

SUN VALLEY VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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NEWS FROM THE BOARD

Happy New Year! The Board had its first 2016 meeting Tuesday evening. Cheryl Ann Matthews will be taking over from Debbie Bates as Office Manager. She will be in the office Tuesday mornings.

The SVV Property Owners Association will have its Annual Board Meeting on Monday, January 18, 2016 at 7:30 PM in the Rec. Hall. Please send your proxy if you are unable to attend.

FYI – The pool and the hot tub heaters need to be replaced. As a result both will not be heated for about two weeks as we wait for the heaters to arrive and be installed. It will be like swimming in a Canadian lake in the spring!

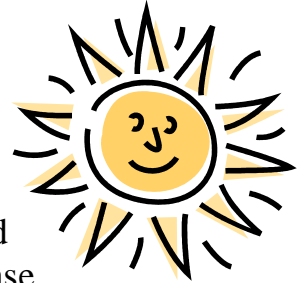
REMINDERS:

- A notice has been posted at our Post Office informing that all brush, palm limbs, and twigs need to be hauled off at the property owner's expense and not by the park.
- Please clean up from around your water meters. Those who read them say that several are under grass, under mud, and/or full of trash.
- Those who have items in the compound area need to register their ownership in our office.

A big thank you to those who read the water meters!

And to our visitors – the weather IS going to get warmer!

Miriam Boardman, Secretary, SVV Board



SVV MEN'S CLUB

The Executive for 2016 will remain the same:

President – John Hukill; Treasurer – Ed Clark; Secretary – Bob Halstead

- The palm trees on Altas Palmas were trimmed in the summer and the expense was paid by the Men's Club.
- Maintenance was done on the irrigation system in the common area.
- Grass in the common area was fertilized in December.
- Breakfast will be every Saturday, 7:30 to 9:00 AM.
- Bingos are held every Thursday, 7:00 PM.
- The first Ice Cream Social will be held on January 10, 2:00 to 4:00 PM. Ticket sellers are Tom Medhurst, Jerry Bean, Dave Lynch, and Graham Ketchen.
- The Spaghetti Dinner will be on January 30.

Remember the Men's club meetings every Tuesday at 10:30 AM.

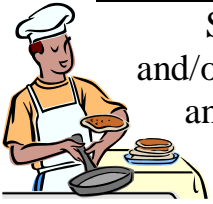


BINGO

Bingo is played on Thursdays at 7:00 PM. This fundraiser is open to the public as well. Feel free to invite friends from other parks. Come and try your luck. The more players, the more fun, and the bigger the prize money!




PANCAKE BREAKFAST



Saturday mornings from 7:30 to 9:00 AM, you can go out for pancakes, bacon, and/or sausages, and coffee at the hall for a mere \$3.00! Also open to the public, this is an important fundraiser for our park. Come on out to support our initiatives and visit with friends!

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Our first Ice Cream Social this year will be held on Sunday, January 10 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM. Come and enjoy some friendly conversation with friends and neighbors.  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. For more information, call ED CLARK (956-412-3667).

SPAGHETTI DINNER



The Spaghetti Dinner will be held on Saturday, January 30 from 3:00 to 6:00 PM. Bring your own table setting. Enjoy all the spaghetti you can eat, along with Caesar salad, bread, coffee and dessert. Ticket sellers will be calling on you soon. Tickets will also be available at the door. For more information, call BUTCH BEAUREGARD (231-233-5381).

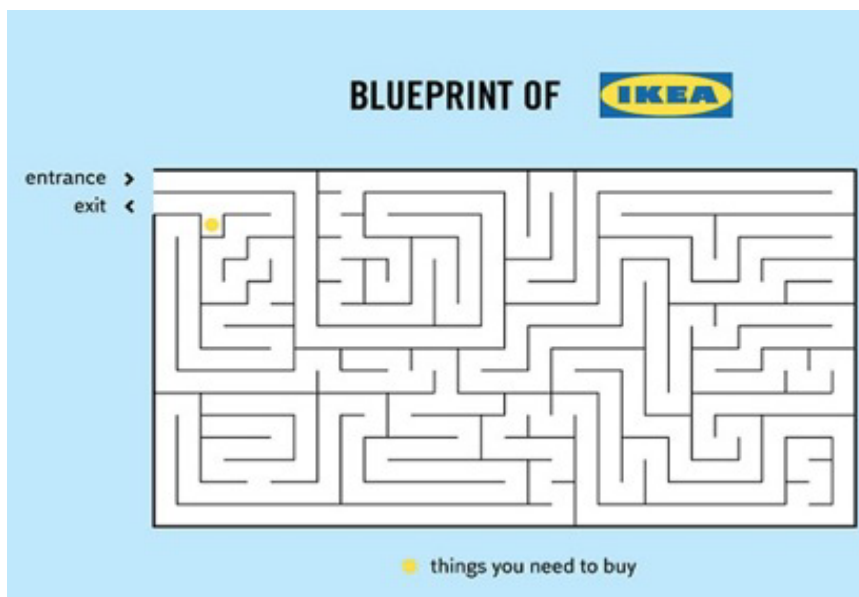
If at first you don't succeed try doing it the way your wife told you.
I'm a second hand vegetarian. Cows eat grass. I eat cows.

Pam was outside pulling weeds on a hot day when I phoned her cell and asked her what we were having for dinner.

Irritated by the thought of me sitting inside while she labored away on the weeds, she snapped, "I can't believe you're asking me about supper right now! Pretend I'm out of town and make dinner yourself!"

So I fixed myself a steak et al and a tall beer.

Pam walked in just about the time I was finishing up and asked, "Where's my dinner?"
"Huh? I thought you were out of town."



SVV LADIES' CLUB



The SVV Ladies' Club is a social club. We meet every Tuesday at 1:00 PM at the hall for cards and socializing. All ladies, including renters, are welcome to join in the fun.

The fall has been a busy time for the village, with all activities starting up by January. Activity dates and times are listed in the January calendar attached. Thanksgiving supper had 56 attending. A 50/50 draw was held and Carol Nesbitt was drawn as the lucky winner. Our fall rummage sale was held the first Saturday of December, and was a big success, bringing in \$1594 before expenses. Our Christmas Supper was enjoyed by 76 people. Again, a 50/50 draw was held and Jan Schryver was the lucky winner. The Ladies' Club thanks Mike and Pat Wyer for heading up the 50/50, which is always well received and adds funds to our coffers.

A new executive is in place for the Ladies' Club. Officers:
Debbie Bates, President; Pat Wyer, Vice President;
Cheryl Matthews, Treasurer; Lovey Netrval. Secretary

The annual pizza party is planned on January 12, at 11:00 at Mr. Gatti's. The signup sheet is hanging in the Post Office. Everyone is welcome! This is a fun luncheon for the ladies, their significant others, and overnight guests. It features a spaghetti and pizza buffet, salad bar and prizes for a quick Bingo. Afterwards is our usual Ladies' Club cards and light snack back at the Rec. Hall. Please join us as this is a great way to get to know your SVV neighbors.

The new executive proposed a two-year project of updating/renovating the Village-owned apartment as a goal for the funds raised through the Club's various events. It was well received by the members and a Committee has been struck to plan and implement it, subject to Board approval.

Want to learn more ladies? Attend our business meeting held on the first Tuesday of the month. Looking forward to a great season!

Debbie Bates, President, Ladies' Club

The schoolteacher was taking her first golf lesson. "Is the word spelled p-u-t or p-u-t-t?" she asked the instructor.

"P-u-t-t is correct," he replied. "Put means to place a thing where you want it. Putt means merely a vain attempt to do the same thing."

As we get older we sometimes begin to doubt our ability to "make a difference" in the world. It is at these times that our hopes are boosted by the remarkable achievements of other "seniors" who have found the courage to take on challenges that would make many of us wither.

Harold Schlumberg is such a person. HAROLD SAYS: "I've often been asked, 'What do you do now that you're retired?'"

Well...I'm fortunate to have a chemical engineering background and one of the things I enjoy most is converting beer, wine and whiskey into urine. It's rewarding, uplifting, satisfying, and fulfilling. I do it every day and I really enjoy it."

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.



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)

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).



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).



SHUFFLEBOARD

Shuffleboard games are Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 9:00. The three games usually take an hour. We are a tough group so if the temperature is 50 degrees and it is dry we play. Signup sheets are in the post office. Cost is \$.50 each. All are welcome. No experience is required.



Thanks to Bill Mau, we had clean, power-washed courts. Thanks to Jim Coulter, we have well-polished rocks. Thanks to Carol Nesbitt, the winners receive their prize money. Thanks to Cathy Medhurst, the signup sheets get posted.

Any questions? Call SUSAN KETCHEN (956-230-2143)



SUPER BOWL POOL

The Pool is ready. Stop by and see JERRY REIGH at 25382 Goldenrod Lane to get your lucky squares. Remember, the Pool gets filled up in a hurry.

EXERCISE

Come along to the Rec. Hall for a low impact exercise workout with Jane Fonda. 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 to 9:00 AM). It's 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 to 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! Our first class will begin Thursday, January 14. Questions? Call PAM BUHR (970-1802).

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).



LINE DANCING

Line Dance instruction and practice is available Thursday afternoons from 2:00 to 3:00 PM. No experience is necessary. Come on out y'all! Cowboy hats and boots are optional. The first class will be Thursday, January 14. Questions? Call PAT WYER (956-425-6186)



BRIDGE/'500'

On Tuesday afternoons from 1:00 to 3:00 PM, the Ladies in the Park play cards. 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 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 (956-254-3510).

'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! 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 (956-428-5070).

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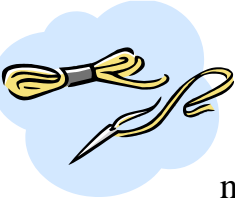
Join us Sunday and Wednesday nights at 7:00 PM to play the card game, Euchre. It's easy to learn and anyone is welcome to drop in. For further information, contact MERILEE WEBER (956-230-0313).

POOL ROOM



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

HANDICRAFTS



The ladies of the Wednesday craft group made 30 cloth bags during November. They were filled with donations from SVV and all bags included socks, a washcloth, deodorant, shampoo, soap and various items. They were picked up by the women's shelter and distributed as needed. Check the SVV website for pictures. We also made 15 cloth trivets which will be sold at the Art display in March.



For the January project we are making cards with metallic thread. Everyone is welcome to come and learn. All material is supplied. Some cards may also be available for purchase in March

The ladies are always looking for new ideas, if you have anything to share come down Wednesday afternoon from 1:00 to 3:00 PM, have a cup a coffee, and show us your projects.

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

Of course I talk to myself. Sometimes I need expert advice.

Some people should use a glue stick instead of Chap Stick.

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)

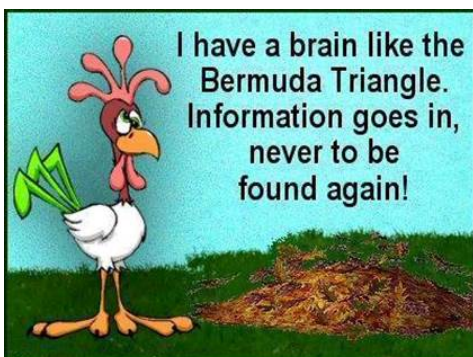


Drawing by Cathy Medhurst

VISITORS

Remember to let the newsletter staff know about your visitors.

- **To Linda and Floyd Ruch:** Their daughter Jodie and her husband, Marvin, and their three children, Monica, Megan, and HD. They came in Thursday and left Saturday for a Christmas weekend. We really enjoyed having them.
- **To Mike and Pat Wyr:** Their son and daughter, Nigel and Carla, visited November 14-22. Of course we golfed!?? A stop to remember was The Texas Rose Bar on a Friday for a music trivia contest (held every Friday).
- **To Florence Hauer:** Florence's daughter and her husband, Mary and Simon Hernandez from Michigan are here for the month of January.
- **To Diane and Jim Coulter:** Diane's sister, Liisa Saarinen was here for two weeks in November. She must like it here. This is Liisa's third visit in three years.



RENTERS

A BIG WELCOME TO OUR SEASONAL RENTERS!

At the back of your SVV Telephone Directory, you will find a page for Renters. If you wish, you can add the following names that are not already recorded in the Directory.

Lee and Linda Guyer	Apartment	(from Indiana)	317-745-5126
John and Gail Carrillo	25464 Altas Palmas Dr	(from Illinois)	815-499-0265
Shirley and Ed Downey	25370 Altas Palmas Dr	(from Ontario)	
Carol Nesbitt	25412 Goldenrod Lane	(from Ontario)	956-230-2453
Don and Brenda Vanalstine	25478 Goldenrod Lane	(from Ontario)	956-230-0008
Linda and Ken Paquet	25327 Goldenrod Lane	(from Quebec)	819-775-0423
Susan Pamplin and Bonnie Andrews	25488 Goldenrod Lane	(from Ontario)	956-428-3365
Rosie and Harlan Petersen	Rosie 507-251-6453, Harlan 507-251-3431		
Sandy Peterson	33250 Goldenrod Lane	(from Minnesota)	507-421-4899
Marcel and Maria Furlan	25335 Goldenrod Lane	(from Ontario)	807-633-4716
Phil and Dawn Moore	15785 Palm Tree Drive	(from Missouri)	
	Dawn 913-709-9237, Phil 913-207-9787		
Lorne and Judy Berezowski	15804 Palm Tree Drive	(from Ontario)	956-230-4853.
Roger and Beth Schломann	15776 Palm Tree Drive	(from Michigan)	906-374-0880

NEW RESIDENTS

Lynne and Gordy Baardsen	25511 Goldenrod Lane
Art and Maria Jose Stone	15702 Palm Tree Drive
Chuck Wells	15650 Primrose Lane

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

FOR SALE

Lorne and Eleanor Vaillant	25335 Goldenrod Lane
Henry and Ann Breukelman	25341 Goldenrod Lane
Henry and Ann Breukelman	25355 Goldenrod Lane
Marilyn Smilski	25496 Goldenrod Lane
Bill and Miriam Boardman	25478 Goldenrod Lane
Bruce Woodhouse	15689 Palm Tree Drive
Barry and Dianne Johnson	15690 Palm Tree Drive
John and Rosie Culhane	15776 Palm Tree Drive
Larry and Marlyn Harding	15758 Orange Drive
Glen and Glenda Buhr	15638 Primrose Lane



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

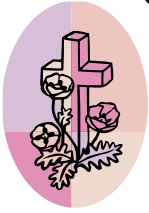


IN OUR PRAYERS

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

CONDOLENCES

OUR SINCEREST SYMPATHIES TO THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR LOSS



Gerry Reigh, on the passing of his wife, Kathy

The families of Ruth Woodhouse and Gary Gunn

Kathy, Ruth, and Gary will be sorely missed in our Village. We celebrate their lives through the many fond memories we have of them. They will live on through those memories.

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

SVV Webmaster, Doug Danell, invites you to send photos of activities around the Village for publishing to our website. You may send photos to him via email (ddanell@shaw.ca). Include captions if you wish. Properties for sale could be posted with accompanying photos as well. However, please advise Doug once that property is sold so that it can be taken off the website. The Newsletter will also be posted on the website.

Doug advises that he gets very little input (narrative or pictures) from anybody. If people don't contribute, the website is not as effective as it should be and accordingly, come next fall, when the subscription for the domain is up, he will recommend to the Board that it be discontinued. If we wish this site to stay up and running, let's contribute!

LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

Debbie and Jerry Bates would like to thank Lloyd Fisher, Dale Garrett, Art Stevens, Tom McCuaig, Yvon Besselle, Ed Clark, Karen Clement, John Culhane, and Miriam Boardman for all the hours of help and expertise they provided to Debbie during the time Jerry was called away. Renovating their rental property was a huge undertaking and couldn't have been accomplished without their hard work. The moral support of their wives/husbands, respectively, was also a huge factor in getting this project done on time to welcome our renters, John and Gail Carrillo. We are so proud to be a part of a community that really understands the power of friendship and helping one another.

FROM THE SVV OFFICE

Debbie Bates will be updating the Directory this month. The deadline for changes was January 5. We thank Debbie for her excellent and efficient work as Office Manager and we welcome Cheryl Matthews as our new Office Manager. Debbie will be working with Cheryl during this transition period.

**I'm absolutely convinced
the socks that go missing
from the dryer turn into
extra tupperware lids**



"Bad news, its curiosity"

THE WAY WE WERE (Excerpts from Past Newsletters)

In our last newsletter in March we posted this little tidbit from February, 1993:

Good luck to Oreo Pig at the Stock Show.??? Anyone who can provide background on this entry, please let our Newsletter staff know. Very curious...



To date we have not received any enlightenment regarding Oreo Pig – still waiting...

Just a few items of interest from March, 1993:

Our experimental Spaghetti Supper was a great success according to comments received.
In the Women's Club report:

After sampling the Men's Club Spaghetti Dinner, it is apparent that we have some excellent men cooks in the Village. Our compliments to you for a job well done. The tradition lives on 23 years later!

Congratulations to Barry Johnson on his hole-in-one on the 10th hole at Tony Butler.

Nick & Irene Hugar have sold to Bruce & Jean Merriman, Thunder Bay On.

We regret that some of our older residents are moving back home. They will be missed and we wish them well. We are quite confident that their replacements will be an asset to our village. And here we are once again facing a significant changing of the 'old' guard. Bittersweet...

EDITORS' NOTE

And we're back! We're sure the permanent residents find it very interesting to observe the migration south slowly filling our Village. The hustle and bustle gradually builds to a crescendo that lasts for more than two months.



For being here, and contributing, and enjoying life!

Newsletter Staff:

**Pam Buhr, Diane Coulter, Susan Harkness, Susan Ketchen,
Elaine Lynch, Betty Stevens, Donna Stribley, Lorraine Wilson**

