

Village Spotlight: Keeping up with the Joneses

Steve Murphy SVHOA Bookkeeper



Rick and Jennet Jones have been Brookfield residents since 1983. Rick heard of Sheffield in the late 1970's through a work colleague who lived on upper Revere and described SV as "one of the best kept secrets in the Bay Area."

Jennet's sister was living in the Village in 1983 when she spotted a house for sale on Brookfield. Rick and Jennet were living on Durant Avenue in Oakland at the time. "We saw the house, fell in love with it (especially our not quite 3 year-old daughter, Caroline, who immediately chose her bedroom), we made an offer, and moved in in late 1983. We bought from the original owner which wasn't unusual back then."

Jennet was born in China and immigrated to the US when she was about 5 years old. She was raised in Oakland with her older sister and three younger brothers.

Rick was born in San Francisco but

grew up in Alameda.

Rick went to California State College Hayward (yes, it was a college in 1966) and was a year ahead of Jennet, who also went there.

Jennet used to be AT&T's western US safety manager, then became a floor manager for Macy's before going back to Cal State Hayward University as the Admissions Coordinator for the school's American Language Program, eventually retiring from that position.

Rick, on the other hand, held a variety of jobs ranging from driving single copy sales trucks for the Oakland Tribune, to junior chemist for a Richmond company, to real estate sales person, to Alameda County's Right of Way department, and eventually retiring as manager of the right of way and property management programs for BART's Real Estate Department. Rick then became a right of way consultant for a private company in Pleasant Hill. He also helped to open a bicycle shop, Endless Cycles (alas, it's closed) in Castro Valley.

Jennet's sister, Joanne and her hubby Mike Yuen, moved to SV about four years before Rick and Jennet. Jennet's niece, Jennifer Yuen (Crier Editor) also bought a house in the Village. People love it here!

Both daughter Caroline and son Adam attended the old SV preschool and San Leandro public schools. They were

fortunate in that two of their cousins, Jennifer and Chrissy, lived nearby created an extended family atmosphere. Caroline and Adam learned to ride their bikes here. They went to San Leandro day camp each summer and eventually became junior counselors. Rick thought his childhood in Alameda was pretty idyllic, but no more idyllic than what his kids had growing up in the Village. Their 8 year-old granddaughter loves to come visit the Village.

Rick first joined the SVHOA Board in the mid to late 1980's, eventually becoming president. There was a lot of turmoil back then because a development company wanted to build up Dunsmuir Ridge with homes.

Imagine if they had succeeded - traffic through the Village would have been horrible, and a beautiful open space would not exist today. He was on the Board several times after that, saying each time that it would be his last time.

He is on the Parks Committee now, and that role is just fine. He has been a block captain since the early 90's; Nate Dahl now has this job and Rick thinks he'll be very good for Brookfield Ave.

Next meeting: May 25 @ 7 pm:

Zoom meeting ID 872 5848
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Homeowners welcome to attend.

Questions? Email:

svhoa.info@gmail.com

The Sheffield Village Palmer Scholarship Fund

Every year the SVHOA Board is pleased to award deserving students from our community with a small honorarium that is to be applied to their education following high school. In 2021, the name of the award was changed to honor its founders, Jennifer and Richard Palmer, who started the scholarship in 1996. To the young Villagers of Sheffield Village today – the Palmers say to volunteer your talents and time to help your neighbors, and to remember that you will take the lessons learned and memories made in Sheffield Village on your next journey.

Eligibility: Any graduating high school senior who is a resident of Sheffield Village and will be attending college. Both owners and renters are eligible to apply, as long as the home or apartment you live in is in good standing with the SVHOA.
Application Review: The SVHOA Board of Directors will review such factors as 1) Academic Achievement, 2) Community Service, with special consideration to service within Sheffield Village and 3) A Short Essay with the theme, "My Fondest Memories of Living in Sheffield Village."

The application form can be found on the Sheffield Village website, or email vicepresident@sheffieldvillage.org for a copy. Please submit applications by May 1st.

The scholarship is funded entirely through Sheffield Village donations, not annual HOA fees. If you would like to contribute, please reach out to the Board for information on how to submit a donation.

---Alex Doll SVHOA VP

THE SHEFFIELD VILLAGE WELCOME WAGON COMMITTEE HAS STARTED VISITING BRAND NEW HOMEOWNERS IN THE VILLAGE. WE ARE HAPPY TO VISIT AND WELCOME NEW RENTERS TOO WE JUST NEED TO BE INFORMED!

AND... IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN THE COMMITTEE AND MEET NEW FOLKS, JUST LET US KNOW THAT TOO!

SVHOA.INFO@GMAIL.COM OR PRESIDENT@SHEFFIELDVILLAGE.ORG

Emergency Preparedness Kits Available for Sale

Save the Date: Sunday, June 12 from 9:00am until 4:00pm

Michele Ellis-Richards, a retired Fire Captain and Emergency Services professional with over 35 years of experience will have a pop-up emergency supplies tent in Diane Russell's driveway at 185 Covington Street. Starting at 9:00am, Michele will have available for sale:

- One- person and family disaster kits for home.
- Car Kits
- Flashlight/Radio Combo w/crank and solar.
- New CERT backpacks with a variety of response items inside. These will be on sale.
- The latest water technology (50-year shelf life) in cans from Blue Can Water out of southern California.
- And other items

Michele will also provide short first aid and emergency demonstrations.

10:00am AED demonstration

12:00pm STOP the BLEED demonstration

2:00pm Fire Extinguisher demonstration (if we can get it approved)

Alert: Diane will NOT be getting any monetary benefit from the sales

Marlow Apartments Volunteer(s) Needed

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Nate Dahl: 510-306-9093
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Diane Russell: 638-9595
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BLOCK CAPTAINS

FOR REFERENCE:

OPD Problem Solving Officer:

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cvasquez@oaklandca.gov

510-407-2381

Replies to calls, texts, emails:

Mon-Thurs. 12pm-10pm

Non-Emergency Police

777-3333

Illegal Dumping 615-5566

Abandoned Vehicles 238-6030

Tree Problems 615-5566

Blight 615-5566

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Milford Park neighbors,

The Sheffield Village parks committee has organized a volunteer parks

clean up day. It will be on May 21 from 10 to noon.

You are welcome to join us in our work. If you have any questions, just ask. Many of you have participated in the past.

I don't anticipate much noise.

Thank you,

Steve

Color my World! Join us for an art sale in Sheffield Village: June 5, Sunday, 11-3 pm at 307 Marlow Dr.

Mosaics, pottery, succulent arrangements, block print, jewelry, and mixed media.

Pick up some handmade gifts for your friends, birthdays, graduation and add color to your home.

Thanks for your support, Cynthia Lee

If you would like to learn **Pickle Ball**, we would love to start a beginner's group here at our own Milford Court.

Fastest growing game in the US and great for all ages! Contact:

Jeanette

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VILLAGE CLOTHING DRIVE

Your local non-profit folklorico dance group, "Ballet Folklorico de Carlos Moreno" on Marlow is having a clothing drive from June 1- July 22. Donations will be brought to Savers in Dublin, and Savers will donate a percentage based on weight to the non-profit group.

If possible, donate your clothing items in a large kitchen-size trash bag. Leave donations at the picnic table at 57 Marlow, June 1-July 22.

Thanks for supporting for the local arts!

Thank You

Volunteers have been active: Thanks for the donations, Dawn Chesney and Yusuf Nasir.

Sheffield Village Connections

At any age, we thrive best when we have a purpose, meaningful engagements, and a supportive network. As we retire and grow older, it may be harder to find these on our own.

Join Sheffield Village Connections to be part of the community within the Village for fun and a little help when you need it!

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