

The Champagne Village Times



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BOARD MEETING NOTES

By Tom Riggs

1. By unanimous vote the Board approved a recommendation from Smith Barney Morgan Stanley for a CD maturing in December.
2. The Board approved writing off \$2,526.08 in pre-foreclosure unpaid assessments for unit 354. The bank that now owns the unit is paying all amounts due.
3. Vice President Smith announced that there would not be a regular board meeting in December and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
4. Vice President Smith also announced that there would be a Special Board meeting on Tuesday, November 22 at 10 am to count the CC&R amendment ballots.
5. After the adjournment of the regular meeting an Executive meeting was held to conduct a hearing.

HOLIDAY MESSAGE FROM TOM RIGGS

This is the time of year we seem to think about all the things we are thankful for such as family, friends, country, etc. Having had the pleasure of working in this great community for more than

16 years now I think we should all be thankful every day! There are so many great people who live here and volunteer their time to help maintain the quality of life in Champagne Village. I see people watching out for their neighbors, visiting the sick, working on many projects around the community, putting on social events, meals for those who would otherwise be alone for the Holidays. These are the things that make a community special. On behalf of all the employees and myself we wish everyone and their families a very safe, healthy and happy holiday season.

- **There will be no Agenda Workshop in December.**
- **There will be no Board Meeting in December.**
- Board minutes and financial statements are available in the Library for your reading. SAC financials are posted quarterly and may be viewed at this same location.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

TOYS! TOYS! TOYS! TOYS!

By Ruth Royer



First of all let me start by thanking all of you who participated in last year's Salvation Army Toy Drive. There was an absolutely marvelous

outpouring of generosity in providing such a huge amount of wonderful toys. Once again we have placed two barrels just inside the entrance to the Village Hall as a receptacle for your anticipated toys. We will also have tags with a child's name and age.

If you are so inclined, you may place a toy or a game in the barrel and it will be given to a needy family through the Family Service Department of The Salvation Army in Escondido, who will be serving 650 families and approximately 1,700 children this Christmas. Anything for little ones on up through the middle school age is acceptable. Keep in mind that there is usually an abundance of stuffed animals, and things for the older kids are especially needed.

If you prefer, you may give money - put it in an envelope and put it in the barrel - we have shoppers who will buy toys. **DO NOT WRAP** your gift, the mothers are allowed to select an *appropriate* toy for their child at the Army's "Toy and Joy Shop".

As always, thanks for being such an incredibly generous, caring community. The need is REAL and your help will allow a child to receive a gift on Christmas morning when otherwise it might not have been possible. For questions call Ruth Royer (751-8466).



OFFICE CLOSED

The Office will be closed for Christmas on Friday, Dec. 23 and Monday, Dec. 26.

KIOSK HOLIDAY HOURS

The Kiosk will be open from 10 am to 2 pm on Christmas Day.

HOLIDAYS

Due to the holidays in December, please have your newsletter articles for January into the Office by December 14.

THERE IS NO TRASH DELAY:



Trash will be picked up on the regular day:

Thursday, December 29

CLUBS

In an effort to save the association money by controlling heating and air conditioning costs, we will be assigning groups to rooms based on a number of factors including the size of your group. Groups with a small number of participants will be assigned to smaller rooms so that we do not need to heat or cool the main hall any more than necessary. We will make every effort to see that everyone is in a room that is suitable for their gathering. We understand that this might change "the way it has always been done" so we hope you will understand the reasons for these changes.

If you have any Club changes for 2012, please let the Office know (749-8008).

WINTER POOL HOURS

December 1 - March 31

ADULTS - 10 am to 2:30 pm

CHILDREN - 12 pm to 2 pm



Social Activities Committee (SAC)

Peggy & Michael Holder, Janet LeRossignol, Mary Klopp, Ginny Davenport, Steve Thacker, Linda Tillman

2011/2012 Events

Christmas PartySat, Dec 3 5 pm
No Men's Breakfast in December or January
 Christmas ConcertSun, Dec 4 2:30 pm
 Holiday Home Tour.....Sun, Dec 11 ... 1:30 pm
 Tree Lighting & CarolingMon, Dec 12 4 pm
 Christmas Eve Service.....Sat, Dec 24 4 pm
 New Year's Eve Party.....Sat, Dec 31 6 pm
 Movie - Delivering MiloSat, Jan 14 6 pm
 Movie - In Her ShoesSat, Jan 28 6 pm
 Men's Breakfast.....Sun, Feb 5..... 7:30 am
 Super Bowl PartySun, Feb 5..... TBA
 Valentine's PartySat, Feb 11..... 5 pm
 Academy Award Movie Week - Feb. 22 - 25 6 pm
 Men's Breakfast.....Sun, Mar 4..... 7:30 am
 St. Patrick's Party.....Sat, Mar 17..... 5 pm

Watch for changes in red

THE NEXT MEN'S BREAKFAST

will be on

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

"On behalf of all the CV residents and guests who enjoy the Men's Breakfast, SAC would like to thank Mark Henderson for his many years of service. Great job, Mark!"

Due to the numerous back-to-back events in December and the New Year's Holiday in January, the next Sunday Breakfast in the Village Hall is scheduled for *February 5, 2012*.

Dear Champagne Village Residents:

I just wanted to take this opportunity to express how much I appreciate all the hard work that Mark Henderson does here in The Village. Especially his efforts to make the Men's Breakfast such a success each month.

I had a great time working with him each month on the Men's Breakfast. He did a fantastic job helping us all make breakfast for the residents, family and friends all these years. He has been a great team leader. I will sure miss him at the helm.

Scott Brooks, Space 344

HALLOWEEN PARTY

EXPENSES	
Cahill & Delene - entertainment	-\$400
Caterer	-\$1,890
Miscellaneous - décor, clean up, prizes	-\$154
INCOME	
143 Residents paid \$5 each	\$1,330
50-50	\$138
NET EXPENSE	-\$976

VETS DINNER

EXPENSES	
Caterer (60 residents paid, 45 Vets free)	-\$1,527
Posters	-\$23
INCOME	
60 Residents paid \$15 each	\$900
NET EXPENSE	-\$650

On Halloween for "Trick or Treat" SAC decided to treat all party attendees to a \$15 dinner and dance for only \$10. We're delighted that a good time was enjoyed by all.

CHAMPAGNE VILLAGE HOLIDAY EVENTS



CHRISTMAS PARTY
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

5:00 PM – \$15/PERSON

MUSIC BY
THE SUNDANCE BAND

Catered by Green Oak Ranch
Grilled Flank Steak, Pasta Aioli,
Vegetable Medley, Caesar Salad, Garlic
Bread & Lemon Tart

PUT CHECKS PAYABLE TO SAC (NO ENVELOPE)
OR CASH (IN ENVELOPE WITH NAME/SPACE)
IN THE CVPOA DROP BOX BY MONDAY, NOV. 28.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT
“It’s the Most Wonderful Time
of the Year”

Sunday, December 4 at 2:30 pm
Village Hall

Featuring:
CV Chorus
Coast to Coast Quartet
Luke Pash, Cellist
and Santa



Refreshments will be served

**CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING
AND CAROLING**
Plus Chili & Cornbread for carolers.

MONDAY, DEC. 12 AT 4 PM

Put your personal Christmas ornament on the
12' FOREVER CHRISTMAS TREE.
Last year’s ornaments have
been hung. If you wish, feel
free to change out your orna-
ment.



Meet at the Hall at 4 pm to
participate in the Christmas
Tree Lighting and then go car-
oling to residents in the Vil-
lage. It doesn’t matter if you can’t sing. If you
enjoy making others happy then this is for you!
After the caroling we’ll go back to the Hall for
yummy chili, cornbread, and
hot apple cider for the
carolers.



Bring your golf carts and we’ll
golf cart pool.

**CHRISTMAS EVE
IN THE VILLAGE**

Join us Saturday, December 24 at 4 pm in the
Village Hall for our annual
Candlelight Christmas Eve Service



Christ-
Carols

mas

Special Music
The Christmas Story
A Christmas Devotional

Bring your family and friends with you

*Wishing you all a Very Blessed
and Merry Christmas*



10th ANNUAL HOLIDAY HOME TOUR

Sunday, December 11 - 1:30 pm to 4:00 pm



The four homeowners who have graciously offered to open their homes this year are:

- Sandra Sidars and Dick Traverse 100 Lawrence Welk Drive
- Valerie and Steven Blue..... 111 Terrace
- Susan Davis and Paul Harvey 409 Myrtle Court
- Myrl MacKenzie 375 Privet Place

Sandra and Dick have amassed a delightful collection of snowmen, Santas and angels.

Valerie and Steven have a brand new “unique” home and are looking forward to meeting their new neighbors.

Susan and Paul recently moved in and also are looking forward to meeting their new neighbors.

Myrl has a 60 year collection of Christmas ornaments on a ten foot tree in her living room in addition to another seven foot Christmas tree in a different part of the house!

You may visit the four homes in any order. If it rains do not let it stop you! This free tour is sponsored by Arlene Garich. Donations will be accepted for our Care & Concern Committee.

CUT OUT THIS LIST AND TAKE IT WITH YOU



NEW YEAR’S EVE PARTY

Saturday, Dec. 31

6 pm — 9 pm

Potluck Goodies to Share!

We'll take you back to a time when things were simpler and music was all that mattered with The Ultimate Doo-Wop Party!

We'll “Ring In the New Year” on the big screen with Times Square at midnight in New York City which is 9 pm our time.

FREE Event - Dress casual **RSVP - Sign up in the Copy Room**

Bring your Potluck Finger Food to share - Bring your own drinks Mixers! Door Prizes! 50-50 drawing! Dance to Doo Wop VIDEOS!



Meet Mary Starkey

By Pat & Janet LeRossignol

Mary Margaret (Forrestall) Starkey was born in Malden, Massachusetts on June 26, 1926 to parents Leo and Mabel. She has one brother, Leo, Jr., who lives in San Ramon, California and recently became a widower. Leo calls Mary almost every night. They are the last of their generation, so they stay in constant communication.

Mary graduated from Everett Senior High School in 1945. She decided to work while going to college, so



her aunt suggested she get work at Western Union. Mary was trained in sending and receiving telegrams over a teletype and she still has the certificate for her training. She worked the night swing shift and attended school in the day time. Her

days were devoted to education, with a love for math and art. She became an accountant, but not quite yet an artist back then. The art came later.

When Mary was 18 years old she went to a birthday party which was being given by one of her friends. It was there she met her husband Jack Starkey. Jack was shy so he asked another man to ask her if she would go out on a double date. She said 'yes' and had a great time dancing to Jimmy Dorsey and his band. It was love at first date. They saw one another as often as they could.

It turned out that Jack was a Navy Medic just home from war in the South Pacific. He was attached to the 3rd Marine Division in the islands and his ship had come into Boston at the time. He was later re-assigned to the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland. They married two years after meeting and lived in Annapolis until he retired from the Navy.

Jack was born in San Francisco on April 20, 1925, the same day Mary's parents were married. That coinci-

dence carried into Jack and Mary marrying on April 20, 1947, Jack's 22nd birthday. They called this Divine Intervention.

After she and Jack married, Mary did not work for a few years. When Jack's tour of duty was over they went to California and visited Jack's family in Ridgecrest, California – the desert! Imagine putting a Bostonian in the desert, and trying to adjust to living there. There wasn't much to do in this desert town, so Mary went to work at the China Lake Naval Station. When Jack decided to go to college, they moved to Waco, Texas and Baylor University where Jack's grandfather and mother had gone to school.

Next was a blow! Jack joined the Army Reserve in college and had to return to military life. He added the Army to his military career. Stationed at Fort Kit Carson in Colorado Springs, Colorado they settled in. Jack was on the Physical Evaluation Board. Mary became the Adj. General's Secretary of the 5th Army until Jack got out of the Army under the point system for service done in WW2 by President's orders during the Korean War. They moved back to California again, but this time after 5 years of marriage, Mary was pregnant with her first child Julia who was born in Bakersfield, California. Jack's Mom and Dad lived there, but after Julia's birth, Jack and Mary moved to Los Angeles to find work. Jack's brothers and sisters lived nearby. Shortly thereafter, Jack and Mary had another girl named Patty. After the girls started school, Mary went back to work for Glendale Federal Savings & Loan in their executive offices in Glendale, California where she stayed for 14 years. They raised their children in La Crescenta, California.

When their kids were grown, Jack and Mary began a new adventure – traveling and living in four different states with Jack's work. He had become the Loan Guarantee Officer for the Veteran's Administration. They lived in Indiana, New York, Maryland, and Ohio. In Ohio Mary attended George Zetzer's School of Art for three years. Thanks to Mary, her friends and family now enjoy beautiful works of art on their walls.

The Starkeys again moved back to California where Jack became the head of the Los Angeles and Las

Vegas offices for Home Loans to G.I. Veterans. In 1980 Jack became ill and decided to retire after 35 years of federal service. Mary and Jack moved to Palm Springs where they played golf and socialized. Not having much else to occupy their time, they decided to go back to work doing underwriting for the V.A. and F.H.A. They started their own business called "Starkey & Associates," which they operated until Jack's death in 1998.

While in Palm Springs, Mary painted and showed her work at various art shows. She also taught water color for eight years, until they moved to Champagne Village in 1990. Mary fell in love with the Village and the people. She has worked with the Social Activities Committee as the Treasurer; the Lion's Club as their Treasurer, Director and Vice President; Queen Mother of the Bubbly Babes of Champagne Village; the Singles Club; and for a short time Mary held the office of the CFO for the CV Board. For fun she became a member and one of the key players in the hilariously great, but now "late" Champagne Village Drama Club for seven years, performing in every play. She says she played a drunk so many times on stage that the residents meeting her at the mailboxes started asking her if she should be driving in her condition!

Mary is a very accomplished and highly entertaining member of our community and is very involved. Take the time to make her acquaintance.



WHY DO DOGS LEAVE EARTH FIRST?

Being a veterinarian, I had been called to examine a ten year old Irish Wolfhound named Belker. The dog's owners and their little boy, Shane, were all very attached to Belker and were hoping for a miracle. I examined Belker and found that he was dying of cancer. I told the family that we couldn't do anything more for Belker and offered to perform the euthanasia procedure for the old dog in their home. The parents told me that they thought it would be good for six-year-old Shane to observe. They felt as though Shane might learn something from the experience. The next day I felt the familiar catch in my throat as Belker's family surrounded him. Shane seemed so calm, petting the old dog for the last time, that it made me wonder if he understood what was going on. Within a few minutes Belker slipped peacefully away. The little boy seemed to accept Belker's transition without any difficulty or confusion. We sat together for a long while after Belker's death wondering aloud about the sad fact that animal lives are shorter than human lives. Shane piped up, "I know why." What came out of his mouth stunned me. I'd never heard a more comforting explanation. Shane said, "People are born so that they can learn how to live a good life, like loving everybody all the time and being nice, right? Well, dogs already know how to do that, so they don't have to stay as long."

Resident veterans Tommy Coleman and Orlie Macioci on 11/11/11.



CHAMPAGNE SINGLES

By Mimi Baca



The Champagne Singles met in November for our monthly potluck with Dee Bender, Leah Kapp and Thelma Reich as our very creative hostesses. The tables were decorated with bright Fall colors. Games were played and prizes were won.

For our December 9 potluck (always the second Friday) we plan to have a hostess for each table who will decorate their own table. Let's see how festive we can be! If you would like to be a table hostess, please sign up in the Copy Room. We would like at least six tables. And the more the merrier! We plan to furnish the main course. All you need to bring is a side dish or dessert.

Social hour is 5:30 pm and dinner is at 6 pm. First timers are always welcome and do not have to bring a dish. Please join in the fun on Friday, December 9. See you there!

COMPUTER TALK

By Richard Coffman



There is an internet site that has free internet radio stations which you can play while you are doing email and Facebook or surfing the net. Its address is www.gotradio.com. Give it a try!

Some of you are probably not signed up for the Village Email List. It is entirely private and is not shared with any entity. To join it, send me an email at welkman1@gmail.com. We have late-breaking Village news, items for sale, specials on Welk Theatre tickets and other useful info. Try it!

"THE VILLAGE GREEN"

By a 60% majority vote of the residents, THE VILLAGE GREEN won as the name of the new bocce ball and putting green area.

MEMORY KEEPERS SCRAP BOOK CLUB

By Janet Hyman

Saturday, December 24, 10 am to 4 pm



If you love scrapbooking or would like to learn more about it, please join us in the Card Room this month.

Just bring your supplies and a light snack and come on down to 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 have a question, call Janet Hyman (749-8120).

HAPPY HANDS

By Janina Garvey

Tuesdays - 1 pm to 4 pm



Join us at Happy Hands every Tuesday from 1 pm to 4 pm in the Village Hall. We are a group of "lightly organized" ladies who enjoy crafts, needlework, knitting, crocheting, etc. We invite any resident who enjoys hand work, would like to learn, or would 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 Tuesdays between 1 and 4 pm (or join us). For more information call Janina Garvey (749-1730).

BUBBLY BABES

By QM Mary Starkey



The month of November was at home. We had a catered lunch by The Bistro at San Diego, and an entertainer, World Renowned Magician Mike Stillwell from The Magic Lounge. The Babes enjoyed trying to catch the Magician's tricks, but he was too great.

The Babes had a meeting after the luncheon to discuss the Christmas Party to be held in the Hall on December 16. A notice will be forthcoming soon. This year will be a Hoot by The Babes, meaning all hands will help put our party together as one unit. Fun will be had by all! See you soon.

CV CHORUS

By Mimi Baca



This year our Christmas Concert will be on Sunday, December 4 at 2:30. The Chorus will sing a mixture of well known Christmas songs including many of your favorites. In addition, we'll add fun skits that will introduce some of the songs. Refreshments will be served after the performance. Invite your friends to this free holiday concert.

If you have any questions please call Bob Halstead (749-2380).



CV PET LOVER'S CLUB

By Doreen Burchett & Doreen Smith



These days the Pet Park social group gathers between 3:30 pm and 4:30 pm most afternoons. All pet lovers are invited to come into the Pet Park to socialize with us and enjoy the pets at play. The Pet Park is for the use of CV residents anytime except Tuesday mornings when it is closed for maintenance.

Residents who want to use the park may obtain a key from Karin in the CV office. Please abide by the rules and regulations which are posted by the entrance, and lock the gate when you leave.

At this time of the year we need to be aware that our beautiful rural environment is also home to wildlife like coyotes, bobcats, rattlesnakes and an occasional mountain lion. **Please recycle your newspaper bags for your dog owner friends. We can use them in the Pet Park.**

This section of the CV Times is for pet people and we encourage any of you with interesting pet stories, topics or photos to submit them to share with others.



Contact Doreen B. about articles and Doreen S. to add your name to the pet One Call list.

REMINDER: PLEASE BE A RESPONSIBLE OWNER AND PICK UP YOUR PET'S WASTE.

Doreen Smith (751-3305), Doreen Burchett (751-4008)

USING COLD WATER TO CLEAN

John went to visit his 90 year old grandfather in a very secluded, rural area of Saskatchewan. After spending a great evening chatting the night away the next morning John's grandfather prepared a breakfast of bacon, eggs and toast. However, John noticed a film-like substance on his plate and questioned his grandfather asking, 'Are these plates clean?' His grandfather replied, 'They're as clean as cold water can get 'em. Just you go ahead and finish your meal, Sonny!'

For lunch the old man made hamburgers. Again, John was concerned about the plates as his appeared to have tiny specks around the edge that looked like dried egg and asked, 'Are you sure these plates are clean?' Without looking up the old man said, 'I told you before, Sonny, those dishes are as clean as cold water can get them. Now don't you fret, I don't want to hear another word about it!'

Later that afternoon when John was leaving the house, his grandfather's dog started to growl and wouldn't let him pass. John yelled, 'Grandfather, your dog won't let me get to my car'. Without diverting his attention from the football game he was watching on TV, the old man shouted 'Coldwater, go lay down now, yah hear me!'



LIONS CLUB

By King Lion Paul Fischer



Lions Club November meeting was very productive with Leah's meal (good stuff - chicken veggies, corn bread and apple pie) and a program by one of our own Lions.

The business part of our meeting was regarding our Christmas Dinner Party on Wednesday, December 14 at our usual time of 5:30 pm. Everyone was reminded to bring a wrapped gift. Details will be restated in the Bubbler.

Our program was the first of a series called "Who Am I". We will have this very informative and fun (funny?) program periodically, so read and listen carefully, you might learn something new about your neighbor. Even the residents who have been here a long time have lots to share. We started out with Pat McGuire and learned that he is a typical proud grandpa. He told us about his grandson who grew up in Ann Arbor, Michigan. During his years in high school he was a letterman in baseball. He was a select player (pitcher and designated hitter) and played in every game in his last three years. For the last two years he has been a pitcher in the Cleveland Indians organization.

Since November is "Thanksgiving Month" we all can count our blessings and be thankful that we live in a pretty special place.



**William Shakespeare
Through Film...**

**Three Ages of
Sir Laurence Olivier**

This multiple-week seminar will examine 3 films of the actor/director who brought Shakespeare to the Silver Screen.

As You Like It – 1936

Elizabeth Bergner, Sophie Stewart, Henry Ainley

Hamlet – 1948

Jean Simmons

*1948 Academy Awards for Best Picture,
Best Actor, Art Direction, Set Design,
Costume Design*

Merchant of Venice – 1974

Sir Laurence as the villainous "Shylock"
Joan Plowright, Jeremy Brett, Anthony Nicholls

**Big Screen Viewing!
First Seminar will be
Sunday, January 8, 2012
at 2 pm in the Village Hall**

Presented by CV resident Nan Klee

A sign-up sheet will be posted in the Copy Room. If you have any questions please call Nan at (760) 877-4627.

PARTNERS

By Bob Thurlow #415

A couple of years ago I wrote on this subject. Since then there have been a number of new owners and renters moving into our beautiful Village. What most of us forget, or didn't know, is that as owners we all are partners in a multimillion dollar corporation with equal shares. Therefore, it is to our mutual benefit to make sure, in our own way, that we pick up any piece of trash we see *anywhere*. Our Park looks so clean that a single piece of small paper stands out like it has a light on it. Our few smokers pick off the end of their cigarettes and place the butts in their pocket for disposal in a receptacle. We hope our renters respect this as it is their home as well. To them we say, "Use the facilities and come to the parties." You may find that you would like to become owners in the future. Let's remember to wave when we pass each other as well. Partners can also be friends.

CV MEN'S GOLF CLUB

By Steve Webb



The meeting was called to order by Paul Evans after a delicious lunch of KFC chicken, mashed potatoes & gravy, coleslaw, and biscuits picked up by Bill Cowan and served by Allan Whaite and Terry Quimby. The big winners for the month were Bob Bolt, Steve Webb, and Ruben Viera. Bob Olsen is looking for a volunteer for the upcoming year to take over the Fountain's Tournament Chairman job. Bob has done a great job for the club and we appreciate him! The new starting times for Tuesdays on the Oaks will be at 9 am. Chuck has been the Tournament Chairman for the Oak's for three years and he is going to turn it over to someone else at the end of the year. We appreciate all of his hard work for the club! Next month we will vote on new club officers.

FOUNTAINS LADIES GOLF CLUB

By Janet LeRossignol



The winners of the Eclectic Tournament were: Flight A - Doreen Burchett with a score of 57; Flight B - A tie between Priscilla DeArman and Janet LeRossignol with scores of 51; Flight C - Loretta More with a score of 48. Congratulations!

If you haven't paid your \$60 dues for 2012, please turn it in now! Don't make me show up at your doorstep!

The Christmas lunch will be held at Dominic's on Wednesday, December 14 at 12:30. Members who want to attend pay \$5 and social members pay \$15. The cash or checks (payable to Fountains Ladies Golf Club) need to be given to me, Treasurer, by game day on Wednesday, December 7. You also need to state your menu choice of fettuccine alfredo, lasagna, or salad with choice of chicken, shrimp, or salmon. Call me if you have any questions (749-7934).

The 50/50 was won by Priscilla De Arman.

OLD GOLFERS

Arthur is 90 years old. He's played golf every day since his retirement 25 years ago. One day he arrives home looking downcast. "That's it," he tells his wife, "I'm giving up golf. My eyesight has got so bad, once I've hit the ball, I can't see where it went.

"His wife sympathizes. As they sit down she says, "Why don't you take my brother with you, and give it one more try?" "That's no good," sighs Arthur. "Your brother is a hundred and three years old. He can't help." "He may be a hundred and three," says the wife, "but his eyesight is perfect."

So the next day Arthur heads off to the golf course with his brother-in-law. He tees up, takes an almighty swing and squints down the fairway. He turns to the brother-in-law, "Did you see the ball?" "Of course I did," says the brother-in-law, "I have perfect eyesight." "Where did it go?" asks Arthur. "I don't remember."

Your best round of golf will be followed almost immediately by your worst round ever. The probability of the latter increases with the number of people you tell about the former.

A severe slice is a thing of awesome power and beauty.

CV TENNIS CLUB

By Brenda Webb



The Tennis Club did not have a meeting in November due to many members being gone. Our Christmas party will be held on Thursday, December 8 at 5:30 pm and will be hosted by Billy and Doreen Smith at their home at space #458. There will be a sign-up sheet posted in the Copy Room. It is important that you sign up so that our hosts will know how many will be attending. The main dish will be posted on the sheet so please also indicate what you will be bringing. Hope to see you all there for a great evening of conversation and fun!

CARDS & GAMES

CRIBBAGE

Meets Mondays at 1 pm in the Library. For more information contact Billy Smith (751-3305).



BRIDGE FOR EVERYONE

By Virginia Niciphor

Bridge is played every Tuesday afternoon starting at 1 pm in the Card Room. No stress, no pain. Just relax and have fun. Singles welcome. Call Virginia Niciphor (751-3464).

COUPLES BRIDGE

By Linda Harper



Our next bridge date is Wednesday, Dec. 14 at 5 pm in the Hall. The Host for the evening will be Margaret Koepfel (749-5327). Sign up in the Copy Room. You may also sign up to bring dessert or hors d'oeuvres. Please bring your own libations. Three prizes each for women and men will be awarded. Bring \$2 per couple for the prizes.

MONDAY GAME NIGHT

By Linda Harper

6 pm every Monday
No potluck in December

Play Mexican Train, Mah-Jong, Hearts, Sequence, Spades, Wii or bring a new game to play! No sign up - just show up at the Hall.



PINOCHLE

By Marion Psota



Are you a pinochle player? If you are new to Champagne Village, we have a group of pinochle players who meet the first and third Friday of each month at 1 pm in the Card Room. It's a friendly, fun time and the cost is only \$1. If you're interested in playing, call Marion Psota (751-3940) 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.

HAND AND FOOT

By Stella Stanek



We need YOU! We are looking for 5 or more new people to join us on a regular basis. It's an easy card game that you can learn in one hand! We meet every Monday at 1 pm in the Multi-purpose Room behind the Laundry Room. Call Carolyn White (751-1833).

POOL PLAYERS CLUB

By Orlie Macioci

If you have played pool, billiards or snooker before, we want you! Our Pool Players Club needs some new blood, and women are welcome, too. We play Monday



through Friday from 1 pm to 3 pm, subject to change if so desired. We have two tables and can barely fill one table of four players. If you're interested, please contact Orlie Macioci (749-6444).

BUNCO

By Carolyn White



Bunco is a fun dice game that's 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 pm to 3 pm in the Hall. **Because of the Christmas holiday we will only play on December 9.** We need to know if you will be there so we can make up tables of four; call Carolyn White (751-1833) to reserve your seat. *Mark your calendar and we'll look forward to seeing you there. Bring a friend or a neighbor! The more people who play, the more money you can win.*



PENNY CANASTA

By Ginny Davenport

Meets 1 pm to 4 pm every Thursday in the Card Room. Call Ginny Davenport (908-8698) for more info.

EXERCISE

**READ
CHANGES**

LINE DANCING

By Janet LeRossignol

MWF - 9 am

On Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings men and women dance to all types of music for exercise. The Monday class uses slower music. The Wednesday and Friday classes use faster music and do more difficult dances for a harder workout. **These classes are for those who already know most of the dances or who catch on quickly by watching others. These are not instructional classes.** Come try it!



NEW!

LINE DANCE INSTRUCTION

By Janet LeRossignol

1st and 3rd Tuesday evenings

Classes start - Jan. 3, Jan. 17

6:30 - 7:30

The 8:30 on Monday instructional class has been changed to Tuesdays (first and third weeks only) from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm.

If you watch your friends and neighbors having fun dancing to various line dances at the monthly dinner/dances and think it looks like fun, try the Tuesday evening dance instruction. You'll learn the Electric Slide, Cowboy Boogie, Cha Cha, Boot Scootin' Boogie, and more! Call Janet if you have any questions (749-7934).

WATER EXERCISE

By Deanna Clatworthy

MWF - 10 am

TTh - 1 pm

Open to all interested persons and held at the pool on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10 am.

Come try the 40 minute water aerobic CD. If you like it and plan to continue, there is a one time charge of \$5 to cover expenses.

Call Deanna if you have any questions (751-0204).



AEROBIC DANCE

By Peggy Holder

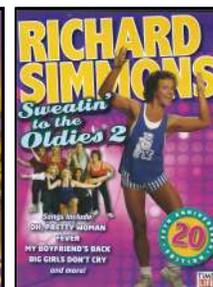
Workout for a Healthy Heart

Mondays - 2:00 pm

Thursdays - 9:00 am

CHAIR AEROBICS will take up the first half hour! They're easy, fun and good for you.

Join us in the Village Hall for aerobic dance workouts on Mondays and Thursdays. We'll be working out with Richard Simmons' "Sweatin' To The Oldies" and "Sit Tight" being shown on the large screen.



NEW!

BACK UP and SLAM!

By Lee Conner

CV Table Tennis Club is now forming. If you have played table tennis before, we need you. Nationally ranked competition players to king-of-the-basement players to barroom champions, we have them all, and they all need someone to take them down a notch!

Come on down. CV is the proud owner of two new tables in the Village Hall. We play almost every week day or evening, and we need more players to enjoy both singles and doubles play. If you want more information, a confidential one-on-one session to see if you still have the chops, or if you still enjoy playing like you used to, call Lee Conner (749-2857). Let it ring; I'll pick up on my cell after 4 rings if I'm not home.



BOCCE BALL WARNING! 😊

Please DO NOT use the bocce balls on the putting green. If one of them goes into a golf cup with the pin removed, it is very difficult to get the bocce ball out of the cup. It's already happened and it took 2 hours to get it out!

VOLUNTEERING

Safeguarding Our Village

By Bev Davenport

- The Safety Committee is working hard to develop the ideas that many of you presented at the November 3 meeting. We took each idea seriously and are almost ready to present ideas to the Board of Directors.
- Remember, it takes each person in the Village to help keep the Village a safe place to live. If in doubt of someone or something you see, please don't hesitate to call the Village office or 911. If you can take a picture with your cell phone or a camera it might help to determine what you saw and if it was really a problem. We do not want people to try to be heroes and take on a situation that might cause harm to themselves.
- Remember we are not a secure Village. You must keep the doors to your home locked and your cars locked. Do not leave articles of value out where they may be seen and taken.
- Watch this spot in the CV times for updates on **Safety Hints and Tips**. Keep your eyes open and report anything you think does not look right. Watch for the Village Safety meeting in January.

Need to give your kids a gift idea for yourself? Solar power lights used outdoors offer light indoors if the power goes out. Ask Santa for several for your yard and then remember where they are when the power goes off.



FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS

By Nickie Kettenring

We are volunteers who drive fellow Villagers to medical appointments when they have no other means of getting there. If you're in need of our services, please call me (749-8119) and I will find a driver for you. If it's a real emergency call 911 for assistance.

We need more volunteers to drive, so if you can help out occasionally, please call me to get on the list.

IN MEMORY OF



Mike Dail #229
Dick Kerby (previous resident)
Elizabeth Malin #42

Please pray for the families of these dear ones. Cards with notes of encouragement are always appreciated.

WHERE DO OLD PHONE CORDS GO ?

Every one of these sheep is made from telephones and cords. Check out their feet. This picture is from the Museum of Communications in Frankfurt, Germany.



**VESPERS**

By Margaret Meadows

Sundays at 4 pm

We hold a non-denominational service every Sunday from 4 pm to 5 pm in the Card Room. We serve communion the first Sunday of the month with fellowship after the service.

PLEASE NOTE: There will NOT be fellowship on December 4 and there will NOT be a service on December 25.

“Christmas Gifts”

By Bev Davenport

Merry Christmas from everyone on the Care and Concern Committee. We hope that most of you will join us for Christmas caroling on Monday, December 12 and then stay for chili and cornbread and good fellowship.

The best Christmas gifts are those we share by giving love and concern to others. Just like the first Christmas when God sent His son, Jesus, to bring peace, love, and joy to the whole world. Christmas is my favorite time of the year; the cold crisp nights, the beautiful lights, and the music, which brings joy to my heart, and makes it “The most wonderful time of the year”. I don’t need any objects to make me happy, I just want to share time with family and friends who love me for who I am. These are the things that are important to me. So with this season, look for opportunities to go to Christmas concerts, view the beautiful lights, enjoy some friends at a party, bake a few extra goodies for a neighbor, watch a Christmas movie, go caroling, and make time to tell God, “thank you for letting us celebrate the birth of your son, Jesus”.

The last suggestion I have for a gift is to give peace to others, bring about reconciliation with family and friends that need a word of encouragement and forgiveness, agree to disagree and mend the broken relationship with two words, “I’m sorry.” The peace that you will feel is a wonderful peace and hopefully will restore a broken relationship. Life is too short to hold a grudge and not forgive. The challenge is on... Who in your life needs this gift?

The Care and Concern Committee prays for needs in the Village. If you have a need please call or email Bev Davenport with your request. hwdbev@orionbroadband.net or 715-6335.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

**CATHOLIC BIBLE STUDY**

By Jim and Carol Kostick

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm

The Bread of Life Catholic Bible Study is held every Wednesday from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm in the Multi-Purpose Room behind the Laundry Room. It includes Praise and Worship, sharing the Sunday Readings and time for Prayer of Petitions.

All are welcome. Please bring your Bible. Need more information? Call Deacon Jim or Carol Kostick (749-8313).

CHAMPAGNE VILLAGE BIBLE STUDY

By Jack & Naomi Boneham

Tuesdays at 7 pm

THIS BIBLE STUDY HAS BEEN DISCONTINUED

VILLAGE BIBLE STUDY & CARE GROUP

By Bob & Norma Halstead

Thursdays at 7 pm

This is a non-denominational bible study group that meets the 1st, 3rd and 5th Thursdays at 7 pm in the Card Room. We will be studying Philipians which will be approximately 6 sessions. After the study there will be a time for sharing prayer requests and praying followed by a time of fellowship. Any questions call Bob & Norma Halstead (749-2380).

ODDS & ENDS

LIBRARY

By Nickie, Joann, Connie and Liz



Thanks to an especially generous number of books donated recently by our good residents, we have been able to turn over older duplicates to **Wayne and Sylvia Clark**. These two are kind enough to take our discards to the VA Hospital and other senior facilities.

We have noticed some DVD cases coming in without discs again. Please make sure your offerings are complete. We usually check them on arrival, but suggest that anyone choosing audio/visual items ensure that the disc/tape is enclosed. If not, put it in the basket so we may be aware.

Merry Christmas to All.

BOOKMOBILE

By Betty Mortz

Tuesdays, Dec. 6 and Dec. 20
10 am - 12 noon



The Bookmobile van parks near the Laundry and the librarians are very helpful. They will answer your questions, order your requests for books not on the van, and issue library cards if you need one. Come on in and meet the librarians.

NEW RESIDENTS

#456 Jody Barrows
(Former Resident)
751-8648



TRASH SCHEDULE

THERE IS NO TRASH DELAY:

Trash will be picked up on the regular day:

Thursday, December 29

GOLF CART CLINICS

Fridays - 2nd, 3rd, and last
9 am at Car Wash area



The A-1 Golf Cart Clinic is held every *second* Friday.

The Golf Carts & More Clinic is held every *third* Friday.

The Escondido Golf Cart Service Clinic is every *last* Friday.

WATCH & JEWELRY REPAIR

Need a new battery for a watch or a piece of jewelry repaired? Every Monday from 1 pm until dusk the Welk Resort has a Farmer's Market and there is a master jeweler who can insert new batteries into your non-working watches right there quickly and inexpensively. Try him out. It's easier than driving into town. His name is Kenneth Olson (951-312-3039).



By Linda Harper

I have See's gift certificates and can get boxed candy for you. Please specify what type of candy you want. You may put your order in with a check made out to Linda Harper in the CVPOA drop box at Karin's office or in my mailbox at 186 Skyline. The price is \$13.50/lb. I'll deliver your order to your home.

VAN TRIPS



The Village Van goes to the Von's Shopping Center on El Norte Pkwy every **Friday at 9 am**.

Please call the Office to sign up (749-8008). All residents who no longer drive are welcome.

The Golden Egg Omelet House Fundraiser

10% of Food and Beverage is contributed to SAC if you mention you live at CV!

316 West Mission Ave.
Escondido, CA 92025
(760) 489-6420

Open Daily 7 am - 2:30 pm

BLUE dumpsters at the mailboxes are for newspapers, mail and recyclable items.

The square rock container at the mailboxes is for GARBAGE only.

ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE

CARDS & GAMES

	<u>Time</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Phone</u>
Bridge for Everyone	Tuesday 1 pm	Virginia Niciphor	751-3464
Bridge for Couples	2 nd Wednesday 5 pm	Linda Harper	751-0075
Bunco	2 nd /4 th Friday 1 pm	Carolyn White	751-1833
Cribbage	Monday 1 pm	Billy Smith	751-3305
Game Night	Monday 5 pm/6 pm	Linda Harper	751-0075
Hand and Foot	Monday 1 pm	Carolyn White	751-1833
Penny Canasta	Thursday 1 pm	Ginny Davenport	908-8698
Pinochle	1 st /3 rd Friday 1 pm	Marion Psota	751-3940
Pool	Monday-Friday 1 pm	Orlie Macioci	749-6444

CRAFTS, ETC.

Scrap Book Club	4 th Saturday 10 am	Janet Hyman	749-8120
Happy Hands	Tuesday 1 pm	Janina Garvey	749-1730

EXERCISE

Aerobics	Monday 2 pm/Thurs 9 am	Peggy Holder	690-3798
Line Dance for Beginners	Monday 8:30 am/ends 2012	Janet LeRossignol	749-7934
Line Dance Instruction	Starts January 3/Tues 6:30 pm	Janet LeRossignol	749-7934
Line Dance	MWF 9 am	Janet LeRossignol	749-7934
Water Exercise	MWF 10 am	Deanna Clatworthy	751-0204
	Tuesday/Thursday 1 pm		

RELIGION

Catholic Bible Study	Wednesday 6:30 pm	Jim/Carol Kostick	749-8313
Vespers	Sunday 4 pm	Margaret Meadows	749-7573
Village Bible Study/Care	1 st /3 rd /5 th Thurs 7 pm	Bob/Norma Halstead	749-2380

SPORTS

CV Men's Golf	Tuesday/Thursday am	Lee Rabeneau	751-2544
Fountains Ladies Golf	Wednesday am	Betty Service	749-0575
Oaks Ladies Golf	Thursday am	Deanna Clatworthy	751-0204
Ping Pong (see article, p.13)	M-F evenings	Lee Conner	749-2857
Tennis	2 nd Thursday 5:30 pm	Billy Smith	751-3305

VOLUNTEERING

Care & Concern Committee		Bev Davenport	751-3025
Friends Helping Friends		Nickie Kettering	749-8119

MISCELLANEOUS

Bubbly Babes/Red Hats	Various	Mary Starkey	751-0825
Champagne Singles	2 nd Friday 5:30 pm	Janice Gleyzal	751-1224
		Donna Shaw	751-1799
CV Chorus	Tuesday 10:30 am	Bob Halstead	749-2380
Lions Club	3 rd Wednesday 5:30 pm	Paul Fischer	749-8918
Social Activities Committee		Peggy Holder	690-3798

For changes contact Karin in the Village Office

Champagne Village Calendar - DECEMBER 2011

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
<p>4</p> <p>No Men's Breakfast</p> <p>2:30 Christmas Concert</p> <p>4:00 Vespers</p>	<p>5</p> <p>8:30 Line Dancing</p> <p>10:00 Water Aerobics</p> <p>1:00 Bridge</p> <p>1:00 Hand & Foot</p> <p>1:00 Cribbage</p> <p>2:00 Aerobics</p> <p>6:00 Game Night</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p>	<p>6</p> <p>10:00 Bookmobile</p> <p>1:00 Bridge for Everyone</p> <p>1:00 Happy Hands</p> <p>1:00 Shanghai</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p> <p>6:00 Water Aerobics</p>	<p>7</p> <p>9:00 Line Dance</p> <p>10:00 Water Aerobics</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p> <p>6:30 Catholic Bible Study</p>	<p>1</p> <p>9:00 Aerobics</p> <p>11:30 Oaks Ladies Golf</p> <p>1:00 Pennies</p> <p>3:00 Water Aerobics</p> <p>7:00 Village Bible/Care</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p>	<p>2</p> <p>9:00 Line Dance</p> <p>9:00 Shop/CV Van</p> <p>10:00 Water Aerobics</p> <p>10:30 Chorus Rehearsal</p> <p>1:00 Pinochle</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p>	<p>3</p> <p>5:00 Christmas Party</p>
<p>11</p> <p>1:30 Holiday Home Tour</p> <p>4 - 9 Private Party in the Hall - Smiths</p> <p>4:00 Vespers</p>	<p>12</p> <p>8:30 Line Dancing</p> <p>10:00 Water Aerobics</p> <p>1:00 Bridge</p> <p>1:00 Hand & Foot</p> <p>1:00 Cribbage</p> <p>2:00 Aerobics</p> <p>4:00 Tree Lighting/Caroling</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p>	<p>13</p> <p>1:00 Bridge for Everyone</p> <p>1:00 Happy Hands</p> <p>1:00 Shanghai</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p> <p>6:00 Water Aerobics</p>	<p>14</p> <p>9:00 Line Dance</p> <p>10:00 Water Aerobics</p> <p>5:00 Couples Duplicate Bridge</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p> <p>6:00 Lions Club</p> <p>6:30 Catholic Bible Study</p>	<p>15</p> <p>9:00 Aerobics</p> <p>11:00 Men's Golf Club</p> <p>1:00 Pennies</p> <p>3:00 Water Aerobics</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p> <p>7:00 Village Bible/Care</p>	<p>16</p> <p>9:00 Line Dance</p> <p>9:00 Shop/CV Van</p> <p>9:00 Golf Carts & More</p> <p>10:00 Bubbly Babes</p> <p>10:00 Water Aerobics</p> <p>1:00 Pinochle</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>18</p> <p>11 - 4 Private Party in the Hall - Noels</p> <p>4:00 Vespers</p>	<p>19</p> <p>8:30 Line Dancing</p> <p>10:00 Water Aerobics</p> <p>1:00 Bridge</p> <p>1:00 Hand & Foot</p> <p>1:00 Cribbage</p> <p>2:00 Aerobics</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p> <p>6:00 Game Night</p>	<p>20</p> <p>10:00 Bookmobile</p> <p>1:00 Bridge for Everyone</p> <p>1:00 Happy Hands</p> <p>1:00 Shanghai</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p> <p>6:00 Water Aerobics</p>	<p>21</p> <p>9:00 Line Dance</p> <p>10:00 Water Aerobics</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p> <p>6:30 Catholic Bible Study</p>	<p>22</p> <p>9:00 Aerobics</p> <p>10:30-8 Private Party Hall</p> <p>1:00 Pennies</p> <p>3:00 Water Aerobics</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p>	<p>23 OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>9:00 Line Dance</p> <p>9:00 Shop/CV Van</p> <p>10:00 Water Aerobics</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p>	<p>24</p> <p>10 - 4 Scrapbook Club</p> <p>4:00 Christmas Eve Service</p>
<p>25 CHRISTMAS</p> <p>8:30 Line Dancing</p> <p>10:00 Water Aerobics</p> <p>1:00 Bridge</p> <p>1:00 Hand & Foot</p> <p>1:00 Cribbage</p> <p>2:00 Aerobics</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p> <p>6:00 Game Night</p>	<p>26 OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>8:30 Line Dancing</p> <p>10:00 Water Aerobics</p> <p>1:00 Bridge</p> <p>1:00 Hand & Foot</p> <p>1:00 Cribbage</p> <p>2:00 Aerobics</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p> <p>6:00 Game Night</p>	<p>27</p> <p>1:00 Bridge for Everyone</p> <p>1:00 Happy Hands</p> <p>1:00 Shanghai</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p> <p>6:00 Water Aerobics</p> <p>6:30 Bunco Babes</p>	<p>28</p> <p>9:00 Line Dance</p> <p>10:00 Water Aerobics</p> <p>5:00 Couples Duplicate Bridge</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p> <p>6:30 Catholic Bible Study</p>	<p>29</p> <p>9:00 Aerobics</p> <p>1:00 Pennies</p> <p>3:00 Water Aerobics</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p> <p>7:00 Village Bible/Care</p>	<p>30 OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>9:00 Line Dance</p> <p>9:00 Escondido Golf Cart</p> <p>9:00 Shop/CV Van</p> <p>10:00 Water Aerobics</p> <p>5:30 Table Tennis</p>	<p>31</p> <p>6:00 New Year's Eve Party</p>