### DOLLAR POINT ASSOCIATION

#### SPRING 2024 NEWSLETTER

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## President's Message

By Jim Donahue

Spring is finally in the fresh Tahoe air! Our staff is busy getting our facilities ready for summer festivities. Cailin and Jacob have been working hard to transition us from snow to sun. The upper and lower tennis courts are open. The pool will open on Monday, May 20th. Everything will be up and running by Memorial Day.

The Social Committee has worked hard to spice up our upcoming member events. We will kick things off with a taco night on June 22, 2024, mariachi band and all. Please plan to join us for this great community-building event. It is a great way to meet neighbors, new and old. There will be more events over the summer, so please keep an eye on your email from the Association. Be sure to join us for the annual meeting on July 27th at which time we will be electing 3 board members. Hone your axe-throwing skills, as rumor has it we will have an axe-throwing trailer at one of our summer events.

Our Firewise Committee has been hard at work planning clean-up days. Thank you to Nate Walker and his team! The importance of this committee's work and the impact it has on safeguarding our community by reducing wildfire risk cannot be overstated. Please add to our dumpsters on green waste clean-up days and be sure to maintain your defensible spaces. With the difficulty we all experience in securing and retaining fire insurance in the Tahoe basin, we must be sure to maintain our status as a Firewise community.

Saturday Movie Nights and Yoga are coming back to the pool. We are hoping to have a beach Yoga day as well. Watch for announcements to come.

We have invested in much needed new kayak and paddleboard racks at the beach. They will be installed by the time the beach opens. Many thanks to Roger Quinlan and his Beach Committee for shepherding this process through from design to installation.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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You will notice changes for the better at the pool and beach this summer. We have many new lounge chairs at the beach, and have replaced the upper tennis gate card reader. You will also see new tables and chairs, as well as an ice machine. For our pool enthusiasts, we are excited to report that the pool will be transitioning from a chlorine-based chemical system to a healthier, much more user friendly salt water system. Our swimmers will note less chemical irritation and a kinder feel to the eyes and skin. Although salt based, the salt levels are nearly imperceptible to the user. This system also has economic and environmental benefits as it cuts down on the cost of pool and chemical maintenance, use and disposal over time. A tremendous thank you to Mark Moore for his great work in investigating and identifying the system of choice.

As a Board, we are excited for a great 2024 summer season at Dollar Point. Lake levels look good for our boaters, swimmers, kayakers and paddleboarders. We look forward to seeing you all at association events, at the beach, and around the pool.

Wishing you and your families a happy and healthy spring as we head into a beautiful summer in our piece of Tahoe paradise.

# SAVETHEDATES

May 1st - Beach Racks Opens

May 13th - 1st Buoy Session Begins

May 20th - Pool Opens

May 24th - Green Waste Dumpster Day #1

May 27th - Green Waste Dumpster Day #2

June 22nd - Mariachi in the Mountains

July 4th - Pool Party

July 22nd - 2nd Buoy Session Begins

July 26th - Green Waste Dumpster Day #3

July 27th - Annual Meeting

August 24th - Appetizer Fun & Games

September 29th - Buoy Field Closes

September 30th - Pool Closes

November 1st - Beach Racks Closes





## **ASSOCIATION MANAGER'S REPORT**



By Cailin Jope



Jacob and I are looking forward to serving you this season. Our goal is that you and your family members will have a pleasurable time at the Dollar Point facilities. The following message will give you the information you need to enjoy the venues:

#### **Beach Access**

Beginning on the weekend of May 18 & 19, we will have a gate host on duty to check people into the beach on WEEKENDS ONLY. This means having your Dollar Point ID card available on the weekends and using your blue or grey gate card to enter the beach during weekdays. Gate Hosts will be full-time starting on June 17th. All Dollar Point ID cards from previous years are still active.

#### **Pool Opening**

We are anticipating a pool opening on May 20th. For reservations, log onto the Dollar Point website, and under the 'Pool' tab will be an option to reserve a swim lane. Swim Lessons will be available following Memorial Day. Check the 'Pool' tab on the website for the Swim Instructors and Babysitters lists.

#### **Beach Opening**

Paddleboards and Kayaks will be allowed to use the racks on the beach on May 1st. Stickers are to be picked up at the office. The first day of the buoy service is May 13th.

#### **Tennis Courts**

The upper and lower tennis courts are open and ready to use with the blue/grey access card. The lower courts will feature a 2-hour reservation block at 8:30 am and 10:30 am. For reservations, log onto the Dollar Point website, and under the 'Tennis' tab will be an option to reserve a tennis court.

# Introducing the Communications Communications

Welcome to the debut of our 8th Board Committee here at Dollar Point!

I am Bob Stetson, the new Communications Committee Chair, and I have been a proud resident of our Dollar Point Community since 1996. Over the years, my family and I have truly enjoyed celebrating our "Wonder Years" here in this special community!

A little about me...I come from the world of Communications. You could say I am a "Communications Junkie" what with my 20 years in high-tech and business-to-business advertising agencies in Silicon Valley, including BBDO Worldwide. I spent over 10 years client-side as Worldwide Advertising Manager at Tandem Computers and then as Director of Integrated Communications for Compaq Computer Corporation. I am also experienced in the related communications arenas of: Branding, Broadcast Communications, Employee Communications, Marketing, Mergers & Acquisitions, Outdoor Advertising, Public Relations, Research, Sales, and Writing & Editing.

Our new Communications Committee will identify several important communications initiatives, programs, and projects that we will conceive and implement each year. For 2024, we are hard at work presently creating a new "Welcome Wagon Kit" for new members coming into our community. We will let these new members know about Dollar Point, including our history and key milestones, and to understand what our amenities, programs, and rules are. And we'll provide useful resources to be aware of here on the North Shore.

We're also developing a new Dollar Point Crisis Communications Plan. In times of crisis, each and every member of our community can play a vital role in ensuring the safety and well-being of our neighbors. We all need to assist in emergency situations with basic disaster response skills. Ultimately, the plan will equip our members with the basic knowledge, steps, and skills to provide immediate guidance, procedures, and overall crisis support for our community. Stay tuned...

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## Communications Committee Cont.

The final 2024 initiative for the Committee's focus will be the formal launch of the Dollar Point Open Meeting Program. We had a soft launch of the concept last Summer and it was a huge success! The Open Meetings were simple in scope: The sessions happened informally with the community members meeting around a picnic table by the pool with a designated Board Member. An open and non-censored, frank discussion of the member's questions, or ideas to make Dollar Point a better place to live takes place. A summary of these sessions is then posted on the Community's website to inform others.

We look forward to communicating with our members moving forward. And, in the interim, should you have a burning topic of interest that you would like to see addressed in a future Open Meeting, please shoot me an email or text. Thank you for your interest in the launch of our new committee. We look forward to serving you...

With Gratitude,

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