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Subject: Annual Membership for 2017 and Community Survey

Dear Rossmoor Resident,

We want you to renew or join the RHA to help us maintain the quality of life here in Rossmoor. If you are already an RHA member, thanks. Along with your membership renewal, please complete the enclosed survey which asks what more we can do. If not a member, please complete the enclosed non-member survey and tell us why not.

The Rossmoor Homeowners Association (RHA) invites you to join the RHA. As you read on, I'm sure you will see how much the contributions of your time and annual dues mean to our lovely community.

Rossmoor is sixty old and continues to thrive as an excellent place to live for residents of all ages. This Rossmoor ambiance did not just happen. It was brought about by the continued efforts of residents who have been willing to be involved in the community and contribute their time and resources for the betterment of all.

The RHA, is the leading voluntary membership organization and a part of this community since its inception, provides an opportunity for residents to be involved in and contribute to the quality of life in the community. The RHA continues to act as your voice and advocate on matters important to all residents of Rossmoor.

The RHA works with the organizations governing and providing services to Rossmoor. They include the Rossmoor Community Services District (RCSD), the Orange County Supervisor for the 2nd District, and County service departments.

The RHA functions through a number of committees, staffed by member volunteers. They include Community Standards, Traffic, Trees and Parks, Recycling Paper Drive, Neighborhood Watch, Emergency Preparedness, and Animal Control. Also, the RHA sponsors and organizes events intended to develop community spirit. They include the Annual Community Festival, the Christmas Lights Celebration, and Town Hall Meetings on topics of interest to Rossmoor residents.

Your thoughts, your time, your talents and your resources are necessary to keep Rossmoor the peaceful and beautiful community it is today.

Thank you and best wishes,

Everett W. Knell

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Everett W. Knell'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent 'E'.

Membership Chairman



Calendar Year 2017 RHA Membership Application (Mark one box X)

- New Member** complete form (**Homeowners and renters eligible for membership**)
 Membership Renewal: indicate changes in information only.

(Please print clearly)

Name(s): _____ Resident Since: (year) _____

Rossmoor Street Address: _____ Rossmoor, CA 90720

Home Phone: (562) _____ - _____ Cell phones: () _____ - _____ () _____ - _____

Emails: _____

Payment Date: ____/____/____ by Check? or by PayPal? Mark one box X

Annual membership dues: \$30.00

Please make payment payable to: Rossmoor Homeowners Association. Mail application in the enclosed postage-paid envelope to **PO Box 5058 • Rossmoor, CA • 90721. OR,** to apply online and pay with Pay Pal complete form online at <http://www.Rossmoor-rha.org/> Follow directions to pay by **PayPal**. Additional donations accepted and used to support ongoing activities including curb painting, scholarships, quarterly newsletter, community events, improvements, and support to LAEF.

I volunteer to join and help with the work of the following committees:
 (Some activities are fully staffed, but needs change, so check even if you have done so before.)
 Please see an enclosed page for a description of these activities performed by the RHA.

<input type="checkbox"/> Board of Directors	<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Events
<input type="checkbox"/> Community Standards	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Preparedness	<input type="checkbox"/> External Affairs
<input type="checkbox"/> Neighborhood Watch	<input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper/Recycle Drive	<input type="checkbox"/> Other-Describe Below
<input type="checkbox"/> Traffic	<input type="checkbox"/> Trees and Parks	<input type="checkbox"/> Wildlife Watch

Community Survey---Please complete enclosed survey and mail with application in postage paid envelope.

Other Comments:

The RHA Board meetings are on the third Tuesday of each month (except December) at Rossmoor Park Community Center, 3200 Hedwig Road at 7p.m. Open to all residents. Join us and get involved.

Join your local Neighborhood Watch Group? Your local Block Captain will call you. Yes? No?

Check mark boxes below to order any of the following items. Order deadline check off here is February 28. Or go on-line to the RHA website to download them

<input type="checkbox"/> "R" Decals & how many?	<input type="checkbox"/> Rossmoor Map	<input type="checkbox"/> Services Directory Update	<input type="checkbox"/> Code Enforcement
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RHA Volunteer Service Opportunities

The following committees present opportunities for Rossmoor residents to participate in maintaining and enhancing the excellent quality of life we have in Rossmoor. This will only happen if you volunteer to serve your community. Please check off your area of interest on the application, even if you were not called upon last year, since the roll of volunteers can change frequently.

If there is an area you would like to assist in but is not listed below, please check the "Other" box on the application and provide your idea/thoughts in the comments box below. If you are available on an occasional basis to help/serve Rossmoor, please check "Other" as well. There are tasks arise from time to time that require temporary help. A committee chair or Director will call to ask if you can assist during a specific period.

Board of Directors

[RHA board members](#) are elected annually and serve two-year terms. We organize community events, work with the community to identify issues of concern and act to handle problems locally, and interface with Orange County government to protect Rossmoor residents' interests.

Communications

Publishes the *Rossmoor Signature News Magazine* and provides timely information to residents using the [website](#), [eNews Blasts](#) and local news media.

Community Events

Includes our Annual [Rossmoor Community Festival](#) held on the **first Sunday in May** for which there are a variety of opportunities to participate including areas of planning and coordination and day of event support. For more information [contact us here](#). Volunteers are also needed for Candidate Night at election time, and the Christmas Lights Celebration in December.

Community Standards

Provides information on the County's Zoning Code and Property Maintenance Ordinance. Receives resident complaints and gives referral to appropriate County enforcement officials. Receives applications for Variances and Use-Permits from the County Planning Dept. and reviews/comments on those applications.

Emergency Preparedness

[Educates residents](#) on how to prepare themselves for disasters. Develops plans, procedures and infrastructure to coordinate with Neighborhood Watch to provide a timely response to community wide disasters by supporting neighborhood events and developing teams of community volunteers.

External Affairs

Addresses external issues that impact our community. Issues are often complex and continue over a period of time; examples include the 405/605 HOV Connector, CalTrans landscaping, the Old Ranch Town Center, Shops at Rossmoor health club, and the Rossmoor Signature Wall.

Neighborhood Watch

Forms small neighborhood groups headed by a Block Captain to provide community safety. The committee chair maintains liaison with the Orange County Deputy Sheriff in the area. The Block Captains arrange for neighborhood meetings and provide information to alert residents of crime activity in the area. The committee also publishes articles in the newsletter and [updates the RHA website with information](#) and alerts.

Newspaper/Recycle Drive

Held on the last Saturday of the month from 8 AM to Noon on the south side of Rush Park. Funds generated are used for community projects.

Traffic

Addresses issues relating to parking and traffic safety. This includes pedestrian, bicycle, and motor vehicle safety. With respect to the latter, we are especially concerned with enforcement involving the CHP and Orange County Sheriff, as well as signs, signals, and other measures to "calm" traffic speeds within the posted limits.

Trees and Parks

Wildlife Watch Team

The goal of the team is to educate residents regarding wildlife in Rossmoor; protect people (specifically children) and pets from harm. Coyotes are the primary predator and chief concern. [More here](#)

Some of the RHA's Contributions to Rossmoor

PARKS/SCHOOL SITES/BEAUTIFICATION

- Campaign for acquisition of Wilson School site and then its conversion to and maintenance of the beautiful Rossmoor Park
- Opposition to the selling of the Rush, Lee, and Weaver school sites
- Re-zoning of two school sites from R-2 to R-1
- Library siting/expansion/improvement plan
- Endorsement of Lighting District Measure
- Endorsement of Rush Park acquisition
- Revised landscaping and sidewalks for Rush Park offices and auditorium
- Rush Park Tot Lot Playground Wall and Equipment
- Help fund Rush Park kitchen
- Obtained grant for Rush Park & Parkway tree planting
- A master plan for trees now managed by the Rossmoor Community Services District and the County of Orange
- Spearheaded plans and the drive for the Rossmoor Signature Wall
- Opposition to civilian or commercial aircraft at the Joint Forces Base in Los Alamitos

TRAFFIC

- Traffic issues coordination with California Highway Patrol (CHP), the Orange County Sheriff (OCSD), and the cities of Los Alamitos and Seal Beach
- Continued monitoring and input on planned changes in freeways near Rossmoor including the ongoing West County Connector Project
- Weekly attendance at Orange County Traffic Authority meeting
- Traffic monitoring of Seal Beach Blvd. and The Shops at Rossmoor
- 405/605 Freeway sound walls
- Obtaining an acceptable 405 to 605 freeway HOV connector redesign

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

- Coordination with Orange County Sheriff's Dept. re: criminal activity and other issues
- Implementation of Neighborhood Watch program and recruitment of block captains
- Weekly Rossmoor Crime Reports
- Release of Quarterly Crime Reports from the Orange County Sheriff's Dept.

COMMUNITY STANDARDS/EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

- Assisting residents with County code enforcement
- Review/comments on proposed Variance applications and Use Permit applications
- Phone Hotline for community issues resolution and general information

- Emergency Preparedness programs for earthquakes and other general environmental emergencies

COMMUNICATIONS/COMMUNITY UPDATES

- Quarterly printed newsletter on issues affecting Rossmoor and upcoming events
- Website and e-mail blasts to provide current information and upcoming events
- Community surveys

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- Annual Rossmoor Community Festival
- Annual Rossmoor Christmas Lights Celebration
- Annual Fiction Writing Contest
- Annual Election Candidates Night
- 25th and 50th Rossmoor Anniversary Events

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

- Liaison with Los Alamitos Unified School District (LAUSD) on matters of interest to Rossmoor and for ensuring the continuing high quality of education in the LAUSD
- Coordination with the Rossmoor Community Services District on community events and other matters
- Coordination and support with the County of Orange in addressing the presence of coyotes

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

- Scholarships for outstanding high school seniors
- Matching grants to support Los Alamitos Education Fund (LAEF) to help improve quality of education for the Los Alamitos Unified School District (LAUSD)
- Monthly paper/recycle drive to raise funds for community projects
- Free curbside street number painting for all residents for emergency response
- Funded landscaping around Flood Control Channels