



President's Corner

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The HOA Annual Meeting was very successful and I thank all of you who attended. Now it is time to move forward.

The Board appreciates the opportunity you have given us and will be working hard to maintain and improve our amazing Community. The La Solana Board Mission Statement and the 2020 Goals were handed out at the meeting and I have included them below.

LaSolana Goals:

1. Financial Security:
 - Contain spending with 2020 budget
 - Achieve an increase in Reserves
 - Engage consultants to update Reserve Study
2. Protect against Liabilities:
 - Investigate Solutions for flat roof problems
 - Develop plan to address water leaks between units
 - Investigate insurance requirements
3. Maintain and enhance common areas:
 - Replace Spa Compressor
 - Investigate Turf reduction
 - Replace one AC for Clubhouse
 - Engage consultants to assess pavement repair
 - Repair existing Carports
 - Roof for Bike Gage
 - Identify AED
 - Research Electric Car Charging
 - Investigate Variance for SCG Carefund at time of purchasing a condo
 - Identify Parking spaces to be designated visitor parking
 - Investigate and identify potential underground utility issues
4. Support Community Activities:
 - Provide support to Social Committee
 - Encourage all Community Activities

Jan Smith
President

Meet Your Neighbor

Let's see. 100 beef cows, barns, machine sheds, dryer bins, shops, 4,000 pigs *a year*, 600 acres. That, my friends, would begin to describe the lives of this month's featured couple, Mary and Harold Tilstra. Mary grew up in the small town of New Prague, MN with seven siblings; her parents farmed and her father worked in a creamery. After high school graduation, she enrolled at the University of Minnesota and graduated with a BS in Food Science and Nutrition. Young Harold spent his early years in Rock Rapids, IA, before moving with his parents and three siblings to the family farm near Luverne, MN. He also enrolled at U of MN, where the pair met as freshmen. While Harold worked as a postgraduate on his veterinary degree, Mary took a job at the Betty Crocker Test Kitchen, developing recipes in their consumer division. Later she went on to be employed in her local extension office, working to educate citizens about food choices, teaching cooking classes and organizing and disseminating information. At the request of the Optimist Club in her community, she took on the coordination and development of the new ice-arena's figure skating program, annual ice shows, running competitions and coaching two Special Olympics skaters. She is also a Master Gardener. Whew! This significant designation allows her to teach research-based horticulture and to share gardening knowledge with youth and adults. On their farm, Mary created an arboretum dedicated to finding trees suitable for the southwest Minnesota prairie.



Mary & Harold Tilstra

Dr. Tilstra had been practicing at a Vet Clinic for three years when in 1978, his younger brother passed, and they moved back to Luverne to help with the farm. (At this point, Harold created a scholarship in his brother's name, under the banner of Dollars For Scholars. Each year a student is chosen to receive the award for further study in agriculture or the sciences.) Harold continued to practice veterinary medicine until 1991, when he sold his practice. At that point, he had advanced his interests in business and using coproducts of biofuels production in animal feeds, and he worked until recently in feed sales and management for Purina Feeds, a part of Land O' Lakes, Inc. For 15 years he served as a delegate to the U. S. Grain Council, traveling to promote exports of corn, sorghum and barley as feed.

The Tilstras have three children—Michael, a software engineer; Matthew, an electrical engineer; and Andrew, a PhD in mechanical engineering. There are nine grandchildren! In August 2019, H & M sold the Luverne farmhouse with 14 acres, outbuildings and machinery; they retained ownership of the balance of acreage. These days, they spend their summers in a house at Prior Lake, MN and their winters here at La Solana, where they bought a condo in Building 6. Each of these go-getters have had serious illnesses, but they have persevered to restored health. Mary likes her yoga classes, Stitchers quilting, Grand Learning and the Computer Club offerings. Harold sings in the men's and mixed Choirs at his church and may be found jamming on his guitar with other musicians at SCG acoustic group and occasionally at the clubhouse. He also enjoys Computer Club and Grand Learning opportunities. She volunteers on La Solana's Clubhouse Rental Committee and he gives his time to our Architectural Committee. Very interesting people—introduce yourself and prepare to be amazed! It's a beautiful neighborhood,

Olivia Reynolds



VALENTINE'S PARTY



HERITAGE PARTY





Board & Chat

March 12 Chat with the Board 10:00 am

March 17 Architectural Meeting 9:30

March 17 Board Meeting 10:00 am

April 16 Chat with the Board 7 pm

April 21 Board Meeting 10:00 am

Social Calendar

March 11 Italian Night

March 25 Western Party

April 8 Easter Celebration

April 22 Pool Party

NEW SOCIAL EVENT POLICY


POOL EVENTS/PARTIES ARE LIMITED TO OWNER RESIDENTS AND RENTERS.....NO OUTSIDE GUESTS WILL BE ADMITTED UNLESS THEY ARE HOUSE GUESTS. SINGLE RESIDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND AND BRING ONE GUEST, IF THEY CHOOSE.

THANKS FOR ADHERING TO THIS

Pool Furniture

It has come to our attention that our pool furniture is not being returned to the area it came from, when no longer being used. We have requested this a number of times since we have no pool staff. Please be responsible and make it nicer and easier for everyone who are fortunate enough to enjoy our facilities.

Thank you.





LáSolana Cook Book

A trio of residents have taken on a fun project that we can all benefit from....(or at least those of us who still enjoy cooking even occasionally).

You will find a basket in the office for your wonderful recipes that you would like to share. All recipes are accepted. In order for this to be a successful venture it requires the participation of many. It will also be a huge benefit for those who are running out of ideas. A fun project for all of us and thanks to Vicki Johnson, Lois Mumford and Suzanne Radi for taking it on. So, remember the basket in the office is waiting for your recipes.....and a LáSolana cook book will be born!!!

Caryl Moskowitz
Newsletter Editor

Mike's Corner




Please make sure your bike is in good riding condition. Remove torn covers, seats and fix flat tires. This is not a storage area, but a place to safeguard your bikes and an amenity to our community.

Regarding golf carts, they have to be in operable condition – no flat tires.
Thank You.

Renovation Policy for LáSolana

While each of us own our units, they are not free-standing homes. This policy compiles the relevant points of the CC&R's that need to be adhered to in order to protect the appearance of the community and structural integrity of the buildings. Regardless of whether Board approval is required, the office must be notified in writing, email is acceptable, of any planned renovation work.





**LA SOLANA CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
February 18, 2020
10:00 AM– 12:00 PM**

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Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:37 a.m.

Board Officers Elections:

A motion was made by Dallas Reynolds to keep the Board positions the same and seconded by Larry Truett. The motion passed unanimously.

Staff Reports: General HOA information was provided.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: A motion was made by Dallas Reynolds and seconded by Larry Truett to approve the January 21, 2020 Minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

Southwest Roofing Consultants Flat Roof Proposal: A motion was made by Dallas Reynolds and seconded by Jack Mumford to accept the bid for \$2,880.00 Phase I and \$325.00 per inspection, Phase II, for Southwest Consultants to be paid from Reserve Account 9805 by Jack Mumford. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

Liability for HOA Sponsored Events: A motion was made by Dallas Reynolds and seconded by Larry Truett to accept the proposed procedure for acquiring Special Event Licenses and Special Event Liability Insurance for HOA sponsored events where money is collected to cover shared costs as presented by Jack Mumford. Motion passed unanimously.

Board Liaison:

Dallas Reynolds discussed his role with the Architectural Review Committee.

Jack Mumford discussed his role with the Social Committee.

Larry Truett discussed his role with the Communication Committee.

Gordon Kath discussed his efforts to install an AED at LáSolana.

Jan Smith thanked her Board and recognized several volunteers for their outstanding work for LáSolana.

Announcements:

Marcia Durell ask for volunteers to take our library books that are duplicates to other libraries.

Open Comments: A general discussion took place.

Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 11:29 a.m.

Submitted by:

Cindy Duffy, Recording Secretary

