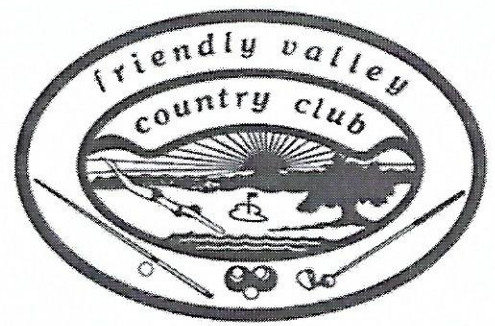


Villager Newsletter

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Friendly Valley Voice

By: Michael Fennick, Board Member

Friendly Valley Recreational Association, Inc.

We have all moved here from different walks of life, but the primary reason it was ever allowed to happen is the same for all of us. We made it this far in this life. Lucky? Maybe. Fortunate? Surely. The slower pace that Friendly Valley gifts to us should be embraced and we all need to be reminded that it should never be taken for granted.

I have seen it with my own eyes; at times more often than I care to admit. I'm sure you all have seen it too. It's doubtful that I'm the only one who cringes when it happens. I know that those who share these viewings, also shake their heads at the blatant lack of respect given to our drivers and pedestrians who expect safe passage on our thoroughfares.

I would hate to think that any of us who live within these gates that harbor us from the frantic pace existing on the other side would abuse the very rules that afford us that peace. At least I would hope that we are all past that by now. I can also only hope it is not our own residents who are choosing to exceed the speed limits, roll through our stop signs, and disregard our crosswalks. But, if you do take ownership for that selfish, irresponsible behavior, you should take a long, hard look in the mirror today. At this point of your life, do you really want an injury, or worse, on your conscious for the rest of your days? I doubt that even the most bitter, stubborn or pompous of us would answer "Yes" to that question.

I have faith, at least until I'm given reason to believe otherwise, that the high percentage of these violations are not committed by our residents. My wish is that I am never proven wrong. Instead, for now, I will choose to believe that delivery drivers, contractors, and yes, our own family and friends, are all among those putting the wellbeing of our neighbors in jeopardy each day. Do you condone that behavior? I didn't think so. Would you want it on your conscious if a tragedy was caused by their careless action? I doubt that very much.

Unless you hide your head in sand, you know that the pace is much different when you are outside of these protective gates. When leaving our confines, we all become subjected to a rushed and hectic world and should prepare for battle upon exiting. But, for many non-residents, Mr. Toad's Wild Ride doesn't end when their entry is permitted by our Security guards. *It is up to all of us to slow them down*, as we wish to see it; as it should be.

As what we consider to be a necessary precaution, we have instructed our Security staff to remind each and every driver who checks in through the gate of our 25 MPH limits. Drivers will be cautioned to please slow down and respect all of us who choose to live here. Signs and crosswalks are disregarded but hopefully pleas and reminders are not.

Please see it upon yourselves to remind your own relatives and friends, especially those who can't wait to drop you off as they gear up to reenter the awaiting steeplechase once they free themselves from the tranquility we all chose to enjoy when we moved here. The safety of our residents is not only up to those we employ to try to secure it for us. It is everyone's job. Educate them. Caution them. Scare them if need be!!! Do whatever it takes to slow down their pace while they're here.....before someone gets injured...before it is on your conscious for the rest of your days. Thank you for caring about all of us.

FV SENIOR TRAVEL CLUB:

Laughlin Getaway! June 3rd—5th 2019. Riverside Hotel & Casino. Price is \$165.00 per person double occupancy, \$190.00 single occupancy. Contact Bert for more information 661-252-5082

GOLF CLUBS

MEN'S

Every 3rd Wednesday @ 11:00 am in the Golf Lounge.

WOMEN'S

Meeting every 4th Thursday at 12:30 pm in the Annex. If you know the basic rules and etiquette of golf, all are welcome. Call Greeter Sharlene Wicks at 252-0959.

CLUBS, CLASSES, AND GROUPS

(Please call groups before attending to ensure space)

ACRYLIC PAINTING CLASS

Fridays from 12:30pm—2:30pm in the Conference Room. Teacher is Gina Leonard (661-977-1202).

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study every Tuesday at 10 am in the Conference Room. (Carol Bennett 250-4590)

CATHOLIC ROSARY GROUP

Rosary Recitation March 25 @ 7pm in the home of Julio & Mayra Arevalo 19149 Avenue of the Oaks, Unit A (661-298-8905). April 1 in the home of Sheila Griffin 26757-B Whispering Leaves Drive. (661-298-4227)

CERAMICS

Try your hand at being creative with clay. The Ceramics Club is open for new members every Wednesday from 9:00 to 11:30 and Thursday from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Come explore your artistic side! For more info call Judy (661-360-9386).

CITY OF HOPE

-Board Mtg Tues., April 16 @ 5pm in the Meeting Place
-General Mtg Sat., April 20 @ 12pm in the Auditorium;
Lunch 11:00am, \$5.00. Entertainment: "Harmony Singing Group"

FRIDAY BRIDGE

Duplicate Bridge Players wanted. Friday @ 12:30pm in the Annex. Call Harriet (661-299-6944).

FRIDAYS WITH THE PROFESSORS

1pm at the Friendly Valley Church. March 22: "Elder Care Financial Abuse" & "Unforgettable Memories through Storytelling." March 29: "Brain Gym for Seniors."

F.V. COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday Service @ 10 am, all denominations welcome!

F.V. LAWN BOWLS CLUB

Afternoon Lawn Bowling Fun! Come join us! Tues., Thurs., & Sat. meet 1:15pm, start 1:30pm. Free lawn bowls to use & instruction. For more info call Judy (559-250-2217).

F.V. LAWN BOWLS CLUB BUNCO

Bunco! All invited to play \$1 with the Lawn Bowls Club on Sunday, April 7th @ 6:45/7pm in the Annex. Refreshments served, 50/50 also.

F.V. TWIRLERS SQUARE DANCE

New class on Feb. 5, 2019 in the Annex from 11:30am—1:30pm. Come and watch! See if you can do this low impact, fun way to exercise. (Joni 661-904-6142)

F.V. SENIOR CLUB

Craft Fair/Swap Meet Sat. May 4 from 9:00am—1:00pm in the Auditorium. Have fun looking & exploring the bargains! Table sign up on Sat., April 20 in the Fireside Room from 9:00am—10:00am ONLY

HELPING HEARTS AND HANDS

Join us April 4 & 18 @ FV Church from 1:00—3:00pm to sew, knit, and crochet for Vets, hospitals, nursing homes, homeless, and children. Collecting items for Craft Fair/Swap Meet in May. Call 360-9252 or 360-8936 for pick up of items you would like to donate for our sale.

PARTY BRIDGE

Interested in playing bridge? We have Monday, Wednesday, and Friday groups. Call Judy @ 559-250-2217 for more info.

PICKLEBALL

Every Tuesday evening at 6:30pm in the Auditorium. Felicity (661-803-8397)

NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness)

No cost ongoing support groups. Various location, day, and times. Info on FREE education programs. Call Zee @ 818-371-9381.

NIP & TUCK PINOCHLE

Pinochle joins on Thursdays from 12-5 pm in the Men's Card Room. (Carl Stephenson 859-582-4345)

NO WILD POKER

Poker players needed. Tuesday nights from 7-10 pm. Meeting Place. (Al Lerch 644-2423)

SENIOR CENTER LUNCHES

Santa Clarita Senior Center Lunches on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays at 11:30am at Friendly Valley Church. Call 661-259-9444 for Reservation.

WRITERS SOCIAL

Come share in writing or verbally your memories, ideas, thoughts, or stories. We meet Mondays from 2pm-4pm in the Meeting Place. For info call Jane Hills (661-299-9441).

ZUMBA

No charge—video only. Please arrive @ 5:45pm on Fridays in the Annex. Wear comfortable clothes & non-gripping shoes. Call Rosemarie Sanchez-Fraser for more info.

**Ageless Strength & Fitness for
EVERY BODY:**

Diane Ghilardi, Certified Personal Trainer, Corrective Exercise Specialist, and Functional Aging Specialist is putting on a second presentation for FV Residents! Event will be Wed., April 3rd @ 6:30pm in the Fireside Room. Please RSVP in the Business Office by April 1st.

Help Stop the Spread of Mosquitoes!

Please remember to get rid of any standing water in your yard and around your house—it is a breeding ground for disease-carrying mosquitoes.

Beware of Scam Phone Calls

From claiming to be the IRS or a family member in trouble—think twice before giving out any personal information over the phone or rushing to the nearest bank to take out a money order. Hang up and call your family member(s).

Directory Reminder:

Please let the Business Office know if you would (or would not) like your phone number listed in the Directory. The Directory will be available in April. Stay tuned for more information.

BOARD MEETINGS

Are you involved with your Association?

Assn. 6	March 21st	6:00 pm <i>Annex</i>
Assn. 8	March 26th	2:00 pm <i>Conference Room</i>
Assn. 7	March 27th	2:00 pm <i>Golf Lounge</i>
Assn. 2	April 2nd	10:00 am <i>Ladies' Card Room</i>
Assn. 1	April 2nd	7:00 pm <i>Annex</i>
Assn. 5	April 9th	2:00 pm <i>Annex</i>
Assn. 4	April 9th	6:00 pm <i>Conference Room</i>
Assn. 6BC	April 10th	4:30 pm <i>Conference Room</i>
Assn. 3	April 12th	9:30 am <i>Conference Room</i>
Assn. 9	April 15th	6:00 pm <i>Pierce's Home</i>
Assn. 10	April 16th	5:00 pm <i>Ladies' Card Room</i>
Assn. 6A	April 16th	6:00 pm <i>Annex</i>
Assn. 11	May 9th	6:30 pm <i>Annex</i>

Community Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 3, 2019
@ 10 am in the Auditorium

Rec Board Meeting

Monday, April 8th, 2019
@ 10 am in the Auditorium

SECURITY NEWS

Reminder: If you see someone suspicious in the community, DO NOT approach or question them. Report it to the Security Office *immediately.*

Sunday March 2410:00 am **Service**—FV Community Church**Monday March 25**8:30 am **Aerobics**—Annex10:00 am **Exercise 1**—Annex11:30 am **Senior Center Lunch**—FV Church2:00 pm **Writers Social**—Sewing Room6:30 pm **Jazzercise** —Annex**Tuesday March 26**9:00 am **Strengthen & Tone**—Annex10:00 am **Bible Study**—Conference Room11:30 am **FV Twirlers Square Dance** —Annex12:00 pm **No Pass Pinochle**—Men's Card Room1:15 pm **Lawn Bowls**7:00 pm **No Wild Poker**—Golf Lounge**Wednesday March 27***Men's Golf Play am*8:30 am **Aerobics**—Annex9:00 am **Ceramics Morning**9:00 am **Party Bridge**—Both Card Rooms10:00 am **Exercise 1**—Annex11:30 am **Senior Center Lunch**—FV Church12:00 pm **Ping Pong** —Annex1:30 pm **Bingo**—Auditorium5:30 pm **Friendly 8**—Conference Room6:30 pm **Jazzercise** —Annex6:30 pm **Dominoes**—Men's Card Room**Thursday March 28***Women's Golf Play am*9:00 am **Strengthen & Tone**—Annex11:00am **Nip & Tuck Pinochle**—Men's Card Room11:30 am **Senior Center Lunch**—FV Church1:15 pm **Lawn Bowls**6:00 pm **Ceramics Evening**6:00 pm **Debtors Anonymous** —Conference Room**Friday March 29**8:30 am **Aerobics**—Annex10:00 am **Party Bridge**—Both Card Rooms10:00 am **Exercise 1**—Annex12:00 pm **Friday Bridge**—Annex12:30 pm **Acrylic Painting Class**—Conference Room6:00 pm **Zumba Gold Dance Class** —Annex**Saturday March 30**1:15 pm **Lawn Bowls**6:30 pm **Dominoes**—Men's Card Room**NEXT VILLAGER DEADLINE:****Monday April 1st****Sunday March 31**10:00 am **Service**—FV Community Church2:00 pm **Ping Pong**—Annex**Monday April 1**8:30 am **Aerobics**—Annex10:00 am **Exercise 1**—Annex10:00 am **Monday Social Bridge**—Men's Card Room11:30 am **Senior Center Lunch**—FV Church2:00 pm **Writers Social**—Sewing Room6:30 pm **Jazzercise** —Annex**Tuesday April 2**9:00 am **Strengthen & Tone**—Annex10:00 am **Bible Study**—Conference Room11:30 am **FV Twirlers Square Dance** —Annex12:00 pm **No Pass Pinochle**—Ladies' Card Room1:15 pm **Lawn Bowls**6:30 pm **Pickleball**—Auditorium7:00 pm **No Wild Poker**—TBD**Wednesday April 3***Men's Golf Play am*8:30 am **Aerobics**—Annex9:00 am **Ceramics Morning**9:00 am **Party Bridge**—Both Card Rooms10:00 am **Exercise 1**—Annex11:30 am **Senior Center Lunch**—FV Church1:30 pm **Bingo**—Auditorium5:30 pm **Friendly 8**—TBD6:30 pm **Jazzercise** —Annex6:30 pm **Dominoes**—Men's Card Room**Thursday April 4***Women's Golf Play am*9:00 am **Strengthen & Tone**—Annex11:00am **Nip & Tuck Pinochle**—Men's Card Room11:30 am **Senior Center Lunch**—FV Church1:00 pm **Helping Hearts & Hands**—FV Church1:15 pm **Lawn Bowls**6:00 pm **Ceramics Evening**6:00 pm **Debtors Anonymous** —Conference Room**Friday April 5**8:30 am **Aerobics**—Annex10:00 am **Party Bridge**—Both Card Rooms10:00 am **Exercise 1**—Annex12:00 pm **Friday Bridge**—Annex12:30 pm **Acrylic Painting Class**—Conference Room6:00 pm **Zumba Gold Dance Class** —Annex**Saturday April 6**1:15 pm **Lawn Bowls**6:30 pm **Dominoes**—Men's Card Room