



# Chantarelle News

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## MAY

The pool is inviting, the strawberry patch is open, and the rainy season is over (probably). All is set for a wonderful month. Notable days include: Cinco de Mayo on Friday, May 5; Mother's Day on Sunday, May 14; Memorial Day on Monday, May 29. Everyone have a memorable holiday and a happy month!

## HOA MEETING

The next HOA meeting will be held in the clubhouse on Tuesday, May 16th, commencing at 3pm. All members are encouraged to attend and participate in the open forum, which allows members to voice concerns and bring matters to the board's attention.

## TGIF PARTY

The next TGIF is at the clubhouse on Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> (that's Cinco de Mayo), starting at 5:45pm. All residents are invited and we look forward to seeing you there. Newcomers to our community are especially encouraged to come along, meet their neighbors, and make new friends. There is no admission charge, just bring a beverage of your choice and a small item of food to share.

## CHANTARELLE ART SHOW

The Annual Chantarelle Art Show will be held in the clubhouse on Saturday, May 27 from 10am to 4pm. All Chantarelle residents who wish to display their original artwork should contact: Mike Hashii at 996-4817, Shelley Lawrence at 951-202-0459, or John Dodgshon at 933-8395.

## CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF RON TAYLOR

The Chantarelle Community extends its deepest sympathy to Bonnie Taylor and her family following the recent loss of Ron Taylor.

## PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Now that May has sprung upon the scene there are many beautiful colors of this spring season greeting us in Chantarelle. The lawns, trees and plants all look like magazine photos that welcome one and all. Our Rail/Ramp Committee has met and another meeting is scheduled in a few weeks. The area behind the clubhouse and pool area should become safer and even more esthetically pleasing in the near future. At the May 16th HOA Board meeting a closer look at our findings will be highlighted. Next on our project list is the issue of entrance signs (volunteers are still needed). These signs are certainly in need of replacement.

You will soon receive a letter from VOM Water District that will outline what the VOM can provide in terms of backflow installation. You will still have the option to use Plumbing Service Company (Randy) if you wish. The HOA will be providing information on which you can base a comparison and your ultimate decision. This topic will also be discussed at the May 16th HOA Board meeting. Please remember to mark the date on your calendar. We in Chantarelle have met with and are in close contact with our neighboring HOAs in both Creekside and Temelec to compare notes. There is nothing

like a common cause to bring groups of people together and the past 2-3 years of backflow discussion and meetings have certainly done that.

We want to wish all moms a very happy Mother's Day. Enjoy your special day; you've certainly earned it! ~ *Dave Owens*.

## LANDSCAPING NOTES

Wow, is it really May already? Oh, this year of 2017 is flying by like a rocket ship heading to the moon! And we are continuing to enjoy the radiant beauty of this most amazing spring, yes? Yes, indeed! Here is your current update from your Landscape team ...

## New Planting nears completion, Shrub-pruning is still in process

Our Waldron Team has been mighty busy this spring, keeping up with the fast-growing grass, planting new plants and moving existing ones to new locations, and most of all, catching up on the huge project of shrub-pruning that is necessary throughout our entire landscape. One more round of plant purchases and placements will take place the first week of May, and then our spring planting projects are very close to completion.

As to existing plants in the landscape, if you feel that your home-front shrubs are overgrown and are wondering if the guys are going to get to them, please know that the guys are systematically working their way through the neighborhood at the best pace they can. Because some of the shrubs require hand-pruning and others can be done with a machine, it does take them time to

complete this project during the spring growing season. Before June arrives, each and every home's shrubs should be completed.

### **Plant Lists Are Ready for You**

A brand new version of a *Chantarelle Landscape Plant List* is now complete and available for you to view at your pleasure. We've printed several sets, each one contained in a green notebook. In the notebook you will find a variety of plants listed by name, with color photographs to illustrate each plant, and details on the preferred habitat and growth habits of each plant. We hope this will help you make a determination of what would work best for you in your location when new planting is called for.

One *Plant List* copy is now kept in the Clubhouse in the wall document-holder to the right of the front door. Feel free to peruse it while you're there. Debbie and I also keep two loanable copies at our homes. All you need to do is contact either Debbie or myself, and one of us will drop off a copy of the *Plant List* at your doorstep. Once you make your choices, you can return the *Plant List* to us and let us know what you wish to have planted. We will take it from there. Please know that as we enter the month of May and warm weather will now be our ongoing weather condition, we will now hold off on purchasing and placing any new plants in the community until late October/early November when things start to cool off again. Hope you and your loved ones have a most delightful month of May. See you soon! ~Debbie and Susan

### **CLUBHOUSE RESERVATIONS**

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

### **NEWSLETTER**

Please submit items for the newsletter to John Dodgshon, 933-8395, or email him at: [John\\_Dodgshon@hotmail.com](mailto:John_Dodgshon@hotmail.com). Our thanks to Cecilia Angel for her continued dedication to delivering the newsletter.

### **CHANTARELLE WEBSITE**

Please submit items for the Chantarelle Website to Mary Howland, 650-468-1119 or email her at: [char797@aol.com](mailto:char797@aol.com).

### **MANAGEMENT COMPANY**

Strong Property Management  
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Paul Strong 933-9151  
Email: [paul@strongmgt.com](mailto:paul@strongmgt.com)  
24 hour Emergency Number:  
1-800-359-2362.

### **AFTERNOON OF JAZZ**

On Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, in our clubhouse, a lively crowd of residents enjoyed wine, beer and refreshments while listening to a performance by Marin Jazz Group. The music included works by Duke Ellington, Count Basie, and many of the composers of the *Great American Song Book*. We would like to thank the volunteers of the Social Committee for working so hard to make the afternoon a success and special thanks to the anonymous donor who funded the concert.

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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**SAFETY AND WELFARE TIPS FOR MAY**

Growing up, we had the "four food groups," which evolved into the food pyramid.

The USDA now offers healthy choices in a "healthy plate" format for those of us over 50.

Take a look, and see how you're doing.

**MyPlate for Older Adults**

**Fruits & Vegetables**

Whole fruits and vegetables are rich in important nutrients and fiber. Choose fruits and vegetables with deeply colored flesh. Choose canned varieties that are packed in their own juices or low-sodium.

**Healthy Oils**

Liquid vegetable oils and soft margarines provide important fatty acids and some fat-soluble vitamins.

**Herbs & Spices**

Use a variety of herbs and spices to enhance flavor of foods and reduce the need to add salt.



**Fluids**

Drink plenty of fluids. Fluids can come from water, tea, coffee, soups, and fruits and vegetables.

**Grains**

Whole grain and fortified foods are good sources of fiber and B vitamins.

**Dairy**

Fat-free and low-fat milk, cheeses and yogurts provide protein, calcium and other important nutrients.

**Protein**

Protein rich foods provide many important nutrients. Choose a variety including nuts, beans, fish, lean meat and poultry.



**Remember to Stay Active!**



## CHANTARELLE WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Yoga 10am			Mah Jongg 10am	
Water Aerobics 11:30am	Water Aerobics 11:30am	Water Aerobics 11:30am	Water Aerobics 11:30am	Water Aerobics 11:30am
Art Club 1pm		Bridge 12:30pm		

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Bunco 1-4pm	3	4	5 Cinco de <u>Mayo</u> TGIF 5:45pm	6
7 Clubhouse Reserved	8	9 Dominoes 12:30-4pm	10	11	12	13
14 Mother's Day	15	16 HOA Meeting 3pm	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 Dominoes 12:30-4pm	24	25	26	27
28	29 Memorial Day	30	31			

Waldron Landscaping is now here on Monday & Tuesday 1-4pm and Thursday & Friday 8am until 1pm.  
Garbage, recycling and garden trash pickup is every Monday.