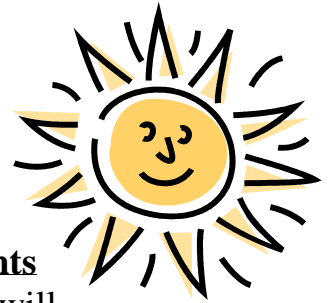


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Welcome back to wintertime in SVV!

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



IN MEMORIAM

Alas, several residents have passed away since last March. They will be sorely missed. Condolences to their friends and families. Farewell to **Bill Boardman, Guadalupe Cantu, Virginia Culbertson, Peter Dec, Paul Gardner, Lloyd Montgomery, and Ken Piggott.**

SVVPOA BOARD

The Board will not meet until Thursday, December 5. Highlights of the meeting will be posted in the Hall and the Post Office. All property owners are invited to present between 7:00 and 7:30 PM any issues or suggestions they would like the Board of Directors to consider.

SAVE the DATE – SVV Annual General Meeting – Monday, January 20, 2020.

SVV MEN'S CLUB

Our weekly Fundraisers include **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! **Bingo** is held every Thursday at 7:00 PM. Both Bingo and Pancake Breakfasts are open to the public. Feel free to invite friends from other parks. Startup dates for these are Thursday, December 12 and Saturday, December 14.



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

FYI: We have an aluminum can recycle program. The tabs are taken to the Ronald McDonald House and crushed cans to the recycling center. Any money collected from the cans goes to the Men's Club. You can bring your **rinsed, 'tabs removed'**, aluminum cans to the barn. If you do not have a can crusher there is one in the barn, **PLEASE CRUSH** the cans in the compactor and dump into the crushed cans garbage bag if the compactor is full. If the compactor is not full you may leave them in there. You will find a container for the tabs as well. **Please keep the plastic and paper trash out of these containers!**

Note that the Men's meeting is held on the first Tuesday of each month at 10:30 AM. Please attend so that you can have input in planning projects. Note: The next meeting will be January 7 instead of January 1, New Year's Day.

SVV LADIES' CLUB

Welcome back all. We hope you had a good summer. We also hope the winter will be good to all of us.

Thanksgiving has come and gone. What a feast! We had 42 in attendance. The 50/50 draw was won by Arthur Grant (\$65). Thank you for all the helping hands.



Next on the calendar is our Fall Rummage sale to be held December 7 from 7:00 to 11:00 AM. Rummage sale set up is Thursday starting at 10:30 AM (after Shuffleboard). We are a little short of hands to make light the work. If you can help out – sign up in the Post Office. We are looking for donations for the Party Basket – drop off to Betty Clark or Debbie Bates. The Bake Sale is always a successful fundraiser. Drop off your donations Saturday morning.

Village fundraising helps defray our Association costs, one of them being the purchase of a new upright freezer for the hall. The old freezer has died and a new and better one is on its way next week thanks to fundraising support!

Of course, we can't forget our Christmas Potluck, December 25. A signup sheet will soon be up in the Post Office. We will be holding a Robber Gift Exchange as in the past. Bring a wrapped gift suitable for a male OR a female - \$5 maximum. This is always great for a few laughs!

We are continuing our Change for Charity fundraiser. Last year over \$60 was donated. Drop your spare change into the red jug at the Hall. You will also notice that there are bins available for donations to Loaves and Fishes.

Ladies, remember the wooden snowflakes we gave out in March for you to decorate? We will be judging them at our March 10 Windup Lunch. This will give everyone a chance to finish them. We will hang them up next Christmas (2020). If you lost or forgot yours, you can purchase a 3 pack at Hobby Lobby.

Note: The next meeting will be January 7 instead of January 1, New Year's Day. That will also be the day of our Pizza Party at Mr. Gatti's! A signup sheet will soon be in the Post Office.

Happy Holidays, everyone!

I am a WOMAN.
What's your super



On September 21, 1932, in a dank basement in Sheboygan, Wisconsin, one of the greatest conspiracies of all time is formed.



WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

The following activities are those that have begun. New activities will be announced on the Post Office Bulletin Board and added to next month's newsletter. Interested in starting up a new activity? You are quite welcome to do so. Just post a notice and get it into the next Newsletter.

SVV LADIES' GOLF

Women of the Village AND friends play nine holes at Tony Butler Golf Course Monday mornings at 9:00 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).



SUN VALLEY GOLF GROUP – 18 HOLES

(AKA Palm Vista Golf Group) We have started our new season at the Tony Butler Golf Course with tee off times starting at 9:00 AM. Teams of couples and single golfers will be selected randomly each week so you can meet new friends or "old" friends for an enjoyable game of golf. If you require additional information or wish to join the Sun Valley Golf Group, please contact TOM MCCUAIG (956-230-1130) or at 15786 Palm Tree Drive.



SVV FRIDAY MIXED GOLF SCRAMBLE – 9 HOLES

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).



SHUFFLEBOARD


Shuffleboard has already started. The signup sheet is at the Post Office. We play Tuesday and Thursday at 9:00 AM. The cost is 50 cents. Questions? Call BETTY CLARK (956-230-0457). Thank you, Betty and Jackie, for stepping in to help out. Apparently Betty has an interesting method of determining winners. This is NOT golf, Betty!



EXERCISE

There are currently no scheduled workout times but feel free to drop in on your own to use the available DVD workout sessions when the hall is free. If you would like to organize a group let us know and we will publish the information in the next newsletter.

CHAIR YOGA

 Thursdays from 2:00-3:00 PM 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! Chair Yoga will begin on Thursday, December 12. Questions? Call LORRAINE WILSON (956-536-0075).

WATER WALKING

Water Walking begins Monday, December 9. We will have classes on Mondays and Wednesdays at 2:30 PM, WEATHER PERMITTING. There will be no classes on December 16 or December 25. All are welcome. You don't need to know how to swim. For further information, contact DIANE COULTER (956-230-1476).



'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 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 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

This card game is played Sunday and Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM. New players welcome! Training available!

POOL HALL



Our pool hall is available to all. No formal programs are ongoing. Just drop in and shoot a few. If you would like to organize a group let us know and we will publish the information in the next newsletter.

ART GROUP

We have just started to meet and there is always room for one more. If you like to draw or paint, come to the hall at 9:30 on Tuesday 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)



A truck loaded with thousands of copies of Roget's Thesaurus crashed yesterday losing its entire load. Witnesses were stunned, startled, aghast, taken aback, stupefied, confused, shocked, rattled, paralysed, dazed, bewildered, mixed up, surprised, awed, dumbfounded, nonplussed, flabbergasted, astounded, & amazed!

EVENTS



GAMES NIGHT

First and Third Mondays 6:30-9:00 PM – Many board and card games are available. It started this week and was well attended. No one wanted to play Twister though. What's with that?! December 16, January 6, and January 21(a Tuesday because of Monday's Annual General Meeting) are the December and January dates.



POLAR BEAR DIP (New Years Day Beach Party)

January 1, 2020 - Dip at noon - Clayton's on South Padre Island – Brave souls wishing to take a dip or just hold towels and/or dress up in costume for fun can join our SVV group for this free event. Lunch at the Padre Island Brewing Company (3400 Padre Boulevard) afterwards! Contact DIANE COULTER (956-230-1476) to arrange carpooling.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL



The first Ice Cream Social will be Sunday, January 5, from 2:00-4:00 PM. Bring your own bowl and spoon. Members of the Men's Club will be around selling tickets (\$3/ticket). Tickets will also be available at the door.

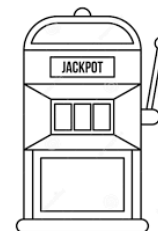
PORT ISABEL CAUSEWAY WALK/RUN

January 11, 2020 - 8:00 AM – Walk across the Causeway and up the Island main street some (about 6K in all) or meet us for brunch at Josephine's Kitchen 3409 Padre Boulevard around 10:00 AM. Walkers register online bit.ly/2020run-walk \$30 until December 11, \$35 after that date. Please let PAM BUHR know (204-807-8389 pambuhr@gmail.com) when you are registered or will be coming for brunch, and she will coordinate carpooling. She will also pick up the wrist bands and T-shirts for the walkers on Monday, January 6.



EAGLE PASS CASINO TRIP

Wednesday, February 5 – Thursday, February 6 - \$95 Double Occupancy – Sign up in the Post Office - Pay JACKIE BEAUREGARD by January 13 – 20 people minimum



SOME NEW EVENTS COMING IN 2020!

- ◇ Donut Dunking, January 12, 2:00 PM, Clubhouse
- ◇ HEB Wine and Cheese Tasting, January 16, 3:30 PM, Clubhouse
- ◇ Valentine's Potluck Dinner, February 14, 4:00-6:00 PM, Clubhouse
- ◇ Perogy Making with Lovey, February 16, 1:00 PM, Clubhouse, \$8.00 to cover cost and take some home
- ◇ Mardi Gras Pancake Supper, February 25, 4:30-6.00 PM, Clubhouse, \$5.00
- ◇ Mozna Chocolate factory Tour, March 5, 2:00 PM, Hidalgo, \$8.00
- ◇ Tie Die Workshop, March 15, 1:00 PM Clubhouse, \$5.00

WATCH YOUR NEWSLETTER FOR MORE INFORMATION CLOSER TO THE DATES.



VISITORS

For Lorraine Wilson: Friendly dachshund, Freddy the Freeloader, dropped in to stay for a few days which seems to have stretched to a couple of weeks!

NEW OWNERS

Blanca DeFlores	25486 Altas Palmas Drive	956-802-0051
Felipe Ramon	25478 Goldenrod Lane	956-622-1043
Maria Magro Malo	25379 Goldenrod Lane	
Adelita Garza	25508 Goldenrod Lane	870-717-4182
Jose Cabrera	25382 Goldenrod Lane	956-867-0788
Rosa Nuncio	15702 Orange Drive	515-293-0371
John & Edna Carrillo	15730 Orange Drive	956-491-1879
Rick Balderas	15689 Palm Tree Drive	702-202-8764
Sandy Bailey	15738 Palm Tree Drive	956-793-6521
Elvira Canales	15650 Primrose Lane	956-341-6289

We are pleased to welcome you to our Village and look forward to seeing you around!

RENTERS

A big welcome to seasonal renters!

Phil & Dawn Moore from Missouri 15785 Palm Tree Drive D 913-709-9237
P 913-207-9787

Bob Weber from Minnesota 25355 Goldenrod Lane

If we have missed you, please let us know: PAM - pambuhr@gmail.com 204-807-8389.

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

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 (ddanell1@gmail.com). Include captions if you wish. Properties for sale/rent could be posted with accompanying photos as well.

SVV OFFICE

So glad to be back and to see all the year-round residents and to welcome back all the Winter Texans to our Village. I am looking forward to another great winter.

I will be ordering **water meter lids** in the near future. If you need one come to the office and get on the list.

REMINDER: Vehicles, trailers, boats, etc. stored in the compound must be registered at the Office. Please maintain the area around and beneath your storage area. You will need to visibly display your name on or inside a window of the item.

Please read the following carefully so new residents are not blindsided by unknown rules.

Cheryl Matthews

SELLING OR RENTING PROPERTY Planning on selling or renting your property?

Please be aware that if you are selling your property you **MUST** make sure the buyer is aware of our Covenants and By-Laws, and that they **MUST** abide by them. Here are some important By-Laws that have caused issues in the past:

Article II Section 2.5 Age Restriction: To occupy a lot within the Sun Valley Village Subdivision, at least one person must be fifty-five (55) years of age or older. Either spouse only may be younger than that age. This Covenant shall be enforceable against any one acquiring title to the lots within the subdivision after February 1, 1999. No occupant (tenant or owner) shall be permitted to have children under the age of eighteen (18) in residence at any time, except by special permission of the Board of Directors. Residence shall include any period of time deemed by the Board.

Article II Section 2.2 Delegation of Use: Any owner may delegate, in accordance with the By-Laws, his right of enjoyment to the common area to his overnight guests, his tenants or contract purchasers who reside on the property.

Article VI Section 6.9 Livestock and Poultry: No animals, livestock or poultry of any kind shall be raised, bred or kept on any lot, except that dogs, cats or other household pets, **not to exceed a total of two (2) pets**, may be kept provided that they shall not become a nuisance and are not kept, bred or maintained for any commercial purposes. **All pets must be on a leash or confined to owner's property.**

SVV is an Association where the rules must be followed, dues must be paid, and yards and residences must be maintained. **The Board or Office needs to be notified prior to any sales or rentals.**

BEWARE: The **Seller is legally responsible** to inform any Buyer about this information. Misrepresentation or failure to disclose this information could result in the buyer taking legal action against the seller.

If you are **renting your property** please make sure to follow the Covenants and By-Laws, as follows:

Article II Section 2.3 Leasing Lots, Trailers or Mobile Homes within the Park: (a) There shall be no lease permitted for a term of more than one year, to any one or more persons. The Board of Directors must be contacted for the prior approval of all leases. At the expiration of the first year's lease or any extension or renewal period for over one year, the Board of Directors must be contacted for approval of a further extension or renewal of any lease. All tenants shall meet the basic requirements set forth in **Article II, Section 2.5** (the 55+ age restriction mention above).

Section 2.3 (b): No occupant (tenant or owner) shall be permitted to have children under the age of eighteen (18) in residences at any time, except by special permission of the Board of Directors. Residence shall include any period of time deemed by the Board. **Section 2.3 (c):** No tenant of Association property may keep pets of any kind during the term of any lease.

Make sure to leave your Covenants and By-Laws document out and accessible for the new owners and or renters. If you do not have a copy you can get them off our website (<http://svvpoa.com>) or from the office. These copies are current with all amendments so you may want to print off an updated document for your own reference.

I've discovered that I have a superpower.

I can melt ice cubes just by staring at them. It takes a while though.

TRASH & POOL 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:

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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 front of your house 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

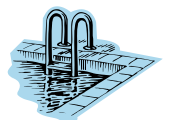
These duties are provided by resident volunteers. The signup sheet is in the Hall, as is a copy of these instructions. If you are able and have not already done so, consider taking a week.

Each week starts on a Thursday and includes putting out the trash. **By 4:00 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 or below, 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 not 70 or below 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. As per Article II, Section 2.2, in the



Covenants and Bylaws **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.**

RECYCLING Taking Care of our Environment!

Please recycle **aluminum cans and their tabs** in the containers provided in the **barn**. This is a fundraiser for SVV. We have had problems with trash being discarded in there instead of cans. These are for CLEAN aluminum cans only.



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.

Here are the Harlingen recycling guidelines: **Materials We Accept for Recycling:**

Cardboard: Brown corrugated boxes, shoe and food boxes that are either brown or gray on the inside. No boxes that are white on the inside or coated with a wax or plastic. No cardboard (the paper mache type) egg cartons.

Newspaper: Entire paper. Please remove any plastic bags from the papers.

Paper: Letters, junk mail, school papers, forms, computer paper. No tissues, paper towels or napkins.

Aluminum: Cans only. No aluminum foil or single-use pans. *(Note aluminum cans are a fundraiser for SVV so please recycle those in the barn.)*

Steel: Tin cans, wire hangers, miscellaneous small pieces of steel, refrigerators, AC units, and washers.

Plastic # 1: This type of plastic has a triangle made of 3 arrows with a number 1 in the middle on the bottom of the bottle. These bottles include: soda bottles, sport drink bottles, juice bottles and water bottles.

Plastic # 2: This type of plastic has a triangle made of 3 arrows with a number 2 in the middle on the bottom of the bottle. These bottles include: milk bottles and soap bottles.

Plastic Bags: Only grocery type bags and newspaper bags are recyclable. The bags need to be clean. Be sure you remove everything from the bag including the cash register receipt. Please throw all other plastic bags into your trash.

Plastic Foam Packing Peanuts: Remove any contamination from the peanuts.

Automotive Batteries: Lead-acid batteries only.

Used Automotive Oil: Household do it yourself oil changers only, no commercial oil. No oil filters! Oil filters may be taken to most auto parts stores for recycling at no cost.

Styrofoam: White Styrofoam only, nothing with color or wording on it (like egg cartons).

Electronic Equipment: Computers, TV's.

PLEASE NOTE! Remove all bottle caps and throw into the trash. Crush the soft plastic bottles. **Cleanliness is essential. One container with waste still in it can contaminate an entire bale, containing thousands of pounds of recycled material. This can cause thousands of recyclable items to go to a landfill instead of being recycled.**

Note that we now have a recycling bin in the Hall.

RECIPES

Marilyn McCuaig's Onion Dip

- ◇ 8 oz. low fat cream cheese, softened
- ◇ 8 oz. low fat mayo
- ◇ 1/2 cup finely chopped onion
- ◇ 1/2 cup parmesan cheese, grated

Mix together and bake at 350 degrees for 20 - 30 minutes.

PROPERTIES FOR SALE OR RENT

FOR SALE:

25454 Altas Palmas Drive	Jerry & Debbie Bates	956-577-6290
15498 Altas Palmas Drive	Ed & Pat Kingma	219-964-1533
25324 Goldenrod Lane	Jerry & Debbie Bates	956-577-6290

FOR RENT:

25327 Goldenrod Lane	Sam Korkiakoski	705-522-7995
25341 Goldenrod Lane	Albert Breukelman	807-628-5644

If you wish to advertise sale or rental property in the newsletter, let us know:

PAM - pambuhr@gmail.com 204-807-8389.

THE WAY WE WERE (Excerpts from Past Newsletters)

From January 1995, Volume XV – This month we are on volume CIV!

MONDAY MORNING MEN'S 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 steady with 5-6 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



Grilled Chicken

be played at the 10th hole where the first liar does not have a chance. WOW – Double Eagle!
Very impressive! That league was started 25 years ago!

EDITORS' NOTE

To all our Village People – say hi and introduce yourself to strangers you meet on our Village Streets. They will certainly be residents and renters who are new in town or else you are new in town and you're getting to know long-time residents! Neighborliness rules!

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Stop trying
to make
everyone
happy.
You're not

To the guy who
stole my
antidepressant
s:
I hope you're