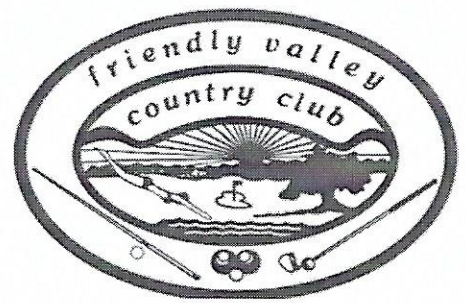


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Friendly Valley Voice

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2018-2019 Rec Board Wrap Up - Year in Review

This year's Rec Board believes that a significant amount of improvements, stemming from the completion of several upgrades and changes, have been achieved. But, there still remains the uphill climb in attaining what continues to be a challenging task. In reviewing the past year, we hope you agree that many previously-neglected and necessary undertakings were addressed and accomplished.

In 2018, the energy-consuming stage lighting and the original overhead fluorescent fixtures in the Auditorium were replaced with energy efficient, long-lasting LED lighting. The lamps that illuminate our main streets were tested by retrofitting solar LED units that were found to be a viable, cost-effective option. They are now being exchanged as failures occur. The troublesome electrical lights inside the Pool area were also replaced with low energy-consuming, solar LED fixtures. Although many additional lighting fixtures, including the rotunda canopy, Guard Gate, and several restrooms, were also retrofitted with LEDs, many more are scheduled for replacement in the coming year. The upper deck lights that illuminate the Pool and the fixtures in both Card Rooms, as well as those in the Fireside Room, are all in this year's renovation plans.

The Office personnel were reviewed and staffed accordingly in order to better serve the Associations, Real Estate agents, and residents. By all indications, the effort has been very well received by all parties.

Our Friendly Valley Directory was given a professional facelift and provided a sizable amount of unexpected income, generated from the loyal advertisers, which was added to our reserves.

We began upgrading the Fitness Center and several more improvements can be expected this year in the effort to make it a much safer, attractive, and user-friendly resource for residents. In the interest of promoting social and competitive activity, a Pickleball group was formed and several other innovative ideas to provide leisurely pastimes to residents are being discussed.

Early in 2019, an incorporation of the square footage of the Pool Room was found to be necessary in order to expand our office facilities. The adjacent Meeting Place was completely remodeled and converted into our new Game Room which now features a Billiards table, a Bumper Pool table, and a Dart Board.

The long-neglected Lawn Bowls Clubhouse also underwent necessary reconstruction for both safety and aesthetics. The roofing that had been leaking for years, causing ceiling damage and mold concerns, was replaced. The inoperative AC unit and skylights that interfered with water runoff were eliminated. Prior to replacing the ceiling drywall, mold and asbestos inspections were performed with satisfactory results. A new HVAC unit was installed, the entire interior was repainted and a vinyl floor and carpet was laid to improve appearance. A new countertop is in the plans for 2020.

Pool and Spa equipment continued to fail. Both pump motors for the pool were replaced and a new backup unit was purchased to reduce future down times. Both the spa filtration system and the heat exchanger were replaced to ensure optimum operation in future years. Replacement of the pool furniture began and additional tables, chairs, and umbrellas are on order.

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F.V. SENIOR CLUB

Craft Fair & Swap Meet on Saturday, Nov. 2nd from 9am—1pm in the Auditorium. Browse around and enjoy.

****Table Sign Up: Saturday, Oct. 12th 9-10am in the Auditorium ONLY.****

GOLF CLUBS

MEN'S

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

WOMEN'S

Interested in joining? Member? Social? For more info call Judy B. (559-250-2217) or Golf Greeter: Terry Dodge (818-741-5649). Meetings 4th Thursdays @ 12:30pm in the Annex.

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).

BEGINNING BRIDGE

Thursdays from 9:30am—1:45pm In the Ladies' Card Room. More info call Joe (661-644-8720).

BIBLE STUDY

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

CATHOLIC ROSARY GROUP

Rosary Recitation Oct. 7 @ 7pm in the home of Alicia Reidel 26703 N. Oak Pluma Court (661-424-1017). Oct. 14 & 21 @ 7pm in the home of Willie Meyers 26351-A Oak Plain Dr. (661-250-9716). All are welcome. Any Questions call Eileen Kearns (661-298-2481).

CITY OF HOPE

-Board Mtg Tues., Oct. 8 @ 4:30pm in the Ladies' Card Room
-General Mtg Sat., Oct. 12 in the Auditorium. Lunch at 11am, \$5.00. Entertainment to follow meeting.

Note: Candlelight Dinner Oct. 19th—Don't miss this!

CERAMICS

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

DEBTORS ANONYMOUS

We offer hope for people whose use of unsecured debt causes problems & suffering. Compulsive debting is a problem and we find recovery using the D.A. program. Thursdays @ 6pm in the Conference Room. Adela (310-430-0336)

FRIDAYS WITH THE PROFESSORS

1pm at the F.V. Church. Oct. 4: "Falls, Risk Factors, and Prevention Strategies." Oct. 11: "Estate Planning." Oct. 18: "Pompeii, A Visit to this Ancient City."

F.V. COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday Service @ 10 am, all denominations welcome!

F.V. LAWN BOWLS CLUB

Evening Lawn Bowling Fun! Come join us! Tues., Wed., Thurs., Sat. & Sun. meet 6:15pm, start 6:30pm. Free lawn bowls to use & instruction. For more info call Roy M. (323-850-6569).

F.V. LAWN BOWLS CLUB BUNCO

All welcome to BUNCO on Sun., Oct. 6 @ 6:45/7pm in Annex (sponsored by FVLBC) for \$1! Raffle available!

F.V. LITTLE THEATER

Sound help needed for Little Theater shows! (Call Harry 661-644-1655). Those interested in singing & dancing: come to the next Little Theater meeting on Mon., Oct. 14 @ 7pm in the Auditorium.

F.V. VETERANS CLUB

Meeting Tues., Oct. 8th @ 7PM in the Annex. All invited, member or not. Guest speaker Iraqi Veteran Mike Garcia. Refreshments will be served.

HELPING HEARTS AND HANDS

Join us Oct. 17 from 1—3pm @ FV Church to sew, knit, and crotchet for veterans, nursing homes, hospitals, & homeless. Collecting new & used items to sell @ Swap Meet in Nov. All money received is donated to charities. Call 360-9252 or 360-8936 for pick up.

PARTY BRIDGE

Interested in playing bridge? We have Mon., Wed., and Fri. 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

1st, 3rd, 4th (& 5th) Thurs. from 11am-4pm in the Men's Card Room. 2nd Thurs. 11:30am in the Annex. (Al Lerch 661-644-2423)

NO PASS PINOCHLE

1st Tues. 12pm in the Ladies' Card Room. 2nd, 3rd, 4th (& 5th) Tues. 12pm in the Men's Card Room. (Al Lerch 661-644-2423).

SENIOR CENTER LUNCHESES

SC Senior Center Lunches on Mon., Wed., & Thurs. @ 11:30am @ F.V. Church. Call 661-259-9444 for Reservation.

WATER EXERCISE

Let's get moving! Fall/Winter Hours: M-W-F at 1:00pm. We'll wiggle and jiggle until our day is fine!

WRITERS GROUP

Come share your thoughts, ideas, memories, or stories in writing or verbally. Thursdays from 2pm-4pm in the Ladies' Card Room. For info call Jane Hills (661-299-9441).

ZUMBA

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

City of Hope Candlelight Dinner

Saturday, October 19th @ 6pm in the Auditorium. \$25.00 per person. Entertainment: Black & White & All That Jazz. RSVP: Karen (818-424-9743) or Janice (661-299-5312). Note: NO reservations taken after Mon., Oct. 14th.

Election Reminders:

- If your Association is voting on multiple items, be sure to put all ballots into the *same* Ballot Envelope.
- Inspectors of Election envelopes must have your Name, FV address, and Signature in order to be counted.

F.V. Clubs, Classes, and Groups:

2020 Reservation Request Packets will be available for pick up on **Thursday, Oct. 24th, 2019** in the Business Office.

Association 3 Upcoming Meetings:

- Special Election (Recall) Mtg on Thursday, Oct. 10th at 10am in the Auditorium
- Meet the Candidates & Board Mtg on Friday, Oct. 11th at 9:30am in the Annex

Association 4 Upcoming Meetings:

- Special Election Meeting on Monday, October 7th at 11am in the Auditorium
- Meet the Candidates & Board Meeting on Thursday, October 10th at 6pm in the Annex

BOARD MEETINGS

Are you involved with your Association?

Assn. 4	October 7th	11:00am Auditorium
Assn. 5	October 8th	2:00 pm Annex
Assn. 6BC	October 9th	4:30 pm Conference Room
Assn. 3	October 10th	10:00 am Auditorium
Assn. 10	October 15th	10:00 am Ladies Card Room
Assn. 6A	October 15th	6:00 pm Annex
Assn. 6	October 17th	6:00 pm Annex
Assn. 9	October 21st	6:00 pm Pierce's Home
Assn. 8	October 8 & 22	2:00 pm Conference Room
Assn. 7	October 23rd	2:00 pm Conference Room
Assn. 11	No October Mtg	
Assn. 2	November 5th	10:00 am Ladies' Card Room
Assn. 1	November 5th	7:00 pm Annex

Community Council Meeting

Wednesday, November 6, 2019
@ 10 am in the Auditorium

Rec Board Meeting

Monday, October 14th, 2019
@ 10 am in the Auditorium

SECURITY NEWS

Please stop at all STOP signs in Friendly Valley. We appreciate your cooperation in keeping our community safe.

Also, be sure to put guests on your Guest List before they get to the Front Gate. This helps the Gate run more smoothly.

Sunday October 6

10:00 am **Service**—FV Community Church
 6:15 pm **Lawn Bowls**
 6:45 pm **Lawn Bowls Bunco**—Annex

Monday October 7

8:30 am **Aerobics**—Annex
 9:00 am **Ceramics Morning**
 10:00 am **Exercise 1**—Annex
 11:30 am **Senior Center Lunch**—FV Church
 1:00 pm **Water Exercise** —Pool
 6:30 pm **Jazzercise** —Annex
 7:00 pm **Billiards**—Game Room

Tuesday October 8

9:00 am **Strengthen & Tone**—Annex
 10:00 am **Bible Study**—Conference Room
 12:00 pm **No Pass Pinochle**—Men's Card Room
 2:00 pm **Writers Group**—Ladies' Card Room
 6:15 pm **Lawn Bowls**
 6:30 pm **Pickleball**—Auditorium
 7:00 pm **Darts** —Game Room

Wednesday October 9

Men's Golf Play am
 8:30 am **Aerobics**—Annex
 9:00 am **Ceramics Morning**
 9:00 am **Party Bridge**—Both Card Rooms
 10:00 am **Exercise 1**—Annex
 11:30 am **Senior Center Lunch**—FV Church
 1:00 pm **Water Exercise** —Pool
 1:30 pm **Bingo**—Auditorium
 6:15 pm **Lawn Bowls**
 6:30 pm **Jazzercise** —Annex
 6:30 pm **Dominoes**—Men's Card Room
 7:00 pm **Billiards**—Game Room

Thursday October 10

Women's Golf Play am
 9:00 am **Strengthen & Tone**—Annex
 11:30 am **2nd Thursday Pinochle**—Annex
 11:30 am **Senior Center Lunch**—FV Church
 6:15 pm **Lawn Bowls**
 6:00 pm **Ceramics Evening**
 6:00 pm **Debtors Anonymous**—Conference Room
 7:00 pm **Darts/Bumper Pool** —Game Room

Friday October 11

10:00 am **Party Bridge**—Both Card Rooms
 12:00 pm **Friday Bridge**—Annex
 1:00 pm **Water Exercise** —Pool
 6:00 pm **Zumba Gold Dance Class** —Annex
 7:00 pm **Billiards**—Game Room

Saturday October 12

6:15 pm **Lawn Bowls**
 6:30 pm **Dominoes**—Men's Card Room

NEXT VILLAGER DEADLINE:

Monday, October 14th

Sunday October 13

10:00 am **Service**—FV Community Church
 6:15 pm **Lawn Bowls**

Monday October 14

8:30 am **Aerobics**—Annex
 9:00 am **Ceramics Morning**
 10:00 am **Exercise 1**—Annex
 11:30 am **Senior Center Lunch**—FV Church
 1:00 pm **Water Exercise** —Pool
 6:30 pm **Jazzercise** —Annex
 7:00 pm **Billiards**—Game Room

Tuesday October 15

9:00 am **Strengthen & Tone**—Annex
 10:00 am **Bible Study**—Conference Room
 12:00 pm **No Pass Pinochle**—Men's Card Room
 2:00 pm **Writers Group**—Ladies' Card Room
 6:15 pm **Lawn Bowls**
 6:30 pm **Pickleball**—Auditorium
 7:00 pm **Darts** —Game Room

Wednesday October 16

Men's Golf Play am
 8:30 am **Aerobics**—Annex
 9:00 am **Ceramics Morning**
 9:00 am **Party Bridge**—Both Card Rooms
 10:00 am **Exercise 1**—Annex
 11:30 am **Senior Center Lunch**—FV Church
 1:00 pm **Water Exercise** —Pool
 1:30 pm **Bingo**—Auditorium
 5:30 pm **Friendly 8**—Golf Lounge
 6:15 pm **Lawn Bowls**
 6:30 pm **Jazzercise** —Annex
 6:30 pm **Mah Jongg**—Ladies' Card Room
 6:30 pm **Dominoes**—Men's Card Room
 7:00 pm **Billiards**—Game Room

Thursday October 17

Women's Golf Play am
 9:00 am **Strengthen & Tone**—Annex
 9:30 am **Beginning Bridge** — Ladies' Card Room
 11:30am **Nip & Tuck Pinochle**—Men's Card Room
 11:30 am **Senior Center Lunch**—FV Church
 1:00 pm **Helping Hearts & Hands**—FV Church
 6:15 pm **Lawn Bowls**
 6:00 pm **Ceramics Evening**
 6:00 pm **Debtors Anonymous**—Conference Room
 7:00 pm **Darts/Bumper Pool** —Game Room

Friday October 18

8:30 am **Aerobics**—Annex
 10:00 am **Party Bridge**—Both Card Rooms
 10:00 am **Exercise 1**—Annex
 12:00 pm **Friday Bridge**—Annex
 12:30 pm **Acrylic Painting Class**—Conference Room
 1:00 pm **Water Exercise** —Pool
 6:00 pm **Zumba Gold Dance Class** —Annex
 7:00 pm **Billiards**—Game Room

Saturday October 19

6:15 pm **Lawn Bowls**
 6:30 pm **Dominoes**—Men's Card Room

Remember to STOP:

Due to several close calls, F.V. Security has been cracking down on residents and guests that have been running the Stop Signs posted throughout the community. A total of 61 No Stop Violations were written in the month of September, and of the 61, 40 were committed by residents. A "California Stop" — just slowing and rolling through an intersection — is NOT sufficient. Please take care and remember to come to a complete stop at all stop signs, regardless of whether other people are around or the time of day — you never know when an accident can occur. Please join us in keeping F.V. safe! Thank you.

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A new, two-year landscaping contract has been signed with long-time service provider, All Pro Landscaping. Many of our statuesque Heritage Oaks and other trees were arborist-authorized to be trimmed with both safety and beautification in mind. The janitorial portion of the previous contract is being reevaluated. Prideful attention to the grooming and maintenance of Our Golf Courses, the focal point of this community, will continue to be demanded of Western Golf.

Friendly Valley Parkway was repaved and repainted without significant inconvenience to the community. Every common area sidewalk was inspected and either repaired or replaced in order to ensure optimum safety for all of us. The repainting of the Stop Signs, crosswalks, speed limits, and directional indication on all roadways is still in progress. All that remains to complete the beautification of our streets is to prepare and repaint our curbing. Plans for this project will be handled internally and will soon commence.

But without doubt, the most time-consuming and important project has been the renovation plans for the Auditorium, Offices and activity rooms of the common area. Contractors were interviewed, proposals were reviewed, and contracts were signed in what ended a ten-month endeavor. Plans and permits are now in progress and demolition and reconstruction will commence shortly after. The long overdue re-roofing, the replacement of the antiquated and inefficient HVAC systems, and the addition of an energy-saving solar system will guarantee the residents of Friendly Valley a facility that they can be proud to have family and friends visit for many, many years to come.

We feel we have accomplished many much-needed and long-overdue projects in what now seems like a brief amount of time. But repairs and replacements, and the fund allocation that accompanies them, will always be ongoing. There still remains several unaddressed issues of unfinished business where time didn't allow for completion. We understand that many of these projects and goals cannot be performed without inflicting some inconveniences and frustration on our residents, but we will always do our best to mitigate them. We will continually ask for your cooperation and support in helping us achieve what will one day better our community. Please persist in apprising us of failures, breakdowns, and your ideas to make Friendly Valley what we all should hope it can be...a wonderfully safe, quiet, and remote escape that lies peacefully removed from the ever-expanding city of Santa Clarita.

-Your Friendly Valley Rec Board