## Casa del Sol \*\*\*\*\* What's Up? \*\*\*\* March 2022

I have just reread the newsletter I prepared for March 2020 to clear creative cobwebs from my brain. My, that was a different time. Someday we will return to those heady days of food and festivities. Our new Activities President, Sue Brooks, is off to a great start and has prepared a message for us.

## CASA DEL SOL ACTIVITY PRESIDENT'S NOTE:

I accepted to run for the position of President in late November and found out in early December while up North that I had won. I was overwhelmed and want you each to know that I will do my best to take care of whatever I can do to make Casa's activities the best we can all be a part of.

First of all, please take a moment and thank Chuck Schendler for holding the position as President for the last four years. He did an awesome job! Chuck led us all of January until I could return. Thank you so much.

We have a new activities board and they are: Bill Potter, Vice President; Peggy Quinlan, Secretary; Sandy Connizzo, Assistant Secretary; Gus Schechter, Treasurer; and Bob Snyder, Assistant Treasurer. We have an awesome board and I Look forward to working with each of them.

Between now and late April, we have many activities planned and hope you all enjoy your time here at Casa del Sol. When we return in the fall, we will start up again. Make sure you get a monthly newsletter so you see the schedule of events. If you have questions, please contact me so I can assist you.

## Síncerely, Sue Brooks, President

February also brought us new **HOA Board members** with the election of Chuck Bateman, Frank Lobello and Dave Miedema. It is a sign of Casa's strength when we actively participate.

We extend our most sincere thanks to Past President Jim Johnson, his 1<sup>st</sup> VP Jim Baker and Grounds Chair Chuck Nixon who have completed their three year terms. They and their fellow board members did not sign up for keeping us safe during the pandemic on top of all the other responsibilities they carried out so well. We can't thank them enough.

Your new HOA executive is Pres. Jim Goard, 1<sup>st</sup> VP. Jean Lane (Finance), 2<sup>nd</sup> VP. David Miedema (Bldg. & Grounds), Sec. Frank Brooks, and Treas. Pat Bateman (Finance).

Other Board members are Joel Buchin, Jim Swain, Chuck Bateman, and Frank Lobello. They will assist VP Dave Miedema with his Building and Grounds responsibilities.

Let's give them our full support and start by putting your 2022/23 dues of \$420 in the small black mailbox located inside the clubhouse between the HOA bulletin board and the north door asap.

We celebrate the return of our annual **Patio Sale** which gave us all the opportunity to donate our time and talents to our community fundraiser and to relocate some of our treasured items we knew others would love. Thanks to Janice Wright and her huge team of men and women who helped us raise \$ 3,156.13 for the activities and improvements we so enjoy.

Thanks to everyone who donated their time to cook, bake and work, donated items and cash or shopped to make a community spirited day. After 2 years of little income, we will make our activities account healthy again.

We can also add the \$338 from the Valentine Dance spearheaded by Chuck and Dody and their team. Speaking of dancing, **DJ** Gary (Gears 1) will be bringing his fun and energy to us March 12. 7-10 pm \$5.00/person. Bob and Sally Peterson host. Please bring your own drinks and snacks. Door prize donations appreciated.

We will be participating in the **Dark House security program** again this summer. Deputy Chick Anderson will explain the program and answer questions at the March 9 coffee hour. If you wish to register your home, please submit the form available in the clubhouse to Sue Brooks by March 25. (Do it now! Don't wait until then.)

Movies: 6:30 pm \$2 per person – includes popcorn and a drink

March 2 - In and Out"

March 16 - "Heart of Champions"

March 30 - "Bucket List"

Pancake Breakfast will be served 7:00-8:30 March 4 and 18 \$4/person - another activities fundraiser. All you can eat waffles, pancakes, eggs, sausage, juice, coffee and a morning chat with your neighbors.

The quilters are sewing children's blankets every Monday 9:30 -11:30. We enjoy the social time as well as making a child's life brighter when they need some extra love. Some of our activities funds help purchase material for the quilts.

Computer Class – Tuesdays at 10:00 – Jim has been gently ushering us into technology for some years but has had to cancel lately due to a bout of shingles. We know he will be back to class asap and we promise not to add to his stress.

The Park Ladies – Mondays at 1:00 - have a busy month planned. All ladies welcome.

March 7 - Lunch at Red Lobster. Leave clubhouse at 12:30. Please sign up by this Friday, Mar.4.

March 14 – Bingo – bring \$2 in dimes and a quarter. High stakes here.

March 21 – Annual Birthday Tea. Bring your tea cup to celebrate all our 2022 birthdays.

We will once again present our unwrapped "gifts" for the local pregnancy support center. This year

The center needs 18 month to toddler sizes of diapers and clothes. Have fun shopping!

March 28 – Movie – "Kiss Me Goodbye" - a "chick flick" to enjoy.

Not to miss out on food, the Park Men will be "Lunching Out" in March too. Tentative date is March 15. 1pm. Sign up in the clubhouse so they can make reservations.

A Strawberry Social will be held in the clubhouse breezeway Sunday, March 20 at 3pm. Enjoy complimentary strawberry shortcake and join in on our popular 50/50 Survivor Draw at 4pm. The \$5.00 tickets will be sold at coffee hours in March and they will also be available at the social before the draw. There will be multiple chances to win.

We're getting our MoJo running again. Enjoy our time together before many return home. Winter's almost over!