



NEWSLETTER
 Spring 2007-8
LUSHMEADOWS ASSOC. INC.
 5979 Meadow Lane
 Mariposa, CA 95338

March 2008

2007-2008 Board of Directors

President -	Jim Roulo	742-4730
Vice Pres. -	Lowell Young	966-2547
Treasurer -	Marian Folker	966-3448
Financial Sec. -	vacant	
Rec. Secretary -	Kathy Mills (non bd. member)	
Director -	Jean Hoffman	966-6125
Director -	Kurt Frank	966-8405
Director -	Terry Young	742-4304
Director -	Larry Wesson	966-4730

Lushmeadows Event Calendar

Every Mon.	Playgroup at lake	10:30am
Every Mon.	Poker Players	6:30pm
Every Wed.	Men's Coffee Grp	9:00 am
2 nd Wed.	LM Board Meeting	7:00 pm
Last Fri.	Women's Lunch Grp	11:00 am
April 12 th	Fish & Game Assoc.	
	Day at Dawn Lake	10:00am-2:00pm

2007-2008 Committee Chairpersons

Architectural -	Kurt Frank	966-8405
Audit -	vacant	
Budget -	Marian Folker	966-3448
Fire Safe Council -	Dick Hutchinson	966-5163
Gov. Documents -	Jim Roulo	742-4730
Gate Keys -	Any Director	
Lakes & Grounds -	Ellis Schurman	966-3145
Newsletter -	Sue Young	966-2547
editors	and Laura Lee	966-5521
Nominating -	Jean Hoffman	966-6125
Playground -	Gussie Kidd	966-5710
Reservations -	Laura Lee	966-5521
Website & Email -	Terel Young	742-4304

President's Message

by Jim Roulo

Due to an unanticipated medical condition, I have asked Vice President Lowell Young to temporarily step forward and perform the duties of the President. I will remain on the Board as a Director.

Lushmeadows Playgroup

by Gussie Kidd

The playgroup is meeting every Monday from 10:30am - ? (or until they go home). The parents and children are excited to be together again after weeks of bad weather. The average attendance is 15 children and 11 parents. We now have 2 brand new babies and are expecting another new one in the summer. On March 17th we had our Easter Egg Hunt.

The parents want to thank the Association for keeping the bathrooms open for us during the winter months.

(Editors note: Gussie has been taking on the responsibility of keeping the bathrooms clean for the group. Please offer to help her.)

Social Events

St. Patrick's Day Dinner

by Sue Young

First of all, I want to thank Shirley Finch and the Men's coffee group for seeing that the Christmas tree and

LM Board Meeting - 2nd Wednesday of each Month at 7:00pm at the clubhouse
Association Annual Meeting - July 12th 10:00am at the Clubhouse

Important Phone Numbers

LM Clubhouse -	966-4611
LM Website	www.lushmeadows.org
Propane - Campora	(559) 683-4648
Dist. 4 Supervisor -Dianne Fritz	966-8401
Dist. 5 Supervisor - Bob Pickard	742-7698

decorations were taken down and safely stored away for next year.

We had a wonderful turnout for the St. Patrick's Dinner on March 17th. Thanks to the following volunteers who decorated, baked cakes and cooked the dinner: Pat Drechsler, Shirley Finch, Barbara & Kurt Frank, Nancy & Dick Hutchinson, Vicky Mueller, Louise Phelps, Sharon Schurman, and Carol Skyrud. Thank you also to Carol Spence and her family for doing the majority of the cleanup afterwards and to all the members who helped put away tables and chairs.

A special thanks to Donna Marks who brought several dozen daffodils to brighten up the tables and make it feel even more like spring.

**Mariposa County Fish & Game
Kids and Family Day
at Dawn Lake on April 12th**

On April 12th from 10:00am until 2:00pm the Mariposa County Fish & Game Protective Association will present an event for families to come out and see some of the activities that Fish & Game offers to children, teenagers, young adults and adults. There will be fishing and hunting demos, games, face painting, Smokey the Bear, CHP's ChiPper, and more.

The event will be held at our own Dawn Lake. Lunch is limited to the first 150 people. **Children must be accompanied by an adult!!!**

* This event will be held "weather permitting".*

Dinners By Gloria

If you would like to see Dinners by Gloria start up again, now is the time to let Gloria know. She would like to raise funds with these dinners for the improvement of our lakes. Call her if you want her to start cooking again. Gloria @ 966-3945.

Memorial Day BBQ

We need a member of the Association to step forward and offer to be the chairperson for the annual BBQ held Memorial Day weekend. We have volunteers who will help, but we still need a leader. Call any Board member if you are willing to chair this event.

Let's Welcome Our Newest Residents

Lot 32 5897 Evergreen Darrell/Carla Hamlett
Lot 305 5796 Rainbow View Donald Nelson/
Monica Frederick-Nelson

Hope to see you at some of our events and meetings.

New Key Policy

The Board of Directors voted in January to make one gate key available to every member in good standing, with no deposit required. Replacement keys will still require a deposit. If you have already paid a deposit for a key, you should find the deposit credited toward your 2008-9 dues when you receive your invoice. If you do not have a key but would like one, you may request it when you send in your dues payment.

Lushmeadows Scholarship

Lushmeadows offers a scholarship to a child or grandchild of a Lushmeadows property owner or resident. If you want more information check out the website:

www.lushmeadows.org for the application form.

WANTED

We need people to volunteer to serve on several committees: Social committee, Elections committee, Nominating committee, Budget committee, Audit committee, etc. Please step forward and help. Call any Director if you are willing to help.

Update on the Lawsuit

Finally, we are at the point where we can let you know where we are in the lawsuit. As you probably know, our CC&Rs requires the Board of Directors to levy and collect dues/assessments and the requirement is backed up by State law. Therefore, when a property owner refuses to pay their dues, your Board ultimately has no choice other than to go to court to collect them and if we don't do so, we are then violating our duty to you.

We expect to have a trial setting conference March 24th or April 7th. Hopefully, the trial date will be sometime in June. However, there is no assurance that it will be. As near as we can tell from legal documents that have been filed by the opposing attorney, the only triable issue will be whether the vote on the CC&Rs was counted properly.

One more thing that we can now tell you is that the Lushmeadows Historical Society newsletter is written by an individual who is involved in the lawsuit. The reason that we have never responded to the allegations in his newsletter is that we were advised by our Legal Counsel not to respond. To do so would simply add fuel to the fire and not solve anything.

What is the Senior Center?

Many residents know that Mariposa County has a Senior Center but have never visited there. The County Senior Center provides a variety of services, information and assistance to local seniors. Monday thru Friday at noon, a nutritious meal is provided for a nominal fee. On Thursdays, a sewing class is held and on Wednesdays there is an art class. Each Tuesday a group of card players meet to play Bridge. SPICE meets there on the 2nd & 4th Monday of each month doing projects to help our local schools. The Senior Center is also where the Department of Community Services has their office and offer Dial-A-Ride bus services. Special events are held throughout the year such as: May 2nd - Senior Expo

Day being held at the Fairgrounds; and in May a Senior Driving Class will be held.

For more information call the Senior Center @ 966-5315.

Tidy Bowl Bits From Our Past

by Sue Young

The first toilet facilities at Dawn Lake were outhouses until the County Health Department said they were illegal. At that point volunteers built the first toilet building but couldn't afford keyed locks on the doors for several years. When they finally had enough money in the Association, keyed locks were installed on the building and each member who paid their dues was issued a key to the door. The lock was changed yearly.

The reason for issuing keys to the bathrooms was that there were no fences around the lake properties and there were lots of trespassers.

The wood from the torn down outhouses was not used to construct the bathroom. Instead it was saved and later used for the construction of the pumphouse at Dawn Lake. The first residents recycled everything possible!!

YOU ARE INVITED!

Come Meet

KEVIN CANN

Candidate for Supervisor

District 4 - Mariposa County

Sunday, April 6th, 2008

1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Hosted by Country Kitchen Herb Farm

5467 Clouds Rest (742-6363)

Hear Kevin's Vision for our County; Learn why his proven leadership and experience is what we need now! Ask him your questions!

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