



# The Meredith Gardens Gazette

For the residents of the Meredith Gardens Homeowners Association

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## SPRING 2021

*The Future is Bright in Meredith Gardens!*



## Fun and Community Returns to Meredith Gardens

As our world starts to take a turn for the better, the Meredith Gardens Board of Directors have begun planning activities and events that will once again bring neighbors together and help build our community. **Mark your calendars** and join us at your comfort level.

### **Spring Cleaning: Saturday, April 17th**

It's time for some serious spring cleaning. Three 40yd container dumpster will be arriving in the neighborhood for your use. Dumpsters will be located on Craimer near the park, Craimer and Jon Day, and Niagra and Midland. Containers will be available from 7am-6pm and space is limited to first-come, first-serve. Please note the list of forbidden items including construction materials like brick, concrete, and tile as well as batteries, electronics, chemicals, liquids, and tires. If you are available to help us on Dumpster Day, please e-mail the Board of Directors at [BOD@MeredithGardensHOA.com](mailto:BOD@MeredithGardensHOA.com)

### **Summerfest 2021: Saturday, Aug 7th**

Get ready for one HUGE block party! Music, dancing, food, games, contests, etc - we are ready to celebrate!

### **Bocceball & Chili Cook-Off: Saturday, Sept 18th**

A favorite Meredith Gardens event. Start practicing your Bocce skills and perfect that chili recipe.

### **MG Tennis Tournament: Sunday, Sept 26th**

Join us for this very casual tournament that's fun for all skill levels.

Additional information and details on these future events will be available in upcoming issues of the Gazette, our website, and Facebook page.

# Remembering Our Meredith Gardens Leaders

In the last year, our neighborhood lost two residents who also served as long-time board members for the Meredith Gardens HOA. We remember them and what they did in making our neighborhood what it is today.



Long-time Meredith Gardens resident **Robert (Bob) Riedesel** 86, passed away on November 23, 2020. Bob was the dedicated President of the MGHA for an incredible 47 of its 55 years of existence! He and his wife, Carol, continued to be involved in neighborhood activities even after his retirement as President. Bob was one of the “Founding Fathers” of the Association, and editor of the original Meredith Gardens newsletter, and helped build Meredith Gardens into the wonderful neighborhood that it is today.

Moving to California from Iowa to work at Douglas Aircraft (now Boeing) in 1957, Bob would go on to work at the facility for 48 years. He was also an active member at St. Andrew’s Presybyterian church in Newport Beach. He is survived by his wife, Carol, daughters Lynne and Diane, and two grandchildren, Avery and Vaughn.



**Paul Frink** passed away on February 15, 2021 after a long battle with Alzheimer’s Disease. A long-time Meredith Gardens resident, he also served as the Homeowner’s Association Vice-President for 40 years! He was highly thought of and respected by all in the community. Over the years, Paul and his wife, Julie, were involved in planning, promoting, and participating in Association activities; many of which are still very popular today. His dedication and devotion to the Associaion and neighborhood helped make it the success that it is today.

Paul is survived by wife, Julie, sons Ted, Tim, Tal, and Toby as well as grandchildren, Jenna, Paige, Jessica, Evan, and Parker. His son Terry passed in 1994. Paul will be greatly missed by the Meredith Gardens community; especially his Ravenwood neighbors.


## LeBard Park



If you have walked through LeBard Park recently, you will have noticed some major changes to the playground area. The city has removed one of the larger pine trees and has installed all new playground equipment. Fences around the playground should be coming down soon. Phase two of the park improvements will include installation of additional trash cans, park benches, and all new concrete around the playground area and pathway to the riverbed. The city is also working with Edison on the possibility of extending grass under the electrical lines all the way to the river rock. Special thanks to neighbor and board member Ray Loehner for his continued efforts in overseeing the new home construction and park improvements. He has been working directly with the city parks department to ensure the best outcome for our park and neighborhood. Thank you, Ray!

## Show Off Your Pets

The MG Facebook page would like to showcase the pets of the neighborhood. E-mail: [MGGazette@yahoo.com](mailto:MGGazette@yahoo.com) a photo of your pet and tell us a little bit about them and you may see them featured on our Facebook page!

 [Facebook.com/Meredith.Gardens](https://www.facebook.com/Meredith.Gardens)



## Be A Good Neighbor

A friendly reminder to pick up after your pets as you walk them through the neighborhood. We have received some complaints of owners not picking-up after their pup. We appreciate you being a responsible pet owner. Thanks in advance!