

**Vista Del Lago**  
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This is just a quickie newsletter. Since I just put out newsletter #25 last week, I don't have much to put in this one. However, the things I do have are important, so that is why you are getting this special edition!!

**YARD SALE-SATURDAY, JULY 5<sup>th</sup>**

I know, I know.....every year I tell myself this is the last yard sale I am going to host. But yes, I caved in, again. We have all but exhausted our pool fund, which we keep stocked with revenue from the mostly-annual yard sale. We use the pool fund to buy patio furniture, bbq equipment and anything pool/recreation oriented. The quickest and easiest way to restock our fund is to hold a yard sale. After speaking to several people this weekend, I determined we have enough stuff for a sale. The sale will be held on **Saturday, July 5<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00am-12:00**, in the grassy area at the entrance to the park.

We will need help setting up, selling and cleaning up. Any items that remain after the sale, must be claimed by the original owner and hauled away. It would be super helpful if you would price your items ahead of time (if possible), so we are not in a mad race to do that the morning of the sale. Pat Ogle usually has pricing stickers and if not, I think I saw some in the board room.

We could use some folding tables to display items and an awning to provide some shade. I am going to beg John MacPherson to make signs again.....John, please?????

You may stage your smaller items in the laundry room, out of the way of the machines. Please do not rummage through the items and take anything. **If there is something you absolutely must have, put your name on it and we will sell it to you the day of the sale.** In years past, we have had residents pilfer the good stuff, without paying and this detracts from the reason we are holding the sale.

If you are interested in working the sale, please let me know. If you have items for the sale and will not be at VDL during the weekend of the sale, let me know and I will arrange to get your

stuff. If you need help hauling stuff to the sale from your home or storage unit, let me know and I can arrange some beefy helpers for you.

### **New patio furniture.....**

Thanks to Jeff and Rita McCann for purchasing two more tables and eight more chairs for the patio furniture collection. Jeff and Rita bought the items at Costco and loaded their truck down just like the Beverly Hillbillies!! The tables “require some assembly.” They are stacked outside the clubhouse door on the lower level. If you find yourself with some extra time on your hands and are at all handy, please feel free to assemble the tables!

### **Washer/Dryer for sale.....**

Our newest resident, Frank Wycoff (bought the Pawluk’s place), has an almost new Kenmore compact washer/dryer set for sale. He bought the units in 2007. His new VDL home comes complete with a set, so he needs to sell the set he just bought. Frank is asking \$650 for the set, or will consider selling them separately. The washer hooks up to a sink or conventional laundry room hook up. You can see the set at Frank’s new home, lot #67 (next to Cecil), or you can call him at XXX-XXX-XXXX.

### **Adopt an open space.....**

I decided to start an “Adopt an open space” weeding program.....I know I seem a little obsessive/compulsive about the weeds this year. I guess it is because this is my last year on the board and I need to take up a new cause!!! I have adopted the retention pond/dog walking area as my open space project. The goal of the adoption is to keep the area trash and weed free. If several of us adopt an open space area, VDL will look pristine and clean all year round, with little or no impact on the general budget (saves us money). I spent about an hour weeding the retention pond area and if I do say so myself, it looks pretty nice. Gary Collins joined the effort and weeded the Boat/RV parking area. Sherry Lane has taken an interest in the open space next to her home and has offered to weed it. If you are interested in adopting an open space, or would like to help, let me know and I will publish your name and area. We could use adopters to take care of the entrance area where the driveway meets the road. We could divide it in half, with the Eastside and Westside of the driveway being two separate areas.

### **Boat/RV parking spaces.....**

Heidi Hodgson is in the process of getting everyone who is currently assigned a Boat/RV parking space to fill out a new registration form. If you have not already filled one out, please do so and return it to Heidi no later than the June 7<sup>th</sup> HOA meeting. Heidi needs to determine how many spaces are available for new users. She has a growing interest list and would like to get all open

spaces assigned at the HOA meeting. If you currently have a space, you will be grandfathered into the space, if you still need the same size. If your boat/RV can accommodate a smaller parking space, please let Heidi know, so she can reassign you to the proper sized space.

The new Board will set the fee for the 2008-2009 season. In year's past, the fee has been \$100 per space. The new Board may vote to increase the fee, or keep it at \$100. The new fee will be announced after the first meeting of the new Board.

If you have an items parked in a space on the Boat/RV lot and have not been assigned a space by Heidi, you will need to remove your item until you have been assigned to the proper space.

### **Calling all interested Board member candidates.....**

This is my official last-call for parties who are interested in running for the Board. Additional nominations will be accepted at the HOA meeting on June 7<sup>th</sup>. There are 2, one year terms and 3, two year terms. If you are interested in running for a Board position, please let me know via email ([XXX@XXX.XXX](mailto:XXX@XXX.XXX)). We currently have 5 names on the ballot. They are:

Dave Sneesby  
Phil Tracey  
Jeff McCann  
Jim Norton  
Joe Blackmore

At the conclusion of the HOA meeting, the newly elected members will meet. During this Board meeting, the new members will appoint each other to fill the positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Member at Large.

### **Zippy news.....**

Ahhhhh yes, my other obsession, the Zippy (garbage cans for you new owners).....the Zippy pickup days have been increased to two pick-ups each week. The pick up days are Monday and Thursday. As usual, please do not put cardboard boxes in the Zippy. The cardboard takes up too much space in the summer and we end up stacking bags of garbage on the side. This in not only very unsightly, it really stinks when the garbage starts to rot under the beating sun.....you get the point. Lets keep the Zippy available for regular garbage and recycle the cardboard and other items. There are 3 recycling locations near us. There is one in Manson, which takes cardboard, paper and glass. It is located on the right side of the street, as you are entering Manson. Watch for the "Trout" warehouse. The recycle bins are in the parking lot right under the "Trout" lettering. There are recycle bins in the parking lot of Safeway in Chelan and there is a larger recycle station at the transfer station near the airport.

The transfer station is on the opposite side of the street, just past Wal-Mart. If you get to the airport first, you have gone too far!! Recycling is not only **green** and the responsible thing to do, it keeps the Zippy from getting overloaded.

### Housekeeping.....

It was just brought to my attention that we need to start up the housekeeping service for the clubhouse. I was under the impression that we had a cleaning service all winter, but I was wrong. I will be contacting them this week to get service started up again. In the meantime, if the bathrooms need TP, I think there is some in the closet in the kitchen. There should be a key to the closet door in a bowl on the kitchen counter.

That's about it for now.....the sun was out for Memorial Weekend, the pool is warming up and the lake level is rising. I also hear the Kokanee are biting!!

*-Leslie Burns*

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