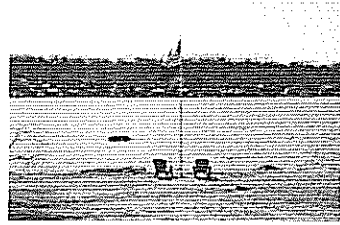


# VAIL'S



# VOICE

May/June 2010

## NOTES FROM THE CHAIR . . . June 2010

Living in Vail's Grove recently reminds me of that old tale of "Beauty and the Beast." I have always thought of living here as a bit of a fairy tale come true — a haven if you will, just outside the busy, noisy and demanding world around us — and perhaps that is why this metaphor comes to mind.

It is Spring, soon it will be Summer, and our community is coming into its most beautiful time of the year. Gardens are blooming, birds are nesting and singing, residents are clearing away the winter debris to make room for new growth. And then there is the "Beast" which is the Waste Water Treatment Plant project with its unfamiliar noises, torn up roads, dust-creating street sweepers, piles of dirt and rock and... well, I don't have to tell any of you that the list goes on.

Just as in the fable, I see that we are all coping with the "ugliness" of the situation, seeing beyond the temporary mess and eagerly awaiting the handsome prince that will soon emerge to create our new way of life: a fully functioning waste water treatment system and our beautiful Peach Lake restored to its full potential!

We coordinate with Stearns & Wheeler and the various contractors working here on a daily basis to try and maximize communications and minimize the disruption to our daily lives which, as I am sure you can all imagine, is a challenge! On behalf of the Board of Directors and the Office, I thank you all for your patience and understanding as we go through this unsettled period of construction. We hope that you too are looking forward to the outcome which will be well worth this temporary inconvenience for us all.

Community activities continue to abound as evidenced by the exciting list of events our Beach Chair Rob Norcross has planned for this Summer (see list to right). And all the usual festivities for the Fourth of July are being planned with thanks to Mary Rubini and Fred Witte, as always.

Shareholders continue to step up to join and participate in committee activities here in Vail's Grove and this month we thank Mary Larkin who joined both the Aesthetics and Boat Ramp committees and Adeline Natiello who also joined Aesthetics. We are still actively looking for shareholders who will join the Community Liaison Committee, especially people who can attend meetings in the Town of North Salem, as it continues to be important for our interests to be represented in the two Towns. If you are interested in this committee, please call Bob Gregory or me for more information.

Last, but not least, I want to note that there will be six open positions on the Board of Directors this year and all are encouraged to think about finding the time to serve your community in this capacity. It would be great to have enough candidates to fill all six spots as we have not had a full Board of 13 directors for several years.

Wishing you all a wonderful, safe and happy Summer in Vail's Grove!

*Victoria Anders*

## AREA EVENTS/ HAPPENINGS/and/or RECOMMENDATIONS

Fred Witte shared the following information: If veterans register with Putnam County, they get a card and then receive various discounts. Below is the link:

<http://www.putnamcountyny.com/countyclerk/rtf/1.%20%20Available%20Services.pdf>

### Cindy's Corner :

The AWQR for 2009 - Annual Water Quality Report - is available for review on the Vail's Grove Web site at [www.vailsgrove.us](http://www.vailsgrove.us) on the Documents page. This report will not be mailed to residents this year to save printing and mailing costs. If you do not have access to the Internet, you can pick up a copy at the office.

### IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBER:

For info/questions regarding the WWTP (meters, timing, etc.), please call Stearns & Wheeler at 203-268-8990 and ask for Sarah or Ken.

## BEACH EVENTS FOR SUMMER 2010

**June 25 – Welcome Summer with a Full Moon BBQ**

**July 9 – Tacos and Tequila Night**

**July 25 – Brunch at the Beach**

**August 7 – Bonfire Barbeque**

**August 21 – Kid's Day at the Beach**

**Mark your calendars – Details to come closer to the dates!**

### Our Neighbors' News

Get well wishes for Karen Bruen and Tyler Costello who both underwent procedures recently. Hope you both are feeling much better!

We are sad to announce the passing of long time resident Adele Janacek on Friday, May 28. Also, Charlie Barolo, son-in-law of Frank Camissa and husband of Rebecca Camissa Barola, passed away last week.