



The Parkmead Community Association (PCA) is a voluntary organization, run by volunteer board members who are passionate about engaging in and improving their community.

## 2023 PCA Events

Mark your calendars!

All in-person events will be dependent on county health guidelines.

### Last Event of the Year

Sat. November 4: **Chili and Cornbread Cook-off**

## Find Us Online

Website: [www.parkmead.org](http://www.parkmead.org)

Facebook: Parkmead Community Association WC

Email: [parkmead@parkmead.org](mailto:parkmead@parkmead.org)

## Donate Today

Voluntary annual dues (\$15\*) fund our events, newsletter, and website. Please consider joining today by sending cash or check to PCA Treasurer at 1521 Arbutus Dr., or via PayPal or Zelle: [parkmead@parkmead.org](mailto:parkmead@parkmead.org). The PayPal link is also on the PCA website.



*\*please note we will be voting on increasing dues to \$20 for 2024 and beyond.*

## President's Corner: Autumn!

The Halloween decorations are being dusted off and fall is in the air!

The Chili & Cornbread Cook-off will stand as our Annual Meeting for 2023 and is a time for us to gather, reflect on the year's activities and build our team of board members for 2024. We invite you to join our dynamic crew, or be a super volunteer or provide event support!

Hear ye, hear ye let it be known that we will be voting to increase our Annual Dues to a total of \$20 per household. Dues were last raised in 2016 to the current amount of \$15. The increase in funds will allow the PCA to continue to support our community events. We are juggling rising costs while improving our events. For example, we are renting portable restrooms and are working towards providing no-cost food at events.

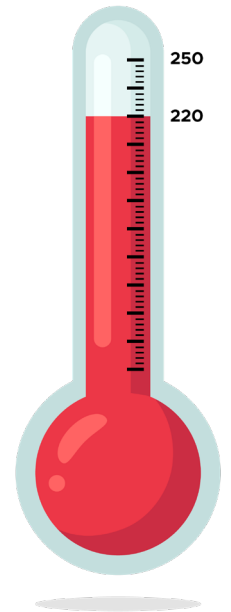
We are thrilled to see so many of our neighbors at our events this year. If you have paid your dues and haven't made it to an event yet, we hope that you will join us for the final event of the year. We have a goal this year of registering more than 250 dues-paying neighbors.

Help us reach that by sending in your dues.

***We want to remind you that we also work as a conduit of information to our community:*** check [www.parkmead.org](http://www.parkmead.org) for any upcoming news. You can also email us with questions and concerns and we will do our best to guide you to municipal, city, and county resources.

We always appreciate your support and participation!

Sadie Waddington  
PCA President 2023



### Annual Meeting Votes

2024 Board Election  
Raising annual dues to \$20

## Chili Cook-off

*November 4, 2023, 2:00pm-5:00pm, Maple Lane*

Calling all cooks to come battle it out for the coveted wooden spoon trophy. The cook-off is an annual Parkmead neighborhood event where neighbors can meet and socialize, while tasting and voting on their favorite chili. Last year we had 12 entrants and had a chili to suit everyone...vegan chili, steak chili, buffalo chili, spicy hot chili and so many more.

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## 2023 PCA Board

### Officers

President, Sadie Waddington

Vice-President, Amy Sherman

Treasurer, Chris Morris

Secretary, Kristen McLeran

### Board Members

Zoe Allen - LLHS Rep

Josh Brann

Craig Geldard

Jodi Hayes

Tiffany Hillis

Kristin Lanham

Silvia Lucchi

Veronica Rodriques

Paul and Raigan Roy

Richard West

## Join the PCA!

We always welcome neighbors who want to get involved and make Parkmead an even better place! Reach out to [parkmead@parkmead.org](mailto:parkmead@parkmead.org) if you would like to participate as a board member, help volunteer at an event, or anything else.

## Chili Cook-off Contd.

This year, we are adding a new category, CORNBREAD! If you have an old family recipe or a fun take on cornbread, we would love to have you as the very first participants in this category. Rules and detailed instructions regarding the quantity of food and tools needed are listed on the registration form. Please register by Nov. 1st to secure your spot and be sure to indicate which category you are entering.

For anybody not into competitive cooking, feel free to bring a sweet treat to share.

So grab your crockpots, or just your taste buds, and bring the family down to Maple lane and enjoy some great food and amazing neighbors!!

To register, go to [Parkmead.org](http://Parkmead.org) and click on Upcoming 2023 Events. Or contact Tiffany Hillis at 925-330-1966.



## Recap Summer Block Party

[parathin@gmail.com](mailto:parathin@gmail.com) - By Paul Roy

The annual Parkmead Community Association (PCA) Block Party that took place on Saturday, August 19th, was a huge success! A special thanks to the residents of Camelia Ln. for sharing their street, Aaron Daley and Mike Downing for the live music, and to the many others who helped plan, support, and participated in the event. Approximately 250 Parkmead neighbors enjoyed the festivities which included a taco bar, beverages (adult and for the children), play areas (including rock painting, bubble wands, and cornhole), and a watermelon eating competition! It was clear that everyone was excited to enjoy our neighbors, food, drinks, and live music. PCA is looking forward to seeing everyone again at the Chili Cook-off on Saturday, November 4th, 2022, from 2PM to 5PM. As always, the PCA board appreciates feedback about this and other events. Please provide your feedback at <https://www.parkmead.org/contact>.

## Behind the scenes:

There are many moving parts in order to plan fun and successful PCA events, from county permitting, coordination with local law enforcement, food/drink procurement, and insurance for the day of the event. With the turnout, PCA encourages you to get involved with any aspect of the events (food/drink procurement, setup/breakdown, sign making/posting, etc.), board meetings (monthly), and overall community engagement (newsletter distribution, social media engagement, and event day support). Please provide your interest in assisting at <https://www.parkmead.org/contact>.

