

SUN VALLEY VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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FEBRUARY 2016

NEWS FROM THE BOARD

The 2016 Board of Directors are as follows:

President	Karen Clement
Vice President	Ed Kingma
Treasurer	Pat Wyer
Maintenance	Butch Beauregard
Secretary	John Culhane



Regarding sale of properties, the Board advises that, while a buyer does not have to be 55 years of age to purchase a property, someone over the age of 55 must be in permanent residence.

The Board passed a motion to approve the proposal presented by Betty Stevens for the Ladies Club to designate the sum of \$3 000 toward making renovations and improvements to the park owned apartment.

The hot tub is still losing water and the hot tub heater has not yet been installed. The pool heater has been installed and is working. However, it has been discovered that the pool also has a leak, which will have to be addressed.

The deck on the rear of the apartment has been completed with the exception of installing lattice around the railings for safety and appearance reasons.

Sprinklers for the common area lawn have not been working. Ed Kingma will take a look at the well pump to determine if that is the problem.

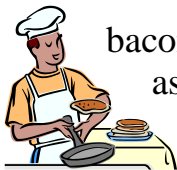
Karen has purchased numerous "Private Property" signs that will be attached to the perimeter fencing.

SVV MEN'S CLUB



Our **Spaghetti Dinner** was very successful – We sold 128 tickets, received \$123 in donations, and after expenses, realized a net profit of \$794. Thanks to the Ladies Club for helping out.

The **Ice Cream Social** held on January 10 raised a net profit of \$252. Our next Ice Cream Social in on February 7 – 2:00-4:00 PM. Members of the Men's Club will be around selling tickets (\$2.50/ ticket) in the coming days. Tickets will also be available at the door.



Pancake Breakfasts are Saturday mornings from 7:30-9:00 AM. Enjoy pancakes, bacon, breakfast sausages, and coffee at the hall, all for \$3.00! Our attendance has been as high as 54 people!

Bingo is held every Thursday at 7:00 PM. We are averaging 30-34 people. Blackout Bingo has been \$25-\$30.

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



The fan has been fixed at the west end of the hall, and new air conditioner filters have been installed in the hall. Two excellent volunteers power washed the



hall and the storage shed in the compound area. Thank you very much.

SVV LADIES' CLUB

The Ladies' Club meets at the hall every Tuesday afternoon at 1:00 PM to play cards and socialize over coffee and a light snack. We have a business meeting after cards on the first Tuesday of each month.

The Ladies' Club was quite active in January. The Pizza Party (held every January) was well attended by 69 guests. Linda Besselle, Val Clark, and her husband, Ed were hosts and all had a good time with lots of food, conversation with neighbors and friends and Bingo. Our thanks go out to them for volunteering to oversee this event.

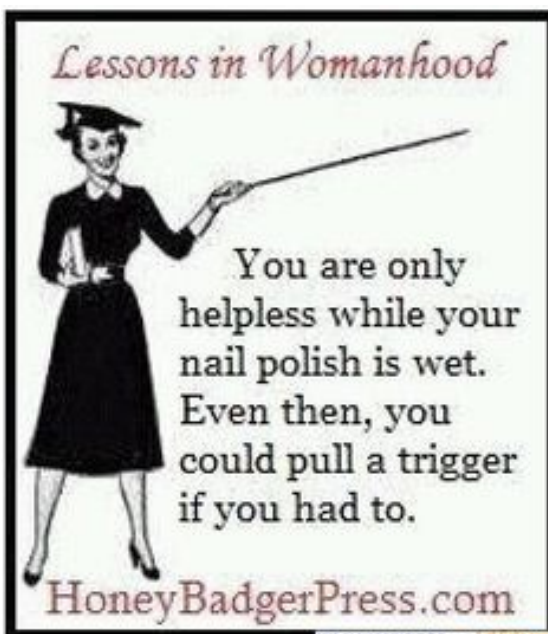
We also had a monthly Birthday celebration the third Tuesday of the month. We purchased 8 new white folding chairs for the hall. Several ladies helped prepare bread and salad for the Spaghetti Supper. Thanks to all who so generously donate their time to making such events so successful!

The Ladies' Club has proposed and approved a motion to make renovations and improvements to the park-owned apartment with board approval. A committee has been established and come up with a wish list. Several men from the park are donating their time and expertise so some of these suggestions come to fruition. Any and all help is welcomed by the Ladies' Club for this project, which will carry through 2017.

Our Ladies' annual February luncheon is on Tuesday, the 9th at 11:00 AM at Stefano's on Business 83. You will have the full lunch menu from which to order. All ladies of the park are invited to attend. Those who wish can return to the club house after for our usual cards and a bit of wine.

It's that time of the year again when we start making preparations for the Spring Rummage Sale on March 5. Please remember that this is a great money maker for the Ladies' Club, which helps pay for projects such as the planned apartment renovations. Many people turn out to help with these events and we would especially like to thank in advance the men who contribute so much assistance for this event. We couldn't do it without you.

Looking forward to a great February calendar and hoping some of our new residents will join in the fun.



I've sure gotten old! I've had two bypass surgeries, a hip replacement, new knees, fought prostate cancer and diabetes. I'm half blind, can't hear anything quieter than a jet engine, take 40 different medications that make me dizzy, winded, and subject to blackouts. I have bouts with dementia, poor circulation; can hardly feel my hands and feet anymore. Can't remember if I'm 85 or 92. Have lost all my friends. But, thank goodness, I still have my driver's license.

Do not use a Canadian quarter as a ball marker. When you pick it up, it will be a dime.

SWIMMING POOL AND COMMON AREA TRASH

The pool is covered and uncovered by residents. The sign-up sheet is in the Rec. Hall. 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 6:00 PM Thursday** evening, the trash should be emptied from the hall 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.

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)

WATER WORKOUT

Mondays and Fridays at 2:30 PM (weather permitting) join us in the pool for a splashing good time!

You don't need to know how to swim. You do as much as you are able. It's low impact and easy on joints...

Questions? Call DIANE COULTER (230-1476).



SHUFFLEBOARD

January was a great month for shuffleboard. The weather cooperated every Tuesday and Thursday. We played 8 mornings, a total of 24 games, with 16 to 24 players each day.

The highest winning 3 game total was 227. The highest 2 game total was 182 points. The highest single game was 115 points. The single game lowest score was -33 points.

Don Vanalstine was the man to be #1 the most, 3 of the 8 days. Carol Nesbitt and LaRae Knecht were the women with #1 the most, 2 of the 8 days.

To play put your name on the sign-up sheet in the Post Office. \$.50 to play. Winner payouts: #1 - \$1.00, #2 - \$.75, #3- \$.50, Best Effort - \$.25.

Any questions? Contact SUSAN KETCHEN at (956-230-2143).



An SVV Canadian recently said, "I am turning 70, which is 45 American."

SVV MEN'S GOLF

Every Monday morning, we play nine holes, best ball, at 9:00 AM at the Tony Butler Golf Course. A signup sheet is posted on the bulletin board at the Post Office until Friday each week. After our weekly golf, we go to the SVV Rec. Hall for snacks and refreshments. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call BOB HALSTEAD (428-6904) or 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. For more information, contact DEBBIE BATES (577-6290).

MONDAY MIXED 18 HOLES

9:00 AM at Tony Butler – couples or singles welcome. Call PAT CUMMINGS (230-0866) to book a tee time.



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 10:00 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).

ANNUAL SVV MIXED 9 HOLE BEST BALL CHALLENGE TOURNAMENT:

BOYS AGAINST THE GIRLS! The Battle of the Sexes tournament continues now in its fourth year – Best 3 out of 5 before we change to a different novelty tournament – Current standings: Boys 2 wins - Girls 1 win

DATE/TIME: Friday, February 26, 10:00 AM SHOTGUN START

PLACE: For the Golf – Stuart Place Golf Course

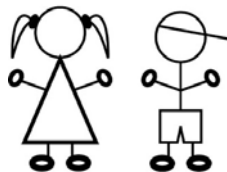
For the Get-together – Rec. Hall for refreshments, snacks, and awards!

ELIGIBILITY: Must be either a male or female.

COST: \$1 for play, plus green fees to Stuart Place \$11 (\$17 with power cart), Lost Ball Guess and 50/50 tickets available for 50 cents each, and \$1 for each 'refreshment'

Watch for the signup sheet coming soon to a Post Office near you.

GO GIRLS! GO BOYS!



EXERCISE



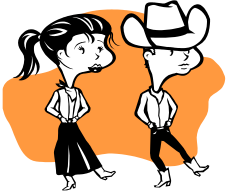
Come along to the Rec. Hall for a low impact exercise workout. No formal classes are held, but feel free to drop in on your own to use the DVD workout sessions available. The hall is free Sunday, Monday and Friday all morning; and until 10:00 Tuesday and Thursday mornings, however, shufflers gather briefly from 8:30-9:00. It is also available before 9:30 Wednesday. If you are an early bird, you likely will find the hall free every morning before 9:30 except for Saturday. Questions? Call LYNDA DANELL (230-0265).

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).

'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.



PEGS AND JOKERS



Monday nights at 7:00 PM come out to the hall to play this popular board game. For more information, call KAREN MAU (254-3510).

'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! Not too much going on with Texas Hold 'Em so far but get some people together and come on down. For more information, contact JENNA CULBERTSON (970-310-0281) or DONNA COOPER (419-789-0413).

BRIDGE



Bridge is played Saturdays at 7:00 PM. A signup sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the Post Office. For more information, call VIRGINIA SKEIM (428-5070).

EUCHRE

Join us Sunday and Wednesday nights at 7:00 PM to play the card game, Euchre. It's easy to learn and anyone is welcome to drop in. For further information, contact MERILEE WEBER (230-0313).

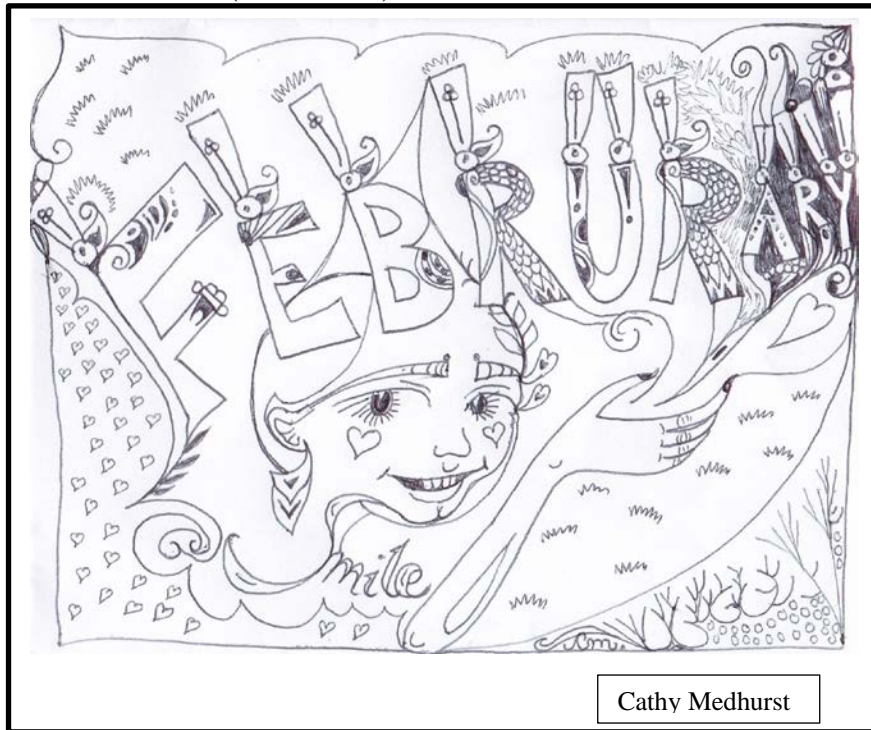
POOL ROOM NEWS



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

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 (423-7314)



Cathy Medhurst

HANDICRAFTS



The craft group meets every Wednesday at 1:00 PM in the Clubhouse.

All of January we have been making cards using thread. The first week in February we are making cork trivets. The rest of February we are hoping to sew some table runners for our Potluck Dinners. Feel free to join us even if you don't sew. We can use cutters, 'ironers', or coffee makers, or just come to chat and work on your own project. For further information, contact DIANE COULTER (230-1476)



My memory's not as sharp as it used to be.
Also, my memory's not as sharp as it used to be.

SPI CAUSEWAY WALK:

January 9th was the 32nd annual Causeway Walk. Eight 'Parkies' participated (Graham and Susan Ketchen, Pat Wyer, Lovey Netrval, Jim Coulter, Judy Berezowski, Doug Danell, PamBuhr). It was a wild and windy day to be walking on the causeway but the weather was great, unlike last year. Everyone finished in good time and headed off to Senor Donkey for a well-deserved lunch, and naturally, refreshments. The odd one stayed in "health-mode" with tea while the rest of us sampled a variety of margaritas and beers. Our cheerleaders, Lynda D. and Diane C., came along to greet us at the finish line but got sidetracked in some shops of all things! They caught up with us at the restaurant for a free lunch.

EAGLE PASS BUS TRIP

All who attended had a wonderful time. Plans are in the works to do it again next year! We hear that the event could have been summed up in one sentence: I lost my a.. at Eagle Pass!

VALENTINE DANCE



The SVV Valentine Dance will be held Saturday, February 27 at 6:30 PM. Kick up your heels to the live country music of Ken Thompson. This is open to Villagers and any invited guests. Bring your own refreshments and snacks. There will be a 50/50 draw and door prizes! There will be only 80 tickets sold and they are going fast. Doors open at 6:00 – no reserved seating. For tickets (\$6), contact PAT & MIKE WYER (425-6186), DOUG & LYNDA DANELL (230-0265) or GORD PARK & PAM BUHR (970-1802).



Hints on how to liven up your idle hours to maintain a healthy level of insanity:

1. At lunch time, sit in your parked car with sunglasses on and point a hair dryer at all passing cars and watch them SLOW DOWN!
2. On all your check stubs, write: 'For Marijuana.'
3. Skip down the street, rather than walk, and see how many looks you get.
4. Order a 'Diet Water' whenever you go out to eat, with a serious face.
5. Sing along at the opera.
6. When the money comes out of the ATM, scream 'I Won! I Won!'
7. When leaving the Zoo, start running towards the car park, yelling 'Run for your lives! They're loose!'
8. Tell your children over dinner: 'Due to the economy, we are going to have to let one of you go.'
9. Pick up a box of condoms at the pharmacy, go to the counter and ask where the fitting room is.

BLOCK PARTIES

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY, 13 (14 rain date)

Hosts will provide specific details.

PALM TREE

Hosts: Hubbell, Merriman

ORANGE

Hosts: Harkness, Morningstar

WEST SIDE (Altas Palmas, Buttercup, Goldenrod, Poinsettia, Primrose)

Hosts: Knecht, Halstead, Bean, Vanalstine

VISITORS

Remember to let the newsletter staff know about your visitors.

- **To Pam Buhr and Gord Park:** In-laws Judy and Peter from Manitoba– back for their yearly coastal adventures – enjoyed some honky-tonk at Harley’s, Beach Bars on the Island, and Happy Hours in SVV. Of course Peter got handed a ‘project’ so he wouldn’t get bored and our wheelchair ramp has had a wonderful facelift!
- **To Susan and Graham Ketchen:** Visitors for a couple of days, Bruce and Alexs Cameron from Oakville commented on the peacefulness of the park, and the friendliness of everyone they met here. They enjoyed walking the beach on South Padre Island and were impressed with their food at South Padre Island Brewing Company.



NEW RESIDENTS

Randee Liles (Gary Gunn’s daughter)	15795 Palm Tree Drive
Jody Busing (Rachel’s daughter)	25373 Goldenrod Lane
Anthony and Helen Tribalski	15777 Orange Drive
Lee and Lynda Guyer	15758 Orange Drive
Guadalupe Cantu	25476 Altas Palmas Drive
Charlene Reed	15689 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 NEWLY ARRIVED SEASONAL RENTERS!

Cindy and Rudy Schuster	15702 Orange Drive	(from Ontario)	267-357-5594
Alex Diner &	25345 Goldenrod Lane	(from Ontario)	956-202-3443
Margaret Thomasson			
Alan and Suzanne Fyoirchuk	25488 Goldenrod Lane	(from Ontario)	
	Alan 807-621-0975	Suzanne	807-620-4484

THE SENILITY PRAYER :

Grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked anyway,
the good fortune to run into the ones I do, and
the eyesight to tell the difference.

FOR SALE

Lorne and Eleanor Vaillant	25335 Goldenrod Lane
John Hukill	25379 Goldenrod Lane
Bill and Miriam Boardman	25478 Goldenrod Lane
Marilyn Smilski	25496 Goldenrod Lane
Bob and Lu Halstead	25508 Goldenrod Lane
Terry and Dawn Gates	15712 Orange Drive
Barry and Dianne Johnson	15690 Palm Tree Drive
Melvin and Irene Hubbell	15701 Palm Tree Drive
Clare and Rolande LeFave	15738 Palm Tree Drive
Tony and Helen Tribalski	15757 Palm Tree Drive
John and Rosie Culhane	15776 Palm Tree Drive
Glen and Glenda Buhr	15638 Primrose Lane



For further information,
look for postings outside
the homes or on the Post
Office Information Board.

DIRECTORY ADDITIONS:

Oops!

The McCuaigs were accidently deleted in the new directory- Here is their information to add:

Tom & Marilyn McCuaig	230-1130	15786 Palm Tree Drive
	807-577-2937	141 Glendale Avenue
		Thunder Bay, ON P7C 1N2
Charlene Reed	303-349-3176	15689 Palm Tree Drive

(Recent new owner so not in the directory)

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

You will find these updated lists attached. Please let us know if there are any errors or omissions. PAM BUHR (970-1802 pambuhr@gmail.com)



IN OUR PRAYERS

George Mohler, Agnes Sojak, Rolande LeFave, Floyd Ruch, Larry Harding

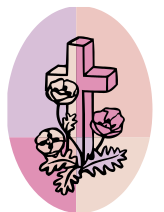
CONDOLENCES

OUR SINCEREST SYMPATHIES TO THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR LOSS

The Bates families on the passing of their younger brother, Chester Jr.

The family of Rachel Busing

Rachel will be sorely missed in our Village. We celebrate her life through the many fond memories we have of her. She will live on through those memories.



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 can be posted with accompanying photos as well.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Debbie and Jerry Bates, Shirlie and Ben Bates, and Carol and Lloyd Bates would like to thank everyone for their kind thoughts and wishes on the passing of their younger brother, Chester Jr.

THE WAY WE WERE (Excerpts from Past Newsletters)



Got the scoop on Oreo – from February, 1993 “Good luck to Oreo Pig in the Stock Show.” Thanks Lorrie for contacting Lorene Burns, 93, who sold to Bob and Ida Green. Oreo was a little black and white pig that came to SVV for an hour one day in a visitor’s truck. The visitor was a friend or relative of the owner who lived down on Primrose in a place nicknamed the Taj Mahal, because it was pink (now Paul Gardner’s place and no longer pink!). Oreo was on his way to the Stock Show and the truck was parked by the horseshoe pitch down by what is now Blais’ place. He caused quite a stir in the Park apparently.

EDITORS’ NOTE

W.O.W.! What Outstanding Weather! We are on a roll. Lots of sunny smiles in our sunny village...We are due. Enjoy!

Thanks y’all, for sharing your sunny disposition with others!

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