

PVC Pipeline

Paradise Valley Campground

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President's Corner

The response to the special assessment for the roads has been very good. We are looking to start the project in October. Only a very few property owners have not paid. We will be filing liens and starting foreclosure as soon as possible.

Thanks to the property owners that have been breaking down the boxes; it has helped a lot. Some property owners are still putting yard waste in the dumpsters. If you put your yard clippings in bags and place them at the edge of the road, we can have them picked up. Remember—cut, bundle, and tie your limbs in four feet lengths.

If you leave your site unattended for more than one day, please turn the water off. We have had property owner's pipes to break while they were away and the water ran for long periods of time. Please do not flush your holding tanks for a long period of time. Some property owners have flushed their tanks all day. PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE YOUR WATER RUNNING WHILE YOU ARE AWAY. Remember, we are on wells and septic systems; and excessive use can cause problems. We have very good wells and septic systems. Let's all help in keeping them that way.

If you have any questions or suggestions please do not hesitate to contact me or any other board member. We are trying hard to act in your best interest.

Thanks,

Ridley Nolan, President
PVC Owners Association, Inc.

Thanks

Our continuous thanks for all the guys and gals that cook and serve us when we have special events. Our last special event was the chicken cookout on August 13. Barbara Tidwell, as usual, was in the kitchen in the A.M. making tea, filling ice trays, etc.; then back again at 3:00 till close to cook that scrumptious corn and organize things. We love you Barb! Don Canerday, Nick Coman, and Buck Tidwell were at the grill from 3:00 until close, cooking birds in the 90-degree Summer heat. Thank you, thank you, thank you! Servers included Anne Raptis, Barbara Mushlin, Barbara Tidwell, Kay Ainsworth, Gwen Boozer, Elizabeth Carter, Donna Tobin, Marti Liebal, Candy Moore, Norma Canerday, Dolores Wells, and Helen Czerwynski. Of course, we must not forget our ever faithful money takers, Lin Ewert and Jeannette Constantine. You all did an awesome job and our hats are off to you. These events would not be possible without all your hard work and love for each other and for this campground.

Another **SPECIAL THANKS** to Sherry Ivie from Creekstone Realty for donating the second \$100 raffle of the season to the Activities Committee. She has helped make possible many of the improvements you are enjoying this summer.

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Special Activities

- September 3, Labor Day Activities
- September 10 - Cookout
- September 15 - Activities Meeting 2:00 p.m.- Pavilion
- September 17 - 8:00 to 9:30 a.m. Men's Pancake Breakfast with bacon, sausage coffee, OJ, and milk. Donation: \$3.50.

SEE BULLETIN BOARD FOR MORE INFO!

Weekly Events

Monday

Men's Poker 7-10 PM

Women's Bingo—American Legion—6:00 PM

Tuesday

Walk—9:00 AM

Crafts—10:00 AM

Dice — 7:00 PM

Thursday

Bowling—10:00 AM—Yonah Bowl followed by lunch

Friday

Walk—9:00 AM

Card Bingo—7:00 PM

Saturday

8:30 AM—Breakfast at Ma Gooch's . See dates on bulletin board.

Sunday

Poker Night
7:00 PM



Reminders

- ☺ Flash!!! The last 25 directories are now available. Get yours *before they are all gone*. Those of you who have reserved a copy please see Barbara Tidwell, Lot #16, or Lanell Coons, Lot #264.
- ☺ Bobbi Harden, Lot #152, found an earring in her driveway recently. If you have lost a gold colored clip-on earring with a clear-colored stone, call 219-3344. We also still have a Winnie the Pooh watch from July 4.
- ☺ Annette Boettger is trying to put together another variety show this Fall. The one she did last year was a hoot, and she is happy to direct another event. She just needs willing and able bodies. She has placed a sign-up sheet in the Pavilion and has not had many takers. *We need to make a decision on this by September 10*. Sign up-get involved!
- ☺ Due to so many folks traveling and unpredictable attendance, we have canceled the private room at Ma Gooch's for Saturday morning breakfasts for the remainder of the season. Please feel free to join friends in the regular dining area at any time. This has become a fairness issue as extra staff was necessary to support our reservations.
- ☺ If you have any address or phone number changes, please contact Elizabeth Carter at 865-7333 or Lanell Coons at 219-3344.
- ☺ If anyone has traveled, or is planning a trip and wants the information to go in the Pipeline, please contact Lanell Coons at 219-3344, Lot 264 or Donna Winburn on Lot 266.

Travel

Pat Szlosek and Charles Preslar just returned from visiting Charles' youngest son in Skiatook, OK, for two weeks. They spent their time on a lake, participated in a poker run, and all in all had a gay ole time. They also made a stop in Tunica on their way home. Glad you two are home safely. Barbara and Buck Tidwell are planning a trip to Renfro Valley, KY, for a week beginning September 25. We'll miss you guys. Elizabeth and Troy Carter spent a 4-day week-end this month with their son and daughter-in-law in TN.

Welcome home to Nick and Jan Coman, Carl and Annette Boettger, Randall and Ruthie Johnson, and Donna and Dwight Winburn from your August travels.

Activities Committee Information

Our second Saturday cook-out on August 13 was lots of fun and we had an amazing amount of food. We did experience some chickens that needed more grill time. We also had a flare-up on the BBQ that "browned" some birds. We are contacting the grill builder about the flare ups, and in the future we will start cooking a bit earlier. We sincerely apologize to anyone who had chicken that was not quite done. We are learning and hopefully in the near future we will have mastered Big Bubba. . . Personally, I ate the numerous sides, took some chicken home for *yet another meal*, and still left full and happy. Thanks for being patient till we get it right.

I've outlined in recent Pipelines where your monies from raffles, cook outs, Pavilion breakfasts, auctions, and cash donations actually go. The Activities Committee is happy to announce that we have voted to repair the big PVC sign at the entrance and give it long-needed cleaning and painting to prevent further deteriora-

tion. We are currently getting bids ; and as soon as we determine the best sign company, we will proceed. John Coons has volunteered to remove the sign and deliver it to the company to save us \$60 per hour travel and work time. He will need a couple of other guys to assist him in removal.

I'm sure you have noted from the fantastic flyers Donna Winburn keeps updated on the bulletin board that we have a busy and fun day planned for September 3. Our annual Yard Sale will be held in the Pavilion from 8:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. Anyone interested in volunteering should call me at 219-3344, or show up at 2:00 Friday, September 2, to help set up. We still have a couple of tables left to rent if you are interested in selling on your own. Nick Coman will be busy in the kitchen preparing our "All You Can Eat" Spaghetti Dinner, complete with salad, garlic bread, and ice cream—all for \$5. That event will begin at 6:00 p.m. We will have

our silent auction items set out from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Lin Ewert and Jeannette Constantine will be set up at 5:00 p.m. to sell food tickets, and of course, you don't want to miss your LAST chance to win Sherry Ivie's \$100 raffle. The outcome of the auction will be announced a few minutes after 7:00 and the raffle will follow. It should be a really fun day for all, and we look forward to seeing you there.

Aluminum can recycling is off and running. We have a collection (trash) can placed in each dumpster area. I know it takes time to get used to change, but we will all benefit if you take the extra time and effort to bring your aluminum soft drink and beer cans to the recycling area. Again we want to thank Jack and Mildred Pelt for their time and energy and effort in heading up this program. Incidentally, crushing your cans saves space in the collection cans; so please crush your cans if you can.

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Ditch Digging

The Crawfords on Lot #140 and the Pelts on Lot #141 have been experiencing water flowing under their houses during excessive rains. After discussing the problem with Board members, they were given permission to dig a ditch and line it with rocks to try and channel the waters into the culvert between Lot #140 and #174. The Pelts and Crawford's purchased liner to place under the rocks, and the campground supplied the rocks. There was a ditch-digging effort from friends and neighbors including Grady and Runnell Crawford, Jack and Mildred Pelt, Marilyn Yankee and Joan Moehring, Cecil and Dianne Lyle, Robert Strong, and Holly Watkins. I have reports that it did help during this last storm, but

more digging is needed to create better drainage. Thanks to all of you that helped your neighbors with their problem. Ditch digging is truly loving your neighbor.

Road News

In an interview with Board member, Richard Peavy, he stated that we have issued the work order to begin the road work to Northeast Georgia Paving Co., the successful bidder. This "go ahead" was accomplished as we determined that we had the funds to pay for the road work. As of our interview on the 27th, Richard had not received a firm start date from Northeast, but he believes that work will be underway by October 1. It is Richard's goal to get the road work underway as soon as

possible. When questioned about assessments, Richard said that all but a few lot owners have paid; and he let it be known that late fees are being accessed for payments received after the due date.

Web News

www.pvcoa.com now includes minutes from Board of Directors meetings, our Covenants (CCRs), By Laws, and Architectural Committee permit forms for improvements to your lot. Check in soon for more additions. Coming soon...PVC RV lots and merchandise For Sale on www.pvc4u.net



Welcome New Owners

We are happy to introduce Ed and Mildred Handley as new owners on Lot #45. They have traveled extensively and are looking forward to resting a while and meeting new friends. Tom and Pat Grice, from Polk City, FL, just closed on Lot #213. They brought with them new owners Joe and Judie Ellis from S. Daytona, FL. They are busy reclaiming Lot #78 as it has never been inhabited. Bill and Diane Urquhart and daughters, Maggie and Jessica, are the



proud owners of Lot #120. They are from Boynton Beach, FL. A belated welcome to Perry and Reba Scott on Lot #257. Reba is Ruby Aldridge's (Lot #248) sister. If you listen to them talk, you will be certain that they are related. We are delighted to WELCOME all of you to your new home here at Paradise Valley. Everyone please go out of your way to stop and visit with these folks. Let's get a reputation for being the friendliest campground in GA.

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Again we thank all of the "Valley" gals and guys that make our Pavilion breakfast so wonderful each third Saturday of the month. Don't forget, September is the boys turn. We are looking forward to a yummy pancake breakfast on September 17 from 8:00 to 9:30 a.m.

Glen and Toni Darby, and family, surprised us with clean-up, mulch, etc., around the pool area a couple of weeks ago. It looks great! Thank you! Bob Tobin has been busying himself in the entry garden each Tuesday while Donna attends crafts. Your hedge trimming looks awesome, and we are delighted that you like gardening (more than crafting)! Bobbi Harden, Donna Winburn, Stephanie Adair, and Lanell Coons made a huge dent in the weeding problem in the entry gar-

den. The area looks better due to all you TLC. Keep up the good work!

Activities (Continued from Page 2)

I am pleased to report that the Crafts Activity is growing by leaps and bounds since Anne Raptis was kind enough to agree to take over the leadership. She is so talented in her own right and is able to bring out the best in all of us. We have learned to paint roses on glasses (and we all did it well with her instruction), stamp cards, cross stitch, crochet, make a poncho, garden ornaments, potpourri balls, and paper napkin art picture frames. We still have a sun catcher to make and may repeat some of the crafts. We had a special assignment to decorate, in a creative manner, a

tray supplied by Anne. Barbara Mushlin took first place and received a \$10 prize for her doggie tray. Helen Czerwynski, Mildred Pelt, Donna Tobin, Donna Winburn, and Liz Force have taught some of these crafts, too. It is a great group of girls and not only are we making some cool stuff, we are making great friends.

We were delighted to have new owners Pat Grice and Judie Ellis join us. Come join the fun each Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. in the Pavilion. On September 6, we are planning a field trip to Clarksville for shopping and lunch. After that, crafts will resume on September 13. Hope to see you there!



Mosquitoes in Paradise

If you are not bothered by mosquitoes, you need read no further; unless you have an enquiring mind or nothing better to do. July through mid October are prime months for skeeters here in PVC. Why, you ask? Hot and humid weather provide ideal conditions for these pesky little buggers. High temperatures accelerate the life cycle and high humidity aids in longevity of the adults. Adult mortality is largely the result of dehydration—didn't know that, did you?

Only the females cause a significant problem—surprise, surprise! She requires a blood meal to reproduce, among other things. But, to be truthful, the male is largely innocuous and of little value except to—well, you know! We have two primary species that commonly cause us a problem (you

don't care about the scientific name, and I'm not sure how to spell them). We have the common household mosquito and the Asian Tiger mosquito. The house mosquito feeds primarily at dusk. That's the one that buzzes I your ear when you are trying to sleep if you let them in the house. The Tiger stays hungry all day and is active from dawn to dark. It is smaller with yellowish bands around a dark abdomen.

By and large, both species are simply a nuisance. Some people seem to be more attractive to mosquitoes than others, and hardly anyone is immune to an occasional bite. Both species are capable of transmitting the West Nile virus, which in some rare instances cause a serious disease. The last data I saw reported only one case of the disease so far this year in Georgia.

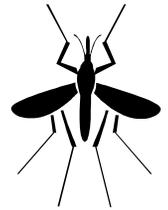
Mosquitoes require standing water to reproduce and only a

small amount is required for larvae to develop into adults. They do not survive in flowing water. It would be good for you to remove any standing water on your premises—bird baths, flower pots, bucket, etc.

Insect repellents containing DEET are highly effective. I've seen concentrations ranging from 5-40% DEET. I would advise using concentrations of 10% or less on small children. My solution is to sit in my chair on the patio, turn the fan on high and relax. You see the pesky little devils have difficulty flying in wind currents much above 5 mph.

Happy trails to you all!

Anonymous



Recipes

Jezebel Sweet Hot Sauce

Barbara Grant

- 1 18 oz. jar pineapple preserves
- 1 18 oz. jar apple jelly
- 1 5 oz. jar horseradish
- ¼ Cup dry mustard

In saucepan, combine pineapple preserves and apply jelly. Heat; stirring with a whisk until melted thoroughly. Gradually add sifted mustard, blending well. *Hint: Mustard has a tendency to glob up, so sift small amounts at a time into the hot mixture.* Remove from heat and add horseradish. Mix well. Refrigerate. Keeps in refrigerator for weeks. Good with all meats, but especially pork and chicken. Makes 4 cups. NOTE: Apricot-pineapple preserves may be used in place of plain pineapple preserves. This is also very tasty, but pineapple preserves are the best. Amount of horseradish can be varied to suit the taste.

Broccoli Slaw

Dolores Wells

- 1 16 oz. pkg. broccoli slaw
- 2 2 pkg. Chicken Ramen Soup
- 1 bunch green onions, chopped
- 1/2 Cups slivered almonds
- 1 Cup sunflower kernels

Dressing

- 1/2 Cup sugar
 - 1/2 Cup vinegar
 - 1/3 Cup oil
- Mix above with packets in noodles.

I usually use regular coleslaw for this recipe, or mix half and half. I crush the noodles while still in the pkg. This is easier and less messy. Generally, I wait till fairly close to serving to add noodles. I also browned the nuts, seeds and noodles to crisp.

Illness

Kathy Gibson has been back for more tests, and she continues to need our prayers. Sandy Schulze has good days and bad days, as you can imagine. Ray said the beauty shop trip was a GOOD DAY. They still need our continued prayers and cards.

Congratulations

Fran and Liz Force celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary on August 23. Fran was so cute as he surprised Liz in crafts with a big anniversary balloon. She was blushing like a teenager. Who says romance ends? Congratulations you two!