



**Your
Board
of
Directors**

Point Venture Townhouses, Inc.

March 2011

The President's Message

THAT WAS COLD!!!!!! We moved here for a lot of reasons, COLD, was NOT one of them. It has warmed up and is now beautiful and getting more beautiful every day (that's warm). The TH's are looking better than ever, more people are painting, fixing up, getting ready for a really great summer, the lake is a little low, but still way too much fun to be had, so plan on coming here soon and often.

A few words about our employees. Sherry runs the office and keeps me in line along with Gladys' help; it is a two lady job. Eddie works from 7AM to 3PM mowing, weed-eating, keeping sprinklers going & watering where needed, among other things. Lee, on the other hand, really doesn't have any set hours, (I sometimes think he wishes he could) BUT, have a problem at 10 PM, yes, that's 10 o'clock at night, Lee will be there. It's his number on the office recorder, after hours, not Sherry's, Eddy's or mine. It's Lee's, and many owners use it. Decide at the last minute you're coming for the week-end, want the place cool when you get here, Lee will go turn on the A/C and the water, so you can have a hot shower before you go biddieby by, that's "night-night" to some. Your plumbing is stopped up, Yep, Lee is there so you can go potty, or wash the dishes. My garbage can magically goes away every SUNDAY night and appears back sometime Monday morning. I was watching the football game or the back of my eyelids, but not Lee, he is "pulling cans". When it was "freezing a.. cold" Lee was out there shutting off water to prevent your TH from flooding. Most of us suffered broken water pipes, I had one leak, some TH's had as many as 27, yes 27 leaks. Lee, his son and son-in-law were out every day, most of the night trying to get us "full timers" water back on.

NOW, let's talk about money, Lee is paid by the TH assoc, TO REPAIR AND MAINTAIN AND COORDINATE/ASSIST other trades so work can be done on your TH or property owned by all of us. When he does work during work hours, on my TH, I pay the TH Assoc and that money gets credited to his salary. Sherry has billed over \$2000 for freeze related work. I pay for maintenance on my TH, just as I pay for oil changes on my car. When I ask about having some job to be done and Lee can't do it, because the TH Assoc. comes first, he will ask if Jared (his son) or Robert (son-in-law) can do it and I pay them directly.

You couldn't pay me enough to have his job, even if I was young enough to do it, and put up with all the relatedstuff, that goes with it, so if you see his truck in his driveway at 3PM, it could be he's just getting around to lunch, or maybe he took the afternoon off, if he could find the time to be "off." Remember this the next time you call at weird hours or on Saturday or Sunday, needing something and Lee is there to do it. Who else would/could you call AND what would it cost you????

One more other thing that is IMPORTANT, several owner's electrical boxes have shorted out recently, nearly causing a fire. The Board is looking into the situation.

Thanks for reading, and get here soon, you'll be glad you did!! Sonny

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**Board of Director's
Meeting
April 16
9:00 AM
Venture Room**

COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

By Joyce Sidfrid

OUT AND ABOUT AT POINT VENTURE

We noticed a lot of you are sprucing up your townhouses. So many of them are looking really good. We would like you to nominate your favorite renovated townhouse for the "renovation award". Nominations should be based on exterior only. Email your nomination to joyce.sidfrid@gmail.com. The townhouse with the most nominations will be recognized and given a prize at the April 16, 2011 quarterly meeting.

Someone suggested an award for the most controversial new structure at Point Venture. Nominations so far are the rock PV sign by the 8th green.

The tree which moves some to tears of joy is in the eyes of others only a green thing that stands in the way. Some see Nature all ridicule and deformity, and some scarce see Nature at all. But to the eyes of the man of imagination, Nature is Imagination itself." - William Blake, "The Letters," 1979

Topping Stresses Trees

Topping often removes 50 to 100 percent of the leaf-bearing crown of a tree. Because leaves are the food factories of a tree, removing them can temporarily starve a tree. The severity of the pruning triggers a sort of survival mechanism. The tree activates latent buds, forcing the rapid growth of multiple shoots below each cut. The tree needs to put out a new crop of leaves as soon as possible. If a tree does not have the stored energy reserves to do so, it will be seriously weakened and may die.

A stressed tree is more vulnerable to insect and disease infestations. Large, open pruning wounds expose the sapwood and heartwood to attacks. The tree may lack sufficient energy to chemically defend the wounds against invasion, and some insects

are actually attracted to the chemical signals trees release. (courtesy of treesaregood.com)

A joy for most of us is the community living that townhouses afford. Our trees are a major part of that. Alas, some treat our community trees as if they were their own personal trees, and they top them. Be a good neighbor and contact Sherry for any work to be done on trees.

Please keep in touch and let the Community Relations Committee know your thoughts and concerns. If you want to be included in occasional e-mail transmissions, please send an e-mail to joyce.sidfrid@gmail.com and she'll add you to the list.

OFFICE NEWS

WOW – Has this been an exciting month! 72 hours of below freezing weather. Many units suffered pipe breakage even the ones that were winterized. Lee was busy keeping the full-time residents going but quickly became overwhelmed that additional plumbers had to be called in to help with the long waiting list.

If you need assistance, please call the office for a list of plumbers doing work in the area.

Please call the office at **least a week** before you arrive for maintenance to check for water leaks from the freeze damage. It may take a few days for a plumber to respond to fix any needed repairs.

As most of you know by now, the Village is closing the Recycling Center April 1. Please take time to read the enclosed attachment from the Village office.

REMINDER: The PV ACC has requested that all townhouse fascia needs to be painted the new approved brown to replace your old blue/green/burgundy fascia. Please call/email the office if you need the color code.

******REMINDER: NO CHARCOAL GRILLS ON DECKS!! \$100.00 AUTOMATIC FINE******

Townhouse Rules are posted on web site: www.pointventuretownhouses.org