

# del Lago Newsletter

Prepared by the del Lago District Advisory Committee

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## Next del Lago DAC Meeting Thursday, May 11, 2023 4:00 p.m. Montgomery Center

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### **Chairman's Message**

Greetings to all our residents.

Isn't it great to see our lakes full! The State of California has relaxed our water use requirements; let's hope our county does too. Even though we have plenty of water this year, let's continue to practice good household water use. del Lago has been one of the leaders in water conservation; let's continue to be so. It saves water and it saves money.

Our Association Board (ABOD) is working on next year's (FY24) budget. The main cost drivers for all Villagers are insurance, landscaping and water. In addition, del Lago is raising money in our reserves to perform a re-roofing starting in about four years. Your DAC is asking the ABOD and General Manager to take a closer look at our roofs to see if the re-roof can be delayed, say five years. If the time to re-roof can be extended, it will lower the annual increase in our reserve contributions starting in FY25. We are also asking that lower cost roofing systems be considered, if they still meet our requirements.

*Emil Pisarri*  
*Chairman del Lago DAC*

*Happy  
Mother's Day*

### **Help Wanted**

Joan Lohr is retiring from the many supportive activities she's been doing to promote and coordinate the social activities that help make del Lago Village a fun place to live. This is a perfect opportunity for newer residents to get involved. Please contact Joan at (925) 922-0217 for the details. (Younger residents, we're looking longingly at you!) Thank you, Joan, for your many contributions to the success of del Lago DAC and the social activities that we all enjoy. We appreciate YOU!



### **del Lago Quarterly DAC Meeting May 11, 2023**

Good news! Mary Tatum, Community Activities and Resource Manager, is our guest speaker for the Thursday, May 11, 2023 del Lago Quarterly DAC Townhall, 4:00 PM, at the Montgomery Center. We are delighted to have Mary at this in-person meeting. Come and hear the latest on the Community activities survey; how to register for up-coming trips, tours and classes; what's going on at the Fitness Center; how to reserve a Center for your private party; and much more. Mary is a wealth of information and has on the tip of her tongue all the rules and regulations that apply. Come get your questions answered. This will be especially useful information to our newer residents. You don't want to miss this opportunity.

## Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC) Needs Your Help

del Lago sector chiefs Paul Magruder and Mike Ramer sent out a survey to all residents of del Lago and followed up by visiting every home to raise awareness about Emergency Preparedness. For those who are interested in helping their neighbors during an emergency, Paul and Mike are hosting an orientation on Sunday, April 16 and Monday, April 17, at 1 PM on both days, for anyone who is interested. Meet at 3239 Lake Albano Circle to see what you can do to help.



## del Lago Financials

FY23 Report from July 1, 2022 to February 28, 2023 (8 month)

Operating Details (8 months):

Total Revenue \$696,018.

Total Expenditures \$686,538.

Operating Surplus \$9,480.

Surplus carryover from last year \$4,998

Net Operating surplus \$14,479.

Reserve Budget (8 months):

Total Reserves Contributed: \$468,870.

Total Reserves Expended: \$216,405.

Net contribution to Reserves: \$252,465.

Carryover from last year: \$2,055,176.

Current Reserves Balance: \$2,307,641.

## Next Regular Association Board Meeting:

Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 9:30 AM, via  
Teleconference and in person at Foothill Center.

## Extracted from ABOD Meeting Summary provided by Richard Holmboe:

### The ABOD's Fiscal Management Objective for FY23:

Association Board President, David Cook, provided a look back at what the ABOD has focused on this FY.

Provide awareness that owners need to consider purchasing their own earthquake insurance because the Association had discontinued its own, very limited, coverage. Motus is available to individual owners.

Help owners understand the costs of roofing replacement since it is the largest long-term replacement reserves expense. An Association-wide townhall is still being considered.

Compare costs of home ownership within and without the Villages to show residents the advantages we have in the group buying power of the Association and having a focus on prudent long-term maintenance cost choices. This is still to be considered before the end of June.

### The ABOD's Water Conservation Objective for FY23:

Our Water Conservation objectives were to actively manage water usage by following governmental requirements, continuously reviewing our water consumption, education residents on how they can reduce their water usage, and considering long-term water saving projects and funding plans. We have been very successful managing water consumption. Also, the Staff is looking to hire a landscape architect or designer to develop a long-term plan for refreshing each Village to achieve multiple objectives: long-term use reduction, improved fire safety, and recovery from drought damage.

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