

# *Vista Del Lago Newsletter*

## *August Edition*

August is here and so is the **sun!** The weather has been in the low **100's**, but anything over 90 is just pure **HOT!** Everyone is getting moved in, settled, landscaped and ready to go. We have had several impromptu afternoon appetizer parties and bbq's at the **pool** and on assorted decks. Everyone is welcome, so if we somehow missed you and you see a group down at the **pool**, feel free to stop by. There is usually more **food** than we can eat, so don't worry if you don't have something to bring, your company is what is important. Besides, we'll get it out of you next time!!

### **YARD SALE TALLY**

We had our inaugural association "Yard Sale" to boost our slush fund and raised **\$321.35**. Thanks to everyone who donated their personal treasures to the cause, with special thanks to the **Norton's** and **Blackmore's** who donated the most and made our sale hugely successful! Also thanks to all of you who helped with the actual sale.....**Jim and Karen Norton, Jerry and Barb Watland, Greg and Cathy Poppino and Grandma and Pat Krell**. We all had a lot of fun and made a nice little stash!!

Last minute addition.....Just this week, I received a message from **Carol Vinentini**, who is donating \$50 to our fund. How very generous of her.....a huge thank you!!!

Our beloved association treasurer, **Cathy Poppino** (who loves to see her name in color), will be purchasing some of the items off of our "wish list." These items include a can opener, radio and fan for the clubhouse and workout room, and a clock and some additional stackable chairs for the pool. If you can think of anything else we need that we can purchase with our yard sale funds, let **Cathy** or I know and we will see if it can be done.

Our plan is to hold a sale each year, around the first part of July. **Kathy** and **Dave Jewell** have donated the old laundry room to store items for the sale throughout the year. So, as you clean out your nook and crannies and find good, sellable treasures, bring them over to VDL and store them in the old laundry room. By saving goodies all year, we should be able to double our profits next year.

### **Vista Del Lago shirts and sweatshirts for sale**

**Cathy Poppino** has completed her research on the shirts and sweatshirts. She is working with Athletic Supply and has picked out some really nice looking items. Our plan is to order an initial batch of t-shirts and sweatshirts and then place a future order for hats, beach towels, visors and fleece vests. We will be making approximately \$5.00 off of each purchase, which will go into our slush fund.

We will not make any money off of the first order, because we have to pay for the artwork "set up." After the first batch, however, we will be all profits!!

We are hoping to have the shirts and sweatshirts available for you the first part of September.

This is a great fundraiser and a cool way to show that we belong to the greatest neighborhood on the lake!!

### **PROGRESSIVE DINNER SCHEDULED**

**Jim Norton** has suggested a great idea for dinner....a Progressive Dinner. For those of you not familiar with this type of dinner, I will attempt to describe it for you. Several people sign up for different courses of the meal; drinks, appetizers, salad, soup, dessert, etc. The dinner consists of traveling from one house to another, until the dinner is complete. For example, the Watland's may host drinks at their house. Then we would travel to the Norton's for some of Karen's famous appetizers. At the next house, the Burn's would have salad, with the next house serving soup. We will all convene at the clubhouse for a main dish, then off to another house for dessert. The final house may serve a dessert drink or nightcap. It works best if there are several hosts involved, but we can make it work with any number. If you are interested, we will have a sign-up sheet in the clubhouse next to the pool guest sign-in sheet.

There are no "rules" for the dinner. Just make your specialty. The courses do not have to correspond with each other, such as Italian or Mexican. In fact, a variety is much more fun!!

**The dinner will be held on Labor Day weekend, Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup>. We will probably begin around 6:00pm. More definite hours will be announced.**

We are still determining on how we will handle the main course, so if you have any suggestions, please pass them along.

Hope to see you at the dinner!!

### **For Sale**

1999 Yamaha Exciter 270 TE  
16.5 ft. length  
91" beam  
seats 5  
34 gal fuel tank  
270 hp (twin 135 hp jets)

This boat is in excellent condition, always garaged and cleaned after each fun trip. The owner has added a sounder and 6 disc CD Kenwood stereo.

It comes with a bimini top, cover and all the accessories to begin boating (life vests, flares, anchor, etc.).

The trailer is a Yamaha, but built by EZ Loader. It handles like a jet ski, but cruises like a much bigger boat. Blue and white in color.

\$10, 200.00 (\$18, 991 new)  
If interested, call Mike at 425-290-7271 or 509-784-5514.  
The boat is in Orondo.

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This past weekend was great. The weather cooperated and we all had a good time at the pool. **Cathy Poppino** almost killed **Jim Norton** twice, when she tried to drown him (and almost succeeded). Hopefully Jim learned his lesson by trying to correct Cathy's grammar!!

The **Thayer's** new house should be arriving soon. **Kathy Jewell** is expecting it to arrive in August, so we should have a new place to have cocktails!!

The **Blackmore's** are all finished with their traveling and should be around the neighborhood more often now. They still owe us a "welcome to the neighborhood" party at their house!!

The **Poppino's** new shed should be completed this week. Now Cathy will have someplace to send Greg.....or should it be the other way around?!!

The **Ogle's** have moved into their new home, which just so happens to be in my neighborhood in Redmond. They are still unpacking boxes, but are getting settled, slowly, but surely.

**Carol Vincentini** would like you to add her e-mail address to your list. It is as follows:  
XXXXX@XXX.XXX

I hope I haven't missed anything or left anyone out. If so, please let me know and I will get it included in next month's newsletter. Along those same lines, if you have anything to contribute, please let me know and I will be happy to get it in.

*Hope you are having a great summer!*  
*Leslie Burns (Your fabulous VP)*