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News from the Pres ...

Summer is here and so is the heat, but that is not going to stop anyone from enjoying all of the summer activities. Concerts-In-The Pines, The Sierra Repertory Theater, hiking, boating, auto shows and wine tasting are just of a few of the activities that make living in the Sierra foothills so enjoyable.

The RNA Clean-Up Day on Tuesday May 13 was a great success. Twenty residents met at Cres and Bill Anton's home for the purpose of cleaning the litter from the sides of our streets. Starting at 10:15 and ending at about 12:00, the clean-up crews completed their policing of Ridgewood streets and collected enough trash to fill a small pickup truck. The clean-up crews then enjoyed a barbeque at the Antons. The group was treated to Bill's barbequed chicken, the delicious Filipino hors d'oeuvres prepared by Cres as well as the great food brought by the clean-up crew. Much thanks go to Bill and Cres for hosting the clean-up party and to the clean-up crews for helping to keep our streets clean. Just a reminder, keeping our streets clear of litter is a daily activity and not limited to our annual RNA Clean-Up. So do your part. If you notice trash on the side of the street, pick it up and get rid of it.

The clean-up day was held on a weekday so it would not interfere with the volunteers' weekend plans. Unfortunately this excluded those who are working during the week; however, the turnout was very good.

Special thanks goes to **Bruce McDonell** and **Guy Hoffman** who are keeping Ridgewood Drive in Ridgewood I free from litter on almost a daily basis. Also, **special thanks** go to **Bill Anton** who has been keeping our Ridgewood entrance markers free from weeds and obstructions.

The RNA summer party/meeting on June 22 was hosted by **Todd and** Cyndi Simonson. Starting at 2:00 pm the residents started arriving until approximately 40 residents were in attendance. After everyone had time to socialize with their neighbors, the RNA president held a short meeting and reviewed the RNA's current activities. Our quest speaker was Judy Crabtree from Prudential Realty who presented information about the Tuolumne real estate market with the emphasis on Ridgewood. The good news is that Ridgewood properties are now selling. The bad news is that values are down by approximately 20 percent from their 2007 highs. It was definitely an enjoyable party, and the food brought by the attendees was wonderful. Thank you Todd and Cyndi for hosting our summer party/meeting. Your back yard with the swimming pool and pool house provided a great venue for our party.

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News from the Pres - continued

As a reminder, the terms of RNA officers of President, Secretary and Member-At-Large will end by June of 2009. So, start thinking about who you would like as replacements for these officers.

Also, it is time to be thinking about the RNA Christmas party/meeting. We need a volunteer to host the party. If you can volunteer, please contact me or another board member.

For your information, of the 152 Ridgewood homes, we have 96 RNA member homes, 11 member homes that did not renew from last year and 45 homes that have never joined the RNA.

Have a great summer and enjoy your vacations!



ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE

The Architectural Control Committee met recently and approved plans for a new shop for John and Marsha La Torre, at 16161 Crestridge Avenue. Their plans were in compliance with Ridgewood Architectural Control requirements, the setbacks for wildlife and lot line distances were met. The shop will be an attractive addition to their property.

We also approved the plans submitted by Dave and Tina Pafford for their home on Lot 120-A on Parkridge Avenue.

The ACC is pleased to review plans and new projects. We are here to help you.

Barbara Harvey, Chairman Joan Bergsund Marty Gerbasi



RIDGETTES

Oops!

Correct your calendars. New date. <u>AUGUST 27th:</u> Games and Pot Luck at Carole Pfoutz' home, 16383 Ridgewood Drive. Time: 11:00 am. RSVP: 533-9309

<u>September 17th</u>: 11:30 a.m. **Villa d'Oro Restaurant**, 23036 Joaquin Gulley Road, Twain Harte. RSVP: **Joyce Dobbs**: 532-2230

Please reply to the hostess by the Friday before the event.

VOLUNTEER WANTED:

A volunteer chairperson for the Ridgettes is needed for 2009. If you are interested, please contact Don Nester at 588-0782.

THANK YOU!

The cards, visits, phone calls and especially your prayers meant a great deal to me as I recovered from heart surgery. I appreciate the wonderful caring neighborhood we live in.

Carole Robinson

NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN UP DAY



Don Nester instructs clean up workers.

Savoring Anton's barbeque lunch below are, L to R: Margaret Addison, Bruce McDonell, Lee Piercey, Don, Forrest & Joyce Dobbs.









Above, L to R: Bim & Judy Hastings, Kathie & Charles Luke, Betty Nester & Jeanne Legg enjoy lunch in Cres & Bill Anton's patio.

At right: Good workers: Stan & Delores Blanchard





At near left: Joyce Dobbs and Betty Nester smile for the

Above left: President Don Nester thanks our host and

JUNE SUMMER PARTY At near left: Joyce Dobbs and Betty Nester smile fo photographer, Forrest Dobbs. Above left: President Don Nester thanks our host an hostess Todd and Cyndi Simonson. Above right: Ted Scruggs, Ralph Legg, Bob Addisor Pfoutz enjoy the afternoon at Simonson's. Above right: Ted Scruggs, Ralph Legg, Bob Addison & Ray