



Community Manager's Corner



July 2015

Let me start by welcoming all of our New Residents to Ardiente. There are so many new faces around the Community and we're glad you're here!

This time last year, we had just under 500 homes in our Community. Now, we are officially at Transition with at least 591 homes. That's nearly 100 new homes in the last year. Wow!

That's right! Now that we have reached the point of transition, the Developer will no longer have any spots on the Board of Directors for Ardiente. All homeowners will soon begin receiving information about the upcoming election. This election will determine which homeowners will serve on the Board. Watch for more information coming very soon.

Have you heard about Resident Alerts? These Alerts are designed to get information out to Residents as quickly as possible by calling everyone with a recorded message. We've sent out a few Alerts recently. So, you may be aware already. If you haven't gotten one, and you'd like to be informed about urgent happenings at Ardiente, please contact the clubhouse and make sure we have your correct phone number in our data base. On that same note, if you would like to opt out of receiving future alerts, please update that information at the clubhouse as well.

Just one more thing for your this month, the ID cards are done! If you've taken a photo, and you haven't picked up your card, chances are it's ready to go. Please come and pick up your card at the reception desk in the clubhouse when you get a chance. We have hundreds of cards that need to be picked up. Please note that we can't possibly thank everyone enough for your patience while we have been working on these cards. I know this has been a very long process for some of you. Going forward, we have developed a system that provides your card in about a week; oftentimes even less if things aren't too crazy at the clubhouse.

Well, that's it for this month. Have a Wonderful 4th of July Everyone!

Stay Safe and Stay Cool,

Lynn

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You may log onto nevada.fsrconnect.com/ardientehomeownersassociation for your account information, update your mailing address, or to access forms and Association documents. In addition, our customer care center is available for questions regarding your account or to answer other general questions about the association. That phone number is 702-737-8580

Remember these lifesaving tips AND please be extra careful in all you do each day!

Heat-related illness takes several forms. Heat rash occurs when sweat ducts get clogged. Heat cramps are painful muscle spasms caused by loss of electrolytes from heavy sweating. If you, a Resident, or anyone you know develops these conditions, immediately get out of the heat. The next stage of heat-related illness may not be far away.

Heat syncope, heat exhaustion, and heatstroke develop from prolonged exposure to heat. Signs include weakness, dizziness, nausea, headache, heavy sweating, clammy skin and slightly elevated body temperature.

Every year, the Fire Department responds to dozens of heat related calls, from unprepared hikers to heat related illnesses. Exposure to excessive heat or extreme heat can cause illness, leading to a loss of both physical and mental abilities.

Heat Safety Tips:

- o Allow yourself to gradually become accustomed to a hot environment, and provide frequent rest periods away from the hot environment.
- o Eat Light. The more calories you take in, the more body heat you produce.
- o Drink plenty of fluids throughout the day. About 1/2 your body weight in ounces per day is recommended or 8 ounces per half hour. Waiting until you're thirsty will not provide enough water.
- o Avoid the intake of drugs and stimulates, such as coffee, cigarettes or alcohol immediately before or after heat exposures. Ask your doctor about any medications you are taking, some don't do well with the heat.
- o Watch people when outside for signs of heat stress.
- o People with high blood pressure or heart problems should refrain from working or playing in the heat.
- o Choose the proper type and amount of clothing. Loose fitting and light in color and weight - cotton allows skin to breathe and absorbs sweat. Wearing wide-brimmed hats protect from direct sunlight.
- o Use sun block.
- o Pace yourself. The heat can catch up quickly.

From your Resident Board Member:

We live in such a beautiful and friendly community, one which makes all of us feel like family. Well it has been, for (8) years, our tradition to "WAVE" at every person walking or driving.

It has proven that the simple smile you displayed and the mere thought of you taking the time to wave has brighten someone's day, lifted someone's spirit and in turn put a smile on their face.

Let's keep our tradition going, let's continue being known for our friendliness.

Keep smiling and waving and make my day.....Lyvoinnie

The Ardiente Veterans Club is taking the summer off and will be reconvening in September on the 1st Wednesday; the 2nd at 5:30 for pizza dinner with our general meeting starting at 6:00 PM.

For new residents who are Veterans; welcome to the community and please feel free to come to our next meeting. There are only 24 bricks available for sale. Each brick is \$100.00 and will be placed at the base of the flag pole in front of the Club house. Please see Tom Killen for information and welcome to Ardiente. Please call me if you want more information.

Respectfully,

John Tedmon President

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Summer Popcorn Days!

Throughout the summer the Clubhouse will bring out our popcorn machine to make delicious popcorn for your enjoyment! Summer Popcorn Days will be held sporadically and will not be announced. Simply check the bar when you enter the Clubhouse to see if we have popcorn out that day!



Activities Email Address

Please note that the activities@ardientehoa.com email address will remain active. Should you have any questions or need assistance with anything lifestyle related, please continue to email:

activities@ardientehoa.com.

While Rachel is out on leave, Belinda will be taking over the activities email account, and can also be reached by phone at the Clubhouse at (702) 643-0226.



My Ardiente Family,

Words cannot even begin to describe the overwhelming joy that my baby shower brought to myself and my family. I never expected to have an Ardiente baby shower in the first place. Once I learned that there was a planning committee in place to throw a shower, I was so touched by the beautiful gesture. What I assumed would be a small gathering was in fact an extravagant affair.

I couldn't even walk through the entire room to see all the beautiful decorations and people without crying. The room was stunning and the attention to detail was unparalleled. The number of residents that attended warmed my heart. I thoroughly enjoyed seeing each and every one of you there. I know that I did not get to speak with everyone personally (though I wish I could have), but it meant so much to me that you attended.

I had no expectation of gifts but hoped that I might receive a handmade item or two. Our families aren't quite as crafty, so we didn't receive handmade goodies for the baby. With the tremendous talent that exists at Ardiente, I knew if I was lucky enough to receive anything handmade that it would be gorgeous. What began with small hopes for a handmade item turned into the most elaborate showering of gifts that I could have ever imagined. The generosity shown to us and our baby was unbelievable. You were all far too kind and certainly went overboard in the gift department. The baby will surely want for nothing.

My husband John, my mother and I spent the rest of the weekend preparing for the baby. The whole while talking about the shower and recounting each moment and precious detail. It was certainly a day that I will remember forever and a day for which I will always be eternally grateful to Ardiente for making it possible.

I look forward to introducing you to our newest addition very soon! Until then, have fun and enjoy the wonderful summer months ahead! Again, thank you, thank you, thank you!!! I love you all!

Sincerely,

Rachel Diaz, Your Lifestyle Director

Important Changes in Fitness Classes



Please note that we have changed the name of our Wednesday morning aqua class from "Aquacize" to "**Aqua Dancing**". This new title better describes what the Wednesday class entails. Leave your noodles and weights at home as you prepare for water aerobics set to lively music soundtracks! You will burn fat while having fun with easy moves that will shape and sculpt your body. The water will provide you with a low impact workout appropriate for all levels. The intensity of the water aerobics class is determined by how hard you decide to work. This shallow water workout includes "rhythmic exercise" as you follow the music and move to the beat. Each instructor uses his/her creativity to keep the pace moving and the dance moves interesting. We hope that you will join us on **Wednesday mornings at 10:00AM**.

Back by popular demand...**Evening Aquacize** has returned! A great class that working residents and retired residents can both enjoy. Join us on **Wednesdays at 6:00PM** for a fun and exciting water-based exercise class! You'll enjoy a great workout that will burn calories without stressing your joints.



Meet Belinda Gandy, if you have not already done so. She started about this time last year, working at the front desk, and will be filling in for Rachel Diaz while Rachel is on maternity leave until the fall. She can be reached at the same email address as Rachel: activities@ardientehoa.com

Belinda was born in Florida and, as a “military brat” she lived with her family in Panama and England before moving here. Prior to Ardiente, Belinda worked at the Blind Center of Nevada as an Administrative Assistant, and worked on events and activities. The Center is not a hospital, but a center for the visually impaired to come to for networking, socializing, resources, and classes.

Belinda is very excited for this opportunity, and says her goal is to get to know everybody a little better on a more personal level.

WEEKLY CLUB AND GROUP MEETINGS

MONDAY Zumba Gold Light, Aqua Zumba Gold, Pilates Mat Class,
Craft Club, Hand & Foot, Tennis

TUESDAY Hiking, Pickleball, Aquacize, Nimblefingers, Relaxing Yoga,
Line Dancing, Poker, Bridge, Pokeno 1st & 3rd, Tennis

WEDNESDAY Aqua Dancing, Zumba Gold, Mexican Train Dominoes,
Tap Dancing, Aquacize

THURSDAY Sew Happy, Aquacize, Relaxing Yoga, Bridge, Poker,
Weight Watchers, Craft Club, Tennis

FRIDAY Pickleball, Tai Chi, Mah Jongg, Pool Volleyball, Poker

SATURDAY Hiking, Ladies Pickleball, Tennis

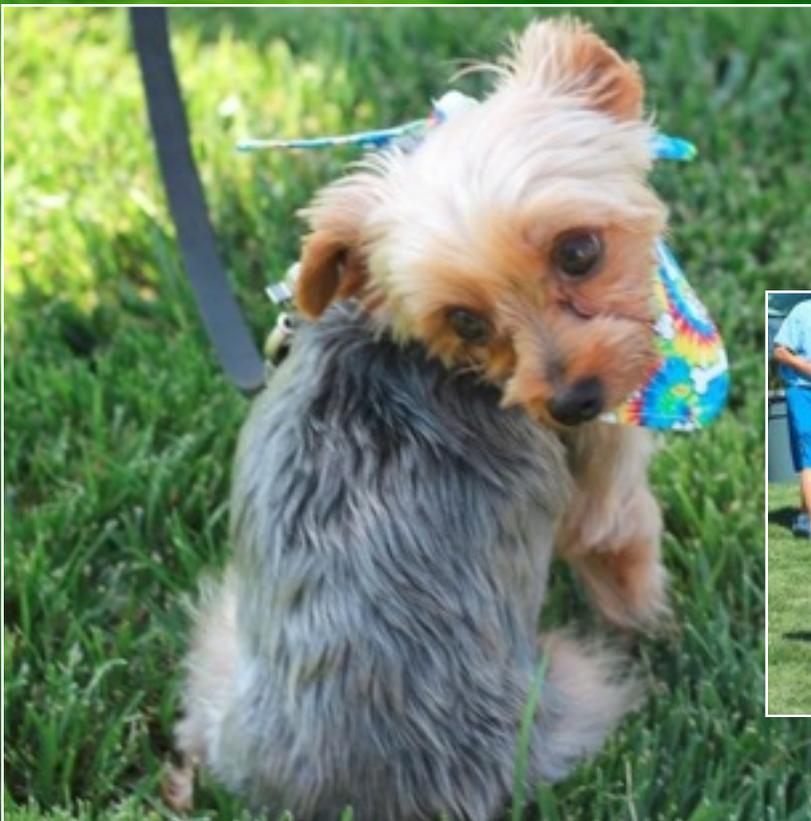
SUNDAY Poker

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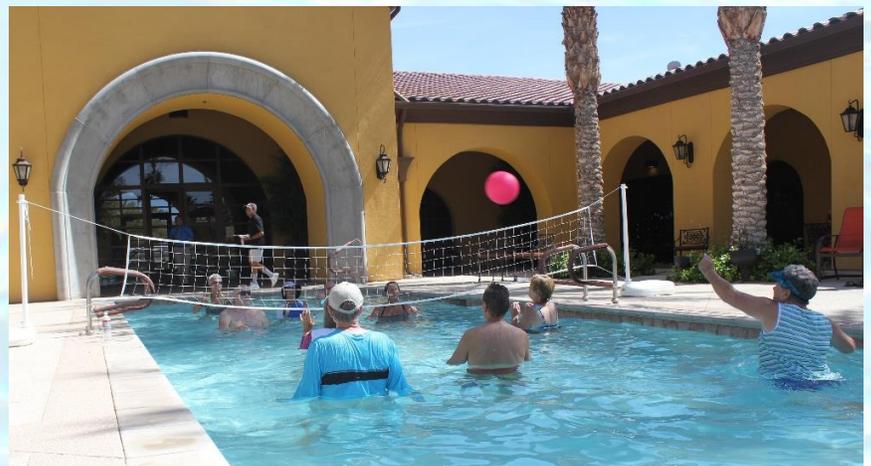
Pool Volleyball at Ardiente

Fridays from 3:00PM - 5:00PM



Join us for a Class that is designed to have fun, get exercise and meet new neighbors! This fitness class is volunteer taught by Ardiente residents and FREE to join! Whether you are a volleyball veteran or brand new to the sport, all skill levels are welcome.

We hope to see you in the pool for some Pool Volleyball fun!



RAT PACK DINNER AND SHOW

by Nancy Tradup

Eighty residents attended this event and it was great! The food was good and service was fast and considerate.

The entertainment was wonderful, a great reminder that "those were the times" in early Las Vegas. The only thing missing from those days was that our entertainers didn't smoke, which was appreciated!

"Dean Martin" played the drunk as usual but I believe that in reality he never drank like that, it was all an act. "Sammy Davis" was a wonderful entertainer and even did some impersonations, which a lot of people don't realize that the real Sammy excelled at. Of course "Frank Sinatra" was great too. Some of our residents were invited to dance with the performers and they made a great hit, especially the one who danced and sung with Sinatra. Our residents really helped make the show fun.



Event Cleanup & Breakdown



The Social Committee and Decorating Team work very hard after events to assist with cleanup and teardown. There is certainly a lot to do, and we could use your help. 😊 When you are preparing to leave for the evening, please look at your table to identify and dispose of trash (paper plates, plastic utensils, paper napkins, disposable cups, empty bottles, etc.). The Social Committee and Decorating Team will still come around towards the end of the evening to assist with bussing the tables, but it would make their jobs much easier with your assistance. Please expect to see volunteers bussing empty tables and/or offering to take your table's trash as the evening draws to a close. Once the event has concluded (at the advertised/scheduled end time), the Social Committee and Decorating Team will begin to breakdown décor, centerpieces, linen, chair covers, etc. Again, there is a lot to cleanup and put away and a limited amount of time before the Clubhouse closes. These volunteers need to work quickly to get everything broken down and put away as neatly as possible. Should you wish to continue socializing and conversing with your neighbors, please feel free to do so! Just note that if you stay in the Fiesta Room, cleanup will be taking place around you. If you would prefer a little less hustle and bustle, please feel free to step into the Fireside Room to continue your conversations. We thank you in advance for your assistance and consideration.



HISTORY OF INDEPENDENCE DAY

Independence Day, commonly known as the **Fourth of July** or **July Fourth**, is a federal holiday in the United States commemorating the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, declaring independence from Great Britain.

During the American Revolution, the legal separation of the Thirteen Colonies from Great Britain occurred on July 2, 1776, when the Second Continental Congress voted to approve a resolution of independence. After voting for independence, Congress then turned its attention to the Declaration of Independence, a statement explaining this decision, which had been prepared by a Committee of Five, with Thomas Jefferson as its principal author. Congress debated and revised the wording of the Declaration, finally approving it on July 4.

Coincidentally, both John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, the only signers of the Declaration of Independence later to serve as Presidents of the United States, died on the same day: July 4, 1826, which was the 50th anniversary of the Declaration.

(Information from Wikipedia)

“We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.”

Sunsets & Spirits

We had a great turn out of friends and neighbors at last month's Sunset and Spirits.

This month:

Friday, July 10 at 6:30PM in Arbor Park

Summer nights are too beautiful not to enjoy! Bring your favorite beverage for yourself and we will bring light bar snacks for everyone. You can even bring a chair if you'd like. Enjoy your beautiful Arbor Park and the company of your fellow neighbors while the sun sets! **Register online at MyArdienteLife.com.**



Nevada Senior Games Informational Presentation

Wednesday, July 15, 2015 at 11:00AM in the Fiesta Room

Join fellow Ardiente resident and Nevada Senior Games Winner James Terry as he explains the Senior Games and how you can participate! The Nevada Senior Games encourages older adults to stay active and fit, revive past recreational skills or learn new ones. Friendships are made that will last a lifetime. The Games challenge each athlete to be his or her "Personal Best." Men and Women throughout Nevada over the age of 50 years old are eligible to participate in the Nevada Senior Games. This is an 'open' competition and they accept out of state participants as well. The Nevada Senior Games is the only National Qualifying site in the state of Nevada and the largest multi-sport senior competition in our state. Come and learn how you can join in on the fun! **Register online at MyArdienteLife.com.**

FREE Lunch & Learn - Avoiding Scams

Friday, July 17, 2015 at 11:30AM in the Fiesta Room

In today's complex world, "fraudsters" are becoming more and more sophisticated - making it difficult for even the savviest seniors to spot a scam. As part of the Better Business Bureau's (BBB) fraud education and prevention efforts, the organization created the "Savvy Seniors - Don't Take Any Wooden Nickels" presentation. By sharing expert information on common scams, the BBB aims to arm seniors with the knowledge and tools to protect themselves against con artists and their luring tactics. The presentation will go through the most current scams targeting seniors including, the Grandparents Scam (or sometimes called The Impostor Scam), Foreign Lottery/Windfall Scams and IRS Scams. Learn practical tips and tools on what to look for, how to avoid losing money to a con artist and what to do if you think you or a loved one have been scammed. **Seating is limited so register online at MyArdienteLife.com today!**

Lunch & Learn Disclaimer

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Movie Night

Saturday, July 18, 2015 at 7:00PM in the Fiesta Room

Paul Blart: Mall Cop 2

After six years of keeping our malls safe, Paul Blart has earned a well-deserved vacation. He heads to Vegas with his teenage daughter before she heads off to college. But safety never takes a holiday and when duty calls, Blart answers.

Genre: Action, Comedy

Rated: PG

Admission is \$1.00 and includes popcorn

REGISTRATION REQUIRED - Visit MyArdienteLife.com to register today!



Boozy Bingo

Thursday, July 23, 2015 at 6:00PM in the Fiesta Room

Prepare for an evening of drinks and bingo fun! Join us as we play TEN bingo games for only \$16.00. The more people that play, the more you can win in each game. And of course you will receive two drink tickets because what is Boozy Bingo without booze?! Enjoy your games even more while sipping on a delicious cocktail. :)

Since Boozy Bingo has proven to be so popular, we are now setting a registration and payment deadline. All participants must be registered and paid no later than three days prior in order to guarantee their seat. If you register yourself but do not bring your payment to the front desk no less than three days prior, you will be unregistered and your seat will be made available. If you see that Boozy Bingo is fully registered, please ask to be placed on the wait list. This will give you first priority when seats are made available. **Online registration is still required so visit MyArdienteLife.com to register today!**

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11	30	FREE SPACE	46	74
2	28	37	55	68
10	27	39	59	75

Medicare

Stump the Medicare Expert

Friday, July 24, 2015 at 10:00AM in the Fiesta Room

Join Healthcare Plans West/United Healthcare on understanding the basics of Medicare and what one needs to know before selecting a plan. Being uneducated on Medicare has cost many people thousands of dollars over the years. They will be answering your questions on Medicare! Most senior have questions they ask each other and as you know you will have different opinions or answers to those question. This will be an open forum where you might be surprise at what will take away especially when we talk about the hidden gaps in your plan. Register online at MyArdienteLife.com.

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Sunday Supper

Sunday, July 26, 2015 at 5:00PM at BJ's Restaurant and Brewhouse

BJ's is the place to go when you're looking for amazing craft beer, delicious pizza selections, and an extensive menu of high quality food--all in a fun, casual, accommodating setting. They want to thank our customers for coming to their restaurants in the best way they know how: by making sure that your experience is the best it can possibly be. Prepare to be amazed at the atmosphere, food, and drinks you can find at BJ's! Residents are responsible for driving themselves to and from the restaurant and paying their own bill. **Please register online so that we can give the restaurant an accurate reservation number.**

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Ice Cream Social

Friday, July 31, 2015 at 2:00PM
in the Fiesta Room



Join us for ice cream with all the traditional toppings to create your own sundae! We will also have root beer soda available so that you can make a root beer float! Cool off with a cold sweet treat and enjoy the company of your fellow residents. A single scoop sundae at Baskin Robbins is more than \$4.00, but the fabulous bottomless Ardiente sundaes are only \$2.00! Register online at MyArdienteLife.com and bring your sweet tooth!



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Shea did it! On June 19th, Shea closed on our 591st house, making us ready for the Homeowners to take over the Board, after an election is held within 90 days of that sale.

We are now on our way to being a built out community of 788 homes. Ardiente...the little community that almost didn't make it, but is now one of the most popular age restricted community in Las Vegas!

Las Vegas Tidbits

by Mary Reed

Bugsy Siegel named his casino the Flamingo after the long legs of his showgirl girlfriend.



NEXT LADIES LUNCH Wednesday July 15th

Wednesday July 15th: We will lunch at Market Grille Café at 7070 N. Durango Dr. (At Elkhorn), Las Vegas, which comes highly recommended by some of our most devoted Ladies lunch attendees.

Market Grille Café has been voted the Best Greek Food in Las Vegas, every year since 2009. Greek and Italian recipes, as well as a fusion of authentic and creative Mediterranean menu items, are the flavors you can expect at the Market Grille.

Sign up online so we know how many we need reservations for. We meet at 11:15 at the Clubhouse.

And looking ahead to August: On Wednesday August 19th we will do our once a year summer excursion to cooler Mt.

Charleston to have lunch at the Charleston Lodge, 5375 Kyle Canyon Rd, Las Vegas.

Temperatures are usually a good 20 degrees cooler than the valley and it is a lovely change of scenery. It is a longer drive

than usual, about 45 minutes from Ardiente, but we will car pool as usual and perhaps share gasoline expenses. Sign up online. We will gather at the Clubhouse no later than 11 am.



The Local Tourist

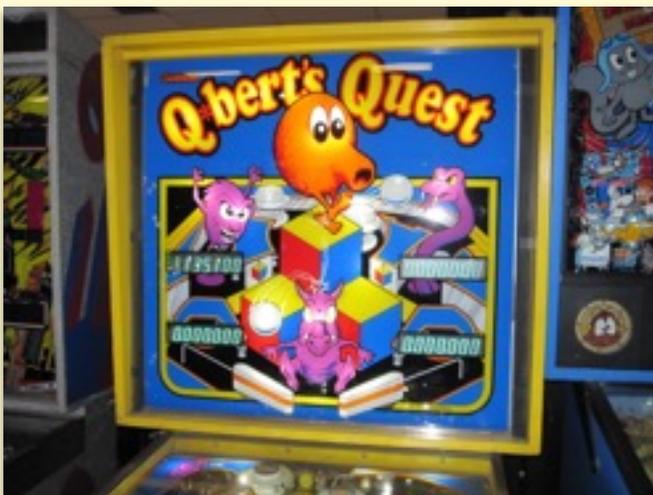
by
Mary Reed

Pinball Hall of Fame
1610 East Tropicana Avenue
Free Admission
Change Machine Available for Quarters
Open 11AM to 11PM Sunday-Thursday
11AM to Midnight Friday and Saturday

One of the most unusual museums in Las Vegas is the Pinball Hall of Fame, which opened in 2006. It is situated in an old strip mall off the Strip and is a place where you are encouraged to touch and play with all the pinball machines on display. There are over 200 machines ranging from the late 1930s to present time.

The pinball machines are in working order, but in the back there is an open workshop area where recently acquired machines are restored. The museum was packed with adults and kids trying out these vintage machines. The most fun was the Doctor Who pinball machine from the 1970s. The Daleks were screaming “exterminate, exterminate, exterminate” as balls came flying down in twos and threes. There is the rare QBert’s Quest pinball game from 1983. Peppy The Mystical Clown is from 1956 and sings and dances for a quarter. (Personally, I’m creeped out by clowns.) There were also pinball machines that are more current, like the Star Trek reboot.

This is a fun place to spend an hour or two and it would be a lot of fun for kids.



Sincere apologies to Kat Snell and all of Kat's followers that last month's article (June's newsletter) was a repeat of the May article. It was entirely the editor's error .

The Pet Place

By Kat Snell

Dog Flu Epidemic

The dog flu is working its way across the country and this is something that you should take note of. It may not be here in Las Vegas but it's better to be prepared and aware of the symptoms of this flu that is killing dogs, raising concerns and fears.

In case you missed it, this is an excerpt from **Channel 13 KTNV news**: A warning for pet owners about a potentially deadly disease. Local vets are hoping to keep "dog flu" from surging into Clark County. A few cases of the "dog flu" have popped up in our area with more of them appearing in neighboring states, local vets are worried our pups aren't ready for this new virus.

Because this is a new virus and it was not present in the dog population before 2004, no dogs have been exposed to it before then, and therefore if they come into contact with it they will get sick. This is according to Dr. Jennifer Stone, medical director at the Animal Foundation.

Is it time to worry about the dog flu? Maybe it's time to get the facts from your vet before it becomes a huge problem here in Las Vegas. Dog owners have been calling their vet offices with concerns about this recent dog flu outbreak in the Midwest. Over 1000 dogs have become sick with the highly contagious Canine Influenza virus and 6 dogs have died as of April 03, 2015.

Two strains of this virus have been identified in the U.S. The original virus identified in 2004 was in racing greyhounds and was the typed as H3N8. The dogs in this current Chicago outbreak were though to have H3N8, but were tested and found to have a different subtype H3N2. This strain of the dog flu hasn't yet been see in the U.S., but was identified in Asia before.

What you should be looking for if you think your dog may have this flu virus is coughing, nasal discharge, lethargy, loss of appetite and can cause a high fever. About 50-80% of infected dogs have mild kennel cough symptoms while other develop a severe illness. Some never develop any symptoms.

Dogs with a mild form may recover within 10-30 days after typical kennel cough signs. The more severe cases rapidly fall ill within 4-6 hours and have very high fevers and may develop secondary bacterial pneumonia. The reported death rate for severe cases is said to be 5-8% but typically is <1%.

Should we worry here? So far we have not seen dog flu cases impact our community. But take note that this virus has been diagnosed in 40 states so far, so it is around.

Don't get that "it doesn't happen here" mentality; be alert, be aware and be informed. We get a lot of visitors to our community, it only takes one infected dog to move that virus into our area.

What can you do to prevent this illness? Talk to your vet and get informed about the vaccination that is available against this virus. Should you get your dog vaccinated? That is totally up to you and you alone. Make sure you talk to your vet about it and get the facts about the vaccine. My personal thoughts on this are, if we get the vaccine for our dogs, then we can "protect the pack" so to speak.

Here at Ardiente we do let our pets interact with each other and also take them to dog parks and day care outside the community. Do we really want to risk bringing the dog flu here into our community?

References: <http://www.scrippsmedia.com> <http://guardianlv.com>, <https://ahdc.vet.cornell.edu>
<http://www.drdebbie.net>

ROAD TRIP AMERICA

Submitted by Nancy Pudelwitts & Judy Onorato

My older sister, Judy, called me last year to say now that she has retired, she wanted me to join her on a 2-month road trip across America. Of course I was all for it with the blessing of my sweet husband, Bob, so we planned to be gone all of April & May, 2015.

In January, we got serious about the planning. We wanted to visit places we have always heard about or visited 20 plus years ago. We also wanted to visit family and friends who had moved away over the years. We put our lists of desired stops together and took them to Triple AAA who were very accommodating in helping map out our itinerary. Judy drove from Sacramento to pick me up in her little Prius so that we could start our trip on April Fool's Day.

We took the southern route toward Arizona and across the old Route 66. There were many interesting places and things to see such as Cadillac Ranch in Amarillo/where President Kenny was assassinated in Dallas/Sugar Sand Sculptures in Clearwater/Chihuly Exhibit in St. Petersburg/where Rocky Balboa ran down the streets of South Philly Italian Market/Visit to Senator Harry Reed's Office in Washington D.C./Tour of West Point Academy/ Ferry Boat Ride to Statue Of Liberty & Ellis Island/Tour of Martha Stewart's Company/Grand Central Station/The 911 Memorial and Freedom Tower/ Niagara Falls/a dairy farm in the Amish Country of Wisconsin/Mt. Rushmore/ Crazy Horse....just to name a few!

One of the highlights of our trip was reconnecting with family and friends in a lot of the states. Many of them graciously opened their homes to us which helped with motel costs, although we also became experts on critiquing the motels along the way. Our favorite was the Sleep Inn with clean rooms, free breakfast and reasonable rates. We traveled through 27 states, stayed in 19 motels and put 10,000 miles on the Prius. Gasoline ranged from \$2.05/per gallon to \$3.15/per gallon and we were thrilled to get 42 miles per gallon.

The two most asked questions were:

1. What was your favorite place? Mine was New Orleans and Judy's was Savannah, Georgia.
2. How did you not "kill each other" while traveling together for two whole months?

That's easy-we're like two peas in a pod, same sense of humor, embrace adventure and even finish each other's sentences.

This was a trip of a lifetime! That's what life is all about-making great memories!



Meet Your Neighbors

by Diana Eden

Meet Sally and Tim Goralski, another couple joining our community and settling in to their life on Sagamore Canyon St.

Both of them were born and grew up in Pittsburgh, Pa., and were neighbors as kids. However, they both married other people and did not reconnect until 2011, after they were both widowed.

Sally had spent 39 years with a family owned company, working her way up from the entry level position to controller of the accounting division. Tim joined the Navy where he was stationed for 3 years in San Diego. After he got out, he spent his career as a letter carrier for the USPS for 36 years. They are both retired.



Tim has five sons, and when one of his sons moved here in May of last year, they came to visit him and fell in love with the area. They bought in Ardiente, and went right back to put their home in a Del Webb community in Georgia up for sale. Then they drove across the country, following each other in their twin Corvettes!

Yes, they are both passionate sports car enthusiasts and love to drive. Sally has the convertible Corvette, Tim the hatchback C7, which he insists gets great mileage and pleases him more than a previously owned Porsche. They hope to go on some road trips soon to places like the Grand Canyon, Sedona, and some of the National Parks not far from Las Vegas.

The apple of their eye though is Goofus, their “maltipoo”, who is two years old, and is called a “blue merle”, having one blue eye and one brown.

They seem very happy here, living a relatively quiet life, loving the weather, and spending lots of time at the Clubhouse pool and gym. They also bicycle and have recently joined the newly formed pool volleyball group that meets on Fridays.

They would love to start or join a group at the clubhouse to play the card game Euchre, which they played in Georgia, a game popular in the mid-west, and gaining popularity on the East coast. It is usually played with four people in two partnerships with a deck of either 24 or 32. Euchre anyone?

Ardiente Transition Committee

Michael J. Di Bella, Chairman

July 2015

This report to the community covers Transition Committee (TC) activities during the month of June. The TC held one meeting this month on June 5.

The TC has just about completed its work on all items on the Transition/Document Checklist. This Checklist is the guide we follow during this initial phase of the transition process. It is anticipated that all items in the category Financial Documents will be completed soon. These remaining items include HOA audits and tax returns not inspected thus far. In June the TC finished working on contracts and agreements. One remaining task is to determine if appropriate local authorities have our fire hydrants under a scheduled local government maintenance/flushing plan.

The TC has accomplished about all of its assigned tasks since work began in January. Since little remains to be done within this phase of our work, the TC will be meeting once a month until additional tasks are assigned. When 75% of all planned homes are sold and have gone to settlement, a board election will be scheduled. The newly elected board may set additional goals for the TC. These goals may include, but not be limited to, assisting the board in the review of the final declarant/developer provided audit and reserve study.

If members of our HOA have questions or concerns about the transition process, they are invited to send them to ardientetransition@gmail.com. Emails received will be replied to at the next BOD monthly meeting.

The TC has enjoyed working on behalf of all of our HOA members.

The Architectural Review Committee

(ARC)



To facilitate the prompt handling of Architectural Change Requests, The Architectural Review Committee (ARC) will publish a series of articles in the Ardiente Monthly Newsletter on home improvements that DO NOT require ARC approval.

Pursuant to Ardiente Guidelines, I., LANDSCAPING, Para. H. " Replacement of existing plants, shrubs/and or trees does not require submitting an ARC application for consideration and approval. Replacement plants, shrubs or trees should be harmonious with other landscaping within the community. Additional NEW plants, shrubs or trees must be approved by an ARC application. All landscaping shall be maintained to present a natural appearance." Note: Changes to the rock or irrigation system requires ARC approval.

Watch this space for next months ARC tip-of-the-month for another home improvement that does not require ARC approval.



Ardiente Wine Club

The Ardiente Wine Club had their first wine tasting event on Tuesday, June 23. Thirty-five people participated.

We tasted six different wines. Three white: a Pinot Grigio, a Chardonnay, and a Vouvray; and three red:

Chianti Rufina, a Merlot, and a Zinfandel. We paired all the wines with different cheeses and meats.

The afternoon began with Leslie having us taste several different liquids that relate to bitter, sweet, salty and sour. We each had a map of the tongue on which we wrote down where we tasted each of these foods. This was to help us learn what kinds of wines we like and if we could taste the subtle difference in the wines, such as the bitterness of the

coffee flavor in some wines. Interestingly, not everyone tastes food in the same place on their tongue.

We learned about the basics of pairing food and wine, such as crisp wines balance salty flavors, citrus wines are good with fish, Chardonnay wines are good with lobster, and sweeter wines go with spicy foods, except Mexican foods – then use a citrus wine.

Once we started tasting each wine, we began by taking a sip of the wine on its own. Then we tasted one of the two foods that Leslie had paired with that wine. Once we tasted all the foods with the wine we were able to determine how each food, or the wine alone, tasted to us. We all were astounded with how different the wines tasted depending on what food we had with it. Several of the wines did not taste great all alone, but with food were transformed into something amazing. All of the wines for June came from Costco.

The next wine tasting event will be on Wednesday, July 22 from 4:30 to 6:30PM in the Fiesta Room. The cost to join the club is \$5 per year and \$20 for the tasting. We are limited to 36 people but we will have a waiting list. You must pre-pay in cash to the club treasurer, Nancy Phillips. She will be at the clubhouse on Wednesday, July 1 and Wednesday, July 8 between 10 and 11 to collect money for the July event. We will accept money until July 15. She will give you a receipt for your payment. The topic for July will be refreshing white wines for summer.

Beginning in August, we will meet on the third Wednesday of each month.

If you missed the first tasting, not to worry, I am writing a newsletter for the club members with all the information we learned, so once you join, I will send that to you.

Mary Reed



Reading With Passion!

by
Mary Reed

Hotel

By Arthur Hailey

484 Pages

Published 1965, 2002, 2014

Available at Amazon in hardcover, paperback, audio, and Kindle (\$1.99)

The Clark County Library has one copy of the book

If you are in the mood for a little biblio-nostalgia, pick up the recently re-released book *Hotel* by Arthur Hailey. This book was the start of a string of hits for Hailey. It also spawned a film and a television series that ran five seasons.

The book is about five days in one of the elegant hotels in the French Quarter in New Orleans. There are multiple stories going on, including the hotelier who is attempting a hostile takeover of the hotel, the cat burglar, the frat party gone bad, a racial drama – remember this was the mid-60s, and, of course, a blossoming love story. Thankfully, this is not a romance novel, but more of a thriller. In fact, I could not put the book down.

What I especially loved about this book is discovering the inside workings of a big hotel. It made me wonder just how much goes on behind the scenes at the multitude of casino resorts right here in our backyard. I also loved the local color. Having just returned from New Orleans, seeing it from eyes that are fifty years old made me realize just how little that magical town has changed in the ways that matter. Even the towns ‘signature’ scam - the huckster telling you he can tell you where you got your shoes – is an old one that Hailey used in his book. The model for the book was The Roosevelt Hotel in New Orleans, which is still as beautiful as ever.

And, yes, it is somewhat predictable, but who cares? I do love a happy ending.



Ardiente Community Hiking Enthusiasts (ACHE) Club



This group of homeowners will inspire you to get off the sofa and enjoy the great outdoors through regular, local hikes. There are many levels of hiking experience within this group, so you are welcome to join, even if you've never before stepped foot on a hiking trail. The A.C.H.E. meet several times a month and generally have lunch together after each hike. Check the Events page to find information on the next planned hike!

Come and join a hike and see what you think. Club dues are \$2.50/person/calendar year.





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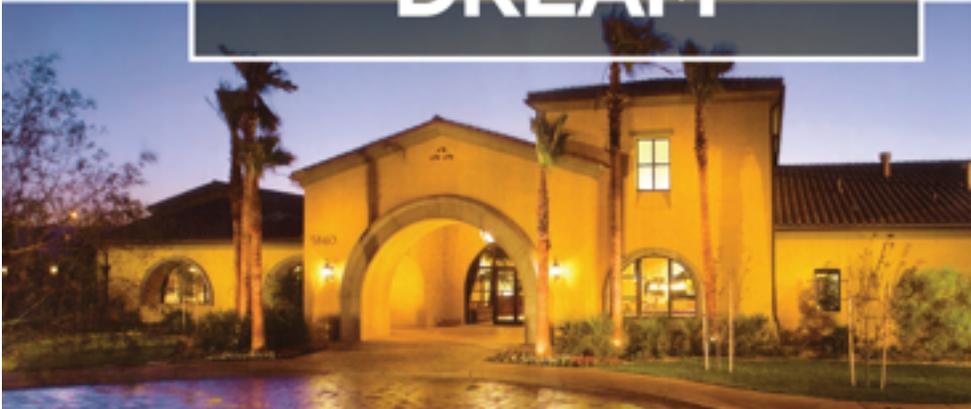
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