

Magnolia Valley Civic Association ▲▼▲▼▲▼▲▼▲▼▲▼


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NEWSLETTER

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GENERAL MEETING: The results of the voting at the Annual Membership meeting are as follows: President : Bud Bregman, Vice-President : Harriet Bregman, Treasurer: Bob DeSantis, Secretary: Betty Smith. New Directors to preside for three years are : Jay Atkian, Pat Mahan, Jack Velazquez. At the February Board meeting the committee heads were appointed as follows:

County Affairs:	Jay Atkian
Deed Restrictions:	Barney Knudsen
	Homer Barnes
Block Captains:	Jack Velazquez
Park & Maintenance:	Dave Kratofil
Welcoming & Directory:	Anne McKenna
Security:	Bill Sutherland
Horticultural/Entrances	Pat Mahan
Editor of Newsletter:	Jan Kratofil
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 **OVERNIGHT PARKING:** It has been observed that many cars are parked on sidewalks and streets for overnight parking. This is in violation of County Ordinance which states : All automotive equipment shall be parked in garage or on paved driveways. No parking is permitted on streets or right of ways anytime. Those cars violating this ordinance are liable to a substantial fine.

  A great big thank you is in order to Leighton Davis of Cherrytree Lane. He volunteered to 'clean-up' the corner of Raintree and Magnolia Valley Drive. (the former pumping station) He has spent many hours cleaning up this corner of garbage, old vegetation and anything else that made this an unsightly mess. All of the residents of the Valley should appreciate all Mr. Davis' hard work.

STREET PAVING: Plans have been started with the County for the paving of Betula, Cumber, Sequoia and Cayuga. The County will draw up a petition for approval which requires 51% of the homeowners living on those streets.

 **DUES REMINDER;** If you have not paid your 1996 dues, now is a good time to do so. A new Street and Telephone Directory is being prepared and we would like to have all the names up to date. Please give your dues to your block captain or mail them to Treasurer Bob DeSantis, 7619 Summertree Lane. Remember the Civic Association is an important asset to your community and it needs your support. Those of you that have paid and are waiting for your membership card, they will not be delivered until the window stickers come from the print shop.

REMINDER: Do not dispose of your old newspapers in the trash can. They only help clog our landfills. We have a recycling company come through the Valley every Tuesday with curbside pickup. Just put them in a bag or tie them up and leave at the curb. Help save a tree -- *RECYCLE YOUR NEWSPAPERS.*

Spring is clean-up time everywhere. Now is the time to take a good look all around your property, including curbside. Pick up all trash, old newspapers, dead branches etc. Let us make Magnolia Valley a place in which we can feel proud to live.



Social Events

SPRINGTIME IN THE PARK. Mark your calendar for April 20. The Annual outing in the park has been scheduled earlier this year so all our Winter residents will be able to attend. Remember beverages, fire, games and door prizes are provided , just bring your picnic lunch.

MAGNOLIA VALLEY WOMEN'S CLUB EVENTS:

March Meeting: Irish Musical entertainment by Don Fairbrother.
Corn Beef and Cabbage will be served.

April Meeting: Musical Medley's by Jerry Nation.

May Meeting: A Tribute to Male Entertainers by Jeffrey Wayne.

(The Luncheons are on the first Tuesday of the Month)

MAGNOLIA VALLEY GOLF CLUB NEWS.

There will be a Sunday Breakfast Buffet served in the dining room in March. All you can eat breakfast menu, including coffee, \$4.99. The buffet is served from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P. M.

Swimming Pool Memberships will be offered starting in March. If you would like to purchase a membership to use the club pool , call the office at 842-7602.

The following is a letter from our Security Chairman:

Magnolia Valley Residents:

Most of us are aware that vandalism and other petty crime is on the increase within Magnolia Valley. Since the Christmas Holidays, rocks have been thrown through windows, bottles of urine and sacks of feces thrown on porches, decorative articles smashed and stolen, wooded areas torched, and mail boxes rifled and damaged. This is not a complete list, but a general description of what I have observed or has been reported to me.

We all know that the demographics of the Valley have changed. As the older residents pass on, or move away many homes are sold or rented to younger families with children. This is especially true in the older southern sections. Many of these new families are a plus to the Valley, these people keep up the property and exercise control of their children.

On the negative side, a few children and young adults have caused the problems I mentioned. What can be do about it? A friend and myself have been randomly patrolling trouble areas and although vandalism seems to have slowed lately, we cannot be everywhere.

Do not be intimidated by the ones causing problems. Report ongoing crime that requires the presence of a Deputy by calling 844-7711. The number 911 is only to be used for life threatening emergencies or "in progress" felony calls!

If a criminal act has occurred on your property, because of time lapse, lack of witness or suspect, please give a report over the phone by calling 844-7764. After you call the police, call me. If you feel threatened, let me know and I will respond at any hour. My phone number is 849-2798. Remember be a responsible citizen, to be a complainant you must be willing to testify.

A plea to parents of children here in the Valley. Ask yourself if your child might have been involved in some of this and do what you can to prevent some of the problems. One of my fears is that some victims, because they are intimidated or angry, might over-react and hurt someone.

All our residents deserve the peace and quiet of a safe community. Be your neighbors keeper.

I have an appointment to meet with the director of the Pasco County Sheriffs' Crime Prevention Division, to discuss Magnolia Valley and get information to set up a neighborhood crime watch program and a county sponsored security patrol.

Bill Sutherland
Magnolia Valley Security Chief