

# The Champagne Village Times



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**Happy Mother's Day!**

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## **Directors/Officers**

Karen Smith, President  
Dennis Roberts, Vice President  
Leah Kapp, Secretary  
Jean Slaughter, Director  
Joe Klopp, Director  
Charles Service, Director  
Joan Van Ingen, Director  
Connie Bentley, CFO

## **Standing Committee Chairs**

Dennis Roberts, Architectural  
Pat & Janet LeRossignol, Social Activities  
Charlie Service, Disaster Control

## **Board Meeting Notes**

The Board approved the proposal from Paul Trower to prepare the 2009

Reserve Study Update in the amount of \$475. Civil Code Section 1365 requires that a Reserve update be performed annually with a complete study to be completed every three years.

By a 4-2 voted the Board denied the request from the owner's of unit 206 and 207 to reduce the numbers of the trees to be removed from behind their homes. By the same margin they voted to approve and implement zone 6 of the Tree Maintenance Plan which will leave approximately 71% of the Pine Trees untouched.

Ken Hansen was appointed as Inspector of Election to be assisted by Michael Godfrey. Rick Gibson,



managing agent indicated that we would need about nine volunteers to help with the tabulation.

## **UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS**

Each month I will list items that may be placed on the agenda in the upcoming months. Since the exact timing of each item is dependent on many factors it will not be possible to determine whether an item will actually be on the agenda prior to going to press with the CV Times.

Please check the agenda that is posted in the Village Hall (as it has been for the past ten years) on the Friday before the Board meeting for issues that will be addressed and any

supporting materials.

The following items will be on the Board's agenda in the near future.

- 1) Replacement or refurbishment of the 20 year old pool furniture.
- 2) Replacement of the heat pump for the Board room.
- 3) Discussion of recommendations for reducing operating costs and improving the efficiency of the pool equipment.
- 4) Implementation of the Tree Maintenance Plan for Zone 3 which includes the area behind 417-419, slopes along Lawrence Welk Drive above and across from the Village Hall and the area above the Pool and Spa area.
- 5) Review of the 2009 Reserve Study.

If you would like information on these or other items that may come before the Board please contact the Office so we can give you the most current and accurate information.

**Next Board "Workshop": May, 19, 2008, 9:00 AM, in the Card Room (always held the Monday prior to the Board meeting).**

**Next Regular Board of Directors Meeting: May 21, 2008, 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.**

## COMMUNITY MANAGER'S MESSAGE

### The Best Directors are those who:

- Are all but invisible in the daily operation of the association they are serving.
- Are strong team players.
- Are careful not to make snap decisions that will set undesirable precedents for the association in the future.
- Are effective, direct delegators.
- Are strong enough individuals who are able to leave their egos at the door and concentrate completely on the directors' responsibilities.
- Are not interested in highlighting their individual power or in advancing their individual project interest.
- Realize that they cannot please everyone all of the time, and know there will be decisions an owner or the management company will not be happy with. Their task is to advance the best interests of the overall association.
- Handle all matters in a business-like manner and don't get emotionally involved.
- Don't take care of individual homeowner's problems as an individual board member. Problems must be directed to the management company. The board as a whole will follow up with the management company. The board, as a single entity, will involve itself only if necessary at a proper open meeting.
- Know that many complaints are driven by emotion and that very few are "emergencies."
- Are willing to take criticism from their fellow owners and neighbors, and know if they can't, they should not be directors.
- In the end, know that the only thing that owners will remember is how well their money is spent.

### OFFICE NOTES

**CANDIDATES DAY:** Candidate's Day is set to be held on **Monday, May 5, 2007 at 6:00 PM** in the Village Hall. Karen Smith will be the moderator for this event. You will have an opportunity to meet and question candidates for the

Board of Directors. More information will be sent to owners along with their ballots and Notice of Annual Meeting.

**OFFICE CLOSED:** The Village Office will be closed on **Monday, May 26**, for Memorial Day Holiday.

**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.

**TRASH:** Trash for Memorial Day week will be picked up on **Saturday, May 31**.

**UNSIGNED CORRESPONDANCE:** Any unsigned correspondence left in the Village Office or the drop box will not be addressed. You must sign your request.

**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.

### LETTER TO THE TIMES

I recently attended a meeting in the Champagne Village Library and had a chance to take a good look around. I was very impressed with the look of the library, the number of books therein, and how neatly and beautifully different types of media were arranged and displayed.

I think we all owe Nickie Kettenring and her 2 helpers, Joann Galarneault and Connie Phillips a great big thank you for a job well done.

It isn't generally mentioned but the Champagne Village Library is one of the super amenities here in our Village and we should be very proud of it. Keep up the good work ladies and thanks for the many volunteer hours you've put in.

Lois Burdick #25

## **MAY FLOWERS!**

If you haven't noticed by now, there is an abundance of flowers in Champagne Village. It seems that so many people are out in their yards making them really vibrant in color. In my opinion, this is one of the most enjoyable times of the year. The winter in it's whites and browns are beautiful in it's own respect, but Spring in full bloom with it's vivid reds, oranges, greens, yellows etc. cannot be outdone by any season.

Thank you all for really outdoing yourselves this year. You can give yourselves a hand. By the way; have you seen the pansies in front of the Village Hall?

By the time you read this the Architectural Committee will have been around with its clipboard making notes. If you have not gotten a "friendly reminder" on your door, you have done a very good job in the upkeep of your property and are to be commended. For those that did not get the notice the main items are: Vehicle(s) improperly parked, landscaping needs general attention, exterior of home needs painting, fences need repair or replacement, roof and/or gutters need cleaning of weeds, leaves etc., tree(s) need trimming, Irrigation system needs adjustment to avoid water waste. Exterior modifications require Architectural Committee approval. The office will be following up on the above items. The Committee went around in teams of two in areas other than their own communities. This way they could take an independent look at other areas of the park. Overall it was a pleasure looking at all of the beautiful yards.

Please remember that if you replace anything in your yard it does take approval from your committee. This is BEFORE you start with the project. This also includes replacement of rock or bark.

Have you noticed the newer homes lately and the way they have been landscaped? The one residence that really stands out this month is space 139. The deer and matching ground cover with the drought resistant plants really stand out. Once again take the time to go around and enjoy not only this one but all the beautiful yards.

Champagne Village is a beautiful place, one which we all have learned to love and appreciate. Let's all work to keep it that way.

If you have any other concerns please do not hesitate to call either the office or myself. Also, if

you have a neighbor that has a beautiful yard please call me with the space number for consideration in putting it into this column.

Thank you,

Dennis Roberts, Chairman Architectural Committee

## **S**OCIAL ACTIVITIES BULLETIN

By Lois Burdick, SAC Recording Secretary



### **SAC NOTES: INFORMATION ABOUT MONTHLY EVENTS**

You may reserve a table the morning of the event for the dinner/dances, but please do not reserve tables when the hall is being used for another event, such as the line dance classes (MWF 8:30-10:00) or stretch class (Tues. 9:00-10:00). Thank you for your consideration. If you don't reserve a table, there will be a greeter and signs at the tables guiding you to a place to sit.

Residents are required to pay the posted fee for an event even if they cannot or choose not to partake of the food being offered. The money that you pay is not just for the food, it also pays for the band/DJ/entertainment, cleanup crew, and a multitude of supplies. Please call Janet or Pat LeRossignol (749-7934) if you have any questions about an event.

## LINE DANCING



A few folks have expressed concern about the increase in line dancing at our monthly dances. We are trying to include an *assortment* of music for dancing and/or listening. The increase of line dancing is merely a reflection of the large growth of interest in the M/W/F line dancing classes held each week. If you don't "love" line dancing music (or even rock & roll for that matter), please bear with us and try to enjoy the smiles you see on the faces of the folks who do. It'll be over soon enough and we'll be on to the next song. And please think about this. For many people line dancing is the only dancing they can do because they don't have a dance partner. Without line dancing, they can only *watch* everyone else dance and would miss out on a lot of fun and exercise. You might want to try it!

## DJ CRITIQUE



Thank you for your honest opinions of Robin Uncapher, the DJ for the Friday, April 4<sup>th</sup> Dance. The results were overwhelmingly positive: 62 people liked the music and 2 people did not like the music. There were four complaints of too much line dancing and those complaints are addressed in the previous article.

## CINCO de MAYO FIESTA

FRIDAY, MAY 2, 2008 at 5:00 PM

### HOLA



¡Habrà una Fiesta! There's going to be a Fiesta! Celebrating Cinco de Mayo has always been a fun night with great music and good food. No reason for anything to change this year. So grab your sombrero, your dancing shoes, some munchies and your favorite libation and come on down to the Village Hall.

The menu is tamales, frijoles, chips & salsa, salad and a surprise dessert. Robin Uncapher will be on hand to play your favorite tunes.

Please put your \$5 per person in the CVPOA drop

box by Tuesday, April 29. Writing a check? No envelope needed. Cash? Put the cash in an envelope, which you'll mark with your name, space number and the name of the event.

Cinco de Mayo is always lots of fun, so don't be late! Gracias por leer este artículo. Le ver allí. Thank you for reading this article. See you there!

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

### COOKED BY THE MEN IN THE VILLAGE AND EATEN BY ALL

SUNDAY, MAY 4, 8:00 AM to 9:30 AM

### COME ONE, COME ALL! MEN, WOMEN, CHILDREN, GRANDCHILDREN



Everybody is welcome to come down to the Village Hall on the first Sunday of each month and enjoy the best breakfast deal in this or any other

town.

The men of the Village do all of the cooking and do it well. We ask you to bring your own plate and utensils and a mere \$3 each. All else is provided.

We have scrambled eggs, ham, bacon, and waffles

or pancakes. Usually we have fresh fruit on the menu, most of which is provided by the residents themselves. In addition, these super volunteers walk around the Village Hall serving all the coffee you can drink.

### 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) on the Monday before the Men's Breakfast.

### DO YOU HAVE AN OVERABUNDANCE OF FRUIT??

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 will be enjoyed by many. Thank you in advance for your help. What would we do without all of you generous residents?



## EVERY MONDAY GAME NIGHTS



MONDAY, MAY 14, 21, & 28 AT

6:00 PM

MONDAY, MAY 7, POTLUCK

DINNER AT 5:00 PM

***PLEASE NOTE - THERE WILL NOT BE A GAME NIGHT ON MONDAY MAY 5. INSTEAD THERE IS A CANDIDATE'S NIGHT IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 6:00 PM.***

**IT'S FREE! NADA! NUNCA! ZERO! ZILCH!**

**IT'S GREAT FUN AND YOU SHOULD JOIN US!** We get together every Monday night to have a few laughs, play some games and just have a super time with our friends and neighbors. Every game night except the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month starts at 6:00 PM. On the second Monday night we have a potluck dinner and that starts at 5:00 PM so we have plenty of time to play the game we choose. Many different games are played: Mexican train dominoes, poker, hearts, pinochle and lots of board games. A few of us are trying to learn Mah-jongg and actually doing quite well. It's confusing but a lot of fun. You're also welcome to bring a game from home and we'll give it a try.

Please note that the SECOND Monday (May 12) game night begins at 5:00 PM and will include a potluck dinner. The other Monday nights will begin at 6:00 PM with NO Dinner.

If you like to laugh and have fun, then this is the place for you on Monday nights. See you there.

## **SWINGIN' IN THE SPRING MAY 15 ENJOY FRIENDSHIP FOR YOUR SOUL MUSIC FOR YOUR LISTENING AND DANCING PLEASURE**

Invite your neighbors, enjoy their company.

Dance to your favorite music.

Bring your own bottle and snacks, clean your own table! Coffee and tea provided.

Big Band, swing, 30s to 70s, including line dancing Recorded Music in the afternoon from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM, Thursday, May 15, in the Village Hall.

White elephant prizes.

Hosts Annetta Citino and Richard Coffman

Free of charge! No signup needed!

Upcoming 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM in 2008:

Thursday May 15.

Thursday September 18

Thursday November 20.

## COMING ATTRACTIONS

### SAVE THESE DATES

By Lois Burdick, SAC Recording Secretary



**ATTENTION: PLEASE READ THE COMING ATTRACTIONS COLUMN CAREFULLY AND THE CHANGES ON YOUR CALENDARS. JUNE '08 DATE HAVE CHANGED AND ARE IN "ITALICS" IN THE ARTICLE BELOW.**

## 2008

Friday, May 2	Friday Dinner Dance
Sunday, May 4	Breakfast cooked by the Men's Club
Friday, May 9	Drama Show
Saturday, May 10	Drama Show
Sunday, June 1	Women's Breakfast
<i>Saturday, June 7</i>	<i>Saturday Dinner Dance</i>
Friday, July 4	4 <sup>th</sup> of July Picnic
Sunday, July 6	Breakfast cooked by the Men's Club
Friday, August 1	Friday Dinner Dance
Sunday, August 3	Breakfast cooked by the Men's Club
Friday, September 5	Friday Dinner Dance
Sunday, September 7	Men's Breakfast
Friday, October 3	Oktoberfest Dinner Dance
Sunday, October 5	Breakfast cooked by the Men's Club
Friday, October 31	Halloween Party
Sunday, November 2	Breakfast cooked by the Men's Club
Saturday, November 15	Veteran's Dinner
Sunday, December 7	Breakfast cooked by the Men's Club
Saturday, December 13	Christmas Dinner Dance
Wednesday, December 31	New Year's Eve Party

**BE SURE TO CHECK THIS ARTICLE IN EACH MONTH'S CV TIMES FOR CHANGES.**

## CARE AND CONCERN COMMITTEE

By Barbara Pittman

We are a group of concerned residents here in Champagne Village who collectively support our Villagers in times of loss or illness. We encourage one another as we age, and comfort each other in our pain. We not only grieve for one another, we also celebrate each other's milestones. We continually pray for a good quality of life and try to make a difference in the lives of others!

***Our committee has a trifold mission ...***

***Illnesses:*** comfort and pray for one another

***Bereavement:*** assist in any way possible

***Care-giving:*** network or inform of available services

If you are willing to help out in any of these divisions, or know of anyone, who would need help, please contact the C&CC by calling

Leonore Alvarado at 751-2291, Ruth Royer at 751-8466 or Cheryl Wright at 749-6323.

***Remembering ...***

**Jane Damerow**, a former CV resident, passed away on the April 17. She will be fondly remembered by her family and friends.

**Evelyn Berk-Wissinger**, another villager, left her husband, Donn, and her daughter and son behind on March 28. Our sympathies go out to them.

**Alice Cavanah** passed away March 30. Please remember her husband, Earl, in your thoughts and prayers.

**Sally Wyatt**, a former resident, passed away at 99 years old last month. She was living in Missouri at the time of her death.

**Jack Cannon**, another former villager, left us on April 7. He will certainly be missed by his family and friends.

Please pray for their families, as well as other Villagers, who have lost loved ones this past year.

***Also Pray For Our Neighbors ...***

Those who are going through difficult times or are having serious health issues:

Jim/ Lauralyn Green                      John/ Pat Whitcomb  
Stephen/ Dorothy Remers                Shirley Hoyer  
Jack/ Marlene Montooth                 Joe Koistra  
Jack/ Carol Cox                              Bob Thurlow  
Ernie/ Marcia Liebman                    Marion Maguire  
Estus/ Barbara Pittman                  Dale/ Char Matheny  
Paul/ Clariece Gober                      Ginny Bish  
Billy/ Doreen Smith                       Lee/ Joan Rabeneau  
Russell/ Priscilla DeArman              Marion Psota  
George/ Bev Baker                         Ken/ Joyce Morgan  
Dusty Brown/ Doris O'Neill  
Sam Montoya/ Carolyn White  
Linda Harper's son-in-law & grandson  
And others, who prefer not to be mentioned.

***Happy Mother's Day To All Moms!***

May is the month to celebrate our moms and, of course, everyone has one. Also, this month some of us celebrate Cinco de Mayo; but on Memorial Day we must remember those, who gave of themselves,

so our country could have the freedom we now enjoy. The Care and Concern Committee recognizes and salutes our U.S. Armed Services for their sacrifice and valor.

***Centennial Birthdays, Anyone?***

Does anyone know of any up-coming centennial birthdays in May? What a blessing to live this long!

## COMPUTER TALK

By Richard Coffman



The Champagne Computer Club has been cancelled on May 5, due to the Candidates Day meeting.

## CHAMPAGNE SINGLES

By Mary Starkey

## MAY POTLUCK

There will be a change in the month of May for our potluck due to the fact that the play will be on that Friday and Saturday in May. So, we will meet the

following Friday on May 16, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. Remember, that is only for May, and we will be going back to the second Friday from then on. Bring a friend to join us. There is no hostess, but we all can help. Love you all, Mary

## VILLAGE DRAMA CLUB

By Mimi Baca



The Drama Club has been rehearsing for their spring show. This production is "a Private Affair", a light comedy. There will be two performances. The Friday night show, May 9, will be dessert only. The Saturday night show, May 20, will serve a full dinner.

Look for the poster at the mailbox center. There will be a sign-up sheet posted in the copy room.

**THE DEADLINE FOR SIGNING UP IS MAY 6. THEY MUST HAVE TOTAL NUMBERS ATO**

**ALLOW THEM TO PLAN AND SHOP FOR THE FOODS.**

For further info call Jennie Shaw (751-8909).

## CV MEN'S GOLF CLUB

By Terry Quimby



The meeting was called to order by President Mike Dail just after a great Chile luncheon.

The minutes were read and the Treasurer's report was given by Bill Cowan. After expenses we ended up the month with \$2430.62. Pretty good.

Lee Rabeneau introduced our new member, Don Smith. Don is a cart man. Welcome Don.

The prize money was passed out and Mike Riehle was the big money winner for the Fountains and Woody Woodward for the Oaks.

Charlie Service reported that Bob Thurlow was ahead for "Golfer of the Year" on the Oaks and Jim Mountain was still leading for the Fountains. Others however are closing in.

Charlie Service talked about our Member-Guest Two Person Best Ball Tournament which will be June 23. More details to follow. He also mentioned

the "Glow" Ball Tournament which will be held August 29 where everyone had such a great time last year. Details to follow.

Paul Hughes talked about our tournament with the Ladies' Oaks Club which will be held Thursday, May 8. This should be a great tournament and we have lots of golfers playing. Paul wants everyone to please bring a prize for a golfer with them to the luncheon after the tournament.

Our 50/50 drawing was for \$56 and the winner was Ken Stackhouse.

Our President reminded us that all Golfers on the Fountains should play "Ready" golf if they are slowing up other golfers or falling behind. Please be aware of this.

## FOUNTAINS LADIES GOLF CLUB

By Doris Wright



Our meeting for March was too late for our last newsletter. President Betty Service called the meeting to order on March 28 with 31 members present for the Presidents Cup tournament luncheon.

Special Events Chairman Connie Phillips and Carol Young provided a terrific luncheon and received a lot of praise for the food, decoration and drinks. Betty Service congratulated the match play tournament winners and presented each of them with \$20 for winning their individual flights in the 3 day tournament. Winners were: first Flight, Doreen Burchett, Second Flight, Joan Stewart and Third flight, Marie Wilson.

Safari chairman Marie Wilson will post a sign-up sheet for members interested in a safari in July.

Membership Chairman Loretta Pittman introduced our new member Dianna Frank to the club.

The 50-50 drawing was won by Joan Stewart who received \$18.

The April 9 meeting was called to order by President Betty Service on our regular meeting day. Eighteen members were present to receive their winnings for the previous quarter. Priscilla and

Jane gave out the sweeps money that included weekly earnings and monthly low gross and low net winnings. Stella gave out Ringer money.

A major part of the meeting was devoted to preparation for our annual June Classic Tournament that will be held Monday, June 9 this year. The theme is Red, White & Blue and the entry fee is still \$60. President Betty asked members to volunteer for the various jobs needed to make the tournament run smoothly. Members who were not at the meeting may call Betty to join the others that have signed up.

Members were asked to help acquire raffle prizes for the event. Doris Wright has graciously agreed to have donations left with her at Space 85 in CV. We thank our newest member, Dianna Frank for her donation.

Betty Service has a letter of introduction for members to give to merchants when soliciting donations.

Members were encouraged to invite their guests to

participate in this fun event and to follow instructions on the sign-up sheet to be sure handicap information is included with entry fees. All members are encouraged to participate in this annual tournament.

The meeting ended with the 50-50 drawing, which found Doris Wright \$10 richer.

### **OAKS LADIES GOLF CLUB**

By Lynn Tobin



Our meeting of April 3, 2008, was called to order by President Leah Kapp, following the delightful refreshments provided by Betty Service and Sharon

Groepper.

The minutes and Treasurers reports were approved as read. There were 17 members in attendance and 1 guest. Doreen Smith introduced our guest, Brenda Webb.

The quarterly winners were announced for the Sweeps by Karen Smith and Ringers by Sally Olsen. The "Big Winner" was Sally Olsen with \$27.50. Congratulations!

Leah Kapp introduced our New Officers for July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009,

President: Connie Phillips.

Vice President: Sharon Groepper

Secretary: Priscilla DeArman

Treasurer: Betty Service

The installation of officers will be held on June 5, 2008, followed by a luncheon. Please sign up soon on the bulletin board at the Golf Course.

The Invitational day of golf with the guys for Thursday, May 8 was discussed and volunteers to help out with the day's events as needed. We must have 20-24 ladies playing, so please sign up on the bulletin board. Please bring raffle donations to the luncheon following the game.

The 50/50 drawing was won by Betty Service.

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).

### **TENNIS CLUB**

By Naomi Daily



Thank you Bev, Doreen & Billy for the great play day on Sunday, April 13. The light supper and extra treats supplied by Sue really hit the spot. It was a delightful evening with 25 coming out to

enjoy food, fellowship and games.

Our next event will be the potluck on Thursday, May 8 at 5:00 PM. in the Village Hall. Butch & Gail Stevanus will be hosting the evening. Let's top the 25 who enjoyed the play day and sign up at the Village Hall and at the tennis courts and be a part of a great club.

### **LIONS CLUB**

By Arlene Garich

**President's message:** "When Helen Keller was asked if there was anything worse than being blind, she answered, "yes! Being able to see and having no vision."



As lions our vision is to: "create and foster a spirit of understanding among all people for humanitarian needs by providing voluntary services through community involvement and international

cooperation". The Lions motto is "we serve." Our meeting on May 21 will be very heartwarming for all. We will enjoy the speakers and handlers of two **guide dogs for the blind!** This will be another great opportunity for you to join us and find out about our wonderful, community minded, service organization. If you are able to attend or bringing any guests to this very important meeting, please call Addie Wilkins (751-1859) to confirm. We want to make sure our dinner hosts will be ready for you!

It is always a challenge to prepare "just the right amount". Remember, that tail twister just might get ya if you don't!!

Our new 2008-2009 club officers will be: Leah Kapp, president; Carol Repas, treasurer; Gloria Hans and Doreen Smith, secretary. All other officers have volunteered to remain in their positions. Barbara Richardson will become a new director.

Please call Arlene Garich (751-2700) for more information about the Lions organization.

Please also note:

Time change of board meetings to 5:00 PM.

### 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).

### 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.

### 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 Betty Spencer



Wednesday, May 14, 5:00 PM, in the Village Hall. Hosts for the evening are Ruth McClain (751-8638) and Al Bunnell (749-3129).

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 Play Bridge!

### PENNY CANASTA

By Betty Bearman

Meets 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM every Thursday in the Card Room. Call Betty Bearman (751-0477) for more information.

### HAND AND FOOT

By Sandra Watkinson

If you're a card playing nut, join us for an easy canasta card game you can learn in one hand!! We

play every Monday at 1:00 PM in the game room behind the laundry room.

## 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 9 and May 23.

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.

## BUBBLY BABES

By Mary Starkey



I know this month's trip had to be cancelled since the Lavender Fields do not open until May, however, Royal Regional is held on May 17, 2008 at the Shadowridge Country Club in Vista. Cost \$24. Call me for we have to pick out a choice of entree. Each one of the Babes will become Vice Queen for this event. We have until May 12, 2008 to pay for the lunch. They will have entertainment and also honor Mothers, Grandmas, and Great-Grandmas. Checks made out to me, for I have to send one check to the RRR, ahead of time. All come, and you can see how the Queens and Vice-Queens have fun!!!

The trip to the lavender Fields will be on Saturday June 21. We will meet in the Village Hall at 9:30 AM and tour the fields at 10:30 AM followed by lunch at JAG'S in Valley Center. Invitations will be delivered in May.

Love you all, FQM Mary.

## WATER EXERCISE

Deanna Clatworthy



Open to all interested ladies. Held at the pool on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10:00 AM, 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



Jackie 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 to attendance.

## LINE DANCING FOR ALL MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY

AT 9:00 AM

By Janet LeRossignol



On Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings you will see men and women dancing in the Village Hall to all types of music for fun and exercise (for your body and your brain). If this looks like something you'd like to try, then come on down! **Beginners** should attend the **Monday** class from 9:00 AM to 9:45 AM. I highly recommend that all first timers arrive ½ hour early (8:30 AM) to learn the basic steps. For those who have danced before, in addition to the Monday class you can try the Wednesday and Friday classes starting at 9:00 AM with a ½ hour lesson at 8:30 AM for those who

need extra instruction. (Once a month on the Monday when there is a Board Workshop, the beginning class starts at 8:00 AM with extra instruction at 7:30 AM).

## RECORDER LESSONS

By Helen Smith

Helen Smith is planning a group recorder class beginning in June for those who already can read basic music. Class will meet once weekly either in Helen's home, or in the card room if it get larger than 6.

Cost is \$5 for the hour to hour and a half sessions once a week with handouts of music and practice sheets.

Once all students have signed up, then the day of week or weekend can be chosen according to everyone's schedule and availability. Sign up should be in before the last week in May.

For more information, contact Helen by email or phone.

[Helensmith214@gmail.com](mailto:Helensmith214@gmail.com)

Space #389 on Mulberry (751-4105).

## MEMORY KEEPERS SCRAP BOOK CLUB

By Lois Burdick

SATURDAY MAY 24, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM



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, 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. Even if you don't have any interest in doing it yourself, drop by and see how great some of them look. If you need supplies or just want to ask a question, call Janet Hyman (749-8120).

## MEN'S POOL PLAYER CLUB

By Orlie Macioci

If you have played pool, billiards or snooker before, we want you. Our Champagne Village Men's Pool Players



Club needs some new blood. Women are welcome too. You will have an eye opening experience when you see our 106 year old, legally blind player, pull off some shots only the professionals have done. We play Monday through Friday starting at 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM, subject to change if so desired.

We have four tables and we can barely fill one table of four players. If you're interested, please contact Orlie Macioci (749-6444) or Skip Skillion (749-1811). Thank you.

## CATHOLIC BIBLE STUDY

By Jim and Carol Kostick



The Bread of Life Catholic Bible Study will be held every Wednesday from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM in the Multi-Purpose Room behind the Laundromat. This will include Praise and Worship, sharing the Sunday Readings and time for Prayer of Petitions.

All are welcome. Please bring your Bible. Information? Please call Deacon Jim and/or Carol Kostick. (749-8313).

## VESPERS

By Margaret Meadows

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

## THURSDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

By Barbara Pittman

God's Truth is all truth and nothing but the truth. That's why we used to swear on the Bible when giving our testimony before a court of law. Our country was founded on biblical principles. Our first textbooks were biblically patterned. Our founding forefathers dedicated this country to God. We have been a blessed nation as a result.

The Bible shows a pattern that should help us remember past mistakes, so we will not be doomed to repeat them. Look at Rome, and a lot of the past great nations of the world. 9-11 showed us that we are not an exception. If you have any questions, call (751-4342).

Please come to a non-denominational meeting held in the Card Room in the Village Hall. Pastor Estus Pittman will be teaching every Thursday evening

from 7:00 PM. to 8:00 PM. **Bring your Bible and rediscover God's Truth!**

## FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS

By Jan Denny

### CHAMPAGNE VILLAGE RV CLUB

By George Cholaki



There are a couple of residents that want to sell their motor homes. Please call me me (749-9997) for the specifics. Have some good RVing.



If you're new here and haven't heard of "Friends Helping Friends," we are an organization of volunteers who drive fellow Villagers to medical appointments when they have no other means of getting there.

If you are in need of our services, please call me (749-4255) and I will find a driver for you. Please call as far in advance as possible. If it's a real emergency, however, call 911 for assistance.

We need more drivers, so if you can help out occasionally, please call me at the above number to get more information and see if it's something you would like to do. Thanks so much.

### CHAMPAGNE VILLAGE PET LOVER'S CLUB NEWS

By Bob Thurlow



We did it! We not only reached but surpassed our goal of \$4,000 to begin work on our Pet Park. Once the grading is complete our Pet Club volunteers will be able to dig the post holes, attach the fence and gate and lay the sod for this project that will let the

dogs run free (with supervision) and add another amenity to our beautiful Village.

All residents are welcome to attend our meetings to hear our objectives and concerns. If you haven't listed your pet with us, you are missing the opportunity of having over 60 people help look for it in the event it gets lost.



All you need to do to list your pet, dog, cat or bird is call Doreen Smith (751-3305) or Doreen Burchett (751-4008).

See you at our next meeting in the Picnic Area on May 20 at 3:00 P.M.

### ODDS AND ENDS

#### COME USE OUR LIBRARY!



To all cat lovers-we have quite a few of the Braun and Brown cat mystery series in paperback. If you haven't read the "Alphabet Series" by Sue Grafton in paperbacks you will find almost all of her mysteries. But, remember it is best to start at the beginning. For you who would like to listen to cassettes, we have just acquired a year's supply of the Guidepost short stories-great listening and happy reading!

### CHAMPAGNE BLVD - TRASH TALK

By Addie Wilkins



All is well with our trash pick-up on Champagne Blvd. Our next date will be Wednesday, May 14. We will meet at the mailboxes at 3:30 PM. If you can help, please call me (751-1859).

**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 \$11.60. This will give you \$15 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.

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

*Please call Janice at Sonus, ahead of time to make an appointment to see them here in the Village Hall 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 2008**

Trash for Memorial Day week will be picked up on **Saturday, May 31.**

### **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 Tuesdays 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. The dates are May 6 and 20. This is your opportunity to enjoy all the benefits of the library system.

Deadline for signing to participate in the No Fee, supplies furnished, Water Color class by artist David Musser will be May 7.

Sign-up sheet for this San Diego Public Library sponsored activity is in the copy machine room.

### **NEW RESIDENTS:**

#333 JC & Gayla Gary 751-0591

#455 Mike & Lorna Castle 749-3618