



## FIRE AT THE TOT LOT

**A fire was deliberately set in the upper area of the tot lot on Sunday, September 4th. Reward being offered.**

Despite brave efforts by a nearby neighbor, the fire that was set beneath the crawling tube quickly engulfed the equipment and spread to the shredded rubber surface material, which was not able to be extinguished with water. The fire department arrived following a call to 911 and put the tot lot fire out with a foam extinguisher. Although the tot lot was cleaned up the best it could be, there was damage sustained to three pieces of equipment which will require replacement, and the shredded rubber must also be replaced soon with play-ground-grade, walk-on mulch. Management and the Board are working on getting these repairs completed as soon as possible. There was some minor damage to the nearby trees and shrubs which will be attended to shortly, as well.



The Board and Management would like to extend their sincerest thanks to the owners who tried to put the fire out, summoned assistance from the fire department and caution-taped the area off afterwards. Your actions were critical in preventing further damage or injuries. Thank you.

Three males in their early teens were observed running from the scene of the fire in the direction of the upper entrance to the Community. **The Board of Directors requests the assistance of the Community in positively identifying those responsible.**

**The Board is offering a \$250 reward for specific information leading to the arrest and conviction of the arsonists.** If you can help solve this crime, please contact Stefanie Nightingale at ACI [Stefanie@acihoa.com](mailto:Stefanie@acihoa.com) or by calling 925-283-4900—Ext. 227.

This was a terribly dangerous situation — and while we are certainly grateful that no one was hurt and the damage wasn't worse, it will be very expensive to repair, and a recurrence would be devastating. **Thank you very much for your help.**

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## ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTION APPROACHING!

The Diablo View Homeowners Association will be having its Annual Membership Meeting & Board Election on Tuesday, December 6th, 2011.

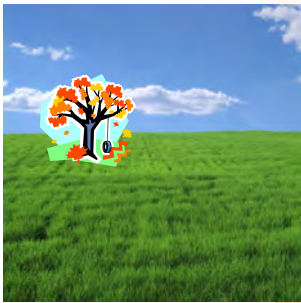
The Board of Directors still has an open position which we're hoping will be filled at the election. For anyone who is interested in tossing their hat into the ring, please complete the enclosed Candidacy Form and return it to ACI no later than November 4, 2011 at 10:00am to be included on the ballot. **Will you please consider standing for election? There is no special experience necessary for this voluntary job – your life experience and desire to serve your Community are the most important qualifications.**

You are welcome to come to a Board meeting to see the process and meet the members of the Board – they would be very happy to help answer your questions, too.



To submit your Candidacy Form, please scan/send it to Stefanie Nightingale at [stefanie@acihoa.com](mailto:stefanie@acihoa.com), fax it to ACI's new fax number 925-376-4901 or mail it to ACI's new office address: 533 Moraga Road, Suite 200, Moraga, CA 94556. **Thanks!**

## LAWN AERATION ANYONE?



As a follow-up to the article in the August newsletter, Management has received five interested parties, so we need at least 15 more to take advantage of this great discounted price from PJ McNamara Landscaping. Below is the information about the special pricing — any more takers? It's a pretty good deal, so if you haven't already responded, please consider this.

Something that can make a substantial difference in the quality of existing sod is lawn aeration. This is the process of removing small plug-shaped pieces from the lawn in order to allow the soil to have better access to water, light and nutrients.

The Association's landscaper, PJ McNamara, has offered to do a group lawn aeration project at a significantly discounted rate if at least 20 homeowners participate. The typical cost if done alone is \$200, but this special group project cost would be \$25 for one lawn/\$40 for front & back lawns together.

If you have interest in this project to help rejuvenate your lawn(s), please contact Stefanie Nightingale at [stefanie@acihoa.com](mailto:stefanie@acihoa.com) or at 925-283-4900—Ext. 227.

## BARK! BARK! BARK! BARK! BARK! BARK!.....BARK! BARK!

Management has received a handful of concerns that the level of canine noise is increasing in the neighborhood. Some reports describe "all day" barking that starts when Fido is left by his hard-working humans for the day. Other reports indicate that Fido's humans may be at home but his vocalizing isn't addressed until neighbors start yelling (then Fido gets brought inside). When people start expressing concerns or start yelling to try to control the noise, it has reached the point where the Association gets involved to try to restore the peace. One of the firmest rules at Diablo View is that nuisance barking will not be tolerated.



It's safe to say most everyone is supportive of people having and caring for pets — they add so much unconditional love and are wonderful companions. It's just very, very difficult to endure more than what's reasonable when it comes to barking (or any noise disturbance, for that matter). If you have a Fido, a Brutus or a Fifi sharing your home, please take the appropriate measures to ensure they aren't preventing your neighbors from the quiet enjoyment of their homes. Also, prolonged barking can be a sign of distress, and we want your doggie to be okay.

**Thanks very much for your cooperation with this — it's appreciated!**



**Asphalt Repairs** — The Board of Directors and Management are working with the City to make repairs to some lifted areas of damaged asphalt on East Peak Court. Until the repairs are completed in the next couple of months, please exercise caution when parking or walking in that area. Until the repairs are done, please also advise any guests to use caution and/or avoid parking in that area when they visit you.

**Vehicle Disturbances** — Management has received a couple of reports of vehicles being accessed and items taken. The reports were not “break-ins” per se — the vehicles had been left unlocked and the items were not of huge value. However, it is a good time to remind everyone to please remember to park your car in the garage. If you must leave a vehicle in the driveway, then please lock up your car and avoid leaving anything in view, even small amounts of change. As always, if you see anything suspicious, please call the Martinez Police Dispatch at (925) 372-3440. In the event of an emergency, please dial 911.

**Next Open Board Meeting** — The next Board meeting will be held Wednesday, October 19th at 6:30 at 2327 Sweetwater Drive.

**ACI's Office Hours on October 10th** — ACI's office will be closed in observance of the Columbus Day holiday. For emergencies, please dial 925-283-4900 and press “0” for assistance.



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**NEED SOME HELP?  
CALL ASSOCIATION  
COMMUNICATIONS**

Association Communications, Inc. (ACI) is available to help take care of issues that come up. Stefanie Nightingale is the Assistant Manager for the Association and can help with things like:

- ◆ Graffiti Removal
- ◆ Architectural Requests
- ◆ Common Area Irrigation Repairs
- ◆ Any Community Issues

Feel free to contact her at  
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**ACI's NEW OFFICE LOCATION  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 10TH**

We are pleased to announce that Association Communications will be moving to a new office in Moraga. The move will take place this weekend and, following the Columbus Day holiday, the first day in our new home will be Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>. Please note our **new address and fax number** and update your records as appropriate, effective 10/10/11:

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**533 Moraga Road, Suite 200**  
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**Phone: (925) 283-4900 (stays the same)**  
**Fax: (925)376-4901 (new)**  
**Our email addresses will stay the same.**

The new address applies for any written correspondence, architectural applications or other management-related requests. Any assessment payments will continue to go to First Bank at P.O. Box 15003, Vallejo, CA 94591-1903 as usual.

*We look forward to serving your Community management needs from our great new location.*