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April is a time to enjoy the blooms and blossoms that mark the first full month of Spring! Notable days include: Palm Sunday on the 14th; Federal and State taxes are due on Monday the 15th; Good Friday on the 19th; Passover starts on Saturday the 20th and ends one week later; Easter Sunday on the 21st; Earth Day on the 22nd; and Arbor day on the 26th. Everyone have a very happy month!

TGIF PARTY

The next TGIF is at the clubhouse on Friday, April 5th, 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.

BOARD MEETING

There is no Board meeting in April. The next meeting is scheduled for 3pm, Tuesday, May 21st, in the clubhouse.

CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF NORMAN HOGLIEVINA

The Chantarelle Community extends its deepest sympathy to Jan McCarthy and the Hoglevina family following the recent loss of long-time Chantarelle resident, Norm Hoglevina. Norm will be remembered as a man with a unique sense of humor, who gave a lot to this community.

CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF BILL YEO

The Chantarelle Community also extends its deepest sympathy to Mary Yeo and her family following the recent loss of Bill Yeo.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Baseball season has arrived so we know that Spring is here! Go SF Giants and Oakland A's!

We had a very productive annual meeting last week. I was pleased to present the Citizens of the Year Award to Dave and Peggy Owens. Both have made significant volunteer contributions to our Chantarelle community. Dave was our HOA President for many years and Peggy has been head of our Safety/Welfare committee, doing a great job of alerting us to preparations for natural disasters as well as other safety/readiness precautions. Chantarelle has many

outstanding volunteers in our midst which makes selecting a candidate quite difficult. Our thanks to both of them for their contributions!

The Board has a number of projects we are currently working on, some of which are noted here. The back flow-landscape discussions, common area improvements, investigating solar for the well and clubhouse, security cameras at the common area, and a new thermostat for the clubhouse. We have also started a dialog with the County about the traffic on South Temelec to see if we can introduce methods to slow traffic. We hope to complete a number of these projects this year.

The Social Committee is working on plans for a Cinco de Mayo potluck dinner on Sunday May 5th. Otherwise we hope to see you for our First Friday at the Clubhouse on April 5th.

~ Steve

LANDSCAPING NOTES

Welcome Spring. Even with all the rain we are seeing the trees beginning to bud out and new growth showing.

Trees: Much has been accomplished in the last month around the community. All major tree trimming has been completed by Ryan Garrison of Art and Science. It was a big project but the trees will benefit

from his excellent attention. Additionally, we removed 4 trees that were diseased or dangerous to our residents.

Mulching: The community wide mulching project was just completed this week and the results are excellent. Not only will the mulch help us to hold the water during the hot weather, it has enhanced the look of the entire community. Since we completed two major projects this Spring, we are not planning any major work until the Fall. With this decision please let us know if you would like us to update or refresh your front landscape at that time. We would love to come and talk with you and work out a plan. We will keep all requests and add them to our Fall list.

The irrigation remains off as we are still relying on the rain. Prior to restarting the system our Waldron crew will be testing all the areas and making any necessary repairs. After walking around the community with Jose Hernandez, the new owner of Waldron Landscape, we noted that as a result of the backflow devices some of the sprinkler heads will need to be moved so that the bags will not block the flow of water and create dry spots on the lawn. This will be done prior to starting the irrigation cycle. As always if you note any problems or dry areas please let us know.

We appreciate your help. Please feel free to contact either of us with any questions or problems.

Enjoy the longer days, the sunshine and the arrival of Spring.

~ Ben Jones (415-939-8955)
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~ Debbie Yamato. (415-696-2424)
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BACKFLOW BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT

Now that the backflow devices have been installed, we are ready to embark on the next phase of the project, which is trying to make the ugly devices less noticeable. Initially we spoke about purchasing fake rocks to cover them, but this idea has evolved into the current plan, which is to plant new landscape around the devices to help obscure and “soften” them. This idea was developed by the landscape committee in conjunction with the backflow beautification committee over the past few months. The goal is not to totally hide the devices with landscape, but just to plant enough around them so that they are not quite so visible. To ameliorate the cost, the board approved breaking up the project into 4 phases to be completed over the next two years. The first phase will start later this month or early May with roughly 25% of the backflow sites receiving the new plantings. Besides spreading out the cost, doing it in phases will allow us to evaluate and tweak the remaining phases if necessary. The next phase will occur in the fall of 2019, and then the last two in the spring and fall of 2020. Contact persons for this project are Debbie Yamato, Ben Jones, and Ron Yamato.

POOL NOTES

Hello to all our Chantarelle friends. I am glad to announce that the pool will be officially open on April 19th at noon. It's been a cold and wet Winter and I know I will be glad to see the sun and enjoy our fabulous pool and surrounding patio. I would like to note that Ron and Mike have made the effort and done a great job of replacing the signs noting all pool rules. We have added additional signs to all the gates to ensure everyone gets an opportunity to read and understand them. As a community we trust that everyone will follow these simple rules to ensure our safety and enjoyment of the pool and patio areas.

As many of you know we have covered our patio furniture for the Winter, so all should be in good shape for pleasurable Spring / Summer fun and festivities. Please let me know if you have any questions about the pool and surrounding area.

~ Dale Lucas

THE NEED TO OBTAIN ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE 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 March 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.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The HOA is still seeking volunteers for a committee to come up with ideas and suggestions for updating the interior of the clubhouse. The focus will be up to the committee, but could include paint colors, lighting, decorations, window and wall treatments, furniture, kitchen organization, bulletin boards, you name it! The committee will have a budget to work with, and the final plan will be subject to review and approval by the board. Now is your chance to have a say in how the clubhouse will look for the next 10 years or so. For more information or to sign up, please contact Mike Dietrick.

SAFETY & WELFARE

Survivors of the Camp Fire (Paradise, etc.) still need help. Here is a link to information as to how you can donate to their cause:

<https://www.nvcf.org>

Census/Emergency Form:

During the month of April, the Safety/Welfare Committee will be distributing updated versions of this form. This type of information gathering has been recommended by SCOPE. Information is kept confidential, and only used in event of emergency. For example, when the fires occurred in October 2017, we used the information to call as many Chantarelle residents as possible, to check on their status and preparedness. Those who include your email address will be added to our emergency email group.

Your anticipated participation is greatly appreciated.

On a personal note, thanks again to the HOA Board for naming Dave and me as Persons of the Year. We are very grateful for this honor.

Hope you all have a wonderful spring and enjoy the celebrations of this cheerful season.

~ Peggy Owens,
Safety/Welfare coordinator

SAVE THE DATE

On Sunday, May 5th, there will be a Cinco de Mayo pot luck dinner instead of the May TGIF. A flyer with all details will be coming soon.

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.

MANAGEMENT COMPANY

Strong Property Management
PO Box 1368, Sonoma, 95476
Paul Strong 933-9151
Email: paul@strongmgt.com
24 hour Emergency Number:
1-800-359-2362.

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.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Steve Rogers, President
771-9290

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757-375-8793

Ron Yamato, Treasurer
415-305-1400

Roger Young, Secretary
938-2582

Pat Chace, Director
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CHANTARELLE WEEKLY CALENDAR

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|-----------------|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------|
| | | | Mah Jongg 10am | |
| Art Club 1:30pm | Flex Exercise 4:30 | Bridge 12 noon | Flex Exercise 4:30 | |

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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|------------------|--------------|--|-----|-----|----------------|-------------------|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| | | | | | TGIF 5:45pm | |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| | | Bunco 1-4pm | | | | |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| Palm Sunday | Taxes Due | Mexican Train Dominos 12:30-4pm | | | Good Friday | Passover Start |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| Easter Sunday | Earth day | | | | Arbor day | Passover End |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | | | | |
| | | Mexican Train Dominos 12:30-4pm | | | | |

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.

Social Committee Update

Dear Chantarelle Homeowners,

Our Social Committee works very hard to plan our annual Christmas Party, Summer BBQ and other events throughout the year. We have received wonderful feedback and it seems that many people would like us to continue and if possible, expand the kinds of events we offer. There are actually only a few of us that meet, decorate, plan, make trips to the store, bake, cleanup, etc. We would very much like to invite more homeowners to join us in helping with these events as we all know that *many hands make light work*.

Below is a questionnaire and invitation for you to respond to and we are hoping that you can find a little time in your schedule to volunteer and join us in making our social gatherings better with each passing year.

Have you attended some of our events in the past? If so, which ones?

What additional events would you like to see happen at the clubhouse?

Are you interested in helping for any of the following events? Circle as many as apply;

Christmas Clubhouse decorating Christmas Party set up Christmas Party baking
Christmas Party shopping Christmas Party cleanup
Annual BBQ set up BBQ cooking (salads, sides) BBQ Baking (Desserts)
BBQ Shopping BBQ Cleanup

Events you would be interested in being the subcommittee chairperson:

Annual BBQ Annual Christmas Party Cinco de Mayo Halloween
St Patrick's Day Valentines Day Game Night Wine Tasting Pot Luck Dinners

Any other suggested events you would like to be the subcommittee chairperson?

Is there any other way you would like to contribute to events at the clubhouse?

Name _____ Address _____
Phone Number _____ Email _____

Can we call you to follow up? yes/no

Please detach this questionnaire from the newsletter and place in the locked mailbox slot at 186 St. James Drive no later than April 15th.

Thank you for your time in helping our Social Committee!