

The VVHOA





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President's Message:

In the Northern Hemisphere, June marks the commencement of summer.

Boy has time changed my idea of great summer activities. I grew up on the Gulf Coast near Corpus Christi. Summers were for fishing, salt water swimming, getting stung by Portuguese Man of Wars, hanging out at Port A or Padre Island not caring about sand in places where it should not be, sunburn, even worse than sand are sea fleas and maybe a (just a rumor) illicit alcohol beverages.

Today sun is to be avoided at all cost as per my dermatologist who has to remove all the damage caused by those summer exposures. I avoid sand and saltwater as it somehow has lost its appeal. Fishing is great if the weather is perfect. Swimming is for clean pool water with nothing in it with the ability to attach itself to me. At least now I can enjoy a cold Shiner Bock without the fear of getting busted. (I do have a embarrassing story about that for another time.)

My favorite summer thing is air conditioning, in the house in the car at the store. Now as grandparent and great-grandparent I can travel to visit family in relative comfort in a car, sleep in a hotel and not a mosquito infested tent. I also can take the time to enjoy summer flowers, the birds and nature in general.

Please enjoy your summer however you choose. I leave you with a quote from one of my favorites, Ralph Waldo Emerson.

"In these divine pleasures permitted to me of walks in the June night under moon and stars, I can put my life as a fact before me and stand aloof from its honor and shame."

June Highlights





Link to actual D-Day Footage

cdn.teachertube.com/mp4video202/169696.mp4

The **Normandy landings** were the landing operations and associated airborne operations on Tuesday, 6 June 1944 of the Allied invasion of Normandy in Operation Overlord during World War II. Codenamed **Operation Neptune** and often referred to as **D-Day**, it is the largest seaborne invasion in history. The operation began the liberation of France, and the rest of Western Europe, and laid the foundations of the Allied victory on the Western Front. The foregoing figures exclude approximately 20,000 Allied airborne troopers. Extensive planning was required to move all these troops.

The U.S. VII Corps sustained 22,119 casualties from 6 June to 1 July, including 2,811 killed, 13,564 wounded, 5,665 missing, and seventy-nine captured.

Over 16 million Americans served in the armed forces during World War II. These members of the military might be male or female, from any level of society, as young as 15 or as old as 72, serving anywhere from Greenland to New Guinea.



In the past cameras were difficult to use, there were no automatic settings, images



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were captured on plates or film then had to be developed by hand. A lot steps and expertise was required to produce an image.

Click on the old camera for a link to a collection of old photos with some remarkable quality that gives us a window to the past.

Summer Office Hours: Monday & Wednesday 8am-2pm Tuesday 12pm-3pm.

<u>Vicksburg Village Website</u>: Please visit our website at <u>vicksburgvillage.net</u> We are very happy with everything that Dean Seals has done for us and appreciate all his work. You will find lots of helpful tools on the site, such as architectural control committee request forms and much more! If you have any suggestions for new content, please let us know. We want to make this website a useful tool for all our residents.

Bunco Group: Third Wednesday of each month. If you are interested in joining the group or would like to substitute, please call Mell Whiting (443-243-6934). We are always in need of permanent players and substitutes.

<u>Artist of the month</u>: There is a signup sheet on the credenza for the "Artist of the month." We enjoy seeing the artistic talents of our residents. The artists this month is by the Art Tribe. This colorful art is a collaborative piece done by using alcohol inks.

Wall Hanging of the month: Each month, a member of the Quilt Bee provides a wall for the Clubhouse. Stop by and enjoy this month's wall hanging by Kathy Ballard. If you are a quilter, we encourage you to show your quilting. Call Gwen Myers 830-832-8472 to add your name to the list on the credenza and include it in the monthly Newsletter. Join us at the Quilt Bee on 1st and 3rd Mondays at 1:00 in the Clubhouse. All levels of quilting skills are welcome.

<u>Free Notary Service:</u> Free notary service is available for residents of Vicksburg Village in need of such service. <u>Contact Christine Klima at 830-370-8957</u> to make arrangements.

Every Thursday evening at 5 pm, the Widows (and single ladies) of Vicksburg meet at different restaurants in town for a lovely dinner. Great way to meet your neighbors, and not have to cook, and eat alone! Here is our schedule:

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	PLEASE JOIN US—ITS FUN		
6th	The Ridge	4th	Holiday
13th	Rio Ranch	11th	Culvers
20th	Classic Burgers	18th	Billy Genes
27th	Mamacitas	25th	China Town

The City of Kerrville has adopted new animal enforcement ordinance that went into effect this April. The entire 23 page ordinance is available on our VVHOA website.

The following is the excerpt that would most apply to the Village.

Sec. 18-31. Nuisances.

- (a) All dogs and cats, excluding community cats, shall be kept under restraint.
- (b) No dog or cat may be allowed to cause a nuisance. The owner of every dog or cat shall be held responsible for every behavior of such dog or cat under the provisions of this article.
- (c) A dog or cat is considered a nuisance if it damages, soils, defiles, or defecates on private property other than the owner's or on public walks and recreation areas unless such waste is immediately removed and properly disposed of by the owner; causes unsanitary, dangerous, or offensive conditions; causes a disturbance by excessive barking or other noisemaking; chases vehicles; or molests, attacks, or interferes with persons or other domestic animals on public property.

[As defined in the definition part of this ordinance: Community cat caregiver means a person who participates in trap-neuter-return.]

- (d) It is unlawful for a person to feed feral cats or to provide food for feral cats. It is an affirmative defense if the person is a community cat caregiver maintaining a community cat colony.
- (e) If a community cat colony is the source for a substantial number of nuisance complaints from multiple sources, the affirmative defense under subsection (d) does not apply and the community cat colony must be relocated or the cats claimed by owners and re-homed. A substantial number of nuisance complaints means three or more complaints within the past 12 months. Multiple sources means that there are two or more reporting parties that do not reside at the same address.

Sec. 18-32. Community cats.

- (a) Community cats impounded on a nuisance complaint shall be humanely euthanized after expiration of the redemption period unless a community cat caregiver claims the community cat and agrees and is able to relocate the cat t another location, in compliance with this chapter. Community cats may be held longer, as space is available in the animal shelter.
- (b) Community cats that bite or scratch a person shall undergo rabies observation or testing, shall be euthanized in accordance with law, and may not be released, including to a community cat caregiver.

Sec. 18-33. Redemption.

- (a) A community cat released to a community cat caregiver may be released without payment of an impoundment fee, unless the community cat was seized pursuant to a nuisance complaint.
- (b) Any dog or cat confined for rabies quarantine, evidence, or other purpose may be redeemed by the owner thereof upon payment of a fee. Disposal of a dog or cat by any method specified herein does not relieve the owner of liability for violations and accrued charges.
- (C) No dog or cat required to be registered or vaccinated under this chapter may be redeemed until arrangements for such registration and vaccination have been made.
- (d) As a condition for redemption, the animal control authority may require a dog or cat, including community cats, to be microchipped and have the microchip registered such that the animal control authority is avle to identify the owner or community cat caregiver, as applicable.

Community Events



A celebration of life reception will be held for long-time resident Carolyn Tauferner on June 15th at 2:30pm in the Clubhouse.

BETSY FLETT HAS VOLUNTEERED TO COORDINATE A POTLUCK FOR THE 4TH OF JULY.

4:00PM FOR POTLUCK AT THE CLUBHOUSE AFTER A PARADE THOUGH THE VILLAGE WITH DECORATED VEHICLES.

BETSY WILL HAVE A SIGN-UP SHEET
IN THE CLUBHOUSE BY MID-JUNE



George's Korner – Jeopardy Style (Questions on last page)

- 1. According to song, if you do this, "put it in your pocket, never let it fade away"
- 2. Clark Gable as Fletcher Christian helped propel the 1935 film to Best Picture, the first remake to win an Oscar.
- 3. In the epilogue to Moby Dick, this rescued narrator quotes from the book of Job: "and I only am escaped alone to tell thee"
- 4. He's Dudley Do-Right's dastardly mustachioed nemesis
- 5. This "The Mount Rushmore" state keeps busy with the USA's birth rate.

COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS

CLUBHOUSE DECORATING COMMITTEE

Summer is here and that means vacation time! Please enjoy our summer themed clubhouse decorations for months of June, July and August.

ACC COMMITTEE

Just a friendly esthetic trash and recycle reminder from the City of Kerrville. It reminds us to put our best foot forward for the enjoyment of our neighbors:

Cart Placement Requirements Must be placed curbside by 7:30 a.m. with lid opening facing street. May be placed curbside after 8:00 p.m. the night prior to collection, but must be removed by 10:00 p.m.

CC&Rs COMMITTEE:

The CCR's committee continues its weekly Monday meeting editing our governing document, Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CCR's).

One of our committee members, Andy Starck and Betsy left their home for cooler summer months farther north and will be returning sometime after the weather becomes more comfortable. Linda Lavretta and Gary Williams generously volunteered to join the number of highly qualified, capable, and devoted members serving on the CCR's Committee.

The CCR's committee reports two informative links can be found on our website vicksburgvillage.net. One link is for Texas Property Code (Sec. 202.009): Sec. 202.009. REGULATION OF DISPLAY OF POLITICAL SIGNS, and another is for CITY OF KERRVILLE TEXAS ORDINANCE NO. 2024-08 AN ORDINANCE CHAPTER 18 "ANIMALS," replacing all previous ordinances.

Activities

Event	Day	Time	Contact	
Bob Ross Style - Painting Class	TBD	TBD	Tom Whiting 443-243-6933	
Bunco	3rd Wednesday	6:30PM	Mel Whiting 443-243-6934	
Chicago Bridge	2nd Monday	1:00PM	Joy Morris 830-895-8821	
Canasta- Pennies from Heaven	Friday	1:00PM	Gloria Valentine 830-955-5267	
Canasta-Pennies from Heaven	Thursday	1:00PM	Carolyn Brooks 830-955-5408	
Happy Hour	Friday	5:00PM	Putt Shaw 830-285-8110	
Mahjong	Tuesday, Sunday	2:00PM	Carolyn Wilkinson 210-422-7821	
Men's Coffee	M, T, Th, F	8:30AM	Mike Michalec 830-739-8640	
Poker Night	Every Other Tuesday	5:00PM	Barney "B.B."Mays 830-955-9012	
Quilt Bee	1st and 3rdMonday	1:00PM	Gwen Myers 830-832-8472	
Nine-Ball Pool	Thursday	9:30AM	Steve Lehman 830-739-5990	
Eight - Ball Pool	Friday	7:30AM	Steve Lehman 830-739-5990	
Water Exercise	M, W, F	7:00AM	Betty Aronsen 830-896-2187	
Water Exercise	T, Th, Sat	10:00AM	Mary Lou Bartels 830-257-8066	
Wednesday Coffee	Wednesday	9-ish AM	Office 830-257-2442	
Movie Night	Last Thursday	6:30 PM	Tom Whitting 443-243-6933	
CC&Rs Committee	Monday	5:30 –6:30 PM	Gail Johnson 979-299-9277	

Committees

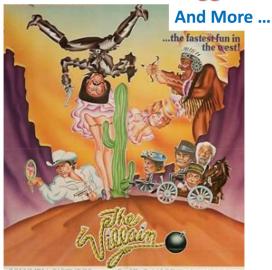
Architectural Control	Bereavement	Budget & Finance	CC&Rs By Laws & Rules	Clubhouse Decorating
Christine Klima	Anne Snellgrove	Sitting President Sitting Treasurer	Gail Johnson Sitting President	Sharon Preston
Sherrill Hutson	Linda Lavretta	Linda Lavetta	Laurie Sheets	Anne Snellgrove
Dean Reynolds	Mary Etheridge	Larry Stamps	Cindy Breen	Sharon Nole
Bonnie Flory	Ruth Maples		Andy Starck	Betsy Flett
Bill Ponce	Sherrill Hutson		Donna Bryant	Cindy Seals
Don Kilmer	Barbara Arkett		Kim Marks	Mary Staudt (sub)
	Babs Morgan		Gary Williams	
	Carolyn Brooks		Linda Lavretta	
	Sharon Nole			
	Wanda Benson			
Common Area Gardening	Clubhouse Maintenance & Supplies	Elections	General Maintenance	Welcome
Roxanne Case	Linda Lavretta	Mary Ellen Terry	Larry Stamps	Gail Johnson Cindy Breen
Kim Marks	Sharon Nole	Betty Aronsen	Don Flett	Mary Flett
Tom Wallace	Mary Flett	Mell Whiting		Gerry Stamps
Cindy Wallace	Anne Snellgrove	George Scheirton		
	Betsy Flett	Putt Shaw		
	Sharon Preston	Bonnie Flory		
		Barbara Gaither		
		Anna Challenava (avib)		
		Anne Snellgrove (sub)		

Movie Night

Vicksburg Village Movie Night

"The Villain"

Kirk Douglas - Ann-Margret Arnold Schwarzenegger







Board of Directors

Tom Johnson: President
Tim Sheets: Vice -President
Linda Lavretta: Secretary
Judy Wright: Treasurer
Gwen Myers

Gloria Valentine Fred Fraley

Questions

- 1. What is Catch a Falling Star?
- 2. What is Mutiny of the Bounty?
- 3. Who is Ishmael?
- 4. Who is Snidely Whiplash?
- 5. What is South Dakota? (64.9 births per 1000 women of childbearing ages 15-44)