# SPOA NEWSLETTER

**SUMMER 2018** 

## President's Report - July 2018

By Andy Kirmse, SPOA President

We have several new position changes to announce since our last newsletter in January. Jim Wilson has sold his home and therefore had to give up his positions as Board Vice President and Chair of the Architectural Review Committee. I am pleased to report that Joe Russoniello has been installed in the Vice President's position, and Paul Roberts has agreed to take over as Chair of the Architectural Review Committee. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Jim for his hard work and dedication during his Board tenure. His presence will be missed. In addition as of January 2018, Michael Karath is our new Silverado Community Services District representative and replaces Chris Lewis. Our sincere thanks goes out to



Andy Kirmse SPOA Board President

Chris for her assistance in coordinating the SCSD activities with SPOA.

SPOA has been active with the County in searching for a new landscaping company, and we are pleased to announce that Coast Landscaping has been selected to oversee the maintenance of our grounds effective July 9, 2018. We were not pleased with the previous contractor. Several weeks ago Michael Karath, three supervisors of Coast Landscaping, Nancy Pollacek, Chair of the SPOA Landscaping Committee, and myself met and did a walk around survey of our landscaping requirements. Coast is in the process of putting together an action plan which includes new watering schedules and island maintenance plans which will be presented to SPOA for review and concurrence. SPOA has also committed \$30,000 to replace and improve our landscaping damaged by the wildfire. Priorities are being determined. We look forward to working with Coast to repair, upgrade and beautify our environment.

As more construction permits are approved, we expect to see a substantial increase in traffic throughout our community. Safety issues are of utmost importance to SPOA, and we encourage our members to report any observed potential problems or hazards.

Our website continues to be a valuable resource for our members and we are seeing a steady uptick in hits/views. In order to continue to improve the site's user friendliness, Con Hewett is reviewing content to insure relevancy. In addition, Con is working with Alfredo Pedroza, our District #4 Representative, to come up with a siren type early-warning system for our community to address future emergencies. Please use our informative website: silveradopropertyowners.org.

Sincerely submitted, Andy Kirmse President, SPOA

Visit us on the web at silveradopropertyowners.org to discover what is going on in our community.

SPOA MISSION: To promote and protect property rights, privileges and values for all property owners within the Silverado community.

## **OFFICERS &** EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President **Andy Kirmse** Vice-President Joe Russoniello Jim Tidgewell Treasurer **Cathy Enfield** Secretary Past President **Con Hewitt** 

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

(alternates in italics)

A Cottages Joe Russoniello Marge Hagen **B/C Cottages Veronica Faussner** Amy McNamara

> Creekside **Janet Bollier** Scott Lambert

D Cottages Art Boni Moira Russoniello

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> SR&S John Evans General Manager

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Don Winter

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Tammy Smith

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> Units 5AB Joel Bloomer Bill Jovick

# **Forward Progress Continues**

Rebuilding & Strategic Planning

Hello Neighbors -

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to provide you with an update about what is happening countywide and in District 4. In particular, fire recovery continues to be the County's number one priority and we are seeing great progress. In District 4, rebuilding is moving forward, and with over 90% of the building permits issued thus far in District 4, I am very optimistic about our progress. We've issued rebuilding permits for: Silverado Creekside Condos, homes on Westgate Drive, Stone Mountain Circle, Castle Oaks Drive, Alta Mesa Circle, and Pinnacle Peak. Another six permits are in-process in our neighborhood!



**Alfredo Pedroza** Napa County Board of Supervisors, District 4

The recent elections highlighted the interest in our community to have broader land use conversations and we are excited to embark in a comprehensive strategic planning session that will facilitate discussions around land use and other community priorities. On July 31, the Board will kick-off a strategic planning process which will ultimately result in several discussions with the community regarding a number of important issues – housing,

transportation, land use, agriculture, etc. The intent of these discussions is for the Board to receive input from the community and create a shared vision and strategy to work towards in the next years. As a County, we've grown along with our Cities and while this growth was studied and planned for in our General Plan, it's important to check-in and ensure that we're managing our success and growth while still improving the distinct quality of life we all cherish in the Valley.

Finally, I want to touch base on what's happening with fire prevention. Since the last update, the Board of Supervisors has expanded the successful chipping program, increased funding to support Firewise Councils, and approved installation of special evacuation sirens in all sheriffs' vehicles. County staff has been working hard locally, regionally, and statewide to facilitate better preparedness for future wildfires and continuing to work on an "After Action Plan" that will assess opportunities for improving emergency response. Regionally, the Board and staff have been working with Sonoma and Mendocino Counties to advocate for policy changes on a broader level. With over 30 bills dealing with emergencies moving through the legislature, the Board has been engaged statewide

to push for legislation to prepare us for future disasters. Of specific interest is legislation to allow utility companies to safely power-down grids during high-wind events and streamlining of insurance policies to protect consumers.

As always, I am available to discuss these or any other issues with you, please don't hesitate to contact me at 707-225-2019 or Alfredo.Pedroza@countyofnapa.org.

#### Alfredo Pedroza

Napa County Board of Supervisors, District 4

### SILVERADO RESORT UPDATE

## Dear Neighbors,

We are midway through the year and things are in full swing at the Resort.

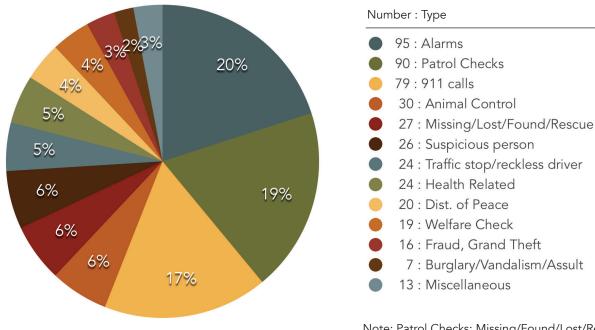
It was nice to see many of you at our annual 3rd of July festivities. We were pleased with many aspects of the new format, including less traffic and a safer environment though did learn a few things that will be improved upon for next year.

I am happy to share some great projects and updates on the horizon:

- If you are a Country Club member, I am sure you are noticing an improved Main Pool with the addition of new furniture, towel station, a portable bar, television and the extended snack bar awning for shade. Our pool team continues to do a wonderful job for us ensuring that all guests leave happy and refreshed.
- In an effort to enhance the guest experience and eliminate the long lines, in the coming weeks at the Market and Bakery you will be seeing some changes as we are adding another espresso machine and a new check out terminal. In the near future, be on the lookout for a soda fountain and soft serve ice cream!
- Once again we will be leading the FedEx Cup schedule with the return of the Safeway Open October 1 7. Fan favorite, Phil Mickelson will return to play in the tournament and we all look forward to hearing the announcement of additional players in the near future. The wonderful news about this year's tournament is that 100% of the ticket proceeds will go to support fire relief due to last year's wildfires.
- Silverado's Tennis Program was honored this year as #15 in the world with Tennis Resorts online, which bases its award on user's reviews. In addition, Silverado was also named Site of the Year at the Peter Burwash International annual meeting that was held in Austria. This is the biggest award one can receive within PBI and we couldn't be more proud of our Tennis Department led by our Director of Tennis, Katie Dellich.

## **Incident Reports in the Silverado Community for 2017**

from the Napa County Sheriff's Department



Note: Patrol Checks; Missing/Found/Lost/Rescues; Welfare Checks increased over 2016 due to Fires.

# Silverado Property Owners Association BALANCE SHEET as of

	March 31, 2018	June 30, 2018
Wells Fargo Checking Wells Fargo Savings Mehanics Bank Checking Pay Pal	\$ 49,160.58 39,384.48 15,000.00 _1,798.46	\$ 49,684.49 39,390.37 15,000.00 <u>2,106.78</u>
	<u>\$105,343.52</u>	<u>\$106,181.64</u>
Fund Balance	<u>\$105,343.52</u>	<u>\$106,181.64</u>

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• You will see a couple of new faces at the Grill with the addition of Kurt Gonsalves, Restaurant General Manager and Jennifer Belmont, new Food and Beverage Manager. Kurt brings with him over 30 years of hospitality experience including the Fess Parker Resort in Santa Barbara, Julia's Kitchen at Copia, Starwood, Hyatt and most recently he was with Bon Appetit at Electronic Arts. Jennifer is a 12 year veteran of the Food and Beverage industry and started when she was a teen. She was a key player in opening the Thompson Hotel in Seattle where she served as Restaurant Manager for their primary outlet. She has a passion for wine and is a level 1 Sommelier with the Court of Master Sommeliers.

• And finally, the news many of you have been waiting for, the long awaited Mansion Renovation is scheduled to take place in mid-November. We have received the renderings and have had many meetings with our team of skilled architects and contractors the past few months and are very excited to unveil our plans. We think you will be delighted with the beautiful results.

Our team of associates is very proud to be part of the Silverado Community and we thank you for your continuous support of the Resort.

Warm Regards, John Evans General Manager, Silverado Resort & Spa



Andrew Kirmse 254 St. Andrews Drive Napa, California 94558



#### **COMING EVENTS**

## October 1 - 7: Safeway Open

Phil Mickelson returns to play and 100% of this year's tournament ticket proceeds will go to support fire relief due to last year's wildfires!

#### October 26: SPOA Board of Directors

**Meeting** 4:00pm to 5:30pm at the Silverado Resort Members Clubhouse, St. Andrews Room.

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