October 2007

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The next Board Meeting is scheduled to be held on October 11th at the Clubhouse beginning at 7:00 PM. ALL HOMEOWNERS ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO ATIEND!

Your Board of Directors:

Jim Foley – President & Maintenance
Frank Hedges - Vice President & Head of
Security
Steve Gillen—Treasurer
Jim Turke – Director & Maintenance
Bill Sullivan – Director
Laurel Stoner – Secretary
Ruut Van Den Hoed – Director & Landscape

NEW WEBSITE

New website for Vineyards - www.vineyardsofsaratoga.com

Good source for up-to-date information, copies of monthly newsletters and minutes of the Board of Directors meetings, etc., etc.

If you'd like to be included in email reminders, send your name, unit number and email address to:

register@vineyardsofsaratoga.com

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



LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE THROUGH!!!

With approximately 600+ lights at The Vineyards, it is impossible to monitor burned out bulbs. We have a solution!! The Vineyards has been broken down into six easy to walk areas. Why not help us out and get a bit of exercise at the same time!

How can I help?

- 1. Tell us where you live
- 2 You will be provided with a section map of your area
- 3. Take a refreshing evening walk and highlight the lights that are out on your map
- 4. Leave section map at a drop off point
- 5. Lights will be changed during the day!
- 6. It is expected you might walk the area once a week or two

See how easy this is!!! You can help us monitor our beautiful grounds and keep it safe for everyone. Contact Carol at 408-221-0057.



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 our 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.

*A violation of these common-sense rules may result in a warning or fine.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION: TO REPORT A CRIME OR ANY SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY TO THE LOCAL SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:

CALL 299-2311

TO REPORT LIGHTS OUT - Call Customer Service 408-559-1977 -

giving light # and closest unit #.



POOL HOURS AND RULES FYI

- 1. Persons using the swimming pools do so at their own risk. There is no lifeguard on duty.
- 2. People under the age of eighteen (18) must be accompanied by an Adult Resident. The Adult Resident will be responsible for assuring the people under eighteen are made aware of and abide by the Rules and Regulations. Failure to do so can result in the suspension of use of the pools for up to thirty (30) day and or upon a hearing and vote of the Board of Directors fined for up to \$500 for each offense.
- 3. Infants still in diapers and not yet toilet trained are not allowed in either pool.
- 4. Rowdiness, boisterous behavior, running, pushing, shoving, shouting, and loud radios are not permitted.
- 5. Residents are limited to having four (4) guests per unit, must always accompany their guests, and will be held responsible for their guests.
- 6. Please obey all other pool rules and regulations for your safety and the consideration of other residents.

"The Clubhouse Committee is reassembling to continue its work on improving the clubhouse facilities. The first project for this year will be replacing the heating and air conditioning system. This is already under way. The next phase will be refurbishing the interior of the clubhouse. The first meeting of the Clubhouse Committee has been held. Anyone interested in participating in future meetings should contact Steve Gillen.

WATER CONSERVATION IS EVERYBODY'S CONCERN

(Our water bill at The Vineyards is one of the biggest bills WE pay. The following suggestions are ways we can help.)

- 1) Report ASAP any wasted irrigation water you see around The Vineyards to CMS.
- 2) Take a 5 minute shower instead of a bath. Amount saved: 15 gallons
- 3) Don't use the toilet as a waste basket. Flush only when necessary. Amount saved: 12 or more gal lons per day.
- 4) Install flow restrictors in shower heads
- 5) When washing dishes by hand, fill up sink with soap and water instead of running the water the whole time. Amount saved: 25 gallons per load.
- 6) Keep a pitcher of water in the refrig when you want a drink instead of running the tap until the water cools. *Amount saved: 2 gallons per drink.*
- 7) Thaw frozen foods in the refrigerator, not under running tap water. Amount saved: 5 or more gallons.
- 8) Repair leaky faucets. 60 drops/minute=168 gallons/month=2,016 gallons/year

Laurel Smith Stoner, Secretary BOD