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SOUTH VISTA NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

South Vista Communities is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization whose purpose is to maintain and enhance the quality of life for all South Vista residents.

ANNUAL MEETING

It's that time of year again! Join us on Thursday, May 20th, for South Vista Communities' 4th Annual Meeting.

Vista City Councilman Bob Campbell will be our featured speaker, giving us his view of the "state of the city" in these difficult budgetary times. Is there a way we, as residents, can help?

A brief rash of burglaries earlier this year caused concern for residents in the Thibodo/Goldenrod area; thanks to quick response from the Sheriff's office, this has stopped. Lt. Pete Callewaert will describe how the Sheriff's office accomplished this, as well as ways homeowners can protect themselves from break-ins.

SVC Officers and Board members have been nominated for election by the Nominating Committee, Monica Simler and Nicki Hobson:

President –	Stephanie Jackel	Green Oak Road
Vice President –	Rich Dimler	California Summit
Secretary –	Barbara Boyer	Carriage Hill
Treasurer –	Gene Ford	Shadowridge
At Large –	Pat Ogden	Falcon Hill

Bring your friends and join us for an informative neighborhood evening — May 20th, 7 p.m., Shadowridge Country Club; the public is invited.



UPDATES

Fire Station #1 Re-opening

The City of Vista/Vista Fire Dept. invites you to the grand re-opening celebration of Fire Station #1, 175 No. Melrose Drive, on Saturday, May 15, at 10 a.m. The station built in 1973, has been completely renovated. Tour the station, meet the firefighters; children's activities and refreshments provided. RSVP to info@cityofvista.com or 760-639-6131 by May 12th.



New Energy Ratings for Commercial Buildings

Effective January 1, 2011, new legislation requires that existing commercial buildings in California be ENERGY STAR-rated before being leased, rented or sold, according to Vista's Economic Development Dept. The Center for Sustainable Energy California will be holding a workshop on April 22, 2010 that you may be interested in. For more information and to register for workshop, please click on link below.

NEW BUSINESS PARK LOOP

North County Transit District is moving forward to change the route through Vista's Business Park to go to Buena Creek station. The timeline is fall 2010 or January 2011, shown on the attached map. This will shorten the travel time to Escondido by about 30 minutes from the park without extending the travel time from Oceanside.

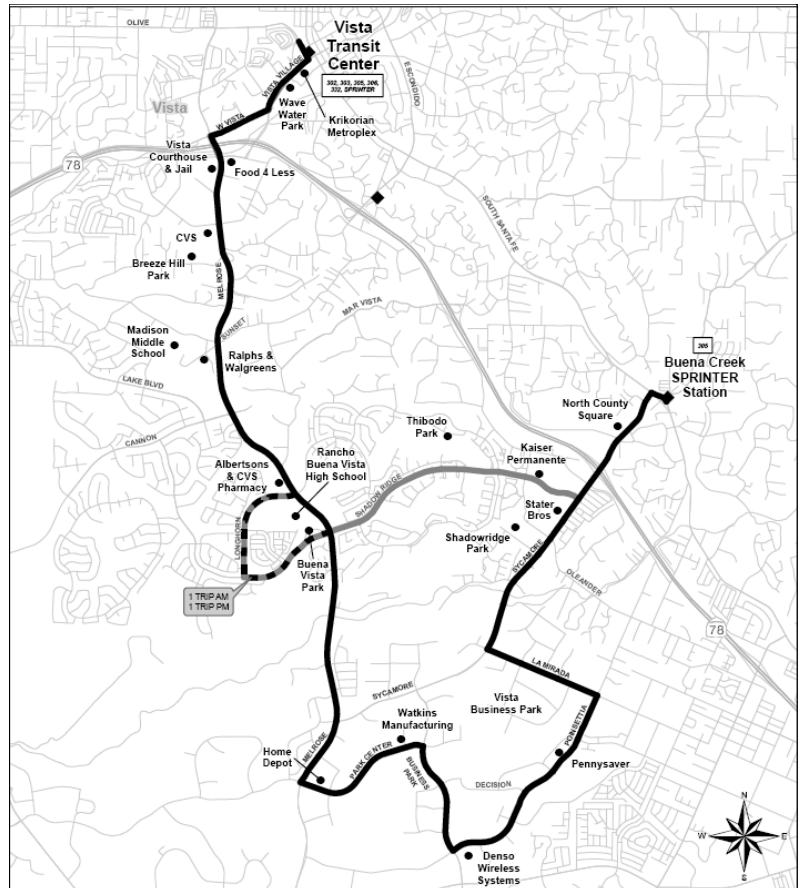
NCTD hopes to get as many businesses as possible to partially or fully subsidize transit for employees who will take it. For information, contact Timothy McCormick, tmmccormick@nctd.org.

ARE YOU PREPARED FOR AN EMERGENCY?

A message from Vista Village Business Association reminds us that, like wildfires, the recent 7.2-magnitude earthquake is not a case of "if," but of "when" it will happen.

The County's Office of Emergency Services has prepared a comprehensive guide for families to prepare themselves and to take action when such an emergency occurs. The guide can be downloaded at www.sdcounty.ca.gov/oes/.

Additional information is available at www.ReadySanDiego.org, clicking on the "Family" tab. Residents are encouraged to register their cell phones on the ReadySanDiego site for AlertSanDiego, the County's emergency notification system.



UNITED STATES CENSUS 2010

The U.S. Census counts every resident in the United States and is required by the Constitution to take place every 10 years. This information regarding the Census process is from the Better Business Bureau (BBB) website.

How do you know the difference between a U.S. census worker and a con artist? BBB offers the following advice:

- If a U.S. Census worker knocks on your door, he/she will have a badge, a handheld device, a Census bureau canvas bag and a confidentiality notice. Ask to see the identification and badge before answering their questions. However, you should never invite anyone you don't know into your home.
- Census workers are currently knocking on doors only to verify address information. Do not give your Social Security number, credit card or banking information to anyone, even if they claim they need it for the U.S. Census. While the Census Bureau might ask for basic financial information, such as a salary range, it will not ask for Social Security, bank account or credit card numbers, nor will employees solicit donations.
- Eventually, Census workers may contact you by telephone, mail, or in person at home. However, they will not contact you by e-mail, so be on the look-out for e-mail scams impersonating the Census. Never click on a link or open any attachments in an e-mail that are supposedly from the U.S. Census Bureau.
- For more information about the U.S. Census, please visit their website at <http://www.census.gov/>.



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