

VDL Newsletter
11th Edition
August 15, 2004

VDL's first ever LUAU.....

The VDL Board hosted a luau on Saturday, August 15th. We had a great turn out and capped the night off with **Cecil's** famous Hawaiian Crème Pie!! There was a huge selection of delectable treats from chicken skewers and rice, egg rolls, **The Thayer's** famous deviled eggs (a personal favorite of mine), Frog Eye salad, Fruit salad, Sweet and Sour Pork, Sweet and Sour meatballs, green salads, cheesy potatoes and several more dishes that were equally as scrumptious. I will definitely vouch for the culinary ability of the VDL residents. You guys sure put on a great potluck adventure!!

In fact, I have had several requests for a "Recipe Corner" in the newsletter and only need one thing from you.....YOUR RECIPES!! I really don't want the **Thayer's** recipe, because then I might be expected to make the deviled eggs and part of the fun is having them make them, and me eat them!! But seriously, if you will part with your recipe, please email it to me. If I get enough recipes, I will be able to put together a VDL cookbook. Any ethnicity of recipe is fine, the more the better.

On Labor Day, lets labor by eating again.....

The board will be hosting their last party of the season. Please join us for a BBQ by the pool, on Saturday, September 4th, at 5:00pm. The board will provide hamburger patties and buns. I have posted a sign-up sheet on the kitchen counter. I have suggested some items to bring, but if you have a particular favorite, you can choose the "other" category. **Cecil**, it would be a perfect time for you to bring your famous Barbeque Crème Pie!!

The Emporer's Clothing.....

Well, if not the emporer's clothing, how about the VDL clothing order? **Cathy P** (who by the way loves to see her name highlighted), will be placing another clothing order. The Association Recreation account earns \$5 from each item sold. This is a great fundraiser for us and the clothing is really nice quality at a great price and includes the very cool VDL logo. Now is the time to place your orders for fleece vests. I know it is 100 degrees outside now.....but winter is just around the corner!!! You say you are going to Arizona or California for the winter? I happen to know it can reach all the way down to the 60's there too and a nice fleece vest might be just the ticket. All your friends and neighbors will envy you in your sporty new attire. So, if you haven't placed your order, do so NOW! **Cathy** will need to receive your order and a check by Friday, August 20th. Don't delay, this is easier than the Home Shopping Network!!!

In case you are not a fan of some of the colors you have seen, the vests can be ordered in royal blue, navy blue, gray and hunter green (I think). The hats and visors come in stone, khaki, navy, red, royal and black. If you have a question about a color, size, cost or want to place an order, please email **Cathy** (here we go again) at: Catherine.l.poppino@boeing.com.

Hats and visors \$12.00
Fleece vests \$30
Sweatshirts \$15 (I think)

Ahoy shipmate.....

As several of you know, **Lyle** and I just bought a Sea-Doo, so I am practicing my yachting terminology!! Along the same vein, **Dave and Kathy** announced at the board meeting on August 14th that they will be doing some improvements to the current RV/Boat parking area. They have tentative plans to level the lot so it is all on one level and lower it somewhat. This work may begin as soon as 2-3 weeks from now. The work will take 2-3 days to complete. Obviously it will be necessary for all boat and RV owners who have items parked on the lot, to move their boats/RV's to a temporary location. Some of us have already relocated our toys to the overflow parking, just to the right of the dumpsters. If this area becomes too full, please check with **Dave or Kathy** to find out where you should go (well, I mean your boat or RV).

This is going to be a dusty mess, but if you can bear the mess for a few days, we should have a great final product, which holds several more boats and RV's than the current lot.

General reminders.....

Guest Registration:

Please be sure to register all OVERNIGHT guests in the card file box, located on the table, just inside the front door to the Community Center. All pool guests must be registered on the sign-in sheet on the kitchen counter, even if they are signed in upstairs.

Guest's Pets:

Please remember if you have guests who wish to bring a pet when they visit you at VDL, you will need to seek permission from the board prior to their arrival. This simply requires a quick phone call, email or in person request directed to any board member. Chances are good your guest will receive the necessary permission. In addition, guest pets must follow the same rules as resident pets. They must be leashed at all times and their **poop**, scooped!

The Zippy:

This is actually a reminder to take your turn at emptying the poolside garbage can (if you use it) when the can gets half full. By the time the can is full, it is way too heavy for most of the board members to empty!! We now have two Zippy's (dumpsters) and two plastic garbage cans. I would like to get some recycle cans going. If any of you have a moment to work on this, the help would be greatly appreciated. We could turn one of the cans into a recycle can for aluminum only. If we purchase one more can, we could use it for the plastic bottles. This would alleviate a lot of garage going into the Zippy.

I know the **Young's** attempted to get us recycle bins from the Zippy man, but he apparently didn't think we were worthy of them. If we have our own do-it-yourself recycle system, our handy-dandy maintenance committee studs can haul the cans and bottles down to the recycle center in their trucks.

Welcome to the new kids on the block.....

Welcome to the neighborhood to our newest playmates, **Chuck and Chris Gauthier** (lot #25) and **Mike and Carol (I want to say Brady) Whitmer** (lot #10). Somebody needs to break it to them gently that we will all be crashing their pads for a "welcome to the neighborhood party!!" In the likely event you are maintaining a list of residents and their email addresses, you can add this one to the list: ChuckG@aol.com.

I don't have snail mail addresses for either couple, so if you get this message, please forward me your mailing address. Since the **Whitmer's** will not be receiving this via email (cause I don't have their email address either), will **Pat K** please drop a copy by their motorhome the next time they are in VDL???

That's about it for now.....

I am off to cheer on the USA in the Olympics now!! I will see you on Labor Day weekend. Keep slathering on the sunscreen during the dog days of summer. Please sign up for the Labor Day bbq if you will be able to attend.....I will be waiting by my computer for your recipes!! Do it in memory of Julia Child!!

Leslie