

The Vineyards OF SARATOGA

July 2011

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on July 14, 2011 at the Clubhouse beginning at 7:00 P.M. **ALL HOMEOWNERS ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND!**

Your Board of Directors:

Jim Foley –

President and Maintenance

Frank Hedges -

VP, Head of Security

Steve Gillen –

Treasurer, Landscape and Clubhouse

Jim Turke –

Director and Maintenance

Laurel Stoner –

Secretary

Ruut Van Den Hoed –

Director & Landscape

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 indicate owner or tenant.

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**The emergency after hours
number is 408-975-2840**

FOR YOUR INFORMATION: TO REPORT A CRIME OR ANY SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY TO THE LOCAL SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, CALL 299-2311.

15 MPH SPEED LIMIT IS ENFORCED

We are safety-minded at The Vineyards. The maximum speed limit on our roads is **15 miles per hour**. There is no exception, except that we drive slower when pedestrians are present. Did you know that sheriff's deputies make regular security rounds and respond to our calls for assistance?



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.



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.



CAR BREAK-INS

The City of Saratoga recently held its annual meeting for the Homeowner Associations in the city. During the meeting we heard from many local services including the sheriff's department. The sheriff mentioned that there have been a number of car break-ins lately. Below are tips we can all use to avoid having our cars broken into:

- Your best defense is to park your car in your garage – not on the street.
- If you park on the street, park in an area with good visibility and lighting.
- Do not leave anything in your vehicle that would tempt somebody to break in. Remove valuables or secure them out of sight in your trunk (GPS devices, lap tops, PDA's, cell phones, MP3's, wallets, purses, store bags, even small items). Fixing a broken window may cost even more than the item you lost!
- If your car stereo has a removable face plate, remove it. Do not leave CD's in the car.
- Lock your car doors.
- Roll all of the windows up all the way. Close your sunroof.
- Do not leave keys in the vehicle.
- Do not leave the garage door opener in plain view.
- Do not leave out items with personal information.
- Car alarms have been proven to be effective in preventing thefts.
- Keep your garage door closed.
- Call 911 if you see any malicious behavior in progress. Do not confront the suspect! Do not compromise your safety!
- Report all thefts to the sheriff's department.