

# THE CONNECTOR

Community News + Information

JUNE 2024

SORRY! OUR NEXT  
COMMUNITY MEETING:  
SAT JUNE 8TH @ 11AM

KLCC LOGO  
CONTEST!!  
@ JUNE COMMUNITY  
MEETING



On Sunday, April 21st, we lost a pillar of our community here at Kearney Lodge. Below is a portion of one of many beautiful eulogies read for our friend and neighbor, Charles Dombrow.

My name is Amber Bennett, friend and neighbor to **Charles Dombrow** of 8 years. I had been secretary for a year when KLCC, having no President or Vice President, was about to fold after nearly 40 years in operation. Chuck stepped in as president in April of 2017. From day one, he brought a heightened level of focus, organization, resourcefulness and above all - the epitome of leadership. Underneath his austere stoicism, I came to know Chuck as a strong, gentle, humble and humorous man. He revitalized KLCC and inspired us, raising member affiliation by 200%. The following are just a few of his contributions to KLCC and are Kearney Lodge community including encouraging Vice President Ron Maurice, to join and who still serves on our board to this day.

He established the KLCC website, founded klmhp neighborhood watch program, complete with 12 volunteer block captains, a detailed map sectioning off their respective areas and served as chairman

until one was elected he added the office of Chaplain, Neighborhood Watch Chairman and Activities Coordinator.

During that time our park began having vagrancy, theft and trespassing activity. To bring awareness and solidarity and safety to the community, Chuck organized a resident meeting with division Chief from the SDPD and Congress representatives from our district. The meeting was attended by almost 80 residents. This authoritative presence, complete with posted NW signs & warnings, quelled the criminal activity. As President he also scheduled guest speakers on a regular basis, such as the Retired Senior Volunteer Patrol officers, the Red Cross and First Aid/CPR instructors.

Possibly of most importance was his role in resolving KLCC's official classification as a "corporation," left over from the decades-old HOA, which had tax liability to the state of California. This took months of research, correspondence with State offices and lots of paperwork. (Those of you who have worked with Chuck know he keeps meticulous records and loves a paper trail LOL) He didn't give up though and after 11 months he had dissolved the articles of incorporation, removed our tax liability, reversed our documented status and secured a solid future for KLCC.

Under his governance we enjoyed many new things: The Red Cross was invited to teach disaster preparedness & relief, from which Chuck assembled evacuation packets for block captains to distribute in the event of an emergency. He liaised with resident concerns and management by getting cameras and extra street lighting installed in parking lots and darker areas of our mobile home park. For the betterment of resident activity, he asked management to provide three bike racks in convenient places around the park grounds, position additional suggestion boxes in common areas and encouraged residents through The Connector newsletter to have a voice by submitting comments, requests and concerns.

Chuck was all about people—he was all about togetherness and community. He created "The Spotlight" article tradition in our monthly newsletter where each month a resident was interviewed and celebrated. He gave out certificates and plaques of appreciation for contribution and service. Chuck was a person who understood that elevating his fellow man was not only a good thing, but the right thing to do...and for him it was a pleasure. In his "Letters From The President" published monthly in The Connector he never failed to insert uplifting sayings or exhortations: "WE ARE FAMILY!" and "do something good for someone everyday." He went above and beyond for our community by creating a face mask program as a protective service.

Perhaps most aptly put in his submission late in 2019: "I believe that one of the most profound ways in which we can truly give Thanksgiving to God is through serving him by serving others. He told us that: 'and as much as you have done it unto the least of my brethren, you have done it unto me.' (Matt. 25:40b) thus we know that to give Thanksgiving to God, we can serve him; and to serve him, all we need to do is serve others. It is so simple. All it takes is a little planning and personal sacrifice. And even then, many opportunities to serve our fellow man will arise when the Lord knows we are willing and seeking to serve each other."

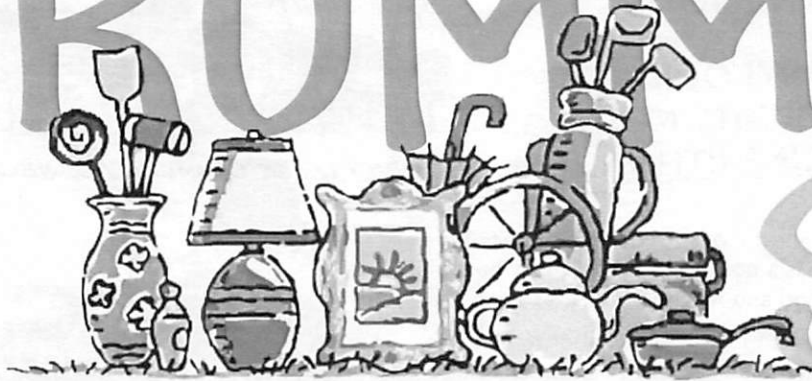
Charles Dombrow, along with his beloved wife Valerie, invited the board & other residents into their home on many occasions. I always felt valued and important. I felt comfortable asking his advice or talking Padres and Chargers or about health, community and very occasionally... Trump (LOL). He had an ease and kindness always upon him. I never heard him speak a harsh word or say a spiteful thing. He was the type of man that could communicate his conviction without changing the tone of his voice. He didn't need to make inferences because he was an open book. Whenever we came together he put out his hand, but I hugged him instead.

Thank you, Chuck—you may be gone from our sight but you are here in spirit. We cherish and honor your life and legacy today... **AND WE MISS YOU!!** With love, Amber Bennett

COMMUNITY  
RUMMAGE SALE!  
SAT JUNE 29TH  
MORE INFO ON PAGE 2!

KEARNEY LODGE COMMUNITY

# RUMMAGE SALE



**SATURDAY, JUNE 29TH | SETUP 6A - 730A | SALE 8A - 2P**

SIGN UP SHEET WILL BE IN THE FRONT CLUBHOUSE

SPACE IS LIMITED: You can share a spot with a neighbor, make sure to include all names in ONE spot

*Please make sure prepare for drop off, unloading and returning your vehicle to your home.*

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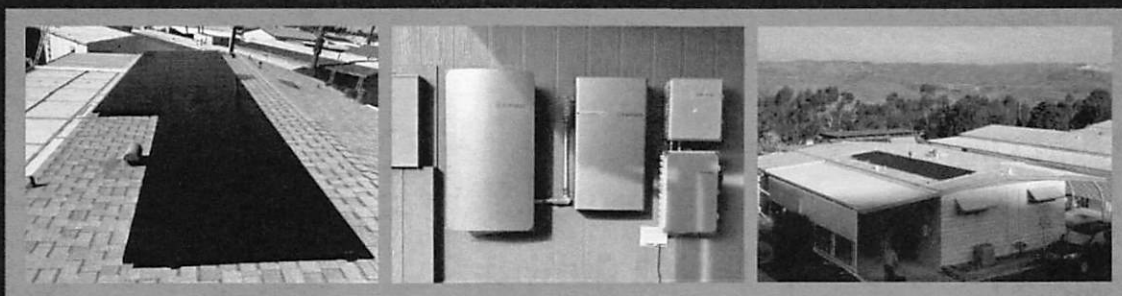
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**The Best Yard** selection for this month is unit #125! It is a beautiful double-wide home, green with light gray trim. On the right side is a clean asphalt driveway. The front entrance has a long, raised patio with numerous plants and hanging ornaments on it. At the foot of the stairs are decorative flagstones in cement. The front also contains a number of potted and in-ground plants, several hummingbird feeders, wind chimes, a bird bath with stones in it, solar lights and more! The ground cover is multicolored rocks and the border is large gray

stones stacked 3 high. On the left there is one medium-sized palm tree like the 3 palms out front along with several flowering plants in a rock base. There is also a long, narrow area of red, volcanic stones. Lots of things to look at, done in a neat, orderly way. Very attractive!

Respectfully submitted by Ron Maurice

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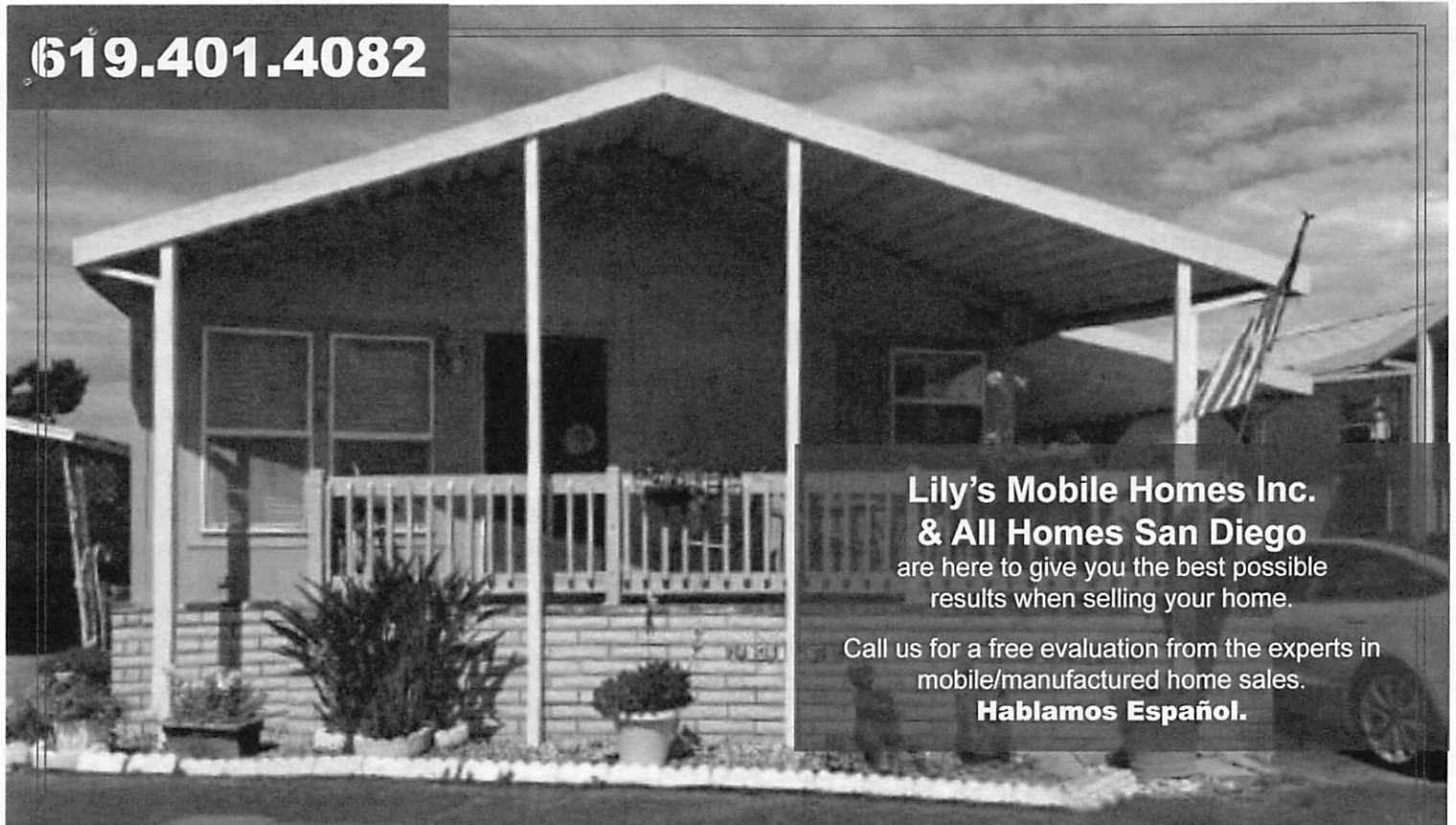
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### UPCOMING SESSIONS WITH NICK:

**June 5th:** Digital Security (keeping your device & passwords safe)

**June 19th:** Microsoft Office (word and excel)



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ROCK 'N' ROLL SAN DIEGO MARATHON | SIXTH AVE & QUINCE ST AT BALBOA PARK | JUN 1 - 2

SAN DIEGO GREEK FESTIVAL | 3655 PARK BOULEVARD | JUN 8 - 9

2024 USA SURFING CHAMPIONSHIPS | 1374 N PACIFIC ST | JUN 11 - 15

SAN DIEGO COUNTY FAIR | DEL MAR FAIRGROUNDS | JUN 12 - JUL 7

SANTEE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES | 550 PARK CENTER DRIVE | JUN 13 - AUG 15

SAN DIEGO WOODEN BOAT FESTIVAL | 2302 SHELTER ISLAND DRIVE | JUNE 15 - 16

SEAWORLD SUMMER SPECTACULAR | 500 SEAWORLD DRIVE | JUN 17 - AUG 20

TASTE OF LITTLE ITALY | 523 W. DATE STREET | JUN 18

43RD ANNUAL OCEAN BEACH STREET FAIR & CHILI COOK-OFF | 4800-5000 NEWPORT AVENUE | JUN 22

ANNUAL SAN DIEGO SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GAMES | 1200 VALE TERRACE DRIVE | JUN 22 - 23

TASTE OF ADAMS AVENUE | 3441 ADAMS AVENUE | JUN 30

SAN DIEGO PADRES BASEBALL SEASON | PETCO PARK | NOW - SEP 29TH

SAN DIEGO WAVE FC SOCCER SEASON | SNAPDRAGON STADIUM | NOW - NOV 3RD

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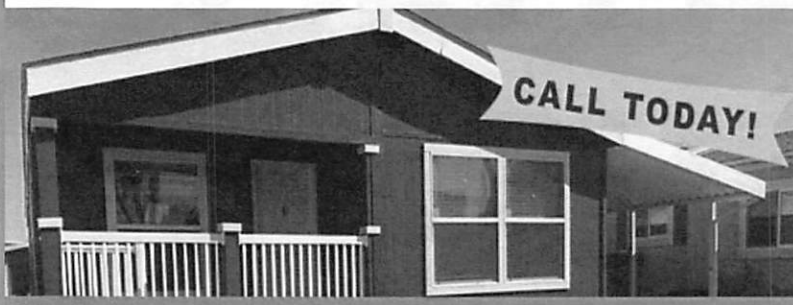
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