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It's hard to believe that the year is half over already, especially as many of us have not been able to do things that were part of our plans for spring and summer.

The only notable day this month is the Independence Day celebration on Saturday, July 4th. It is our nation's finest holiday and thoroughly deserves to be listed all by itself.

Everyone enjoy the holiday, take good care and have a safe month.

LETTER FROM PAT CHASE

Recently our Vice President of our HOA resigned under unpleasant circumstances. I am so sorry that Mr. Dietrick chose to resign although I do understand why.

I will miss his presence, intelligent in-put and acumen in handling the affairs of our community. His absence from the board is a serious loss to Chantarelle. He has always volunteered to do so many projects for us. I thank you Mike for the two years you were on the board,

*Pat Chase, Director,
Chantarelle Board.*

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Summer is beginning slowly due to the restrictions that are still in place for COVID 19. We

were allowed to open our pool however, for exercise only. It does not look promising to have our pool/patio area available this summer for social gatherings and sunbathing.

Because the pool can only be used for exercise and not recreation, we have limited the use to residents only. I would like to thank Ron Yamato, Dale Lucas and the pool committee for getting the pool ready and keeping it maintained.

The board had a short meeting to discuss property liens and the current opening on our Board. The Board has agreed to choose the replacement since that is what is called for in the Bylaws. We have asked all of those that have expressed interest in this position to submit a short Bio and their reason for wanting to be on the board. We will conduct interviews of those that turn in their information on time and then select the replacement at some point in July.

One other reminder to all homeowners is our rules regarding front yard decorations. No decorations or statuary are allowed in the common area outside the front gates.

Everything is running smoothly and we have no pressing

business to discuss so we are not having the meeting in July. Ron will keep you posted on the financial condition, with a short report in this newsletter.

We are sorry to have been informed of the passing of another of our long time residents, Betty Isonio, who resided on So. Temelec Cir. We wish to extend our sincere sympathy's to Betty's family, she will be missed.

Have a safe and most likely fairly quiet 4th of July! ~ Steve

TREASURER'S REPORT

Sheltering-in-place precautions are still having a positive effect on our bottom line. We are below budget in most expense categories except for General and Administrative because of our insurance premium. We paid the HOA liability and bond insurance premium up front for the entire year, but as the year progresses this expense is gradually leveling out. Up through May we are about \$15,400 under budget. Our operating cash stood at about \$77,000. After deducting current liabilities of about \$10,900, we had a liquid cash position of about \$66,000, which should be sufficient to cover any surprise in the next few months. We are experiencing an increase of

delinquent accounts, however, with seven homeowners being \$7,089.50 in arrears. We are asking these homeowners to contact Strong Management to either pay their delinquent dues or work out some kind of pay-back arrangement.

~ Ron Yamato

LANDSCAPING NOTES

Hello neighbors. Last weekend was the beginning of summer and it feels like it. The grass has many brown spots that we think are due to the heat and the winds. The Waldron crew has been working to keep the irrigation system sprinkling so that, in the long run, the grass will survive.

Debbie and I will be working with Waldron to plan this fall's refreshing of the front yards and public spaces. If you have any suggestions please let Debbie or me know. We would be glad to meet with you to assess the situation.

If you have any problem with landscape, broken sprinklers, dead plants, etc., please do not call Waldron or the management company. Please call Debbie or me. If we don't answer leave a message, we do check.

Please stay safe and healthy and have a good summer.

As always Debbie and I are available by phone or email.
~ Ben Jones (415-939-8955)
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~ Debbie Yamato. (415-696-2424)
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SAFETY & WELFARE SAD NEWS

Our sincere condolences to the family of Cristian Quinonez, who passed away June 15th. Cristian and his company Quinonez Cleaning Service had kept our clubhouse and surroundings spotless for a number of years. We will miss his ready smile and willing spirit. Cristian is survived by his wife Zaira and two young daughters. Please keep them in your thoughts. Michael Sebastiani has started a GoFundMe page for them. If you want information about this effort, email me at powens2@juno.com.

FIRE PREVENTION

It seems fire season starts earlier each year. From CalFire, these are a few tips for fire prevention around your lot. While our landscapers take care of the front, take a look at the sides and back of your property to see how you're doing:

- Remove all dead plants, grass and weeds (vegetation).
- Remove dead or dry leaves and pine needles from your yard, roof and rain gutters.
- Remove branches that hang over your roof and keep dead branches 10 feet away from your chimney.
- Trim trees regularly to keep branches a minimum of 10 feet from other trees.
- Remove or prune flammable plants and shrubs near windows.
- Remove vegetation and flammable items from around and under decks.

For more information, visit readyforwildfire.org.

COVID-19

Largely due to the cooperation of our citizens, Sonoma County has been slowly opening up parts of our economy. Enjoy these changes, but be aware that the same basic safety rules apply: Frequent thorough hand washing, social distancing and wearing a face covering when near others, especially in enclosed areas. Stay safe, Chantarelle

Wishing you and yours a safe and happy Fourth of July.

~ Peggy Owens, Coordinator,
Safety/Welfare Committee

VIRTUAL ART SHOW

For the past several years, under the leadership of our old friend, Charlie Berry, his Art Club has presented a display of artwork in the clubhouse. This year, because the clubhouse is not open for social gatherings, May Hashii and Mary Howland, our resident internet expert, have created a Virtual Art Show on our website. This includes exhibits from each member of the Art Club. Please check it out at Chantarelle.org, where you'll find links to the Art Show on the Resources Page and the News Page.

REMINDER TO OBTAIN ACC APPROVAL

Exterior changes to homes, windows, fences, garage doors, paint colors, gates or roofs must be approved by the Architectural Control Committee (ACC) BEFORE work begins. Request forms are available in

the clubhouse, online at Chantarelle.org, from ACC committee members and from Strong Management. Completed forms must be submitted to the ACC at least 30 days before the start of the project to allow time for review and follow-up. When projects involve common area fences shared by both the homeowner and the HOA, additional procedures mentioned in the May 2012 "Report on Common Area Fences" must be followed, including obtaining multiple bids. An additional item has been added to the ACC approval process regarding the display of flags. The American Stars and Stripes, individual state flags, and seasonal/holiday flags may in most cases be flown without permission. Permission to fly other flags must be requested from the ACC. Adhering to ACC rules will ensure the continued coherence and beauty of the Chantarelle community, while at the same time maintaining the quality of life and desirability of residing here.

A THANK YOU TO RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERS

The Board of Directors would like to thank those responsible and conscientious homeowners who are contributing to the overall appearance of our community by picking up and disposing of their pet's waste in an appropriate manner. If we all do our part to keep our community clean and pet-waste-free, then not only will we be enhancing the curb-appeal of our community, but also helping to keep our pets

healthy. One of the biggest transmitters of canine diseases is feces. When we pick up after our pets we ensure that we are not contributing to that problem. Thank you again for your thoughtfulness and cooperation.

CLUBHOUSE RESERVATIONS

To reserve the clubhouse for an event, please call Linda Jackson at 415-987-0021.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

If you know of anyone at Chantarelle who is sick or if you have new neighbors, please let either Willy Hoekstra or Ann Young know so that she can contact them. Willy's phone number is 996-0661. Ann's number is 938-2582.

NEWSLETTER

Please submit items for the newsletter to John Dodgshon, 933-8395, or email him at: John_Dodgshon@hotmail.com. Our thanks go to Cecilia Angel and Ann Young for their continued dedication to delivering the newsletter.

CHANTARELLE WEBSITE

Our thanks to Mary Howland, who maintains our website. The website can be accessed at www.chantarelle.org.

It contains copies of important documents, including: CC&Rs, Rules, minutes of HOA Meetings. Please check it out. Please submit items for the Chantarelle Website to Mary Howland, 650-468-1119 or email her at: char797@aol.com

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CHANTARELLE WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Dominos 12:30-4pm (2 nd & 4 th Tue only) Suspended		Mah Jongg 10am-2pm Suspended	
Art Club 1 - 4pm Suspended	Flex Exercises 4:30-5:30 Suspended	Bridge 12 - 4:30pm Suspended	Flex Exercises 4:30-5:30 Suspended	

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2		3	4
	NOTICE					Independence Day
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	Due to the current crisis, the clubhouse will remain closed to all club and group activities until further notice. However the Lending Library will be open with the following restrictions: only one person (or two if from the same household) in the clubhouse at one time and use disposable gloves when handling the books.					18
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Waldron Landscaping is now here on Monday 8am-1pm, Tuesday 8am-4pm, Thursday 1-4pm and Friday 8am-1pm.

Garbage, recycling & garden trash pickup is on Mondays.