



Chantarelle News

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MAY

May is a time to enjoy the floral colors in our neighborhood as the days become warmer and the evenings lighten. Notable days include: Cinco de Mayo on Saturday the 5th; Mother's Day on Sunday the 13th; and Memorial Day on Monday the 28th. Enjoy your Memorial Day weekend and have a very happy month!

TGIF PARTY

The next TGIF is at the clubhouse on Friday, May 4, starting at 5:45pm. All residents are invited and we look forward to seeing you there. Newcomers to our community are especially encouraged to come along, meet their neighbors, and make new friends. There is no admission charge, just bring a beverage of your choice and a small item of food to share.

HOA MEETING

The next HOA Meeting will be in the clubhouse on Tuesday, May 15th, commencing at 3pm. All members are encouraged to attend and participate in the open forum, which allows members to voice concerns and bring matters to the board's attention.

PARKING PROBLEM

When parking on the street, please take care not to block the mailboxes.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

May has arrived and the splendid weather has our neighborhood looking pretty spectacular. Special recognition goes out to our landscape volunteers, Debbie and

Ben, as well as the entire Waldron crew for keeping Chantarelle looking exceptionally lovely. It is with this pride in our neighborhood in mind that I would like to suggest it would be a good time for each of us to have a look around our properties and take note of things that have maybe begun to show age and wear and in need of fresh paint, stain, power washed, replaced and so on. An example of this: Lois pointed out that the HOA needed to replace our aging HOA mailbox. I went to Friedman's and purchased a new one for a total cost of \$22.50 and it took me less than 30 mins. to install it. So here is my deal: if you are not handy and would like to purchase a new mailbox for your home I will offer my services to install it for you.....no cost, other than maybe a few homemade cookies! You may also contact our local handyman Tim Hingtgen (707-338-5993) who can install a new one for you, or refresh and repaint your existing box. Contact him concerning costs.

Sunshine Committee: My thanks go out to Ann Young for volunteering to assist Willie with the Sunshine Committee.

Louis Sylvestri: We are saddened to report and mourn the passing of Louis Sylvestri of South Temelec Cir. Our condolences to Nita and the Sylvestri family.

A community wide garage sale is coming to our area!! We have been invited to join in with our neighboring Temelec and Creekside community's to hold a garage sale on Saturday June 16th. Set up a table with a

neighbor or two or just your own things at your garage. We will do some joint advertising to generate good traffic, so get all those excess treasures together! More details are forthcoming next newsletter.

Earthquake Drill: Sincere thanks to Peggy Owens and the safety and welfare committee for the practice earthquake drill the other day. Experts tell us that in the event of a major disaster you are "on your own" often for an extended time. Neighborhoods that are organized and prepared have a better chance of getting individuals the help that is needed, so these drills and exercises are very important.

The next First Friday Social get together at the clubhouse is Friday May 4th...hope to see you there!!
~ Steve Rogers

LANDSCAPING NOTES

To all our neighbors, welcome summer. It looks like the warm weather is finally here. Still have some cool days but summer is definitely on the way.

Lawns: Our Waldron crew is working hard to catch up on the lawn mowing as we had several days last month that were rain-out days. As I am sure that you all have noticed the lawns are growing fast thanks to a generous dose of fertilizer just before the last round of rains. Shrub pruning will be beginning soon so please be patient if your shrubs look a little "long in the tooth". They will be getting a good trim.

Front yards: Final planting on a few homes will be done early this

month and that will complete any projects till the fall. As always if you have requests or concerns please let us know and we will meet with you.

Irrigation: The irrigation is back on and the guys are checking all the areas for any issues but if you notice a problem or suspect a problem please let us know as soon as possible. The timers are set for the night hours so we can't monitor how things are working. Ben and I walk around the community (on dog patrol) on a daily basis so we keep an eye out but we need your help as well. Thanks in advance for any notice of problems.

Enjoy the warmer days and the beauty of our community.

~ Ben Jones (415-939-8955)

~ Debbie Yamato. (415-696-2424)

SAFETY AND WELFARE NOTES

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped run our Earthquake Drill on April 17th. Thanks to all who participated by displaying your orange "I'm OK" sign in your window. We had a 45 per cent participation rate.

Please remember, the drill is to help you prepare for real life emergencies.

Vintage House is presenting an emergency preparedness program on June 1st. See below for more details. To contact Vintage House, go to the vintagehouse.org website or call them at 707-996-0311.

The pool's not ready yet, but we have been assured that the new step configuration will make it easier to get in and out of the pool. Wishing you all a beautiful and safe month of May.

~ Peggy Owens,

Coordinator of Safety/Welfare
powens2@juno.com

VINTAGE HOUSE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

On Friday June 1 from 1PM to 4PM, Vintage House will present the **ARE YOU READY?** event for seniors. That's anyone over 60.

This important event will provide you with many necessary materials to be prepared for the next emergency. You do not want to miss it, as your safety and readiness for the next potential disaster improves with these FREE materials offered only at the event.

Vintage House has generously received a grant from the Redwood Credit Union - Fire Relief Fund to create and implement a program for senior emergency preparedness.

With the seniors of Sonoma Valley in mind, Redwood Credit Union - Fire Relief Fund will provide an unprecedented opportunity to GET READY. It's crucial for our safety in natural disasters.

First Gift: You will receive a File of Life folder. These folders have become a national program for emergency responders. They're a necessity for seniors in their homes and at any time we must evacuate immediately. The File of Life goes on your refrigerator. It includes a printed form in English and Spanish to provide responders with all the pertinent medical information required for support by medical teams in a crisis. Medical Response Teams go immediately to your refrigerator which has been designated as the location for every home in America. It is a must-have today for all seniors.

Second Gift: Participants at the event will also receive a *Medicine Bag*. This bag is large enough to hold your prescription bottles and your weekly med-container.

Third Gift: The California State Automobile Association Insurance

Group has also generously donated emergency *grab-n-go* bags for Sonoma Valley seniors. These emergency bags contain 13 items required for your safety during a natural disaster. The kit also contains a *Guide to Emergency Preparedness* from Sonoma County Department of Health Services in English and Spanish. The Guide is a resource that contains all the vital information we need to be prepared for a disaster.

Please note that you must be present to receive these gifts and only one bag per person and/or household is allowed.

Our desire is to distribute the emergency bags as broadly as possible in Sonoma Valley.

To sign up for the event go to the web page at vintagehouse.org or call them at 707-996-0311.

Parking: We've rented the Sonoma Veterans Memorial Hall parking lot at the end of First Street East. You will park conveniently in one of the 200 available spaces. A volunteer will help you board and disembark the shuttle at both the parking lot and Vintage House.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

If you know of anyone at Chantarelle who is sick or if you have new neighbors, please let Willy Hoekstra or Ann Young know so that she can contact them. Willy's phone number is 996-0661. Ann's number is 938-2582.

CLUBHOUSE RESERVATIONS

To reserve the clubhouse for an event, please call Linda Jackson at 415-987-0021.

NEWSLETTER

Please submit items for the newsletter to John Dodgshon, 933-8395, or email him at: *John_Dodgshon@hotmail.com*. Our thanks to Cecilia Angel for her continued dedication to delivering the newsletter.

CHANTARELLE WEBSITE

Please submit items for the Chantarelle Website to Mary Howland, 650-468-1119 or email her at: *char797@aol.com*. Just a reminder that the News page of our website, *www.chantarelle.org*, contains important information about preparing for an emergency. We should all familiarize ourselves with this advice.

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CHANTARELLE WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			Mah Jongg 10am	
Art Club 1pm	Flex Exercise 4:30-5:30	Bridge 12 noon	Flex Exercise 4:30-5:30	

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Bunco 1-4pm	2	3	4 TGIF 5:45pm	5 Cinco De Mayo
6	7	8 Mexican Train Dominos 12:30-4pm	9	10	11	12
13 Mother's Day	14	15 HOA Meeting 3pm	16	17	18	19
20	21	22 Mexican Train Dominos 12:30-4pm	23	24	25	26
27	28 Memorial Day	29	30	31		

Waldron Landscaping is now here on Monday & Tuesday 1-4pm and Thursday & Friday 8am until 1pm.
Garbage, recycling & garden trash pickup is on Mondays.