

The Ranch Roundup



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FROM THE PRESIDENT Ranch Homeowners' Association Board of Directors

Get Ready for Summer in the Ranch!

Please join us on June 8th for our annual Ice Cream Social sponsored by Realtor Emma Chu. Let's start summer off with ice cream in the park!

FOURTH OF JULY PARADE AND PICNIC

Our 4th of July Parade started in 1982 and has been going strong ever since. However, this year we are scaling back our annual celebration due to low membership. That being said, there will still be plenty of fun!

Please bring your families, your red-white-and-blue parade participants and their decorated bicycles and come out to register for the parade at 9:30am. Parade and park celebration will begin at 10am.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND, the 5150's are scheduled to play classic rock music for our residents. AND during their lunch break, we will be having the entertaining WATERMELON EATING CONTEST available for all ages.

We will not be selling our regular concessions, so please pack your cooler, bring your picnic lunch, chairs and come join us for a good time at the Ranch Circle Park.

WE NEED YOU:

- High school students to run the **children's games** (we will prep and train you! And sign off on any volunteer hours).
- A **clean-up crew** needed at the end of the event. Please email district1@rhoa.org today!

RANCH CLEANUP TRIPLE PLAY

I hope you enjoyed our Spring Cleanup: Ranch Garage Sale on May 11th sponsored by Century 21 realtor Russ Hansen, The Great Exchange on May 17th, and the Members Only – Dumpsters Day on May 18th.

~Linda Wallace

WE WANT YOU!

YES YOU!

We **NEED** High School students to run the Fourth of July children's games!!
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Email district1@rhoa.org

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Roundup
before our
July 4th event.

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to volunteer!

RHOA SPRING CLEANUP 2023

By Michael Walker, District 10 Director & Cleanup Chair

We had a **GREAT RANCH CLEANUP DAY** on Saturday, May 18. We hope you were able to use the Dumpsters. Around 80 Ranch households participated in our Cleanup, including 23 new paid members. *Thanks for joining the in-crowd!*

Our Ranch residents managed to fill approximately 80% of the four large roll-off dumpsters in four hours with their unwanted household waste.



To all who participated or merely drove by during the day, thanks for heeding our signs and your careful driving to help keep everyone safe.

Sponsored by your RHOA for paid members, this event is normally conducted each spring and fall as funds are available.

If you enjoy this RHOA-sponsored event, let a Board Member or President know. With rising costs, it is getting more expensive to hold this event. However, many feel it is worthwhile for our Ranch community. Please remind your neighbors to pay their Annual Dues of ONLY \$40.

It is always a fun day to get out into the sun, clean up areas we may have been neglecting, and meet and perhaps help some of your neighbors while either volunteering or dropping off some household waste or old treasures not needed anymore.

GREAT JOB and many thanks to all our **Volunteers** for their help with the cleanup day and dumpsters, especially to Coordinator Emeritus **Larry Hugo**, who after many years coordinating this event, now supports new Coordinator Michael Walker. Larry's grandson has been helping his granddad at the dumpsters since 2014. Now, that's what we call service!

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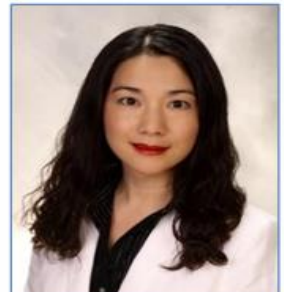


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THEN AND NOW. Here is Aiden Estrada, age 5, on dumpster duty in 2014 with Linda Wallace and to the right, three feet taller in 2024 with grandpa Larry Hugo.



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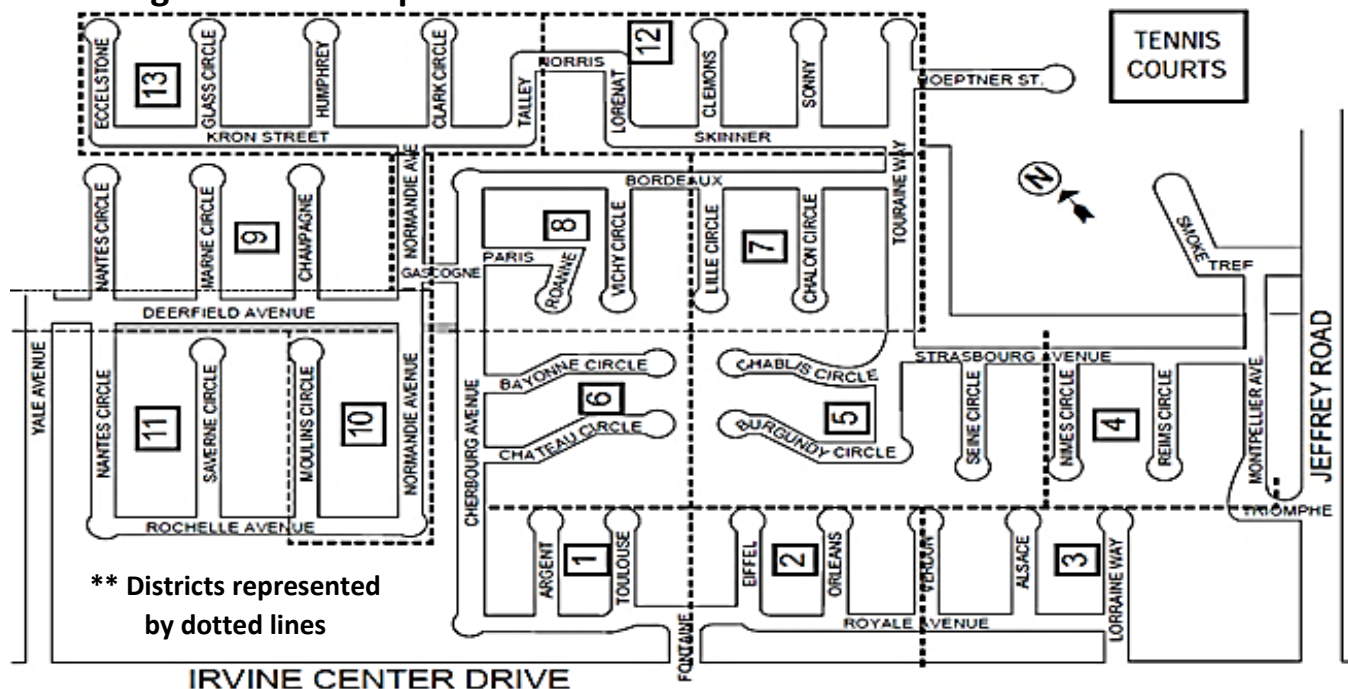
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YOUR RHOA 2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date*	Event
EVERY SUNDAY	Give & Get Fresh Produce
June 1	Garden Tour
June 8	Ice Cream Social – 3 pm Ranch Park
July 4 (Thursday)	July 4th Parade
September TBD	NEW! California Pizza Kitchen Fundraiser!
October 12	Fall Garage Sale
October 19	Fall Dumpster Day
November 9	Honoring Veterans
December 14	Caroling in the Park
December 21	Meet Santa
Week of Dec. 9	Christmas Lights

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SPRING CLEANUP (...continued)



Peggy Evans and Jay Baumler at Norris station.

Meanwhile, staffing the stations were: **Jeff Glass and Jay Baumler** at Cherbourg, **Peggy Evans** at Norris, **Linda Wallace and Keith Bauer** at Strasbourg, **Paula and Karl Miller** at Rochelle. When you pass them in the neighborhood, please take a moment to thank them for volunteering their time and effort.

IRVINE BULKY ITEM PICKUP. If you were not able to load large items such as sofas, mattresses, or appliances in the dumpsters, don't forget that Irvine residences are eligible for **FOUR FREE** curbside pickups of large and bulky items. Call Waste Management at 949-642-1191 to schedule your pickup.

HAZARDOUS WASTE such as paint, solvents, pesticides, gasoline, pool chemicals, motor oil or

batteries can be taken nearby to the **Irvine Regional HHW Center (Household Hazardous Waste)** located off Irvine Center Drive near Sand Canyon at **6411 Oak Canyon Ave.** right next to the Bark Park and just over one mile away from the Ranch. The posted hours are 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM **TUESDAY** through **SATURDAY**.

WASTE MANAGEMENT HAS A LOCAL RECLAMATION CENTER located at 16122 Construction Circle here in Irvine. They will take almost anything except hazardous waste material for a fee. This one-time use fee is usually several times higher than our annual membership, **so it pays to be an RHOA member!** Please join or renew today.



Here is RHOA director and treasurer, Jeff Glass at Cherbourg dumpster station.



Director and event chair Michael Walker takes a moment to say hi to RHOA President and fellow monitor Linda Wallace.




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Approximately 45 Ranch homes participated in our Spring Ranch Community Garage Sale on May 11th. It was a beautiful day to get out around the neighborhood to score some great deals and meet a few neighbors.

BIG THANKS to Realtor Russ Hansen for sponsoring our spring Ranch Garage Sale, providing advertising and donuts!





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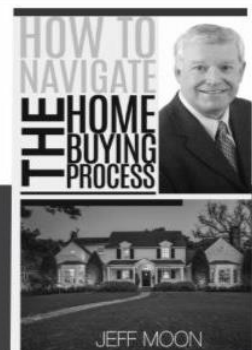
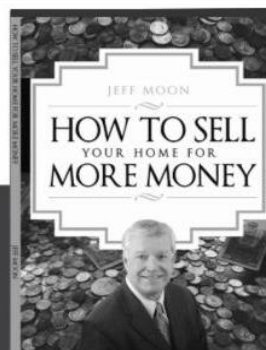
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SUMMER SAFETY TIPS FOR PARENTS

Written by Shiree Lind, IPD Community Outreach Specialist

Ensuring your family's and neighborhood's safety involves proactive measures and community cooperation. Here are some practical steps to help achieve this:

KNOW WHERE YOUR CHILDREN ARE

1. **Communicate Plans:** Ensure your children inform you before leaving the house and provide a return time.
2. **Exchange Information:** Have them leave a contact number for their location.
3. **Tracking Devices:** Consider a trackable watch, air tag or app for your child so you know where they are.

HELP CHILDREN LEARN IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

1. **Memorize Key Numbers:** Teach your children their home phone number, address, and work cell numbers.
2. **Carry Contact Information:** If memorization is difficult, write down these numbers on a card and have them carry it at all times.

SET LIMITS ON WHERE YOUR CHILDREN CAN GO

1. **Define Boundaries:** Specify which areas in the neighborhood are off-limits, such as busy roads, alleys, or private property.
2. **Teach them about the rules of the road.**

GET TO KNOW YOUR CHILDREN'S FRIENDS AND THEIR PARENTS

1. **Meet and Greet:** Meet your children's friends and parents. Keep a list of their contact numbers.
2. **Meet the parents:** Either in person or by phone, and inquire about their supervision practice and planned activities.

These steps can enhance your family's safety and create a more secure and connected neighborhood.

For more info, contact the IPD's non-emergency line at 949-724-7000 or visit CrimePrevention.IrvinePD.org



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IF YOU CALL THEM FOR A QUOTE, TELL THEM YOU'RE IN THE RANCH HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION (RHOA) NEIGHBORHOOD IN IRVINE.

RHOA MEETING MINUTES MAY 14, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 pm.

Director Attendance: Keith Bauer, Jay Baumler, Peggy Evans, Anna Fitzpatrick, Melissa Gallo, Jeff Glass, Larry Hugo, Paula Miller, Michael Walker, and Linda Wallace.

Absent: Jennie Bolinger, and Carina Hollis.

Guests: Carol & Dave Drake, Karl Miller, Warren Nogaki, Debbie Riddick, Susan Swanek, and Randy Tribolet.

OPEN COMMUNITY FORUM

Concerns made by guests that specific plans regarding the City of Irvine Ranch Park improvements have not been shared with park neighbors. Also concerns about potential lingering visitors. Next step: HOA President, Linda Wallace, to request a special meeting with the city to obtain requested documents.

RHOA COMMUNITY BUSINESS

APRIL MEETING MINUTES – Accepted by Jeff and seconded by Paula. Minutes approved.

PRESIDENT REPORT –Linda: None.

VP REPORT – Paula: Local RE update.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Jeff: All ok.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT– Jeff: Currently only at 41% neighborhood membership.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE – Paula. New drinking fountain construction in progress near Ranch Park playground.

NEW BUSINESS – UPCOMING EVENTS

DUMPSTER DAY, 5/18 – Michael. Board volunteer sign up complete. \$40 membership fee required to use dumpster.

MOOYAH FUNDRAISER, 5/21 – Linda and Paula. Scheduled 11am to 8pm.

GARDEN TOUR, 6/1 – Michael. Coordinating incoming emails.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL, 6/8 – Linda and Paula. Emma Chu will donate for the event.

JULY 4TH CELEBRATION – Melissa. Flyer & cover page announcement coming in June Roundup.

NEED High School students to run kid's games.

NEED clean up volunteers. Returning fun: Parade, band, games & watermelon eating contest. Minimal concessions. Guests encouraged to bring own picnics to park.

ADDITIONAL REPORTS

INSURANCE – Anna. Found a reasonable package policy for the HOA and taking a closer look at the details before our next meeting.

TOWN HALL –Possibly coming in the Fall.

OLD BUSINESS

GARAGE SALE: Completed - 40 homes with sales.

PRODUCE SHARE: Ongoing and going well.

Meeting adjourned at 9:34 pm. Next meeting Tuesday, June 11, 2024, via Zoom.

All neighbors are welcome to attend. Simply email your director for the location or Zoom link!



City of Irvine Municipal Codes

To help keep us in touch with our responsibilities as homeowners in Irvine, we are including a reminder of some Irvine laws.

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