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President's REPORT

by Steve Owles

What a winter it has been! The snow is melting, the lake is full, and summer is on its way. The Board and staff are getting ready for another great Dollar Point summer. Here's what's happening:

Staffing: There are big changes. As announced, Debbie Wolf is retiring and will be leaving us in early June. Debbie has done so much for our Association and we are very grateful for her time here. Debbie left "big shoes to fill" and the personnel committee and board were challenged to find a replacement for her. However, through an extensive search, Sara Barnes has been hired to replace Debbie as the Association Manager. Sara has been in North Lake Tahoe for 6 years and her background in Human Resources at our local ski resorts and dealing with the challenges of a seasonal recreational workforce make her the perfect person to take over for Debbie. In addition, Amy Ellis has been hired as the new Recreation Manager. Amy is highly qualified and comes to Dollar Point with over 15 years of aquatic and recreation experience, most recently at Tahoe Donner. To assist Amy, we are pleased to welcome back Ashley Lucas as the Assistant Recreation Manager. Additionally, Sara and Amy have committed to elevating the experience for our homeowners and their guests as well as the service standards of our staff at the pool, beach and pier. All of our 2017 summer staff positions have been filled and we are ready to go!

A special thanks to the personnel committee, Pat Tweedy and Mitch Packard, for all the time and effort they put in to finding Debbie's replacement.

Landscaping: The heavy snow storms this winter have done a significant amount of damage to the trees and plants throughout Dollar Point. There is still a lot of snow to melt, especially in the pool area. Peak Landscape has started cleaning up where they can but until the snow has completely melted we won't know the full extent of the work-/expense required to get things back in order. As to

the pool, the cover is still on, and while we do not anticipate any "surprises" we cannot be sure until the cover is removed. We remain *cautiously optimistic* that with warmer weather and the cooperation of Mother Nature, the pool will be open by Memorial Day.

As customary, we will be having our annual "dumpster day" on Monday, May 29th with an added supplemental "dumpster day" date of Saturday, June 24th to allow additional time for snow to melt. Please remember the dumpsters are for yard waste only and nothing other than yard waste will be accepted.

Beach and pier and TRPA issues: Of course, the big, big news is that the lake is full and should stay that way until well into the summer! The other big news at the beach is that TRPA has agreed to again let us use the kayak and paddle board racks. However, we will have to go through the permitting process as required by TRPA. Jan Brisco, our consultant for TRPA issues, is assisting us with this as well as our request to add additional racking. In addition, due to the discovery of a yellow cress plant on our beach last summer (now under feet of water), TRPA will no longer allow us to rake the beach. Since we consider beach raking an important beach safety issue, we are working with TRPA on this but we will not know if raking can resume until mid-May. Otherwise, other than general maintenance, at this time there are no significant projects being undertaken at the beach/pier.

I would like to offer a word of thanks to my fellow board members: Mitch Packard, Debbie Nicholson, Pete Newell, Pat Tweedy, Pat Cala and Carol Wilmar. It has been a challenging year and the time and energy invested by all is greatly appreciated. Finally, one last thanks, good bye and good luck to Debbie. Your service and dedication have been greatly appreciated. You will be missed.



Beach&PierREPORT

by Steve Owles

Other than general maintenance, there are no significant projects planned for the beach/pier this summer. However, the maintenance and clean up needed is substantial. Included in the in the maintenance projects are the repair of the buoy boat and the painting and renumbering of the buoys. With the lake level up we are able, for the first time in many years, to put the swim platform in the water. In the past we have allowed vehicles to drive on the beach to access the kayak racks. We have been informed by TRPA, motor vehicles are strictly forbidden on the Dollar Point beach. Please observe and obey this rule.

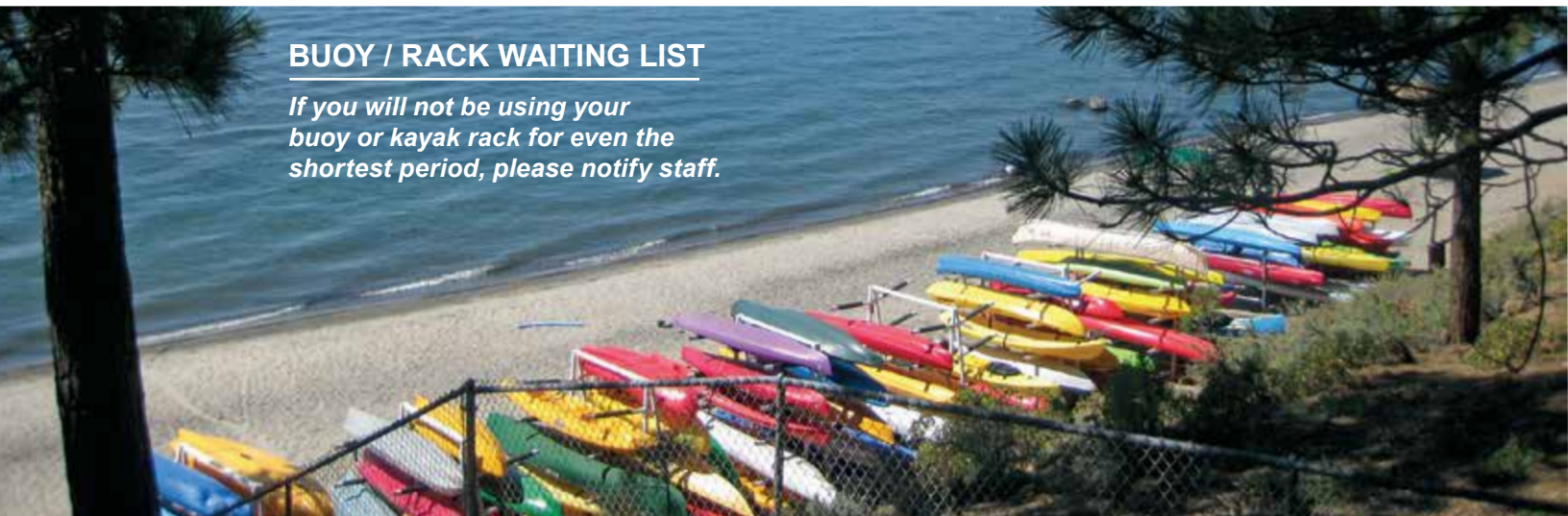
Requests for kayak/paddle board storage and buoys were at an all-time high this year. Unfortunately, we were unable to accommodate a significant number of kayak/paddle requests and there are 19 members on the waiting list for buoys. Please, if your circumstances change and you do

not need or use the racks, or you have time when you are not going to use you buoy, please let the Dollar Point management office know. Even just a few days could be very helpful.

We expect this to be a very busy season and with the lake full, activity around the pier is going to be intense. While diving from the pier is not permitted, it happens, and this year the temptation to jump will be great! With deep water, jumping or diving from the pier is not the issue as much as the mix of motor boats and swimmers. I personally have been involved in “close calls” with jumpers and swimmers completely oblivious to the fact there boats motoring at the pier. Our staff is there to ensure the safety of all those using the beach and pier so please follow their instructions. Whether on the beach, pier, pool, or other Dollar Point facility, we insist our staff be treated with respect at all times. Thank you for cooperating.

BUOY / RACK WAITING LIST

If you will not be using your buoy or kayak rack for even the shortest period, please notify staff.



DEFENSIBLE SPACE

Concerned about Defensible Space? Join us!

You all know by now that we had a whale of a winter. Dollar Point got all the snow we prayed for, and a lot more! Hard winters bring new growth, and leave us with yards in need of serious clean up. We hope to see many of you over Memorial Dumpster Day cleaning up your yards in preparation for what should be a great summer.

Yards and roofs should be clear of pinecones and needles, manzanita should be cut back, and trees should be trimmed to 10 feet away from the house. In addition, many Dollar Point homes do not have visible house numbers due to hanging foliage. The fire department responds to address numbers. If these can't

be seen, help can be delayed. This is an easy and cheap fix, so please check your house numbers from the street when you get back to town.

If any members would like to join a group to promote defensible space in Dollar Point, please contact me, Carol Wilmar. No meetings and not much work! As long as you reside in your home occasionally during the year, you can help keep our community safe. We already have some volunteers, so join us!

by Carol Wilmar



Pool & Social Committee REPORT

by Carol Wilmar

Hello, all! We've had quite a winter, and as this is being written, we're still having it. We can't be sure when the facilities will be operational this year, but we're hoping for the usual Memorial Day weekend opening.

First of all, we welcome Amy Ellis as our new Recreation Manager and Ashley Lucas returning as the Assistant Recreation Manager. They're both highly qualified, and will do their best to make summer enjoyable!

We'll have our usual events: The Fabulous Fourth, Art and Wine (either the 12th or 19th of July; save the date!) and our annual meeting on July 29th. Sprinkled in will be Arts and Crafts, Fun Fridays and perhaps an ice cream social or two! We will also be bringing back

water aerobics this year with experienced staff teachers. Swimming lessons will be available, but they'll need to be arranged personally with the teachers. As a courtesy to our guests we will provide a list of teachers similar to the list of babysitters. People who want lessons will contact the teacher either at the pool, or privately. Most of our staff loves to teach, but giving lessons is not part of their job description, so we cannot require it.

Members are reminded of our two most important rules: No Card, No Entry, and No unaccompanied minors under the age of 12. Babysitters must be 18+.

For now, let's all hope for a warm spring that will melt the snow and allow us to open on time. See you at the pool!



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Special Dates & Notes

Memorial Day Dumpster

Monday, May 29, 2017

Once again there will be dumpsters available at the beach parking area on Monday, May 29, 2017 for yard debris only. Staff will be available to assist you from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm at the dumpster location.

Second Dumpster Day

Saturday, June 24, 2017

There will be a 2nd "Dumpster Day" this year on Saturday, June 24th to allow additional time for snow to melt.

Annual Membership Meeting

The Annual Meeting will be held on
Saturday, July 29, 2017 at 4:00pm
 at the upper recreation area.

The meeting packet will be mailed to the full membership at the end of June. A buffet will follow after the general meeting and election of directors. Reservations are required to attend the buffet dinner.

Clean Up After Your Dog

Please remind your family members, friends, and renters of your home to pick up their dog waste in our Dollar Point neighborhood. There are Mutt Mitts available at the pool and beach facilities for your convenience.

TENNIS SCHEDULE

JUNE

26 - 30 **Jump Start Clinic** - \$150 per person
 Advanced 9am-10:30am Intermediate 10:30am-12noon

JULY

3 - 7 **Junior Tennis Camp** - \$100 per person
 Ages 11-16: 3pm-4pm Ages 6-10: 4pm-5pm

10 - 14 **Junior Tennis Camp**

17 - 21 **Adult Tennis Camp**
 Same as Jump Start Clinic

17 - 21 **Junior Tennis Camp**

21 **Margarita Mixer**
 Social Mixer with Chinquapin

24 - 28 **Junior Tennis Camp**

28 **Bocce Ball Mixer**

AUGUST

4 **Margarita Mixer**
 Social Mixer with Chinquapin

7 - 11 **Junior Tennis Camp**

14 - 18 **Junior Tennis Camp**



Weekly Programs* – July 4 – August - 31

Tuesdays	Round Robin	9am-11am Free
Wednesdays	Drill Clinic	9am-10am \$20/person
Thursdays	Doubles Drills and Play	9am-11am \$20/person

*Except on week of Adult Tennis Camp

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