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A Message from your Board of Trustees

October **2009**

Check out our web site at www.highvalleycc.org. The minutes and activities are listed there.

SUMMER IS OVER AND WINTER APPROACHES:

1. Remember to shut off water so pipes do not freeze.
2. Winterize and protect your investment.
3. Weekenders – Please make sure you take care of your garbage. You can call Lemay's office and set up an account. 1(800)525-4167

Thank you to all the folks who volunteer to serve. High Valley cannot flourish without people willing to serve in a number of roles.

DUES & ASSESSMENTS:

DUES ARE DUE BY MAY 1 OF EACH YEAR!!!! There are several lot owners that are behind on dues. Water shut off notices and intent to lien WILL be sent out on November 30. Please pay timely as this is how we maintain the Club House, the Golf Course, The Pools and the Water System.

Remember we will use the honor system for golf this winter.

Back-up Generators – The first back-up generator is installed serving HV8/11; it operates as designed. The next three generators will be up and running by the end of October. Our water system should be protected against power outages with associated loss of pressure this winter. Of course, loss of pressure results in water backflow and risk of system contamination.

Dogs on Golf Course – This summer your Board approved rules requiring that dogs on the golf course must be on a leash. In order to enforce those rules, the following policy was adopted:

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| First Offense: | Verbal warning, documented |
| Second Offense: | Written warning, documented |
| Third Offense: | Letter revoking privileges for 1 month |
| Fourth Offense: | Letter revoking privileges for 1 year |

Questionnaire – The questionnaire sent out with the last newsletter elicited 122 responses. The distribution of the responses was: 39 full time residents, 57 part time residents and 26 occasional residents. Some of the feedback received was:

With regard to enforcement of the covenants:

More enforcement – 51 Less enforcement – 3 About right – 45

With regard to the importance of the facilities:

Water System	Critical/Very Important – 109
	Somewhat/Not Important – 6
Golf Course	Critical/Very Important – 65
	Somewhat/Not Important – 48
Swimming Pools	Critical/Very Important – 68
	Somewhat/Not Important – 45

General Comments were summarized as follows:

High Valley & HV Board	Positive – 41 Negative – 2
More Covenants Enforcement	- 34
Control of Dues	- 16
River Access	- 11
More Activities	- 9
Miscellaneous	– 68

The complete results of the questionnaire will be posted on the High Valley website. The Board is in the process implementing actions which will address some of the questionnaire input including river access and covenants enforcement.

Dennis Lofgren – Dennis passed away October 14th after a battle with cancer. Dennis served on the High Valley Board of Trustees up until the September Board meeting when he was forced to resign

because of his failing health. Dennis was golf course trustee and an active member of the Board; we will miss him.

Annual Holiday Potluck– The High Valley Women’s Club is sponsoring the Annual Holiday Potluck to be held at 6:00 PM, December 12th at the High Valley CC clubhouse. All of High Valley is invited. A silent auction will be held in conjunction with the potluck as a fund raiser for the Women’s Club. If you have items that you would like to donate for the auction, please contact Lois Enz (360) (494-5084) or Carol Hunt (360) (494-4142).

Aaron Amidon – High Valley CC would like to thank Aaron; he has donated the Cutter’s Point coffee and coffee cups for the HVCC clubhouse. Aaron has also been very generous in contributing items for the Holiday Potluck Silent Auction.

Golf Course - The golf course will be closed for regular play, except for members and guests entered for the following events:

- HVCC Picnic (every 2 years, July or August) – 3 hours
- Women’s Club Fundraiser (annually, September) – All Day
- Men’s Club Turkey Shoot (annually, November) – 2 hours

The above events will be posted with 3 weeks’ notice. The following HVCC social events will also restrict golf play to participants:

- Men’s Club (weekly during Summer) - after 4:30PM Monday
- Women’s Club (weekly during Summer) – all morning Tuesday
- Jack & Jill Scotch ball (weekly during Summer) – after 5PM Thursday

Cowlitz River – Protecting the property of High Valley and other facilities along the Upper Cowlitz River continues to be a high priority. The best news is the NRCS study that was finished recently. The study identified the areas near the river that are threatened, the value of the properties, the alternatives for protecting the areas and the cost/benefit of protection. The study provides an alternate strategy to the CMZ/Counties approach which was to ignore mitigation opportunities, assume the properties will be washed down the river in the next ten years, regulate all construction/major repairs and accept the financial losses to home owners and county revenues. Jim Brazil is working with Larry Johnson of the NRCS to plan the implementation of one of the key study recommendations to protect HV8/11. John Anderson is heading a technical advisory committee to make sure the concerns of the people in the CMZ are fully addressed as the County moves forward. The Army Corps of Engineers sent two people up to do a preliminary survey of the situation; they expressed amazement at the extent of the problem. They promised to evaluate what the Corps can do to help with the problem.

Much of the documentation of the protection efforts is located in the High Valley website (highvalleycc.org).

TRUSTEES - We need volunteers to step up and help. We now have two vacant positions on the board. Please send a brief resume to PO Box 427, Packwood, WA. 98361.



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