

# THE VALLEY VOICE

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**THANK YOU to Ben Salewski, Paul McDonnell, Mark Witkowski and Laquita Edwards for their past service on the Board!**

## Annual Luminaries Date Set – Dec 8th



\*\*\*\*LUMINARIES - NEXT SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8th\*\*\*\*

This year's Luminaries will take place *Saturday, Dec 8<sup>th</sup>* (rain date of Dec 15<sup>th</sup>).  
**GET YOUR LIGHTS UP!**

For newcomers, Spring Valley has a wonderful tradition of lining the lakes and roads with luminary candles (white paper sacks weighted with sand and a small candle.) The end result is spectacular.

The day starts with families gathering at the beach at 10:00 am to shovel sand into bags. Those with pickup trucks and 4-wheelers help distribute the bags around the lakes and roads. At 5:30 pm **EVERYONE** lights the candles.

### WE NEED EVERYONE TO HELP IN THESE WAYS:

- By making a **cash donation** to help purchase supplies. We place out 3500 sacks and candles, total cost of around \$700... \$107 for the sacks, \$464 for the candles + the cost for a load of sand. Please contribute! Make your checks payable to the Spring Valley POA & drop it off to Shirley Blythe or Anita Spence. (or any POA Board Member)
- By volunteering to **help fill bags** at the beach at 10am on Dec 8<sup>th</sup>. This is a great project for the whole family. Bring a small hand shovel or plastic cup to shovel sand... This takes several hours.. the more help we can get the better! We will have donuts, OJ and coffee!
- By volunteering to **help distribute** the luminary bags around the neighborhood. If you have a 4-wheeler with a trailer or a pickup truck, we can use your help! Please let me know if you have a truck or 4-wheeler to help on this...need kids to ride around and help put out bags!
- By volunteering to **help light candles** around 5:30pm on Dec 8<sup>th</sup>. We ask that **ALL** property owners **light candles around their property or help in those areas like the dam or on the road between lake #1 & lake #2. PLEASE HELP LIGHT IN YOUR AREA OR AT THE BEACH OR DAM**
- By volunteering to **help clean up** bags the next morning. **THIS IS IMPORTANT>>>>**when picking up sacks, please do not dump out the candle holder on the ground with the sand..place in your trash bag.



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The POA wishes everyone a safe and happy holiday season. Keep in mind the health and safety of your family and friends...

Be careful about leaving your garage doors open for extended periods of time.

Let your neighbor know when you will be away on vacation.

Timer lights can be a helpful low-cost security precaution if you are away.

Report any suspicious activity to the police.

## POA Financial Report

Balance as of Nov 13, 2007 is \$1,694.21. The fireworks were our biggest expense to date. This does not reflect the luminary expenses for this year.

## Sewer Improvement District

Mark Lyons reported that we are very close to turning the sewer over to the city. The city will then be responsible for maintenance, hopefully by the first of the year.

## SID Suburban Improvement District

The SID reported that they are looking at lowering the Lake #2 sometime this winter. More details to follow.

## General Neighborhood Issues

Several neighbors continue to see dogs running loose in the Valley. You will be reported to Animal Control if you are letting your dogs run loose. They must be on a leash if they are outside your house or fenced area. To report call: Animal Control at 376-9067

We are working with the City to have "no parking" signs put up on Vista and Gorgeous View where there is limited sight distance. We continue to receive complaints from residents that this makes it difficult and dangerous to get around.