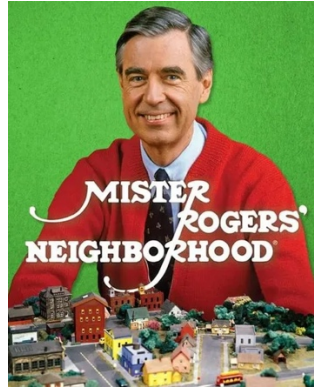


MOUNT HERMON COMM-UNITY

*All of us, at some time or other, need help.
Whether we're giving or receiving help,
each one of us has something valuable to bring to this world.
That's one of the things that connects us as neighbors—in our own way,
each one of us is a giver and a receiver.* Fred Rogers



SAVE THESE DATES:

Spring Meeting - Tuesday, April 16, 7 - 8:15 PM

Resident Clean Up Day - Saturday, April 20, 9 - 1 PM (back up on 5/4)

Community Fun Day - Saturday, August 10, from 12 - 5 PM, @ Redwood Camp

Resident Clean Up Day - Saturday, Sept 28, 9 - 1 PM (back up on 10/5)

Fall Meeting - Tuesday, October 22, 7 - 8:15 PM

Community Christmas Dinner - Tuesday, December 17, 6 - 7:45 PM

*So... let's make the most of this beautiful day,
Since we're together, we might as well say,
Would you be mine?
Could you be mine?
Won't you be **my neighbor**?*

*Won't you please,
Won't you please,
Please won't you be **my neighbor**?*

Fred Rogers, known to most of us as Mr. Rogers, spent his career trying to teach us about loving one's neighbor as well as oneself. He had a deep desire to see people live in harmony and kindness towards one another. Deep down most of us harbor the desire and hope that our own Mount Hermon neighborhood would be just that kind of community.

Isn't it interesting that in all the major faiths of the world (Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Sikhism), all believe that we are called to care for our neighbor? Loving and being kind to those who are like us is the easy part, but in these writings, it calls us to see our neighbor as those who are not necessarily like us. With 25 new households/neighbors in our park, we might find not all of them are "like us."

Mr. Rogers never expected the neighborhood to be like him, but pursued getting to know people just as they are. Which is not always an easy task. He was well aware that a good neighborhood didn't just happen but was an outcome of many intentional choices to seek to understand his neighbors and preserve their dignity.

We, the Mount Hermon community Executive Board, want to create opportunities for us to intentionally care for our neighbors. That is why each meeting and event is so important to us. The **bi-annual MEETINGS** help us all to understand what is happening throughout our community and a simple way to meet some of the people who live on streets around us.

Our Summer **FUN DAY** is expanding this year as we will have a full free barbeque picnic. Mount Hermon Association will provide the food while some of our residents will help cook and serve. Besides the pool and field activities we are hoping to add some other delightful activities.

Our **CHRISTMAS DINNER** is an annual highlight with door prizes, silent auction, music, singing, and meal. It really is an event you don't want to miss.

Taking care is one way to show your love.

Another way is letting people take good care of you when you need it. Mr. Rogers

We are taking this to heart and are starting a new bi-yearly service which our neighbor Verjene is coordinating called resident "**CLEAN-UP DAY.**" The day will be working from 9 am to 1 pm serving up to 3 projects. Lunch will be provided by Mount Hermon Community. If you would like to be a part of the team, or know of a neighbor who needs help with some outdoor clean-up please contact Verjene at 831-246-2714.

*Would you be mine?
Could you be mine?
Won't you be **my neighbor**?*

Let's practice being the neighborhood Fred Rogers imagined, where kindness was given and received, where each person was valued and cared for!

Let's make *every day* a beautiful day in our neighborhood!

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