#### **Board Members**

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# SUMMARY OF OUR RECENT ANNUAL MEETING

he Community Association of Rancho Del Cerro held its Annual meeting on April 11, 2011. Listed here are the highlights of the meeting:

**1. Treasurer:** Our Treasury balance to date is \$8866.50. Dues were due by January 1st, and we can charge a late fee for dues received after that date.

2. Architectural Commit-A reminder that tee: all additions, fencing, and other structures must have the Architectural Review Commit-Request tee Form submitted for review and approval before the work is started. The form can be found on our website under the heading of Documents.

**3.** Officers stepping down: There was a discussion about the various duties of all the officers on our Board of Directors. Bill Jones, as President, is stepping down after four years of service on the Board,

four years of service on the Board, and Terri Roberts, as Treasurer, is stepping down after serving two years. Sue Zepeda, as Secretary, is stepping down after four years

of service.

We thank all of these people for their time, energy and the effort they put into their duties. It was explained that the current board members make the decision as to who fills any open position.

**4. New Officers:** After some discussion from those at the meeting, we did have some volunteers step forward. The makeup will be as follows:

**President: Ken Cooper** (Four years on the Board as Vicepresident.)

president.)
Vice President: Roger Steilen (new)

Treasurer: Mark Zepeda (new)

Secretary: Sue Zepeda (Four years on the Board as Secretary; she decided to remain.) Architectural Director: Ivan Whitney (Four years on the Board as head of the Architectural Committee.)

Newsletter Director: Pete Adamcin (Two years on the Board, as Newsletter Director)

#### **5. Other Business:**

Neighborhood cleanup: We had a neighborhood cleanup in April, and thanked the volunteers who helped out. We had a number of trucks, tools, and hands to help out, and did thin some bushes

and plants that obstructed views for car traffic.

There was some discussion regarding future cleanup, or hiring landscapers to come once or twice a year to do the necessary pruning.

Newsletter: Pete Adamcin brought up the possibility of doing color newsletters and sending them out by e-mail. However we do need more e-mail addresses from our residents to make this happen. If we do not have your e-mail address on record, please send it to us at our associatione-mail site, ranchodel-

cerroboard@cox.net or contact our President, Ken Cooper at 520-207-6264. This list will be kept confidential.

Yard Sale: One inat the dividual meeting requested two yard sales per year. Ken Cooper indicated that we had a very good turnout at last year's First Annual Yard sale, with 15 homeowners participating in it. There was a lot of work involved with this, but we do plan to put on another yard sale again in the Fall. The Board will let all homeowners know in plenty of time, and will announce a date in the next issue

**Speeding:** There was discussion regarding speeding in the neighborhood. (The **SPEED LIMIT** is 25 MPH on our neighborhood streets.)

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There was also some discussion (again) about the possibility of putting in speed bumps or humps. Research has to be done on this first.

# THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Irst and foremost, I wanted to thank Bill Jones, our former President, and Terri Roberts, our former Treasurer, for their hard work and dedication to the Board. As we now move on with the new Board for 2011, we have three returning members, and three new members, insuring that we have a good mixture of experience and knowledge. This provides us with some new blood and, hopefully, some new energy and desires to accomplish some new things.

There are three issues listed below that need some further clarification and explanation.

### **Trimming and Pruning:**

We have had some volunteers during the last few years attempting to trim/prune some bushes and trees that interfere with drivers' line of sight at certain intersections within our development. But between getting enough volunteers, and trying to get rid of all the trimmings,

we felt it best to look at another method. At our first meeting of the new Board, we agreed to look into a

to look into a professional company to do this job. As of this writing we have had three

companies look at what
we felt needed to be
done, and we are awaiting bids. Once the
Board decides on the company to use, we plan
to go ahead and
have this work
done. We project
that this first time

will be more expensive, as there is a lot to trim. Then as we do this on an annual, or semi annual, basis the cost should be less. We do not plan to trim anything on individual lots, but only on the easements that could interfere with driving visibility.

#### Speeding:

The issue of speeding has been a continual problem for many years.

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Please remember that the speed limit is 25 miles per hour on our streets!

We will be contacting our local Sheriff's Office in order to get some help and support with this. As of this writing we do not know what help they will provide, but please be aware that they may be patrolling our streets some more, so a word to the wise to slow down! There are children and animals that are on our streets, as well as bikers and some walkers, so please help and do your part. Thank you.

Some people at the Annual Meeting suggested putting in some speed humps within our Association. The Board has heard that they are expensive, but this is a project we will look into as time permits. We know that speed

bumps or humps are a personal issue - some like them, some do not, even if they are not speeders. Please be assured that when we do look into this issue, and get a cost estimate we will let all in our Associ-

ation know of the results of the study.

#### Picking up after your pet:

In meeting many of the homeowners, I have heard this complaint many times. Many of you do carry litter bags with you and pick up after your dogs. For those that do we thank you. But many do not think about this, and some homeowners have trouble getting to their mailboxes because of the dog "poop". Please help and ensure that you pick up after your pet.

If you have any comments, questions or suggestions, or even want to help out, please contact me at 520-207-6264 or at: <a href="mailto:ranchodelcerroboard@cox.net">ranchodelcerroboard@cox.net</a>

Ken Cooper

### **ARCHITECTURAL NOTES**

ust a reminder... Exterior additions or changes to your property thhat extend above the height of 5 feet need to be approved by the Architectural Committee. Thes im-

provements include, but are not limited to, the following: walls or fences, solar units garages, room additions, storage units, and/or anything that may impede your

neighbor's

view.

Most of these improvements will also require a county building permit and/or architectural plans. If you are not sure, please contact the Architectural Committee, Ivan Whitney, at: bigive52@comcast.net.

Thank you.

## FINANCE CORNER

y name is Mark Zepeda and as of the last annual board meeting, I am taking on the responsibility as treasurer of the Rancho Del Cerro Homeowners' Association. When I was handed the task, the current balance in the account was in the amount of \$8866.50 with an additional \$160.00 received on dues from five households.

It was brought to our attention at the last board meeting, on April 17th, that several homeowners had not been caught up in their dues and had accrued a \$5.00 late fee for 2011. It was noted that there had been no payment reminders sent out as well. It was agreed by the board that late fees would be waived until June 10th of this year, so please make your payment soon to avoid a late fee. If you have any questions about your dues paymant, please contact me.

We will work to make the payment and reminder process a little easier. Thanks.

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If you're a member of our Association and have a business interest you would like to advertise in a future issue of *The Rattler*, please contact any member of the board.





