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Fall is upon us and once again our snowbird residents begin departing for more southern climes. We will miss you and wish you a safe journey and an early return to Kenmure.

The recent small plane crash near Old Popular Loop was a reminder of how quickly events can happen. There were no houses struck and no fire as a result of the crash. The Crisis Information Plan that Kathy Meersman and the Emergency Management Committee developed worked superbly. Hopefully we have had our share of emergency situations for a while.

The KPOA Board has agreed with the Security Committee's recommendation and has banned the use of cell phones by the driver while driving in Kenmure, effective October 1, 2009. This ban has been put into place because of too many "near misses" on our roads due to the driver being distracted while talking on a cell phone. As a driver, if it is imperative that you must use the cell phone, we want you to pull over and stop your vehicle, then use the cell phone. Also, please inform the Gatehouse if you see any non-residents using their cell phones while driving in Kenmure. We need your help to enforce this ban.

GateSure is in full operation now and the guards report it has helped with traffic through the Gatehouse. Do not hesitate to use the Comments section of the Access Authorization form. Also the gate video monitoring system is now in operation, though it is still being worked on to provide optimum coverage.

I encourage each of you to get your flu shots. A sore arm is a small price to pay for avoiding the flu. And this year with the H1N1 virus, it is more important than ever. Last year, KPOA put out a pamphlet providing guidance on dealing with pandemics, specifically the H1N1 virus. If yours has gotten misplaced, we have some copies in the KPOA office.

The Brookwood Emergency Access road has been paved. We are still working out details on the Pinnacle Mountain Road exit.

Soon you will be getting a packet identifying candidates for two vacant Director positions. Please study their resumes and cast your vote. The results will be announced at our Annual Meeting which will be held on Thursday, December 10, 2009 in the Charleston Room of the Club. Also we need your Proxy, so get it in the mail to us. At the Annual meeting, we will provide updates, review the actions of the past year, discuss the 2010 budget and identify the principal issues that next year's Board will be addressing. I look forward to seeing you there. Mark your calendars now.

Finally, as I have said before, Kenmure is a great community and a wonderful place to live. But it depends on VOLUNTEERS. They are the lifeblood of this community. If you are not a volunteer yet, we need you to get involved and help keep this community the unique and fantastic one that it has become.

Sincerely,  
Dick Johannes

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## **SECURITY COMMITTEE**

### **CELL PHONE BAN BEGINS OCTOBER 1, 2009**

As presented in previous newsletters, the ban on the use of cell phones by drivers in moving vehicles will begin on October 1, 2009. This action is being taken in an effort to prevent accidents by drivers distracted due to the use of a cell phone in a moving vehicle. While we have not had an accident (at least one that the individual admitted was caused by talking on a cell phone), many of us have had close calls from our own distraction or that of others who were driving and talking on a cell phone. Since there is no way to monitor those of you with "hands free" phones, you are nevertheless encouraged to refrain from the use of these devices while driving. While your hands may be free, your mind is somewhere else and thus the danger is the same for you and everyone else.

Violations of the ban will be treated like all other traffic offenses with similar penalties. If you must talk on your cell phone on the Kenmure property, please find a safe area to pull over and complete your conversation. This action may very well prevent you or someone else from being injured in car a accident caused by a distracted driver talking on a cell phone.

### **ENHANCED GATE SECURITY**

In order to enhance the security of our community, video cameras have been installed at the front gate and are operational. There are cameras monitoring the vehicles going thru each lane and providing a picture of the license plate of each vehicle. There are lights which will provide illumination for each camera to enhance pictures at night. These lights will be automatically turned on when a vehicle goes thru the gate and then turned off.

We will be able to obtain pictures of almost every license plate. There will be some exceptions caused by weather conditions like a very heavy rain or snow, dirty license plates, plates installed in unusual position, optical glare, or cars following too close. We are able to store data for 7 to 20 days on the hard drive until it automatically starts over so we will have the ability to retrieve information. Many of the other gated communities in the area are already using cameras or are planning to install them.

## **Road Maintenance**

July and August were busy months for the Road Maintenance Committee. We worked on having our contractors build up road shoulders next to newly paved surfaces to support the edges of the road surface and to repair the right of way where needed. We, also, finished the stripping of white side lines for newly surfaced areas. Lots of rain has put stress on our road shoulders and has required more frequent mowing.

The fall season brings out leaves and RMC contractors to clean leaves from "unimproved right of way areas". It is very important for us [RMC and homeowners] to keep all right of way areas cleared of leaves and debris to enable water to flow down hill and away from the shoulders of the roads. It is equally important to keep driveway culverts free and open. RMC will clear culverts under the roadway, but does not clear culverts under driveways.

If homeowners blow or deposit leaves or debris in right of way areas, RMC will have to charge for their removal; so please remove leaves and garden material away from the roads.

RMC, depending on available budget money, may do some additional stripping of our roads. This would be on roads where the sideline or center stripes have faded. In this case drivers should be careful to not run over freshly painted areas. If you get paint on your car the manufacturer recommends softening it with Vaseline or WD-40 overnight and then having a car wash take care of the rest.

Peter Grant,  
RMC Chairman



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## **Architectural Review Recruiting New Members**

KARC is seeking volunteers to fill critical positions on our committee that are being vacated due to member terms expiring. The positions we are seeking volunteers for are Landscaping and Secretary. We need the landscaping position filled as soon as possible so that we can provide a good transition period that will begin immediately. If you are interested, please contact Bob Wilson at 698-4346 (bobpatwilson@juno.com) or Linda Mensch at 693-3817 (linda.kpoa@gmail.com).

The following are outlines of the position responsibilities for each:

**Landscaping:** It would be helpful if an interested volunteer had experience with or interest in plants, a Master Gardener, landscaping and/or some experience with planning drainage. Our outgoing Landscape committee member will train a new member for this role. Responsibilities include:

- Determine whether landscape plans are required depending on the type and scope of a project, new construction or rework of existing location.
- Review all landscaping plans submitted, determine suitability for location, review with owner/builder as required and present to committee with recommendation for approval or change.
- Landscape plan for review may include new construction, driveways, retaining walls, replacement of or new bedding areas and drainage options.
- Ensure there are plans for drainage and erosion mitigation as needed, especially on steep sloped properties, make suggestions on methods if needed.
- Notify owner/builder of acceptance or changes required, monitor progress.
- Make final inspections and authorize landscaping deposit refunds.
- Return copies of completed plans to KPOA office for filing with property records.

**Secretary:** This position is critical for maintaining all KARC records and updating all property files on Gatesure that document all KARC approved projects on the property. The position requires good computer skills including Microsoft Word and Excel. Responsibilities include:

- Manage KARC files at the KPOA office.
- Attach all relevant KARC documents to property files on Gatesure.
- Take notes at KARC meetings, publish and distribute minutes.
- Ensure KARC contact information on the Kenmure.org website is current.

## **Here He Went Again !**

September 19th was yet another big day for Kenmure's own Dennis Romeo. That was the day of Dennis' annual Walk for Hunger, sponsored by the Henderson County Hunger Coalition. Dennis walked 10 miles again this year.

Last year, Kenmure residents pledged and donated over \$32,000 to Dennis and his efforts. There is still time for you to support Dennis' efforts and donate to this worthy cause.

Make your checks payable to the Henderson County Hunger Coalition and drop them off at the gatehouse. Be generous...as tough as times might be for us, think how much worse they are for the recipients of the Coalition's work.

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## **Railpen Gap Park**

We thank the many residents who donated coupons from B.B. Barnes and The Growing Concern to the Park. With these we purchased flowers to help cover the last unplanted section. The Garden Club is especially thanked for its contribution to plantings and maintenance. We are amazed and pleased by the growth of most trees and shrubs this year. The spring rains and lower summer heat have made a significant difference. The final watering zone has been completed and now almost all areas can be watered during dry spells.

Special thanks to Brookwood for arranging three truckloads of wood chips from their tree removal process. These chips will rest during the winter. Next spring they will be the mulch we need. For 2010 this cost can be eliminated from our budget request.

The past six years have taken a toll on the pathways. Corrective steps need to be taken. Many of the badly rusted metal liners have been removed. They need to be replaced by more enduring rubber ones and additional crushed rock placed on the surface of the paths. The deterioration of the paths has been caused by the original rock surface disappearing in the ground or washed away. Temporary rubberized path liners have been installed for evaluation and they appear to be the answer to the problem. The cost of the replacement program has been determined. This cost will be presented to the KPOA Board for their review.

The idea of the wooden gazebo has been shelved. The cost to maintain the structure, together with the information on its attraction to birds, spiders and bees, outweighed its benefits. A less costly portable structure may be considered in the future.

## **RAILPEN PARK OBSERVES THE RITUALS OF FALL**

COME ONE, COME ALL!!! Please join us on Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup> from 3 to 5 PM at our 2009 closing party for the Park. Refreshments will be provided. Camaraderie is guaranteed. Well behaved dogs are invited. We shall jointly be celebrating Columbus Day, Canadian Thanksgiving and Warner Behley's birthday. What more can you ask!!!

(If the weather does not cooperate, come again on Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>.)

Warner Behley  
Spencer Morgan  
Co-chairmen

### **SAVE THE DATE!**

*Kenmure Newcomers & Neighbors Holiday Dinner*  
*Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>*

Cocktails -6:00 p.m. Dinner -7:00 p.m.  
Place: Kenmure Country Club, Charleston Room  
Menu and cost will be available at a later date.

Jacey Langford, a versatile professional piano and vocal entertainer from England, will be performing that evening. She has spent over twenty years in the music and hospitality industry, traveling around the world. Jacey is back by popular demand, as she has presented a program for one of our dinners and was a huge success.

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## **Jupiter, the best binocular or telescope object for September.**

Four hundred years ago, in 1609, about the same time as the Brits were settling in Jamestown, Va, Galileo turned his small telescope onto Jupiter and saw the four moons or satellites: Io, Europa, Ganymede, and Callisto. If you have binoculars or a telescope, try being a latter-day Galileo and seeing the same moons. You'll need a tripod for binoculars to keep them steady. While you're at it, look for the great red spot (a cyclonic storm about the size of three Earths) and the black mark left by a recent asteroid/comet strike. Come on Mike F and Christine G.

John Fishwick

### **Last Puzzle:**

The correct answer is \$150.00. Solved by: Alice Clark; Pat Brydon; Robert Palmer; Barb Rusch; John Crawford; Marge Gaskell; Madeleine Pennoyer; Merrily Thomas; Norm Carrier; Ann Destremps; Gloria Richards; Bob Standish; Al Roberts; Mike Farmer; Jim Howard; Sogi Soder; Bill & Gloria Haukkala; Julie Ashbeck; Steve Buck; Harry Housman; and Dick Roemer. You are all now honorary Mensa members.

### **New Puzzle:**

While shopping on Main Street, you meet your maternal aunt's husband's only sister-in-law. What do you call her?

Answers to [j.fishwick@att.net](mailto:j.fishwick@att.net)

## **The GateSure Experience**

Many Kenmure residents are now using the system to enter guest information. This creates a good impression on visitors and improves guard productivity.

If you haven't tried to use the system, first take a look at the new user information on the KPOA web site, <http://www.kenmure.org>. If you didn't receive or have misplaced the user ID and password information that was sent out by e-mail a few weeks ago, please call Larry Rostetter at 696-3602 to get that information. While you can add or change a lot of your personal information in GateSure, changes in your primary telephone number and changes in vehicle information need to go through the KPOA office. You can email that information to [kpoa@bellsouth.net](mailto:kpoa@bellsouth.net).

## **BIBLE STUDY**

Many Kenmure ladies meet weekly on Wednesday mornings (September through April) for a non-denominational, discussion-format Bible Study. We would love you to join us. Contact Lisa Henson at [lhenson@bellsouth.net](mailto:lhenson@bellsouth.net) or 697-1809 for information.

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## OPERATION PAPERBACK , A MILESTONE

Kenmure has reached the wonderful milestone of sending its 2000<sup>th</sup> book to the troops. Thanks to each of you who have donated paperback books. It must be time to move the bar to 2500 books for 2010.

Please continue to deposit recent paperback books that are in good-condition in the closet of the Kenmure library (ground floor of the mansion). Current fiction, spy novels, thrillers, crime stories, westerns, science fiction, fantasy, etc. are most requested, with biographies and history gaining popularity.

Jim Mosakowski & Marion Keenan

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### C.P.R. Classes

We will hold two American Heart Association CPR certification classes on Thursday, October 22 at 8:30am and 12:30pm. These valuable sessions cover adult, child & infant heart emergencies and choking episodes. The classes are open to all Kenmure residents and are the same for recertifying or new participants. There is no charge for the class but the book and card cost approximately \$25. If you've taken the class since 2006 and have a book there is no need to repurchase. The card is \$5.

Please sign up early by contacting Bev Wistrand via e-mail: [wistrand3@mchsi.com](mailto:wistrand3@mchsi.com) or by phone: 696-9449. We need to order supplies in advance and appreciate your participation.

Dale Tait & Susan Delahunty, AHA certified CPR instructors

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### BLOOD DRIVE

On behalf of the American Red Cross and our Kenmure Blood Drive, we want to thank you so much for giving us your time and blood. Thirty Seven people presented to donate, one was a first-time donor, and Twenty Nine productive units were collected. A special thank you to our volunteers, Nancy Eskew, Sue Johannes, Carol Cleveland, and Joan McFadden. Also, a special thank you to B.J. Kidd and the staff for supplying us with juice, water, and their delicious cookies.

Ruth Haines  
Melinda McCormick

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