



Rancho Villas Community Association Newsletter



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Association Telephone Number 670-6713

Emergency Reporting Number: 1 - 800/757-9442

SPECIAL EDITION

Neighborhood Watch Activity -

The Board of Directors is attempting to build a Neighborhood Watch program in Rancho Villas. Vandalism and crime is costing the Association approximately \$300 to \$500 a month for repairs not to mention the inconvenience of having pools or spas shut down, lights out, furniture broken, mail stolen and vehicles stolen or damaged.



The Sheriff's Crime Prevention Unit tells us that the best weapon we can have is concerned citizens who will "take back" the area by patrolling the grounds. We need volunteer block captains, walkers (day & evening) and pool monitors. The duties are not difficult and the time you can give does not have to be extensive. We really need your help. If you are willing to assist in any way, please call G.M. Herb Granger at 670-6713. If we want a safer, cleaner, prettier Rancho Villas we all need to work together.

Notes of Importance-

1) Telephone Numbers Update- It is very important that the association has your correct telephone number for home and work. Several emergencies have arisen (most due to water damage caused by broken washer hoses, leaking toilets ,etc..). Also, it is wise to leave a spare key with a trusted neighbor or friend who can be contacted. The association office is updating the files. If you have changed your number (home or work) or have a



new renter, please forward that information to the G.M. A form will be mailed in August.

2) Rattlesnakes- are considered an emergency if they are in your immediate yard. Then you may call 911. If you see rattlesnakes outside your yard, call the County Animal Control at 263-7741.



3) Pool Rule Reminders -

a) No. of guests- 2 guests per household at one time-

accompanied by an adult resident.

b) No glass objects allowed in the pool area.

c) No alcoholic beverages allowed in the pool area.

Pool monitors may ask to see your key and ask how many people accompanied you, to verify residency and compliance of rules.

4. Parking Enforcement -

The Parking Committee volunteers have been tagging vehicles that are not properly registered or are improperly parked.



PLEASE NOTE: Effective August 1, 1998 vehicles that have been tagged 3 times or more will be given a final notice of intent to tow. Following receipt of that notice, should there be another observed violation the vehicle will be towed . The final notice will include the towing company name, address and telephone number.

5. Safety Notes from Sheriff's Crime Prevention Unit

a) You can safely vent your home by cracking windows and sliding doors 3-4 inches if you install a lock in the upper track and screws in the upper window to prevent it being lifted out.

b) Don't leave valuables in your vehicle, especially garage door openers. It only takes a few seconds to break out a lock without making any noise.

c) At the beach you may be followed from the parking lot. When you leave your keys on your blanket or in your shoes when you go into the water, thieves can quickly steal your car.

d) Non-emergency sheriff's number is 565-5200

6. Landscape Maintenance -

The landscaping within the exclusive areas of many residents is lovely to see and adds much beauty to the area. However, these plants must be properly maintained. For example, vines must not be allowed to grow into the gutters or roof tiles, dead palm fronds must be removed and trees must be trimmed to remove contact with the building. Your cooperation is appreciated.



NEXT MEETING -

Thursday, August 6, 1998 - Calle de Montana Clubhouse, 6:30 PM. There will be no meeting in July.