

THE VILLAGE VOICE

DATES TO REMEMBER

- **Mother's Day** is Sunday, May 11th
- **SVV Board Meeting** is Tuesday, May 13, 2003 at 7:00p.m.
- **Memorial Day** is Monday, March 26th. Fly you flag. *The village office will be closed.*

NEIGHBORHOOD REMINDERS

Doggie Doo is still a problem in the Village. If you walk your dog(s) in the Village, please remember to take clean-up supplies with you. Dog droppings on sidewalks are unpleasant as well as unsanitary. In addition, with more children playing in the Village, residents don't want to address the messes on shoes that can be tracked into homes. Your help and cooperation is appreciated.

If you are a "BLASTER" with your car windows down and your radio volume up...please remember to lower the volume when you enter the Village.

Back gate lights left on all night help deter crime in our Village. Check your bulbs and leave a light burning.

In recent months the Village has acquired several new residents with dogs—who, when left in patios let their presence be known. Be a good neighbor, and if your dog is a barker, please be considerate of your neighbors.

If you see a maintenance problem in the Village, please call the office and report the problem.

SWIMMING POOLS

Remember that our pool is a "SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK" pool with **no lifeguard**. Dangerous activities such as diving from stacked chairs could result in serious injury. Remind your family members and their guests to follow the rules for a safe and enjoyable summer. A copy of the Pool Rules is attached to this newsletter. Please review them with your family and their guests.

OUR VILLAGE

The dictionary defines a village as a group of homes and buildings – similar to a small town, with its own government. Second Victorian Village is a self-governing small community with its own by-laws and covenants, which were established by the founding fathers to allow us to govern our community.

Recently our Village has been rocked with turmoil and confusion. Issues that are unpleasant to accept and even more difficult to deal with have been brought forward. We must all review and hear the accusations and the answers before we determine our individual vote in the outcome. We must weigh how certain decisions will affect Village life and if these decisions are in the best long-range interest of Second Victorian Village.

Several of our residents searched the public records of our Village to substantiate claims of purported wrong doings. These residents are hosting an open forum and presentation of the facts as they see them on Tuesday and Wednesday in the Clubhouse at 7:00pm.

This editorial is being written by a resident who wants what is best for the Village, but strongly urges each resident to attend both the announced privately sponsored meeting and the Board Meeting on Tuesday May 13th. After attending both of these meetings, review the data presented and then, and only then, make your decision on the action(s) for which you are comfortable.

The future of our Village is in our hands and we must act responsibly.

THE GRAPE VINE

Please remember Sheryl English, one of our residents and two of our Board members, Earl Hardin and Charles Boardman in your thoughts as they recover from serious illnesses. Cards would certainly help their moral. If you would like, cards

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may be left at the Village Office for delivery to their family on a regular basis.

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

A recent review of Village records showed that many of our residents do not have current emergency phone numbers and contacts. Please take a moment of your time, complete the attached form, and return to the office.

In the event of a daytime emergency, the office staff should be able to reach you or a person you designate. In the event of an emergency if you were out of town, an alternate contact would be most helpful.

And, if you are going on vacation soon, please remember to let Office Fletcher know of your plans. Ask a neighbor to pick up your newspaper if you don't stop delivery and to take any Village correspondence off your gate.

SUGGESTIONS WELCOME

The Village Voice shares suggestions and solicits your comments. Written comments may be in the mailbox at the Village Office at 10500 Hammerly.

Important Telephone Numbers

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