

# **SUN VALLEY VILLAGE NEWSLETTER**

## **VOLUME NINETY-FIVE**

## **FEBRUARY/MARCH 2017**



### **A COMBINED EDITION!**

It was decided to combine February and March newsletters into one edition as one of the publishers is returning to Canada early to greet her new grandchild! Please keep an eye on the bulletin board for future news that might be needed to be shared that is not contained in this newsletter.

### **SVV BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT**

The Board of Directors hold their regular meeting at 7:00 PM, the first Tuesday of every month. These meetings are open to Association members for the first thirty minutes. If you have something you would like to discuss, please attend. The minutes are always posted in the Clubhouse for your reference.

The Annual Meeting was held January 23 and the minutes from this meeting have been posted in the Clubhouse. Please take time to read them.

We urge you to consider serving on the Board of Directors. There were no members this year who were willing to volunteer to be on the Board. Fortunately, existing Board Members agreed to extend their terms and were elected by acclamation. Ed Kingma and Doug Danell, the Nominating Committee, invite volunteers to come forward in the coming months to let their names stand for 2018. Please feel free to ask any Board Member about what would be involved in any of the Board positions.

#### **Your 2017 Board of Directors:**

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

The proposed amendment to the Covenants was passed. At the end of the newsletter you will find a copy of the new Article II, Section 2.2 to detach and affix to the Covenants & By-Laws booklet in your possession.

The Special Assessment for road maintenance was also passed. It will appear on your April 1, 2017 invoice in the amount of \$165. You may pay prior to the invoicing if you wish.

Reminder: If quarterly dues are not paid in full by the end of the quarter, a penalty will be added and will recur until such time as the account is brought up to date.

Lastly, we are blessed with many willing and capable volunteers and we thank and appreciate you all!

### **OBSERVATIONS**

You just realized... whoever snuck the s in 'fast food' was a clever person.

I don't even believe myself when I say I'll be ready in 5 minutes.

Sawdust? You mean man glitter!

I though growing old would take longer.



## **SVV LADIES' CLUB**



For those new to SVV, the Ladies' Club is a social club that meets every Tuesday, beginning in November through to the end of March. We gather to play some card games, have a light snack and enjoy visiting. A business meeting is held on the first Tuesday of each month. The Club also raises funds from various events held throughout the season which are donated back to the park to help support SVV. This in turn helps defray some park costs, helping to keep our annual dues down. All ladies in the park are encouraged to attend. This is a great way to meet your neighbors and learn about upcoming activities first hand.

This month's business meeting for the Ladies' Club will be held on February 14 due to the Eagle Pass Trip.

The slate of Ladies' Club officers for 2017 consists of **President, Debbie Bates, Vice President, Pat Wyer, Secretary, Lovey Netrval, and Treasurer, Cheryl Matthews.**

Thanks to Cheryl for being willing to return as Treasurer, especially as her term was up. Ladies please think about volunteering to serve on the executive of the Ladies' Club in 2018. Two positions will need to be filled next year. It really is a team effort so no one person is doing everything. If you might be interested please talk with Sue Fisher, our nominating person for the Ladies' Club. Also, you can ask any of the above listed executive about what's involved with serving.

Our apartment renovations committee was hard at work last year as reported at the annual meeting and will be doing a few more items on their list after our seasonal renters have departed. We still have some monies left from our approved budget for these changes and they will be reported on in the fall. Many thanks to the committee members who oversaw all of the renovations.

The Mr. Gatti's Pizza Luncheon on January 10 was attended by 66 ladies and spouses/guests. A big thanks to Val Clark and Linda Besselle and their hubbies who volunteer to organize this event. Bingo was played after eating and prizes donated by Mr. Gatti's were won by Ken Paquet, Jim Skeim, Shirley Downey, Sue Harkness, Linda Ruch, Linda Paquet, Cheryl Matthews and Lee Guyer. Everyone had a great time and the Ladies returned to the park for the usual cards and light dessert afterwards.

The Casino Trip to Eagle Pass took place, on Monday and Tuesday of this week. Thanks to Jackie Beauregard for organizing this fun event. A report of the trip follows.

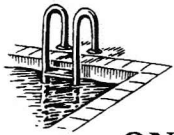
Our excellent decorating committee has decorated the hall for Valentine's Day. They do a great job of keeping the hall in seasonal decor. Many thanks to them.

Upcoming events are the Ladies' Luncheon at the Golden Corral on February 21. The cost is \$10 per person, which includes your drink and a gratuity. We will be seated together in one section of the restaurant. The sign-up sheet is posted in the Post Office and at the Tuesday meetings. Please get your \$10 payment to Cheryl Matthews before the event as the Ladies' Club will be paying for all with one check. Cards will be played at 1:00 PM as usual with a very light dessert and coffee. All ladies in the park and their overnight guests are welcome to attend.

As this edition of the newsletter will cover both February and March, this is a reminder that the Spring Rummage Sale will be held on Saturday, March 4. Please consider participating in this great fundraiser for the park. Remember only good, clean, usable items should be put in the barn for this sale. Although donated items to the sale are very much appreciated, **the barn is**



## **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.

**Note that these instructions are also posted on the bulletin board in the Hall.**

### **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.**

## **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 drinks and munchies. Attendance is much better with more people now in the park. Everyone is welcome. For more information, 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 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 DOUG and LYNDA DANELL (230-0265).

## **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 LYNDA DANELL (230-0265).

## **WATER WALKING**

Water walking has been a big hit! We have had ladies out who have not been in the pool in ten years! I won't mention any names! Weather permitting, we 'water walk' on Mondays and Fridays at 1:30 PM and now Wednesdays at 3:30 PM. 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 afterward. 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 JENNA CULBERTSON (970-310-0281) or DONNA COOPER (419-789-0413) or JERRY BATES (303-475-0631).

## **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 BRENDA VANALSTINE (230-1722).



## **BRIDGE**



Bridge is played Saturdays at 7.00 PM. We have two tables going so far. More players would be most welcome! We also need spares from time to time. Come out and join us. For more information, call VIRGINIA SKEIM (428-5070).

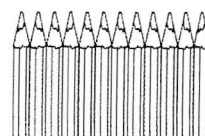
## **POOL ROOM NEWS**

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



## **ADULT COLOURING**

Bring your coloring down on Wednesday at 1:00 PM to meet with the ladies and color for relaxation. Questions? Contact DIANE COULTER (230-1476).



Stress spelled backwards is desserts. Coincidence? I think not!  
The only normal people are the ones you don't know very well.



## **ANNUAL PORT ISABEL CAUSEWAY WALK**

The following week several SVV residents joined about a couple of thousand others and hiked the 5 K over the Causeway and beyond (to get to our vehicles). We celebrated our accomplishment as usual with the traditional lunch at Senor Donkey, and then, for some of us, a siesta followed once we arrived home! Our walkers included Pam Buhr, Lovey Netrval, Lynda Guyer, Jim Coulter, Doug Danell, Yvon Besselle, Linda Besselle, Ed Clark, Betty Clark, Judy Berezowski, and Rosie Culhane.

## **SVV SINGLES CLUB**

Reprinted from January (We had the wrong contact information.): Up until about ten years ago, there was a Singles Club in our Village. Those in the Club went out for dinner about once a month. Is there interest to start one up again? If so, please call LORRAINE WILSON (536-0075)



### **DONUT DUNKING**

DONUT DUNKING was held on JANUARY 21, 2017, on one of the hottest days we have had so far. Approximately 50-60 people came out to watch. The donuts were suspended on a string tied to a main rope. The object was to eat your donut first, just using your mouth, no hands. We had about 15 contestants. The winner was Peter Netrval. Arthur Grant came second and Debbie Bates came third. After the event, we all enjoyed donuts, coffee, and lemonade in the Clubhouse.

## **SUGAR CANE PRESENTATION**

Dale Kerstetter from the Rio Grande Valley Sugar Growers Association came to explain the sugar growing operation. He explained how the canes grow, are burned, harvested, and refined. We also watched a very informative video. All the cane sugar grown in the RGV is shipped to Louisiana and bought by Domino Sugar. It was a very interesting presentation with lots of questions answered after.

## **ACTIVITY DIRECTOR REPORT**

**COMING SOON:** Border Patrol Tours in Harlingen start up again in March. Watch in the Post Office for a date.

Potato Chip Factory has no tours till April so we will try earlier in the fall. Shrimp Boat Tours are not being held this year so hopefully next January/February.

For next season, we are going to have a HAWAIIAN POT LUCK DINNER, so bring your Hawaiian shirts and dresses. We are also going to have an UGLY SWEATER CONTEST so start looking for an ugly sweater!



"You would not believe the battery life on this thing. I've been reading it for weeks!"

## **THE VILLAGE GREETERS!**

Many of you may not be aware but for many years there have been greeters who welcome people to SVV. The current greeters are Diane Coulter for the West side, and Pat Devries for the East side. New owners and seasonal renters will enjoy a visit from one of them. They can help you get oriented with the life of the Village. Thanks for being our ambassadors, Diane and Pat! Please help them by keeping them informed of new people arriving. Following are our latest new people. Help to make them feel welcome if you see them around!

## **NEW RESIDENTS**

Betty Clark

25370 Altas Palmas Drive

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

## **RENTERS**

### **A big welcome to our newest arrivals!**

Jim Smid	25335 Goldenrod Lane	956-230-4539	from Manitoba
John and Gail Carrillo	25341 Goldenrod Lane	815-499-0265	from Illinois
John and Audrey Parres	25355 Goldenrod Lane	807-621-1967	from Ontario

## **PROPERTIES FOR SALE**

Dale and Mary Ellen Garrett	956-423-1391	25420 Altas Palmas Drive
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
Bob and Claire Groombridge	956-496-2031	25392 Goldenrod Lane
Paul Gardner	615-768-1104	15702 Orange Drive
Marvin and Joanne Prystupa	956-428-8424	15863 Orange Drive
<del>Mel and Irene Hubbell</del>	<del>903-900-9180</del>	<del>15701 Palm Tree Drive</del>
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
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

## **SVV OFFICE**

You are now in possession of the new directory (yellow cover). **Please check that your information is correct. Contact me if there are any errors or changes.**

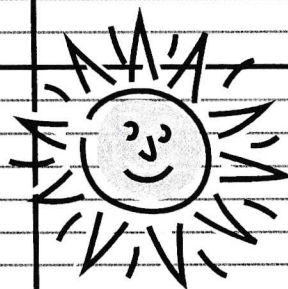
If you would like your quarterly invoices sent to you via email, make sure you keep your address updated with me. A couple of invoices have come back to me as undeliverable. Thank you. CHERYL MATTHEWS, Office Manager (989-426-0645)



FEBRUARY 2017

# SUN VALLEY VILLAGE EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
			9:30 Art Group 1:00 Handicrafts & Adult Coloring 3:30 Water Walking 7:00 Euchre	9:00 Shuffleboard 1:00 Chair Yoga 2:00 Line Dancing 7:00 Bingo	9:00 Mixed Golf Stuart Place 1:30 Water Walking 7:00 Texas Hold'em & Pokeno	7:30-9:00 Pancake Breakfast 9:30 Art Group 7:00 Bridge
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**PLEASE REMOVE FROM THE NEWSLETTER AND INSERT INTO YOUR COPY OF THE  
2013 PRINTING OF THE COVENANTS & BYLAWS.**

**SVV Covenants**

Article II, Section 2.2, Property Rights, 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. <sup>11</sup>

Amended 1-23-2017