



Vista Del Lago

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Welcome to summer! Summer has had a great start, with incredible weather over the Memorial Day weekend. The pool opened up and there was a great crowd. The weekend volleyball games and associated trash talking were in full swing on Sunday. The VDL HOA meeting is coming up next weekend, which means the second annual fresh oyster fry and bbq is coming up too.....more on that later in the newsletter.

ZIPPY reminder:

The community garbage can (better known as the Zippy) needs some use reminders. Please, please, please do not put construction materials or large items in the Zippy, especially during the busiest summer weekends of the year (Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day). When people clog up the Zippy with these large items, it leaves very little room for legitimate garbage, thus the overflowing Zippy on Sunday. If you have large items for disposal, please use the recycling bins in Manson or take the item(s) to the transfer station, which is located down by Wal-Mart.

Any boxes that are placed in the Zippy, must be broken down so they take up minimal space. Better yet, take the cardboard to the recycling center in Manson or in the Safeway parking lot in Chelan.

Lot for Sale:

Helen Belcher is putting her lot up for sale. Her lot is number 49 and is located across the street from Emily and Dennis's lot. The lot is set up for an RV or park model. The lot will also accommodate a resort home (900 sq. ft. home). The lot is mostly level,

graveled and is free of debris...it is just waiting for a new owner to come in and personalize it. Helen currently has a small trailer on the lot, which she is willing to sell with the lot or separately. The price of the lot and trailer is \$72,000. If interested, please contact Helen directly.

Boat/RV fees due July 1st:

If you have a boat or RV on the VDL storage lot, you must pay the \$100 storage fee by July 1st. Please make all checks payable to VDL HOA and mail or deliver it in person to Heidi Hodgson. Heidi's mailing address is 246 W Manson Hwy PMB #151, Chelan, WA 98816. If you choose to hand deliver your payment, you may do so on the weekends, after 5:00 pm. Please also complete a new owner's information sheet, which you can get from the VDL website (www.vdlhoa.org). Click on the documents section and the form is listed under "Miscellaneous forms."

If Heidi does not receive your payment by July 1st, your lot will be given away to the next person on the current waiting list. Don't risk losing your space, send in your payments now.

Oyster bbq & fry:

If you will be in the park for the HOA meeting on June 6th, be sure to attend the evening oyster bbq & fry, compliments of Dennis & Emily Bachel. Dennis and Emily have a home on Hood Canal and they are over there right now harvesting fresh oysters.

Dennis and Emily stumbled onto a really great fried oyster recipe this past winter and they will be introducing it to us at the party. Also, as you may know, shucking the oysters takes a little work and Dennis would love your help. Dennis will be holding shucking lessons after the HOA meeting on Saturday. If you have leather gloves and/or an oyster shucking knife, please bring them. If not, Dennis has extras and will let you use his, as long as you promise to shuck at least 10 oysters!!

If you plan on attending the oyster party, bring a side dish and your beverage of choice.

Dog club:

The VDLdog club set a new attendance record on Saturday of Memorial weekend. We had 14 dogs attend the play session and yes, they all got along! Some are interested in fetching (Kala & Maddie), others are interested in sniffing and acting as a small dog jungle gym (Ace), while others relish in chasing the big dogs, engaging in extreme

wrestling matches and pretending they are big dogs (Sammy, Willy & Elvis). There is also a little group who are slowly getting used to the class clowns and just like hanging out by their mom and dad's ankles!

If you have a social dog or just like to watch them, come on down and join us. The group meets on Saturdays and Sundays at 9:00am at the park, by the basketball court.....you can't miss us! If the weather continues to stay hot, we may move the play session to 8:00am, since a few of the big dogs got overheated pretty quickly at a recent play session.

As a reminder, if you do bring your furry friend, be sure he/she is up to date on all their recommended vaccinations.

VDL Board positions/Committees:

There are 2 Board positions that will be open this June; Dave Sneesby's and Jeff McCann's positions. Both positions will be two year terms this time around. President Dave has committed to running for another term. In addition, Alan Hansen and Sherry Lane interested in running for a position. If you are interested in running for one of the positions, please let a Board member know asap. Nominations will also be accepted at the meeting on June 6th.

If you aren't quite ready to run for the Board, please consider volunteering for a committee. There are several committees which need assistance, to include Buildings & Grounds, Architecture, Social and Membership committees and the Finance Committee. As a committee member, you can be as active as you choose, so if you want to get involved in making VDL a better community, please consider volunteering for one of these committees. There will be a sign up sheet at the HOA meeting and you can sign up for as many committees as you have time for.

Line Dancing classes:

Linette Widen has returned for a second season as our resident line dancing instructor. Classes meet several times each week in the clubhouse. No experience is necessary, so contact Linette for days and times and have fun learning a new skill!

Community yard sale:

Mark your calendars, clean out your closets and garages and donate your stuff to the annual VDL yard sale fundraiser. The yard sale is scheduled for Saturday, July 4th, from 8:00am-noon, on the grass in front of the clubhouse.

You may begin staging your yard sale items in the laundry room and the extra room in the clubhouse, between the kitchen and bathroom. Please place prices on all your donated items if possible. And please, do not remove any items prior to the sale. If you see an item you would like, place a piece of tape on it with your name and we will be sure to hold it and sell it to you on the day of the sale.

That is about all the information I have for this newsletter. As always, if you have some news to share, to include photos, please let me know in person or via email and I will be happy to include it in the next edition. I would like to send out 2 newsletters a month during the summer, so keep the info coming my way!

-Leslie

