

precaution. If you have one on your property, it should have been approved by the architectural committee prior to install. If you plan to add a fire pit to your property please get approval from the architectural committee. If you would like suggestions or referrals on fire ring installs and/or lawn hydrant installs feel free to contact someone on the board.

MONTHLY BOARD MEETING UPDATES

- ❖ *The board continues to meet monthly to review budget items and update progress with agenda items. This year Dan Allen is the president and as a fulltime resident in Aspen Cove, he has been very dedicated to the job. Being onsite all the time, it offers a great perspective for us all. If you need to contact a board member for anything, feel free. The most efficient way to get ahold of someone is by emailing to www.aspencovehoa.org*
- ❖ *We are continuing to work on a system to archive processes and procedures, so it will be easier for future board members to locate important information such as gate operations manuals, pump house information, winterization of the recreation area, etc.*
- ❖ *We meet monthly so if there are items you feel need attention, feel free to let us know.*

ITEMS ON THE AGENDA FOR 2011

- ❖ *Mark Page remains on this task and is working with the Erkkilas to monitor the water situation and have a plan for the future so we will minimize interruptions. So we are THANKFUL for the Erkkilas and Mark who continue to protect the water system.*
- ❖ *Front gate beautification plan. Bob DalPonte is overseeing this. Bob did remove some of the dead trees from the front gate area. The front gate area has been a little neglected over the years and continues to deteriorate.*
- ❖ *As most know, the tennis and basketball courts need to be resurfaced. You may recall the basketball court was vandalized*

and damaged shortly after the last repair. We are still in the process of procuring a company to repair the surface. We will continue to update with any progress.

- ❖ *We would again remind you to be very careful if you mix sprays to help control the weed on your property. Do not let your water supply (hose) come in contact with these chemicals. Always thoroughly clean your hose outlet when you have finished. Also, if you have horses on your property, do not leave the hose in the water trough, or standing water in your yard. If, for any reason negative pressure occurs in our water supply line it can draw this contaminated water back into our drinking water lines. We must be vigilant in protecting this precious resource.*

PRECAUTIONS and SUGGESTIONS

- ❖ *Respect each persons' "private property". Snowmobiling, atvs, hiking, biking.....if you are doing this anywhere but the main road, you are most likely on someone else's property. Problems can occur when this happens, including damage to the property, vegetation and the potential of unseen obstacles and potential hazards. This can include damaging water valves or other items on the property. Please help insure that trespassing on others property is mitigated by making your guests understand the rules and the reasons for the rules.*
- ❖ *Architectural committee. Just a friendly reminder that part of the governing rules of our HOA is to have prior approval before modifying structures or property in Aspen Cove.*
 - *Changes to properties need prior approval. Please contact Rick Seastrand to begin the process. The CC&R's explain when and what is needed if you make changes, updates, or additions to your property. This also includes fencing and plantings on your property.*

NEW MEMBERS:

We have quite a few new property owners. If you would like to introduce yourselves feel free to email a short bio regarding you, your family and what

property you now own. We will be happy to share this in the community via email.

PRACTICAL TIPS AND SUGGESTIONS

Some of us are new to the community and might appreciate the institutional wisdom from those that have made the mistakes before us 😊

- ❖ *We have a number of practical items you might appreciate. We will plan on having copies to hand out at the June meeting if you would like one.*
 - *There is a "Guest Checklist" for visitors to the community. This can be helpful if you are allowing friends to stay at your cabin. It's also something you can email before they arrive.*
 - *Part of the checklist for your cabin could include the Aspen Cove rules including: speed limit, ATVs on the road, sound ordinance, fire restrictions, etc.*
 - *If you are curious who your neighbors are, we have a community map that has properties outlined along with the property owners name.*
- ❖ *If any of you have tips, advice or ideas....please let us know and we will include them in the quarterly newsletter.*

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE COMMUNITY

*Annual HOA meeting will be January 28th at 707 East Mill Road Vineyard.
(1/2 mile west of the Center Street Prem Exit. Center Street turns into Mill Road at Geneva Road)*