



Spring Valley Lake Association

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Message From the Board President: January 2015

I hope everyone had an enjoyable and safe holiday and welcomed in the 2015 New Year with friends and family. 2015 will be another great year in Spring Valley Lake and your board and staff are committed to continue our efforts to keep our community the best place to live in the High Desert. Every New Year is filled with exciting plans and I'd like to talk about some of ours for the upcoming year.

As mentioned previously, one of the most exciting projects for 2015 is the resurfacing of the Parkway from Bear Valley Rd to the entrance of SVL. This spring project will be a joint effort between SVLA, Victorville, and San Bernardino County. We thank all those who helped make it finally come together. This project, together with the median upgrade, and arch refurbishment by San Bernardino County, should make the entry into SVL much more attractive and welcoming to homeowners, visitors, and prospective buyers.

As shown below, several other significant projects were approved by the Board in last year's budget. The total value of all approved capital projects is \$250,000.

- Community Building Upgrades
- Several Fishing Area updates
- New bathroom at Fishing Area #8
- Remodel of the Association Office

We also approved projects for the Equestrian barn, Meadowlark Park irrigation, and an upgrade to the membership card system. All of these projects are possible because of SVLA's strong financial condition and add value and quality-of-life improvements to our community.

The Board of Directors consists of seven homeowner volunteers who contribute their time and expertise to make SVL a better place to live. SVLA's Corporate By-laws require us to hold an election every year in April for a portion of the Board of Directors. Each board member serves a two-year term, with four directors being elected in even years and three directors in the odd years; so the upcoming 2015 election will have three open seats.

Directors are homeowners like you who want to give back to their community by taking on the responsibility of making sometimes difficult decisions on policies, budgets, and the overall direction for SVL which best serves our 10,000+ residents and 4,213 owners. It is a given that not every SVLA member will like every decision made by this Board, or any Board, but it is each directors' responsibility to do what they believe is best for SVL as a whole, and be willing to take the criticism from those who disagree with their decisions.

One of the Board's most important functions is to select our General Manager (GM). It is the GM and staff that adds stability and continuity to our community year after year. Our current GM, Glenn Grabiec, and his staff work hard every day to make SVL run smoothly and efficiently. They are the ones responsible for the daily operation of SVLA and for making sure our community operates according to the CC&Rs, By-Laws, and Rules and Regulations that have been agreed to by everyone that purchases a home in SVL. Our staff regularly go "above and beyond" for us, so please give them a thank-you when you see them working around our community or in the AO. Glenn and his staff have the full support of this Board of Directors.

Finally, if you think you have what it takes to contribute to our community, as a Board member, and are willing to give some of your time and energy to make it better, please consider running for the Board of Directors this year. We are all in this together and there is no "them and us". Decisions made by the current Board and all future boards apply equally to every homeowner – including Board members. More information will be available soon in the Breeze newspaper and other media sources.

Again, Happy New Year to Spring Valley Lake residents! Together we can make 2015 the best year ever for our community. There's lots of good things ahead in 2015!

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