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November may bring us rain but also surprise us with some bright sunny days. However, yards full of fallen leaves will be no surprise. Notable days this month include: Daylight Saving Time Ends on Sunday the 5th; Election day on Tuesday the 7th; Veterans Day on Saturday the 11th; and Thanksgiving Day on Thursday the 23rd. Don't forget to put your clocks back on the 5th. Everyone have a Happy Thanksgiving and a very happy month!

TGIF PARTY

The next TGIF is on Friday, November 3, starting at 5:45pm. All residents are invited and we look forward to seeing you there. There is no admission charge, just bring a beverage of your choice and a small item of food to share.

HOA MEETING

The next HOA Meeting will be in the clubhouse on Tuesday, November 21st starting at 3pm.

END OF DAYLIGHT SAVINGS

Daylight savings time ends at 2am on the morning of **Sunday, November 5th**. Please remember to turn clocks and watches back one hour.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

The recent fires were scary and a real danger to us and all of our neighbors. Once again we came together, Chantarelle, Country Meadows, Creekside, Temelec and Seven Flags. We were all together in our vigilance to guard against embers through the night on those windy nights following the

first fire events. None of the 11 homeowners listed (see the Safety/Welfare report) hesitated to patrol overnight in case of errant embers. During the long week of smoke, ash and fires on the horizon, about 25% of our Community chose to relocate.

We who remained tried to look after each other. Ron Yamato went twice to the High School evacuation shelter to obtain masks for our homeowners. We went door to door and handed them out. Peggy Owens, acting on behalf of our Safety/Welfare Committee, was on the phone for hours making sure those who remained had a plan, somewhere to go in case of an evacuation, and a "go bag." We advised some of our more homebound residents to close the front door but not to lock the door in case evacuation was needed. It was a time of frayed nerves (mine included), as we waited for decisions beyond our control. We received calls from neighbors as they prepared to leave, giving us information as where they would be; when we were assured we were safe, those returning let us know they were back. All this important information helped us keep track of our neighbors, and we appreciated that.

We can never adequately thank all of the first responders who worked for days with very little sleep and constant danger. In some cases, these brave men and women lost their own homes and possessions, while saving many others. Because of them and the many

who volunteered to help the displaced, we are Sonoma Strong. Having witnessed the courage of our own neighbors, I can say we are Chantarelle Strong, too. Please help in your own way those who have suffered because of these fires and the possible floods to come. Lend a hand, give a donation, and thank those who worked so hard to save us. Thanksgiving will have even more meaning for us this year, I am sure. Remember our Veterans and the sacrifices that were made for us to be here today in our great Country.

Hope to see many of you at the next HOA Board meeting on November 21st. ~ *Dave Owens*

SAFETY AND WELFARE

First of all, welcome back, everyone, to a smoke-free Chantarelle.

How grateful and thankful we all are to be safe in our own homes. Thanks to all of our neighbors who looked after others during these trying times.

Special thanks to Ron Yamato, who had the presence of mind to go to the shelter at the high school and obtain masks for our community. Thanks to Ron and Dave for going door to door and distributing the masks. They really came in handy, even after the danger of fire had passed.

Ron and Dave also organized an "ember" patrol. Volunteers monitored the neighborhood overnight on those windy nights following the start of the fires. Thanks to the following for their efforts in this night watch:

committee as a partner with Debbie for the last three and a half years. And I have enjoyed the opportunity to work with many of you as fellow Chanterelle homeowners on a variety of landscaping matters. Thank you for all the support and caring that so many of you have expressed to us. For years to come, I will carry this experience as a Chanterelle Landscape Committee member with gratitude in my heart. And I envision that the Landscape Committee and the gorgeous Chanterelle landscape, so bountiful with mature and beautiful shrubs and amazing trees, will continue to thrive long into the future.

Enjoy a gorgeous November as we arrive in the era of cool weather and rain, and may you have a most special Thanksgiving celebration with your loved ones.
~Debbie and Susan

NEW NEIGHBORS

Please welcome our new neighbors:
Susan & Terry Carlisle
130 St James Drive

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

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

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*. Our thanks to Cecilia Angel for her continued dedication to delivering the newsletter.

CHANTARELLE WEBSITE

Our website can be found at **www.chantarelle.org**. Please submit items for the Chantarelle Website to Mary Howland, 650-468-1119 or email her at: *char797@aol.com*.

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