



CV NEWS

A Newsletter For
Champagne Village Property Owners Association
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APRIL 2001

Board Meeting Synopsis: March 21, 2001

Items Approved:

- “Park Utilities” for the replacement of di-electric unions, in the propane area, at a cost of \$700.00. Expensed to the Association Gas Line Reserve, account #21500.
- DRAFT Audit for the period ended December 31, 2001.
- \$800.00 to “Trower Co.” for preparing the full Reserve Study. Expensed to Professional Fees, account #48550.
- Annual Meeting 2001 to be held on May 23rd & the Notice and Proxy.
- \$7.00 Special Assessment per unit per month to offset similar sewer rate increases. Effective May 1st through December 31st.
- The use of the multi-purpose room for a computer class to be scheduled in the future.

Announcements:

Next Board “Workshop”: 4/16/01 at 9:00 AM, in the Card Room. *(Always held the Monday prior to the Board meetings.)*

Next Regular Board of Directors Meeting: 4/18/01 at 1:00 PM, in the Village Hall.

**** Candidates Day:** May 5th at 1:00 PM in the Village Hall.

**** The 2001 Annual Meeting of the Champagne Village Property Owners Association will be held on May 23rd in the Village Hall.**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE TERM 2000-2001

Linda Cherry, President
Doreen Smith, Vice President
Don Harrington, Secretary
Dick Cummings, Corp. CFO
Jay Decker, Director
Ed Ford, Director
Bob Spencer, Director

Minutes and financial statements are available in the small card room for your reading.

NOTE: Both monthly reports given by Tom Riggs, Community Mgr., & Rick Gibson, Property Mgr., are posted on the bulletin board at the mailbox.

OFFICE NOTES

HELPFUL HINT: Save yourself water and money by setting your irrigation for “lawns” to only 5 minutes three times a week. For other plants and shrubs, setting should be 5 minutes twice a week. These setting are sufficient for the next full month.

NEW RESIDENTS:

#90	Mc Gagin, “Mac” (cell)	909-440-9222
#174	Geyer, Jack & Sherry	749-4959
#244	Hazzard, Ken and Sherry (Was at #379)	751-1699
#379	Carroll, Clarence & Norma	(no phone yet)

ADDITION: (underline indicates addition)
#22 Bonner, Chuck & Heishman, Bonnie 751-0495

S **OCIAL ACTIVITIES BULLETIN**

The St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance was a tremendous success due to the efforts of so many wonderful Champagne Village residents. Tom McCue was the "Major Chef" with the help of Bob Saint, and Dale and Betty Bearman to peel potatoes and carrots and that's a lot of peeling! Joyce Harrington and her bakers were busy baking the delicious soda bread. Clariiece Gober with the help of Gail Stevanus had all the decorations ready Saturday. There were many others who helped to make this event a success. Thank you to everyone. With all of you beautiful people dressed in your green, and all the decorations, what a beautiful evening it was.

FIRST FRIDAY DANCE: Our next dance will be on April 6th, with the Vidals playing again. No sign up required. Bring your own drinks and \$4.00 will be collected at the door.

A MEXICAN FIESTA will be our next dinner dance will be on May 12th. Call me, LuAnn Rowe, 751-0172 if you would like to help.

T'AI CHI SEMINAR: May 2, at 12:00, in the Village Hall. Nina Hopkins Sugawara, HMD, will present a Tai Chi Seminar for all those residents interested in improving their body, mind and spirit. Nina has studied Homeopathy and other healing arts for over 20 years. She received her Doctorate from the British Institute of Homeopathy. She has studied Chinese Internal Arts and martial arts for over 20 years and has been teaching for 10 years. Nina has won medals in national competitions, and is now the top ranking judge in tournaments across the country. Chi is the universal energy all around us that we can tap into in order to heal and balance our bodies. Our body is like a prism, capable of focusing and directing this energy for various uses. What is learned from T'ai Chi is applicable to everyday life. Based on ancient Chinese beliefs, T'ai Chi works on the development of the body's internal vital energy. Learning to cultivate Chi leads to improved cardiovascular flow and digestive assimilation, reduces blood pressure and stress levels, stimulates immune system function and

improves balance and coordination. I have been practicing T'ai Chi with Nina for a year and have noticed a great increase in my energy, and I no longer take medication for high blood pressure. Lu Ann Rowe #405.

IT'S TEA TIME! Friday, April 6th. Seatings are 1:00 to 2:30 PM and 3:00 to 4:30 PM. Let us know if you're coming as a guest or if you'd like to be a hostess.

We'd love to see you in a hat, but it's optional.

ABOUT THE 4th OF JULY TALENT SHOW...

Picture this...our men & women are somewhere over there defending democracy, their spirits are a little low because it's a long way from home. We've got to get over there to spread a little cheer!

This is what our show will be about. What are you willing to do to help? Let Lu Ann Rowe or Joyce Harrington know. The search goes on!



BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK: Have your blood pressure checked free of charge. Friday, 4/6/01, in the Village Hall from 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM. *Fresh coffee and refreshments.*

MEN'S BREAKFAST

**** MEN'S BREAKFAST FOR APRIL IS CANCELLED ****



The next Men's breakfast will be held in May.

GOOD FRIDAY – NON DENOMINATIONAL WORSHIP

This Good Friday, April 13th, a special service will be held at 4:00 PM in the Village Hall. Music by the "Champagne Village Chorus". Come to worship and remember this very special day in Christian history, and have fellowship with your Champagne neighbors. We also meet every Sunday at 4:00 to 5:00 PM. All are very welcome.

CHAMPAGNE BLVD - TRASH TALK II

Last year we solicited new members for Paul Gober's Grubbers Group. We're delighted with the response... some half-dozen volunteers, mostly ladies. Accordingly, Gloria Steinem has removed the Group from NOW's list of "impenetrable male only bastions"

However, there has been attrition. After some seven years of service, some members have resigned...and it is a continuing trend. So once more – Please call Paul Gober (Group CEO) 749-7745 and help us out.

First Wednesday each month – not all members are called every month.

Gobers Grubbers: "An Equal Opportunity Employer"

CVPOA DISASTER COMMITTEE NOTES

The duties of the committee are outlined in documents furnished to all owners.

Basically, the Village is divided into four areas: BLUE, the area from the north gate to the south end and west of the Village Hall; ORANGE, the houses on terrace and the north hill; RED, the area south of Lawrence Welk, east of the Village Hall, and the south hill; GREEN; the area east of the Village Hall between Lawrence Welk and Terrace.

There is an area control officer and a force of deputies in each area. They are required to maintain a roster of residents in their area, with particular note of those who might require assistance in the event of an ordered evacuation or a natural disaster event. If you require such assistance, you should be sure that information is in the hands of your local control officer.

It is each individuals responsibility to take care of their own evacuation and those not having transportation should have arrangements with a good neighbor. The disaster control people will insure that notification is made, and will direct traffic and ensure that evacuation is complete.

A roster of Area Officers is located across from the copy machine and frequently updated.

We will issue additional recommendations on handling incidents such as loss of electric power, water shutoff, earthquake, etc., in future issues. Your telephone books contain much information on preparedness.

CHAMPAGNE SINGLES

"Champagne Singles" are actively participating in many of the Village activities. At the St. Patrick's dinner-dance, we filled the three tables reserved for The Singles, and had many others elsewhere in the crowd. Everyone had a great time!

The following groups have been formed, with more on the way:

- CONCERTS and PLAYS – contact Mimi Baca (751-1032)
- GOING OUT TO LUNCH group – contact Helen Samuelsen (749-6438)
- GOING OUT TO DINNER – contact Mary Starkey (751-0825) *A very large group of members are interested in this one.*
- WALKING and EXERCISE groups - Warren Denny has agreed to lead them.
- By press time, other groups will have been formed after the March 23rd potluck.

Next potluck is scheduled for April 27. All single men and women who live alone, and are residents of Champagne Village, are welcome to join the Singles activities. Check the bulletin board, across from the copier, for news items and sign-up sheets for activities.

For more information about the group, to add your name to the membership, or to make suggestions, call Virginia Ewing (751-1415), Chuck Bonner (751-0495), or Jan Brostrom (749-4255).

FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS

If you need help getting to your doctor's appointment, please call Jan Brostrom (749-4255) and she will find a driver for you from her list of "Friends Helping Friends" volunteers. They are more than willing to help, so don't be bashful!

If you are someone who would be willing to help with this project, please call Jan at the above number and volunteer your services. We can always use more help. Most of the calls are for Escondido; some Rancho Bernardo; and occasionally La Jolla. You can always say 'no' and someone else will be called. The more drivers we have, the less often you will be needed. Thank you in advance for your help.

Getting to Know... Tony and Lucy Garra
By LoReta Phelps

Tony and Lucy Garra moved to Champagne Village in November of 1983 from Bellevue, Washington where they had lived for twenty-two years. Tony says that they moved to the San Diego area because, "We wanted to see the sun."

Tony worked for Boeing and had made several business trips to San Diego, and they had vacationed in Palm Springs, so they were familiar with sunny Southern California.

Before Boeing, Tony was employed by the Department of Defense in Rome, New York. He worked in the intelligence lab with aerial photos, mapping and charting. This was part of the C.I.A.'s effort to photograph Russia's military efforts.

Tony was born in Hudsondale, Pennsylvania in 1917. He says that he grew up in the "Underground Farming" area of Pennsylvania, which he quickly explained as being the hard coal mining region.

He entered the U. S. Army Air Corps in 1942 and served Basic Training at Greensboro, North Carolina, with Photogrammetric Training at Lowry Field, Colorado. The photographic world was not new to him, as he had a photo studio in Pennsylvania. He did portraits and especially liked taking photos of women, but his subjects were varied. One of his most outstanding photos was of a "Wild Bill" look-alike.

In June of 1944, as Chief of the Photogrammetric Section for the 35th Photo Reconnaissance Squadron, he went to Gushkara, India. From there he went to Kunming, China, to produce target charts, maps and photo intelligence. He later went to Hsinching, Hangchow and Shanghai.

While in China, he was introduced to a lovely lady who was teaching nursing at the John D. Rockefeller School. This lady had acquired a bachelor degree so that she could teach nursing, which pleased her parents. As you have probably guessed, she is his wife, Lucy.

Lucy and Tony have been married almost 52 years. They have three children of whom they are very

proud. Their oldest son, Brian, is a doctor who is a professor of Radiology at the University of Vermont. His wife is also a doctor. Their daughter, Aileen, and her husband, have a medical transcription business in Huntington Beach, California. Gilbert, their youngest, works for the Port of San Diego, in the financial field.

Playing bridge with her many friends, and relaxing at home with Tony are two of Lucy's favorite activities.

Photography is not Tony's only talent. He has done tile work in their home, and he plays the organ. Playing golf is a favorite fun time for him, but since it is a fun time, he only likes to play when the weather is nice.

LIONS CLUB

The Lions are still collecting clothing, miscellaneous and small items for donation. Also, aluminum cans for our charity fund account. If you have any of these items to donate, please call Ed Ford 749-3258. Please feel free to come to the meeting, on the first and third Wednesday evenings, at 5:30 PM, at the Village Hall and check us out. The Lions serve all who need help!

MASONIC CLUB

Meets the second Wednesday of each month, 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM, in the Card Room. For more information call Bob Gallagher, 749-8049.

CV MEN'S GOLF CLUB

Taking Editorial liberty, I wish to publicly thank our Board; Pres. BOB SAINT, V-P BOB OLSEN, Sec. BOB BOLT, and Treas. KEN STACKHOUSE for the great job they are doing for us. Providing lunch at our meetings has been great. They are putting lots of effort into ways to make our Tues. and Thurs. more fun by paying birds as well as closest to the hole on the Oaks. Changing our partners the first Thurs. by putting all players names in a hat and drawing them out to make up foursomes, lets you play with all our members. Also, playing games and having the closest to the hole by flights. Yes, if you have any ideas, they sure want to hear from you.

Put these dates on your calendar:

- **April 19th** (Thur) Oaks ladies have invited us to play on the Oaks.
- **May 9th** (Wed) Fountain Ladies have invited us to play the Fountains.
- **June 7th** (Tues) we have invited the ladies to play the Fountains.
- **July 10th** (Tues) We have invited the ladies to play the Oaks

Welcome to our new members JACK McGINN and KEN JOHNSON.

PLAY & ENJOY GOLF WITH YOUR SPOUSE ON THE OAKS, SUNDAY, APRIL 29th :

Coffee & Donuts @ 9:30AM, Shotgun start @ 10:00 AM. Entry fee \$5.00 per couple for prize money. Sign-up sheet on the board at the Golf Course.

Pay Bob Saint (# 88)

Next meeting April 26th 12:30PM for lunch

FOUNTAINS LADIES GOLF CLUB

The meeting was called to order, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as corrected. Pricilla De Arman gave the revised budget item, which was approved by the membership. The monthly treasurer's report was read and approved as read. We enjoyed cookies and soft drinks provided by Priscilla De Arman.

Ivy Johnson announced Low gross for the month of February was Doris Wright, with 76, and low net was Sally Olsen, with a 56. Congratulations, CV girls! Luella Guthrie announced that our handicaps should be up-to-date after a mix-up for the last three months.

Mary announced that we need to change our May meeting to the first Wednesday, if possible, as we have invited the men's club for the second Wednesday in May. No objections were made, so the May meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 2. Following the election next week, our sandwich lunch will be determined by the weather. The sign up sheet will post the location of the picnic.

Joan Brogan reminded us that we are back on summer rules for the tournament, and as long as daylight savings time begins one week following our tournament, we will have summer rules from now until October.

We donated to Elizabeth Hospice in memory of our member and friend, Evie Patterson, and the thank-you letter was read to the membership.

The CV men's golf club accepted our invitation to golf on May 9th and invited us to join them on June 7. We accepted their invitation.

The cost for our member-guest tournament, scheduled for June 11, will be determined as costs and expenses are finalized. Par-T-Time will be the theme. Our committee still needs a few more volunteers to help on that day.

Several of our members have been ill during the last month, and we were asked to remember them with cards.

Dianna Smith won our money drawing: \$13.50.

The meeting was adjourned.

OAKS LADIES GOLF CLUB

The monthly meeting was held on March 1, 2001. Refreshments provided by Sheila Osbourne, Jackie Whaite, Pat Slaughter and Loretta Pittman. Good food, gals!

The following award was presented:

Low Net – Carlene Le Cocq and Sheila Osbourne tied.

Contact Jackie Whaite, 751-0611, for new member information. New and "old" residents welcome. It is a good time to meet new friends and get some exercise!!

The "Eat out Thursday" get together is cancelled until May. More info later.

The "Emerald Island Safari" prizes were awarded. Thanks to Loretta Pittman for a fun tournament.

We all enjoyed a golf quiz on the "Rules" given by Luella Guthrie, Rules Chairman. Of course, everyone got an "A", and will follow all the rules every day!

COMING EVENTS:

- **April 5, 2001** – The monthly meeting at 12:00 Noon. We will be meeting in the Card Room. See you all there!
- **April 19, 2001** – Men's Invitational. Coffee and refreshments at 7:30 AM. Shotgun start at 8:00 AM. Social hour at 11:30 AM, with lunch served at 12:00

EASTER CANDY

Easter Candy available at discount prices. Order forms in my mailbox & Village Hall. Last day to order is March 31 – delivery after April 5. Leave orders at 186 Skyline or CV office mailbox----
Questions?? Call 751-0075. – Linda Harper

55 ALIVE DRIVING CLASS

Twenty-seven residents have registered to take the AARP's 55 Alive driving class. Class will be held on Friday, April 20th and 21st, from 1:00 PM until 4:00 PM. Cost of the class is \$10.00, make your checks out to "AARP", and hand in at the class. For further information or questions, contact Paul Fitch (#404) 751-9855. Reservations are still available. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Village Hall.

GOLF CART CLINIC

A golf cart clinic is held the second Friday of each month at the picnic grounds beginning at 9:00 AM.

TRAVEL WITH GLADYS

Thursday, April 12th, enjoy "A Day At The Races" at Santa Anita Park. Includes: Club House admission, racing form, handicapper, table service and lunch (full course). Escorted bus and tip. Price \$30.00 PP. Pay by April 3rd.

Saturday, April 28th, The 2001 Ramona Pageant, a California tradition since 1923, and your invitation to the spectacular outdoor amphitheatre. Only 6 performances a year. (Since 1923, the famed Ramona Pageant is presented by people of Hemet & San Jacinto in Riverside County.) Includes: Bus, good seats, BBQ dinner. Price: \$55.00 PP. Payment due by April 10, 2001. (Show time 3:00, over by 5:00. Dinner following)
Gladys Wilkinson – 749-3248

May 21 & 22, (1-Night Package) to the beautiful "Blue Water Resort & Casino" (Las Vegas slots, bingo, keno, poker & race book) on the Colorado River, Parker, Ariz. Includes: Luggage handling, welcome margarita, dinner buffet, breakfast, free gift, luxury bus & drivers tip. Things to see: Parker Dam scenic way,

Historical Society, Swansea Ghost Town, golf – four star "Emerald Canyon Golf Course", 18- hole, close to Lake Havasau City. COST TO BE DETERMINED

Trip to Laughlin, first part of June.

Gladys Wilkinson – 749-3248.

TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULE FOR 2001

Trash normally is picked up on Fridays in the Village. The following list shows the only holiday weeks in 2000 that trash service will be delayed one day, from Friday to Saturday.

Thanksgiving Day – November 22, 2001

Christmas Day – December 25, 2001

New Year's Day – January 1, 2002

DID YOU KNOW:

Rincon Casino, located in Valley Center, offers a free shuttle for Champagne Village residents, in addition to a number of complimentary discounts for each rider?

The shuttle will pick you up in front of the Laundry room on Fridays at 9:15 AM; departure time from Rincon Casino is 2:00 PM.

To sign up call the Welk Resort at 749-3000 and ask for the "Concierge" desk. Tell them, you wish to go and that you are a CV resident. They will add your name to the passenger list.