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TROPICS RESIDENTS' CLUB, INC.
33000 ALMADEN BLVD; UNION CITY, CA 94587
2015-2016 OFFICERS

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| Breakfast Chair | Richard Stoll | 408-839-3358 |
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THE TROPICS MOBILE HOME PARK CLUBS

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| <p style="text-align: center;">TROPICS LADIES CLUB (T.L.C.) THE 1ST AND 3RD MONDAY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OF EVERY MONTH 11:30AM CONFERENCE ROOM (CLUBHOUSE) PRESIDENT: TINA MARIA 489-5749</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">BINGO - EVERY WEDNESDAY DOORS OPEN 4:30PM-EARLY 6:30PM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">REGULAR GAME 7PM SNACK BAR OPEN AT 5PM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MELODY PETERSON 266-2607/RICHARD STOLL</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">TROPICS POTLUCK THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 5:30PM AT THE CLUBHOUSE- DISH TO PASS STEVE EVANS 386-0509</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">CRAFTS CLUB EVERY MONDAY 2 PM IN THE CLUBHOUSE TINA MARIA 489-5749</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">THE TROPICS TRAVELERS SEE FLYERS IN THE CLUBHOUSE CATHY LIGHTHILL 471-7053</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">THE TROPICS COFFEE CLUB MON-FRI @ 8:30AM IN CONFERENCE ROOM JACKIE HILL 489-4388</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">TROPICS SPRING CHICKENS EVERY TUES AND THURS 8:30AM IN THE CLUBHOUSE CAROLYN HOPPES 489-6894</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">FIT 2B HEALTHY EXERCISE CLASS EVERY MON. WED. FRI. @ 1PM SEE CALENDAR OR FLYERS IN CLUBHOUSE</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">B BUG COMPUTER CENTER MON-FRI @8am-12:30PM IN</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BBUG BUILDING LARRY CORNELL 487-1040</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">GENEALOGY CIRCLE THE 3RD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH @1:30PM CONFERENCE ROOM</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">THE TROPICS RESIDENTS' CLUB MEETING 2ND THURS OF THE MONTH</p> <p style="text-align: center;">IN CLUBHOUSE @ 7PM PRESIDENT: LARRY CORNELL 487-1040</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">TROPICS CERAMIC CLUB 1ST TUES OF THE MONTH</p> <p style="text-align: center;">@ 2PM IN CONFERENCE ROOM FOR MORE INFO</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CALL MELODY PETERSON 266-2607</p> |

A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



THE ST. PATRICKS DAY PARTY WAS A SUCCESS! THANK YOU JERRY FOR DOING A GREAT JOB DECORATING THE CLUBHOUSE! THE FOOD, GAMES AND PRIZES MADE FOR SUCH A FUN EVENT. THANKS TO JERRY AND HIS VOLUNTEERS WHO HELPED MAKE THE EVENT A MEMORABLE ONE.

CO CHAIRS RICHARD STOLL AND MELODY PETERSON OF THE WEDNESDAY NIGHT TROPICS BINGO JUST CELEBRATED THEIR ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY. COME BY WEDNESDAY EVENINGS FOR SUPPER AT THE SNACK BAR AND TRY YOUR LUCK AT BINGO. YOUR SURE TO HAVE A GREAT TIME.

DARLENE AND I WOULD LIKE TO SEND OUT OUR CONDOLENCES TO THE VICE PRESIDENT BEN SALSEDO AND HIS FAMILY AT THE LOSS OF BEN'S MOTHER, JOSEPHINE SALSEDO. AS MANY OF YOU KNOW BEN'S PARENTS ONCE LIVED IN THE PARK. ALSO WE SEND OUT CONDOLENCES TO JOYCE GIOVANNONI AND FAMILY AT THE LOSS OF BOB.

THE CITY OF FREMONT IS OFFERING WHAT IS CALLED "TRI CITY TAXI VOUCHERS." FREMONT OPERATES A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS OR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES WHO NEED TRANSPORTATION. PLEASE CONTACT PAMELA GUTIERREZ AT 510 574-2053 FOR MORE DETAILS.

IF YOU NEED HELP WITH YARDWORK, WINDOW OR COACH WASHING, AND ANY OTHER SERVICE—FOR FREE, CONTACT COMPASSION NETWORK AT 510 796-7378 OR VISIT THEIR OFFICE TO FILL OUT A REQUEST FORM. THIS IS ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS-NOT THROUGH THE RESIDENTS BOARD OR THE OFFICE. THEY WILL BE MAKING A VISIT TO THE TROPICS SOON AND WILL ASSIST ONLY THOSE PEOPLE WHO HAVE FILED A REQUEST. ONCE A (SATURDAY) DATE HAS BEEN SET. YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED WHEN THEY WILL BE IN THE PARK.

IF YOU NEED QUESTIONS ANSWERED AND/OR HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT ANYTHING, JUST ASK, BETTER YET COME TO A MEETING ON THE 2ND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH.



MILLENNIUM MEMO

As you may know, your rent dollars are held in trust by Union Bank. In order to spend that money, we have to submit a Requisition for approval to the bond Oversight Agent, who verifies that the money is going for a valid Tropics purpose and not for some other project—or for my daughter's College Fund.

As I'm typing this, I'm looking at the March Requisition: "new lighting & windows at the BBug Club, Clubhouse & Conference Room Lighting, New Pathway Lights throughout the Community and electrical work relating to the Pool Landscape Project: \$72,351.95."

Here's February's Requisition: "New Landscaping & Fountain in the Pool Area: \$126,483." I haven't seen April's Requisition yet, but I know that it will include another \$15,000 for sidewalk repairs and, I suspect, more pathway lighting. The one before that included the new Conference Room & Clubhouse furniture, doors and several other items.

I hope this gives you a feel for the wide variety of projects your rent dollars are funding—and the fact that the "profits" from The Tropics go back into your Park instead of into some Owner's pocket. **Your Rent Dollars at Work!**

Speaking of upgrades...aren't you happy with the exciting new Pool Area? Even if you don't use the Pool very often, imagine the impact that has when prospective homebuyers tour the Park. No wonder homes are selling for such high prices lately.

I wanted to echo Larry Cornell's comment in last month's Breeze about the cooperation between Management and the Residents Club Board. The Pathway Lighting, for instance, was a Board suggestion, as were the BBug upgrades. We're also working together to get bids for an increased level of Patrol Service. We appreciate all the advice we've been getting!

Lots More News...

It's Budget Time in the Millennium world, when we prepare the budgets for the new Fiscal Year starting July 1. We'll prepare a "Wish List" of items we're thinking about, see what the Residents Club Board has in mind and come to an agreement on next year's projects. I hope to have a tentative list in next month's Memo. Stay tuned!

- It's also Income Survey Time. Please complete and return your Form as soon as you receive it. Your Forms generate a property tax exemption of around \$300K for your Park. Isn't it better to spend your rent dollars on things like Pool Landscaping, Pathway Lights, other Park Upgrades & Rent Subsidies instead of property taxes?

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- This month's Resident Kudo goes to Joyce Giovannoni (390 Tropicana), for bringing the treats from Starbucks the past few years. She is taking a well-deserved break now, so let's thank her for her years of generosity.
- SPARC, our resident services partner, is sponsoring another Spring Clothing Fling, May 21 from 11:30-2 PM. See details elsewhere in the Breeze.

Enjoy the new-and-improved Pool Area, turn in your Income Forms, drop by the Spring Fling...and have a Happy Mother's Day!

George Turk

Manager's Corner:



Our May flowers are here along with the tall grass and weeds. Please try to maintain your landscaping in between the showers. Your weeds are not welcome at your neighbors and we receive complaints every day. Also, cut down branches, etc., prior to putting them in the yard waste dumpster. (And no more dumping mattresses or furniture) This is really an eyesore while driving through

the park. Take advantage of the free bulky pick-up twice yearly for every household. Republic Services (510) 657-3500.

Have you seen the new pool landscaping? It really opened up the area and the waterfall is so peaceful. I am counting the hours until May 1 when the pool opens. The pool will be monitored on the weekends and holidays (12 noon – 7:00 p.m.). Please review the pool rules and enjoy a safe summer.

We have encountered lots of bees this year along with skunks and raccoons. If a swarm of bees is in your yard it is best to leave them be and they will leave within a day or two. At least that is what the beekeepers tell me.

We are looking forward to the annual Spring Fling on Saturday, May 21st 11:30am – 2pm. Donate items Monday, May 16th -Thursday, May 19th. See the flyer for the guidelines and then on Saturday, come on down and pick out a new wardrobe. See you then.

Nancy Payne
Resident Manager

OUR SYMPATHY GOES TO THE FAMILY OF:



Manuel Cordova 22 Palm Dr.—passed on April 6, 2016
Robert Giovannoni 390 Tropicana Way—April 4, 2016

GET WELL WISHES FOR A SPEEDY RECOVERY GOES TO:

Dee Dee Cavillo

Joyce York



WELCOME A NEW NEIGHBOR:



Soe Win, Kyin Swe, Nwe Win—362 Tahitian Circle
Jianguo Liv, Rong Ji—367 Tahitian Circle
Chuseng Wu, Huiping Chen—270 Oahu Circle
David and Helen Chang—446 Samoa Circle

**Tropics Resident' Club
Invites All Mothers and Guests
For Breakfast
on Saturday, May 7
8:30 am—9:45 am
All Mothers Free
Everyone Else \$3.00 at the Door
No ticket required**



EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION INFORMATION

You're not required to have an amateur radio license to listen on the amateur band frequencies. There are many monitors who enjoy hearing their local area stations talking to other radio operators worldwide. All activities regarding emergencies are usually picked up by interested parties, just like you, from your home. That's the advantage of this hobby; it doesn't require you to leave the comfort of your house. The information is heard and logged in by tens of thousands of listening stations around the world who are informed immediately when an

emergency happens.

Tina has started a ladies net. These women are on frequency daily during the week; they transmit over a large area of the country.

Last year at the Amateur Radio Relay League convention I was approached by an eight year old young man. His name is Marty. When he saw my call sign and Bravo Ben on my hat he broke into a big smile and said "I've been looking for you! I hear you on the radio a lot." Marty is an active licensed amateur radio operator and transmits daily from Las Vegas. It was an honor to see this little guy regularly continuing and promoting the tradition of such a worthwhile hob-

by.

You too can be a monitor and be informed before the major news stations are aware of any major catastrophes. You can always be an informed listener. For further details just talk to Tina KK6KSY or me Bravo Ben KI6VLC and we will be happy to assist you in setting up a monitoring station.



CERAMIC CLUB NEWS

Our club meetings are always held on the first Tuesday of every month at 2:00 pm in the club house conference room. Anyone can attend and sit in on our meetings and also meet some active members of the club before or after the meeting. If you are thinking about joining or want to ask some questions or just get a tour of the ceramic room, this is an opportune time. The ceramics club is generally open everyday from Noon to 2:00 pm with a member or several members working on their projects. Anyone who is interested in our club is welcome to stop by and take a look at some of the ceramics that are finished & some are pieces we are still working on.

The club is offering a free trial membership for 1 month, starting in January 2016. Anyone who might be interested please contact our President Melody Peterson at 266-2607 and she will set you up with supplies and instructions for making your first ceramic piece. Our club will provide all supplies needed for this free trial offer.

You can call the following senior member for a view of the ceramic shop and or just to ask questions. Feel free to call Melody Peterson at 266-2607 or if she is not available, we will ask another training member too help you.

RED CROSS—Red Heart Cares Crochet Blanket



WITH SO MANY RESIDENTS HAVING THE WONDERFUL TALENT OF KNITTING AND CROCHETING, IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT THIS PROJECT WOULD BE FUN AND WORTHWHILE. THE RED CROSS & RED HEART YARN ARE ASKING KNITTERS & CROCHETERS TO MAKE SQUARES OR RECTANGLES TO FORM BLANKETS FOR DISTASTER VICTIMS AND/OR PEOPLE IN NEED. YOU CAN GET THE RED CROSS PATTERNS AT THE BBUG DURING NORMAL OPEN HOURS WEEKDAYS 8:00AM—12:30PM OR FOR THE CROCHET PATTERN GO TO

<http://www.redheart.com/files/patterns/pdf/LW5134.pdf>

FOR THE KNITTED PATTERN GO TO:

<http://www.redheart.com/free-patterns/red-heart-cares-knit-blanket>

SWIMMING POOL GUIDELINES



Pool opens May 1st and closes November 1st. Spa open all year around. Cooperation is essential if the pool and the Recreation area are to operate for the maximum fun and safety for the greater number of people. With this thought in mind, the following specific rules are deemed necessary. Please familiarize with them.

- **Pool hours are posted. (9AM – 9:30PM) Swimming hours for any 18 years or under (accompanied by an adult resident) are as follows: Monday thru Saturday 9 AM until 1 PM. Sunday and holiday hours are unrestricted. A park resident must accompany all guests. Each household is allowed four guests at one time if pool capacity will allow.**
- **It is advised that no one uses the swimming pool, spa, or saunas alone. Anyone using these facilities does so at his/her own risk. People with heart conditions or respiratory ailments should consult their physician before using the sauna or spa.**
- **No diapers are allowed at any time. Exception: Swimmers (disposable diapers for pool use.)**
- **Any undue splashing and cannon balls in the pool will not be allowed. Running, horseplay or unnecessary noise will not be tolerated. No flippers, inner-tubes, rafts, snorkels, etc., will be allowed in the pool. Exception: Noodles, water wings & small safety tubes or rings.**
- **You must shower or bathe before entering pool or spa. (State law)**
- **No cut offs or street clothes permitted as swim attire. Tank tops and/or T-shirts are acceptable attire, (white only). Please remove all bobby pins and hair ornaments before entering pool.**
- **All persons using the showers, spa, and pool, are prohibited from exiting pool area through clubhouse in swim attire.**
- **No glassware of any type is permitted in the pool or deck area.**
- **No smoking allowed in or around pool area (except in designated area).**
- **Please place towels over the patio furniture when using sun-tanning oils.**
- **There will be no alcoholic beverages in the pool area, dressing room, or clubhouse. Any person exhibiting an intoxicated condition will be asked to leave the area.**
- **No eating permitted in or around deck area of pool (except in designated area.) Snack food only.**
- **The management and/or pool monitors reserve the right to ask anyone to leave the pool area. No verbal or physical abuse towards Management and/or pool monitors will be tolerated, and will result in pool privileges being revoked for Resident and/or guest.**

Tropics—POTLUCK

Sunday, May 1

Food is Served at 5:30 pm

We serve
coffee and Tea

Bring Food to Share
Enjoy good company and have fun.

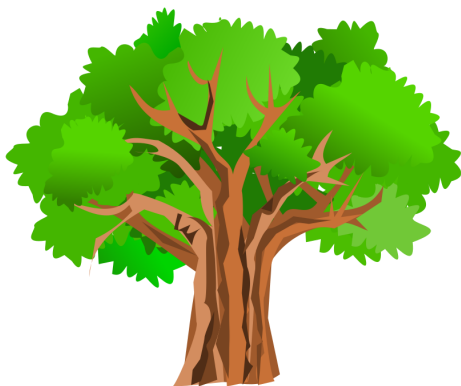
We have serving spoons. You need to bring a plate and utensils (if you forget we have some available).

Bus Bingo starts at 6:15pm



Potluck
Everyone Brings Something to the Table.

Any questions call Steve Evens (510-471-3024) or Beatrice Bartz



GENEALOGY CIRCLE

**THE 3RD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
@1:30PM**

IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM



La Fiesta

LATINO NIGHT

SATURDAY MAY 28, 2016

\$5.00 PER PERSON

DOORS OPEN AT 5:00PM

5:30PM ENTERTAINMENT

DINNER TO FOLLOW

MENU: TACOS, RICE & BEANS

DANCE MUSIC AFTER DINNER

PURCHASE TICKETS AT BINGO SNACK BAR

BREAKFAST, MEETINGS

TICKETS CALL MARIA WILSON AT

510 692 8522

OR BEATRIZ CORLEY

510 299 6029

TROPICS BINGO

Every Wednesday

Early Birds 6:30 pm

Doors open 4:30



A Smaller Hall

More Fun

Better Chance to Win

33000 Almaden Blvd. Union City

Snack Bar Dinner — May 18

**BROWN SUGAR GARLIC PORK
WITH CARROTS & POTATOES**

**AND SALAD
ALL FOR \$5.00**

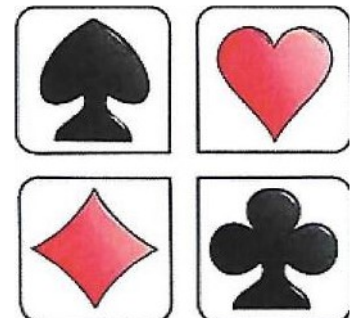


The Tropics Travelers

Jackson Rancheria Casino Monday,

May 9, 2016 \$34.00 per person

**SEE FLYERS IN CLUBHOUSE
FOR MORE INFORMATION OR
CALL CATHY LIGHTHILL 471-7053**



TROPICS BINGO GOING STRONG.



Melody Peterson and Richard Stoll became co-chairs of the Tropics Mobile Home Park Bingo on April 1, 2015. This is Melody showing off some of the money to be won tonight! They have three or more Flash Games (\$100—\$300) each Wednesday night. There are four special games plus hot ball. They play ten regular games.

The doors open at 4:30pm. While you wait they have a unique Snack Bar with fresh cooked food and bakery goods. The Snack

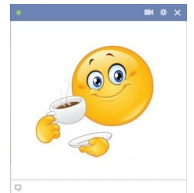
Bar opens at 5pm. The grill stays open until 7pm when regular Bingo starts. Then snacks while you play.

They have a large well lit hall with lots of friendly faces. They have around 60-90 players each week and are hoping to keep increasing the number, because the more people the more money in the pots.

All profits are donated to local charities that benefit Union City.

THE COFFEE CLUB WANTS YOU!

Stop by the Club House Conference Room. We'll put the coffee on and set out some snacks. Meet some of your neighbors for lively conversation and lots of laughs. The Coffee Club meets every morning Monday-Friday from 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM. Everyone is welcome. It is a great way to make some new friends and start your day off right. Hope to see you there.



DO YOU HAVE A LITTLE TIME TO SPARE?

The Spectrum Lunch Program is in need of volunteers to keep things running smoothly. If you have an hour to spare on Tuesday or Thursday afternoon, we can use your help setting tables, checking in residents, dishing up food in the kitchen, serving meals, decorating tables, preparing beverages and cleaning tables. It's a great chance to socialize with your neighbors and meet new friends.

To find out more about volunteering or signing up for the lunch program stop by the Club House Tuesday or Thursday from 11:00 AM-1:00 PM or call Carolyn Hoppes at 489-6894.

Spring Fling



Step One: Donate Between Monday, May 16th and Thursday, May 19th.

Step Two: Participate in Fall Fashion Clothing Drive Saturday, May 21st 11:30am-2 pm. All Tropics residents are invited to select clothes for free — even if you didn't donate! If you need help bringing items to office, please contact Kathy at the office.



GUIDELINES!



YES

- Gently used men's and women's clothing **WASHED**
- Blankets, comforters, bedspreads
- Accessories: hats, belts, jewelry,
- Shoes (laces tied together and/or placed in a bag)
- Clothing items with working zippers and no missing buttons
- Books, small household appliances

NO

- Undergarments
- Sheets
- Socks
- Stains, rips, holes or tears
- Items listed above will not be accepted



GETTING TO KNOW YOUR NEIGHBOR—RUTH CHURCHILL

RUTH CHURCHILL WAS BORN IN OAKLAND, CA. GROWING UP SHE LIVED IN VARIOUS CITIES AROUND THE BAY AREA, BEFORE SETTLING IN SAN LEANDRO. RUTH MARRIED RICHARD ON SEPTEMBER 1, 1974 AND SIX MONTHS LATER MOVED INTO A NEW MOBILE HOME COMMUNITY CALLED “THE TROPICS” IN UNION CITY. SHE HAS LIVED ON MAUI CIRCLE EVERY SINCE. RUTH RETIRED AS AN ACCOUNTING CLERK FOR ALAMEDA COUNTY; INCHARGE OF PAYROLL WAS PART OF HER DUTIES.

RUTH AND RICHARD HAVE ALWAYS ENJOYED TRAVELING. THEY HAVE DRIVEN ACROSS THE UNITED STATES IN A MOTOR HOME AND USED THEIR MOTORHOME GOING ALL OVER CALIFORNIA. NOT ONLY HAVE THEY TRAVELED BY LAND BUT BY SEA ALSO. RUTH TELLS ME SHE HAS GONE TO THE CARRIBEAN THREE TIMES, HAWAII TWICE, MEXICO TWICE, AND SHE HAS BEEN ON PANAMA CANAL AND ALASKAN CRUISES.



RUTH IS A CO-FOUNDER OF THE CRAFT CLUB THAT MEETS EVERY MONDAY AT 2PM IN THE DINING HALL OF THE CLUBHOUSE. SHE HAS USED HER CRAFTING TALENT TO MAKE A BETTER COMMUNITY. EVERY HOLIDAY SHE MAKES HUNDREDS OF HOMEMADE CARDS AND SENDS THEM OFF TO THE AMERICAN TROOPS. SHE PASSES OUT HOMEMADE CARDS TO ALL HER FRIENDS IN HER COMMUNITY. RUTH SEWS, HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN CEREMICS AND STAIN GLASS BEFORE. RUTH IN THE PAST HAS VOLUNTEERED TO HELP LANDSCAPE THE OUTSIDE OF THE CHURCH SHE BELONGS TO. SHE IS AN USHER AND ALTER GUILD OF HER CHURCH. SHE DECORATES THE CHURCH PRIOR TO THE SERVICE WITH HER SILK FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS.



RUTH WAS RECENTLY HONORED BY SPECTRUM MANAGEMENT FOR HAVING THE CLEANEST KITCHEN IN THE ALAMEDA COUNTY TRI CITY AREA. SHE HAS VOLUNTEERED FOR THE TROPICS SPECTRUM LUNCHEON SITE SINCE THE PROGRAM BEGAN.

WHEN YOU SEE RUTH AROUND THE PARK STOP HER AND SAY, “HELLO AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE.”

TROPICS RESIDENTS' CLUB BOARD MINUTES

1. The minutes were taken by Darlene Cornell because Richard Stoll was on vacation.
2. Jerry Garcia brought up the leak in the roof of the dining room.
3. David Kuly was appointed as Sargent at Arms.
4. Darlene Cornell asked for money to purchase prizes for Casino Night.
5. A new committee was formed, Emergency Communications Amateur Radio Club, headed by Ben Salsedo and Tina Maria.
6. Ben Salsedo brought up for medical reasons Board Members and Volunteers be fed before an event. Motion Carried.
7. Jerry Garcia proposed buying the mics used at Mystery Night for the club. Motion Carried.
8. As President of the Ladies Club, Tina Maria, asked for permission to have a Bingo event in April. Motion Carried.
9. Jerry Garcia moved that a fifteen minute break be taken if the meetings were to last over one hour. Motion Carried.

SUBMITTED AND APPROVED



The Ladies Club (T.L.C.) is open to every female resident of the Tropics. We look forward to seeing the ladies come out and express their views, concerns and talents.

We at the T.L.C. take an active interest in the civic and social welfare of the community; to promote good fellowship among members; and to undertake charitable, humanitarian or social welfare projects.

We meet the first and third Monday of the month at 11:30am in the conference room at the clubhouse.

**For more information come to a meeting or call:
T.L.C. President -**

Tina Maria 510-489-5749



NOTES FROM YOUR EDITOR:



- Looking for "Getting to know your Neighbor" articles. Have a friendly chat with your neighbor and work on the articles together. submit the article at tropicsbreeze@gmail.com. Who knows you might be surprised what you find out about your neighbor! We

look forward to hearing from you.

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- We welcome all articles from our residents as space allows. The only requirement is that your article not be political or personal in nature. They will be inserted as space allows with consideration given to content and quality.
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