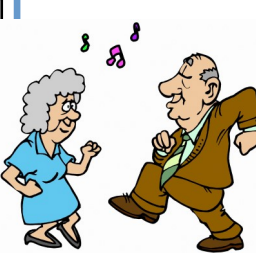


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**SIERRA BONITA VILLAGE
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BOARD MEETINGS**
2:00 PM 3rd Wednesday of the
month
Paso Robles, Senior Center

 Check out the Paso Roble Senior Center for fun and activities. The Center offers everything from computer assistance to yoga classes. You can join for \$12.00 per year for personal membership or \$15.00 per year for a family membership. Phone: (805) 238 3880. If you are a senior, disabled or low income and in need of transportation, call Ride On (805) 541-8747 or Senior Go (805) 473-3333.

AARP is again assisting with personal tax preparations. IRS certified volunteers are available for appointments on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8:30 to 2:00 PM until April 15th at the Veterans Memorial Building. Appointments will be taken by the Paso Robles Senior Center personnel at (805) 237-3880.

If you are a homeowner of limited income, and your home is in need of repair Habitat for Humanity may be able to assist you. Call (805) 782-0687.

If you need legal assistance, but cannot afford a private attorney, San Luis Obispo Legal Assistance Foundation may be able to help you. (805) 543-5140, 1732 Spring Street, in Paso Robles.

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All Homeowners and Residents Welcome ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Where: Paso Robles Senior Center, 270 Scott Street

When: Saturday February 22

9:30 AM to 10:00 AM Coffee & Donuts

10:00 AM General Meeting



**Councilman Fred Strong to speak on
Chandler Ranch Development and
Downtown Parking Solutions for Seniors
Traffic & Safety Issues**

Village Rentals



Approximately 35% of Sierra Bonita Village homes are rentals. For the most part the tenants of Sierra Bonita Village are good neighbors, who abide by the CC&R's and maintain their yards as well as any homeowner. It is important to have affordable rentals as part of any senior community.

If you own a rental, please assist your tenant by supplying them with a copy of the abridged CC&R's (available on-line to download at sierrabonitavillage.com). Many landlords tape a copy on the inside of a cabinet door in the kitchen and note in their lease that tenants are required to abide by them. All absentee homeowners are required to notify the Board of the names and contact information of all persons residing in their unit and are also required to keep the office updated with their own contact information.

Please...please, do not place a messy "for rent" sign made with a black marking pen by the entrance to Sierra Bonita Village. It reflects badly on the entire community. It is sufficient to place a "for rent" sign on your own propertyas prospective tenants ride through the village on a daily basis looking for rentals.

And lastly remember that rents are high and continue to rise along with our property values, so please treat tenants and neighbors with respect by maintaining your units in good condition both inside and out.



Dues Are Due... Time to Feed The Piggy

It's that time of year again. Dues invoices were mailed out on December 5th and payments were due by January 31st.

If you have not received your invoice, mail your payment for \$65.00 to SBVHOA, PO Box 3345, Paso Robles, CA 93447. Include a statement that says at "least one person or no person" over the age of 55 years resides in your property. Date and sign the statement.

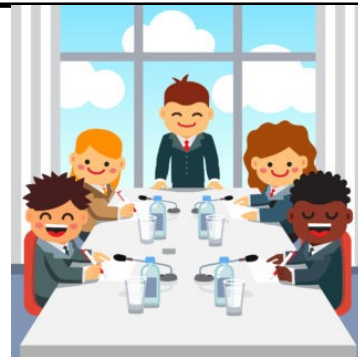
PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU PAY YOUR DUES VIA E-BANKING, YOU ARE STILL REQUIRED TO COMPLETE AND RETURN THE CENSUS RECEIPT AT THE BOTTOM OF YOUR INVOICE.

The Davis Stirling Act requires the Association to take a census to insure that a minimum 80% of the homes in Sierra Bonita Village have at least one resident 55 years of age or older and homeowners are required to participate in that census.

If we do not participate in the census our designation as a senior community may be revoked. A fine of \$25.00 may be assessed for those who refuse to comply. If you have lost your receipt, send a note with the information required either by US mail or email. If sent by US mail sign and date the note.

What's Up With The Board

Meet the newest member of our Board, Terri Henley. Terri is a long time Paso Robles resident and although she currently works full time for a nationwide fuel company doing property research and facilitating access agreements, she has volunteered to serve as a director on the Board. Terri also volunteers as a member of a community group from her church that prepares dinners once a month for the homeless at ECHO shelter. Terri enjoys helping others and has joined the Board to learn more about our community.



The Board is always on the look-out for those who, like Terri, would like to have an impact on the community they live in by serving as a director. No previous board service is required. One must be a resident owner with a willingness to be fair minded when considering issues that affect the entire Village. Meetings are held once a month for about one hour and there are two annual events which require director attendance. Volunteers are always needed for folding newsletters, assisting with inspections and distributing flyers etc.

Remember, Board approval is required for all alterations such as changing paint colors, installing a patio in front or installing a new roof. Colors of matching units must be the same except for a newly installed garage door that is manufactured in white or off-white, in which case the door does not need to be painted to match that garage door of the attached unit.

As a reminder RV's, boats or trailers are to be stored off-site except for 72 hours before or after a trip and a city permit is required to park on the street at any time. Trash cans need to be stored out of sight and not up by garage doors or on the side of your house that is visible from the street.

If you are physically unable to move your cans down to the curb Waste Management drivers will bring the cans down from your garage and put them back. To make arrangements with Waste Management call (805) 238-2381. You must supply a physician's statement, that says you are physically unable to do it yourself.



Mark Rapoport, one of our newest directors has a few words of advice for getting your garden ready for spring.

As Spring is near it is good time to finish dormant pruning of roses, fruit trees and grape vines as well as Crape Myrtle. When pruning your roses, strip all the old foliage and clean up fallen leaves. This will help combat the spread of disease.

A dormant spray of copper and horticultural oil (follow label directions) is also very helpful. This can be applied to fruit trees also and is recommended. For the control of Peach Leaf Curl two applications are needed one around Thanksgiving and one around Valentines Day.

Also this is a good time to prune Lavenders that were not pruned after bloom. There are many overgrown specimens

Get Your Garden Ready

in the community which could benefit by being trimmed and shaped. Butterfly bushes also need to be thinned out and cut back. This will encourage new flowering wood. Sages that were not cut back in the fall should be pruned now also. This is a good time to cut back old and woody shrubs. They may look bald for a while, but will put out fresh new growth in the Spring. A couple of examples are Abelia and Euryops.

As always weed control is a priority. The sooner weeds are dealt with the better. There is either physical control or herbicidal applications. Along with hand pulling, a Hula Hoe works great on seedlings and smaller weeds. With minimal physical exertion, a regular garden hoe is also very effective. A linoleum knife is a very handy tool to get the weeds in cracks. There are also various herbicides available. If you choose to use an herbicide please be sure to read the label and follow the directions exactly. Straight vinegar works well on seedlings if one does not want to use garden chemicals. More than one application may be needed, but persistence

pays off. Vinegar is less effective on larger weeds. Ideally never let the weeds go to seed!

This is a good time to fertilize fruit trees roses along w/ evergreen shrubs etc.. Either specialty fertilizers or a general purpose will work fine. The goal is to have the nutrients available to the plants when the spring growth starts.



POWER SHUT OFF AND WHAT TO EXPECT



Here is what to expect, when a safety power shutoff is needed due to wildfire threats or extreme weather.

1. Early Warning Notification—Power company will send customer alerts before shutting off power.
2. Ongoing Updates—Ongoing updates will provide through social media, local news and radio transmission (KPRL 1230 AM for additional updates)
3. Safety Inspections—After extreme weather or other issue has passed, lines will be inspected to safely restore power.
4. Power Restoration- Outages could last multiple days. It is important that you have an emergency plan in place.

You can create your emergency plan by following these tips:

1. Update your contact information with your energy service company.
2. Have back up charging methods for your phones and keep hard copies of emergency numbers.
3. Have a plan to for medications that need refrigeration.
4. Have a stocked emergency kit with flashlights, batteries, first aid supplies and cash.
5. Designate an emergency meeting location for family/friends.
6. Know how to manually open garage door.
7. If you have medical devices that require electricity...be sure to have a plan like a portable generator.
8. Make a plan with neighbors to check on each other.