



SVLA BOARD DIRECTOR

JOANNE ROMERO

Last month, the Association celebrated our SVLA volunteers with a party at the West Beach. Complimentary food and the music from two bands made this gathering a lot of fun. SVLA Volunteers, their families, and the community at large were invited, and the 300+ crowd really seemed to enjoy the evening.

Honoring our volunteers is something that our HOA really takes seriously. We know that with community engagement we are better. This event got me thinking about "volunteerism" and what it means. I found a quote from an anonymous source that seems to sum it up:

"You vote in elections once or twice a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in."

Someone recently asked me why I volunteer so much, without being paid. I told them that the "pay" for a volunteer cannot be calculated. Here's why:

- 1. Volunteering gives you the chance to try something new.
- 2. When you take on the challenge to make a difference in your com-

munity, it just feels good.

3. You get to meet new people and make lifelong friends that you otherwise might not ever have gotten to know.

4. You become part of something bigger than yourself.

5. Volunteering can be lots of fun and keeps you really busy.

6. And most importantly, when you selflessly give your time and effort, the benefits come rolling back to you ten-fold.

"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others," advised 19th century political and spiritual leader, Mahatma Gandhi. This, I think, is a truth that goes beyond the centuries. Volunteering will change your life when you least expect it!

If you'd like to join a committee, you can contact the Association office for an application. You can even attend some committee meetings without joining, just to get a feel for what's going on.

And finally, thanks again to our dedicated Spring Valley Lake volunteers who make this community the best place to live and play in the High Desert.

Lake Lowering & Coving Repairs

The lake lowering will begin on September 26, 2022.

- The lake will be at it's lowest level approximately November 25th and we will begin our lake coving repairs approximately November 28th.
- The lake will be lowered approximately 60 inches, which will expose 20 feet of shoreline.
- It is **MANDATORY** that any boats tied to docks or on a lift be removed from the water, and any floating docks be disconnected by October 2, 2022. If you fail to remove your vessel and/or floating dock, you will be liable for all damages that may occur. Vessels will be permitted to be stored in driveways during the lake lowering.
- Non-powered vessels may still be permitted during the lowering of the lake.
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Lowest level:

Repairs Begin:

Normal level:

NOVEMBER 25th

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MAY 7th

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