## **SUNNY GLEN SENIOR COMMUNITY**

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:



What a summer we are having here in Sunny Glen! Hot days in the 100's and warm nights in the 70's. It's nice to see that the pool is being used every day and people are enjoying themselves. We are trying our best to maintain the pool temps between 84 degrees and 90ish. Multiple back-to-back days over 100 degrees are not our best friend in regulating pool temps. We have adjusted the pool timers so the pool will see some cooling at night.

### **Clubhouse Activities:**

July was a busy month filled with activity around the Clubhouse and the Sunny Glen Community. The July 4th BBQ was a rousing success with about 110 people enjoying hotdogs, ice cream, and socializing. The annual community garage sale was successful July 6th with many households participating. Ricks Breakfast July 20th had 39 people in attendance to enjoy scrambled eggs, chicken apple sausage, pancakes, watermelon, orange juice, and coffee.

Many thanks to our social committee, Sunny Glen Board, and many of our community members who came out to help in various ways to make our events a big success. We also want to thank many of our community members who donated supplies, food, and beverages to our events to make them successful. Your donations are much appreciated, and our community is grateful for your support!!

Many of our Clubhouse activities are off to a great start with yoga, guitar jam, bingo, book club, swim exercise and bicycle rides. The bocci ball courts are resurfaced and waiting for you, although it has been very hot on the courts.

#### **Security Cameras:**

Security cameras are up and running around the Clubhouse both interior and exterior. They are connected to Ring and have already proven successful by recording a homeless man in the lobby. With our community members' eyes and the cameras, the San Ramon PD were called, and they intervened with the person. If you see something that looks suspicious around our community, give the Police a call and they will come out to investigate. Please do not approach anyone that looks suspicious. Call San Ramon Police Dispatch 925-973-2779.

#### **Weed Abatement Season is here:**

It's past time to start pulling those unsightly weeds and removing unsightly junk in your yards. It is the homeowner's responsibility to take care of the weeds and overgrown vegetation in their yards.

If you need help with this difficult task, Guy Gardner, a member of our community would like to arrange help for you through a free service from the missionaries of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints who will do outside work cutting the lawn, helping with weeding, and garden cleanup. This service is free of charge to the residents. They will not come into your home to do work. If you would like help, please call Guy Gardner at 925-577-7221 to arrange a visit from the volunteer.

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#### President's Message Continued.....

### **Challenges ahead for Sunny Glen Senior Community:**

The Sunny Glen Senior Community Board sees many challenges ahead in the coming months, and years. By keeping our community members informed of the challenges, we are confident that we will meet each one with success.

- 1) Our reserve fund remains lower than we'd like and will need to be raised. The board is working on options for raising it and will keep the community informed as we progress with this challenge. A new outside reserve study will be done in 2025 and will give us some clarity on a proper reserve amount.
- 2) The Contra Costa County Health Department has inspected our pool and restrooms and has determined that the pool deck needs a lot of work to correct the trip hazards. They did not set a hard timeline for this so we will start the process of finding concrete contractors bids to make the repairs during the pool off season
- 3) By January 1, 2027, we are mandated by East Bay Mud to remove all the grass around the clubhouse and replace with drought tolerant California native plants. No longer will we be able to use potable water to irrigate grass at the clubhouse. EBMUD does offer some support services and programs to help with this challenge. We are hoping to complete this project in phases with completion by 1/1/2027.

Next Community Board meeting is 7pm Wednesday August 14, 2024, at the Clubhouse,

9000 Craydon Circle.

Until Next Month,

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## **BINGO**

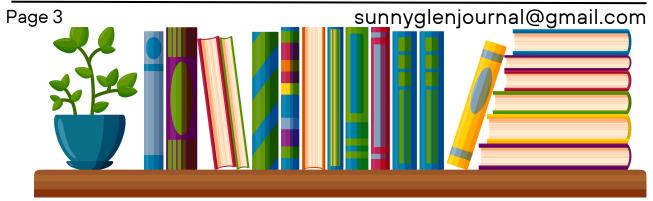
Come join us on Thursdays in the Sunny Glen clubhouse at 1pm for bingo. We play 10 games, plus two blackout opportunities to win. What is the horses games? Come and find out. CASH PRIZES. The cost is \$1.00 per card for the regular games and \$.25 per card for blackout. Hope to see you there. Please contact Patty Newlan at (510) 410-5931 if you have any questions.

## **MONTHLY BOOK CLUB**

The next book we will be discussing is THE WOMEN by Kristin Hannah. You may join anytime - We meet the first Monday of the month at the Clubhouse. Please see the monthly calendar.

## WELCOME NEW NEIGHBOR





## LIBRARY NEWS - JOYCE GUNN/LYNNE BIDWELL

First, a correction to the last newsletter. We DO want you to return the books, puzzles, DVDs and CDs you borrow from the Sunny Glen Library. However, you may keep them as long as you want. Just drop them in the basket or on the shelves below it and we will get them back to their correct place on the shelves.

We have been receiving lots of great donations. We will be processing these this fall and adding them to our library. We have recently received many, many jigsaw puzzles and have run out of space for them. So, please no jigsaw puzzle donations for now. Feel free to borrow some of these lovely puzzles that your neighbors have donated. They range from easy 300-piece puzzles to challenging 1,000-piece and larger puzzles. All have been checked to be sure they are complete and are then placed in a plastic bag inside the box so pieces won't get lost. After you finish the puzzle, remember to take it completely apart so the next person has the joy -- or challenge -- of starting from scratch.

All you mystery lovers out there – Have you read "The Cat who..." mystery series by Lilian Jackson Braun? The cat Qwilleran and his two cat sidekicks are always sniffing out some new trouble. These are fun, cozy mysteries. They do not have to be read in order, but we have posted a list. We have many of them in the Sunny Glen Library. They are at the very end of the mysteries, all together. Enjoy!

Joyce Gunn

## PET OF THE MONTH



**HALLEY** 

Meet Halley. She is being trained to be a diabetic alert dog by Marianne Dimick. She is 10 months old and learning her twenty commands and being socialized. It is important for her to experience everything life has to offer. She goes to restaurants, stores, places with stairs and elevators, places with loud noises and movie theaters. She learns to quietly be sleeping under a table or chair during a meeting.

Early Alert Canines is in Concord. These dogs are special companions trained to detect shifts in glucose levels through their keen sense of smell. Volunteers, like me, train these dogs, foster them in their homes and transport them to the center for their daily scent training. The organization is always looking for dog loving volunteers.

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