# Managers Corner

June 2013

#### Yard of Excellence

Back by popular demand!!!

Mr. & Mrs. Jim and Susan Odell in #344 are our lucky winners for the month of May's Yard of excellence!

Congratulations Jim and Susan and thank you for keeping such an immaculate yard!

For those of you who do not know what the yard of excellence is let me explain.

We drive or walk through the community every month and look for yards that have great curb appeal! Some of the criteria for great curb appeal are the yard is kept weed free, trees trimmed, grass cut, and though not necessary but helpful, flowers and interesting things to look at!

We then give that person a gift card to use for more flowers or what ever they want! They also are featured for the month with a sign stating Yard of Excellence! Jim and Susan's yard is beautiful! The lawn is lush green and not a weed to be found. The flower beds are perfectly manicured with beautiful flowers and shrubbery! Thank you so much!

While you are out on your walks take a look around at all the hard work that goes into these yards .There are a lot of great ideas that could be low maintenance for your yard that you may want to incorporate! We will be on the look out for the next yard of excellence soon, could it be yours?

Although we can not recognize everyone for their efforts by the sign and gift card, we want you let you know we appreciate all the time and effort you put in to make our community a beautiful place to call home!

We really enjoy walking through the community and enjoying your beautiful yards!



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#### **GREEN WASTE BIN COMING!**

Here it is! Finally as I am writing this newsletter Gary and Bryan should be finishing up with the new ramp for the green waste bin!

As you may have already noticed they incorporated two sets of stairs to help with the flow of traffic. When dropping off your waste you can go up one side of the stairs and exit off the other!

We are scheduling the bin to come in on the 3RD OF JUNE Please remember NO PLASTIC bags and only green waste is allowed.

Please be sure to utilize this bin while it is here and clean up your yard! Trim your hedges to no higher than the roof lines, weed, remove dead shrubbery and trees!

Thank you in advance!

## BBQ To Celebrate The Re-opening of the pool!

It is that time Ladies and Gentleman!

The pool will be re-opened on the 31ST of May that will be the day of our BBQ for all of us to hang out and enjoy some time together!

Bryan and I look forward to sharing this day with you! We have all worked so hard this past year and it is time to take some time out and just enjoy each others company!

We will be providing the meat( hamburgers and hot dogs), if everyone brings their favorite dish to share and your plates and silverware that would be great! We could also use some bottled water. There is a sign up sheet in the office please come down and sign up so we have an idea of how much meat to purchase.

We would also like to take this time and welcome and meet many of our new resident's to the community!

Friday May 31st at 12:00—5:00 bring your swim suits or wear your favorite festive clothing and lets have some fun!!!

See you there!



### Special thanks are in order

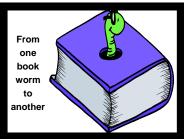
We would like to take this opportunity to give a special thanks to Mr. Bill Mack!

Bill has contributed so much time and effort to the community library and we did not get a chance to thank him properly.

Bill removed all the books before we did the remodel on the library. After we remodeled the library he came back in and alphabetized all the books by Author and cleaned out all double titles and old titles! He did a fantastic job! Something

we would not have had the time to do!

He also has volunteered to open and close the library on our days off!



Thank you so much Bill we appreciate vou!

If any one would like to help relieve Bill on a Saturday sometime, I am sure he would appreciate that. Just call Theresa at the office and let me know when you would be available to help. It is only on Saturday open from 11:00am and come back and close at 5:00pm

Be sure to give him your thanks as well!

We would like to thank everyone for the quick response to the paint and repair letters that went out.

We have had many of you come in to get the approved colors so you can begin the work!

We are so excited to see all the new paint! We basically asked most of you to repaint the trim only to make a uniform look to the home . This will greatly enhance the appearance of the home and the park overall!

If any one has any questions regarding what we have asked please be sure to come to the office for clarification!

Please remember to call or come by to let Theresa know when you have completed the job so I can mark you off the list!

Thank you all in advance for your efforts and compliance with the community guidelines!

Please be sure to let your neighbor know if you will be spray painting the home so

they can move their vehicles to avoid any overspray.



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#### **CPR Training offered in the clubhouse**

On May 29th at 9:30am in the community clubhouse, Allison Young-Herron from RED Emergency Prevention and Disaster Preparedness is offering the first CPR Training of at least two classes to be held here at Lago De Plata Villa.

This is the result of the presentation That Dan and Sharon Giger hosted for the community MAP YOU NEIGHBOR-HOOD program.

Allison came to speak about fire safety and offered an in home service for fire safety and preparedness. Included with that service is a free CPR training class.

Additional classes will be held on the 18th of June at 9:30 as well. If you have signed up for the service you will already be on the list for the first class, if not you may call Allison at (206)769-9479 for

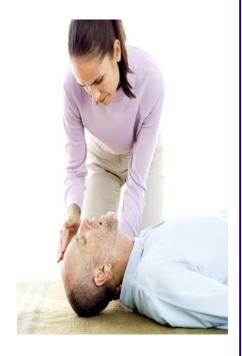
more information on the availability for the next class and any fees associated with the class.

Remember if you still want the service it is only \$10.00 a month and you receive the CPR class training for free!

We also want to thank Dan and Sharon Giger for all their hard work and ongoing efforts to map your neighborhood. And all the work involved with the water shut off valves for the community!

This is priceless information and we can not thank them enough for assisting in protecting our community!

THANK YOU DAN and SHARON!

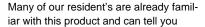


### **Energy Technologies Presentation**

Al Namazi from Energy Technologies will be here for a presentation on ductless

heating and cooling systems for your home.

On the 21st of June at 10:00am Al will be presenting this affordable product and telling you about the discounts available from PUD if you purchase one!



what a great deal it is!

Al will be providing coffee and doughnuts in the clubhouse during this presentation!

Please remember if

you choose to purchase this system you will need to do a alteration request form.

They are usually approved but they do have requirements so be sure to get the paper work from the office.



# Discourage rodents

We would like to remind our resident's that feeding the animals outside your home is strictly prohibited. This practice attracts unwanted pest and varmints!

In The community guidelines page 2 #4 states that Residents are responsible for control of pests on their home space including weeds, insects, rodents, varmints and stray animals.

If it is found that you have caused an infestation to a fellow resident by not following the guidelines you could be held responsible for their extermination

as well. Please do not be the one that has to pay for that infestation because you wanted to feed the squirrels!

Also pay attention to your weeds, they do multiply and are not allowed! No they are not all flowers just because they have that pretty purple flower! Please be mindful of your neighbor and remove your weeds so they do not move in to their yard too!



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#### **Our Condolences**

Bryan and I have seen so many wonderful people pass since we have come to Lago De Plata.

Some we had the chance to get to know on a personal basis and some we were not fortunate to have the chance to get to know. It is with great sadness that we have seen this

We just wanted to take a moment to say we sincerely miss those whom have moved on and our thoughts and prayers are with all of the family members that remain.

May you all hold dear in your heart your treasured memories of these fellow friends and family.

We ask that as a community we do not forget the ones left behind, and we take a moment to check in on them and make sure they are getting along ok.

We would like to try to organize a grief committee. Any one interested in helping to organize this should contact the HOA or Theresa at the office.

We were thinking of donation care packages providing food and essentials for a week at a time, a list of numbers for people to call if they need assistance or just a shoulder.

Many spouses that are left behind are all alone ,no children or other family close by so they rely on their friends.

Some do not even know how to cook or need help in the yard etc.

If you have lost some one close to you then you understand how overwhelming simple daily task can seem.

Sometimes we just need some one to talk us through it . Or just someone to have a cup of coffee with.

We ask if you know some one in our community that you reach out to them ,as many of you have already done.

We have some resident's that are offering cooking meals and yard work, also they are assisting in needed paperwork.

This is a great community and we are happy to be a part of it.

Thank you all for being you, a group of caring individuals whom look after one another.