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# RIO VISTA COMMUNITY

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## Board of Directors Meetings

Monthly notice of meetings will be provided through the community newsletter in addition to agendas being available online a week prior to the meeting on the [www.hoacity.com/rvca](http://www.hoacity.com/rvca) website. All meetings are currently scheduled for 6:00 p.m. at Rio Bravo Country Club, located at 15200 Casa Club Drive, Bakersfield, CA 93306 and are as the following: Commencement of meeting, including agenda review, roll call, prior meeting minutes approval; New Business, including new items, open floor, and next meeting date; Financial & Accounting, including financial summary, bank account reconciliations, financial reports, outgoing funds, and other financial activity; Regular and Ongoing Business, including operational items, roadway maintenance, landscape maintenance, board education, summary of prior executive session; and Adjournment.

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### Upcoming Meeting Dates

*Tuesday, March 22, 2016*



*Tuesday, May 24, 2016*

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## Open Forum

The Board of Directors welcome homeowner attendance at the Board meetings, to observe business matters that occur involving the Association. In order to give you an opportunity to address the Board, and in accordance with California Civil Code, the Board has allotted a period of time at the beginning of each Board meeting (Open Forum), and if time permits, a similar forum will be conducted at the end of each meeting.

Maintenance related items are to be directed to HOA Management Solutions Inc., by calling or writing (Open Forum is not the most efficient channel to report maintenance concerns).

If you would like an item to be on a future agenda for consideration by the Board for a decision, please submit your request or suggestion in writing at least a month prior to the upcoming meeting.

## Architectural Review Procedures

No structural alterations or modifications to residence exteriors are permitted without the prior written consent of the Design Review Committee (DRC) as provided in the Association's CC&Rs.

The architectural procedures are set forth in detail with the ARCHITECTURAL REQUEST FORM and are available online at [www.hoacity.com/rvca](http://www.hoacity.com/rvca) or by written request.

## BAKERSFIELD EVENTS

### MARCH 2016

Thursday <i>3rd</i>	<b>Wine &amp; Craft Beer Tasting &amp; Auction</b> 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.   Motor City Lexus, 5101 Gasoline Alley
Friday <i>4th</i>	<b>Car Club Social and BBQ</b> 5 p.m. - 10 p.m.   Kern County Fairgrounds #2 Main Gate, 1142 S. P Street
Wednesday <i>9th</i>	<b>Beale Friends of the Library Book Sale</b> 11 a.m - 5 p.m.   The Beale Library, 701 Truxtun Avenue
Sat. – Sun. <i>12th – 13th</i>	<b>Model Train Show and Sale</b> 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.   Kern County Fairgrounds Building #2, 1142 S. P Street
Saturday <i>26th</i>	<b>Easter Fun on the Farm</b> 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.   Murray Family Farms, 6700 General Beale Road

## Assessment Billing

RVCA has a MONTHLY billing cycle; assessments are due on the first (1<sup>st</sup>) day of each month. Accounts become delinquent after fifteen (15) days past due, and will be assessed accordingly. Please indicate the invoice number on your check to ensure accurate and expedited posting of your payment to your account.

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### Online Resources

Governing documents including CC&Rs, Bylaws, Articles, Meeting Agendas, and Minutes are available for instant viewing at [www.hoacity.com/rvca](http://www.hoacity.com/rvca). Acrobat Reader must be installed to view these documents.

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## Free Trees for Arbor Day

As Arbor Day fast approaches, it's time to take stock of the trees around us. It's no secret that trees are an invaluable resource to the earth – they provide oxygen, remove carbon dioxide, sulfur dioxide and nitrogen dioxide, help lower temperatures, act as wind and sound barriers, prevent soil erosion, add natural beauty to the landscape and much more.

Unfortunately, the more land is developed, the more we need these amazing plants. One of the ways you can help protect the trees is to plant new ones, and Arbor Day is the perfect time to do just that. For those who want to be environmentally-friendly, yet budget-savvy, the Arbor Day Foundation is offering ten (10) free trees for each household that signs up for a new membership. A wide variety of trees are available to choose from: flowering trees, oaks, white pines, autumn classics and more. Shipping is free, and the trees arrive at the time they should be planted.

To become a member, visit [www.arborday.org](http://www.arborday.org) and select the Membership section to join.

Before you plant your trees, be sure to submit your landscape design plan(s) to the Design Review Committee for approval.

Trees give the earth so much, and it's time for us to return the favor. Plant a tree today and make a difference that can last for years to come.

Source: [shop.arborday.org/memberships-ten-trees.aspx](http://shop.arborday.org/memberships-ten-trees.aspx)

## Community Handbook

RVCA provides a Community Handbook, which is available online at [www.hoacity.com/rvca](http://www.hoacity.com/rvca) with further information on a number of policies, including General Rules, Architectural Procedures and Forms, Landscape and Design Review Requirements, Neighbor-to-Neighbor Dispute Policy, Violation Report Form, and more. The Community Handbook is not exhaustive and is a progressive document that should be consulted often.

## Newsletter Topics

Do you have content to be considered for the Community Newsletter? You are encouraged to submit ideas to [rvca@hoacity.com](mailto:rvca@hoacity.com) as often as you have them; each submission will be reviewed accordingly.

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