"THE VILLAGE MATTERS"

THE PARKS VILLAGE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION INFORMATION BULLETIN

DATES TO REMEMBER FOR JUNE

*** Wednesday, 1^{st.}, 15^{th.} and 29^{th.} at 7.00 pm. - "Bingo" Sessions.

*** Monday, 6^{th.} at 2.00 pm. -"Orana Singers" Concert and Devonshire Afternoon Tea.

*** Monday, 6^{th.} at 7.30 pm. -Residents' General Meeting, in the Community Centre Hall.

*** Friday, 10^{th.} at 6.00 pm. -Monthly Dinner.

*** Saturday, 18^{th.} at 8.30 am. - "Bottle Drive".

*** Thursday, 23^{rd.} at 7.00 pm. - Residents' Committee Meeting.

VILLAGE COMMUNITY LIFE!

Why did we shake up our lives and make the possibly traumatic decision to move into "The Parks"? With approximately 250 Residents in the Village, there may be as many as 250 reasons why people chose to move here.

I believe most people came here to benefit from greater security, companionship, social interaction and a closer community spirit than can be offered in suburbia in the 21^{st.} Century. What do you think?

Are we meeting your expectations, with the social and recreational activities, which are available at present? Can we do more to satisfy you? Please let us know what you think.

When you look at the Regular Activities Planner for 2005, there seems to be a remarkably diverse range of options for Residents. Craft, Bowls, Dancing, Bingo, Exercise Classes, Cards, Snooker/Pool, Walking Groups Croquet etc, etc, the list just keeps going and growing.

On the "social scene" this year we have experienced Bus Trips, "Happy Hours", Monthly Dinners, Thomas Edmonds and the Melba Concert, ANZAC Day, Mothers' Day Morning Tea, our own Adelaide Cup Lunch and the "Big Cuppa" Morning Tea, we raised \$766.00!!! Who said retirees are not busy? How do we find the time to arrange all these functions and still maintain our hectic private lifestyles?

PERSONAL MILESTONES

Hearty congratulations to the following Residents!

- *** Jack Raschella on his 60^{th.} Birthday!
- *** Coralie Webb on her 77^{th.} Birthday!
- *** Heatherlie Ragless on her 83^{rd.} Birthday!
- *** Geoff Bray on his 85th. Birthday!

*** IF YOU ARE AWARE OF A SPECIAL MILESTONE FOR ANY RESIDENT(S), PLEASE LET ME KNOW THE DETAILS.

SURPLUS RUBBISH BINS

If any Resident wishes to donate their original green rubbish bin to the Committee, please contact Bill Smith (Unit 99) or Laurie Phillips (Unit 81). Thank -you to the Residents, who have kindly donated surplus rubbish bins already. If any Resident has a relative or friend, who may wish to purchase a small or large rubbish bin, please contact me on 681. We intend to sell some of the surplus bins to commercial suppliers and the sale proceeds will be added to Residents' Funds.

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THE WISDOM OF WORDS!

FORTHCOMING ACTIVITIES

The longer you live,
The more you learn,
It is not who has the most,
It is who makes the most
of what you have!

The "Orana Singers" will present a "Choral Afternoon" on Monday, 6^{th.} June at 2.00 pm. in the Community Centre Hall. A Devonshire Afternoon Tea will be included in the ticket price of \$5.00 per person. Bookings should be made with Wendy Grindle (Unit 18). Please book before Friday, 3rd. June, for seating and catering purposes.

Make the most of what you have. Enjoy life to the full!

The second Residents' General Meeting for 2005, will be held on Monday, 6^{th.} June at 7.30 pm. in the Community Centre Hall. ALL Residents are warmly invited! The Notice of Meeting has been issued already, so that we comply with our Constitution. The latest Financial Statement will also be issued prior to the Meeting, as was requested. This will give Residents time to peruse the Statement before the Meeting. Supper will be provided after the close of business. Please stay and have "a cuppa" with your Committee.

STOP PRESS
MAY "BOTTLE DRIVE"
We collected \$107.65, what
a great effort! Grateful

thanks to ALL involved.

MONTHLY DINNER FRIDAY, 10^{th.} JUNE

RESIDENTS' WORKSHOP

Our Friday Night Dinner for June will be a Barbecue with sausages/patties, dessert and tea/coffee. The cost will be \$5.00 per person. Dinner will commence at 6.00 pm., after the usual "Happy Hour".

To assist with catering and seating arrangements, Residents are asked to register their attendance with Nancy Radford (Unit 90), prior to the dinner. Tickets can be purchased from Nancy or at the "Happy Hours" prior to the Dinner. Please purchase your ticket(s) by Monday, 6^{th.} June.

The Residents' Workshop is now available for use by Residents. If anyone wishes to use the Workshop, they should contact Carolynne Young in the Village Administration Office to arrange access. Residents will be responsible for their own Health, Safety and Welfare when using any tools/ equipment in the Residents' Workshop. The area must be maintained in a clean and tidy condition, at all times.

Thank-you to Marion and Bill Smith for doing the final clean-up of the area! At long last, the facility is able to be used by Residents!

"GRANDDAD'S INHERITANCE"

Constantly, I am amazed at the wealth of special skills and talents, which so many of our Residents possess! I am aware of at least two accomplished authors in our midst and there may even be more. One of our resident-authors, **Charles Cornwall (Unit 86)**, recently had his third book published. "Granddad's Inheritance" is a historical novel based on the lives of real people. The novel is set in 19^{th.} Century London, the Victorian Goldfields and Colonial Adelaide. Charles has donated copies of his two other books to "The Parks" Library.

WELCOME TO JOHN WALKOM

John Walkom has recently joined our Village Staff. A warm welcome is extended to John on behalf of all Residents! John will have a dual role in monitoring the Emergency Call System from Friday afternoon to Sunday morning and he will also undertake some cleaning duties on Saturdays. We hope you enjoy your time at "The Parks"!

Laurie Phillips, Chairperson, The Parks Village Residents' Association. LJP/26/05/05...