

Sundance Mesa Newsletter

Fall News

October 2010

Dear Sundance Neighbors,



Welcome to the fall newsletter. In our newsletters we try to provide new information and helpful reminders of our collective responsibility to our neighborhood and each other. If you have questions or concerns about a neighbor's property please discuss the issue directly with your neighbor before contacting the HOA. We have a few renters in Sundance who may not be familiar with our covenants and restrictions. If you have a question you can visit our website or call any member of the Board or ACC. **The Board** = Ron Overley, President 771-3308; Susan Fullas, VP/Secretary 867-1165; Alan Hill, Treasurer 962-2385. **The ACC** = Mary Strickman 771-8451; E.T. LaFore 771-1032; Roxanne Blatz 867-4810.

Welcome New Neighbors: Please welcome our new neighbors to Sundance.

Bill Muir & Jennifer Sullivan, 7 Second Mesa Drive
Sid & Liz Murry, 1 Victoria Court
Kevin & Kathy Rogols, 4 Third Mesa Court
Stuart & Annabelle Earley, 21 Misty Mesa Court
Walter Lamar & Cynthia Chavez Lamar, 2 First Mesa Court
Charles Chambers & Lisa Chavez, 2 Katherine Court

Annual Pig Roast: Our annual Pig Roast is sponsored by your HOA and hosted by your neighbors Sal and Deborah Gullo. The Labor Day Weekend event is always great fun and Sal's roast pig is delicious. This year's event was a well-attended success and we all owe Sal and Deborah our continued thanks for their hard work and for opening their home to everyone who lives in Sundance. Thank you both from all of your friends and neighbors.

And from the Gullos - Thank You all again for joining us at this year's 11th Annual Event! We enjoyed the company of old friends and the opportunity to meet and greet new friends. And we appreciate the delicious contributions of food, drink, friendship and help in hauling stuff, setting up and taking down. We hope you've already marked your calendars for next year - September 4, 2011!

Good News Dues: Our major dues obligation has been to the developer of Sundance Mesa for Camino Manzano improvements and paving. As we told you in the last newsletter, we have made our final payment and the obligation is behind us. Your Board recently met and produced the budget for 2011. Due to our current reserves we have determined that we can meet our obligations for 2011 without charging dues for the coming year. Closer to the end of the year you will receive a bill in the mail for 2011 dues showing a \$0.00 balance due. This is a one-year pass and you can expect dues for 2012 and beyond to be in the \$75.00 to \$100.00 range barring any major unforeseen events.

Directory on our Website: Our membership directory is now on our website in the member section. This information is in addition to the printed directory that we will continue to produce. On the web edition there is a section for your e-mail. To include your e-mail for your neighbor's use you need to send a note authorizing the Webmaster to post it to the site: webmaster@sundancemesa.com. Sundance Mesa does not publish or distribute your e-mail to anyone and your e-mail will not be listed in the printed directory.

Annual Meeting: Our 2010 Annual Meeting is scheduled for January 27, 2011, 7:00 pm, at the Bernalillo High School Media Room. Final Information and directions will be mailed later in the year.

Gathering of Friends: The first revised format for these popular quarterly cocktail parties was held on October 16 with over 50 people attending. Two homes hosted and everyone brought an appetizer and personal drink. It was a lot of fun! These events are a great way to socialize with friends and neighbors and meet new friends. There are four events planned for each year and the next party is January 15, 2011. In order to receive information you need to sign up by contacting Sue Overley or Susan McGrath. sueoverley@comcast.net or 2528mcgrath@comcast.net. There is no obligation to attend but you must sign up to receive the information.

Sundance Ladies Lunch: This informal lunch is held on the third Wednesday of each month at the Flying Star in Bernalillo at 11:30 am. A large table is reserved for the lunch. Reminders are sent each month by Susan McGrath. There is no RSVP but you must sign up to get the reminder: 2528mcgrath@comcast.net. All Sundance ladies are welcome.

Board Membership: Do you have a little time to devote to Sundance Mesa? If so please consider serving on the Board of your HOA. You do not need to be retired to serve. Meeting times are flexible and the Board usually meets quarterly. To reduce Board member duties we are splitting the position of Vice President/Secretary by adding one additional member to the Board for 2011 and beyond. We need two people to run for the Board this fall. Please let us hear from you if you can help your community by serving. Our neighborhood works best when more members are actively involved.

New Fire Station: Our new fire station just off the frontage road is open with both volunteers and a full time staff. The station has an Insurance Services Office (ISO) rating of 6. The lower this number the better. Many insurance companies rely on this rating to determine part of your homeowner's insurance cost. While the rating has not changed for some time it still may be worthwhile to ask your carrier what rating they are using.

Trash Cans, Wood Piles, and Storage Piles: We have received several complaints that trash containers are being stored in visible locations before and after pick up. Please note that our CC&R's clearly state that trash containers, woodpiles and any storage pile must not be visible from neighboring property. Please be sure your container is not visible and is stored either in your garage or behind a properly constructed structure. Remember any alteration to your property visible to your neighbors or from a road must receive the approval of the ACC before construction begins.

You Dogs: Not a newsletter goes by without talking to you. Now listen up!!! Your neighbors are darn tired of your poop on their property. So before your walk, tell the boss to carry a bag because you just might need to use it. Remember there is no common ground here so anywhere you do your business in Sundance is on someone's property.