



# Holiday Hotline

## Holiday Estates Maintenance Association

April 2005

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### Dear Members of Holiday Lake Estates,

With our 2004 Annual Meeting and Elections behind us, a hopeful transition to an active and united community is a welcome prospect.

Your volunteer HEMA Board has made significant improvements to this community, as well as your property values, over the last year. Achievements include the clean up of the Lower Meadow, the installation of long overdue street signs, organization and management of the resurfacing of major portions of our roads, and an overhaul of our website.

It's been a long time since a Board has done so much for our community. I would like to take a moment to thank the members of the Board for working as a team to accomplish these goals. My special "thank you" to the Board, in particular *Mr. Steven Stratton*, our former President, who embraced the idea of a cleaned up lower meadow with open arms; *Mr. John Milner*, who has managed our Architectural Guidelines, published our newsletter, and obtained the first grant for beautification of our community; *Mr. Gregg Potter*, for his "quiet drive" as he never lost focus of his goals to improve our street signs and open space. Last

and definitely not least is *Mr. Sandor Drobilisch*, who oversees our roads and ditches. Sandor's engineering background and semi-retired status make him one of the most valuable members of our Board. Sandor has gone far beyond his roads and ditches responsibilities and has assisted the Board greatly in completing Phase One of the lower meadow project.

Thank you also to the members of our community who stepped forward last year to work with the Board and hosted our first community meetings on the lower meadow in over a decade. The Board would like to thank *Mr. Stratton* and *Ms. Virginia Hansen* for the use of their homes and their commitment to our community. In addition, a very special thanks to *Mr. & Mrs. Anderson* for the temporary power connection, and to *Mrs. Lynn Potter* for agreeing to Chair the first year of the Lower Meadow Committee with great success. To *Mr. & Mrs. Albin* and *Mr. & Mrs. Raissi*, a long overdue thank you for your contributions to the community over a decade ago to preserve our open space and for your time and assistance at our last annual meeting.

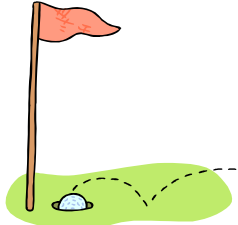
Best regards,

Frank Blenn, President



*The Holiday Lake Estates golf course may not be around anymore but the golfing continues...*

**Announcing: The 2005 Holiday Lake Estates Neighborhood Golf Tournament**



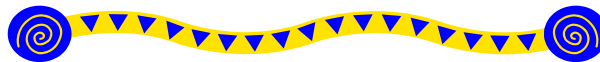
*When:* Saturday May 28, 2005  
*Where:* Cinnabar Hills Golf Club  
*Who:* Everyone welcome!  
**Non-Golfers please join us for no-host cocktails.**  
*Why:* Who needs an excuse? Approx. 2:30 pm

**Details:**

- Cost is \$110 per person - includes greens fees, cart (with GPS system), range balls, and your choice of a bag tag, Pro Shop gift certificate, yardage book, or sleeve of golf balls (with Cinnabar logo)
- If you're interested, please register with Matt Kaufmann at (408) 821-9005 or mvk@charter.net
- Non-residents welcome
- Deadline to register is April 28, 2005
- Tee times are TBD but will likely start around 9AM
- Directions <http://www.cinnabarhills.com/directions.html>

**Bonuses**

- Hole prizes: Closest to the pin, longest drive, etc.
- Box lunch option: \$15
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**Association Management**

Access Association Services, Inc. provides management service for HEMA. These services include: billing and accounting, record keeping, contract management, and processing of homeowner requests and complaints.

Bethaney Dearing and her family have moved to Indiana to be closer to her family. Thank you Bethaney! Your contributions have been invaluable to HEMA! We will miss you, best of luck in your new home. We truly have appreciated all your support.

If you need to report a maintenance issue or CC&R violation, request approval for an Architectural change, file a complaint, or add an item to the next board meeting agenda, please contact Access directly at [access@associationservices.com](mailto:access@associationservices.com).

You can also enter most of these items online at [www.associationservices.com](http://www.associationservices.com). If you do not receive a response from Access with 2 business days, please contact them again. Do not send complaints and requests directly to the board members, as they may not be processed.

We are pleased to announce Tim Dillon and Ray Lopez as your new management team. Please feel free to contact either one of them for association related matters.

## Committee Reports

### *Kudos to John Milner*

We have received a grant for Beautification for \$1300 from SCC to be used for beautification of our property. Thank you again John for your continued efforts on behalf of our community.

### *Plant Drive*

As part of the beautification plan we will be conducting a plant donation program to add "color" in the Lower Meadow. When you are out purchasing your Spring and Summer plants please remember to pick up an extra plant for your Lower Meadow.

The plan is forthcoming from your volunteers of the Lower Meadow committee.

Deer Proof plants include: Yellow daisies, iris, lavender, garlic plant, and rosemary, to name a few.

### *Roads & Ditches - Sandor Drobilisch*

The roads are holding up well despite our heavy rain fall in this season, but the "ditches" will be the focus of serious attention as soon as the weather turns dry.

- As the pond in the meadow filled with runoff water, I asked the city planning department (which ordered us to stay away from the pond during last year's rehabilitation effort in the meadow, stating the pond was considered a wetland) to declare the responsibility for controlling the mosquito growth and was directed to the county Mosquito and Vector Control District – they came immediately and planted larva-eating minnows into the water.

- The Board's request for allowing the installation of a recirculation pump into the pond was denied.
- A homeowner on Oak Lane requested that the board investigate the responsibility over another pond directly adjacent to the lake and the "old marina." For many years, this homeowner "kept an eye" on the culvert which drains the pond into the lake. In the past, to avoid overflow due to clogging of the culvert, they often cleared out the debris on their own when it was necessary. Recently, however, they turned to the City to clear the plugged culvert and they were told to call Roads & Ditches of HEMA.

The problem is that the pond is on county property, and legally, HEMA cannot approach it without going through the gate leading to the "old marina" without park rangers opening the gate.

After contacting the new agent for the County Park & Recreation, I was told that the control over that part of the landscape would be investigated at a later day, as the newly installed agent will need some time to settle into his office. Quite understandable, there are much larger issues on his plate. By the way, Morgan Hill Public works unclogged the culvert.

- The West Nile Virus season is with us. The warm winter created a friendly environment for the mosquitoes. Homeowners should check their yards for any standing water and make strong efforts to eliminate breeding ground for the mosquito larvae.

**ADDITION TO THE  
LOWER MEADOW PROJECT.**

The newly installed electric service meter necessitated that the meadow is given a street address: **17061 Holiday Drive.** The stand was installed with the meter box; and connections to the irrigation controls were made last week and passed by City building inspection. We were told by PG & E they would now connect the system to their line (hopefully) this week (if weather permits).

- This is a good time to thank the adjacent homeowner who supplied electricity from their home for the irrigation system during the crucial time after hydro seeding. It could not have been done without their gracious help.

***Beautification Committee-Gregg Potter***

**Street Signs**

The last remaining street signs will be placed on order by the end of May, with installation planned for mid July.

The board has been approached by some residents regarding street signs indicating street easements. The board is currently reviewing this request. A vote was taken and approved by the board to seek and evaluate the number of requests by residents wishing to have easement signs that will match our new street sign style. Residents in areas requesting signs must have their request in by the first of May. The Association does not cover the cost of these signs and residents requesting off street easement signs will incur full cost of the sign installation. Approximate cost of sign with installation is \$350.00. Once all

the requests are in the board will review the amount of requests and locations so as to vote for approval of additional signs. Funds will be collected from residents and the order placed along side with remaining Association street signs.

**Board Meeting Open Forum**

The open forum at the monthly Board Meeting is now scheduled from 8:30-9:00 PM. Moving the session to the end of the meeting will still provide an opportunity for all homeowners to make suggestions and voice concerns, but will also allow the Board of Directors to better focus on business items as defined in the consent agenda.

**Next Board Meeting**  
**Thursday, April 21, 2005**  
**7:00 PM**

**Holiday Inn Express**  
**Condit Rd. Morgan Hill**

**Don't Forget  
Mom  
Sunday, May 8th!!!**

