

"THE VILLAGE MATTERS"

THE PARKS VILLAGE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION INFORMATION BULLETIN NO. 8. – 25/11/04...

(1) VISITORS USING VILLAGE FACILITIES MUST BE ACCOMPANIED:-

A number of reports have been received that Visitors are using Village Facilities without being accompanied by any Resident. It is an essential Village Rule that **ALL** Visitors are accompanied and that Children are fully supervised, when using Village Facilities. Recently, I have received disturbing reports of "unknown people" kicking a football on the bowling green; an "unknown person" doing "wheelies" on Village roads and "unknown/unaccompanied people" driving in, swimming in the pool and then leaving.

I really believe we all need to take responsibility for our Visitors, to ensure that such examples do not continue. Unfortunately, such instances will result in some form of damage to our facilities or injury to a Resident. If any damage occurs, it will affect us all, via the unnecessary expenditure of our Maintenance Fees.

(2) REMINDER RE SWIPE CARD ACCESS TO THE COMMUNITY CENTRE:-

To avoid personal inconvenience, it is a good idea to get into the habit of taking your swipe card with you, whenever you go to the Community Centre, because the facilities may be secured.

(3) RESIDENTS' GENERAL MEETING – THURSDAY, 2nd. DECEMBER:-

Please do not forget the Residents' General Meeting to be held on **Thursday, 2nd. December, at 7.30 pm. in the Community Centre Hall**. A Notice of Meeting/Agenda was delivered to all letterboxes on Wednesday, 17th. November, as per the Constitution.

(4) BARBECUE DINNER AND JAZZ CONCERT – FRIDAY, 12th. NOVEMBER:-

The entire evening was an outstanding success, with approximately **170 Residents** attending the "Happy Hour", Dinner and/or Jazz Concert. Hearty congratulations and special thanks are extended to **ALL HELPERS**, who assisted in any manner whatsoever, to ensure that the function was so enjoyable! "Everybody likes their daily jazz!" "**The Daily Jazz Group**" was terrific and I am sure Residents would like to enjoy a return visit next year.

(5) CHRISTMAS DINNER – FRIDAY, 17th. DECEMBER:-

The final Friday Night Dinner for 2004 will be our Christmas Dinner. Thank-you to all Residents, who responded as requested. The cost will be **\$10.00 per person**. There will be no "Happy Hour" on this occasion and the **Dinner will commence at 6.00 pm.**

Residents, who indicated that they wished to attend the Dinner, can now purchase their ticket(s) from Ian Mauger (Unit 14). Tickets can be purchased from Ian or **at the "Happy Hours" prior to Friday, 17th. December. Please purchase your ticket(s) by Monday, 13th. December.**

Volunteers are being sought to develop a Bar Duty Roster for this special function. If you would be willing to be included in the Bar Duty Roster, please contact me on **681**.

(6) EXPENDITURE OF BINGO PROFITS:-

It appears that a misconception may be circulating regarding the expenditure of any Bingo Profits. Some Residents believe that the Bingo Profits were to be used to purchase a piano. I wish to clarify that our new piano was purchased from the Residents' Association Committee's General Funds.

(7) LIST FOR COMMUNITY CENTRE KITCHEN HELPERS:-

A list has been placed in the Community Centre Kitchen and Residents are invited to record their Name, Unit Number and the type of assistance they are willing to offer. In due course, the Catering Planning Group will draw-up a Kitchen Helper Roster, so that we share the workload and importantly utilise the skills of newer Residents to our Village. Thank-you in anticipation to all our willing volunteers!

(8) SOUTH AUSTRALIAN RETIREMENT VILLAGES RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION:-

Recently, a number of Residents renewed their Membership or joined the South Australian Retirement Villages Residents' Association (**SARVRA**). When David Tonkin (Unit 124) collected the 2004/2005 Membership Fees, we inadvertently used the old fee structure. Consequently, we need to collect **\$1.00 per Couple/Single Membership**, because SARVRA increased the Membership Fees at its Annual General Meeting. **The new Annual Membership Fees are \$7.00/Couple or \$5.00/Single.** We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause **SARVRA** Members. Please contact David Tonkin as soon as possible, to arrange payment of the additional **\$1.00**.

(9) LUNCHESES AT THE "GRADUATES RESTAURANT", REGENCY PARK:-

In early October, two (2) Luncheons were enjoyed by 80 Residents at the "**Graduates Restaurant**", at the **Regency School of Catering**. If you wish to register your interest in attending a Luncheon next year, please contact Wendy Grindle (Unit 18). The Luncheons cost **\$18.00 per head** and were outstanding value as well as being most enjoyable.

(10) "BOTTLE DRIVE" – SATURDAY, 20th NOVEMBER:-

We had a very successful collection last Saturday! We raised **\$116.35**, which is quite a remarkable achievement for less than an hour's work. Many thanks to the willing band of "**bottlies**" and the Residents, who kindly donated their bottles. It would be helpful if Residents could remove all bottle caps. If you place your bottles in cardboard cartons, please ensure that they do not get wet by sprinklers overnight.

(11) CORRECT RECYCLING OF HOUSEHOLD RUBBISH:-

The Mitcham Council has clear Recycling Guidelines, which are available from the Estate Office or the Council Offices. Residents are kindly asked to adhere to these guidelines so that the Recycling is placed correctly and tidily in Cashel Street or Adelaide Terrace.

(12) DATES TO REMEMBER:-

- *** **Wednesday, 1st and 15th December, at 7.00 pm.** – "Bingo" Sessions.
- *** **Thursday, 2nd December, at 7.30 pm** – "Residents' General Meeting".
- *** **Sunday, 12th December, at 7.30 pm.** – "Carols' Night".
- *** **Friday, 17th December, at 6.00 pm.** – "Christmas Dinner".
- *** **Saturday, 18th December** – "Bottle Drive".
- *** **Monday, 20th December, at 8.30 pm.** – "Carol Singing around the Village".