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# UNDER THE PALAPA

#### **Garden Update**

The gardening committee has been completing previous plans for increasing color in the garden. You may have noticed the new plantings under the entrance trees at our corner entrance, and around St. Francis.

Sierra Madre has an orchard! The far corner at the interior of garden between A building and the pool is the designated area, and while many of the trees (mandarin, grapefruit and avocado) are in their infancy, we do have trees with ripening fruit. There are starfruit, limes and papaya (behind A) that are free for the picking by all residents. So keep and eve out as they ripen and feel free to take take what you like.





#### **BOARD UPDATE**

The Annual General meeting of the Owners was held February 15, 2025 under the Palapa. President Peter Kieren chaired the meeting with 20 members and 8 proxies present. After the Presidents report was given the annual budget was presented by Treasurer Don McKechnie. The budget with anticipated expenses is anticipated to break even with a 5% increased, which will be discounted if paid by by February 28th. Committee reports were given and the budget approved. A full report of the details of these items may be found in the minutes on our website after approval:

#### condosierramadre.com

The Board greatly appreciates the work of Glen Gould (F6) as Maintenance and Facilities chairman the past 2 years. His replacement is Brian Barker (A5). Thank you, Glen and welcome Brian!

#### **SM Rentals**

As you are aware new rental rules were finalized after the AGM last year. A rental agreement needs to be signed and filed with Lorena for each rental party. You can find this form on condosierramadre.com •



## WHO TO CALL DURING AN EMERGENCY?

Emergency number: 911
Manzanillo, Colima: 314-336-5770
Manzanillo, WhatsApp:
314-357-6346
Club Santiago Administration:
314-334-4545
Lorena:314-116-5258

### **Social Happenings**

The Casa Hogar los Angelitos held their annual Gala and Fundraiser on January 30th, and so excited to let you know they raised more than \$90,000 US dollars from all the generous donors and attendees. Director Nancy Nystrom says this money will fund the current group of kids at the orphanage for 6 months and allow them to accept new children as well. Much thanks to all the Sierra Madre folks who attended and donated.

Alex Heil (A6) is inviting all of us to learn salsa dancing! See her flyer on the left

The Annual Jerry Flynn Bocce tournament is underway February/March. See the Board under the Palapa for the current standings and schedule of games.

Many folks are planning trips around Mexico in March. Would love to hear from all of you travelers about your favorite spots and see some pictures for next month's "Under the Palapa"



Starfruit

Lime

