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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE-*Dianne Lucius*

I thought our Newsletters of days gone by wasted a lot of space talking about the weather, but this past January demands a line or two. First of all, record rain and snow fall that caused local flooding and lots of calls to the Board. In some cases, we were able to go out and relieve the jams on the storm drains. In others there was nothing we could do. To the residents on Champions, it looks like your homes are in a low spot of the development with sections of the roads without storm drains. This and other locations without relief will continue to flood. Weather Service said Carson City had over 6 of rain/snow in the first 15 days of January, more than we normally get in an entire year. For those in these areas susceptible to flooding, it is recommended that you become proactive in protecting your property. The county provides free sand bags, pick some up and have them ready, they can help protect your garage or other areas. We noticed in Santa Maria, just down the road from us, that Nevada Forestry was on site filling sand bags. Santa Maria backs up to the Carson River and almost all of those homes were in a direct line for flooding. Don't call the County because they do not maintain our storm sewers. Don't call 911 unless you are looking for a response to an emergency. Water creeping up your driveway is not a 911 emergency.

This is February and our Annual Meeting and Election of Directors will be upon us very soon. There will be four vacancies on the Board. Kim Staley is filling out an appointment and must run to retain his seat. John Loveless' term expires and he will be running for reelection. Also, the same with Michael Becker. It is expected that each of these current Directors will file to be on the ballot. There is a current opening to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Eddie Hult on January 10th. If you are at all interested, we will have the forms available on our web site. There are two forms required and these must be submitted to the Elections Committee in advance. Once submitted you may receive a call from the Committee for an interview. The Committee will submit a list of candidates to the Board and the Board will decide on those to be included on the ballot. You will find qualifications for Board membership in our CC&Rs.

Coots. You know those cute little duck like birds that border on being pests? They are black, very slow moving and pretty much oblivious to their surroundings. In the past month, about 2 dozen of these birds have been hit and killed on our roads near the golf clubhouse. Recently one of our homeowners observed a vehicle going out of its way to hit several birds. The occupants seemed to think it was a game as they drove their vehicle up onto the sidewalk to get additional access to the Coots. This time, however, the homeowner saw the violation and recorded the license number. It was a Green Jeep and we won't publish the license plate number, but we did give it to the Lyon County Sheriff who will be having a conversation with these folks. Coots are a protected water fowl and there will be penalties associated with the willful harming of these birds. Thanks to the Homeowner who noted what was going on in the neighborhood and reported it.

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE

The numbers for period ending December 31st are being adjusted for year end close out. If you want to see all of the numbers, the financials are posted on our website. The forecast for this year is extremely positive. Our cash flow is good, and we have budgeted for significant Landscape improvements, and are engaging in maintenance contracts for our gates.

Our contribution to the Reserve Fund will be reduced going forward based on a temporary Reserve Study that is still being adjusted. In the meantime, I have suggested to the Board that we create a Capital Projects Fund that sits beside the Reserve Fund. We will contribute to with the express purpose of making funds available to invest in our common areas or the development of new amenities as we find the opportunities. With a Capital Project Fund, the Board can make decisions and have the funds available contemporaneously. The Board will have to design a list of possible projects to support the fund. There has been interest in the tennis courts that might be available. We are hearing from homeowners that they would like to have things like an RV park and Storage, a walking track, or perhaps a community center. The Board will have to evaluate each project and then present a plan for full Board approval. We believe we can build the fund for at least five years without dedicating specific project plans. We have a new CPA firm based in Las Vegas, but our account is being handled by a CPA who only manages HOA accounts. After interviewing a number of firms, this one was clearly our best choice.

Bob Grant
Treasurer

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

The Landscaping Committee continues to work on all aspects of the proposed renovation of the Palmer Gate Entrance. Actual work, if approved, will begin in the Spring.

Proposals were received from all five of the contractors that were sent Requests for Proposals. The Landscaping Committee carefully reviewed the proposals and based on our knowledge of each contractor, their strengths and weaknesses, the personnel involved, additional resources some of them offer, and finally the proposed cost of their services, the committee recommended to the Board that we continue our relationship with Signature Landscaping. The Board has approved this recommendation. We are very pleased with this decision and look forward to working with Signature in the coming year.

Questions, comments about landscaping can be sent to dvcalsc@gmail.com.

GATES & ROADS COMMITTEE

Gates: Ron finished the wi-fi communication network between the Bayhill Gate and the Palmer Gate in late December. The new communication network increased the bandwidth between the two gates by four times. This allows for improved communication between the gate controllers to facilitate remote management of the gates, and increased video archiving from the sixteen cameras that are now located at the two gates. We have been able to provide video images to the Lyon Co Sheriff to help solve two break-ins that occurred in the development during the holidays.

Roads: During the storms on January 7-9th there was minor street flooding throughout DVCA where drainage inlets were overwhelmed by the amount of rain draining from the streets, or where the retention areas had filled to capacity. On Champions Drive, Lakeview Drive, Ballybunion Drive and Ballybunion Court, there were two locations where the inlets filled and the streets were submerged for hours. About a 150' section of Palmer Drive near the old clubhouse was submerged by about 10" of water for 6-8 hours during the night on the 8th and during the morning of the 9th.

I want to thank Dianne Lucius, John Loveless and Bob Grant on helping patrol the streets during the days and nights of January 8, 9, 11, 13, to make sure inlets were flowing and keeping debris out of grates. We also cleaned out inlets on Ballybunion Court, Ballybunion Drive, and Lakeview Drive on the night of the 17th and the morning of the 18th. We also cleaned out the debris that clogged the 36" RCP that runs under the unpaved portion of Lakeview Drive behind Ballybunion Court.

On January 18th we had UVT come out with their vac-truck and clean out 10 inlets on Champions, Lakeview Drive, Ballybunion Drive and Ballybunion Court. I am getting an estimate to have UVT return to clean out another 10-20 inlets as a preventative measure to prevent future inlet failure.
I have contacted Statewide Sweeping to see when we can schedule sweeping all of the streets. All of their sweepers are currently working around the clock on storm damage throughout the Carson-Reno Region so it might be 4-6 weeks before we can get them out to do our streets. I will keep everyone posted when they are scheduled to sweep. I will also coordinate removing the debris along the unpaved portion of Lakeview Drive when I rent the dumpster for the sweeping project.

While they were out cleaning, they discovered that many of the problems were caused by people either dumping trash down the drains or trash left in the streets flowing into and clogging the drains. They found Styrofoam cups, plastic bottles, balls and other debris that caused the water to back up into the streets. This clogs the pipes leading to the ponds and the water must go somewhere. You heard correctly, the ponds collect all of the water that drains from the streets, so when you see a pond overflowing, it isn't just the rain water falling into the pond or draining from the golf course, it also come from the streets and with it, the dirt, leaves and garbage that people leave there. So please pick up your trash and leaves before it gets into the storm drains.

So the next time you think of throwing out that water bottle, paper or Styrofoam cup or other trash, you might want to reconsider. The flood you stop could be in your own house or garage or crawlspace. And before you blame the construction sites for the debris, don't. They block the drains with filters."



Did you know you can be fined up to $15,000. /bird and/or 2-6 months in jail. So next time you think about killing a Coot, I would think twice. If you are seen running one over, know that you will be turned in.

FROM THE PRO SHOP



While the snow on the ground hasn't allowed much time for golf, we have still been able to host some events in the clubhouse at Dayton Valley. Pizza night continues to grow, and we will still offer dine in or carry out pizza every Friday from 2:00-7:00. 2017 will also see the golf course and The DVCA Social Committee partner up on a few events. We plan to work together on The Mother's Day Brunch, The 4th of July event, The Annual Octoberfest, and The Annual Community Holiday Brunch. There are plans for some new community clubhouse events this year, too! This summer, we are proud to introduce "The Dayton Valley Concert Series" and "Dinner and a Movie". Once a month from May-October, we will host a live band on the patio. The concert series will be on Sunday afternoons, and we really hope to impress with some of the talent. Our "Dinner and a Movie" will feature black and white films on the big screen! This will take place on the patio as well, Fridays, once a month from May-October. We will post dates, bands, and movies as we go this year. These events, like all of our events, will be open to anybody who wants to attend. Tell your friends and neighbors to look forward to these events this summer!

Eventually, this snow will melt off, and pave the way for great course conditions this year. During the winter months, the golf course takes a beating if there is heavy traffic. January certainly didn't fall into the "heavy traffic" category, as we were only open for play a few days. Between the break and the extra water, Andrew and his staff should have the golf course in pristine condition come spring time. This February 25th is the Welcome Back Event. We will have a dinner the night before the event to go through the year's events. We will also announce the grand prize for the point's winner! Everybody will want to attend this dinner to hear what we have to give away. I bet it's nothing you would imagine!

This time of year is tough to get out and work on your golf game. For obvious reasons… There are some things you can do though. Work on your flexibility! Hold stretches for 10 seconds and make sure to breathe. If you can commit to improving your flexibility, you will come back quicker from the off season. You may even see drastic improvements in the way you feel on and off the golf course!



See you at the course!

The Pro's at Dayton Valley

DAYTON COMMUNITY CHILI COOK-OFF



WHEN: February 5, 2017 (DAY OF THE "BIG" GAME)

WHERE: DAYTON VALLEY GOLF COURSE – BAR & GRILL/PATIO

It's back….the infamous "CHILI COOK-OFF". All cooking to be prepared on site. Fire not allowed until 7:45am. A team of judges will be there to select the best of the best.

CHILI COOKERS ARE NEEDED- CONTACT JOHN PETERS 775 443-8015 FOR INFORMATION REGARDING COOKING.

PUBLIC TASTING- 12:00PM – 3:00PM JUDGING: 12:30PM

PLACES: 1ST, 2ND & 3RD, AND "PEOPLES CHOICE"

$5.00 FOR TASTING, (ALL THE CHILI YOU CAN TASTE), $3 FOR BOWLS, DONATIONS ACCEPTED, (IF NOT A CHILI EATER)

RAFFLE TICKETS/SLIENT AUCTION ITEMS WILL BE AVAILABLE

"BIG GAME" PARTY TO FOLLOW

TASTERS ARE NEEDED. Show up at 12:00pm and start sampling the CHILI. The public will be voting for the "PEOPLES CHOICE".

ALL PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO THE "DAYTON FOOD PANTRY"


Sweetheart Dinner
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH
Valentine's Day
at 5 pm
4 Course Meal
$19.95 per person
(tax and tip not included)
DAYTON VALLEY
GOLF CLUB
DUNCAN
GOLF MANAGEMENT
Call (775) 246-7888 ext. 2 For Reservations

High Desert Newcomers And Friends

Moving to a new area means leaving old friends and connections behind. Sure, you can make new friends through work or your children's schools. But, what do you do if you are retired or your children are grown?

High Desert Newcomers and Friends can help you make new friends and connect to your new community. We are a grass roots organization that facilitates a variety of social activities and interest groups that will allow you to find people who share your enthusiasm whether it is hiking or wine tasting, luncheons or bunco. There is something for everyone. And, if not, maybe you can create it!

High Desert Newcomers and Friends
FIRST THURSDAY
Strategic Planning for 2017
February 2
5-7
The Palmer Room Dayton Valley Golf Course
Appetizers courtesy of Duncan Golf Management. No host bar.



Go To Neighbors

We are a group of your neighbors who want to help you perform general non-medical, non-emergency short-term services, when you are temporarily unable to do so yourself. Examples of services may include helping with yard work, preparing meals, walking a dog, doing laundry, providing a ride, hanging a picture, etc. To request service, or to find out more about this non-profit Dayton Valley Country Club group, select one of the following neighborhood streets nearest your home, and contact the designated neighbor:

Bayhill Circle Beverly Doolittle (775) 301-6597 bdoolittle530@charter.net
St. Andrews Drive Penny Meyers (775) 246-0112 pnmeyers@yahoo.com
La Costa Circle Susan Sheehan (775) 241-2341 sheehans12e@gmail.com
Stonehaven Ct Bernie Wyatt (775) 241-9001 bernie_wyatt@berstertech.com
Ballybunion Drive Geri Heebner (775) 246-7523 gisme1946@gmail.com

DAYTON NINERS!

The "Dayton Valley Women's Golf Club" has added a "9 hole" opportunity to current and new members. No handicaps and high handicap players would be welcome to join. These ladies will go out after the 18 hole players make the turn. The price for non-members of Dayton Valley Golf Course will be $25 with a lunch ticket and $20 without lunch, including a cart.

All new members would complete a application for $70 per year. This would include $25 towards their GHIN number and $45 towards our ladies club. We play every Tuesday morning, between April and October.

Applications for both 18 & 9 hole players are available in the ladies locker room at the clubhouse. As a member of DVWGC you will receive a handbook which gives lots of tips of play, the 2017 season agenda, as well as a contact directory of entire league. We need your application completed and dropped off at the pro-shop by February 15th, if you would like to be included in the handbook.

Come out and join us, ladies!

Annual Elections-Our annual meeting and election of Directors takes place in April. There will be four directors elected or re-elected. If you are at all interested in helping the Association you should run for one of these positions. You will find the two forms required to apply on our website at www.dvcahomeowners.com. Complete the forms and submit them to the Elections Committee. Instructions on where and how to submit them will be on the web site.

DVCA Payments Reminder

Valley Realty and Management is still getting a large number of owner's payments that are being forwarded from the former management company. This causing delays in posting payments to the accounts in a timely manner. Please be sure to update your bill pay with the new mailing address as follows:

c/o Valley Realty and Management
P.O. Box 52311
Phoenix, AZ 85072

Also, be sure to also update your account number. If you need further assistances, please contact our office at 775-885-5055. Thank you.