

# **APRIL 2010**

#### <u>NEXT BOARD OF</u> DIRECTORS MEETING

The next two (2) meetings are scheduled to be held on MAY 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010 and then on JUNE 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010, at the Clubhouse beginning at 7:00 P.M. ALL HOME-OWNERS 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.vineyardsofsaratoga.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.

### 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 KEEP SAVING IT!

The rains we've had so far this season have made some difference in our concerns about a possible water shortage. Nevertheless, you can still get rebates on the purchase of water-efficient 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. 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 or anything on the seats 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.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION: TO REPORT A CRIME OR ANY SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY TO THE LOCAL SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, CALL 299-2311 COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT SERVICES – 408-559-1977 CMS EMERGENCY CALLS AFTER 5:00 PM – 975-2840 GOOD NEIGHBOR REMINDERS

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## DUMPSTER RE-

We all have to pay exor other debris outside vided for garbage or cardboard items that dumpster, put it in southeast perimeter of see someone ignoring CMS or a Board member.

<u>AVOID TOWING</u> <u>GET BLUE & WHITE PARKING</u> <u>PERMIT BUMPER STICKERS</u> <u>CALL 806-0729</u>

#### QUIREMENTS

tra if you leave boxes of the containers prorecycling. If you have won't fit in the nearest dumpster #3 at the The Vineyards. If you this rule, please notify

#### 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.

Gary Martiny, Association Manager **Community Management Services, Inc.** Contact number 408-559-1977 Fax number 408-559-1970 E-mail address: gmartiny@communitymanagement.com <u>The emergency after hours</u> number is 408-975-2840

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