

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Dave Palmer

The Ridgewood Neighborhood Association 2011 Holiday Party will be held at the Willow Springs Ranch club house on Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 PM until 5:00 PM. The club house is located at 20522 Willow Springs Drive, Soulsbyville. As I mentioned in an earlier newsletter, there is ample of parking space available, a large meeting area with plenty of tables and chairs, a full kitchen, and clean restrooms. The facility is also "children friendly". If the kids get bored, and the weather permits, there is a large fully equipped playground outside the club house. So, bring your favorite hors d'oeuvres to share with your neighbors and, if you wish, the beverage of your choice. The Ridgewood Neighborhood Association will supply plates, napkins, eating utensils, soft drinks, water, and holiday decorations. For those of you who are not familiar with the location of the Willow Springs Ranch club house, I am including directions. You have to come to the holiday party if only to see the decorating that will be done by RNA board members.

#### Directions

Travel north on Ridgewood Drive to Crestview Drive. Turn right on Crestview Drive and continue across Highway 108 onto Soulsbyville Road. Turn left onto Willow Springs Drive. Travel past Willow Springs Market and Willow Springs Ranch will be on the left.

While we are discussing the holiday party, I would like to mention that it is time to pay your 2012 Ridgewood Neighborhood Association dues. The \$10.00 annual dues are used to pay for the printing and mailing of the newsletter as well as helping to fund the RNA summer and holiday parties. Also, if you have not paid your 2011 dues please include an additional \$10.00. Please mail a check payable to "Ridgewood Neighborhood Association" to "Ridgewood Neighborhood Association, P. O. Box 1128, Soulsbyville, CA 95372".

Many Ridgewood residents who live on county service area (CSA) roads were not satisfied with the snow plowing service during last winter. RNA board members communicated our dissatisfaction to our Tuolumne County CSA representative. A new contractor has been hired to perform snow plowing on Ridgewood CSA roads during the upcoming 2011/2012 winter season. If you have any problems with the snow plowing service in Ridgewood this winter, contact myself or any RNA board member and the appropriate county agency will be notified.

The California "Leash laws" require dogs to be on a leash and under control whenever they're off their owners' property, unless a specific area is designated for unleashed dogs. Even dog owners who let their dogs off a leash only because they're confident they have complete control over them are in violation of the leash law. When walking your dog in Ridgewood please keep your dogs on a leash and pickup any droppings.

The fall season is beautiful in Ridgewood. At this time of year the leaves are changing color and falling to the ground. However, the fallen leaves often end up clogging the drainage systems along Ridgewood roads. Please remove any leaves that fall into the drainage system on the roads around your house.

Please be sure to notify Don Nester if there are any changes to your phone number, street address, or mailing address (if different than your street address). Don's snail mail address is: 16040 Avenida Del Sol E, Sonora, CA 95370. Don's email address is: dnester@hub3.net.

President's Message cont.

Each year Ridgewood residents over 65 using Medicare supplemental insurance have an opportunity to change their insurance providers during the annual open enrollment period. This year the open enrollment period is from October 15, 2011 to December 7, 2011. Often seniors simply choose to keep the insurance providers they have. However, this year at least one provider, Anthem Blue Cross, has decided to discontinue offering Medicare prescription drug, also known as Medicare Part D, insurance. If anyone is having difficulty deciding which Medicare supplemental insurance they will use for 2012, please contact Area 12 Agency on Aging. Area 12 Agency on Aging is located at 19074 Standard Road in Sonora. Their phone number is (209) 532-6272. I have found Area 12 Agency on Agency to be very reliable resource when it comes to solving Medicare problems

If you have any canned food that you would like to donate to Tuolumne County residents in need, please bring it to the Ridgewood Holiday Party. All donated items will be delivered to the Amador-Tuolumne County Action Agency. ATCAA will make sure the food gets to the people who need it.

Have a safe Thanksgiving, Dave

# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

## **Ridgettes**

Come for fun and a special craft
At
The CRAFT COTTAGE
www.Craftcottagesonora.com
14317 Mono Way, Suite C Sonora

WEDBESDAY, November 16, 2011

11:00 a.m.

Hostesses: Robin Ronin, 533-4683 & Beth, the Craft Cottage owner.

**BRING**: \$10 for the craft packet and a potluck dish to share. Drinks will be provided.

**RSVP:** Robin 533-4683

The Craft Cottage is located next to the Humane Society Thrift Store in the East

# **Ridgewood Holiday Party**

## **SUNDAY, DECMBER 11, 2011**

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

### **Willow Springs Ranch Club House**

20522 Willow Springs Dr Willow Springs, CA

**Bring** your favorite beverage and an hors d'oeuvres to share.

# Propane News

As most of you are aware, Ridgewood residents have the opportunity to purchase their Propane requirements from Amerigas at a price equal to the San Francisco Terminal Price, as published by BPN, plus \$.57 per gal. Ridgewood's current delivered price can be determined by going to the Ridgewood Web Page at (www.ridgewood.netfirms.com), where the current price will be posted or if it is not updated by click on the "California Government" button and proceed through

the Weekly Fuel Postings, issued by the State of California Procurement Division then adding \$.57 to the TARGA-San Francisco price shown for a particular date. If you have not taken advantage of Ridgewood's special buying price and are interested, contact Ralph Legg at 533-4228 or Amerigas direct at (209) 736-1160

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# RNA Membership Renewal ANNUAL DUES

Your 2011 dues are due. Your dues pay for the Post Office Box rental, postage, printing, annual meeting party expenses, new

resident welcome gifts, award gifts, special circumstance gifts (Hospitalization and condolence), and Ridgewood web site fees.

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