



VILLAGE NEWS

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE VILLAGE

"VILLAGE TIDBITS"

by Toni Pelletier

Fresh out of the Sundae Times, **Doc Burnstein's** is the sweetest place around. With the Ultimate Banana Split (30 oz.!), The Brownie Delight, ice cream cakes and pies and so much more to choose from, you're bound to smile. Greg Steinberger, proprietor, hand-crafts super-premium ice cream made on-site daily. Greg also has a Scholarship Day, Tuesday, August 19, to benefit employees. All sales at Doc Burnstein's for the day will build a scholarship fund for college-bound employees. Do stop by for a treat. Open 11-9:30.

Although the **Village Papery** is committed to offering the finest in customer service and wedding invitations, they carry plenty more amazing items. The papyrus and recycled card selection is awesome and fun. Cindie Eberhardt, owner, also carries jewelry by Crislu, Firefly and Pandora, Cranes and William Arthur stationary, and customized baby announcements, as well as smiling sales persons. I guarantee it!

For a good time, go to **Bill's Place**. Not only can you get a refreshing cocktail, you'll have the opportunity to prove you can sing and dance on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. That's when Karaoke takes center stage. Susie Stephenson, owner, puts on special events on many occasions. One of the most popular is St. Patrick's Day, of course. Susie just had an event for Autism and a First Annual Cook Off. What fun!

If you have time to stand in awe, visit **Meg's Garden Art & More** (right between **All About Paws** and **The Wardrobe**). WOW! You'll find everything imaginable such as a great selection of bird houses, live plants, fountains and bird baths made from PVC. In addition there are stone, metal, and rock art and sculptures, and personalized fire pits for BBQing or to use just for heat. Oh yeah, if you missed the Farmers Market on Saturday, Meg has some fresh home grown veggies.

Are you ready to eat? Located in the Village Center, **Alphy's** is waiting for you. Doug and Lance, The Broiler Brothers, whip up some mighty tasty eats. Breakfast wraps, Baja Fish Tacos, Cobb Salad and more will fill and thrill you. Now... if we could only get them to deliver...

And, on a not-so-thrilling note, **Susan Branch** has closed to pursue other avenues. Good luck on your new adventure, Susan!

"OTHER HAPPENINGS"

by Bob Lund

If you have not heard about the proposed oil drilling in the Huasna Valley area, you need to become informed. Visit www.huasnavalley.org for more information. The activities proposed could result in a significant increase in the traffic through the Village. Right now, it is important that we all become involved and informed so that we can stay aware as to how this may impact the Village. Their representatives will be at our general meeting on August 28th for a presentation of what is happening and they will be available to answer any questions you may have regarding the situation.

We will be having our annual election for members of the AGVIA Board of Directors at our general meeting this month. Please see the attached materials concerning the election. We are fortunate that the existing Board members have all agreed to run for the position for the coming year. They are doing an excellent job and also do a lot of volunteering throughout the year.

We are sorry to say that Michele Von Euer, our office manager, is leaving us as of August 15th. She has been a nice addition to our operation and we will miss her. She is moving to Oregon and we wish her our best.

As of Sunday, August 10th, we have our new road side sign that can be seen just before one exits onto Grand Ave. going south. This was put up by Eddie El Helou, Bob Lund, Ed Arnold, Greg Steinberger and Mark Pelletier. It looks great and should add a lot to our Village visibility.

We are now sending out e-mails to all members regarding news breaking events and requesting member feedback related to any problem or news that impacts the businesses in the Village. If you have not received an e-mail from me, please let me know (especially if I do not have your e-mail address).

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Thursday, August 28, 2008
Branch Street Deli 8:00 am

- 1. Call to order**
- 2. Introduction of attendees**
- 3. Office and Financial report**
- 4. Old Business**
 - . **Tourism Analysis**
 - . **Summer Concert Series**
- 5. New Business**
 - . **Election of Officers**
- 6. City of Arroyo Grande report**
- 7. Guest Speakers: Huasna Valley Assn.**