

Shearwater Pool Report
September 2015

The cover went on the pool on Wednesday, so the 2015 season is officially at a close. We had a great summer and the nights are beginning to cool down, giving the feel of fall around the corner. We had two well attended September events - the Labor Day Grill Out BBQ and then the closing day Pooch Plunge. We had around 30 or so residents come to use the grill and have a poolside meal together on Labor Day. It was a hot day, for sure! The afternoon cooled off nicely and quite a few folks lingered until closing time. Thank you, again, to Susan Finlayson for the use of her grill!

The Pooch Plunge on Sunday Sept. 13 was not so warm, in fact the weekend had cooled off drastically with a cool front coming into our area. That did not stop the dogs, though! A few folks came by during the early afternoon for an impromptu Hot Dog off the grill and Ice Cream and Cake dessert. Since we did not have residents braving the cool temps to get in the water, we turned the pool over to the dogs just after 3:00. Hope, the Golden Retriever, took full advantage of her early pool time! About 8 dogs came all together, but Hope, Finnegan, and Savannah enjoyed it the most! It was great fun, but we were all sorry to bid farewell to Teodora, our lifeguard. She will soon be on her way back to Bulgaria to get back to school. We wish her a lot of luck in her last year of studies to be a teacher! At least she did get some practice this summer with our visiting children and grand-children!

Now that Fall is almost here, we are concentrating on getting the Pool Building Refurbishment Plan under way as soon as possible. A detailed scope of work has been completed to include both bathrooms and the Pool Office, and we hope to have contractor bids coming in very soon. Besides the painting of floors, walls, beams and ceilings, we are replacing many of the aging fixtures that have been in place since the building was built in the late 80s. Other major items on the plan are: new countertops; reconfiguring the 4 showers down to 3, with one being located outside for ease of rinsing off the pool water as folks exit the pool area; and installing a multi-use utility sink in the Pool/lifeguard office. Additionally, some regular maintenance issues are being considered, as well as replacement of the aging and some broken pool furniture. Watch for more information to come!

Thanks to all who came to use our Pool this summer, it is a most valuable asset and attraction to our community! Have a great Fall and Winter and see you next year!

Tina Ligon, Pool Committee Chair