



**NEWSLETTER**  
 Summer 2007  
**LUSHMEADOWS ASSOC. INC.**  
 5979 Meadow Lane  
 Mariposa, CA 95338

**June/July 2007**

**2006-2007 Board of Directors**

**President's Message**

by Lowell Young

<b>President</b> - Lowell Young	966-2547
<b>Vice Pres.</b> - Laura Lee	966-5521
<b>Treasurer</b> - Marian Folker	966-3448
<b>Financial Sec.</b> - Martha Crabtree	742-5880
<b>Rec. Secretary-Director</b> - Jim Roulo	742-4730
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<b>Director</b> - Kurt Frank	966-8405
<b>Director</b> - Terry Young	742-4304

It's hard to believe, but another year will be behind us soon. As in years past, the Association was very dependent on and exceptionally grateful for the many selfless individuals who did the work of maintaining our facilities. I have listed just a few of them below.

Pat and Ed Drechsler have kept the floors in the clubhouse clean and polished. Ted Mueller and Ray Phelps did the barbecuing for our Memorial Day dinner. Martha Crabtree, Sue Young, Sharon Schurman, Carol Skyrud, Laura Lee, Barbara Frank, Vicky Mueller, Dian Provo, Pat Drechsler, and Nancy Hutchinson have cooked up a storm so we had several nice dinners at the clubhouse this year. And what would we have done if Carol Spence and her children hadn't been there to help with cleaning up the kitchen afterwards.

Thanks to Ellis Schurman, our Lakes and Grounds chairman and his crew of volunteers. They see that the Lakes are treated, the repairs are done to our buildings, and just keep a good eye on potential problems.

Thanks also to Carol Fong, our Auditor and Election Supervisor, and her committee. This is a big job and a necessary one.

Thanks to Barbara Frank for seeing that our new residents were contacted and welcomed to the neighborhood.

Thanks to Gussie Kidd for hanging out in the Dawn Lake playground every Tuesday morning so the pre-school children and their parents have a place to meet.

The folks on your Board of Directors do much more than attend a meeting once a month. They spend many hours pursuing the best propane rates, insurance rates, mailing notices, consulting with experts, and trying to do the best job possible for all of us.

Marian Folker keeps the financial books and does all of the tasks associated with that job. She and husband Bob spend many hours addressing, stamping, folding and mailing out those required notices that State Law says we must send.

**2006-2007 Committee Chairpersons**

<b>Architectural</b> - Kurt Frank	966-8405
<b>Audit</b> - Carol Fong	966-3907
<b>Budget</b> - Marian Folker	966-3448
<b>Fire Safe Council</b> - Dick Hutchinson	966-5163
<b>Gov. Documents</b> - Jim Roulo	742-4730
<b>Gate Keys</b> Ellis Schurman	966-3145
or Ray Phelps	742-7251
<b>Lakes &amp; Grounds</b> -Ellis Schurman	966-3145
<b>Newsletter</b> - Sue Young	966-2547
<b>editors</b> and Laura Lee	966-5521
<b>Nominating</b> - Board of Directors	
<b>Playground</b> - Gussie Kidd	966-5710
<b>Reservations</b> - Laura Lee	966-5521

***LM Board Meeting - 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each  
 Month at 7:00pm at the clubhouse  
 Association ANNUAL Meeting - July 14<sup>th</sup>  
 10:00am at the Clubhouse***

**Important Phone Numbers**

<b>LM Clubhouse</b> -	966-4611
<b>Gate Key Information</b> -	Any Director
<b>Propane - Campora</b>	(559) 683-4648
<b>Dist. 4 Supervisor</b> -Dianne Fritz	966-8401
<b>Dist. 5 Supervisor</b> - Bob Pickard	742-7698

Jim Roulo is always busy working on updates to our governing documents and makes sure that everyone who buys property in Lushmeadows receives a current set of our governing documents.

Laura Lee not only acts as Vice President and runs meetings in my absence, but manages to get the minutes taken and is always there to help get the mailings out. During the year she not only acted as co-editor of our Lushmeadows Newsletter, but took on the job of Reservations for the Clubhouse. She is retiring from the Board and we will miss her greatly.

Terel Young stays on top of our propane aggregation program to insure that all residents of Lushmeadows have a competitive price for propane. He is also looking into getting a web site where we can have all of our various documents available to everyone all the time. We could even use the site for our newsletter, if we can get everyone's e-mail address.

Martha Crabtree picks up our mail and collects and records all payments. She also works side by side with our Treasurer, Marian. And she is always helping with the social events.

Kurt Frank takes care of our Architectural Control needs and has done a great job keeping up with all the changes. He also took on mowing the weeds around Dawn Lake to the swimming beach and trying to keep the duck and goose poop cleaned up.

We are lucky that we have neighbors like these folks who care enough about our properties to do what they do for us.

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*Blessed are those who can give without remembering,  
and take without forgetting.*

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### **Treasurer's Report by Marian Folker**

Income received by June 15<sup>th</sup> is about \$2,800 greater than last year at this time. End of the year totals should be close to the \$43,880 budgeted. Final figures will be presented at the July 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Expenses to June 15<sup>th</sup> are about \$6,500 greater than last year, but will close well under the \$43,880 budgeted. Unfortunately, the cost of preparing for the Declaratory Relief suit has used up most of the money we had planned for improvements.

The proposed budget for 2007-2008 will be presented at the Annual Meeting but may be amended by a vote of the majority of those attending. Please come to make your wishes known.

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## **Dawn Lake Playground**

Gussie Kidd reports that at least 15 families are attending the pre-school playgroup on Tuesday mornings at the playground. Several grandparents are coming with their grandchildren now. The group is in the planning stages for a summer camp out at the lake.

If you would like to attend, just show up any Tuesday with your toddler/pre-schooler. The gathering starts at 10:30am. For more information, call Gussie at 966-5710.

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## **Welcome to these New Owners**

Lot 39	5980 Meadow Lane	Steven/Laura Y.
Lot 93	5809 Rainbow View	Lonnie/Charlotte A.
Lot 137	5837 Silver Strand Fls	Ken/Ronald K.
Lot 205	5775 Clouds Rest	Michael/Donna P.
Lot 275	5792 Cascade Creek	Jack/Diane/Greg J.
Lot 309	5828 Rainbow Falls	Kurt A./Audrey L.

Welcome to the neighborhood. We hope to see you at the Annual Meeting on July 14<sup>th</sup> at the Clubhouse.

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## **Lakes and Grounds News**

Ellis Schurman reports that both lakes have been treated to help control the weeds. Signs were posted for a day telling people not to swim in the lake for 24 hours after treatment. He also reports that there are about 20 Canada Geese at Dawn Lake who seem to be residing there permanently.

The campground and restrooms are open and operational. We need volunteers to help keep them clean. Gussie Kidd has volunteered to clean the bathrooms on Tuesdays for her playgroup but she could use some help.

Several windows at the clubhouse have been broken by vandals this spring. They have been repaired and no other damage to the building has been found.

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*Experience is a wonderful thing. It enables you to recognize  
a mistake when you make it again.*

## WANTED

A Lushmeadows resident with computer skills who can develop a website for the Association. If you are interested bring your proposal to the next Board meeting, July 11<sup>th</sup>, at the clubhouse. If you want more information, call Terry Young 742-4304.

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## Animal Control Laws in Mariposa

by Sue Young

Animal Control Laws for Mariposa County can be found in Chapter 6.08 of the County Code. I will quote several of the pertinent sections.

**6.08.020** - The owner of each dog must purchase a license for it.

**6.08.100** - The animal control officer shall impound:

A. Any dog or domestic animal, including livestock, running at large in the county;

B. Any unlicensed dog.

(“At large” is defined as off the premises of the owner and not under the reasonable control of such owner.)

**6.08.190** - Any dog entering any enclosed or unenclosed property upon which livestock or poultry are confined may be seized by the owner or tenant.

**6.08.200** - The killing or seizing of a dog which is under the reasonable control of its owner or keeper shall not be permitted unless the dog is actually caught in the act of worrying, wounding, chasing or killing livestock or poultry.

**6.08.260** - It shall be a violation of this chapter by a dog owner for an owner’s dog to:

A. Run at large on any private property or where any livestock or domestic fowl are kept without the permission of the property owner;

B. Be in a county park, county recreation area, school or school grounds, unless the dog is on a leash;

C. Run at large in a public street, trailer park or campground;

D. Injure a person or damage or destroy property.

If you have any problems with stray animals, please contact Animal Control Officer, Ballard Warkentin at 966-3615. The email address is: [aco@mariposacounty.org](mailto:aco@mariposacounty.org)

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## Updated Rules for Residential Burning

Residential burning is the disposal of waste from a residence by burning it outdoors on the ground or in a container, such as a burn barrel.

Beginning January 1, 2004, household waste cannot be burned at residences. The use of burn barrels or backyard incinerators is not allowed. If you want to burn outdoor vegetation, a brush pile, you must check with CDF to see

if it is a permissible burn day by calling 966-1200. During the “fire season” of summer, you must obtain a permit from CDF. For more information on burning and air pollution, go to the following website: [www.mariposacounty.org/health](http://www.mariposacounty.org/health).

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## A Look Back at our History

by Sue Young

The Lushmeadows Ranch Barns were built by the Preston Foundation of Los Angeles in 1943. The plan was to have a mountain dairy and milking barn and sell “exotic milk” in Los Angeles. It did not happen. The Barns were then sold to a judge and 2 lawyers out of Los Angeles who used it as a playground. Decker Enterprises purchased the Barns a short time later and planted a large apple orchard. They planted 3 varieties of apples, Jonathans, Yellow Delicious and Red Delicious. These apples were used for a wonderful tasting mixture of Apple Juice and sold under the name of “Lushmeadows” mountain grown apple juice.

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**Don’t forget to come**

**to the Annual Membership Meeting at the Clubhouse -  
Saturday, July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2007 at 10:00 am.**

