

Vista Del Lago Newsletter #9

Hail to the new chiefettes.....

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce the newest board members. This is a first for VDL and probably a first in many homeowner associations.....an **all-girl** board!! The job descriptions were broken down as follows: President **Leslie Burns**, Vice President **Cathy Poppino**, Secretary **Pat Ogle**, Treasurer **Barb Watland** and Board Member at Large (not large board member) **Pat Krell**. Each of the girls are very excited about their new positions and responsibilities and look forward to serving the community of VDL for this upcoming season!

The what's and how's.....

Now that we have established who the bosses of VDL are this year, we would like to lay some ground rules for engagement, so as not to run into some of the problems we encountered last year. The board requests each homeowner submit in writing (snail mail, not email) any proposals they would like the board to review. The proposals will be examined and discussed at the next scheduled board meeting. As mentioned in the Homeowner's Association Meeting Minutes (that will be out shortly via snail mail), our fall meeting is scheduled for and the spring board meeting is scheduled for 2005. We will not convene a "special" board meeting each time we receive a proposal, because this could conceivably cause us to have several board meetings throughout the year to review only one item.

By submitting your proposal in writing to the board, this will (hopefully) discourage griping sessions by the pool between board members and home owners and allow everyone to have a peaceful summer, as we are all looking forward to.

New committees.....

At the very first board meeting, following the June Homeowner's Association Meeting, the new board members selected committee members to work on a **Maintenance Committee** and a **Finance Committee**. Due to some of the problems the board faced last year regarding the budget, the board appointed **Jim Bodwell** to work on the Finance Committee. Thanks to **Jim** for stepping up and assisting us with one of the most difficult features the board has to manage. In addition, the board selected 3 young men, **Gregg Poppino**, **Bob Krell**

and **Lyle Burns** to participate on the **Maintenance Committee**. **Bob** has some working knowledge of the pool and some of its ongoing issues. **Lyle, Gregg** and **Bob** will meet with **Dave** periodically to review the inner workings of other maintenance issues around the park. **Dave** and **Kathy** would like to get us educated as to who to call and what to do if there is an emergency in their absence. These 3 boys all have some good mechanical working knowledge and are looking forward to their new responsibilities. Besides, I promised to buy them special "Maintenance Man (Stud)" t-shirts!!

VDL Yard Sale and Fundraising Extravaganza.....

Clean out those closets, dust off those shelves and purge out that garage. Get rid of your old junk and turn it into cold, hard **cash** at this year's yard sale, which is scheduled for Saturday, **July 3rd**. The sale will be held on the grassy area in front of the Community Center and should draw a great crowd. Our MC and Disc Jockey extraordinaire, **Jim Norton** will be advertising the event on Second Cup once again. He did such a great job last year, the crowds started rolling in while he was still on the air! So, box up your stuff and drop it off in the new laundry room. No need to price the items, but you can if you'd like. Please let us know if you plan on staffing the event. You must have some superb talent though, as we discovered many hidden and exciting talents while we were amusing ourselves last summer!!

If anyone is interested in making signs, we would love the help. The signs should read something along the lines of "**Yard Sale, July 3rd, 9:00a-3:00p, 1000- Hwy 150.**" Anything else is up to you, but "**Multi-Family**" in the description usually helps to draw attention. We could use 6-8 signs.

New goings on.....

As **Kathy** reported in the June meeting, we will be receiving 2 brand new park models in the park sometime in June. **Dave** has talked about putting "Chelan" rooms on the new models. This should be pretty interesting to watch during the construction phase, as I for one have never seen these rooms built. This should generate some exciting activity in the park and hopefully we will lure in some buyers

this summer and get the place filled up. **Kathy** said they are embarking on a new marketing plan that should also be exciting.

Joe and Sharon Blackmore are working on a plan to have their fifth wheel skirted this summer. The **Burn's** deck is almost complete. They are still awaiting the arrival of the railing from Kent. The **Poppino's** had a new concrete patio laid on their property and it is very cool. The **Norton's** have a new concrete driveway. We should be welcoming a few new residents shortly and perhaps there will be additional cool new stuff to watch develop.

Well, that's about it for now. Keep an eye on your mailboxes for the minutes from the last meeting and an updated list with everyone's addresses, phone numbers and emails.

If you change any of your contact info during the year, let one of the board members know and we will be sure to get it into the next newsletter. As usual, if you have any exciting news for the newsletter, please pass it on to a board member and we will get it included. I have attached some photos from the pancake breakfast and meeting for your enjoyment!!

Until next time, have a safe and sane **Fourth of July!**

Leslie