

Kings Deer Kronicles April 2003

Highlands Still Seeking Committee Volunteers

Your Kings Deer Highlands (Highlands) HOA Board Members have created several volunteer committees to help strengthen our community.

To date we have received the names of only a few volunteers. With every intention of sounding desperate, we need your help! Here's a brief description of

each of the committees:

<u>Architectural Review</u> – Board liaison: Bob Bimm

This committee shall review all building blueprints, pad site locations and landscape plans submitted by homeowners. Volunteers should have the ability to readily review plans as they are presented and possess the skills necessary to accurately read blueprints.

<u>Landscaping</u> – Board liaison: Mary Fortey

The landscape committee will be responsible for beautifying the neighborhood's common areas. Volunteers should have some basic landscaping skills and knowledge of high country gardening would be helpful.

<u>Prairie Winds Elementary</u> <u>School</u> – Board liaison: Tony Aguero:

This committee shall communicate with the elementary school admin. and PTO to maintain a good relationship with this very important neighbor.

<u>Social</u> – Board liaison: Ken McClusky and Bob Bimm

The social committee will be responsible for creating and organizing fun social events for our neighborhood.

<u>Infrastructure</u> – Board liaison: Ken McClusky

The infrastructure committee shall identify issues and recommend improvements to

the streets, paths, common areas, lights and other similar elements of the Kings Deer development.

<u>Covenant Control</u> – Board liaison: Mary Fortey and David Hamilton-Smith

Yes, we do live in a covenantcontrolled community, and yes, we need help with identifying covenant violations. The committee volunteers will only be responsible for identifying covenant infractions to the board liaison. The HOA will then take appropriate actions. Volunteers should have a keen interest in maintaining and improving Kings Deer.

Ongoing Initiative Updates.

<u>Ponderosa health</u> The Kings Deer Classic (Classic) HOA will be scheduling a Forestry Service representative to speak to our neighborhood regarding tree health. Keep an eye out for more details.

<u>Tennis courts</u> Due to the significant expense the tennis court project has been tabled until such time that there is more homeowner interest.

Entrance Landscaping Thanks to the hard work of Glen Scott and the combined efforts of the Highlands and Classic HOAs, landscaping the entrances began last fall. This project will begin again this month. The Classic HOA has decided no further to provide landscaping for the entrances at Hwy 105 and Archers, and at Kings Deer Pt. East. Highlands will landscape the remaining entrances with select tolerant drought plant materials.

<u>Classic and Highlands HOA</u> <u>consolidation</u> The Classic and Highlands HOAs are working diligently to work towards HOA consolidation. Classic HOA members have expressed some concerns from the Classic homeowners for this consolidation. Please feel free to express your opinions and concerns at the community website at www.kingsdeerhoa.com

Neiahborhood Clean-Up Highlands HOA will organize an entire neighborhood clean up tentatively set for the week of May 25. Highlands HOA will provide pick up for all dead trees that homeowners have cut down and place at the end of driveway. They can also be dropped off at the playing field (end of Six Penny) in the designated area. All trees will then be mulched and used to improve the playground area. Flyers will be delivered providing details.

Lot Maintenance

Dead Trees Classic and Highland's covenants mandate that all dead trees must be removed. Both HOAs have agreed that homeowners must have them removed by June 15, 2003. Dead trees left standing after this date will be tagged and then cut down by the respective HOA. The lot owners will then receive an invoice from their HOA. The Classic and Highland's HOAs highly encourage all homeowners to replace those removed trees. There are a number of tree services in the area that will not only provide and plant new trees but also remove the dead ones.

<u>Thistle Control</u> Time to begin thinking about killing that nasty thistle again. Spraying, diligent mowing, and cutting are the best defenses against thistle. What a Great Party! On Friday April 11, David Hamilton-Smith organized a terrific cocktail party for all of the Kings Deer residents. Additional thanks go to Kings Deer Golf course for providing the party place. The restaurant has a new catering manger and is now open for breakfast and lunch. Evening hours are coming soon. Please patronize our very important neighbor!

Who's That on the Bunny Trail?

On April 19, an Easter egg hunt was organized for our neighborhood children. Thanks to Kathy Lumpkin and Laura Bimm.

We'd like to have more of these types of neighborhood get-togethers. If you have any ideas for community gatherings or would like to volunteer to help organize an event, please contact Bob Bimm or Ken McClusky.

And a few words from Eric Becker, Manager at the Kings Deer Golf Course - The Troon Tavern Restaurant at the golf course is now open for the season! We are very excited to have found an outstanding restaurant manager, Darlene Miller, to run operations in the restaurant. She brings over 25 vears of restaurant experience to King's Deer with 5 years at Gleneagle golf course and 11/2years at Pine Creek Golf Course. Darlene also has an experienced crew in the kitchen with Deanna Poland and Keith Hernandez. The restaurant hours for the rest of the month are 7:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. (weather permitting) Monday -Sunday. Starting in May hours will be expanded so please call for summer hours. We look forward to seeing and

serving you! Please call 559-0105 for restaurant information.

Open House - King's Deer Golf Club is inviting you to an Open House on Saturday May 10th at Noon. All local residents are invited to take part. Reservations are required for the following events: Buffet Lunch served 12:00 to 12:45, Information Session 12:45 to 1:00, Optional 9 Holes of Golf at 1:30. Cost is \$10.00 per person, which includes lunch buffet, 9-hole green fee, cart and new GPS system. Please RSVP to 481-1518 limited to the first 100 people. The information session will include details on all the golfing opportunities available this season such as passes, punch cards, GPS, men/ladies clubs and other items of interest. Don't miss this exciting day!

Neighborhood Watch

The watch program is still under construction. Thanks to those neighbors who have volunteered as block captains. There has been a lot of interest in the program but more block captains are needed. We have about 35 blocks in all of Kings Deer and currently have 20 of those covered. Those interested in more information about becoming a block captain please call Glenn Scott at 488-8808, or email to kayglen@aol.com.

NEPCO This organization represents HOAs in north El Paso county of which Kings Deer is a member. Meetings are held bi-monthly. Our representatives are Bob Bimm and Marty Kinnaird or Glenn Scott. Land use issues are of primary concern and NEPCO actively pursues impact of new developments on neighboring developments.

Comments are made to county planning. NEPCO is currently working on Struthers Ranch, Flying Creek Ranch and Baptist Road.

At the last meeting, Sheriff Terry Maketa reviewed changes he is making to upgrade services for our area.

Our area - division 1 (out of a total of six) experiences the highest rate of traffic accidents of all other divisions in the county. We also lead the pack in false 911 calls.

He advised that the only sanctioned organizations for fund solicitations are the Fraternal Order of Police and Sheriffs the County of Colorado, neither of which should be soliciting by phone direct mail only.

He urged us all to participate in neighborhood watch and be diligent about reporting incidents. Welcome new neighbors! Kirk & Patricia Thorne - 1732 Islehurst David & Barbara Root - 19435 Kershaw Michael Pascale - 740 Caspian James Heckethorne - 19155 Breton Pl Dennis & Michelle Bauer - 885 Lancers Ct Robert & Karen Bluemel -19115 Royal Troon Johnathan & Amy Mullins -20336 Glasbury

Frequently Asked Questions

happened the What to community newspaper that I used to get delivered from time The Classic and to time? Highlands HOAs have been paying for the delivery of that publication to all Kings Deer residents. The Highlands HOA voted to stop paying for the distribution since the publisher of the paper is a for-profit organization. The paper is still available at area merchants.

When's the new neighborhood phone book coming out? Thanks to Highland's resident Cheryl Myers, the directory has been completed and is at the printers. The delivery date will be by month's end.

What is the web address for the community website? Please visit the new HOA website at

<u>www.kingsdeerhoa.com</u> for a calendar of events and interesting links.

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