commission's and bankruptcy court's approval, has been substantially raising the cost of transmitting gas and electricity via its lines. (Crown Colony gets both its gas and electricity via PG&E owned and maintained electric transmission lines and gas pipelines.) This has resulted in a substantial increase in Crown's utility costs. The transmission costs increased over 15% for the current fiscal year. It is expected that there will be transmission cost increases for, at least, the next two years. The Daly City Water Department will be raising water rates 10% on July 1, 2020. Republic Service, our garbage company is expected to be raising rates come July.

What does this mean for the owners and residents of Crown Colony? Simply put, it means that residents can expect higher bills for their unit's electricity use and owners can expect an increase in the dues to cover the Association's increased costs of gas, electricity, water and garbage.

Junk mail

When you go to open your mailbox, it's full. You pull the mail out of the box only to discover instead of letters and bills, it's mainly junk mail. Please do not dump this mail on the floor or set it on top of the mailbox frame. Please dispose of it in a recycling bin.



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

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



Election Rules

At the December 20, 2019 meeting of the Board of Directors, the Board adopted the Election Rules, a copy of which was previously mailed to all Members. If you would like an additional copy, please contact the HOA Office or you can view them on the Crown Colony Website at www.crowncolonyhoa.com.

Bonus Generosity

The Board would like to express its sincere thanks to all those who contributed to the Employee Bonus Fund. We appreciate the acknowledgment of the hard work Crown's employees do all year long. This year the fund received very generous contributions.

Did you know that the Employee Bonus Fund link on Crown Colony's website stays active all year long? Any time you feel that an employee has stepped up and done something above and beyond why not click on the link and donate?

We are very lucky to have a group of employees here at Crown who are dedicated to making this a great place for all of us to live.

Plumbing Alert!

To avoid any plumbing problems with the supply lines bursting in your unit, in the vanity and toilets, it is strongly recommended that you replace the present plastic lines (if you still have plastic) with copper or metal. If a plumbing leak occurs, it is the owner's responsibility to make any necessary repairs to their unit and any other units that are affected. This could get very costly; therefore, you are strongly urged to have your own insurance policy (separate from the Association's) on small accidents that may occur. The Association's insurance covers this type of occurrence; however, the deductible is \$5,000.

If you would like a reference for a plumber, please call the Homeowners' Office at 650-756-8220.

Emergency Contacts

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



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

Watch Where You Park!

Vehicles parked in red zones are subject to immediate tow. Residents will not be called and the owner of the vehicle will be responsible for all towing costs. We understand the visitor parking is very limited; however, red zones must be kept clear for emergency vehicles only.

Residents that park in other residents' spaces are also subject to tow. It is very inconsiderate for drivers to park in another owner's assigned space. Many violators have been fortunate that the owner of the space chose not to tow them, but they may not be that lucky the next time. To avoid the possibility of being towed, do not park in an unauthorized space.

Pet Laundry

Coinmach has advised us that animal bedding and other items relating to animals should not be washed in the laundry machines. Our machines should only be used to wash clothing and other household laundry. They should not be used to wash animal bedding or anything else related to animals that may have pet hairs all over it. Coinmach's Service Department says there are no special filters in our machines that can handle the amount of dog or cat hair that will wash off. Instead, the pet hair will remain in the machine and on the wash. Some residents that have allergies to pets and can experience reactions from pet hairs. If you have been washing such items in Crown's machines please cease doing so immediately.

Walking Your Dog

Whenever your pet is outside of your unit, it must be on a leash and attended at all times. Remember retractable leashes are not allowed and larger dogs must be muzzled and on a four foot or shorter leash when outside their owner's unit.

All dog owners must pick up their animal's waste. Make sure to use one of Crown's readily available Fido Houses or a garbage bin to dispose of it.

The exception to the leash rule is when your dog is inside the Dog Park at the end of the pond in front of the 395 side of Building 7. It is a great facility. Why not use it and let your pet get some exercise.

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

FEBRUARY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p align="center">Clubhouse Hours Mon. thru Fri. 9 am - 10 pm Sat. 10 am - 10 pm & Sun. 10 am - 6 pm Recreation office: 991-3441 Staff: Ferdie & Manisha</p>						1
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	<p align="center">PRESIDENTS HOLIDAY Association Office - Closed No Bus Service</p>		18	<p align="center">BOARD of DIRECTORS Work Session 5:45pm Executive Session 6:15pm Open Forum 6:30 pm Meeting 6:45 pm</p>		22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

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COMMITTEE MEETINGS	
Architecture:	When posted
Building, Maintenance & Finance:	When posted
Communications:	When posted
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
Bautista & Co.	697-7907
Cecille Osmena, 214 Broadway, Millbrae, CA 94030	
Wave Cable	Dat Tran - 415-407 + 4486 or 1-800-427-8686
Comcast Cable	Craig Oborn 866-502-5191 Lajari "LJ" Pruitt 510-815-2003
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		