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WHAT A DIFFERENCE TEN YEARS MAKES



***The Springs Fire
May 2, 2013***

Lada Avenue looking towards
Itamo/N San Como

photo by Cathy Scheir



Same view today

photo by Robbie Dornick

*photos by
Lorraine Villarreal*

<http://www.camsprings.com>



*The Springs Fire
May 2, 2013*

photo by Jolene Johnson

San Como Lane looking towards N San Como; by the way, that's Jane Pitchford and Dorothy Goodall in the street.

Same view today



photo by Robbie Dornick



photos by Vicki Cromer

Quail time at Cromerland Ranch

Wildlife in The Springs

photos by Robbie Dornick
via Ring

Two different foxes on the same
fence, about a week apart



What A Difference Ten Years Makes ~ The Springs Fire was May 2, 2013

Many current residents have moved here since the fire. Those of us who were here to experience that traumatic day still remember it as though it was yesterday. Many seemed surprised to learn that ten years have passed. The temperature was 98 degrees, winds were howling and the humidity was 5%. After our generous winter rains, the hillsides turned a beautiful green. It's amazing how quickly they're now drying out and turning brown, once again leaving us vulnerable to another fire. It's up to each of us to take precautions and perform wildfire mitigation. We've had numerous articles on measures we can easily take to protect us and our homes.

Some of us have recently become aware of measures our Homeowners Insurance companies are taking to assist us in this effort. With little fanfare, they've added a Wildfire Response Endorsement to homeowners insurance policies. Every homeowner is strongly advised to check with your insurance company to see if this has been included (no extra cost) with your policy.

The Wildfire Response Endorsement states:

Wildfire insurance vendors contracted by your insurance company have the right to access the insured location to perform wildfire suppression and structural protection when, in their judgment, they determine an active wildfire is a threat to the insured location.

The wildfire response vendors will determine appropriate suppression and mitigation methods, including but now limited to:

- a. removal of brush and combustible vegetation;
- b. fuel source mitigation;
- c. closing of doors and windows;
- d. clearing gutter and roof debris;
- e. monitoring and extinguishing hotspots;
- f. installing temporary sprinkler systems; and
- g. application of fire protection products including fire blocking gel or foam.

Wildfire response vendors are NOT a first responder service. The products, strategy, and tactics used to address the wildfire will be based on industry practices and the wildfire response vendors' professional judgment.

The endorsement does not guarantee services will be provided. Services that are provided may not prevent or reduce wildfire related damage.

Homeowners might also ask your insurance provider if they offer a Wildfire Mitigation Discount if you create a 5-30 foot defensible space around your home, within your property line. They should have a list of specific requirements to accomplish that.



It's up to each one of us. If/when we have another major fire, we can perform wildfire mitigation around our homes to ensure that they remain safe.

photo by Richard Buck, May 2, 2013



MEXICAN TRAIN

Join other Springers to play Mexican Train (a dominoes game) each Wednesday afternoon at 3:00pm in the Clubhouse card room. No experience necessary. Contact Sarah Legan at 818-268-2287 for information.



SCRABBLE

The Scrabble players are seeking additional players to join them the last Wednesday of each month a 1:00pm. Contact Camella Moore at 818-515-4190 or cambm15@gmail.com.



RUMMIKUB

Join other Springers to play Rummikub each Thursday evening at 6:00pm in the Clubhouse card room. Bring along your own game, if you have one, just in case we need extras. No experience necessary. Contact Marianne Chavanne at 805-358-1544 if you'd like to be added to her reminder text group.

SHANGHAI

Join us on Fridays at 12:30pm to play Shanghai, a card game based on Gin Rummy.

Call Rose 805-383-5572 or Lois 805-384-9027 or just come to watch.



MAH JONGG

Learn Mah Jongg on Mondays at 12:30pm: Keep your brain sharp with Mah Jongg, a game of skill, strategy, and some luck.

Call Rose 805-383-5572 or Lois 805-384-9027 or just come to watch.

WESTERN NIGHT REMINDER

For those who remembered to sign up, it's this Saturday, May 6, at 5pm.

Sign-ups are closed.

Real Estate Trends for The Springs

Address: 6024 San Dimas	<u>ACTIVE LISTINGS:</u> Square Footage: 1553	List Price: \$684,000.00
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Address: 6349 IrenaAve. 1188 Paquita St. 6116 Irena Ave.	<u>UNDER CONTRACT:</u> Square Footage: 1,553 1657 1553	List Price: \$725,000.00 \$714,800.00 \$635,000.00
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Address: 6262 Gitana Ave.. 1220 San Como Ln 6167 Irena Ave. 6315 Irena Ave. 1137 Itamo St.	<u>SOLDS:</u> Square Footage: 1561 1650 1578 1,553 1511	List Price: \$710,000.00 \$730,000.00 \$634,000.00 \$730,000.00 \$786,000.00
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*Data taken from CRMLS 4-12-23
Becky Duarte @ Premier Options Real Estate
DRE#01232355



A true conundrum!
This was seen at the corner of PCH and Cota in Long Beach a couple of years ago.

photo by Jack Ashton, cousin of Robbie Dornick

The Springs Homeowners Association Financial Report for March, 2023	
Beginning Operating Balance	\$73,790.02
Cash Receipts	\$64,826.63
Reserve Trans from Operating	\$<16,666.67>
Cash Disbursements	\$<36,715.92>
Transfers/Misc.	\$<4,233.33>
Interest Earned	\$0.82
Ending Operating Balance	\$81,001.55
Beginning Reserve Balance	\$1,158,704.44
Reserve Trans from Operating	\$16,666.67
Cash Disbursements	\$<1,498.53>
Transfer/Misc	\$0
Interest Earned	\$79.89
Ending Reserve Balance	\$1,174,876.53
Reserve Liability	\$<1,174,876.53>
Reserve Overage or Shortage	\$0



Birthdays

Theresia Haenle	2	Erbach, Germany
Dan Chase	5	Avenal, CA
Mark Flippen	6	Orange, CA
Gayle Dexter	10	Holyoke, MA
Beth Gomez	10	Los Angeles, CA
Ron Kester	13	Olney, TX
Ken Walters	13	Brooklyn, NY
Susan Spann	15	Ocean Falls, Canada
Carlos Duarte	16	Los Angeles, CA
Randall Freeman	19	Los Angeles, CA
Patricia Lopez	21	Altadena, CA
Monique Secreto	23	Arcadia, CA
Tom Olsen	24	Homolulu, HI
Jack Sheehan	25	St. Louis, MO
Dottie Cass	26	Emmitsburg, MD
L.J. Fay	26	Maui, HI
Evette Eaton	27	North Kingston, RI
Yvonne Graves	28	Glendale, CA
Paul Eisler	29	Czechoslovakia
David Macias	31	Merced, CA



Anniversaries

Doug/Maressa Parizek	2	Santa Monica, CA
53 years		
Greg/Pam Jenson	10	Orange, CA
37 years		
John/Patricia Wiley	12	N. Hollywood, CA
61 years		
Mike Bolding/Nancy Chalker	18	Los Angeles, CA
22 years		
Joseph/Patricia Slavin	21	Huntington Bch, CA
40 years		
Bill/Camella Moore	22	CA
41 years		
James/Louise Purpura	22	Chicago, IL
45 years		

Note: If your birthday/anniversary information is incorrect or incomplete, please contact Malisa in the clubhouse office to have it corrected.

VC ALERT

Everyone in The Springs should register with VC Alert in order to receive emergency notifications.

Register online at vcalert.org or by calling (805) 648-9283.

Please submit Newsletter photos or articles to
Robbie Dornick at jonrobdor@gmail.com

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