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Standing with Ukraine

By David J. Canepa

I applaud Crown Colony residents who have proudly displayed the Ukrainian flag in windows or vehicles to show support as Russia has waged an unprovoked war on the nation. My office sponsored a resolution at the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors meeting March 22 to stand in solidarity with Ukraine.

We must all show support for Ukraine and the many Ukrainian American residents who reside in San Mateo County and the Bay Area in the struggle to defend their nation against the unprovoked war Vladimir Putin has started.

My heart goes out to the more than 1 million Ukrainian refugees who have been forced to flee their homeland and the hundreds of lives already lost, including women and children because of the Russian invasion.

We must all condemn the violence and suffering inflicted on the Ukrainian people, who like all of us in Daly City and the Bay Area, want nothing more than to live in peace, free from fear and terror.

America and its allies must do all it can to end this conflict, including divesting in any investments the country, state and San Mateo County has with Russia and the Russian government.

I sent a letter to the CEO of the San Mateo County Employees' Retirement Association and County Treasurer March 2 urging both SamCERA and the Treasurer's Office to immediately analyze and disclose all investments with ties to Russia and the Russian government and to divest in such investments immediately.

If you are interested in learning how you can help Ukrainians during Putin's war, check out a San Francisco-based nonprofit called the Ukrainian American Coordinating Council at its website uaccusa.org.

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Board of Supervisors and is a former Crown Colony resident.)

Drips → Flood

You think you see drips coming from your ceiling? What should you do? If it is during business hours, call the Association Office immediately. Outside of business hours, call the Front Gate. Do not delay! We will send a maintenance person to check out the situation and determine the source of the leak. He can also turn off the water in an emergency basis to prevent further damage. It is important that you act immediately, otherwise those annoying drips may soon become a flood. Once the leak has been stopped, your Association can refer you to a reliable restoration company that is familiar with Crown Colony. They will take the proper steps to help you recover from your water-logged state. To quote the old cliché "Speed is of the essence," so act immediately and minimize any damage.

Garbage Disposals

Please do not dispose of anything down your kitchen drains through your garbage disposal that will clog the pipes. Rice and potato peelings are particular offenders. The Association will not pay to have your pipes in your unit cleaned out. You must bear this cost! Thank you for obeying the rules and making life better for everyone!

Get Rid of Junk Mail

Are you annoyed by your mailbox full of junk mail? Looking to be more environmentally friendly and saving a bit of time? Here is a simple step to greatly reduce the amount of junk mail you receive.

Go to RedPlum at <https://www.redplum.com> and click on the "Mailing Options" tab at the bottom of the page in order to be removed.



OBEEY 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!

Recycling Bags

Crown Colony's residents currently generate several hundred tons of waste every year. The costs of waste disposal continue to increase. In order to keep these costs as low as possible, the Association needs to have all residents make sure they recycle everything that they can instead of dumping all their garbage down their building's garbage chutes or if they live in a townhouse unit, dumping it into the outside garbage bins.

To encourage all residents to recycle, Republic Services has given us a large number of recycling bags. They are free. Why not come by the Association Office and pick one up and put it to good use.

Recycle Right

We have all heard the saying, "One bad apple spoils the bunch." Did you know that could be true with recycling, too? Republic Services collects Crown Colony's green recycle bins, emptying and compacting the material into their collection truck. At the recycling plant, the recyclables are dumped and mixed with loads from numerous businesses and households.

Imagine what happens if you or a neighbor placed a bag of garbage, a full can of soda, or a half-empty bottle of ketchup into the recycle bin. The garbage is mixed into the recycling load, while soda or ketchup gets squeezed out and spills onto paper, cardboard, and other containers. Instead of being recycled, those items are now too contaminated to be reused by a manufacturer. As a result, they end up in the landfill instead of being made into a new product. To prevent contaminated recyclables from being sent to the landfill, we can take simple steps to keep the material clean. The next time you toss an item into the recycle bin, keep in mind the following.

Recycling Guidelines

- ✓ Place only recyclable material into the green recycle bin: empty plastic containers (must include recycling symbol #1-#7), clean paper products, metal containers, and glass containers
- ✓ Make sure all recyclable items are:
 - ✓ **Empty:** Remove any food or liquid from the recyclable item



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

- ✓ **Clean:** Lightly rinse the item to remove any residue
- ✓ **Dry:** Shake out excess water or let the item air-dry
- ✓ **Clean paper only-** greasy pizza boxes, paper take out boxes, and paper plates are not accepted.
- ✓ When in doubt, throw it out- unaccepted material such as chip bags, straws, and single plastic bags disrupts the recycling process.
- ✓ **Flatten** cardboard to ensure enough space for all recyclables

With these guidelines, we can do our part to help reduce recycling contamination. By keeping your items **Empty, Clean, & Dry**, you help ensure that your recyclables will become new products, conserving natural resources, saving energy, and creating jobs. Together, we can make recycling work!

Pet Laundry

CSC 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.


CSC'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.

Unightly Balconies

On our weekly inspections, we have noticed a number of balconies and patios that have items on them that are not allowed to be there. It is easier to advise you of what is allowed than what is not.

Only the following items are allowed: gas or electric grills, plants, approved storage containers and outdoor furniture. **Nothing else is allowed.**

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



Board Highlights

Financial Report Ending January 31, 2022: Bautista & Co. reflected a surplus for the month of \$8,380.69 an ending cash balance of \$2,214,692 and total investments of \$2,192,609 which is designated to reserves.

Authorization of Board Election by Acclamation - 42nd Annual Meeting: The Board authorized to declare Rosemarie Barrios, Emily Newell and Mary Slade elected by acclamation to the Board of Directors for 2022-2023 since there were three nominees and three seats open.

Adoption of IRS Ruling 70-604: The Board adopted the IRS Revenue Ruling 70-604 regarding the excess income for year ending June 30, 2022.

Proposals from El Camino Roofing for Townhouse Shingle Work - Line #9946: The Board approved the proposals from El Camino Roofing for Shingle Work at bldgs. 18, 19, 20, 21, 26 & 27 for a cost of \$171,585.

Proposal from Comet Micro Systems for Computer Upgrades - Line #9976: The Board approved the proposal from Comet Micro Systems for upgrades to the main server and the TSI and Fob program for a cost of \$16,376.03.

Proposal from Cagwin & Dorward for Irrigation Systems Check - Line #9913: The Board approved the proposal from Cagwin & Dorward to perform irrigation system checks for a cost of \$5,000.

Proposal of Revised Pet Rules: The Board proposed the Revised Pet Rules that will be posted on the bulletin boards and published in the newsletter for a 28 day comment period by the owners. The Board will then formally approve the Revised Pet Rules at the April 20, 2022 meeting. Mr. Crump thanked Ms. Newell for helping with the revision of the rules.

Proposal from PRG Construction for Deck Stack, Fire Stair and Bridge Inspections - Line #9723: The Board approved the proposal from PRG Construction for the deck stack, fire stair and bridge inspections at 208 units for a cost of \$26,000.

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



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

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!

Remember to use less detergent. The high efficiency machines require only half the detergent to do a quality wash. 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 50 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 CSC at **1-877-264-6622**, www.cscsw.com or use their handy mobile app. Give them the machine number. If you have lost your credits in a machine contact CSC. Give them the machine number. CSC 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.

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.

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

APRIL

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Clubhouse Hours Mon. thru Fri. 9 am -8 pm Sat. & Sun. 10 am - 6 pm Recreation office: 991-3441 Staff: Ferdie & Anne					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
HAPPY EASTER			BOARD of DIRECTORS Executive Session TBD Open Forum TBD Meeting TBD			
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

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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)	650-994-0255 or dial 350 on any Building Directory
Crown Colony Office.	650-756-8220 Rita Nicolas e-mail: cchoa@crowncolonyhoa.com
Common Interest Management	650-286-0292
Bautista & Co.	650-697-7907 Cecille Osmena, 214 Broadway, Millbrae, CA 94030
Wave Cable	Dat Tran - 415-407-4486 or 1-800-427-8686
Comcast Cable	Jim Howell (267) 854-4352 Jim_Howell@comcast.com
Coinmach Laundry	1-877-264-6622
Crown Colony Properties	650-994-0300
All Clear Plumbing	650-303-5130

BUS to BART		
Monday thru Friday		
<i>Leaves</i> 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
<i>Leaves</i> 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		