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From: Gary Brenkman <JGB@Rnbow.com>
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Subject: Important Canyon Creek news

Canyon Creek News from Shelley Armstrong

1. You are invited to a Canyon Creek party at the home of Da Di Liu and his wife, Jennifer, and son, Charles, next Friday, September 27 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. They live at 1 Vispera and would like to meet their neighbors and he would like to show us his very interesting photographs of China using highly specialized techniques. They will provide appetizers and beverages and an opportunity for all of us to get together. They very much hope you will be able to come. No rsvp is needed.

2. Update on 5B Development (former Hines Nursery Property adjacent to Canyon Creek)

As mentioned in my previous update, the Planning Commission, after hearing from several homeowners, approved an increase in the width of the "paseo" (open space trail) which will run from the Hicks Canyon Trail to Irvine Blvd. just east of us from 40 to 48 feet and also increased the distance of the new homes from the edge of the "paseo" from 5 to 10 feet. Thus, because of our activism, there was a 13 foot gain in the distance of the new homes from Canyon Creek and Park Paseo, thereby providing a trail that will be more open and inviting to all our residents.

However, wanting to have this decision reviewed by the City Council in the hopes of gaining even more ground (literally!), one of the homeowners in Park Paseo decided to appeal the Planning Commission's decision. He has worked with our joint subcommittee of Canyon Creek and Park Paseo homeowners, City and Irvine Company representatives, and many land use experts in preparing his appeal. His appeal will be heard by the City Council at their meeting which is **TOMORROW Tuesday, September 24th starting at 4 pm** at City Hall. We have been told to be there about 4:30 pm.

Knowing that City Council members take seriously the concerns of their citizens, I (as an individual, not as president of Canyon Creek) am asking for your attendance at this meeting. You can submit a letter (which you can leave in a box at my door - 2 Rincon), attend the meeting, or speak before the City Council. Unlike at the Planning Commission, there is a three minute maximum per person for speaking so no one can allot minutes to another speaker.

The City Council is the final authority for all development plans in the City so I look forward to your participation in the hopes that this will encourage them to see this as an opportunity to create an open space area that will be an asset to the City.

Please contact me, Shelley Armstrong at 714-423-8983 or shelleyarm@aol.com, William Von Blasingame (mvonblas@yahoo.com), Dave Melvold (714-669-0664, melvold@dslextreme.com) or Don Stewart (714- 734-8260 or destewart@cox.net) with any questions.

Sincerely,
Shelley Armstrong