



The Vistas VIEW



Newsletter
July 2008

NEXT MEETING DATE

July 24, 2008

Quarterly Board Meeting

Mark your calendar

All Quarterly Meetings are held at Bud Beasley Elementary School at 6:30 p.m.

Agendas are posted in the agenda box attached to the Information Boards located at the top and bottom of Los Altos Parkway 15 days prior to the meetings.

Please Note: the annual BBQ is cancelled due to lack of participation

For Your Information

Annual/Quarterly meeting for

April 24, 2008

There are 1470 homeowners in The Vistas. Approximately 20% returned their voting ballots to the Association office.

The new elected officers are Jim Baldwin and Dave Sexton who will serve a two year term.

Oil Stain Disclaimer

In a previous newsletter we stated that Wal-Mart had a product called Revive-a-Drive to remove oil stains, our apologies. It is being reported that Wal-Mart does not carry the product.

Called-in suggestions for Newsletter.

- Please be considerate and do not drop cigarette butts on others' property (can also be a fire hazard). Matches, lighters and cigarettes are a fire hazard- please dispose of them properly.
- Please be considerate of other peoples property and of the common area, respect the area. Parking, if you have multiple vehicles, please consider your neighbors. Everyone has limited parking in front of their homes for guest parking. If you're expecting many visitors, please ask them to park in areas that will not impact your neighbors.
- Please keep your pet leashed while walking and please carry a pet waste bag. We have received complaints of animal waste on lawns that is not being picked up. This is very important as animal waste does damage lawns.

Thank you!

Please keep your kids out of the Los Altos Parkway new drainage area. The City of Sparks has installed warning signs. If you see skateboarders, etc.,

Please call the Police Dept

775-353-2279

Architectural Control Committee

Meeting dates for 2008.

Please submit your improvements for review by the Board before these dates:

Meetings are subject to change, please check with the association office 786-0500 to verify dates.

July 10, 2008	Aug. 14, 2008
Sept. 11, 2008	Oct. 09, 2008
Nov. 13, 2008	Dec. 11, 2008

ACC meetings are generally held the second Thursday of every month.

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Homeowner Safety Tips

Grilling Safety

Protect yourself by wearing a heavy apron and an oven mitt that fits high up over your forearm.

With gas grills, make sure the gas cylinder is always stored outside and away from your house. Make sure the valves are turned off, check regularly for leaks in the connection using a soap and water mix that will show bubbles where gas escapes.

For charcoal grills, only use starter fluids designed for charcoal grills. Never use gasoline and use a limited amount of starter fluid. If the fire is too slow, rekindle with dry kindling and add more charcoal if necessary. Never add more liquid fuel. You could end up with a bigger fire than you wanted.

Be sure to soak the coals with water before you put in the trash. Remember coals remain hot long after you are through barbecuing.

If you get burned, run cool water over the injury for 10-15 minutes. Never put butter or salve on burns because they will seal in the heat and cause blistering.

This information is from OneBeacon Insurance Co.,

“In Homeowner Safety Tips.”

Dog Bite Liability

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, there are approximately 4.5 million dog bites a year. These bites cost over \$1 billion in insurance claims.

Have your dog spayed or neutered. Socialize your dog so that it knows how to act with other people and animals.

Play non-aggressive games with your dog such as “go fetch.” Playing aggressive games like “tug of war” can encourage inappropriate behavior.

Avoid exposing your dog to situations in which you are unsure what the dog's response will be.

For more information go to

<http://www.cdc.gov>

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All homeowner complaints must be submitted in writing and can be faxed to 786-0504 or emailed to: complaints@vistashoa.com

Office hours:

Monday/Friday 9:00 a.m to 5:00 p.m.

Architectural Control Committee Requests

Sheds-Additions

If you are planning to put a shed in your back-yard, please be aware you will need approval by the ACC. Forms are available on our web page. The Vistas does have restrictions on metal and plastic sheds. The form does explain what is needed for approval. A plot plan is required.

Painting Plans

The ACC must approve all exterior painting plans, even if you are planning to use the same colors. The Vistas Web page also has forms for painting requests. You will need to submit color samples with the form. We need these approved forms to keep your file up-to-date.

Landscape Plans

If you are thinking about changing your front yard landscaping, you will also need approval. Please be precise with drawings & details, such as color and size of rock, plants and bushes. Forms on Web-site.

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Additions/Fencing
Same applies as above.

