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On Board

Hot enough for you? After a long cold and snowy winter, VDL has enjoyed days of sunny skies and hot temperatures. Fortunately, we have a great pool for cooling off, socializing and exercising. But don't forget, this pool is well maintained through the extra efforts of Jon Bradshaw and his team of volunteers which includes Mike Anderson, Phil Tracey and others. Jeanette Cooper's water aerobics sessions has done a lot for the utilization of the pool as well the general fitness of our resort.

The Board encourages everyone to continue following the pool rules indicated in VDL's "Rules and Enforcement" when using the pool. In addition, please to store personal articles in the pool area, including foam noodles, floats, and exercise equipment.

Be engaged in your community, please volunteer!

Gary Mansell, VDL HOA President

Upcoming Social Event

Linda Newell's committee is organizing a Chili Cookoff for September 2nd. She's looking for participants, so let her know that you want to offer your special chili for this event.

Got an idea for a VDL social event? Please contact Linda.

VDL Website

The VDL website is located at <http://www.vdlhoa.org/>. If you have experience or knowledge in maintaining a website and want to volunteer to help with the VDL website, please send an email to vdlboard@vdlhoa.org Phil Tracy manages the

No Weeds Initiative

To maintain the general great appearance of VDL and prevent weeds in one lot from seeding another lot, owners must keep their lots weeds free throughout the year. If owner neglects the lot such that weeds are significant, the 3Stripe will notify the owner to remove the weeds or the Board will start the process to have a contractor remove the weeds at the owner's expense. Nunez Construction has been charging approximately \$105 to clean the weeds from lots.

Absentee owners should consider using Green Thumb or other contractor to control their weeds.



Guest Registration Process

Owners and renters are currently sending emails to the Board which don't indicate essential information, such as the names of guests and their contact phone numbers. The email process was started in lieu of the very robust process indicated in the Declaration of Covenants which includes badging of people and vehicles. The Board is currently developing an on-line form for registering guest. This form would include such questions as "will the guest be using the pool without the owner/renter being present?". According to the Declaration, the Board must approve of the guest's use of the pool without the owner/renter present.

The guests also often do not seem to understand VDL's rules; however, all guests must comply with VDL's rules. The owner or renter who sponsors the guest is responsible for their guests.

Dark Sky

The intent for outside lighting at VDL is compliance with dark sky lighting which means no flood lights. Motion detection lighting must not be triggered by activities that occur outside of a lot. See the Declaration of Covenants, Article VIII for requirements.

Contact List — Keeping It Updated

Rita McCann has been doing a great volunteer service by maintaining the VDL contact list, but she needs your help to keep it current. When your contact information changes, please contact either her or Lori Combs. Also, ensure Rita or Lori has emergency contact names and phone numbers.



Domestic Water for Lawns is Expensive

Unlike many other properties in Chelan County, VDL doesn't have irrigation water rights. Water for the lawns is paid at the domestic water usage rate. To control this cost, the lawns are watered once a day except for the months of July and August. Depending on the weather, lawns are watered twice a day during July and August. We've also had to deal with frequent breaks in the irrigation piping that results in repair costs and significant added water consumption.

The Board is considering drought resistant landscaping for the area in front of the Community Center and circular lawn to the northwest. If you have ideas about how this area should look or know of a landscape designer who specializes in landscape design please send an email to vdlboard@vdlhoa.org



What To Do With The Ice Machine?

The ice machine at the Community Center was donated a few years ago, and it now needs some expensive repairs which are not in the budget. In addition, there's a pittance of donations to maintain the machine – people take ice without bothering to add money to the donation can.

Here's the options:

Remove the ice machine. Ice is available at the Red Apple Grocer down the street.

Obtain an ice service company who will provide a freezer and ice bags at a minim cost of \$150 per week. Depend on donations; however, the Association pays most of or all the cost.

The Association buys a new ice machine and provides on-going maintenance. Donations off-set of the cost expected to be insignificant.

The Association buys a freezer and an ice service company provides ice bags at a cost of \$1.50 each that's collected in a donation box – Association pays for shortages.

The Board is leaning towards removing the ice machine. Please let the Board know your opinion about what should be done by sending an email to vdlboard@vdlhoa.org

Trash Service is Costly

The Zippy garbage containers are sometimes filled past capacity. Whenever garbage prevents the dumpster lids from closing or garbage is left outside of the dumpster, Zippy hits VDL with extra charges. Each 6-yard dumpster pick-up costs \$70. If a 4-yard dumpster is added, the cost will be \$240 per week for two pick-ups. For the current fiscal year, the cost of hauling away VDL garbage will be approximately \$6,000 — that's a significant budget line item.



It is in everyone's best interest to do the following:

- Take recyclables to the recycling center behind the Red Apple grocery store in Manson or across the highway from Wal-Mart in Chelan. (The recycling center at the Red Apple reportedly will be going away.)
- Compact your trash as much as possible. Don't depend on others to compact your trash to make room in the dumpster.
- Do not place construction materials in the dumpster. Take construction materials to the transfer station which is located across the highway from Wal-Mart in Chelan.
- Report persons who are dumping trash in the Zippy that do not actually stay at VDL; this also applies to Own-

Guest Registration

It's important to know who is visiting VDL. Without a registration process, the Board doesn't know whether someone is squatting on a property or has the owner's approval to be there. The Board also needs to know who to contact in case of an emergency. VDL's governing documents indicate several requirements for visitors, including the owner's responsible for their guests.

Please register your guest by sending an email to vdlboard@vdlhoa.org; include in the email the following:

- Lot Number, Owner's name, and Owner's phone number
- Names of the guests
- Dates when the guest will be staying on the lot.
- Name and phone number of responsible adult who will be staying on the lot with the guest.
- Description of Guests' vehicles



Fall Roadway Work at VDL

This coming fall, a seal coat will be applied to all road surfaces at VDL. Please allow time for the seal to set before driving on it.



The Community Center

The Community Center is provided to the HOA members and renters who have a good standing with the Association. Guest may only be in the Center when accompanied by an owner or renter. No children are allowed at the upper level or the exercise room at the lower level. Please do not give the entry code to guests.

If you want to reserve the lower level for a private function, please contact Sue Jewett.

Facelift for VDL Entry Signs

Ken Johnson and George Casady gave the stone signs at the VDL's entry a much-needed facelift – power wash and new paint. This is the sort of volunteer effort that makes our community special. Thanks guys.



Emergency Contact

If the unthinkable happens to persons or property at VDL, the Board should have an emergency contact person or persons in case the property owner or renter cannot be contacted. If you haven't already provided an emergency contact, please send the information to Lori Combs at lac80@msn.com.

VDL Website

The VDL website is located at <http://www.vdlhoa.org/>. This website continues to need updating and improvements. The Board is working with a website provider, but someone needs to work with this provider to ensure the website is current and meets VDL's needs. If you have experience or knowledge in maintaining a website and want to volunteer to help with the VDL website, please send an email to vdlboard@vdlhoa.org. Phil Tracy manages the website.

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