# NEWSLETTER

**SUMMER 2023** 



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.

Sat. August 19: **Summer Block Party** 

Sat. November 4: Chili Cook-off

#### **Find Us Online**

Website: www.parkmead.org

Facebook: Parkmead Community Association WC

Email: 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. The PayPal link is also on the PCA website.

# President's Corner: Summer is in Full Swing!

Happy Summer Parkmead neighbors! I hope everyone has been staying safe and finding ways to keep cool in the summer heat. July 4th brought in the first of our summer heatwaves and the PCA was delighted to support the Arlene Drive Parade, hosted by our amazing Parkmead neighbors with cold, refreshing popsicles. Thank you neighbors for a lovely gathering!

Next up is our Neighborhood Block Party on Saturday, August 19, from 2pm-6pm on Camelia Ln. Last year, neighbors spent time catching up with old friends and listening to a local musician while the kids got creative with bubbles and paint! As always, the PCA will be providing cold drinks and selling tasty food at discounted rates. Our event chairs are committed to "cracking the food code" and have high hopes to feed everyone in a timely fashion. See the Summer Block Party section for more details.

Our board works hard to create events that are well-organized and fun for all ages and we welcome your ideas and support. Many hands make light work, so, if you enjoy our neighborhood events, *please consider volunteering your time to belp* with set up, run an activity station or clean up— even if just for an hour. We also welcome articles about our neighborhood and are looking for historians in our community willing to share their knowledge about the journey of our neighborhood.

Your financial donations and volunteer time make Parkmead events possible, events that create and sustain our community connections. I am grateful for the community that you all have created here in Parkmead.

Looking forward to seeing you on August 19 @ 2pm!

Sadie Waddington PCA President 2023

# Recap June Event: Neighborhood Garage Sale

The PCA hosted another highly successful Parkmead garage sale on June 3rd, with an impressive turnout of 44 participating homes and an overwhelming response of over 200 maps eagerly collected by visitors, allowing them to explore the multitude of homes offering items for sale. This annual event not only provides an opportunity to find unique treasures but also fosters a sense of community, as neighbors come together. Personally, I joined Sadie's garage sale at the map station located on Newell, which serves as one of the entrances to our delightful neighborhood. Engaging in conversations with neighbors who dropped by was undoubtedly the highlight of the day.

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## 2023 PCA Board

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#### **Board Members**

Zoe Allen - LLHS Rep

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### 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 if you would like to participate as a board member, help volunteer at an event, or anything else.

#### Neighborhood Garage Sale Contd.

Additionally, I'm thrilled to extend a warm welcome to Veronica Rodrigues, our newest member of the PCA, who joined us during the event. Moreover, it's delightful to witness the lemonade stands and Girl Scout cookie sales sprinkled throughout the neighborhood, allowing us to enjoy these treats while supporting our local children. We sincerely hope that everyone had a fruitful garage sale experience, and we eagerly anticipate your participation in the coming years. Lastly, a heartfelt thank you goes out to Chris Morris for ensuring



Photo: Garage sale "Super Dad", carrying handsaw, lawn blower, and pushing daughter in stroller!

clear directions with his well-placed directional signs, guiding visitors to homes nestled in the upper sections and those situated beyond the main entrances.

Kristin Lanham, Garage Sale co-chair

# Neighborhood Block Party Coming Up!

The annual Parkmead neighborhood Block Party will take place on Saturday, August 19th, from 2pm-6pm, on Camelia Ln (same location as last year). A special thanks to the residents of Camelia Ln. for sharing their street, and to the many others who are helping plan, support, and participate in the event. Note, the PCA Board has considered the expected volume of people and are working to ensure food is available in a timely manner to all that attend! Thanks for your support and patience!

Last year, approximately 220 Parkmead neighbors enjoyed the festivities which included a food truck, live music, beverages (adult and children varieties), and play areas (including rock painting and bubble wands). We're looking forward to seeing the neighborhood turn out again this year. As always, the PCA board appreciates feedback about this and other events and would welcome additional participation from neighbors on the board or subcommittees. Please provide your feedback and/or interest at https://www.parkmead.org/contact.



## Meet Zoe Allen, PCA LLHS Representative

Hi! My name is Zoe Allen and I am the high school representative on the PCA board. In addition to being a member of the PCA board, I am the

Sophomore class treasurer at Las Lomas High School. My family moved to Parkmead in 2012 and I've loved growing up in this special community. Through babysitting neighborhood families, coaching swim at Dewing Park, and playing soccer, I've been able to meet and connect with so many wonderful people in our neighborhood. I joined the Parkmead Board to become more involved in our community and to encourage other teens to get involved as well, and it has been a great experience!