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President's REPORT

by Mitch Packard

Another year has passed in beautiful Dollar Point! Your Board of Directors continues to work hard to ensure that Dollar Point continues to run smoothly and look as good as ever. Here's a brief list of the improvements, maintenance items, and current status of various areas and projects that we have worked on during the past year and upcoming projects for 2015:

Pool and Upper Tennis Area: The upper tennis courts were resurfaced in 2014 and they still look great! Remember that no dogs are allowed on the courts at any time. The Dollar Point pool will be undergoing major renovations this fall, including new tile & coping and complete re-plastering. It will look nearly brand new next spring!

Beach and Pier: We finally finished the long-awaited pier project last year and the new adjustable landings have really improved the looks and the usability of the pier, especially this year with the lake level being so low! This spring we will be doing more repairs to the retaining walls and the beach umbrella stands.

Please be very aware of the low lake level this year! After yet another winter without much precipitation, the lake level is near historic lows. That means our swim float will not be in the water again this year, some buoys will not be useable, and getting in the water from the beach will require a long walk over rocky terrain. We urge all homeowners and their families to be extremely careful in the water and around the pier this summer.

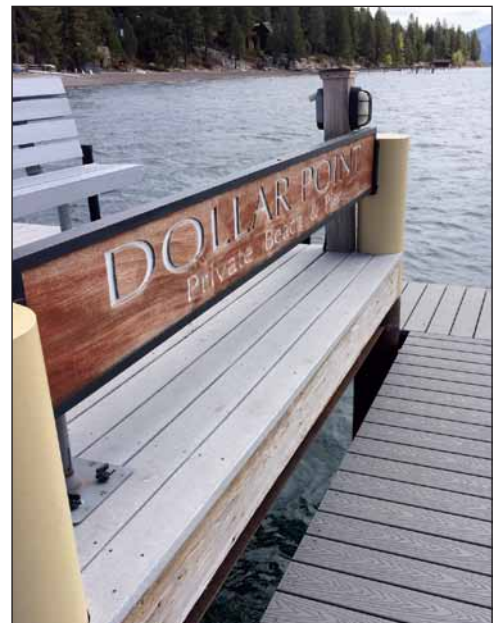
Kerry Bannon is back again for her fourth year as Recreation Manager, and, as usual, she is in the process of hiring the necessary staff and getting everything ready to go for opening day on Memorial Day weekend. We expect another great job from her and her

staff this summer!

Our landscape contractor, Peak Landscape, has been busy doing the necessary spring cleanup and landscaping enhancements to keep our recreation areas looking beautiful. Special thanks go out to Sky Richardson, who volunteers his time and expertise in working with Peak.

I'd like to acknowledge and thank the current members of the Board who spend countless hours working on behalf of the Association and certainly make my job as President much easier: Lynn Thompson, Carol Wilmar, Pat Cala, Debbie Nicholson, Steve Owles, and Pete Newell. We have a great group of owners serving on the Board. Of course, a special thanks goes out to Debbie Wolf, our Association Manager -- she really is the one person who keeps everything functioning smoothly.

We hope to see all of you up here enjoying beautiful Lake Tahoe this summer!





Beach&PierREPORT

by Steve Owles

The ongoing drought has seriously compromised our beach, pier and buoy field facilities. The water level at the beach where we are used to seeing it is virtually non-existent, much of the pier is out of the water and we are not going to be able to use all of the buoys in the buoy field. The depth of the lake at the end of the pier is just over four feet now and is going to drop even further as we go through the summer. As a result, many of those wanting to enter the lake to swim, kayak, paddle board, etc. will be using the pier rather than wading through the shallows and rocks to get to the water. At the same time, we will continue to use the Dollar Point buoy boat to transport boaters to and from their buoys. This mix of power boats, swimmers, kayaks, paddleboards and whatever, all competing for space in the buoy field and around the pier poses obvious safety concerns. We are asking everyone to please

use extra caution this year. And please, take the time to make sure your children understand the seriousness of the situation. Your Dollar Point Staff are there for your safety and we insist you pay attention to their direction and treat them with courtesy and respect at all times. SAFETY IS OUR MAJOR CONCERN and it will take the cooperation, patience and understanding of all using the beach and pier facilities to insure, under these extreme conditions, it will be another great summer at Tahoe.

But this is not all bad – that is if you are a crawdad. Unfortunately, with the water so low, the only place possible to crawdad will be from the landings at the end of the pier and that's not something allowed. Parents, please explain this to your children. It needs to be you, not the Staff, stopping the children before they start.

One more thing...remember your beach shoes, it's a long rocky way to the water!



We Need Your Help with **DEFENSIBLE SPACE**

by Lynn Thompson and your Dollar Point neighbors

Thank you to those who have taken steps to provide defensible space around your homes. This year we need all of you to do your best to help protect Dollar Point.

**The 2015 Chipping Schedule for Dollar Point is:
JUNE 1-7, JULY 6-12; AUGUST 10-16,
SEPTEMBER 14-20**

CHIP IN AND CALL NORTH TAHOE FIRE AT 530-584-2322 to schedule free chipping for your cleared brush and branches. There are many free resources in North Lake Tahoe to create defensible space around your properties. The North Tahoe Fire Protection District will do inspections at your home, rebates, curbside chipping and green waste removal. The website is very informative. Please take a look at www.ntfire.net.

TRPA encourages the use of defensible space, tree removal, and erosion control to help make our community safer and to improve the clarity of Lake Tahoe. You can also visit www.tahoefiresafe.com for additional information for defensible space and erosion control measures which are required for your Tahoe home.

STEPS YOU CAN TAKE ARE:

1. Thin Your Trees

You can remove trees on your property that are less than 14 inches in diameter without a permit. After the 2007 Angora fire TRPA increased the size from 6 inch trees to 14 inch trees. Lakefront homes are subject to special requests and permits. Request an inspection from the local fire district to find out if you should remove any trees. You do not have to contact TRPA.

2. Trim Low Limbs and Thin Brush on Your Property

Low limbs and brush create "ladder fuels" allowing fire to travel along the forest floor and into the forest canopy. Manzanita is highly flammable and should be thinned and cleared where possible.

3. Rake Your Pine Needles

Let them fall in the Fall, but rake them in the Spring.

4. Maintain a Non-Combustible Zone Around Your Property Keep a 5 ft. fire safe buffer free of combustible material around your structures.

Thank you for doing your part!



Pool & Social Committee REPORT

by Carol Wilmar

After an underwhelming winter, we're looking forward to a great summer at the pool! Kerry and Jesse assure us that all our usual activities and events will be available: early morning adult swim, lessons, Monday arts and crafts, Fun Fridays, and family barbecues. We're very fortunate to have Will Peters as our water aerobics instructor this year. His classes last year gave us all a great workout. You WILL lose inches!

We're already working on ideas for the Fabulous Fourth and our SEVENTH Art and Wine, which will feature some artists from the Truckee Artour. Save Wednesday, July 15th for that party. We're also hoping to add some events to our social calendar: theme night barbecues, a pancake breakfast and perhaps an ice-cream social! Watch for notices!

A reminder about our pool rules: no card, no entry, and all children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult (18+). Also, please remember to SIGN IN! We're expecting heavy use this summer because of the low lake level, and members must be prepared for possible temporary adjustments to the usual rules to prevent over-crowding and ensure the safety of pool users. Again, watch for notices, and call the DPA office or me with questions.

Finally, because of required maintenance and resurfacing of the pool, our LAST open day will be MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7th so that draining and work can begin. The GOOD news is that we'll come back to a beautifully refurbished pool next year! See you at the pool!



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Special Dates & Notes

Annual General Meeting

The AGM will be held on
July 25, 2015 at 4:00pm
 at the upper recreation area.

The packet will be mailed to the full membership at the end of June. A barbecue will follow after the general meeting and election of officers. Reservations are required to attend the party.

Memorial Day Dumpster

Monday, May 25, 2015

Once again there will be dumpsters available at the beach parking area on Monday, May 25, 2015 for yard debris only. Staff will be available to assist you from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm at the dumpster location.

Clean Up After Your Dog

Please remind your family members, friends, and renters of your home to pick up their dog waste in our Dollar Point neighborhood. There are Mutt Mitts available at the pool and beach facilities for your convenience. If you see a dog left unattended for any length of time, or come in contact with an aggressive dog, please call Placer County Animal Control at 530-546-1990. Placer County also enforces a leash law, so keep your dog(s) on leashes when walking in the neighborhood. Thank's for your cooperation!

TENNIS SCHEDULE

JUNE

15 - 19 **Jump Start Clinic** - \$150 per person
 Advanced 9am-10:30am Intermediate 10:30am-12noon

JULY

June 29 – July - 3 **Junior Tennis Camp** - \$100 per person
 Ages 11-16: 3pm-4pm Ages 6-10: 4pm-5pm

6 - 10 **Junior Tennis Camp**

13 - 17 **Adult Tennis Camp**
 (same as jump start clinic)

18 **Tahoe Yacht Club Tennis Social**

20 - 24 **Junior Tennis Camp**

24 **Margarita Mixer**
 Social Mixer with Chinquapin

27 - 31 **Junior Tennis Camp**

31 **Tennis & Bocce Ball Mixer**



AUGUST

7 **Margarita Mixer**
 Social Mixer with Chinquapin

10 - 14 **Junior Tennis Camp**

17 - 21 **Junior Tennis Camp**

Weekly Programs* – June 30 - August 27

Tuesdays	Round Robin	9am-11am Free
Wednesdays	Drill Clinic	9am-10am \$20/person
Thursdays	Doubles Drills and Play	9am-11am \$20/person

*Except on week of Adult Tennis Camp

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