



SPRING 2025

24/25 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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2025 ANNUAL MEETING

Our annual meeting will be held on Saturday, April 26th at 10AM at the South Baden Clubhouse with registration beginning at 9am. The social gathering will be that evening from 6-8pm at the South Baden Clubhouse, and the brunch will be at the North Clubhouse on Sunday, the 27th, from 9 to noon. If you have not done so, please RSVP for the activities by April 10th so that we can be prepared for everyone who wants to participate. Also, please note that 3 board member's seats are up for election, and you must have paid your \$15 dues in order to vote.

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

I hope this newsletter finds you well and healthy, and that winter has finally gone bringing the warmth and promise of a new season.

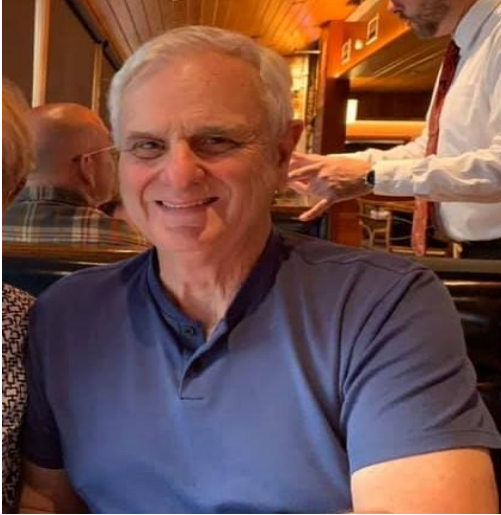
I would like to share my sincere appreciation for the Jefferson County Jr ROTC and Lt. Col. Stephens for the tremendous work they do twice a year in our community by organizing and participating in the trash cleanup efforts. As an owner in Chalet Village, I have noticed a remarkable difference in the cleanliness and overall appearance of our neighborhood after each cleanup event. The ROTC's commitment to giving back to the community and promoting civic responsibility is truly

commendable. Their efforts not only enhance the aesthetics of our area but also foster a sense of pride and community spirit.

This year the Spring cleanup will take place on **May 17th** and, as always, volunteers and drivers are needed to help make the event a success. If you are available to assist, whether by participating in the cleanup or offering support as a driver, your help would be greatly appreciated. It is heartening to see young people actively participating in such meaningful community service and I believe their contribution has a positive impact on all of Chalet Village.

Don't forget that the **annual homeowners' meeting weekend** is coming up on **April 26th and 27th**. A wonderful weekend is planned and I highly encourage you to attend. It will be a great opportunity to meet fellow homeowners and board members, as well as stay informed and connected with our community.

THANK YOU, DEAN!!



Recently, longtime Board Member and Treasurer, Dean Phillips resigned from our board. Dean was elected to the board in 2007 and was chosen by the board to be treasurer. Dean and his wife, Ann, purchased property in Chalet Village in 1995 and retired here to live in 2004. Even though they still love their adopted home of Chalet Village, they decided to move to Sevierville in 2022, but continued to own a lot in Chalet Village until recently. Whenever the Club had a project Dean would jump on it with his enthusiastic, can-do spirit. Just because he no longer is a property owner in Chalet Village, his heart still has a huge place for our mountain community. The Board of Directors, homeowners, and myself owe a debt of gratitude to Dean for all his years of service and hard work for the betterment of Chalet Village!

CLUB IMPROVEMENTS

During the off season, we have been busy getting some improvement and spruce-up projects accomplished. After we closed the North Clubhouse Pools last fall, all 3 of the pools at that location were resurfaced. Since then the upstairs bathrooms at the South Clubhouse have received a facelift with new countertops, tile floors, lighting and paint. They had not had much attention since they were added in the 1990's. Most of our other projects this off-season are not things many of you will notice but are preventive maintenance. There's always something that needs repaired, painted or replaced.

POOL SEASON SCHEDULE

Pools will open on May 23rd and the last day will be September 1st with 9am to 9pm hours. (The South Baden pool will remain open into September weather and usage dependent with shortened hours of 10am to 6pm.)

Alpine Pool (Alpendorf) located at 1151 Upper Alpine Way is open Thursday thru Monday 9am to 9pm **closed on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.**

North Pool (Chalet Village North) located at 705 Village Loop Road is open Thursday thru Tuesday 9am to 9pm **closed on Wednesdays.**

South Baden Pool (Tyrolea) located at 1319 South Baden Drive is open Wednesday thru Monday 9am to 9pm **closed on Tuesdays.**

NOTE: On the days the pools at a certain location are closed all other activities at that particular clubhouse/pool area are closed as well.

No glass is permitted in any pool area, only plastic bottles or cans. If the pool attendant hears thunder, the pools and pool decks must be cleared of all guests for 30 minutes for each occurrence.

REMINDER FOR POOL ACCESS CARDS

Owner access cards (2 cards) require the name of the primary individual/individuals. They will not be printed in the name of a corporation or "LLC". Guest access cards (3 cards) require the name of the cabin/chalet as well as the name of the person or company that is managing that property. If you did not provide this information at the time of paying your fees, you may email us at cvowners@aol.com.

Please have your information, as well as fees paid, by May 1st to enable us to have your access cards available before pool season begins.

THE BEARS ARE COMING (from BEARWISE.ORG)



NEVER FEED BEARS

Intentionally feeding bears or allowing them to find anything that smells or tastes like food teaches bears to approach homes and people looking for more. Bears will defend themselves if a person gets too close, so don't risk your safety and theirs!

NEVER APPROACH BEARS

If black bears feel nervous, they may clack their teeth together, moan, blow, huff, or stomp the ground. A bear might stand up to get a better look at whatever is bothering them. If they are highly agitated and fearful, they may bluff charge (run toward you and then stop before reaching you).

These are all ways the bear is showing you it is uncomfortable with the situation and it wants you to give it some space. These are NOT indications of aggressive intent or that an attack is about to happen.

- If you see a bear far away, leave it alone.
- Enjoy bears from a distance and don't take selfies.
- There are many types of bear encounters and your behavior may determine the outcome of an encounter. For more information about how to react visit "[Bear Encounters](#)."

Truly predatory or aggressive black bears are extremely rare. But if you do encounter a black bear that is approaching you quietly with intention, and it attacks you, FIGHT BACK!

Never Feed Bears Do not feed roadside, park or neighborhood bears! You may think that feeding a bear will encourage bears to appreciate you or other humans. But bears don't see it that way.

- Feeding bears includes "unintentional" feeding such as allowing bears to get into [bird feeders](#), [barbecue grills](#) and [pet food](#).
- If you see anyone feeding black bears, report the incident to authorities before the bear becomes a problem for everyone.

A fed bear *does* learn something from getting fed. It learns to overcome its instinctive fear of humans. In essence, feeding bears "rewards" bears for approaching people in the same way a treat rewards a dog for coming on command.

FIREWISE PREVENTION

As many of you who are members of our Facebook group for Chalet Village may have seen, Tuesday, March 4th, the first of 15 wildfires in Sevier County started in our HOA. Mulch around a rental cabin caught fire and quickly spread to the nearby thick regrowth from the 2016 fire. Thank goodness both the guests and a permanent resident called 911. Ten plus emergency vehicles responded from the Gatlinburg Fire Department, Pigeon Forge Fire Department, Tennessee Forestry Department, and others. Due to the quick response, the timing of the fire and the training of these individuals, the three +/- acre fire was contained. The professionals said if it had occurred later when the winds picked up to 30-50 mph, structures would have been lost.

So, if you did not know this information, you do now. Currently the humidity is extremely low and winds are gusting. Keep your eyes looking for smoke. Don't be that person that starts a fire. WARN your guests carefully. (By the way, the owner of the rental is replacing the mulch with a hardscape.) Praying that everyone stays aware and understands the issues of living in a wildland interface.

We all love Chalet Village and don't want any more fires.

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