

SUN VALLEY VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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2016



AN EXTRA EDITION!

It was decided to add this edition to our January-March newsletters because there are so many things going on at this time of year for which there is a need for communication. So here we go! Welcome back to the activity filled winter time!

For your reference, you will find this season's SVV Activities schedule and the SVV Calendar of Events attached. Entries, however, are subject to change. Notifications of changes will be posted and/or mentioned in the subsequent newsletters.

NEWS FROM THE BOARD

The Board of Directors extends a heartfelt welcome to our new residents and our returning winter Texans. The Board met on November 1 and a variety of subjects were discussed.

The Apartment/Office Building - A two-car carport was constructed by Dale Garrett and Art Stevens late last April. It was a hot job...literally...because the temperatures were in the high 90s every day and the steel was too hot to handle at times. Our thanks to these tireless volunteers.

We are looking at repurposing the Laundromat space into a one-bedroom efficiency unit for long-term and short-term rental.

Summer News

- The tall palms along Altas Palmas were trimmed.
- The pool worked without incident and was well used during the hot, dry summer.
- Several new homeowners moved into the Village this summer and all but one couple are year-round residents.
- There were three break-ins during the summer months and two vehicles in the storage compound were vandalized. The perpetrator of the break-ins was arrested and subsequently sentenced to a lengthy jail term.
- N.B. If you observe an unfamiliar or suspicious individual in our park, please report it to the police. We want our park to be safe and secure. On that note, we wish to thank our caring year-round residents who are vigilant in watching over our homes during our absence and going the extra mile to bring thieves to justice.

Annual Meeting

The annual Sun Valley Village Property Owners Association meeting will be held on Monday, January 16, 2017. There are two Board positions open for nominations. Your agenda package will be delivered in December.

Pat Wyer, Acting Secretary
SVV Board of Directors

*I went to the zoo yesterday and saw a baguette in a cage.
The zoo keeper told me it was bread in captivity.*

NOW FOR SOME TRASH TALK!

HOUSEHOLD TRASH

East Side Dumpster: -For residents of Orange Drive and Palm Tree Drive ONLY, who are being charged a fee by the City for this service:

All garbage placed inside the dumpster **must be in sealed or tied garbage bags of any size. Nothing is to be placed outside the bin;** the City will not pick up anything outside the bin.

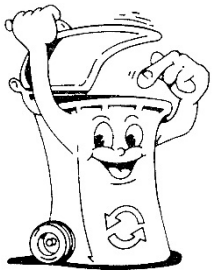
The City has provided the following rules regarding what is **NOT ALLOWED** in the bin:

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| -Propane tanks or cylinders | - automobile tires |
| -Lead-acid batteries (e.g. car batteries) | - paints, solvents, or any liquids |
| -Hazardous materials (e.g. pesticides) | - gypsum (drywall) |
| -Brush or tree trimmings | - animal carcasses |
| -Used oil or oil filters | - TVs or computer monitors |
| -Medical waste (e.g. syringes) | - hot ashes |

West Side Pickup: Thursdays – The trash must be placed in the brown Waste Management Bags which can be purchased by calling 800-383-0519 and paying online or arranging to leave a check. The bags will be delivered to your home. **West Side households do NOT use the dumpster.**

RECYCLING

Taking Care of our Environment!

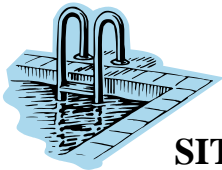


Recycling reduces waste and reduces our ecological footprint. Our grandchildren need us to take up the cause to leave them a better world. (guilt trip or what!)

Please recycle **aluminum cans and their tabs** in the containers provided in the **barn**.

Other recyclables can be taken to the **Harlingen Recycling Depot on Commerce Street**. The workers are very helpful there and will even unload what you bring.

SWIMMING POOL AND COMMON AREA TRASH



The pool is covered and uncovered by residents. The signup sheet is in the Rec. Hall. If you are able, and have not already done so, please consider taking a week. **NOTE THAT THE BUBBLE SIDE OF THE COVER NEEDS TO SIT ON THE WATER. THE SMOOTH PART FACES UP.**

Each week starts on a Thursday and includes putting out the trash. **By 5:30 PM Thursday** evening, the trash should be emptied from the **hall**, the **barn**, the **Post Office**, and both **bathrooms**; and along with the trash from the bins behind the office building, placed on the right side of the curb in front of the office building. Only six bags of trash can be placed out at one time. Clean 45-gallon garbage bags need to be put in the emptied garbage cans in the bin. Bags are kept in the narrow cupboard by the kitchen trashcan. **None of this trash is to be placed in the dumpster.**

There are no set times to uncover the pool, so if you wish to use it, you are welcome to take the cover off if it has not been done. Volunteers are asked NOT to uncover the pool if the forecast is lower than 75 degrees.

REMINDERS:

- **To all who use suntan lotion while on the lounge chairs – please cover the chair with a towel or pad as the oils and lotions deteriorate the vinyl.**
- **Be sure to shower before using the pool, and please do not use soap or shampoo in the shower, as the shower drain is not going to a septic tank.**

The use of the pool is restricted to owners, members of their family, their tenants, and their overnight guests– no exceptions, please. (as per Article II, Section 2, Covenants and Bylaws)

SVV MEN'S CLUB

Note the following Startup dates for our weekly Fundraisers.



Pancake Breakfasts take place Saturday mornings **beginning Saturday, November 26.** from 7:30-9:00 AM. Enjoy pancakes, bacon, breakfast sausages, and coffee at the hall, all for \$3!



Bingo is held every Thursday at 7:00 PM. The first Bingo will be held **Thursday, December 15.**



Both Bingo and Pancake Breakfasts are open to the public. Feel free to invite friends from other parks.

On the attached SVV Events Schedule, please note the dates scheduled for the Spaghetti Dinner and Ice Cream Socials in the New Year.

There has been an incident of the air conditioning being left on by accident in the clubhouse. **Please make sure that it is turned off when your group leaves. Also, never set the thermostat below 70 degrees.** There is a risk of the A/C unit freezing up. It won't cool down any faster if you set it to 60 even if you are sweltering!☺

SVV LADIES' CLUB



We have two major events coming up in the next two weeks.

Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner Our dinner will take place on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 24. All residents and overnight guests are welcome to attend.



Signup sheets are posted at the Post Office. Please indicate if you are attending and what dish you wish to bring. The cost is \$4 per person to be paid to Cheryl Matthews either before, or at the door. Don't forget to bring your own plate, cutlery and glass/cup for set up at 10:30 AM. Everyone contributes to furniture moving and table setting. If you are unable to make it to set up, you can bring your place settings when you arrive for the dinner.

Punch is served for Happy Hour beginning at 4:00 PM. You also may bring your own wine if you wish. Buffet dinner begins at 5:00 PM

The Fall **Rummage Sale** is Saturday, December 3, from 7:00 AM -12 noon. If you have any items to put into the sale have them down to the barn no later than the Thursday before. Items for the sale



must be usable. Equipment should work and be clean. Clothes must be clean, and not ripped or stained.

Presale Policy:

If you are interested in an item left in the barn for the rummage sale, contact our Vice-President, Pat Wyer, at 425-6186. She will set a price and the transaction can be conducted immediately. This policy will work on a first-come, first-served, 'take it or leave it' basis (NO HAGGLING). All profits go to the Ladies' Club. This will be in effect until midnight the Wednesday before the sale.

On Thursday, purchases can be made by placing an IOU in the appropriate float box. This shopping is allowed by workers during set-up (10:30-12). Sealed bids on any large item may be submitted to the Vice-President of the Ladies' Club during this time and the item will go the highest bidder.

Everyone is asked to contribute to the Bake Table. Cookies! Squares! Pies! Cakes! Bread! Buns! Whatever your specialties are! Drop off priced at the Rec. Hall on the morning of the sale. Donations for raffle baskets are gratefully accepted by any of the executive members.

Thursday, December 1 at 10:30 AM is scheduled for set up, and we need volunteers to help. We also need volunteers to work during the sale on Saturday. Signup sheets for both days are in the Post Office.

Please attend a great community event that goes a long way to fund projects for the park. The 'SVV Café' will be serving breakfast tacos, egg sandwiches, jumbo hotdogs, desserts, and drinks. Come up and socialize while having a delicious meal.

Our next Ladies' Club meeting will be on Tuesday, December 6 at 3:15 PM.

SVV MEN'S GOLF

Monday Men's golf has not started yet because of low numbers. As more start migrating south we will start up. Keep an eye on the Post Office Bulletin Board for a signup list one of these weeks. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call ED CLARK (412-3667).

SVV LADIES' GOLF



Ladies of the Village AND friends play nine holes at Tony Butler Golf Course Monday mornings at approximately 9:15 AM following the SVV Men's Golf League. There is no signup sheet. Just drop in at the course. We are always happy to welcome more to our numbers, which are pretty few right now! For more information, contact DEBBIE BATES (577-6290).

- My favorite shots are the practice swing and the conceded putt. The rest can never be mastered. ~ Lloyd Robertson
- Swing hard in case you hit it. ~ Dan Marino
- While playing golf today, I hit



two good balls. I stepped on a rake. ~ *Henny Youngman*

SVV FRIDAY MIXED GOLF SCRAMBLE

Who – pairs or singles of all abilities and gender;



What – 9 hole, best ball scramble, prizes (low score, closest to the hole, lost ball guess, 50/50 draw), refreshments after, good times;

Where – Stuart Place Golf Course, followed by an awards ceremony at SVV Rec. Hall with cash bar, beverages, snacks;

When – Every Friday (weather permitting) **NEW TIME! - shotgun start at 9:00 AM**;

How – Sign up at the Post Office **by 3:00 PM Tuesday** and we post team lists Wednesday; For more information, call PAM BUHR (970-1802).

SHUFFLEBOARD

We started up with a few enthusiastic players. As long as we get a minimum of 4 players we will play (although the winnings won't be all that huge!)

To play, put your name on the signup sheet in the Post Office. The cost is only fifty cents which you may even win back!

Any questions? Contact JUDY AND ART (230-8613).



CHAIR YOGA



On Thursday afternoons from 1:00–2:00 PM, please come to participate in this gentle form of yoga that is practiced sitting in a chair, or standing using a chair for support. No equipment is needed. Flexibility is optional! Questions? Call PAM BUHR (970-1802).

LINE DANCING

Line Dance instruction and practice is available Thursday afternoons from 2:00-3:00 PM. No experience is necessary. Come on out y'all! Cowboy hats and boots are optional. Questions? Call PAT WYER (425-6186).



EXERCISE

Come along to the Rec. Hall for a low impact exercise workout. No formal classes are held, but feel free to drop in on your own to use the DVD workout sessions available when the hall is free. You can check out the Activities Schedule attached to find out when it is available. Questions? Call LYNDAN DANELL (230-0265).

WATER WALKING

Every Monday and Friday at 1:30-2:10 PM come join us to walk in the water. We exercise our legs, arms, and mouths all at the same time! For further information, contact DIANE COULTER (230-1476).



'65'/BRIDGE/'500'

On Tuesday afternoons from 1:00-3:00 PM, the Ladies in the Park play cards. Some play Bridge and some play '65', and some play '500'. So, you have lots of choices. Each week the ladies take turns, and we are treated to culinary



delights with our coffee afterwards. Come and join us.

'GAMES OF CHANCE' NIGHT



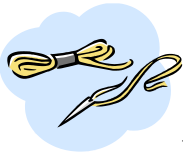
All are invited to play *Pokeno* and *Texas Hold 'Em* Fridays at 7:00 PM at the Rec. Hall. Don't be shy. Lessons are free! For more information, contact DONNA COOPER (419-789-0413) or JERRY BATES (303-475-0631) or JENNA CULBERTSON (970-310-0281).

POOL ROOM NEWS

Our pool hall is available to all. No formal programs are ongoing. Just drop in and shoot a few.



HANDICRAFTS



Wednesdays 1:00-3:00 PM -We are doing cards for all occasions using stamps and cutting. This will be led by Cheryl Matthews. We are also making bags for the Women's Shelter and Loaves and Fishes. A list of donations needed follows.

Even if you are not crafty come visit, make coffee, or chat. We can always find a little job for you to do.

For further information, contact DIANE COULTER (230-1476).

DONATION WISH LIST – There is a donation bin located in the Clubhouse.

Men's and ladies' razors, Shampoo/conditioner, Deodorant, Toothpaste/toothbrushes, Soap/body wash, Hairbrush/comb, Body lotion, Socks, Washcloths, Small individual packages of Kleenex tissues, Small sewing kits, Candy/ treats

ART GROUP



There is always room for one more. If you like to draw or paint, come to the hall at 9:30 on Wednesday or Saturday morning. You'll find a group of friends working on their own art projects. Bring your own supplies and something to work on. Lots of people will gladly share information, ideas, and methods, even though we say this is a "self-directed" art group. For information, call SUE FISHER (956-423-7314)

SECOND SVV ART AND CRAFT SHOWCASE

Just a 'heads up' – on Sunday, March 12, during the March Ice Cream Social, we will once again 'showcase' creative talents in our Village. This means you! Gather finished projects. Finish projects in progress. Start new projects. Start collecting!

VISITORS

For Linda and Floyd Ruch: Their daughter, Jody Thomas drove up from Alexandria, Louisiana for a few days. They had a nice visit with her. Jody even got her mother to the pool one hot day!

For Donna Cooper: Her daughter, Sally Weber, and friend Sherrill Emerick (419-605-8016) are both here for the whole winter! That's a wild bunch!

For Duncan McKenzie: His daughters Janice and Heather are visiting from Thunder Bay.

NEW RESIDENTS

David & Edith Martinez	25496 Goldenrod Lane
Steve Litman	25382 Goldenrod Lane
Janie Rolf	15768 Orange Drive
Michael & Theresa Musgrove	15712 Orange Drive
Tony & Liza Garzora	15795 Palm Tree Drive
Tony & Reyna Roca	15690 Palm Tree Drive

We are very pleased to welcome y'all to our Village and look forward to seeing you around!

RENTERS

A big welcome to seasonal renters!

- Doug and Marilyn Hermiston from Manitoba 15804 Palm Tree Drive (until Dec. 24) 956-230-5330
- Wanda Kortleeve from Minnesota 25488 Goldenrod Lane (until Jan. 31) 507-227-2950

(By the way Wanda is looking for a place to buy in our Village!)

PROPERTIES FOR SALE

Bill and Miriam Boardman	956-423-2270	25478 Goldenrod Lane
Jody Busing	515-290-9309	25373 Goldenrod Lane
Deborah Farrer (Mohler)	765-210-0141	25422 Goldenrod Lane
Lorne and Eleanor Vaillant	807-935-2475	25335 Goldenrod Lane
Paul Gardner	615-768-1104	15702 Orange Drive
Mel and Irene Hubbell	903-900-9180	15701 Palm Tree Drive
Clare and Rolande LeFave	705-487-2768	15738 Palm Tree Drive
Floyd and Linda Ruch	956-244-0603	15729 Palm Tree Drive
Tony and Helen Tribalski	574-549-2430	15757 Palm Tree Drive

PROPERTIES FOR RENT

John and Elena Cook	817-683-8263	25330 Altas Palmas Drive
Les and Marge Dappen	402-253-1813	25370 Altas Palmas Drive
Bill and Miriam Boardman	956-423-2270	25478 Goldenrod Lane
Henry and Ann Breukelman	807-939-2031	25355 Goldenrod Lane
Rusty Truax (Charlyn Elliott)	956-534-6995	25330 Goldenrod Lane
Tony and Helen Tribalski	574-549-2430	15757 Palm Tree Drive

ARE YOU MISSING?

If we have missed a new owner or a renter or property for sale or rent we apologize. Please call or email Pam and she will get the information into January's newsletter.
pambuhr@gmail.com 970-1802

CONDOLENCES

We send our sincerest sympathies to Cheryl and Don Matthews on the passing of Cheryl's mom, Audrey (Fay) Skeen, a former resident of our Village.



IN MEMORIAM

- Ray Euristi
- Rose and George Mohler
- Howard McClaskey

Longtime residents of Sun Valley Village, They will be sorely missed. We celebrate their lives through the many memories we have of them.

IN OUR PRAYERS

EVERYONE!

Hold all of us in your prayers for good health to enjoy our days in the Village!



SVV OFFICE

Welcome back! I am looking forward to working with you all again this season.

If you did not receive your invoice/statement via email and would like to in the future, make sure I have your current email address.

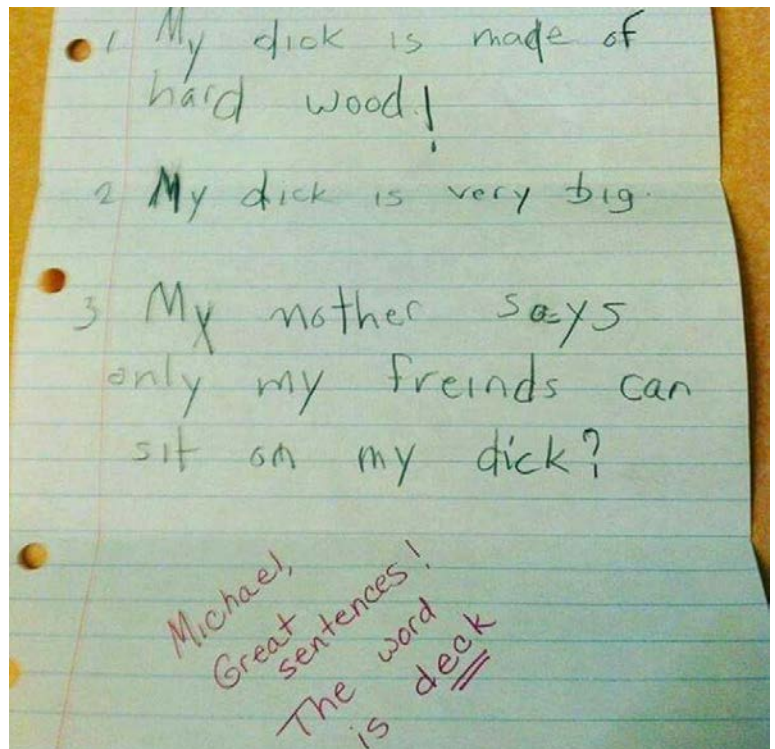
Check your mailbox in our Post Office and make sure you have your current information on the inside bottom insert of your box. This helps our mail carrier deliver our mail correctly.

Thank you,

Cheryl Matthews, Office Manager (365-4468)

SVV WEBSITE (<http://svvpoa.com>)

Doug Danell, our 'webmaster' welcomes content to post on the website. If you have a photo you would like published there, you may send it to him via email (ddanell@shaw.ca). Include captions if you wish. Properties for sale/rent could be posted with accompanying photos as well.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks to Dale Garrett and Art Stevens for their several hours of volunteer labor on the construction of the carport for the apartment.

THE WAY WE WERE (Excerpts from Past Newsletters)



From January, 1994 – Volume 10 (Volume 9 seems to be missing in the archives?)

*Welcome...to new owners Vern and Mary Kough at 115 Altas Palmas
...To renters Duncan and Rita McKenzie at 124 Palm Tree Dr.*

23 years ago! Duncan is still coming down and Mary was here until recently... We do hope that we retirees will be able to do this that long!

EDITORS' NOTE

So many new people to get to know in our Village! Exciting times – please come out to some of our events so we can get to know you.☺ Maybe we'll see you for Thanksgiving...



to all our year-round residents for watching over our seasonal residences!

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Retirement Planning

If you had purchased \$1,000.00 of Nortel stock one year ago, it would now be worth \$49.00.

With Enron, you would have had \$16.50 left of the original \$1,000.00.

With WorldCom, you would have had less than \$5.00 left.

If you had purchased \$1,000 of Delta Air Lines stock, you would have \$49.00 left.


But, if you had purchased \$1,000.00 worth of wine one year ago, drunk all the wine, then turned in the bottles for the recycling REFUND, you would have had \$214.00.

Based on the above, the best current investment advice is to drink heavily and recycle.

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SUN VALLEY VILLAGE EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
13-Nov	14	15	16	17	18	19
		9:00 Shuffleboard	9:30 Art Group	New Common Area	9:00 Mixed Golf	
		10:30 Men's Club	1:00 Handicrafts	Trash & Pool Team	Stuart Place	
	9:15 Ladies' Golf	1:00 Ladies' Club		Takes over	1:30 Water Walking	9:30 Art Group
	Tony Butler			9:00 Shuffleboard	7:00 Texas Hold'em	
	1:30 Water Walking			1:00 Chair Yoga	& Pokeno	
				2:00 Line Dancing		
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		10:30 Men's Club	1:00 Handicrafts	10:30 Set up for	Stuart Place	Pancake Breakfast
	9:15 Ladies' Golf	1:00 Ladies' Club		Thanksgiving	1:30 Water Walking	9:30 Art Group
	Tony Butler			4:00 Thanksgiving	7:00 Texas Hold'em	
	1:30 Water Walking			Potluck	& Pokeno	
27	28	29	30-Jan	01-Dec	2	3
		9:00 Shuffleboard	9:30 Art Group	9:00 Shuffleboard	9:00 Mixed Golf	7:00 Rummage
		10:30 Men's Club	1:00 Handicrafts	10:30 Set up for	Stuart Place	Sale
	9:15 Ladies' Golf	1:00 Ladies' Club		Rummage Sale	1:30 Water Walking	
	Tony Butler					
	1:30 Water Walking					
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	Tony Butler	3:15 Ladies' Club			7:00 Texas Hold'em	
	1:30 Water Walking	Meeting			& Pokeno	
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Christmas Dinner	9:15 Ladies' Golf	1:00 Ladies' Club		2:00 Line Dancing	1:30 Water Walking	9:30 Art Group
4:00 Christmas	Tony Butler			7:00 Bingo	7:00 Texas Hold'em	8:00 New Year's
Dinner	1:30 Water Walking				& Pokeno	Dance

SUN VALLEY VILLAGE CALENDAR OF EVENTS - DRAFT

BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DATES AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

CONTACT PAM BUHR 970-1802 IF CHANGES ARE NEEDED.

LADIES' NOVEMBER MEETING	November 8, 2016
THANKSGIVING POTLUCK DINNER	November 24, 2016
FALL RUMMAGE SALE	December 3, 2016
LADIES' DECEMBER MEETING	December 6, 2016
CHRISTMAS POTLUCK DINNER	December 25, 2016
NEW YEAR'S DANCE	December 31, 2016
LADIES' JANUARY MEETING	January 3, 2017
DIA DE LOS REYES	January 6, 2016
JANUARY ICE CREAM SOCIAL	January 8, 2017
PIZZA PARTY	January 10, 2017
DONUT DUNKING	January 21, 2017
SPAGHETTI SUPPER	January 28, 2017
SUGAR CANE PRESENTATION	February 1, 2017
SVV MIXED GOLF TOURNAMENT	February 3, 2017
FEBRUARY ICE CREAM SOCIAL	February 5, 2017
LADIES' FEBRUARY MEETING	February 7, 2017
BLOCK PARTIES	February 18, 2017
LADIES LUNCHEON	February 21, 2017
SPRING RUMMAGE SALE	March 4, 2017
LADIES' MARCH MEETING	March 7, 2017
MARCH ICE CREAM SOCIAL/ART&CRAFT SHOWCASE	March 12, 2017
SALAD LUNCHEON	March 14, 2017
SPRING POTLUCK DINNER	March 19, 2017
LADIES' CLOSING MEETING	March 21, 2017

**NOTE: MEN'S MEETING
EVERY TUESDAY MORNING 10:30 AM**