



CV NEWS

A Newsletter For
Champagne Village Property Owners Association

August 2000

Board Meeting Synopsis: 7/19/2000

Items Approved:

\$3,155.57 to Park Utilities for replacement of a leaking gas main line valve on Live Oak. To be expensed to the Association Gas Line Reserve (#21500).

\$1,750.38 to Patio Guys for re-strapping the pool furniture. To be expensed to the Pool Area Reserve (#26300).

Purchase of six (6) lightweight PVC folding tables for cost not to exceed \$320.00. Expensed to the Village Hall Reserve (#27810).

Announcements:

Next Board "Workshop" August 14th, at 9:00 AM in the Card Room. *(Always held the Monday prior to the Board meetings.)*

Next Regular Board of Directors Meeting: August 16th, at 1:00 P.M in the Village Hall.

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

NOTE: Tom Riggs' monthly report is posted on the bulletin board at the mailbox.

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

OFFICE NOTES

HELP SAVE MONEY: Turn off the lights and air conditioning when you or your group leave the Village Hall.

VILLAGE INSPECTION: During a recent Architectural inspection of the Village, the following two landscape issues were noted repeatedly:

- **LANDSCAPE PLASTIC** showing through the rocks. Inspect your yard and see if you need to spread more gravel.
- **OLD JUNIPERS** are showing their age by being mostly wood with little greenery. If this sounds like your yard, plan to obtain replacements as soon as possible.

WHEELCHAIR: A wheelchair has been located in the exercise room at the pool area for emergency use.

SWIMMING POOL & JACUZZI REMINDER:
The swimming pool may be used by minor guests between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. After 1PM only residents and guests OVER the age of 18 may use the pool. "Please do not remain with children or bring them to the pool after 1PM."

NEW PING-PONG TABLE: The new ping-pong table has arrived and is in use at the pool area. Stop by and

try your hand against some of the Village experts. *Currently, the paddles and ping-pong balls are stored under the table. NOTE: Please lift the table legs or fold the table prior to moving. Do not push or shove the table.*

REMEMBER: If you do not accompany your family or friends to the pool or other amenities, you must provide them with a guest tag showing your space number. *Each space was originally issued two of these tags. If you do not have both tags they are available for purchase at the CVPOA Office for \$10.00 each.*

LOST AT THE 4th of JULY PICNIC: Ivory necklace the "Candle Dancer" wore. If found please call Mellie Eckert at 751-2518

NEW RESIDENTS:

#56	Toms, Dorothy & Dee Ann	749-1081 (was at # 416)
#89	Anderson, Harold & Karolyn	no phone yet
#144	Johnson, Donald & Doris	no phone yet
#183	Ross, Rose Marie	751-4348
#248	Marx, Buck & Dolores	749-4915
#303	Holle, Jay & Lois	749-7140
#321	Kathan, George & Lesly	749-7735

Getting to Know....Richard Thomson

Most of you have been touched by Dick Thomson but probably weren't aware of it. He is the person responsible for the great sign-up posters that show up across from the copy machine in the Village Hall. Dick acknowledges that these take some time and effort but he enjoys doing them nevertheless.

He says that he was almost not here. By that, he is referring to the trip his parents made before he was born. They came from Scotland, on the T.S.S. Columbia. The ship hit an iceberg before it arrived in New York. From New York his parents went to San Francisco. After getting there, they happened to go to a movie where they saw a newsreel of the Columbia arriving in New York with a large hole in its bow. The Titanic went down afterwards because it, too, hit an iceberg.

Dick was born in San Francisco, and lived there until he went away to college. Not too long ago, while in the area, he returned to look at the house where he grew up. He happened to see the lady who currently lives there and was invited in and shown through. Dick

said that this was such a thrill for him, as he did not expect such a treat.

Dick has lived at 269 Lawrence Welk Drive for about 12 years. He came here from Laguna Niguel. Before that he had worked for Whittier College, in the Los Angeles area, as the Alumni Director for 8 years. This was due to the fact that he was alumni of the college; having graduated in 1934.

While attending Whittier, he lost to Richard Nixon in the race for student body president. Years later, a friend told him that Nixon only beat him by 20 votes. However, Dick was a successful candidate for Senior Class president. He was also a yell leader. Dick is very quick to declare that he owes a lot to Whittier College.

During Nixon's presidency, Dick organized a class reunion that Nixon was supposed to attend. But when he was unable to make it, the group decided that if he couldn't come to them, they would go to him. So after several communications with the White House, it was arranged and the group went to Washington.

After college, Dick went into the men's clothing business in Whittier, and later worked in the men's department for Bullock's in La Mirada near Whittier.

He has three sons by his first wife. One is a minister, one is a corporate controller and the third is a veterinarian. After his second wife died, the sons informed their dad that their mother was ill and needed care. So Dick moved her into his home here and cared for her until she died. His comment on this was, "She was the mother of my children."

Dick has been driving a tram for the Welk Company for some time. In fact that is how he met the lady now in his life. Would you believe she is a former classmate of his at Whittier College? She and her sister were going to ride the tram from the restaurant to the theater. Dick upon greeting them recognized her. So now he divides his time between here and her place at Lake San Marcos.

Recently Dick, was honored by the Welk Resort Center as their "Super Star" employee.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES BULLETIN

Hula on down to the Pacific Ocean!

Actually our swimming pool will become the Pacific Ocean for this event – (no swimming please). Mark your calendar for 5:00 PM, on August 19th. We'll have authentic Hawaiian food, Hula Dancers and Hawaiian Music. Cost for this wonderful event will be \$16.50 per person. Absolutely NO GLASS ALLOWED. You may bring your own booze in **unbreakable plastic or aluminum containers ONLY**. Or you may leave your bottle at the bar and receive your drinks in paper cups. Rum punch and non-alcoholic punch will be served. Seating is limited. *Please pay your table hostess by August 16th*. If you have any questions, or would like to be a hostess, call Dwain or LuAnn Rowe 751-0172.

First Friday Night Dance – September 1st – 7:00 – 10:00 PM. For your dancing and listening pleasure, music by “John Buzon & His Big Band of Sounds”. Invite your friends and come join your neighbors for an enjoyable evening at our own Village Hall. *We will be serving ice cream and cookies during intermission.*

***** YOUR SOCIAL ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE WISHES TO SAY, “THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO HELPED WITH THE 4TH OF JULY. WE COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU!”**



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

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Sunday, August 6th, from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM, in the Village Hall. Come out to meet your neighbors and have breakfast with them. Cost is only \$2.00 per person. Bring your own table service.

CVPOA DISASTER COMMITTEE

HELP - Calling able bodied residents in the “Blue Area!” *The Blue Area consists of spaces #1 thru #104, #202 thru #204, & #420 thru #457.* You are without an Area Control Officer and there has been a lack of volunteers. There will be a meeting of Blue Area deputies in the multi-purpose room on Aug. 8th at 4:30 PM. All those who might be willing to serve are invited to attend and find out what is required. We can never have too many participants, nor be too prepared. *If you do not know what area your home is in, check out the color-coded map on the bulletin board, in the back of the Village Hall, near the copy machine.*

FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS

“Friends Helping Friends” is an organization of volunteers who drive fellow villagers to medical appointments when they have no other means of getting there. This is a much-needed service, and the more volunteers we have, the less often any of the drivers will be called upon. If you can help, please call Jan Brostrom at 749-4255.

If you are one who is in need of a ride to your doctor's appointment, please call Jan at the above number, and she will find someone to drive you there. Please give as much lead-time as possible.

LIONS CLUB

We the Lions Club have been asked to help drive Mrs. Osborne, space #55 to the “Grambio” dialysis center on 2nd Ave. on Mon., Wed. and Fri., at 11 AM & 3 PM. We need drivers to drive once a week at 11 AM or 3 PM. One driver to drive her to and one driver to pick her up. We have joined forces with Jan Brostrom (Sheffield) “Friends Helping Friends” committee to undertake this task. Mrs. Osborne's daughter must return to Canada to restore her insurance and take care of



her own health problems. She will leave August 13 or 14 and, hopefully, return to our park in Sept. or Oct. Now is the time to stop talking about helping our friends and neighbors and take action. We need the help from our clubs, Lions, Masons, golf, tennis and cards players. Call Jan Brostron aka Shefvland - 749-4235 or Ed Ford - 749-3258.

FOUNTAINS LADIES GOLF CLUB

The Fountain's Ladies golf club met on July 12th, in the Village Hall. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Sheila Osbourne gave us an extensive treasurers report, which was approved as read.

Luella Guthrie announced the following winners for the three-month ringer board. Among the village winners were Priscilla DeArman, Ione Macioci, Loretta Pittman, and Sally Olson. Congratulation to all the winners!

Joan Saint announced the "low gross" for the month was Ione Macioci with a 73 and the "low net" was Mary Dakerman with a 53.

We have been invited to join the Men's Club for a golf outing on August 3rd, at 7 AM with a shotgun format. Many thanks to Mary Dakerman and Stella Huddleston for providing the food and drink.

Jeanne Humphrey thanks us all for our work on the successful Champagne Classic. Shirlene Sommer won our monthly drawing of \$15.50. The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 PM.

OAKS LADIES GOLF CLUB

The officers for the year 2000-01 were installed. A delightful luncheon was served. Thanks to each member of the Committee responsible for this event. The new officers:

President:	Carlene LeCocq
Vice President:	Denise Little
Secretary:	Linda Cherry
Treasurer:	Mary Roth

Yearly Awards given: "Most improved golfer" - Pat Slaughter, "Ace of the Year" - Joyce Martin with a score of 43.

July meeting notes:

*A special welcome to, new members, Marcy Schribner and Teresa Martino. Let's all invite a Champagne Village neighbor or friend to join our Club. Contact Jackie Whaite, Hospitality Chairperson, 751-0611, for new member information.

*Lomas Sante Fe Safari and 2nd Quarter awards were distributed.

*July awards:

"Low Net" - Carlene LeCocq

"Ace of the Month" - Pat Slaughter

Coming Events: August 3, 2000: Monthly meeting at 12:00 Noon. See you there!! September 29, 2000: A fabulous Spaghetti dinner to be sponsored by the Oaks Ladies Golf Club. (More information later.) The next meeting will be at 12 noon, on August 3rd. See you all there.

TENNIS CLUB PLAYS THE BALL!

Thanks to Gail and Butch Stevanus, assisted by Mackey Fisher, for hosting our July Potluck, which followed the meeting. Volunteers were solicited from membership to fill the post of Vice-President. Joyce Harrington accepted, and will be taking over the duties of that office. Glen Bosteter celebrated his 90th birthday. All of us wish you well, Glen. There's a new bench at courtside in memory of Bill Olsen; he's playing the Big Tournament in the sky now.

On August 4th, we'll make our annual trek to LaCosta Golf and Racquet Club, to watch and learn from the lady champions.

Our next play-day is August 13th. Billy and Doreen Smith are hosting, and they'll arrange to have lots of coffee, orange juice and doughnuts for all players attending. See you there!

August 24th is our annual picnic, including a Chili Cook-off Contest! There are eight contenders! Be sure to sign up by August 10th, on the sheet in the Village Hall, across from the copy machine, to confirm your attendance. Remember: many hands make light work, and the different jobs are listed, so sign up for something you'd like to do. Thanks. Watch for a flyer in your mailbox for more details.

LADIES BRIDGE

“Work that Skirt”, a lavish new production on one of the world’s largest stages. *An upbeat jaunt across six decades of American music and dance.* Cash and food credits from various casinos in Tahoe and Reno. 1 night Longstreet Inn - Amargosa Valley, NV. New deluxe euro-style, coach. Baggage handling, hotel taxes, and gratuity included. 3 dinners, 3 breakfasts, refreshments and movies on coach. \$325.00 (ea) dbl. \$395.00 single. Balance due at time of reservation

ENSENADA DAY TOUR: Sept. 23, 2000, wine and dine in Ensenada & the Guadalupe Valley. Fully escorted, local guide. Brunch (all-you-can-eat), at Calafia Seaside Resort. Explore the Guadalupe Valley, Baja, California’s Wine Country. Tour & Tasting at Pedro Domecq Winery. Dinner at the CasaMar Restaurant. There will be plenty of time after dinner for shopping or strolling Ave. Lopez Mateo. A selection of 5 different menus to choose from, and all dinners come with Margarita, soup and salad. Leave at 8:15 AM and should be home by 8:30 PM. Price: \$69.00 per person. Pay by August 30, 2000.

Monday, Sept. 11, day trip to **Viejas**. Leave village by 9:00 a.m. and home by 3:30 to 4:00 p.m. \$6.00 each

Gladys Wilkinson 749-3248

TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULE FOR 2000

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

Thanksgiving Day – November 23, 2000

Christmas Day – December 25, 2000

New Year’s Day – January 1, 2001

CHAMPAGNE VILLAGE NEWS FLASH!

A miniature railroad, located in the Village, known as the “Rocky Mountain Railroad & Bonsai Garden” becomes world known!

San Diego hosted the national “Garden Railway” convention for the year 2000. There were over 1600 people who came to the convention from all over the world and almost every state in the US.

Virginia and Lewis Bish, hosted the railroad show on July 5th, at their home space #311.

Around 8:30 AM I “fired up” our 2 engines and started the trains rolling. The first busload of 40 people, and several cars arrived about that time to view the bonsai gardens and see the trains running. The many comments from our visitors about “How beautiful it was” kept us in smiles all day.

We want to thank the people at the West Gate for their help in letting all these people in. What a job that was! They counted around 175 cars and 3 busses. It was great so many “Railroad” fans could enjoy our bit of paradise.

We also want to thank Ken Stanfield for his all his help that day. Ken designed and built this wonderful layout, which included 400 feet of track and 11 switches.

We parked the trains in the “barn shed” at 5:30 PM after a very successful day!

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO PAUL GOBER

for sharing his “Father’s Day” gifts with the office. For the last three weeks he has left a unique container at the office, which is home to his pet fish called a “betta”. This beautiful fish have long flowing fins and really has a personality. Paul and Clariece are down daily to feed “Bubbles” and on Friday’s they pick him up to spend the weekend at home. Everyone has been delighted! Especially Susan in the office. “Bubbles is more company than you might think!”