

# The Champagne Village Times



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**Happy Mothers Day!**

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## **Directors/Officers**

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## **Standing Committee Chairs**

Ken Hazzard, Architectural  
Doreen Smith, Social Activities  
Charlie Service, Disaster Control

## **Board Meeting Notes**

- The Board approved the purchase of a replacement Multi Gym for the exercise room to replace the 10 year old model that has become unsafe and too costly to maintain. This new equipment will have a leg press and will be much easier to use.
- A new wireless communication system between the Office and both gates was confirmed by the Board. This new system will pay for itself in two and a half years and will save about \$1100.00 per year every year thereafter.
- A new spa pump was installed for a cost of \$695.00. This expenditure was confirmed by unanimous vote of the Board.
- After a motion by Bob Bolt the Board approved a landscape plan for the pond area. This plan is designed to save the large California Live Oaks by reducing the use of water in the area.

This plan is an alternative to using gravel which would cost between \$10,000.00 and \$15,000.00.

- The Board allocated \$5000.00 plus materials for the removal of wallpaper, texture coating and sealing the walls in the Village Hall. The removal and sealing will be done by our staff and the texture coating will be done by a contractor.



**Next Board "Workshop": May 14, 2007, 9:00 AM, in the Card Room (always held the Monday prior to the Board meeting).**

**Next Regular Board of Directors Meeting: May 16, 2007, 1:00 PM, in the Village Hall.**

**Board Minutes and financial statements are available in the small card room for your reading. SAC financials are posted monthly and may be viewed at this same location.**

## OFFICE NOTES

**FROST DAMAGE:** The A&L Committee is asking that all frost damaged plants either be removed or trimmed back by the end of May. If for some reason you need extra time please contact the Office.

**A&L INSPECTION:** Some time during the month the A&L Committee will be doing an inspection. Weeds, painting, mail boxes, weeds in your gutters always head up the list. Please check these items and take care of them without having to be notified by the Committee.

**MAILBOXES:** The small wooden mailbox in front of your home is there for the specific purpose of delivery of Association business correspondence including items that are mandated by Civil Code. Please check for items on a regular basis.

**PARKING:** Please make sure that you, your guests and vendors are careful not to park directly across from your neighbor's driveway. It makes it very hard for them to back out as well as it increases your chance of getting hit. Also, if you have multiple guests or vendors at your home please have them park on the same side of the street.

**OFFICE CLOSED:** The Village Office will be closed on Monday, May 29, for Memorial Day Holiday.

**TRASH:** Trash for Memorial Day week will be picked up on **Saturday, June 2.**

**CHAIRS:** The padded chairs in the Village Hall are being replaced this month. Any owner who would like to have, at no cost, some of the old chairs please sign up in the Office. They will be given away on a first come first serve basis. Remember these chairs are 20 years old, soiled and in most cases need of some repair. You will be asked to sign a waiver releasing the Association from any liability for their use. In the future we will be selling some of the older folding chairs. Watch for posted notices giving all the specifics.

## VOTE!

At the Annual Meeting, cast an informed vote for the candidate(s) you have chosen.

A quorum of Village voting power (40% = 183 spaces) is required to validate this election. Surely, it's an easy hurdle, because we expect voter turnout to be strong, yet, let's not take any chances—let's everyone vote!

**Wednesday, May 23, at 1:00 P.M.**

**POOL HOURS:** The summer pool hours are as follows: **Adults: 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM. Kids: 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM and 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM.**

## KIOSK NOTES:

Quite a few Champagne Village residents seem to be having problems with their "gate cards", so here are a few tips to help ease the problem. Ideally, the card should be mounted high up on the windshield of the passenger's side of the vehicle. This placement allows for immediate lifting of the "gate arm."

We know some of you carry the card with you so it's not mounted. If this is the case, the card should be held up to the "gate card reader" (the tall pole), with the Velcro side toward the pole and held *VERY STEADY*. If your vehicle is in the proper position, the gate arm will lift easily.

**GATE HOURS:** On May 28, Memorial Day, the gate hours will be from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

**Regular gate hours are:** Monday - Friday: 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Saturday & Sunday: 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Holidays: 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

**MAIL:** We had quite a few complaints when Nancy, our regular mail carrier went on vacation in April. In trying to resolve the on going problem, the U.S. Post Office would like all complaints in writing before taking any action. Please put the specifics in writing, including the date of delivery, and bring them to the Office. We will forward them to the USPS.

We also, have had inquiries regarding "Space #461" on the recently delivered ballots "Space #461" is the CV Office.

# **S** **OCIAL ACTIVITIES BULLETIN**

By Lois Burdick, SAC Recording Secretary

## **CHAMPAGNE VILLAGE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL ELECTION MEETING AND LUNCHEON**

**Wednesday, May 23, 2007**

**11:30 AM: Registration and Luncheon served in the**

**1:00 PM: Annual Meeting Begins**

It's time to elect some new and some maybe "not so new" board members. This year the voting procedure will be somewhat different. We'll need to have your votes and absentee ballots in order to achieve a quorum. As you already know, the board members are all volunteers, but it's each of us who votes for them to serve in this capacity. If you care about the future of Champagne Village, please come down and vote. Voting takes place in the Card Room.

This year the SAC members are going to be serving a great lunch to all of the residents who come down to vote and dessert will be served at the end of the election meeting. The menu consists of varied sandwiches, including "high-rollers", potato salad, fresh fruit salad and a scrumptious green salad. A super brownie sundae will be served to each resident at the end of the election meeting. Sound yummy? And it's FREE. Just come on down to the Village Hall to vote and enjoy a delicious lunch.

**PLEASE** make an effort to join your friends and neighbors in voting for the candidates who will serve your best interests. **NOTE: THERE WILL BE A SIGN UP SHEET FOR THIS LUNCHEON IN THE COPY ROOM OF THE VILLAGE HALL. PLEASE SIGN UP, IF AT ALL POSSIBLE. WE DON'T WANT TO RUN OUT OF FOOD!**

### **KITCHEN TOWELS**

If you plan on changing the colors in your kitchen and would like to get new kitchen towels, please bring your old ones down to our kitchen. We can **ALWAYS** use them. If any residents took some kitchen towels home to wash them for us, please return them. **THANKS!**

**YELLOW PAGES:** Please save the Yellow Pages from the monthly CV Times (it changes each month) and use it as a reference for names and phone numbers of various vendors who do business in Champagne Village. The Office does not recommend vendors and we do not have the time to look up numbers that are readily available in the Yellow Pages or the resident directory. Remember to update your resident directory with the changes that are listed each month in the Times.

**BATTERIES:** Batteries that are left for recycling at the Mail Center should not be placed in plastic bags. The recycling center will not accept them in bags!

**NEWSLETTER ARTICLES:** To the Residents that submit newsletter articles for the CV Times, if you are doing them on a computer and you have e-mail, please e-mail them to the CV Office at: [cvoffice.karin@gmail.com](mailto:cvoffice.karin@gmail.com).

## **LETTER TO THE TIMES**

### **Resident Apathy**

There was a meeting Monday evening, April 23 at the Village Hall for residents to become familiar with future board members and their views and opinions regarding Village operations. Charlie Service, very efficiently and businesslike, conducted this meeting. It was very poorly attended.

Notices of the meeting were delivered to each home owner days before the meeting. When ballots for the election were delivered over the weekend, rain soaked, wrinkled notices of the April 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting were still in mail boxes, where it was evident that residents were present.

It was expressed by all of the perspective board members that they want to find ways that residents can better communicate with the board through methods such as a "suggestion box" and that there be better attendance at workshops and board meetings.

There is a concern that this "apathy" exists among us. Information regarding Village operation such as these meetings, notices and CV News, are for the benefit of all of us.

**DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!!!**

Ray Kessler

## RESERVATIONS AND PAYMENTS

SAC has found it necessary to make some changes in the way we reserve and pay for the First Friday Dinner Dances and other events as well. Beginning with the March 2007 First Friday Dance the following procedures will be used:

### First Friday Dinner Dances:

If you sign up and your form of payment is in the Village Hall office by the Tuesday before the First Friday Dance the cost of the dance will remain at \$5 per resident. Payment made on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday or at the dance, will be \$10 per resident.

### Special Dances and other Events:

Special dances and other events must be paid for a full 3 days prior to the event date or the additional charge will be at least \$5 per resident depending on the original cost of the event or dance.

We're sorry to have to do this, but buying the right amount of food has become a guessing game and very stressful. Buying too little is just as bad as buying too much.

Let's see how easy we can make it on our SAC members and ourselves by paying on time or even early. What a concept!

## PRIMERO CENA DE EL VIERNES BAILA

**(FIRST FRIDAY DINNER / DANCE)**

EL VIERNES, QUATRO DE MAYO

**(FRIDAY, MAY 4, 2007) 5:00 PM.**



HOLA Y BIENVENIDOS A TODOS! (Hello and welcome to all!)

El tema para esta noche es CINCO DE MAYO (The theme for tonight is Cinco de Mayo). Please join us in the Village Hall for a lively celebration.

The menu for tonight's dinner is delicious beef tamales, a fresh salad with chipotle dressing and birthday cake and ice cream for dessert. M'mmm good!

The Vidals will be the entertainment for this great evening.

Your gracious hosts for the evening are Rosalie and George Cholaki and Lauralyn and Jim Green.

The cost for this evening is \$5 per resident. Put your cash or check in an envelope and turn your money into the office by Tuesday, May 1. An additional charge will be levied if you are late in paying.

Don't forget to bring snacks and a beverage for the social hour and mucho dinero (lots of money) for the 50/50 drawing. It might be your lucky night. Wear some bright and cheery duds along with your sombrero or mantilla for tonight's fiesta.

Que un gran día y le vea pronto. (Have a great day and hope to see you soon.)

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, MAY 6, 8:00 AM TO 9:30 AM



Come one, come all! Bring your own table service and enjoy the aroma of freshly brewed coffee, the distinctive smell of frying bacon and the sweet odor of waffles or pancakes. How can you pass it up? Hope to see you there!

The cost for this filling and delicious breakfast is only \$3 per person. IT'S THE BEST BREAKFAST BARGAIN in town.

If you plan to bring 2 or more GUESTS to the Men's Breakfast, please call Linda Harper (751-0075). This allows Linda to buy just the right amount of food for the breakfast.

## APPLES, ORANGES, PEACHES OR PEARS

Do you have more fruit than you; your friends and family can eat? Not a problem! Drop any extra fruit off in the Village Hall kitchen. All of it gets used for the men's breakfast and, therefore, enjoyed by many. Thank you in advance for your help. What would we do without all of you generous residents?

## SECOND MONDAY GAME NIGHT

MONDAY, MAY 14, 5:00 PM



Game night is back in full swing and people are enjoying it. Come down to the Village Hall at 5:00 PM and bring your favorite games and some food to share. As usual, there is no fee for this evening event.

Some of the games we're likely to play are as follows: Poker, Mexican Train, Hearts, Pinochle and all sorts of board games.

## FASHION SHOW FASHION SHOW

### Sponsored by The Champagne Village Lions Club

SUNDAY, MAY 20, 11:00 AM TO 3:00 PM

Men's, Women's and Children's Fashions will be presented along with a terrific catered luncheon on Sunday, May 20. The price is only \$15 each for a wonderful repast. We have over 70 auction items and we will also be holding a silent auction. There will be door prizes for everyone.

A sign-up sheet is posted in the copy room of the Village Hall and we urge everyone to sign up quickly as we expect quite a positive response to our flyer. Reservations must be made and your money must be in by Monday, May 14, 2007 so we can order the right amount of food. All the money will go to local worthy charities and that makes it a tax write-off for those in attendance.

If you have any questions or donations, please call Leah Kapp (749-0660).

## JUNE'S FIRST FRIDAY DANCE

### FIRST FRIDAY DINNER / DANCE

*FRIDAY, JUNE 1, SOCIAL/DANCE, 5:00 PM*



The **CARIBBEAN FLING** is coming your way June 1. **MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW TO ENJOY** June's First Friday night dinner dance full of wonderful food, music, good company, and maybe a sea breeze or two wafting over the floor. Hear the beat of those steel drums? Feel the heat of the sun as your toes dig in the sand? Dress for fun, (but no topless bikinis, please!) and join us June 1 at 5:00 PM for cocktails and 6:00 PM for dinner. Any questions, contact any of the crew: Jay Holle, Bobbi Judy, Dorothy and Sherm McKissock, Bob Thurlow, Brenda and Steve Webb, and Ruth Williams.

## BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE

A new committee is being formed by the SAC members to assist Residents who have suffered a loss in their lives. It's a very difficult time for most people, even in the event of a prolonged illness of a loved one. Please call Linda Harper (751-0075) if you are interested in helping out with the set up of memorial services in the Village Hall. There are quite a few things to do and the immediate family is generally unable to cope with everything that is happening at that time. The family generally needs help setting up chairs, perhaps even some tables, arranging for music, serving the food, etc. As with most of the "jobs" in Champagne Village, this is strictly a volunteer effort. If you feel you have the time, interest and the temperament for this kind of volunteerism, please get in touch with Linda. We have one new resident interested in joining and hope that there will be others

## TABLE HOSTS OR HOSTESSES

When you sign up for an event in the Village Hall and you place your name in the first, highlighted space, you are volunteering to be a table host or hostess. The duties of the host of hostess include:

- Collecting payment from the other guests sitting at your table and giving the money to Priscilla De Arman at #327.
- Setting the table the morning of the event, beginning at 10:00 AM.
- Providing light snacks for the cocktail hour.
- Making sure the table is cleared and the area around the table is neat and clean.

Thanks so much for your participation in the Champagne Village events planned by the Social Activities Committee!

**TO ALL OTHER GUESTS** – Please make your payment to your table host or hostess or drop it off at the office in the Village Hall.

**COMING ATTRACTIONS**  
**SAVE THESE DATES**

By Lois Burdick, SAC Recording Secretary

Friday, May 4	First Friday Dinner Dance
Sunday, May 6	Men's Breakfast
Wednesday, May 23	CVPOA Annual Election Meeting
Friday, June 1	First Friday Dinner Dance
Sunday, June 3	Men's Breakfast
Sunday, July 1	Men's Breakfast
Wednesday, July 4	Annual 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Picnic In the Park
<b>Please note: There is no First Friday dance in July</b>	
Friday, August 3	First Friday Dinner Dance
Sunday, August 5	Men's Breakfast
Saturday, August 25	Luau
Sunday, September 2	Men's Breakfast
Friday, September 7	First Friday Dinner Dance
Saturday, September 25	Chili Cook-off
Friday, October 5	First Friday Dinner Dance
Sunday, October 7	Men's Breakfast
Saturday, October 27	Halloween Costume Party
Friday, November 2	First Friday Dinner Dance
Sunday, November 4	Men's Breakfast
Saturday, November 17	Veteran's Thanksgiving Dinner
Sunday, December 2	Men's Breakfast
Friday, December 7	First Friday Dinner Dance
Saturday, December 15	Christmas Dinner Dance
Monday, December 17	Caroling Around the Park
Saturday, December 22	Chorus Christmas Program
Sunday, December 16	The Holiday Home Tour

Please continue to check this feature every month for the possibility of changes made to the calendar.

**COMPUTER TALK**

By Richard Coffman



The Champagne Computer Club will hold its regular monthly meeting Monday May 7 at 7:00 PM in the Card Room of the Village Hall.

Members will share ideas on computer challenges and new developments in the world of computers. Any resident of the Village is invited to attend, especially newcomers.

If you are a newcomer to the Village and would like fast internet service, get an application at the north computer station in the Fireside Room across from the Association Office in the Village Hall.

If you are re-setting after the service has been off, turn off your computer, then turn off your battery backup unit, wait a minute and then turn it back on.

Be sure to sign the complaint letter to AT&T at the Village Office so it can be forwarded to AT&T to fix their T1 lines that are causing outages in service. If the Office is closed, put the signed letter into the CVPOA slot at the Office.

Computer Club members, when you change your email address, remember to notify me at [welkman1@gmail.com](mailto:welkman1@gmail.com).

Residents can join the Village email list by sending me your email address at my email address above.

We send out fast-breaking Village news and helpful computer tips.

**THE CHAMPAGNE VILLAGE  
 INDEPENDENT INVESTOR CLUB**

By Dale Matheny

Our next meeting will be at 7:00 PM on Monday May 14, during game night. We will have refreshments. We will discuss how world events might impact us in Champagne Village such as prices for food, energy and Real Estate. Everyone is welcome.

## CHAMPAGNE SINGLES

By Patrick McGuire

### MAY POTLUCK

The May Potluck will be held on Friday, May 11, in our Village Hall at 5:30 PM.

The hostesses for this evening will be, Joy Gill, Pat Hamada, and Barbara Richardson. Bring your favorite dish.

The sign-up sheet will be in the copy room. Thank you Jaye Gleyzal for that wonderful slide presentation at our April potluck.

There were 28 attending and Jaye had us all spellbound.

You indicated that you would like to meet the Vendors who live and work in the park, so we have invited them to come to our May Potluck. They will come after supper. We will introduce them to you and they will say a few words.

### SINGLES OUT TO LUNCH

LET'S HAVE LUNCH

**DATE : FRIDAY, May 18, 2007**

**TIME: 1:00 PM**

**PLACE: CHILI'S**

We will meet in front of the laundry room at 1:00 PM and carpool to the restaurant. The sign-up sheet will be posted across from the copy machine. Please sign by Thursday for reservations and amount of drivers needed.

All singles are invited to join in the fun!

### VILLAGE DRAMA CLUB

By Jennie Shaw



Once again the families and our Village residents have given the Village Drama Club our largest (with 262 guests) and biggest reception ever!

The performance on Friday and Saturday evening proved that, "Pasta, Passion and Pistols" was very well received. The dinner was in keeping with the theme...Italian all the way.

May hours of hard work went into our fourth production. Thanks to our great cast who made it happen, Sallie Brannon, Marilyn Hauser, Ken Hansen, Nancy Healy, Judy Johnson, Ray Kessler,

Starkey.

Thanks also to the props, stage, design and make-up people...Marion Maguire, Lu Grainger, Janice Gleyzal, Joan Van Ingen, Ray Kessler, Ken Hansen, Ann Chambers and Jerry Clifford.

Food planning, purchasing, cooking and delivery to the guests were in the hands of Lu Grainger and Mimi Baca and their many helpers, including Cheryl Wright, Junko Holmes, Donna Shaw, Rita Gatzke, Joy Gill, Deanna Clatworthy, Judy Fallon, Dee Madsen, Karolyn Ebbert, Pat McGuire, Al Bradley, Carolyn Repas, Marion Maguire, Linda Sikes, Sandy Broderick and Rita Cripe.

A very special thanks to our eight sponsors...John Dolan, Arlene Garich, Bernie & Lou Guthrie, Ken Hansen, Joe Klopp, Larry Repas, Joe Spisak and to one anonymous donor.

It takes a great Village to pull and event of this magnitude off.

See you next Year!

### TRAVEL

By Joe Klopp



In order to keep costs down and in addition to save me from carrying heavy coolers, etc. I will no longer be providing drinks and snacks. Of course as always you are welcome and encouraged to bring your own refreshments. I will still play bingo and have prizes. I appreciate your understanding and hope you will continue to support your travel club.

### PLEASE RESERVE YOUR SEAT EARLY.

**WOW !!!** You did it!! The Queen Mary is a GO. I still can fit some more on the trip, so if you want to go please call. Thanks to all who booked early and made this trip a go.

### QUEEN MARY

**Monday, July 9, \$58**

A wonderful day in Long Beach at the Queen Mary where you'll enjoy a docent-led tour of this magnificent ship that sailed during World War II era with big celebrities! After your tour, you will have a wonderful lunch on board with two entrée's to choose from along with dessert & coffee. There will also be time for shopping aboard the Queen Mary

and next door at Seaport Village! **INCLUDES:**

Deluxe Coach, Lunch and Driver's Gratuity. Departs 7:30 AM arrives back 5:30 PM. **Pay Date, April 9.**

**ALL TRIPS DEPART FROM THE LAUNDRY AREA.** You may need a jacket on any of the trips. You are always welcome to bring your own refreshments. **Please pay by the "PAY DATE" or earlier.** Friends and relatives are welcome to travel with you.

## **OKTOBERFEST**

**Thursday, October, 11, \$41**

Come and stroll down the cobblestone streets of a German Village in "Old Town" in Huntington Beach and browse among the many European shops. At the Festival Hall, singing & dancing are among the many festivities you will want to join in on. Enjoy an authentic German lunch while being entertained by a live Oompah-pa Band, with sing alongs, dancing, yodeling contests & much more! **INCLUDES:** Deluxe Coach, Lunch and Driver's Gratuity. Departs 8:30AM arrives back 4:30 PM. **Pay Date, Sept 1.**

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**Yes I had to book this early.**

### **PALM SPRINGS FOLLIES**

**Wednesday, March, 5, 2008, \$73**

Please reserve your seat early. Pay date January 5, 2008.

**HELPFUL HINT:** If you want to go on a trip why not call two friends and see if they might like to go. If everyone who signed up for a trip called just two friends and **spread the word** I don't think we'd ever cancel a trip.

**Reserve your seats by calling Joe or Mary Klopp (749-1314).**

### **PAYING PROCEDURE:**

Please pay for your trip by check made out to Joe Klopp and put in my mailbox at 414 (Myrtle). Note in "Memo" on the check, which trip it is for. Please reserve your seat early so I will know if we have enough so I won't have to cancel the trip. **NO checks will be cashed until we have enough reservations to take the trip.** If the trip is cancelled I will return your original check. Call me if you want to pay by cash.

**NOTE:** You must pay or cancel by the "**Pay Date.**" Please, when you book a trip make a note on your calendar of the pay date or better yet pay when you book.

**REFUND POLICY:** There will be a 100% refund policy up to the pay date; after the pay date, unfortunately, I will be unable to refund your money, however, I will make every attempt to resell your reservation to someone else and return your money.

## **CV MEN'S GOLF CLUB**

By Ken Morgan

The Champagne Village Men's Golf Club held its regular meeting Thursday, April 26, 2007, presided over by President Charlie Service. After enjoying cold cuts and beans, membership Chairman Lee Rabeneau (who was \$59 richer from winning the 50/50 drawing) introduced new member Eukie Woodward and returning member Elmer Wasemiller. It was also reported that Bob Bolt is doing nicely after his recent eye surgery. We also received a very nice note from Ed Vogelsgang, who was with us for three months, in which he thanked all the members and said how much he had enjoyed his all too brief stay. I think we will see Ed again. Don Resch reported that our next "Safari" will be held at Twin Oaks Golf Club on Monday, May 21. The fee is \$43 and all members are invited to join in the fun. Paul Hughes then discussed the May 8 Guys & Gals Tournament on the Oaks. The fee is \$22, which includes Golf and Lunch. Bill Cowan then detailed our June 4 Member Guest Tourney which will be an 8:00 AM shotgun, followed by a barbecue. Checks for \$30 per player, made out to Bill Cowen should be forwarded to him at #368 ASAP.

Charlie introduced Leah Kapp from the Ladies Golf Club who spoke to us about the Lions Club's Men's & Women's Fashion Show to be held in the Village Hall on May 20 from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. There are tons of door prizes and refreshments and hors d'oeuvres will be served. The fee is \$15 per person and all proceeds go to the Champagne Village Lions Club for their charitable work for the blind. Please try to make it for it is bound to be a good time.

now...Red, White, Blue theme reminded us blue

## FOUNTAINS LADIES GOLF CLUB

By Luella Guthrie



Last November we voted to schedule mixers on a shot gun meeting days so we could live up to our motto of a “very friendly” group of happy golfers...it happened on April 11...a fun day!

The President’s Cup Tournament winners were each awarded with a \$20 check after a delicious lunch of rolled sandwiches, chips, brownies and drinks served by Jean Humphrey and Priscilla DeArman. The A Flight winner was Doreen Burchett, B Flight winner Betty Service, C Flight winner Joan Stewart. Congratulations to winners and a thank you, to all who participated. A committee was formed to re-evaluate match play tournaments regarding the number of flights.....perhaps two rather than three.

Before distributing the money for this quarter, Betty Service, Sweeps Chair, announced she was posting the sign-up sheets for two weeks at a time, rather than just one week...and also our starting time has been moved up to 7:04 AM.

Betty, along with Connie Phillips and Marian Ellison distributed \$214 among the ladies who played in the first quarter...including chip-ins and monthly low gross and low net winners.

Low Gross January Doreen Burchett, score 80.

Low Gross February Peg Harvey, score 78.

Low Gross March Doreen Burchett, score 77.

Low Net January Peg Harvey, score 52.

Low Net February Joan Carpenter, score 55.

Low Net Joan Stewart, score 47.

Ringer Chair, Jeanne Hunt, distributed \$43.50 paying six places down in two flights.

Carol Young, from our own Champagne Village was introduced as our newest member. We all welcomed her aboard and are delighted she is joining our “very friendly” golf club.

Tracy, Events Coordinator from the Pro shop came to our meeting to invite all of us to play in the Red Hat Diva Tournament on May 7, sponsored by the Pro Shop.

Champagne classic discussion added more volunteers to work on the committees...everyone was asked to work on obtaining gift donations....inviting friends to join us...game will be two best balls of foursome...your \$60 entry fee including greens fees, lunch and prizes is due

shirts are available at Kohl’s and Ivy Johnson will check on having Fountains Ladies Golf Club logo attached.

Betty Service is \$8 richer...she won the 50/50 drawing again in March. Sheila Osborne is \$9.50 richer...she won the 50/50 drawing in April.

## OAKS LADIES GOLF CLUB

By Lynn Tobin



After we enjoyed a wonderful luncheon provided by Deanna Clatworthy and Luella Guthrie, the meeting of April 5 was called to order by our President Leah Kapp at 12:05 PM. The minutes and treasurers reports were approved as read.

Our starting times on Thursday morning will move to 7:00 AM on June 7.

Our Safari scheduled for April 19, at Reidy Creek was discussed and a sign-up sheet was passed around. Reidy Creek is located on Broadway and Country Club, Escondido.

The Invitational day of golf with the guys for Tuesday, May 1 was discussed and volunteers to help out with the days events as needed.

Jackie Whaite our nomination Chairperson presented the slate of officers to be voted upon at our next meeting May 3. The newly elected officers to be installed June 1.

Deanna Clatworthy our Membership Chair reported that she had attended the New Residents Brunch and met a couple of prospective members.

On Wednesdays at 2:00 PM our Golf Pro has offered free golf lessons for members of Fountains and the Oaks Ladies.

The Quarterly winners were announced for the Sweeps by Karen Smith and Ringers by Sally Olsen. The “Big Winner” was Sharon Groepper.

The 50/50 was won by Joan Magnuson \$9. The door prizes were won by Priscilla DeArman and Sue Kessler.

We have so many great events planned and would like to invite anyone interested in joining us for Thursday morning golf on the Oaks to call our Membership Chair, Deanna (751-0204).

thoroughly enjoyed it. Many thanks to you both.

## TENNIS CLUB

By Bev Bedwell



Great turn-out for our Sunday playday on April 15. The hosts and hostesses for the evening's program were Sue & Ray Kessler and Lorita and Don Phelps.

Their efforts were over-the-top and featured a buffet of spectacular offerings including croissants filled with juicy morsels of chicken in a divine sauce, smothered with grapes and cashews. Fresh mint raspberry tea and delicious squares dripping with chocolate were just a few of the many gourmet delights that fueled our engines as we battled for court honors. Ray Kessler was the prime mover of participants as he scattered us on courts in a winners-stay-on-everybody-plays event. Non-players participated by cheering and booing their friends, enemies and spouses. Competition grew so fierce that it was rumored that LoReta Phelps muttered, "Please let me lose; I've got to rest!" Dark and cold dragged the last reluctant players off the courts. Our next general meeting will be held May 10, at the Village Hall. Please sign up to bring hors d'oeuvres, main course or dessert. Sign-up sheets will be posted in the Hall and at the tennis courts. Or...call out host and hostess, Lanny & Angelo Scalise and tell them you are coming and what you will bring. We will be discussing rules and regulations as they pertain to membership qualifications. A vote will be taken if members present agree. Our potluck meeting begins at 5:30 PM. Hors d'oeuvres and libations (BYOB) will be served during the meeting. If you are interested in becoming involved in our organization as a social or playing member please contact Angelo (751-2630). Remember tennis is a weight-bearing exercise. Participating in this activity is a great way to strengthen your bones.

## LIONS CLUB

By Lois Burdick



Acting President Lion Pat McGuire brought the April 2007 meeting of the Champagne Village Lions Club to order at 5:15 PM. We had twenty-four members present along with five guests.

Our scrumptious dinner was prepared and served by Lions Carol and Larry Repas. Everybody

Janice Gleyzal's daughter Jaye, who hiked to the very top of Mt. Kilimanjaro, was our speaker for the evening. She shared her photos, slides and memories with us. One of our members stated that it was the "best presentation that he had seen in a very long time." Thank you Jaye and also, Lion Janice.

We decided to give donations to six local and deserving charities. Each one of them will receive \$100.

Our 2007/2008 Officers were announced. They will be taking office on June 20, 2007 at our Installation Dinner. The new slate of officers are as follows: President - Arlene Garich, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President - Mary Starkey, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President - Michael Kapp, Recording Secretary - Lois Burdick, Treasurer - Leah Kapp, Membership Director - Janice Gleyzal, Directors: Paul Fischer, Terry Martino, who is also our Sunshine Chairman, hopefully Carol and Larry Repas, Addie Wilkins and David Young. Our Tail Twister is Al Bunnell. Paul Fischer, Pat McGuire and David Young are sharing the position of Lion Tamer.

Paulette Oswald was our guest this evening and she will be joining the club in the near future. We welcome any resident as our guest at one of our dinner meetings. We are a well-respected service organization, we donate a lot of money to worthy local charities and we have **lots** of fun doing it. Our next meeting is Wednesday, May 16, 2007 at 5:00 PM in the. **WE ARE LIONS - COME HEAR US ROAR!**

## HAPPY HANDS

By Janina Garvey



Join us at Happy Hands every Tuesday from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM in the Village Hall. We are a group of "lightly organized" ladies, who enjoy crafts, needlework, knitting, crocheting, etc. And we invite any resident who enjoys hand work, or would like to learn, or just like to get acquainted with some friendly Villagers.

We are accepting handmade caps and baby blankets. Any donations of materials or time will be greatly appreciated. Please bring yarn to Happy Hands on Tuesday's 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM (or join us). For more information, call Janina Garvey (749-1730).

Play Bridge!

## **PINOCHLE**

By Marion Psota

Are you a pinochle player?

If you are new to Champagne Village or just have forgotten – WE DO have a group of pinochle players who meet the first and third Friday of each month. The time is 1:00 PM in the Card Room. It's just a friendly, fun time. Cost is \$1. If you are interested in playing, please give Marion Psota (751-3940), a call and we'll put your name on the list of available players. Someone will call you the week of play and check if you're able to join us on Friday.

## **MONDAY MEN & WOMEN'S BRIDGE**

By Melba Crandall

Monday Bridge is from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM at the Village Hall. Everyone is welcome. The host for February will be Fran Robinson (751-5488). Please call Melba Crandall (751-7011), for reservations if you are a newcomer to the Village.

## **BRIDGE FOR EVERYONE**

By Bob Spencer

Every Tuesday afternoon, starting at 1:00 PM in the Card Room. No stress, no pain. Just relax and have fun. Singles welcomed. Call Bob Spencer (749-6698).

## **COUPLES BRIDGE**

By Joyce Martin

Wednesday, May 9, 5:00 PM, in the Village Hall. Hosts for the evening are Bob and Barbara Noel (751-5314).

Make your reservation to play by signing up on the bulletin board in the copy room. You may sign up to bring (service for twelve) Hors d'oeuvres or Dessert. Please bring your own libations.

Three prizes for women and three prizes for men are awarded. Please bring \$2 per couple for the prizes. Come early, circulate, visit with friends and enjoy the delicious food that has been brought....and then

## **PENNY CANASTA**

By Betty Bearman



If you have ever enjoyed playing Canasta, come join us on Thursdays, 1:00 PM in the Card Room in the Village Hall. If you have never played Canasta, come anyway. We'll teach you. We offer snacks, a BIG pay-off (maybe a buck maybe 4) and fun. Call Betty Bearman (751-0477) or Carol Young (749-2342) or Nota Morey (751-9503) for more information.

## **HAND AND FOOT**

By Sandra Watkinson

If you can play any kind of cards, you can play Hand & Foot. It's a variation of Canasta and lots of fun. We meet in the card room behind the laundry room, Mondays at 1:00. If you don't want to play every week, we can always use subs...in fact we would like to get more subs signed up! Call, Sandra Watkinson (749-0164) and come on down.



## **BUNCO**

By Carolyn White



Bunco is a fun dice game and very easy to play – and you can win prizes. The cost is only \$3. We play the second and fourth Fridays of the month from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM in the Village Hall. This month the dates will be May 11 and May 25. We need to know if you will be there so we can make up tables of four, so please call Carolyn White (751-1833) or Lanny Scalise (751-2630) to reserve your seat. Mark your calendar and we will look forward to seeing you there. **BRING A FRIEND OR A NEIGHBOR!** The more people that play, the more money you could win.

to attendance.

## BUBBLY BABES

By Mary Starkey



We had our Fashion show and High Tea on, April 22. 120 attended and all had a great fun time. It got rave reviews from different chapters from the Mexican border to the Riverside

Border.

14 Babes worked tirelessly all day to make it a Tea to brag about throughout the district. To give them honor, we will be having these Babes go out on a special good time day in May. I will be letting all of you know soon.

As for our group outing, we have been invited to Camp Pendleton, May 24, for a tour and a Buffet Luncheon at their Club. Call me if you want to go. ASAP...PLEASE!!

Yours in Red Hatting, Queen Mother, Mary.

## WATER EXERCISE

Deanna Clatworthy



Open to all interested ladies. Held at the pool on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10:00 AM, and Tuesday and Thursday at 2:00 PM, weather permitting. Come try the water aerobic 40-minute cassette tape. If you like it and plan to continue, there is a one time charge of \$5 to cover batteries, tapes and a new tape player when needed. See Nicki, Ruth or Deanna at the pool.

## STRETCH CLASS

By Jackie Lohrke

### Stretch thru Conscious Movement

Lohrke will teach how to move consciously through movement on Tuesday mornings at 9:00 AM, at the Village Hall.

Please dress comfortably, bring mats, belt, towels and small cushions. Tummies will be more comfortable if breakfast is small and eaten early before class. Her instructions will be based on years of practicing and teaching Yoga and other disciplines. Any questions, please call Jackie (749-2335).

New students are encouraged to contact Jackie prior

## LINE DANCING

By Nota Morey



Wednesdays and Saturdays from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM in the Village Hall. Come join us. Line dancing is fun and great exercise. If you have any questions, call Nota Morey (751-9503).

## BEGINNING LINE DANCING

By Nota Morey

Come join us for a new beginning line dance class. Every Monday morning from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM.

We will learn an exercise to music, The Electric Slide and Cowboy Boogie. The pace will be slow and other dances may be added later. If you are interested, call Nota Morey (751-9503). Thanks!

## MEMORY KEEPERS SCRAP BOOK CLUB

By Janet Hyman

If you love scrap booking or would like to learn more about it, please join us. We meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM in the card room of the Village Hall.

Just bring your supplies, maybe a light snack and come on down and have some fun. It's also a great way to share our individual creativity. We can always learn new and clever ways of making our memory books even better

## MEN'S POOL

By John Dolan

Come play with us weekdays. Call John Dolan (751-8500), or Skip Skillion (749-1811), for information.



## VESPERS

By Margaret Meadows

This is a non-denominational service held every Sunday in the card room at 4:00 PM till 5:00 PM. All are welcome.

## CATHOLIC BIBLE STUDY

By Jim Kostick

The Bread of Life Catholic Bible Study will be facilitated weekly by Deacon Jim and Carol Kostick, every Wednesday evening, at 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM. This will be held in the Multi-Purpose Room behind the Library. Please bring your Bible. For more information, please call (749-8313).

## TO KAΦENION

By George Cholaki

## GREEK WORD FOR MEN'S COFFEE HOUSE



My great Grandfather raised sheep...  
My Grandfather was the first baker in....  
My Grandfather lost two fingers when...

In 1949, I went to first grade and could not speak English. I was born in Massachusetts. Join us to tell your story. Men communicate quite differently from women. Give your spouse a break. Tell that story she has heard once too often to guys who want to hear it again. Call George Cholaki (751-9997), to find out when we're meeting again.

## CHAMPAGNE VILLAGE RV CLUB

By George Cholaki



What a superb meeting we had in April...at least 27 people attended representing 17 RV Storage parking spaces. We were most appreciative to have Jean & Pat Slaughter present. They interrupted their vacation and drove up from Palm Springs just to attend. Jean is the President of our CV Board. We thank him for his presence, input and concern.

We had a very diversified discussion that brought us closer to a focused group consciousness. This will benefit us in preparing a written proposal to our CV Board and Tom Riggs with our prioritized preferences to improve our RV Storage facility. There have been many good, positive and thoughtful suggestions that only RV'ers would think of. Examples: "Try turning your 5<sup>th</sup> wheel in the

designated turn around loop", "try to have your

class motor home towed out of the storage facility", "try not to knock off your mirror or those of the adjacent RV", (just to mention a few).

Next steps:

Attend our next meeting to review various proposed changes to the RV parking spaces and help select the plan that would work best for all.

Review the current guidelines in our park rules for compliance and discussion.

Paul Fischer offered to facilitate the May meeting in my absence. Our next meeting will be on, Wednesday, May 9, in the Village Hall.

## CHAMPAGNE VILLAGE PET LOVER'S CLUB NEWS

By Doreen Smith & Doreen Burchett



The CV Pet Lover's Club will meet on Tuesday May 15, at 3:00 PM in the Picnic Grounds to discuss any topics of interest to the group. Unfortunately, we are not allowed to have pets at our meetings but we will adjourn in time for you to have your afternoon walk together after the meeting. As usual, please review the brainstorm list from our previous meetings and come prepared to share your ideas and progress on our "pet projects". If you have ideas you want the group to consider and are unable to attend a meeting, please call one of us or leave a note in one of our message boxes. All pet lovers are invited to come to our meetings that are held quarterly on the third Tuesday of the second month of each quarter. Please put these remaining dates on your 2007 calendar, August 21 and Nov 20. These dates are posted in the mailbox area for future reference. Please note, the club voted to change the meeting time from 3:30 PM to 3:00 PM for 2007



to allow time for our usual dog walks after the meeting. Pet Tip of the Month: Put your cell phone number on your pet's identification tag so you may be contacted sooner by someone trying to reach you about your lost or missing pet. A phone call to your home doesn't help when you are on the road with your pet who may have wandered away from your "campsite" or a relative's home. "Until one has loved an animal, a part of one's soul remains unawakened"

## CHAMPAGNE BLVD - TRASH TALK

By LoReta Phelps



Trash pick up this month will be, May 9. As usual, we will meet at the mail boxes at 3:30 PM. Not as usual, we will have a new driver. Martha Sumner. Jack has been under the weather so Martha has volunteered to help us out. If you can help, please call, Addie (751-1859).

## FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS

By Jan Denny



If you have a medical appointment and can't find a friend or relative to take you there, call me (749-4255) and I will find a driver for you. But, of course, if you have an emergency, dial 911. "Friends Helping Friends" is a volunteer organization, but in the light of high gas prices these days, you may feel that you want to help defray some of these costs to the drivers...and that's okay. More drivers are still needed. If you can help please call me (749-4255) and I will add your name to the roster. Most of the appointments are in Escondido, but occasionally Vista, Rancho Bernardo, even La Jolla or San Diego. You may specify "Escondido only" if you prefer. The more drivers I can get, the less often you will be called on. Can you help?

## ODDS AND ENDS

**WIZARD OF OZ:** On Sunday, June 10, at 6:30 PM, the youth actors of the Patio Playhouse in Escondido will be presenting the "Wizard of Oz" for our enjoyment. The play will take place in the Village Hall. The Village chorus will be singing a few show tunes prior to the production, so plan to attend this enjoyable evening. There is no admission charge; however, if anyone would like to make a donation to the Patio playhouse, it would be appreciated.

**VAN TRIPS:** The Village Van leaves the second and fourth Wednesday for North County Fair (Westfield), Trader Joe's and Henry's. The van leaves the Village Hall at 9:30 AM, and returns at 2:30 PM. Sign up at the Village Hall. All residents are welcome.



The Village Van also goes to the Von's Shopping Center on El Norte Pkwy., every Friday at 9:00 AM.

**SEE'S CANDIES:** One pound gift certificates are \$10.75. This will give you \$14.50 worth of spending power at any See's location. Any questions...call (751-0075) or leave your check made out to Linda Harper, 186 Skyline Drive. Please do not leave with Karin in the office.



## GOLF CART CLINIC

A-1 Golf Cart clinic is held the second Friday of each month at the picnic grounds at 9:00 AM.



Escondido Golf Cart Service will have a clinic on the last Friday of each month, at the Picnic Area at 9:00 AM

## NEW RESIDENTS:

#158	Bob & Joy Rominger	751-4326
#225	Jean Huett	No Phone Yet
#249	Michael Mann & Patricia Colantuoni	" " "
#269	Jon Du Quesne & Nanette Davis	" " "

## **DIRECTORY CHANGES**

The new directory will be printed in May. Please submit *changes only* to the CV Office.

## **BOOKMOBILE**

By Betty Mortz



We hope our many readers are visiting the Bookmobile on its twice monthly stops.

The San Diego County Library Bookmobile will be in Champagne Village on Tuesday, May 1 and May 15, 10:00 AM TO 12:00 PM. Stops are made near the mail boxes.

If you are a reader, this is your golden opportunity. Library cards are issued by their staff and each month you can enjoy the convenience of library service at your door step.

### **FREE HEARING AID SERVICE:**

*Please call Janice at Sonus, ahead of time to make an appointment to see them here in the on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month. (760-489-1323).*

Where: Champagne Village  
When: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month, 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM  
Services: Hearing Aid Cleaning  
Battery Purchase  
Hearing Evaluation Scheduling

### **TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULE FOR 2007**

Trash for Memorial Day week will be picked up on Saturday, June 2.