

SAN ELIJO HILLS II

Homeowners Association Newsletter Spring 2025

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Ron Tinkham – President/Big Trees
Brian Coe – Vice President
Tina Tinkham – Landscape
Amy Sims-Co-Landscape
Larry Alessio-Member
Steve Snow-Irrigation Director
and Treasurer
Vicki Smith-Member

BOARD MEETINGS

Board meetings are held on the third Monday of the month.

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: To be announced on the meeting board that's in the median at Santa Helena and Santa Victoria

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HOA WEBSITE:

sanelijohills2.org

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special messages can be sent to you immediately.

WE ARE LOSING TWO GREAT BOARD MEMBERS

We are losing two incredibly great people from our board. Vicki Smith and Steve Snow are unfortunately stepping down from our SEH II Board. Vicki was on the board for more than two years and was our common sense board member. Whenever we got stuck on an agenda item and the conversation was going no where, Vicki stepped in and used her common sense approach and got the board back on track to make a good decision and move on. Thank You Vicki for serving on the board and helping our community.

Steve Snow, as I'm sure all of you know was unbelievable in what he brought to the board. He straightened out our whole irrigation system, took on the treasury duties to make sure we got our reserves back up to \$100,000, which is important for any emergency that may arise at any time. Steve's impact has left our board in great shape. Unfortunately, Steve is moving out of the community, but he will stay in touch and said we can reach out to him for any irrigation questions we might have in the future. We can't begin to thank Steve enough for his many accomplishments while on our board. Thank you Steve!!!

REMINDER TO REPORT IRRIGATION PROBLEMS

We still are have problems with our irrigation being broken by mistake, mostly from dog walkers when the dogs leash wraps around the sprinkler risers, or heads and breaks. These things happen, we aren't going to make you pay for the fix, just report it so it can get fixed right

away. Also, if you see any irrigation problems on your slope, or any slope within our SEH II community please report it to Kyle at Keystone Pacific, or Brian Coe (858) 344-6115, or at brianjuliasdad@gmail.com. These problems can be in an area that looks distressed to you because of lack of water, or of course any leak you might see. Extra runoff of water on the sidewalks, or extreme wetness should be checked immediately. I have to say that all of you have been reporting these issues and you are saving the HOA community a lot of money in water costs, and saving existing plants on our slopes. Please keep up the good work!!!

EMAIL LIST SIGNUP

Please signup your email to start receiving digital neighborhood announcements, important board news, upcoming events, etc.... It's very easy to sign up. There are two ways to do this. The first is simply going to the new website sanelijohills2.org, going down to the Join Our Email List, and hit the highlighted info@sanelijohills2.org, enter your email, your name and your San Elijo Hills Street Address. That's it you're entered. The second way is to go to your email and enter info@sanelijohills2.org, enter your name and your San Elijo Hills Street Address and send it. We are hoping everyone will sign up for this so we can keep new news coming to you instantly.

LANDSCAPE

**TINA TINKHAM & AMY SIMS HOA
LANDSCAPE DIRECTORS**

Spring is here! Last summer Pink Rosea groundcover was added to strategic areas of the slopes. We are waiting to see the blooming of bright pink flower carpets throughout the neighborhood. We did receive a welcome downpour of rain first week of March with more to come. Reviewing the Pink Rosea that was planted on Santa Alicia, this extra rain water will make a difference in its ability to take root. The full sun is helpful to the small existing plants, however our watering cycle welcomes help from the rain. The heat of the sun steals the irrigation water. HOA Landscape Directors are optimistic that these areas of new Pink Rosea

plantings will begin to flourish like other newly planted areas. Check out the carpet of green on the Santa Helena golf course slope. The shade/sun combo allowed this Pink Rosea groundcover area to take hold and it should provide a pink extravaganza very soon. Spring is for planting. I am preparing my own yard for Summer enjoyment.

TREES

RON TINKHAM-PRESIDENT

The annual EUCALYPTUS TREE REPORT by Ron Matranga/certified Master Arborist, was completed in September. A large number of Eucalyptus, 48 vs 18, need to be trimmed this year. This report was sent out to 3 tree trimming companies. Atlas had their bid in quickly, but the others took several months. Late in December Atlas was given the project. To kick off this project, I always have a meeting with the company, to review the project, including any new issues. This year added our mid-size trees, to the report. Doing this and having them bid separately, we can save money, verses doing this work piece mill. As you know, part of this report dictates the work required to keep the Eucalyptus trees, as safe as possible. Eucalyptus trees require careful thinning, not to exceed about 20% max, or the regrowth will be unruly and unsightly. Adding the mid-size trees, will require two separate trimming bids.

This year like last year, we will focus on reducing the height of many of our tallest trees. Due to late bids, the trimming of Eucalyptus started on March 20. The trimming of the small trees, due to the HOA budget, will be postponed until mid-July 2025. The Tree Report is on our website for your perusal. Questions you may have, please route thru our property manager.

Thanks Ron

WEBSITE UPDATES

Keep checking the website, it will be updated monthly. Keep checking the Work Cycle Report to see when your slope was maintained in the past and when you can expect them to be on your slope in the future.

