

January 2010

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The next two (2) meetings are scheduled to be held on December 10th, 2009 and then on January 14th, 2010, at the Clubhouse beginning at 7:00 P.M. ALL HOMEOWNERS ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND!

Your Board of Directors: Jim Foley – President & Maintenance Frank Hedges -Vice President & Head of Security Steve Gillen – Treasurer, Landscape and Clubhouse Jim Turke - Director & Maintenance **Laurel Stoner – Secretary** Ruut Van Den Hoed – Director John Glass - Director

WEBSITE

Website for Vineyards -

www.vinevardsofsaratoga.com

A good source for up-to-date information, copies of monthly newsletters and minutes of the Board of Directors meetings, etc. If you'd like to be included in email reminder, send your name, unit number and email address to

register@vineyardsofsaratoga.com

Both owners and tenants are welcome. Please indicated owner or tenant.



OUR ANNUAL HOMEOWNERS MEETING NEEDS YOU!

Mark your calendars for February 11, 2010 at 7:00 PM in The Vineyards clubhouse. Watch for your instructions and ballot for election of four officers of the Board of Directors.

This is a great way to keep up with the latest changes and plans for our community. Your neighbors will be happy to see you!

HEADS UP FOR SAFETY'S SAKE

Children of residents or their guests may use the pools or clubhouse only if they are accompanied by an adult Vineyards resident.

WATER -- LET'S SAVE IT!

The rains we've had so far this season have not made much difference in our concerns about a possible water shortage. You can get rebates on the purchase of waterefficient toilets and clothes washers. Put some vegetable dye in the toilet tank to test for leaks. Get faucet leaks fixed ASAP. Run dishwashers and clothes washers on full loads. Shorten your showers. Jim Foley mentioned at our annual homeowners meeting that we are aiming to optimize our irrigation at the Vineyards. Recently, as a good starter, we had all the back flow valves replaced. Every little bit we do helps.

PREVENT THEFT

Save yourself a lot of inconvenience and expense. Do not leave valuables on the front seat of your car--they invite break-ins, even here at the lovely Vineyards. Better yet, use your garage for parking your car.

WHEN YOU WALK YOUR DOG

Don't forget to take a couple of plastic bags with you when you walk your dog on the Vineyards' properties. Some pet owners are forgetting that they are responsible for picking up and disposing of pet wastes. Please don't make walks and drives unpleasant for your neighbors by failing to pick up after your dog. Also, please remember that dogs must be on a leash at all times when you are walking them in the common area. We follow the City of Saratoga ordinances.

WANTING TO IMPROVE YOUR HOME?

Inform The Vineyards Board of Directors in writing (and come to a meeting, if you can) when you are planning to make any structural improvements on your condo. These include, but are not limited to, flooring, windows, doors, kitchens, and bathrooms. You will save yourselves time and lots of money if you take your plans to the BoD before you begin the work. In most cases, permits are required.

Remember to inform your contractors that they must not use the dumpsters to dispose of any debris from the project. They must take it with them. Their trucks and vans must be parked in such a way as to not interfere with any traffic or parking.

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COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT SERVICES – 408-559-1977

CMS EMERGENCY CALLS AFTER 5:00 PM - 975-2840

GOOD NEIGHBOR REMINDERS

AVOID TOWING
GET BLUE & WHITE PARKING
PERMIT BUMPER STICKERS
CALL 806-0729

DUMPSTER REQUIREMENTS

We all have to pay extra if you leave boxes or other debris outside of the containers provided for garbage or recycling. If you have cardboard items that won't fit in the nearest dumpster, put it in dumpster #3 at the southeast perimeter of The Vineyards. If you see someone ignoring this rule, please notify CMS or a Board member.

ADVISE YOUR CONTRACTORS TO PARK IN DESIGNATED PLACES

Garbage collectors need to be able to gain entry into enclosures or they will not make their pick up. We all have to pay extra for additional pick up services.

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The emergency after hours

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