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Board to consider Onset path extension for 2010

Steve Murphy *SVHOA Bookkeeper*

In 2007 the Association installed a pathway across Onset Park. It ran from the Brookfield stairs to the lower Middleton entrance. Onset Park has a severe slope. The pathway allowed for greater use of the Park. Many Villagers who had never been in the Park before have become regulars in the Park. The Parks Committee has now made a recommendation that the Pathway be linked to the Upper Middleton entrance. We have found a contractor who has quoted us a very good price. At the December Meeting (7 pm, December 22nd), the Board will consider this proposed extension. We do not want to be making decisions in a vacuum and would like to

hear from you. Come to the meeting and let your voice be heard.

The *last 2009 BOD meeting* will be Tuesday, December 22 at 7 pm at the Recreation Center. (Like last month, in anticipation of a holiday, we moved up the meeting earlier in the week.)

The *2010 SVHOA Annual Meeting* will take place Saturday, January 9, 2010 at 10 am at the Recreation Center

Holiday Happenings

At a loss of how to spend your winter hours in 2009? Here is a short listing of local special events from donation drives to the annual Zoo Lights at the Oakland Zoo.

Alameda County Food Bank Donation Drive

From now through January 4th the Alameda County Food Bank will be accepting donations. Non-perishable food items can be dropped off in donation bins during regular office hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm:

- 70 Washington Street, Office Building Lobby
- 530 Water Street, Office Building Lobby
- 77 Franklin Street, Office Building Lobby

Mayor's Community Toy Drive

Donations will be accepting donations now through December 23rd.

- 70 Washington Street, Office Building Lobby
- 530 Water Street, Office Building Lobby
- 77 Franklin Street, Office Building Lobby

New toys can be dropped off in donation bins during regular office hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.

Zoo Lights

The family-friendly event, ZOO LIGHTS, continues at the Oakland Zoo now through January 3. Walk along the paths of the zoo and be splashed with hundreds of colorful lights as festive music fills the air.

Paws and Claus

Saturday, December 19 - December 20

Meet jolly old St. Nick in Flamingo Plaza at Oakland Zoo from 10 am-3 pm. Kids can share their wish lists for the holidays and have pictures taken with Santa Claus! <http://www.oaklandzoo.org>.

"A Christmas Carol, the Musical"

Saturday, December 19 - December 23 (8:00pm, Dec20, 3:00pm) Charles Dickens' classic gets the full Broadway treatment by the Broadway team of Alan Menken "Beauty and the Beast," "Little Mermaid," Lynn Ahrens "Ragtime," "Seussical" and Mike Okrent "Crazy For You," "Me and My Girl" at the Lisser Theatre at Mills College.

<http://www.curtaincallperformingarts.net>

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NEXT BOARD MEETING: TUES, DECEMBER 22, 7 PM

Good Gnus

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Christmas Celebration

Wednesday, December 23 (Noon to 1:00pm)

A special performance by Oakland Interfaith Gospel Choir and a visit from Father Christmas
<http://www.oaklandcitycenter.com>

Nutcracker

Thursday, December 24 - December 27 (11:00am, 2:00pm, 7:30pm check listing)

Oakland Ballet Company presents the Holiday Favorite at the Paramount Theater.
<http://www.oaklandballet.org/>

10th Annual New Year's Eve Balloon Drop

Thursday, December 31 (12:45pm)

Bring the family to celebrate the start of the New Year with music and balloons dropping from the ceiling, many filled with prizes at the Chabot Space & Science Center.

510-336-7373, <http://www.chabotspace.org>

SF Ethnic Dance Festival Auditions

This coming January, 136 groups will audition at the Palace of Fine Arts in San Francisco for a spot in the 32nd annual San Francisco Ethnic Dance Festival. The Festival Auditions are open to the public for only \$10 a day--only 29 cents a piece, and children 16 and under are free! The Festival Auditions are the best place to see the breadth of world dance forms being sustained in the Bay Area. www.worldartswest.org

By Jill and Jennie

It's kind of nice of Mother Nature to take the winter season so seriously this year, don't you think? I mean, don't get me wrong, I hate driving in the rain as much as the next guy, and don't get me started on my fruitless efforts to keep my hands warm once they have tasted the bitter cold of 30 degrees. But still, seeing photos of an Oakland Hills friend's house with one and a half inches of snow has certainly assisted in the building of my holiday spirits. Then of course, we have our resident "bow angels" Maureen, Gary, and Lita making the Village so festive every year. Not to be outdone by the most hospitable Shimkos who opened their home once again to Villagers for coffee, Christmas goodies, and caroling. Jill and I are both blessed this year to have our mothers living close by, which hasn't been the case for either of us for many, many years. So for the last "Good Gnus" of 2009 we wish each precious Villager warmth, love, joy and peace. And while some of us have suffered hardship this year (loss of loved ones, jobs, or good health) I believe that 2010 will be filled with wonder and hope for us all. Thank you for making this world a better place just by being YOU. Happy Holidays!!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Thank You

Thanks go out to Maureen Cronin, Lita and Gary Flinders for decking the "halls" with red bows. What would a Christmas in the Village be without these decorations.

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SVHOA Address

We don't have an office at the Rec Center any more. All communications with the Association should be sent to 3032 Roxbury Ave.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!



MESSAGE BOARD

ROOM FOR RENT IN VILLAGE Share hillside home with your own large, private bedroom, separate bathroom, plenty of storage space, and many amenities. Monthly rent of \$825 includes all utilities and wireless internet access. Available January 2010. Call 510.908.2982.

PET CARE & SMALL DOG GROOMING (BY APPOINTMENT ONLY) RIGHT IN YOUR OWN NEIGHBORHOOD Please visit www.4pawswhisperer.com for service information, availability and reservations. Contact Fellow Villager Rachel at 553-0129

VILLAGE R.N. AVAILABLE Dependable, Caring, Friendly Nurse Available. 20+ Years Exp. In all Medical Areas (Basic Care, Wound Care Assistance, Dialysis, etc.) Low rates. Free Phone Consultation! 510-455-1009

VILLAGE HOME FOR RENT Spacious 3 bed/3ba. Tri-level. Lovely Bay Views from inside and out on 1 of 2 decks. 925-683-2308 or gdiamondring@comcast.net

BABYSITTER I am 17 yrs. old and am a Sheffield Village resident. I have done a lot of babysitting in the Village and can provide references. Please contact Kristie Grunert at 635-2085.

TUTOR/BABYSITTER AVAILABLE Experienced, energetic, and versatile Village college-grad available on flexible schedule to tutor and babysit. Please contact Jennifer 326-6561 or kinipela525@sbcglobal.net.

*Contact the editor to submit classifieds/events/editorial by Saturday of the second week of the month.
crier@sheffieldvillage.org*

FYI: The Crier will not run messages from the prior month without the requestor notifying the Editor. Thanks.

ANNUAL MEETING

SHEFFIELD VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

*Saturday, January 9, 2010 at 10 a.m. in the
Recreation Center (247 Marlow)*



All Homeowners are welcome.

We will be electing Board members at this meeting to serve for 2010. There will be several vacancies on the Board. If you are interested in becoming an integral part of our Association, we would like to talk to you. If you would like more information on job descriptions, etc, please contact any Board member. Phone numbers and e-mail addresses are listed on the back page of the Crier.

Proxy

I am unable to attend the SVHOA Annual

Meeting on Saturday, January 9, 2010.

I hereby appoint _____

to cast my ballot for me.

Your name _____

Address _____

Lot # _____ (provided at the Annual Meeting)

Signature _____

Must be turned in to a Board member by the start of the meeting, 10 a.m., 1/9/2010