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Keeping your home and family safe this holiday season

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We are entering the time of year when thieves are frequently on the prowl. Here are a few common tips to keep your home and family safe.

Keeping Your Home Safe

- Avoid displaying gifts and packages where they can be seen through a window or door.
- Arrange to have packages delivered directly to a neighbor or have a neighbor watch for your delivery if you're not there to receive them.
- When leaving town, arrange to have a neighbor watch your home to put out and bring in trash bins, pick up mail, newspapers, and packages. These regular activities will make it less obvious the home is empty.
- Dispose of packaging discreetly. Criminals may note the big screen TV box in your trash making your house a likely target for their next burglary.
- Always lock your home's windows and doors, even if you plan to be gone for just a few minutes.

Answering the Door

It is not uncommon for thieves to take advantage of the generosity of people during the holiday season by posing as volunteers for charitable organization.

- Always ask door to door solicitors to show their Peddler/Solicitor ID card. The city of Oakland requires solicitors to obtain one.
- If in doubt, contact the charitable organization directly and inquire about their policy on door to door solicitation activities.
- Donate to recognizable charitable organizations directly. Most organizations do not send door to door solicitors to collect cash donations.

Watching Out For Your Neighbors

Help keep Sheffield Village a safe, comfortable place for everyone.

- Being out and about in the neighborhood socializing with neighbors can help deter crime in Sheffield Village all year round.
- Keep your neighbors aware of suspicious activities in the neighborhood by reporting them on the Sheffield Watch yahoo listserv.
- If you see a crime in progress, contact the Oakland police immediately.

FINAL 2011 BOARD MEETING:

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 7 PM

***** ANNUAL MEETING: SATURDAY,
JANUARY 14, 2012, 10AM**

****THIS IS THE LAST CRIER OF 2011****



**Happy Thanksgiving
and enjoy the
rest of the
holiday
season with
your family
and friends!**



By Jennie and Jill

Considering I'm such a sentimental sot (don't ask me about the commercials on TV that have made me tear up...), I am not much of a holiday person--think of me as sort of a Semitic "Bah Humbugger" (I can't stand the commerciality of gift giving...for some unexplainable reason, my grandchildren didn't jump at the chance for a Hanukkah/Christmas donation to the charity of their choice...Go figure?)

OK, with that icy deflation of the Magical Season coming up, let me say this: I am EMINENTLY grateful for my fabulous friends, for my incredibly sweet and adorable husband, for the cutest grandchildren on earth (...although, it IS so calm after they go back to their house and I resurrect my house and wipe up all the sticky spots..)--I could kiss those little faces until the cows come home (...although it baffles me that the 13 year old boy would rather "chill out" with his same age friends, than me...again, go figure!!), for a meaningful job, for delightful Sheffield Village neighbors, and for Trader Joe's!

I haven't seen the New Year come in for many years.....I can't stay up that late, but for those of you who do clang the pots and pans to commemorate that special midnight---Happy New Year! If it's not too much to ask, how 'bout asking this devilish economy to stop fooling around and start behaving itself!! My best to all of you.... Most Warmly, Jill



MESSAGE BOARD

HELP WANTED Looking for high school student to help busy teacher correct papers. \$10/hr. Contact Tracy at 635-7460.

GREAT NANNY - AVAILABLE FOR SHARE OR PART TIME CARE

We have a wonderful nanny who is taking care of our 8 months old 3 day/wk in the Village. We are interested in starting a share with a family living in Estudillo Estates, Sheffield Village, Bay-O-Vista or Broadmoor. If you are not interested in a share but are in search of a nanny, she is available for part-time work as well: \$13/hr or \$10/hr for share. Contact Shailey- shaileym@gmail.com or 510-735-6053

LICENSED AND CERTIFIED PET CARE Reservations for new and regular clients online only Please check our availability on our website www.4pawswhisperer.com

TUTOR/BABYSITTER AVAILABLE Experienced, energetic, and versatile Village college-grad available on flexible schedule to tutor and babysit. Please contact 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

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VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Marlow Apartments

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

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BLOCK CAPTAINS

FOR REFERENCE:

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STEVE VIERRA
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777-3333
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Join Sheffield Village and Oakland Fire Department, Office of Emergency Services for Communities of Oakland Respond to Emergencies (CORE) for a free emergency preparedness and response training

Do you know what to do in the event of an earthquake, fire, flood, terrorist incident or other emergency situation?

Are you prepared to be on your own for 7-10 days after a disaster?

Now is the time to enhance your emergency preparedness and response skills so you can help yourself and your family!

CORE I, Home & Family Preparedness
Tuesday, January 10, 2012
7:00pm – 9:30pm

During the CORE I class you will learn how to:

- Make a Family Disaster Plan
- Minimize Hazards In & Around Your Home
- Assemble Emergency Supplies
- Safely React During and After a Disaster

What skills and resources can your neighbors contribute during times of disaster?

Do you know who will need extra help, and how best to provide assistance?

Learn how to organize your group for effective neighborhood emergency response!

CORE II, Neighborhood Preparedness & Response
Wednesday, January 18, 2012
7:00pm – 9:30pm

During the CORE II class you will learn how to:

- Organize Your Neighborhood
- Create a Neighborhood Emergency Response Plan
- Establish a Neighborhood Incident Command Center
- Create Emergency Response Teams

Location of both classes will be Sheffield Village Recreation Center, 247 Marlow Drive. Please RSVP to Danielle Barzoloski at Danielleb65@hotmail.com by January 2, 2012.

**ANNUAL MEETING
SHEFFIELD VILLAGE
HOMEOWNERS'
ASSOCIATION**

*Saturday, January 14, 2012
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 2012. 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 14, 2012 I hereby appoint

to cast my ballot for me.

Your name

Address

Signature

Must be turned in to a Board member by the start of the meeting, 10 a.m., 1/14/2012