



# San Antonio del Mar Newsletter

March 2010

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

**T**here was a good turnout at our first General Homeowners Meeting of 2010. Over 80 residents attended. They heard positive information about San Antonio's finances, security and maintenance. The Homeowners Committee presented the financial report (attached) which closed out 2009 with over \$11,000.00 in the bank to begin 2010. Thanks to the homeowners who financially support San Antonio, we were able to stay within our budget for 2009 and actually exceed our expected income (\$160,000.00) by over \$7,000.00. Our expenditures were about \$18,000.00 over the estimate, but that was due primarily to our successful "Adopt a Pothole" program which provided income beyond regular homeowners' dues. The financial generosity of many homeowners made it possible to replace hundreds of square meters of damaged streets with durable, level, cemented cobblestone. We hope to continue this successful program during 2010. Homeowners also responded with donations sufficient to meet our Christmas gift obligation to our workers (Aguinaldo) and to give an additional gift of over \$100.00 to our workers at the end of December. Thank you, San Antonio for your support. And "thanks" to our team of loyal workers who repair the roads, chop the weeds and guard our community.

**At the Homeowners Meeting, Jesus "Chuy" Flores was recognized as "Volunteer of the Year." "Chuy" was given a Certificate of Appreciation which stated: In recognition of his contribution over many years to our community by generously giving his time, skill and materials to the maintenance and repair of many items necessary for the daily physical functioning of the San Antonio del Mar Community**  
**GRATEFULLY AWARDED ON FEBRUARY 13, 2010 BY THE SAN ANTONIO DEL MAR HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION**

**T**he best security news for the past 6 months has been no news. While there have been some minor incidents of theft, no serious crime such as burglaries or car thefts have been reported to the administration office. Our team of security guards is a major reason for this good news. Except for one guard who recently moved, our security guards have remained unchanged. They know our community and are committed to its security. **PLEASE REPORT** any serious personal or property crime to our Administrator so that we can respond, alert our guards and track possible criminal patterns or trends. Keep your doors and windows locked (Don't forget garage doors.) Report any suspicious activities – 631 30 26.

**HELP** our guards keep an eye on your car!  
**Put a SADM ID Sticker on your vehicles.**  
**Whether you pay homeowner dues or not, get your 2010 sticker at 294 Morro.**

El Nino has left plenty of debris on our BEACHES. So.....**BEACH CLEAN-UP** on **March 21** (starting at the South Park, 8:00 am). Volunteers and **TRUCKS** needed.

**WELCOME** to 2 new members of our Homeowners Committee: **Joyce Bullard** and "Chuy" Flores and welcome back for a second 2-year term to **Javier Gonzales** and **David Holt**. We are grateful to these individuals for their commitment to our community. We also want to acknowledge and thank our volunteers who monitored and assisted the Committee in the nomination and election process: **Toni Robinson, Mickie Baker** and **Carol Farrell**.

## *MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:*

- Remember you can make your homeowners payments through **PayPal**. No check writing. Just authorize **PayPal** to deposit your payment directly into SADM Homeowners Association account. You can make this a one-time payment (for the year) or automatic monthly payments. Check our website: [www.sanantoniodelmarbaja.com](http://www.sanantoniodelmarbaja.com) Click on link: **How to Pay Your Dues**.
- We are dependent on the City to repair our street lamps. Work crews with special trucks come to SADM about twice a month now. Association money pays for replacement parts. It's not cheap. Replacing 1 ballast in a lamp is \$50.00. Often we have to wait until the parts are available. Every morning the Administrator receives a list from our night security patrol of the lights that are not working. However, continue to report failed lamps to the Administrator.
- Vanessa Thulsiraj, graduate student from UCLA, gave a presentation at the Homeowners Meeting concerning her research of the quality of water along and bordering San Antonio beaches as well as future plans to improve sewage treatment. The power-point presentation she gave will be sent by email and posted later on our website.
- Some residents expressed concern at the Homeowners Meeting about the cost and use by non-residents of our community pool. This will be on the Committee's agenda as we prepare for the summer months. If you have ideas or proposals concerning the pool, contact your administrator or any Committee members. You can also leave messages at: [sanantoniobaja@yahoo.com](mailto:sanantoniobaja@yahoo.com)

Your San Antonio Del Mar Homeowners Committee and Administrator