



The Vistas VIEW



Spring Newsletter March 2012

2012 Quarterly Board Meetings

Board of Directors Meetings are generally held at Bud Beasley Elementary School starting at 6:00p.m. unless otherwise noted.

April 26, 2012 annual and quarterly meeting

July 26, 2012 and September 27, 2012

A Budget workshop meeting will be held in the Association office Sept. 12, 2012 at 12:30 p.m.

November 14, 2012-10:00 a.m. Budget Ratification Meeting held at the HOA Office.

Agendas are posted 10 days prior to the meeting. Copies can be found in the agenda boxes attached to the Information Boards located at the top and bottom of Los Altos Pkwy.

It is the owners right to have a copy of the minutes, summary of the minutes or audio recording upon request. The owner also has the right to speak to the association or executive Board at the appropriate time during the meeting as listed on the agenda.

January 26, 2012 Quarterly Meeting Highlights

Thank you to all homeowners who attend The Vistas Homeowners Associations quarterly meetings, we appreciate you all making time to be involved in your community.

Meeting Highlights:

Several homeowners expressed concern over speeding vehicles in residential areas as well as excessive noise and speed on Los Altos Parkway. The board agreed to contact the appropriate agencies in hopes of obtaining some help to control the excessive speeding along the parkway and neighboring streets.

The landscaping maintenance contract as of January 1, 2012 was awarded to The Groundskeeper Outside Solutions. The contract is for three years with the option to extend for two additional years.

Asphalt Protectors will be crack filling and sealing the pathway on Los Altos as well as doing other repairs to the path.

Defensible space, additional rock on Los Altos and solar speed signs were also discussed.

Annual Garage Sale date was set for Saturday, April 28, 2012.

Architectural Control Committee

Meeting Dates for 2012

March 14, 2012 April 11, 2012
May 9, 2012 June 13, 2012
July 11, 2012 August 8, 2012
September 12, 2012 October 10, 2012
November 14, 2012 December 12, 2012

Please submit your request for improvements no later than one day before the ACC meeting for review by the Board.

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

Questions?

The Association staff is here to help you with any questions concerning landscaping, fencing, additions or painting the exterior of your home. Even if you are painting the same color the Board still requests that you submit color samples to keep your file up-to-date.

The 5th Annual "Vistas" Garage Sale Event - - Saturday, April 28, 2012



It is time to start thinking about Spring cleaning and collecting that pile of garage sale items. Like in previous years, the association will advertise the sale in the Reno Gazette Journal and post it on Craig's List. Los Altos Parkway, while maintained by The Vistas Homeowners Association, is City of Sparks public right-of-way and posting signs is not allowed.

Please make sure all your items are cleaned up after the sale and any unsold items can be donated to a charity of your choice. Below is a partial list of charities that will pick up items. You will need to call and arrange for pick up and it is important to check to see what items they will accept and what items they will not take. Good Luck on your sale!

Big Brother Big Sister 826-2122
Friends of MS 323-3311
WARC 333-9272
Reno/Sparks Gospel Mission 323-7999
St. Vincent's Thrift Store 322-9824

Board of Directors

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Board Election Information

You recently received information about two Board of Directors positions up for election. Currently we have two candidates for the two available positions. NRS 116 states that "if the number of nominated candidates is equal to or less than the number of members to be elected at the close of the 30 day period for self-nomination, then ballots do **NOT** need to be mailed." We will therefore not be mailing ballots and these candidates will be deemed to be elected to the board unless a qualified unit owner self-nominates within the 30 day self-nomination period.

Attached are copies of each candidate's Biography Statement as well as their Candidacy Disclosure Statement.

The Vistas Homeowners Association does not endorse any advertisements included in this newsletter. Paid advertisements are used to help offset postage costs for this mailing.

Common Area/Open Space

“Common Sense”

Common sense is the most widely shared commodity in the world, for every man is convinced that he is well supplied with it.”

— René Descartes

Leave the area the same or better than you found it.

Respect that many animals live in the area and may not like your presence there.

Do not let your children play unattended in these areas since there are many hidden dangers.

Matches, cigarettes etc. are a bad idea when enjoying the open areas of our community.

Tree limbs, grass clippings, dog feces, concrete etc. is not to be dumped in the common area. Dumping is illegal!

Fireworks are dangerous and illegal in Washoe county!

Not the appropriate place for children to build a fort or any other structure.

Dogs need to be on a leash and you still need to clean up after them.

Is to be used for the peaceful enjoyment of all Vistas homeowners.

Graffiti Reporting

To report Graffiti on public property, contact Maintenance Services at:

775-353-2271

If you see graffiti in progress, contact the Sparks Police Department at:

775-353-2231



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ATTENTION: Pets Owners
Washoe County Animal Ordinances

Chapter 55

55.130 Animal Waste Disposal

1. Except as provided in subsection 3, within the congested areas designated in sections 55.240 and 55.245 it is unlawful for any person owning or having control or custody of any animal to permit the animal to defecate upon the public property of the county or upon the private property of another unless the person immediately removes the feces and properly disposes of it; provided however, that nothing herein contained authorizes such person to enter upon the private property of another without permission.

2. Except as provided in subsection 3, within the congested areas designated in sections 55.240 and 55.245 it is unlawful for any person to walk a dog on public property of the county or upon the private property of another without carrying at all times a suitable container or other suitable instrument for the removal and disposal of dog feces.

55.100 Restraining animals.

1. In the congested areas of the county, every person who is the owner of or has the care, custody or control of any cow, **dog**, goat, horse, ox, poultry, rabbits or any rodent, sheep, swine or exotic animal, has an absolute duty to keep the same upon the premises under the control of such person, restrained by a fence, cage, coop, chain, **leash** or other adequate means so that the animal shall not leave the premises upon which it is kept.

How do I report a barking dog?

To report a barking or noisy dog, or other non-emergency animal issue, please submit your concern online at <http://www.washoecounty.us/animal/fieldrequest.html>.

Your report will be submitted to an animal control officer for follow up. Online reporting is for non-emergency calls only. For a concern that requires immediate officer response, please call dispatch at (775) 322-3647.

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