



Happenings

December 2016

From the President

Greetings, Neighbors!

What a busy year it has been! There have been a lot of challenges and some new energy as a result.

First, a hearty "THANK YOU" to everyone who has worked so hard on volunteer efforts this past year. Volunteerism is the best way to get to know your neighbors and make a positive difference in our HOA.

From the Special Meeting of the Members in June, one thing was very apparent – the Board needs to improve our communication with our owners. I looked at the "Hidden Valley Directory," and guess what I noticed? A LOT of the residents who were present at the June Special Meeting of the Members and even more new faces who joined our Board Meetings these past few months are not included! Please see the "BE INFORMED" request for information, and make our communication efforts more effective.

As always, please contact any member of the Board if you have any suggestions, or if you want to help make Hidden Valley an even better place to call home!!

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| COA | Description | 2017 Budget |
|-------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| 6041 | Landscape Contract | \$ 61,800 |
| 6045 | Additional Landscape | \$ 5,000 |
| 6090 | Pond Repairs | \$ 1,000 |
| 6093 | Pond Chemicals | \$ 1,200 |
| 6120 | Irrigation Repairs | \$ 10,000 |
| 6353 | Snow Removal | \$ 1,500 |
| 6410 | Street Light Maintenance | \$ 1,000 |
| 6570 | Pond/Fountain Maintenance | \$ 6,450 |
| 6640 | Infrastructure Maintenance | \$ 10,000 |
| 6999 | TOTAL | \$ 97,950 |
| 7040 | Pool Service | \$ 4,250 |
| 7045 | Pool Repair | \$ 500 |
| 7050 | Clubhouse Cleaning | \$ 900 |
| 7051 | Clubhouse Usage/EVENTS | \$ 750 |
| 7080 | Pump House Repairs | \$ 400 |
| 7090 | Clubhouse Repair | \$ 400 |
| 7200 | Garage Repair | \$ 200 |
| 7311 | Gate Internet Subscription | \$ 170 |
| 7809 | Licenses and Permits | \$ 180 |
| 7889 | TOTAL | \$ 7,750 |
| 7910 | Electric | \$ 8,000 |
| 7920 | Water/Sewer/Trash/ Dump | \$ 150,000 |
| 7930 | Telephone | \$ 350 |
| 7960 | Gas | \$ 2,000 |
| 7990 | TOTAL | \$ 160,350 |
| 8020 | Sentry Fee | \$ 21,248 |
| 8030 | Newsletter | \$ 1,000 |
| 8040 | Postage | \$ 1,000 |
| 8060 | Copies/Printing/ Supplies | \$ 2,700 |
| 8061 | Website | \$ 450 |
| 8080 | CPA Services | \$ 1,350 |
| 8100 | Legal Expenses | \$ 3,500 |
| 8120 | Insurance | \$ 6,550 |
| 8160 | Elect. Trans. | \$ 50 |
| 8200 | Security Service | \$ 4,300 |
| 8390 | Ann Corp Rpt | \$ 12 |
| 8479 | TOTAL | \$ 42,160 |
| 9170 | Reserves - Operational | \$ 10,951 |
| 9175 | Reserves - Capital | \$ 18,252 |
| 9300 | Reserves Total | \$ 29,203 |
| 5142 | Contingency | \$ 27,627 |
| 9980 | Total Expenses | \$ 365,040 |

TREASURY NOTES

BY ALICIA PRUITT

Great news, Neighbors!!

In 2017, your Annual General Assessment will NOT increase!

Your Annual General Assessment remains at \$2,160 (monthly installments of \$180 can be made).

Your first payment is due on JANUARY 1 by end of business. On January 6, your account is considered delinquent.

Look for payment books soon!

Ask Ms. Parking Person

By Linda Mawhorter



Dear Ms. Parking Person,

I am confused about what is allowed in the way of parking here at Hidden Valley. I certainly do not want to receive one of those green stickers on my car, even though you have cleverly modified them so that they are much easier to remove.

Signed. Confused

Dear Confused,

The parking regulations for Hidden Valley are fairly straightforward as outlined in [HVCSA Policy Resolution Number 8: Vehicle Parking and Storage: Rules and Penalties](#). You can find this on the HVCSA website.

To summarize, during the day homeowner vehicles may be parked in driveways, on the street, or in unmarked spaces in the lots on Meadow Green, Hackberry, or Nandina Lane. From 11 PM to 6 AM, **no** vehicle may be parked on the street but **must** be parked in one of the above locations. **All** parked vehicles must have a current registration and license and must be maintained in working order.

The lots mentioned above also have spaces reserved for visitors. If your visitor is here for an extended stay, please request from Ms. Parking Person a Special Temporary Permit for that vehicle authorizing it for the entire length of time it will be here. As an extra bonus, the permit will be hand-delivered to you so that you may meet Ms. Parking Person in person!!

Parking of recreational vehicles, boats, and trailers is **not** permitted at any time. Homeowner vehicles may **not** bear any type of advertising – exceptions are made for cars such as county vehicles for sheriffs and so forth.

All vehicles **are prohibited** from parking on the grass, since this has been known to damage sprinkler heads.

Any homeowner or visitor who repeatedly violates any of these rules applying to them is subject to fines or towing of the vehicle. If at any time you feel that a situation has arisen whereby you cannot comply with these rules, please call Ms. Parking Person (299-0065) to find out if a Special Permit can be issued. Thank you for writing to Ms. Parking Person – she is always willing to answer your questions.



Our neighbors have been BUSY little bees this year! We love volunteers because they keep our neighborhood looking great and save a lot of money!!

Work Day and other efforts and volunteer projects not only spruce up our neighborhood, but they save our community money in the process. Several volunteer efforts have made a very positive difference this year.

The MESS of our garage was cleaned up by **Phil Davis, Mike Carroll, Steve Pruitt, Leith Page, Judy Sinor, Gene Kippel, and Alicia Pruitt.** As much as could be was recycled and/or repurposed.



During our Spring Work Day, The entry “Hidden Valley” sign and the “El Vallado” sign at the Phase 5 entry were repaired with special polymerase paint for stucco, street light bulbs were changed, the Clubhouse parking lot fence, several light poles, and the speed bumps have been painted. The multi-sign post on Hidden Valley Road received a face lift. Lots of goodies were provided during Work Day. Thanks to **Helen Bell, Tom Cassidy, Phil Davis, Larry Duncan, Roger Houser, Jean Kan, Gene Kippel, Linda Mawhorter, Sally McConnell, Leith Page, Judy Sinor, and Jennifer White** for all of their efforts.

A very special mention is Andy Klemas, who owns a house on Fennel Court, but lives in Virginia. He comes every year for Work Day!

Steve Pruitt has been a VERY busy bee! He has trimmed/removed broken tree branches on Hidden Valley Road, Green Valley Drive, and Cottonwood Trail after a wind storm in June. **Along with Gene Kippel, Mike Carroll, and the Montoyas,** he brought out his chainsaw and made quick work out of a huge Cottonwood limb that fell, closing off Hidden Valley Drive back in September.

Did you notice that all of the old “NO TRESPASSING” signs were changed to the “official” signs that are “step one” to securing our neighborhood from trespassers? Yup—Steve changed those out, and lost count at 15. He also repaired several speed limit signs on Hidden Valley Road, a handicapped parking sign by the Clubhouse, and put up the “Neighborhood Watch” signs for the Chaco Cliff Trail group.



Gene Kippel and Phil Davis recently re-painted the Visitor Parking space markers.

If anyone was left out, please let us know! We will gladly show appreciation in our next newsletter.

There are a great number of opportunities for volunteers in our neighborhood. If you have a project you would like to volunteer to complete, contact Pam at Sentry or any Board Member.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

On the first Tuesday of August, neighborhoods all over our country celebrated "National Night Out," sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch and co-sponsored locally by the Albuquerque Police Department (APD), APD Crime Prevention Unit and the Office of Neighborhood Coordination.

The event was designed to heighten crime/drug prevention awareness, generate support for local anti-crime efforts, strengthen neighborhood spirit and police/community partnerships, and to renew old acquaintances and establish new friendships by getting to know neighbors. Mostly, though, by getting out, locking our doors, and turning our lights, we sent a message to criminals letting them know our neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.



Chaco Cliff Trail is "4" our Police!!!

Hidden Valley's Chaco Cliff Trail Neighborhood Watch hosted Sgt. Nuñez, Officer Rosillio, Officer Moore, Officer Carpenter, and Officer Cadroy for a BBQ. They offered excellent information on some of the new Albuquerque Police Department initiatives, and, as always provided tips to keep our homes (and ourselves) safe. They answered some very difficult questions. We were all so happy to have made new friends of those who Protect and Serve!

Landscaping Services 2017

| Turf Care (entire HVCSA) | |
|---|---|
| Mowing, Trimming, Edging | Fall/Winter as needed. Growing season at least every 14 days. |
| Aerate | Twice a year |
| Dethatch | Late Winter as needed/appropriate |
| Debris Removal (entire HVCSA) | |
| Bag/remove clippings, blow curbs, sidewalks, Xeric/Gravel | With each service |
| Winter/Fall Leaf Removal | As needed, seasonally |
| Remove dead limbs/shrubs, trash, dead animals | With each service, as needed |
| Trash Cans at Pond Area | With each service, replacing liners, and assuring items that "miss" the bins are removed. |
| Vegetation Care and Control (entire HVCSA) | |
| Fertilize | 5 applications per year |
| Pre-Emergent and Weed Control | 3 applications per year |
| Weed Control (incl. Round -Up Cracks) | as needed |
| Tree/Shrub Fertilization | Spring |
| Trimming and Pruning | |
| Common Areas only until Supplemental Declaration is recorded at County Clerk's Office | |
| Xeric Beds (Common Area) | |
| Weed control, rake to maintain clean appearance, border maintenance. Fill in rock beds and camouflage/cover irrigation lines. | |
| Perimeter/Arroyo Areas | |
| Trash and debris removal | With each service as needed, but concerted efforts during "non growing" season |
| Remove tree runners and saplings | |
| Trim naturally occurring growth | |
| Remove dead plants | |



If you are interested in being a part of something FUN in our community and in making a POSITIVE difference, fill out the form below and let's get to work making our neighborhood better!!!

Submissions are due on January 5. Send this form to Sentry, put it in the Clubhouse Mailbox, give it to a Board Member, e-mail Pam at Sentry

....or just tell a Board Member you are interested!!!

Those selected for this first committee will be announced at the January Board Meeting.

I want to be a Block Captain!

Name: _____ Address _____

Phone Number: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Tell us something about you!!!



**BE
INFORMED**

Our Hidden Valley Directory is VERY blank. A lot of our residents are concerned about the distribution of our homeowner's directory. Please be assured that the ONLY people who receive a copy of the directory are our residents and non-resident owners (those who have rental houses in our Association but do not live here).

The Board is working on a much more informative Directory, with copies of helpful information as well as our community members' listings.

PLEASE – even if you believe your information is up to date, complete this and return it to Sentry or place in the Clubhouse Mail Slot. This is our best method to assure our neighborhood communications are as complete and correct as possible!!!

Name(s) of Family/Members in the house:

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

I prefer to receive news/notices by: posted mail email hand-delivered to my home

I understand that this information will be used ONLY for the private communications of Hidden Valley. It will NOT be sold or otherwise used.

Signature of Head of Household: _____