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# Mountain Monitor

Election Issue 2022

## Words from the Prez!

Welcome back to Valle. We had a slow start to opening season but hope that everyone is coming back and will have some fun. The monsoons are on the horizon, fingers crossed, and that may green up the Valle a bit as it's been so dry. Thanks to everyone who cleaned up their lots this spring and prepared them in case of a fire. The Calf Canyon/Hermits Peak fire was way too close, but we will be better prepared and well practiced for any future threat. The fire break that the fire managers implemented to our south will be a huge blessing and in the world of weird weather this year, we need any break we can get. We are still under extreme fire danger and so please be careful using propane grills this summer. Charcoal grills are not allowed, nor any open burning like campfires or fire pits. Please have a safe and happy Fourth of July, we have many activities planned like the parade and potlucks. Watch the bulletin board and Website for updates.



### Beware of Bears

If you put out bird feeders, make sure to bring them in at night. Don't leave food in your car and definitely no garbage left outside. These guys are hungry.



## New Board Member Elections Are Upon Us!

It's that time of year where we find those homeowners who are willing to throw themselves out there to keep our Valle on an even keel. This year, we have 2 openings and two wonderful residents doing their part to try and make the best decisions for our homes. Bill Record and Jack Hickman have all thrown their hats into the ring! Great big Thank you's go out to you for showing us you're willing to do your part. It takes all of us to make this beautiful place run smoothly.

### Save the Date!

Canyon Dumpster Day

**June 25th**

Mile Marker 259  
in Taos Canyon.  
You can take  
approved items

4<sup>th</sup> of July Golf

**July 2nd**

This year's  
Tournament will  
happen on  
Saturday.

Homeowner's Meeting

**July 2<sup>nd</sup> 2:00pm**

Election results and  
the Homeowner's  
Meeting will be held  
at the Club House.

## SLASH PILE CLOSED

Unfortunately, someone abused the arrangements that were made to provide an easy solution to help you clean your property. Entire trees, outdoor furniture cushions and even a cat statue were found in the *PINE NEEDLE* dumpster. The county has guidelines for this project. The dumpster is not for trash. Therefore – this amenity is now unavailable. Their goal is to deal with these needles and recycle them. They should not be expected to sort out someone else's trash. Trash bags also cause them extra work. ***IF*** we get another opportunity to participate, remove your plastic bags when you get to the container. For the time being – you will have to take your materials to the landfill.

### Taos Canyon Dumpster Day – June 25 9:00 – 1:00 Mile Marker 259 (Gravel Pit)

These cleanups are designed to help you avoid the long drive to the landfill. There are several rules:

1. All vehicles with open loads must be tarped or you will be turned away and possibly ticketed.
2. You must have your Dump Card. You receive that after you pay your taxes. You are allowed 6 punches with your card. (visits)
3. These items are not allowed.

No branches or landscaping/yard materials

No hazardous materials – such as paint

No sheetrock or cement

Loads **may** contain lumber

Loads **may** contain household garbage and trash except for those listed above.

### Fishing Tournament – Ron Yeo

The Fourth of July Fishing Tournament will be held during the Weekend Festivities. The time and place will be posted on the events calendar as soon as that information has been set.



# CANDIDATES



## BILL RECORD

Valle Escondido has been a part of my life for 50 years and counting. The Valle is a spot shared with my parents, siblings, wife, children, in-laws and grandchildren. Personally, I love that the Valle of the past is very close to the Valle of today. My wife, Dawn, and I moved here in December to see if we would enjoy living here full-time. So far we love it. We're remodeling our family cabin and hoping to find another cabin in the near future. We live an active outdoor lifestyle, winter and summer with our yellow lab, Levi. You'll probably see us walking the roads so please say hello! We're looking forward to meeting everyone.



## JACK HICKMAN

My wife, Charlotte and I have lived on Clint Road for five years. My retirement, after a career of forty years in education, afforded us the opportunity to fulfill my childhood promise to return someday to New Mexico. Although born a Texan, I was raised in Albuquerque until my teen years.... But my heart remained in New Mexico.

Between us, Charlotte and I have 6 children and ten grandchildren. I maintain a scaled sown pottery involvement and interest in making things. Charlotte is a voracious reader and gardener. We subscribe to the belief that one's hands are an extension of the brain.

The Valle is deep within my heart and I believe it important for our community to maintain and foster an awareness of our treasure here. To be sensitive to our ongoing decisions for the health and continues beauty of the Valle is my desire as a resident, as there is more than just us at stake.

# Official VEHA BALLOT

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS – JULY 2nd, 2022

Vote for up to 2 people

Jack Hickman

Bill Record

Place your ballot in an envelope and put your cabin address on the back.

Only one vote per cabin.

Drop in the deposit box at the Clubhouse by 2:00pm on July 2<sup>nd</sup>  
or mail to:

28 Lodge Road Taos, NM 87571

**Mailed ballots must be received by Friday, July 1, 2022**

