Diamond A Recreation Newsletter Fall 2012

It came quickly but finally the leaves are falling and the mornings are crisp. The pool has been closed for the season and the new umbrellas tucked away until next year. We look back at the fun we had and ahead to months of cozy fires and soup.

There was a great turn out for the Annual Member Meeting. As promised it was a little business and a lot of party! We unanimously elected Carleen Faybusovich to Social Chair and reelected Leo Merle for another two-year term of good deeds. Thank you for all that came to celebrate our fun summer and offer great ideas for the year to come. What we heard is that we like each other, a lot. No one wants the togetherness and comraderie of the summer to stop. Great!

Announcing Winter BBQs the first

Wednesday night of each month starting November 7th. Winter months getting you down? Get out of the house and enjoy a fun night with friends. Bring something to grill on our "new" patio propane BBQ and a dish to share. (Thank you Bruce and Julie for the donation of their lightly used BBQ!) Mark your calendars.

Fall Work Day was a great success. We mowed, trimmed, spread gravel, dug out the drains across the walking path, moved furniture to the storage shed, and replaced the security lights in the big oak tree. We also removed a large boulder that had been half buried next to the walking path (for years) and scraped out some of the drainage contours, both thanks to Tom Tischner and his tractor. Thanks to Bob Avrit for hauling gravel up from the valley. Afterward, thanks to Carleen we sat down to a cold drink, a delicious hamburger/hot dog BBQ with trimmings and some of Carleen's homemade chili followed by Marilyn's desert.

Wow! All that in just three hours! OK, maybe a little extra time lingering over lunch.

Thanks to the following members who did so much:

Tom Tischner
Marilyn & Bob Avrit
Rich & Nelleke Cooper
Val & Carleen Faybusovich
Bruce Hoadley
Peter & Lorrie Hohorst
Jeanean Lane
Dave Martinelli
Hope & Jack Nisson
Beth Rowe
Ann & Roger Young
Patrick Treacy
Jacqueline Singer
Others, who Rich may have forgotten - you know who you are

Oktober Fest Under a crystal blue Autumn sky, the freshly scrubbed and sparkling Rec was filled with the happy strains and OOm-PA-PA of Kevin's Accordion. Carleen and crew set the stage with festive decorations and Fred (Fire Master) Merrill had the newly upgraded Barbeque soaring and filled to the brim with an amazing array of sausages and franks. There was beer, potato salad and goodies aplenty to satisfy the ravenous appetites of the Oktoberfest celebrants.

The addition of a pumpkin carving contest added a colorful highlight to the festivities and Wyatt (Angeloni) took first prize with his creative and amazing pumpkin. Calvin (Coleman) wowed the crowd with his fearsome Tiger costume.

Do you have kids? We would like to hear from you. What events would you like to see at the rec? Contact Rebecca with your ideas for the year to come. rhengehold@gmail.com

With winter around the corner we would like to remind everyone of a few things to make the season safe and fun for all:

- ❖ When grilling on the new patio BBQ please move it away from the side of the building. We do not want to have to use the fire extinguisher located on the wall between the bathrooms. After use, please turn off the tank and let the lines bleed dry. Then turn off the burners. This ensures no chance for a fire and also no expensive leaking propane. When the tank runs dry, please replace with the spare tank in the trash cabinet and notify Carleen Faybusovich (onztown@yahoo.com) so the spare tank can be replaced.
- ❖ When leaving the Rec Club House please turn off all the lights and turn the thermostat down on the heater.
- Pitch in and tidy when you use the rec. We do not have a cleaning service. As they say, "Leave it better than you found it".
- Please do not move the piano or unplug the heater under it.

Annual Holiday Party is December 9th from 5-7pm. Bring the whole family for a fun night of treats and libations. Leo has promised to tinkle the ivories once again to set the tone for a festive celebration.

The Annual Crab Feed is a party not to be missed and those tickets go faster than watermelon on a hot summer day. Look for ticket sales in the new year. Thank you in advance to Fred Merrill and his gang.

The New Web site

(www.diamondasonoma.com) is up and running and has lots of information about the Recreation Center. This includes a Description,
Membership, Application, Board of Directors – with Pictures, History, By-Laws, Rules, Rental Procedures, Newsletters, and lots of photos of the facility. Please browse and send suggestions to Bruce Hoadley
(brucehoadley@sbcglobal.net).

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you this winter!

Your Rec Board.

President Rebecca Hengehold
Vice President Roland Gangloff
Treasurer / IT Bruce Hoadley
Secretary Linda Felt
Social Events Carleen Faybusovich

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Calendar & Rentals Bob & Marilyn Avrit

Maintenance Leo Merle

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Membership Celia Schake Keys Wayne Schake Advisor Rich Cooper