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SOUTH VISTA NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

South Vista Communities is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization whose purpose is to maintain and enhance the quality of life for all South Vista residents.



5th ANNUAL MEETING • **AWARDS PRESENTED**



At its Annual Meeting on Thursday, May 19, South Vista Communities presented its “Above and Beyond” service awards to four Vista residents. This is the first year the awards have been presented, recognizing members of the community who have provided extraordinary service in improving the visual quality of life for South Vista residents and businesses.

Recipients were:

- **Leslie Jantz**, for his seven-year effort to gather community support to have Thibodo Road improvements installed by the City of Vista, including street lights, curbs and gutters, and landscaping, creating an inviting and attractive entrance to the city from S-78.
- **Jim Fraker**, vice president, Professional Community Management North County, for chairing the Buena Creek clean-up in 2008 and 2010, each time involving over 100 North County volunteers picking up over half a ton of trash and recyclables.



L to R: Leslie Jantz, Jim Fraker, Mark Vierow; not pictured, Chuck Crist.

- Senior Fire Inspector **Mark Vierow**, Vista Fire Department, and **Chuck Crist**, Vista Public Works Department, for tracking down property owners to take care of or remove dead and unsightly trees which might also serve as fire hazards in neighborhoods.

David Wilson, Director of Vista’s Code Enforcement department, and Steve Belda, Code Enforcement officer, presented information on the scope of code enforcement responsibilities and reported on the success of the new volunteer program initiated this year.

SVC officers and board members for 2011–2012 were elected: Stephanie Jackel, president; Rich Dimler, vice president; Barbara Boyer, secretary; Gene Ford, treasurer; Carolyn Chetister, at-large.

NEW WATER REGULATIONS APPROVED

The Vista Irrigation District changed its water regulations last week in conjunction with the state's declaration that we are no longer in a drought condition.

Level 1 Water Use Practices Effective June 2, 2011

- No washing down paved surfaces
- Irrigate landscape before 10 AM and after 6 PM
- Eliminate landscape irrigation run-off, overspray, etc.
- Wash vehicles with a bucket and hand-held hose with positive shut-off nozzle
- Use re-circulated water to operate ornamental fountains
- Restaurants serve water on request; hotels launder daily on request
- Repair all leaks within **five** days of notification.

There are no longer assigned watering days or irrigation duration limitations. For questions, contact VID Water Conservation Specialist Brent Reyes, 760-597-3107.

A GOOD ENDING — A GREAT PARTNERSHIP!

The sloped areas next to the softball fields in South Vista's Beuna Vista Park were in terrible shape after this last winter's endless rains. Rich Dimler, SVC Vice President, coach of a Vista Girls' Softball team and "softball dad," looked at the area with the upcoming spring ball tournaments in mind — was there a way to make the ruts go away and make it all look better for the many teams and families who would be visiting?

Dimler contacted Rod Kreuger and Chuck Crist at City of Vista Public Works Dept. and promised volunteers to help. Public Works staff graded the slope to remove the ruts. One of the other dads contributed a dump truckful of decomposed granite and a Bobcat to spread it around; P.W. compacted the DG to bind it to the slope. Public Works staff and softball family volunteers got together and got the job done. What a difference!

"The results are more than we ever expected," says Dimler.

This is another great example of what can be accomplished to improve our community when residents and the City staff work together toward a common goal. Thanks to everyone!



SVC BOARD CHANGES

We are sorry to lose SVC Board member-at-large Pat Ogden, Falcon Hill. She and her husband, Barry, are moving northward to be closer to family. Pat also served as chair of the Land Use/Zoning Committee.

That committee will now be chaired by Carolyn Chetister, Board member-at-large from Shadowridge. Thanks to Carolyn, and best wishes to Pat and Barry.

SOUTH VISTA COMMUNITIES BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President -	Stephanie Jackel	Green Oak Road
Vice President -	Rich Dimler	California Summit
Secretary -	Barbara Boyer	Carriage Hill
Treasurer -	Gene Ford	Shadowridge
At Large -	Carolyn Chetister	Shadowridge