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**Dear Neighbors!**

**With our last board meeting now behind us until September, I'd like to give you all a brief update and also a few items of note that have come to my attention.**

**First off, Tuesday I attended the Celebration of Life of one of our former residents, Kathy Oty. I'm sorry I didn't let you all know beforehand so you could have attended, if you had wished. (I sang in the choir.) After speaking to Dan & Marge Galitz at the reception afterwards, I learned the Oty's lived here on the Ridge, and so many of you may well remember her and John. I believe John still lives at La Posada.**

**Second, May's Thirsty Thursday will be May 18th at the home of Mike and Judy Hudson, 784 W. Desert Hills Drive. It will start as usual at 4:30 and continue until 6:00 p.m. Don't forget to bring an appetizer to share and also your own beverage. No one has signed up for the summer as of yet, so the next one as of now won't be until September!**

**Old news for some of you, the massive water leak that lasted for several days has now been repaired by the water company. Resulting road repairs on Desert Canyon Place will be done at the asphalt contractor's earliest convenience. This is something the water company pays for.**

**An ad-hoc committee (chaired by Mary Roche) working on polishing our Rules and Regulations (while keeping them consistent with our CC&Rs) is hard at work. You may have been visited by a member of the committee for your input, and I trust we will have clearer rules when they finish, especially regarding RVs and trees in our common areas.**

**I'd like to introduce one of our new neighbors, Karen Rainford, who has agreed to sign on as a new webmaster for our website. She will eventually be replacing Diane Harris in that role, but first I want to thank Diane for all her hard work at starting and then keeping our website up-to-date. It tends to be a thankless job, especially when**

**you're not sure just now many people even refer to the website! So thank you, Diane, we do appreciate all your hard work for these past many years. Karen will be working together with Lynn Potter on the continuation of the website, and brings new ideas and energy to the job. She already announced that she can help us with logging complaints regarding trash pick-up among other things. This could be very helpful if we ever contest our contract with Republic Services. So watch this space, and keep tracking your own trash pick-up deficiencies, so we can collect this information by way of our website once the system is active.**

**Another idea presented to the Board at this week's meeting came from Cindy Hubbard. She would like to see a Social Concerns Committee formed to help our neighbors who may need assistance with rides, picking up medicines or even the occasional meal. Cindy has drawn up a brief survey to get your feedback and I will be sending it out later this week, so please watch for it. Just three simple questions that you can answer and then send back. We will collect your responses, and then in the fall decide how/if we want to proceed, once everyone is back in town.**

**Finally, it has come to my attention that at least two houses will soon hit the market here on the Ridge. One for sure is the Lyshall home (please, NO REALTORS calling) and I've heard pretty credible rumors that one or two more may also be joining them soon. So if you have any friends who would like to join our friendly HOA, tell them their chance is coming!**

**Thanks for reading! And enjoy your summer (although I'm sure I might send out a quick note or two on occasion!)**

**Best regards,**

**Ruth**

**Ruth Krawczyk, President  
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