# SUN VALLEY VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

## **VOLUME ONE HUNDRED THREE**

**MARCH, 2019** 

### SVV BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT

Volunteers and participation are the heart and soul of SVV. Please consider volunteering, maybe on the Board, the Men's Club or the Ladies' Club. Have you thought about why your POA fees are low? It is because of volunteers. Think about what you have done to contribute. It may have been attending the potlucks, bingos, pancake breakfasts, ice cream socials, spaghetti dinners, donating stuff or working at the rummage sale, newsletter committee, working on park projects and other activities we may have missed. If you have done any of these, you are a volunteer. All park residents benefit from our volunteers' hard work. PLEASE DO YOUR PART.

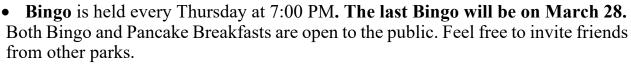
The 2018-2019 Season is rapidly drawing to an end. Activities are winding down and winter residents will soon be leaving for their summer homes. On behalf of the SVV Board - PLEASE STAY HEALTHY, TRAVEL SAFELY, and SEE YOU IN THE FALL.

### **SVV MEN'S CLUB**

We have two weekly Fundraisers:



• Pancake Breakfasts every Saturday morning, except on Rummage Sale dates. Come down anytime from 7:30-9:00 AM to enjoy pancakes, bacon, breakfast sausages, and coffee at the hall, all for \$4.00! The last Breakfast will be March 30.





The last **Ice Cream Social** will be Sunday, March 10, from 2:00-4:00 PM. Bring your own bowl and spoon. Members of the Men's Club have been around selling tickets (\$3/ticket). Tickets will also be available at the door. Village Arts and Crafts will be on display during the Social.



The last Men's meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 26 at 10:30 AM.

## **SVV LADIES' CLUB**

WHAT IS IT?

SVV Ladies' Club meets every Tuesday at 1:00 PM. We meet at the Hall to play cards and socialize over refreshments and a light snack. A business meeting and a birthday celebration is held the first Tuesday of the month. The meeting starts at approximately 3:15 PM.



SVV LADIES' CLUB REPORT

We have purchased six 8-foot tables and the old wood ones have been retired. A big thank you goes out to SVV Monday Men's Golf Group for helping us financially with the purchase of these tables.

The Spring Rummage Sale was held March 2, 2019; we netted \$1545! WOW! Raffle prize winners: Party Basket – Kevin Fredericks; Carved Turtle/Gift Card/Pillowcases – Mike Wyer; Rooster/Candles – Lorraine Wilson, Electric Fry Pan/Tea Towels/Oven Mitts – Glenda Buhr. Thank you all for making this such a success.

The Ladies' Club is having a Snowflake Decorating Contest. Wooden snowflakes are available in the Office. They can be decorated any way you like using paint, glitter, fabric, pencil crayons, etc. We will judge them in January of 2020. Take them home with you and work on them over the summer - lots of time to bring fabulous snowflakes back to the valley!

Check out the EVENTS section in the Newsletter for details of our Happy Hour, Talent display, Potluck Luncheon, and final Spring Dinner happenings.

Safe travels. See you in the Fall.

## **WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

#### **SVV MEN'S & LADIES' GOLF**

Residents of the Village AND friends play nine holes at Tony Butler Golf Course Monday mornings. The men start at 9:00 AM and the women follow at approximately 9:15 AM. There is no



signup sheet. Just drop in at the course. We are always happy to welcome more to our numbers. For more information, contact DEBBIE BATES (956-577-6290).

### **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) - 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 (204-807-8389).

LAST DAY OF PLAY AND WINDUP - MARCH 15!

#### **SHUFFLEBOARD**



Big thanks to Brenda Vanalstine for taking care of things while I was away. Attendance has been great, usually 24 players. James Coulter and Don Vanalstine won the most games in February. We will continue to play on as usual in March. Questions? Call SUSAN KETCHEN (956-230-2143).

## **EXERCISE**

Come along to the Rec. Hall for a low impact exercise workout every Thursday morning at 10:30 AM. Also, feel free to drop in on your own to use the available DVD workout sessions when the hall is free. Questions? Call LORRAINE WILSON (956-536-0075).

## WATER WALKING

Monday and Wednesday at 3:30 PM; Friday at 1:30 PM - as long as the weather is above 70 degrees F. For further information, contact DIANE COULTER (956-230-1476). **LAST CLASS MARCH 22** 



#### **'65'/BRIDGE/'500'**

On Tuesday afternoons from 1:00-3:00 PM, the Ladies in the Park enjoy coffee, company, and card playing. Some play Bridge, some play '65', and some play '500'. So you have lots of choices. Each week the ladies take turns and we are treated to a light snack and 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 JERRY BATES (303-475-0631).

#### **EUCHRE**

Come out and play Euchre Sunday and Wednesday nights at 7:00 PM. It's easy to learn and anyone is welcome. It only costs a dollar! Feel free to drop in any time.



#### **BRIDGE**

Saturday evenings at 7:00 PM a few get together to play Bridge at the Hall. If you are interested, please contact VIRGINIA SKEIM (956-428-5070).

#### **POOL ROOM**

Our pool hall is available to all. No in and shoot a few.



formal programs are ongoing. Just drop

### **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)



## **EVENTS**

### **SVV BLOCK PARTIES** SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23

PALM TREE Hosts: Stevens, Cummings

We had 25 participants (26 counting Bella!).

Bean Bag Toss - A Event winners - Marilyn McCuaig and Bill Dilley

Bean Bag Toss - B Event winners - - Irving Herr and Pat Wyer

Draw Prize winner – Judy Berezowski

2020 Hosts – Wyer, Merriman

**ORANGE** Hosts: Culhane, Fisher, Netrval, Schuster, and Downey

We had a good turnout for the Orange Drive Block Party. The weather was nice, and there was lots of good food and fun for all.

Game Winners:

Bean Bag Toss – 1<sup>st</sup> Farnon Keeler, Lloyd Fisher; 2<sup>nd</sup> Linda Guyer, Lovey Netrval; 3<sup>rd</sup> Evelyn Bilski, Donna Morningstar

Bocci Ball – 1<sup>st</sup> Dale Garrett, Lloyd Fisher; 2<sup>nd</sup> Jill Keeler, Evelyn Bilski; 3<sup>rd</sup> Pat Devries, Lee Guyer

Ladder Ball – 1<sup>st</sup> Shirley Downey, Linda Guyer; 2<sup>nd</sup> Dale Garrett, Sue Fisher; 3<sup>rd</sup> Lee Guyer, Pat Devries

2020 Hosts – Garrett, Guyer, Devries, Ketchen

WEST SIDE Hosts: Buhr/Park, Beauregard, Betty Clark, Harkness/Grant

Theme – Where Y'all From? All were invited to show or wear their state/province colors, logos, flags, teams... Judy, Arthur, Betty and Betty's sister and brother-in-law, Susan and Don, prepared yummy chili for all. Don and Brenda Vanalstine helped Arthur out with Shuffleboard. Betty, with help from Susan and Don, created flags for ALL provinces and states represented which were displayed around her unique and popular soccer golf game. Jackie manned the Bean Bag Toss and Pam, the Ladder Ball. Butch was in charge of name tags and money collection. Gord provided musical background during the games and the theme from Rocky for our finale parade, where flag bearers led their fellow teams for a short, victorious march! Game winners were as follows: Bean bag toss – 1st Don Sauve, Yvon Beselle; 2nd Hilda Soto, LaRae Knecht, Ken Paquet, Betty Bean

Shuffleboard –  $1^{st}$  Dave Howard;  $2^{nd}$  LaRae Knecht;  $3^{rd}$  Jerry Bean Ladder Ball –  $1^{st}$  Jan Schryver;  $2^{nd}$  Lynda Danell;  $3^{rd}$  Hilda Soto Soccer Golf –  $1^{st}$  Ed Kingma, Doug Danell, Don Sauve;  $2^{nd}$  Jan Schryver, Lynda Danell

2020 Hosts – Howard, Coulter, Matthews, Danell, Hermiston

Someday us old folks will use cursive writing as a secret code.

When I finish eating something, I have to show my hands to the dog like I'm a Blackjack dealer...

Girl, unless he wears a diaper, you can't change him...

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

### ADULT NAUGHTY GAMES HAPPY HOUR

With DJ Gord - MARCH 8 - 4:00 - 6:00 - Games begin at 4:45 - 2 people to a team. The only way to find out what this is all about is to attend. Come and play or watch and be prepared to LAUGH!!!

## THIRD SVV TALENT SHOWCASE

Calling all beginner or experienced talent in our Village! During the Ice Cream Social, on **Sunday, March 10**, we would like to display examples of your work – crocheting, knitting, needlework, sewing, quilting, sculpture, zentangle, furniture building, ceramics, painting, drawing, drafting, scrapbooking, cake decorating, calligraphy, decoupage, woodwork, floral arrangement, jewelry, beadwork, origami, intarsia, carving, metalwork, miniature modeling, glasswork... and so much more! Please don't be shy – many of us are novices in our crafts – just doing it is an accomplishment in itself! **IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY SIGNED UP ON THE LIST PLEASE CONTACT SUE FISHER (956-423-7314)** 

### **LADIES POTLUCK LUNCH** MARCH 12 in the Clubhouse

All the Village ladies are invited. It starts at 11.30 with lunch, followed by some games. Card games start at 1:00. Bring a luncheon dish (salad, casserole, dessert, sandwiches) to share as well as your own place setting. The theme is SPRING.

### **SPRING FAREWELL DINNER**

The SVV finale is our Spring Farewell Dinner on March 17, 2019. You will find the sign-up sheet at the Post Office. Don't forget \$\$ for 50/50.

## TRASH PROCEDURES

(reprinted in each newsletter as a reminder, and for new people)

## **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. Pick up days are MONDAY and FRIDAY throughout the year. There will be a third pick up added on WEDNESDAY during January, February, and March.

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

-Propane tanks or cylinders

-Lead-acid batteries (e.g. car batteries)

-Hazardous materials (e.g. pesticides)

-Brush or tree trimmings

-Used oil or oil filters

-Medical waste (e.g. syringes)

- automobile tires

- paints, solvents, or any liquids

- gypsum (drywall)

- animal carcasses

- TVs or computer monitors

- 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 (telephone number found on the first page of your directory). The bags will be delivered to your home. West Side households do NOT use the dumpster.

#### **COMMON AREA TRASH and SWIMMING POOL COVERING DUTY**

These duties are provided by resident volunteers. The signup sheet is in the Rec. Hall, as is a copy of these instructions. If you are able and have not already done so, please consider taking a week.

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, including both bathrooms**, the **barn**, and the **Pool Room**; 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 into 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.** 

During your week you are also responsible for uncovering and covering the pool. Remember **two people** must do this and **if the outside temperature is below 70, the pool is NOT to be uncovered.** 

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, provided the temperature is 70 or above and there are two of you. PLEASE TAKE CARE AND WIND UP SLOWLY WHEN TAKING OFF THE COVER SO THAT IT WILL LAST.

**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, their tenants, their overnight guests, or contract purchasers who reside on the property. – no exceptions, please. (as per Article II, Section 2.2, Covenants and Bylaws)

#### **RENTERS**

## A big welcome to our newest arrivals!

Bud Mason & Beverly Parker	25330 Goldenrod Lane	(Oklahoma) 918-949-8932
Pat & Kelly Mintenko	25341 Altas Palmas Drive	(Ontario) 807-632-5166

## PROPERTIES FOR SALE

Daniel & Linda Ayala	25486 Altas Palmas Drive	956-236-2274
Dave Gardner	25508 Goldenrod Lane	519-386-3623
Debbie Bates (for Culbertson)	25324 Goldenrod Lane	956-577-6290
Bill & Evelyn Bilski	15703 Orange Drive	807-344-6297
Michael Davis	15702 Orange Drive	956-203-9854
Rolande & Clare LeFave	15738 Palm Tree Drive	705-487-2768
Bahman Realty for Rae Lin Romero	15689 Palm Tree Drive	956-423-3488

### PROPERTIES FOR RENT

Cheryl Matthews (Office Manager) 989-426-0645 SVV Apartment

## **DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS**

Roland & Clare LeFave - new phone number - 956-230-0742

## **RECIPES**

This recipe is from Shirley Downey. Everyone raved about it at the Orange Drive block party. Shirley is going to bring it to the wind-up dinner on March 17. Shirley used white beans instead of lima beans and said she tripled the recipe and added a small can of diced tomatoes.

#### **Slow Cooker Calico Beans**

They can be cooked in the Instant Pot or the oven as well! <u>Ingredients</u>

- 4 slices thick cut bacon diced
- 1 pound lean ground beef
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1 can 28 ounces molasses pork and beans
- 1 can 16 ounces kidney beans, rinsed and drained
- 1 can 16 ounces lima beans, rinsed and drained
- 1/2 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup ketchup
- 1 tablespoon cider vinegar
- 1 teaspoon prepared mustard
- 1 teaspoon salt

#### Instructions

- 1. In a large skillet or in the bottom of your Instant Pot using the "saute" button, cook the bacon for 2-3 minutes. Add in the beef and onion and cook until the meat is no longer pink, then drain.
- 2. Combine the beef mixture, bacon, beans, brown sugar, ketchup, vinegar, mustard and salt in a slow cooker or in the Instant Pot.
- 3. For the slow cooker, you can cook on high for 3-4 hours, or low for 6-8 hours.
- 4. For the Instant Pot, you can also cook on low all day OR use the chili/stew button and cook on high pressure for 15 minutes.
- 5. If you want to cook in the oven you can also spoon the mixture into a greased 2-qt. baking dish. Bake, uncovered, at 325° for 45-60 minutes.
- 6. Serve and enjoy!

This recipe is from Pat Devries. She brought it to ladies' cards and everyone was asking for a copy of the recipe.

#### Cheesecake bars

Crust

2/3 cup butter softened

2/3 cup brown sugar

2 cups flour

3/4 cup chopped walnuts

Cream together butter and brown sugar. Add flour and nuts. Stir until crumbly. Set aside 1/2 cup or so of the crumb mixture to use as topping. Press mixture into a buttered 9x13 pan. Bake 15 minutes at 350F.

Cheesecake filling

1/2 cup sugar

2-8 oz pks cream cheese softened

2 eggs

1/4 cup milk

1 teaspoon vanilla

2 tablespoons lemon juice

Beat together cream cheese and sugar until smooth. Add the eggs, milk, vanilla and lemon juice. Mix well. Spread filling over baked crust. Sprinkle reserved nut mixture on top. Bake 25 minutes.

#### **VISITORS**

<u>To Pam Buhr and Gord Park:</u> Daughter and family, Dorian, Cory, and Jack, from Winnipeg visited for a couple of weeks in February. 'Amma' was in her glory experiencing Mexican restaurants, the 'heavy sand' at the ocean twice, the Children's Museum, the Zoo, the Library, and the amazing new playground by Tony Butler through a nearly two year-old's eyes. He had his Texas birthday party with 'Amma' and 'Ampa', Great 'Amma' and 'Ampa' and Auntie Judy and Uncle Peepee (Peter).

To Lorraine Wilson: daughter Elyse and grandson Patrick had a great time visiting our village. The weather could have been better but an improvement over 25 below! Then son, Harold, his wife, Lena, and granddaughter, Katya, also enjoyed being here. Again, the weather was wanting, but they enjoyed every day of the clouds too! - and that snow they returned to did not seem so bad. Lorraine's youngest son, Jonathan, and wife, Joanne, and her grandchildren, Luke, Tyler, and Grace, will be visiting March 12 to 19 and are so excited to get some sun!



<u>To Betty Clark:</u> Sister and brother-in-law, Susan and Don Sauve, have been visiting since the beginning of February and just extended their stay by 2 weeks – too cold back in Ontario! Betty's friend, Jennifer Morrison, will be arriving on March 6 until March 25.

<u>To Peter and Lovey Netrval:</u> Daughter, Trina, and grandson, Gibson, from Thompson, Manitoba will be visiting the last week of March. The weather in Thompson has been very very cold...so let's bring in some warmth, Texas!

<u>To Don and Brenda Vanalstine:</u> friends and former SVV residents, Jim and Donna Morris are visiting until March 17.

<u>To Art and Betty Stevens and Lorne and Judy Berezowski:</u> Son, Rory, and daughter, Lori, and grandchildren, Anders, 14, and Jayla, 12, from Thunder Bay will be visiting for Spring Break. They are looking forward to warmer weather golfing, the pool, the beach, and just chillin' with the folks.

<u>To Pat and Lynnea Cummings:</u> Daughter, Brady, and son-in-law, Kyle, with grandsons, Jett, 15, and Nolan, 13, will be visiting from Thunder Bay for Spring Break. Golfing and South Padre Island are on the agenda.

<u>To Bruce and Jean Merriman:</u> Their daughter, Patti, arrives from Thunder Bay on March 5 to March 19 for her annual visit to the Valley. Granddaughter, Corrie, who is now 16, will not be here this year as she is going to Europe on a class trip. Also visiting is Wayne Forsey who resides in Winnipeg, Manitoba. He will be here from March 8 to March 12. He will be stopping in on his way back from Mexico.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Gordie Baardsen wants to thank everyone for their encouragement and prayers and especially the Ladies' Club for the get-well card!

If you add olive oil to chopped kale, it is easier to scrape into the garbage.

I had a rose named after me and I was very flattered. But I was not pleased to read the description in the catalogue: - 'No good in a bed but fine against a wall.'

- Eleanor Roosevelt

#### **SVVPOA OFFICE**

I would like to thank all the volunteers who helped with all the little projects around the Village. I couldn't do it all without the help.

Please check the dates on the papers at the Post Office (for example - *Welcome Home RGV*). Do not throw them out until the next week's papers have been delivered.

Well the season is winding down and I can't believe it's almost time to start packing up and heading North. It has been an interesting season, lots of changes with the loss of Karen Clement. I can't thank everyone enough for all the support and help. I am looking forward to another great season in 2019/2020.

CHERYL MATTHEWS PARK MANAGER

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### **SVV WEBSITE (http://svvpoa.com) AND FACEBOOK PAGE**

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 djd@djdanell.ca Include captions if you wish. Properties for sale could be posted with accompanying photos as well. The Newsletters and Calendars are available on the Website as well.

SVV also has a Facebook page - Sun Valley Village POA. Feel free to use it. Contact Doug if you need help with this.

### THE WAY WE WERE (Excerpts from Past Newsletters)

January, 1995(Volume 15) MONDAY MORNING MENS GOLF

The Monday Morning Men's Golf Tour made its debut in November. The weather has been better than some of the scores. Nobody has been able to top Reggie Vaillant's Double Eagle on the Par 5 Number 3 Hole.

Participation has been standy with 5 to 6 forms may taking off.

Participation has been steady with 5 to 6 foursomes teeing off every Monday. We expect it to increase with the arrival of several Pro Golfers that spend Christmas in Canada playing golf in the snow.

The best golf continues to be played at the  $10^{th}$  hole where the first liar does not have a chance.

That was 24 years ago! Not quite the same as it used to be, but still going. Any Villagers ever double eagle Number 3 since Reg's accomplishment?

## **EDITORS' NOTE**

It's all starting to wind down. In another month SVV will be a different sort of place. Our year-round residents will attest to that. Thank you to the summer 'guardians' of the Village. Farewell to the seasonal nomads as they gradually drift back north. Safe travels to you.



to all for a wonderful season!

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