

Sun City clubhouse to expand

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The power of the people has spoken in Sun City Roseville. And those people want to expand one of the neighborhood's clubhouses.

After nearly two years of the Sun City Roseville board of directors and resident groups working on a plan to expand the Sierra Pines clubhouse, the vote went to the Sun City residents. Approximately 70 percent of the residents voted in favor of the expansion, which will double the size of the meeting space of the current Sierra Pines Golf and Recreation Center, located at the corner of Del Webb Boulevard and Lost Lake Lane.

The expansion of the facility is good news to the residents who have been using the 1,500-square-foot center for their clubs, meetings and special events.

According to De Emory, Sun City board of directors member who was responsible for presenting the concept to the homeowners, the current space of Sierra Pines had been utilized to near capacity of the available hours, making it almost impossible for residents to schedule additional social and business meetings. Emory said this is the first time in the community's history that such a project has gone to the residents for a vote.

"Because the improvements for Sierra Pines are estimated to cost more than \$500,000 it had to be approved by the homeowners," Emory said. "And with all we're planning on doing, this will be a \$980,000 improvement.

"What this says about the residents here is that they have the presence of mind to want to keep our facilities the best they can be, even in this economy."

One reason Emory and fellow board

member and secretary George Parker feel the measure was approved was because the expansion does not require any type of extra assessment to homeowners.

"This has been due to the foresight of previous Sun City homeowner boards to have saved so much money," Parker said. "We've had good management. We can do this project without extra costs to the homeowners."

According to Emory and Parker, the clubhouse expansion will provide extra space for the clubhouse as well as adding a kitchenette, more parking, storage space and restrooms.

Emory said Borges Architectural Group in Roseville has provided the original renderings for the planned project and with all the project approvals and permits required by the city of Roseville, project completion should be sometime in 2010.

What: Timber Creek Golf Course and Timbers Restaurant

Who: Open to the public

Where: 7050 Del Webb Blvd., Roseville

Phone: Golf course, 774-3850; restaurant, 774-3838

The Sierra Pines expansion is not the only improvement being done at Sun City Roseville. Last month the board approved a refurbishment of the community's fitness center. Emory said enhancing the golf course, landscaping and other buildings and facilities is a priority as well.

While the Sierra Pines facility is only open to residents, the Sun City golf course and Timber Lodge Restaurant is open to the public seven days a week.

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