

**HILL VALLEY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION
JANUARY, 2002**

From the President :

The Christmas Decoration contest open to MEMBERS ONLY was judged the evening of December 21st between 8:30pm. and 11:30pm. NO BOARD MEMBER CAN WIN and judges come from the board and any volunteer who desires to help. The board defined the categories as follows:

Simple, but artful; Simple, but elegant; Religious; From a child's eye; Retro/Deco

The following winners come from East Hill Valley

1st place - Simple but Elegant

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hamachek
8246 South East Street

Prize - \$40 Buca DiBeppo gift Certificate and picture plaque.

Runners up:

From a child's eye

Mr. and Mrs. William Greathouse
8347 Hi-Vu Dr

Simple but Elegant

Mr. Philip Milto
8433 Valley Estates Dr.

Retro-Deco

Mrs. Alice Neu
8410 Delaware St

Prize - \$20.00 Mr. D's gift Certificate for each runner up.

The following winners come from West Hill Valley:

1st place winner:

Simple but artful

Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Lomax
334 W. Hill Valley Dr.
prize - \$40.00 Buca DiBeppo gift certificate

Runners up:

Elegant

Mr. and Mrs Earl Doughty
342 Beechview Drive

Religious

Mr. and Mrs Steven Sullivan
408 W. Hill Valley Dr.

Religious

Mr. and Mrs Mike Williams
556 Grassy Lane

Prize - each runner up receives a \$20.00 Mr.D's gift Certificate.

Grand Prize winner:

Elegant

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Wenclewicz
401 Beechview Dr.

Prize - Engraved traveling trophy, Picture, and \$50.00 Bucca Di Beppo gift certificate.

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enjoy the joyful energies of the participants. There were at least ten finalists that were disqualified upon verification of non-membership and that was disappointing.

Another reason to join the Homeowner movement.

As President and East Hill Valley resident I was impressed with our side's quality, but I would like to encourage my side of town to get participating. I would like to see the grand prize winner from the East side next year! The prizewinning homes will be pictured on the website.

Looking to the future after such a bizarre 2001 is exciting since it brings a new awareness for how fortunate we are to live in such a great country. The Hill Valley Homeowners Association has come a long way since its beginning and I look forward to serving you, the member, in the coming year. It is important to reflect upon our accomplishments in order to gauge our progress and so it is with great pride I share some of the good things:

We completed the revision of our corporate by-laws.

We held the Annual General Meeting required by the by-laws; elections of board members were held at that meeting.

We finalized a snow removal contract that is good for the next three years at a competitive rate.

We held a great picnic with firemen, deputy sheriffs, Politicos attending. Good food, drink, and entertainment was enjoyed by all.

We further developed the HVHA website.

We continue to improve the Neighborhood Crime Watch program and this has been a blessing to our area.

Things to accomplish for 2002:

More emphasis toward 100% Crime Watch participation and how the HVHA can assist in this very important NEIGHBORHOOD function.

Reduce traffic violations that continue to occur within our boundaries.
 Continue to update and promote the website.
 Reduce newsletter expenses with the use of electronic means. We can save money and trees!
 Fill the five vacant board positions, the most important being that of treasurer.
 Monitor the demise of the \$10.00 sewer tax and ask for an accounting of where and how the money has been spent.
 Lack of street repair is becoming a significant issue and may need to be addressed by HVHA.
 More participation for the neighborhood garage sales is needed.
 Attendance at various town meetings that directly affect our community is encouraged.

In closing I would ask all members to check with neighbors and encourage them to become a member of HVHA -that is how we grow strong. This is your Association, please become more active as a dues paying member and finally have a great 2002.

CRIME WATCH NEWS

Review of Incidents Reported to Crime Watch during the Year 2001:

1. 01-07-01 Mail Box Vandalism Vandalism
2. 01-10/01 1 AM Doorbell Ringing Possible Pre-Burglary Visit
3. 01-12-01 White Castle Boxes in Mailbox Violation of Federal Law
4. 01-15-01 1 AM Pizza Delivery Possible Pre-Burglary Visit
5. 01-18-01 Stolen Mail Theft-Violation of Federal law
6. 01-25-01 Tree Trimmer Scam \$700 Charge for 1 hour
7. 02-03-01 Mail Box Vandalism Vandalism
8. 02-08-01 12:23AM-Opening of Front Door- Possible Pre-Burglary Visit
9. 02-14-01 Burglary - Crime Watch Works- Burglary-Suspects Arrested
10. 03-16-01 Suspicious Activity by Prowler -Possible Pre-Burglary Visit
11. 04-16-01 Mail Box Vandalism Vandalism
12. 04-25-01 Suspicious Activity by Wrecker-Possible Pre-Burglary Visit
13. 05-04-01 Termite Scam Scam
14. 05-11-01 B B Gun Shot through Garage Window - Vandalism
15. 05-29-01 Visit by Mexican Workers - Possible Pre-Burglary Visit
16. 06-01-01 Van entered - Items stolen Theft
17. 06-02-01 Lamp Post Broken Vandalism
18. 06-02-01 Window Panes in Garage Broken - Vandalism
19. 06-02-01 Yard Job Vandalism
20. 06-19-01 Brick thru Car Window Vandalism
21. 06-24-01 Garage Sale Sign Stolen Theft
22. 06-26-01 Magazine Salesman Attempt to enter home
23. 06-28-01 Broken Key in Lock Attempt to enter home
24. 08-01-01 Bird Feeder Stolen from Porch - Theft
25. 08-02-01 Egg in Mailbox Vandalism

- 26. 08-02-01 Trash Cans Stolen Theft
 - 27. 08-13-01 Harley Motorcycle Stolen Theft/Burglary
 - 28. 08-21-01 Car Break Ins-Walnut Farms Vandalism/Theft
 - 29. 08-27-01 Video taken of Garage Interior -Possible Pre-Burglary Visit
 - 30. 09-28-01 Prowler-Meridian School Road Suspicious Activity
 - 31. 10-22-01 Shed broken into-Laura Lynne Ln Theft
 - 32. 10-26-01 Utility Door Kicked in Attempted Break In
 - 33. 11-03-01 Broken Van Window Vandalism
 - 34. 09-15-01 "Uncle Sam" Stolen Theft
 - 35. 10-00-01 Stolen Purse Found Theft
 - 36. 11-24-01 Truck Broken into (\$300 Stereo) Theft
 - 37. 12-10-01 Van Broken into (Tools) Theft
 - 38. 12-14-01 Van Broken into. (purse/credit cards) Theft
 - 39. 12-20-01 Christmas Light Cord cut, Left on Patio Vandalism
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Please continue to contact your Block Captain and reporting all incidents. Crime Watch is able to pick up a trend and advise you of what is happening. The Vehicle Break Ins started in Walnut Farms. East Hill Valley residents were made aware of the situation in this subdivision that borders Hill Valley on the East. Break Ins seemed to have skipped East Hill Valley. They have started occurring in West Hill Valley.

You will note that reports of Mailbox Vandalism have dropped. Perhaps this is a result of Crime Watch and the fact that the Association will pay \$500 to anyone who gives information that leads to the arrest and conviction of a vandal who bashes a mailbox.

West Hill Valley residents will perhaps be contacted in 2002 for assistance in getting Crime Watch 100% effective in that area. Crime Watch is still in need of Block Captains there. If you don't know your Block Captain's name, chances are there isn't a volunteer on your street. As a result, you are not informed of events that could be of interest to you. To offer your assistance, which consists of making a few phone calls to your neighbors, call Marcia Matthieu at 859-4679 or email geolady10@aol.com Crime Watch is simply a grapevine that reports to residents what is happening in the area. We do not patrol the area. Residents are aware of what is happening on their block and watch out for their neighbor's homes and property.

Recently, there have been numerous reports of vans being broken into. For example, on December 10th, six vans were broken into within a two mile radius of Ralston & Bishop. Suggestion: Remove all items of value from your van, truck and cars.

Hill Valley Homeowners Association Board of Directors Meeting Dates

As members, you are welcome to attend these meetings and voice your thoughts. If you would like to be included on the agenda, please call David Olmstead. HVHA meets the 3rd Monday of every month (except December) at St. Barnabas church at 8:00 p.m. The first 20 minutes will be devoted to grievances, etc., before the business meeting continues. Please be prepared, as there is limited time. The following are dates for 2002:

January 21	July 15
February 18	August 19
March 18	September 16
April 15	October 21
May 20	November 18
June 17	

HILL VALLEY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION BOARD 2002

David Olmstead	President	888-5270	S. East Street
Steve Scheidler	Vice-President	881-1558	Pennsylvania St.
Ernestine Nicholson	Secretary	865-0787	Lockwood Ln.
	Treasurer		
John Renault	Member	888-9607	Parish Ln.
Frank Hogan	Member	888-6540	W. Valley View Dr.
Linda Mershon	Member	881-9751	Ottawa Dr.
Martha VanBuskirk	Member	859-0262	Narcissus Dr.
Pat Finke	Member	881-8594	Laura Lynne Ln.

If you have a message you would like to get out to your fellow homeowners, i.e. lost pets, etc., please go to our website at www.hillvalley.org and click on the Contact Us area. You may post your message there.

If you would like information on trees and tree pruning and /or topping, you can access the web site for the Arbor Day Foundation at www.arborday.org/trees or you can order booklets from the Foundation at 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410

When sending in your renewal for HVHA, please make sure you fill out your membership information completely. There are many people who have the same last names, some who have multiple family members living in the same side of Hill Valley and on the same streets, etc. The membership committee thanks you for your cooperation!!

GOOD NEWS!!!! As of May 1, 2002, the UDC who is the billing agent for the Department of Public Works will close out our surcharge on sewer bills. Just as a reminder- please keep any sewer drains in front of your homes clear of all debris from grass clippings, trash and leaves. It has been observed that many drains are covered with muck and need to be kept open so that there will be adequate drainage in Hill Valley.

Are you a resident on Railroad Rd. or Stop 11 Rd? After this newsletter the Homeowners Board intends to end newsletter distribution to homeowners on those streets, as there are no members of the association. If you wish to continue receiving a newsletter, please contact John Renault at 888-9607 so that we may keep you on the list.