

Goldfield Ranch Homeowners Association

February 2010 News Bulletin

Board Meetings

Your 2010 GRHA Board met for their first meeting, February 8th. Minutes were e-mailed out and posted on the website as per bylaws. This year we have a five member board. President Janet Heekin, Vice President Ed Zukowski, Treasurer Gino Mei, Member Karl Mann, Member Greg Calvin and alternate David Smith all look forward to a good year here at Goldfield Ranch. We plan to do what we can to be of service to our community. What we can accomplish depends on members' participation. If you have an issue that you would like to discuss or you have some ideas to improve life here at The Ranch, do contact one of us. You are always welcome at the Board Meetings. Let one of us know if you want to address the Board so that we can get you on the meeting agenda. This year the date of each monthly Board Meetings will be set at the previous meeting. So from March on, just check the minutes that are posted on our website in order to determine the date of the next meeting. A reminder, our website is www.GRHOA.org. Our next Board Meeting will be Tuesday March 9th at 6:30 p.m. at the Heekin's.

Thank You!

After the January 19th, General Meeting, Virgil Dutton and Marty White completed their terms as Board Members. We want to express our sincere appreciation of all of their hours of service to our community! Virgil joined the Board in January of 2006, and served as President of the Board for 2009. Marty joined the Board in November of 2007, taking over the term vacated by Joe Sedlmeyer. Not only have they given their ideas, time and energy, but they have offered their homes as places that we could all meet for various events. Virgil and Anne hosted many meetings in their home. Marty and Debbi hosted meetings and also have provided us with use of their corral for our two end-of-the-year holiday events. Both couples have graciously offered their homes for future community events. THANK YOU Virgil and Marty!!!

2009 GRHA Board Accomplishments

Sometimes it is interesting and helpful to look back over the year to see if anything has been accomplished after all of one's efforts. Hopefully one will see progress. And this can be helpful as we move on into the next year ahead. Looking back over 2009, GRHA has done the following:

- *Led in efforts to get Goldfield Ranch roads improved.
- *Sponsored the annual road cleanup.
- *Replaced the old newspaper delivery box at the Vista del Oro entrance.
- *Repaired the pothole by 195 and the Beeline
- *Helped keep the phone tree updated for emergencies.
- *Helped communications with 8 bulletins sent out and updating the Message Board
- *Updated and printed the new Directories
- *Worked to update our website
- *Sponsored a Newcomers welcome event
- *Attended various meetings at the County regarding The Preserve and Grayhawk
- *Sponsored the Holiday Bonfire/Chili cook-off

These plus monthly Board meetings, keeping records, collecting dues and paying bills, and getting our annual meeting set up along with the Board Elections kept us busy. The Board plans to continue doing

these kinds of things in 2010. We appreciate your comments and ideas. And we hope that a few of you will seriously consider running for the Board next year!

Updated Directories and Maps

At the January membership meeting, the new updated directories, and copies of the GR Map (complements of Gina Waldo's efforts) were given out to all 2010 members in attendance. Since then, if you joined or renewed your membership per mail, you probably did not get your directories/maps. If this is the case for you, please REPLY to this e-mailed bulletin. Let us know that you want a directory and/or map and we will make arrangements to get them to you. Sorry for the delay! And if you have not yet renewed your GRHA membership, there is still time to do so! Memberships renewed by March 31st are appreciated! Attached is the form that you can print out and use. Thanks.

Reminder

Do you know where you put your copy of the Emergency Phone Tree? The system will be tested sometime in the near future. Be ready to do your part! If you cannot find your Phone Tree, REPLY to this message. Everyone was mailed one two months ago so you should have it. Let's be ready to deal with the Goldfield Ranch emergency that we hope never happens!

Test Strips

As everyone knows, the road test strips on Vista del Oro and Burntwater have been accomplished by GPOA. What do you think so far? We'd like to hear your comments. Just REPLY to this e-mail with your comments/concerns. Of course we realize that these strips must be tested during the hot and dry summer months. So it will be quite a while until the final verdict is in! But we would like to hear from you on this topic. Thanks.

Another Successful Clean-Up

Thanks to everyone who volunteered their time to help clean up the roadsides of Goldfield Ranch of February 20th. The roadsides really didn't look too bad, but it is amazing how much trash you can find when you really look. Many bags were filled with all kinds of things...bottles, cans, boxes, some old tools, one X-rated tape and even a few jackets! Ah, don't leave your jackets lying along the roadside when the clean-up is happening! Ha! We just might get 'em! See you all out there next year!

Helpful Hint

Checking propane rates a couple of months ago, Arizona Propane and Ferrellgas were within a couple of cents per gallon of each other. Our hot tub tanks were nearing expiration so we decided to go with Arizona Propane as we originally bought the tanks from them. Arizona Propane came out with 2 freshly inspected 100# tanks and also serviced the main 500 gallon tanks. No one was home at the time of delivery and the receipt was taped to the front door.

Reviewing the receipt, we experienced sticker shock. At 2.64 per gallon it seemed as though it was a 35% increase since I originally checked propane prices online. A call to Ferrellgas quoted their price at 2.23 per gallon! I was informed that propane prices can fluctuate up to 20 cents per week. A follow up call to Arizona propane was made the same day as delivery and I informed them of Ferrellgas' prices. The manager I spoke with was cooperative and agreed to change the balance due to reflect Ferrellgas' 2.23 per gallon! A savings of close to \$200!

Sincerely,

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