# OAK SHORES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



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# Oak Leaves

SUMMER ISSUE

**JUNE 2016** 



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Memorial Day BBQ





**Summer Fun** 

### **President's Message**

by Randy Gillenwater



Interviews for the search to replace the current manager, Dennis Javens, who is retiring in September are currently being held. The field has been narrowed to 5 as of this writing. The Board would like to have the new manager in training by August.

The Association received notice from Nacimiento Water that the Fire Hydrants annual maintenance charge fee has been increased from: \$78,933 to \$178,172. The increase was not part of the budget that was passed in November for the current 2016 budget year. This increase for hydrants and water meter fee and increased costs for water use is

estimated at \$105,000 annually. Future dues will need to be adjusted by \$120.00 per lot, just to cover this increase. Prior year carryover will assist in this current year budget.

The Board has been asked to look into installing a lift to assist those members that cannot navigate the stairs in the Clubhouse. Some members are not able to attend Board meetings and events held on the second floor. Over the past several years this request has been talked about, it is time to act. It has been discussed that carryover dollars may be an option to get this project started. At the June Board meeting the Recreation Committee advised they would donate \$5,000 toward this project.

The owner of the West Ramp and surrounding beach area has notified the Board that he is going to sell this area and also the maintenance yard area. We have an easement to use the west ramp and the top area for parking. We do not have an easement to the beach areas currently being used. The owner has allowed us to use this area, however a new owner may not. We have an easement to part of the maintenance area but not all 20 acres. The owner has presented the Board with an option agreement and is looking for us to act. At the last Board meeting the Board directed the manager to have the two areas appraised. We will then have a better understanding of our options.

Current water levels are 740 feet of elevation and at 32%. Main ramp is useable to 730 feet of elevation or 24%, then to the auxillary single wide ramp. Current estimates as per the release schedule are that the main ramp will be in service until the end of September.

There are 3 Board seats open for election in September, look for the sign up notice if you are interested in running for a Board seat.

# **Manager Report**By Dennis Javens



I am sure that most of you know that I am leaving Oak Shores as the General Manager on September 20, 2016. It is hard to believe that I have been here for almost seven years, but as they say, "Time Flies When You're Having Fun". Working for this great community as your General Manager has been a pleasure and a lot of fun. I have met most of you and have enjoyed our conversations. I will miss this place, but one thing I will not miss is the drive to work.

The Board of Directors is looking for my replacement and has received a lot of great applications. I am sure they will find someone that will continue the hard work we have started. Oak Shores is a hidden gem that I know many of the professionals in my profession would be eager to manage.

Over the years I have worked with many Boards and a variety of Directors. I have found the Boards over the years have done an outstanding job of insuring that the Association was financially sound and that the assets of the community were in tip top shape. I would like to thank all of those Directors who allowed me to manage their community.

Being a successful manager requires that you have a great staff to make your job look easy. Oak Shores is blessed to have some of the finest employees I have ever worked with in my career. Without them my job would have been harder than necessary. You should all be proud of your staff and how they care about the community and the members.



Eagles Battling over a Fish Pictures taken by Summer Sutherland



# Vice President's Report by Steve Gasperson



Summer is upon us and our community comes to life. During our busy summer season I want to remind all of our owners & their guests to please slow down in the community. Pay attention and obey all of the Stop Signs. There are a lot of young kids and animals in our community. Also our Fire Danger is at extreme level. Please be very cautious with anything combustible, and pay close attention if using a fire pit.

Be Safe Have Fun Enjoy Your Summer

#### Dan in the Vines—Continued from page 5

This is like a Dark Knight in a bottle. Deep and brooding, with high spice combining with dark fruit and black licorice. Tannins are structured but firm on the palate. First taste brings a high-speed chase to indentify the flavors. Just when you decide on a flavor it races ahead to another. This is excellent because no one flavor is overbearing. You may consider wearing your cape when drinking a bottle of Trespasser, to go along with the dark bottle and graphics. Just 278 cases made and at \$44 per ticket, you have a unique boutique wine to savor. Out of ten corks I award 9.6 corks. It's worth the entry fee.

#### 2014 Pint Noir, Derby West Vineyard

This is what you might expect and not expect from a Pinot. Yes the smokiness and richness is evident but there is a terroir that delivers a different strength to the complexity of the wine. It's a dinner in the bottle. Smoked meat and white pepper with plum and fruit on the finish. Tannins are smoother bit hints of acidity easy on the palate. At \$46 per entry fee but a true contender for all you Pinot fans. Only 78 cases made. I award this one 9.7 corks for a true Pinot experience.

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There are many ways one can go wine tasting. Certainly the traditional way is to get in the car (but with a designated driver) and go from winery to winery on the highways and back roads. One can go downtown Paso Robles where there are some fourteen tasting rooms scattered about. There is a new and evolving wine tasting venue that is a one-stop location. It is called Tin City on the out skirts of Paso Robles meshed in an industrial area. Tin City refers to the material construction of the buildings that are home to an eclectic group of small artisan winemakers that are budget conscience.

I have made several trips to Tin City to taste at 16 different wineries. Now to make this more enticing, Barrel House Brewing Company is just across the street if small brewing is your preference. Add in another specialty of a distillery called Wine Shine/ The Manhattan Project. They distill wine brandy to

perfection. It is your classic Manhattan cocktail. There is even a Cider distillery aptly named Tin City Cider. You can park and take your time on the sojourn, get some lunch at the marvelous food truck at BHBC and sit out in their massive outdoor waterfall grounds. Once again have a designated driver, or consider Uber! Yes Uber is here in Paso. Tin City is off Marquita Lane from Ramada Drive, east side of the 101 Fwy.

Boutique wineries produce a different experience with their flagship varietals. They take a different process and some times take chances, not really, with style. Another consideration is, you can only find their wines in Tin City. It's a discovery you brag about to your wine friends. Almost all promotion of Tin City has been word of mouth.

After several visits, I have discovered an excellent producer named Aaron/Aequorea. This is not just a favorite from Tin City but from the area as a whole. Owner/winemaker Aaron Jackson wanted to make a paradigm shift in wine style and methods to establish his unique style with Petite Sirah and Pint Noir. There were numerous considerations to be made of vineyard selection. All grapes are sourced, soil, fermenting, aging, and blending. Aaron has been on this quest since 2002 with the search and involvement. He has many oenology degrees from wine institutions and time with great winemakers on the Central Coast before establishing his first commercial label in 2002.



Now for my two highly recommended vintages.

Trespasser 2013 Mouvedre, Petite Syrah, Syrah and a minor of Grenache.

#### **HUM ME A FEW BARS: PART TWO**



Hummingbirds are the only bird capable of sustained hovering. They can do this by flapping their wings in a figure eight pattern. Their power strokes are not just on the down stroke but on the upstroke as well. They can fly up, down, forward, backward, and even upside down. They can flap their wings between 20 and 200 times per second. Hummingbirds have been clocked at close to 30 mph indirect flight and more than 45 mph during courtship dives.



All this flying requires energy. Combine that with their fast breathing rate, fast heartbeat (225-1,200 per minute) and high body temperature (107) and you can see why they need to eat often. They have the fastest metabolism of any animal. Hummingbirds burn food so fast they often eat 1.5 to 3 times their body weight in food per day. About 90% of their diet is nectar but they eat bugs for protein. They feed every 10-15 minutes and can visit upward of 2,000 flowers per day.

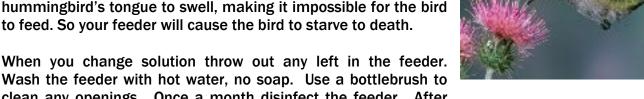
If you want to feed hummingbirds here are the suggestions. Use 1 part white table sugar to 4 parts



boiled water. Don't use honey. Don't use brown or even brownish sugar. Hummers don't have a strong sense of smell and are not attracted by the flowers fragrance. They can see the color red and are drawn to red flowers. This is why the hummingbird feeders are red. If Nectar is not red, do not use artificial coloring to make your solution red. Use good-quality water. If you don't drink the water don't make the hummingbirds drink it.

Bacteria and mold grow in sugar water, and sugar

ferments, so you solution should never be left out for more than two or three days. In hot weather it must be changed daily. Hummingbird feeders must be kept clean or a deadly black mold can develop in the feeder. This deadly mold infection causes the hummingbird's tongue to swell, making it impossible for the bird to feed. So your feeder will cause the bird to starve to death.



clean any openings. Once a month disinfect the feeder. After cleaning it soak in bleach or vinegar for a few hours. For bleach use a one part bleach to ten parts

water and for vinegar use one part distilled white vinegar to two parts water. Rinse well and let air-dry.

### **Downtown Paso Robles Summer Events**



















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### Vina Robles Concert Calendar

June 29 Chicago

July 7 Pepe Aguilar

July 31 Symphony at Sunset

August 4 Flogging Molly

August 8 Ziggy Marley

August 14 Steve Miller Band

August 20 Boy George and the Culture Club

August 23 The Go-Go's

August 25 An Evening with Peter Frampton

August 26 Jackson Brown

August 28 Gov't Mule

September 3 Yes

**September 9** Need to Breathe

September 11 Toto

September 14 Chris Issac

**September 15 Amy Schumer Live** 

September 18 Gloria Trevi

September 23 Bonnie Raitt

September 24 Tower of Power/ WAR

September 27 Cyndi Lauper

September 28 Dolly Parton

October 16 I love the 90's

October 22 Monkeys

# Recreation Committee By Janice Gillenwater

Hello Summer,

Activities are happening and everyone is welcome to join us.

Tuesday Potluck Night at the Pool - 6pm bring your favorite dish to share and your own beverage. Please remember no glass in pool area.

Thursday- Paso Concerts in the Park on Spring Street all summer long.

Friday Night Pontoon Boat Cruise Potluck -6pm meet at the boat slips with a potluck dish to share and your own beverage. Lots of fun even if you don't own a boat, just jump on one and enjoy the fun.

Saturday Night movies under the stars- on Clubhouse Patio at dusk- Popcorn provided, just bring your own chair and beverage and enjoy the featured movie of that week!!!

4th of July Weekend will be celebrated by Sunday night having Dave Rea playing his guitar and singing wonderful music.

4th of July Pancake Breakfast will be from 8:30-10:00am at the clubhouse.

August we will be having our very first parking lot swap meet. Buy a parking space, park your vehicle next space for easy unloading and sell your own items from your garage, closets etc., whatever you don't sell you take back in your vehicle!

Please call me with any ideas or questions at 472-9404.

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#### **OAK SHORES PROPERTIES**

	HOMES		LOTS	
Address	Bd/Ba	Price		
2671 Tree trap	2/2	\$154,900	8103 Boat Hook	\$24,000
2614 Crows Nest Loop		\$225,000	2308 Ridge Rider	\$33,500
8116 Cove Ln	3/2	\$229,000	2505 Shoreline	\$39,900
2462 Captains Walk	3/2	\$299,000	2705 Lookout Loop	\$48,000
2620 Crows Nest Loop	L	\$299,000	2667 Tree Trap	\$49,000
2359 Lakeview	2/2	\$317,000	2667 Pine Ridge	\$49,000
2430 Stern Deck	2/2	\$324,500	2505 Captains Walk	\$54,000
8101 Boat Hook	4/2	\$349,000	2463 Captains Walk	\$59,000
8267 Anchor Way	3/3	\$329,000	2517 Captains Walk	\$68,000
2647 Oak Shores	3/2	\$329,000	8769 Deer Trail	\$75,000
2661 Pine Ridge	2/2	\$339,000	8820 Deer Trail	\$95,000
2448 Stern Deck	2/3 3/3	\$354,900 \$399,000		,
8276 Anchor Way 2641 Pine Ridge	3/3 4/2	\$499,000 \$499,000	2879 Saddle Way	\$99,900
8212 Bass Point	2/3	\$559,000 \$559,000	2851 Lands End	\$100,000
2537 Shoreline	4/3	\$635,000	2645 Pine Ridge	\$130,000
8209 Bass Pt	5/3	\$719,000	8137 Smith Point	\$199,000
2676 Pine Ridge Rd	4/3	\$725,000	2676 Pine Ridge	\$199,900
8130 Smith Pt	4/3	\$849,000		
2860 Lands End	4/6	\$985,000		
2868 Lands End	4/5	\$1,888,888		

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# CLUBHOUSE GALLERY NEWS Rusty Lipscomb

Happy Summer to all of you! If you are out and about in the community, please take

time to visit the GALLERY upstairs at the clubhouse. Our current exhibit by artist/photographer, Kathleen Magliore, is an everything for sale event. There may be a piece or 2 that are perfect for your home!

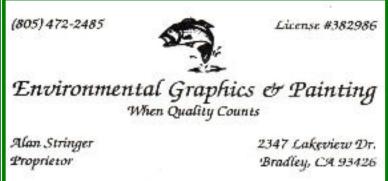
I am also planning to do an additional art show the day of our swap meet in August. Any Oak Shores resident is eligible to be included. If you have any interest in selling your art work, in any medium, please let me know.

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#### **Hummingbirds—Continued from Page 6**

Talk about strange bedfellows, try hummingbirds and hawks. Researchers found that in the Chiricahua Mountains of Arizona 80% of the hummingbird nests were built near hawk nests. Seems the hawks don't bother the hummingbirds, too small of a meal I guess, but they do act as guard dogs. Jay and crows are notorious for attacking nests. But, they are not going to attack a hummingbird nest that is located beneath a hawk's nest.

While hummingbirds and hawks have a commensal relationship, cats have a more parasitic relationship with hummingbirds. Cats, both domestic and feral, are probably the most common predators of non-nesting hummingbirds. Volunteering for many years at a wildlife rehabilitation center I saw lots of cat caught birds. Not only are the puncture wounds and fractured bones a problem but a cat's mouth harbors a deadly bacteria. If the bird is not placed on antibiotics it will die of sepsis.

I also say many tailless birds at the wildlife shelters. These were not birds in molt but ones that narrowly escaped being caught by a cat. Cats are an important reason a Critically Endangered hummingbird in Chile is close to extinction. There I have had my say.

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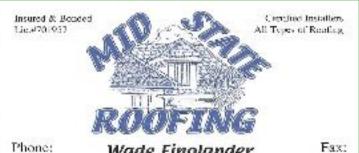
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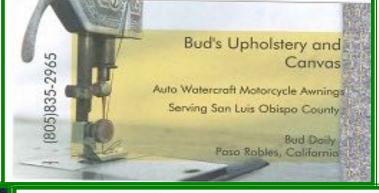
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