



Siesta Villager

August 17, 2025

Summer Social Hours

Mark your calendars! Join us for our summer social hour dances. Meet your friends for fun and great music!

Wed. 8/27 Diego & Edith 3:00-4:30 PM

Tue. 9/9 Steven May 3:00-4:30 PM

Wed. 9/24 Diego & Edith 3:00-4:30 PM

Tue. 10/14 Steven May 3:00-4:30 PM

Wed. 10/22 Diego & Edith 3:00-4:30 PM

Summer Social Club Meetings

Join us in the AP room on the first and third Monday of the month for our summer social club meetings. We will be sharing information about upcoming activities you won't want to miss!

Upcoming meeting on Aug 25th

Summer Office Hours

The SRV office's summer hours will be
8:30 AM-noon, effective May 1.

Celeste Ramirez
Office Administrator
956-969-3740 (P)
956-973-9564 (F)

Cards Sent:



July 4	Davida Chamberlin-Elliott.	
Passed away		
July 22	Bill Ackley.	Hospital
August 2	Richard Wilson.	Hospital
August 5	Ron Marsh.	Hospital
August 5	Billy McCracken.	Passed away
August 5	Dick Mead.	Passed away
August 6	Don Charron.	Hospital
August 8	Candido Barco.	Passed away
August 10	Manuel Esquibel.	Hospital
August 11	Margo Wright.	Hospital
August 13	Andrea O'Keefe.	Fracture

If you know someone we should send a card to, contact Jody Foriester 573-999-0739 or jodyf2012@yahoo.com. During the summer, cards are left in the All Purpose Room for signing.

Summer Activities

Church Service:	9:30 AM Sunday (VH)
Coffee:	9 AM Tues. & Fri. (AP)
Ladies Social Club:	3 PM Tues. & Sat. (AP)
Mens Social Club:	3:30 PM Tue. & Sat (HW)
Bible Study:	9:30 AM Wed.
Wood Shop:	9 AM-noon, 1-3 PM Mon-Fri.
Water Aerobics:	9 AM daily (pool)
Pickleball:	9:30-12:30 S, M, T, Th, S (VH)
Monday Meetings:	9 AM (AP) Every other Monday beginning April 7
Social Hour Dance:	2nd and 4th week of the month, 3:00 PM
Dining Out:	3rd Tuesday of the month



Summer Activities

Your summer coordinators for this year are **Mike and Cindy Duffy** their Phone number is (507) 271-5730.

Are you bored and need something to do:

Come one come all to the Social Hour Potluck following Social Hour in the Main Hall starting at 5 P.M. We have had poor attendance. We need to support the performers as they are only making what we donate in the pass the hat . They are doing a good job. Please come and also stay for the potluck. We do have a lot of fun at these events and cost very little to attend.

Volunteer to host an event. We will help you. It is not hard to do and does not take a lot of work. It is a good way to meet your neighbors.

Question: Please Call Mike or Cindy Duffy at 507-271-5730.

Peter Piper Pizza

Wednesday Sept 3rd

Time : 11:30

Please sign up in the All Purpose Room
if you intend to go.

Dining Out

August 19th

New York Deli
Harlingen

Please sign up in the All Purpose Room
if you intend to go.



Bingo!!!

The Social Board would like to honor Geri Cram for her years of service calling bingo. We will truly miss her.

We are looking at expanding our bingo games for the fall season. The date it will begin is TBA, it has not been determined yet. We are thinking of adding additional games to the main Bingo game.

Please read the Villager in the next few months with further information on what we will do.

Please plan to join us on Thursday evenings in the AP room to have fun and visit with your neighbors.

The Social Board

Volunteer Opportunities for the Upcoming Winter Season

I know, I know—let's not rush it! We're just diving into summer, but hear me out.

Our Entertainment Committee has already lined up a fantastic slate of entertainers to make the winter season one to remember!

And now, here's your chance to get involved, have a blast with friends, and host an event that brings the community together.

Hosting is one of the best ways to connect with your fellow Villagers. No experience? No problem! We can pair you with seasoned hosts who'll show you the ropes, ensuring it's all fun and zero stress.

We're still looking for hosts for these exciting events:

Thanksgiving Meal – November 27, 2025

New Year's Eve Dance – December 31, 2025

Rusty Rierson Dance – February 7, 2026

Mardi Gras Dance – February 17, 2026

St. Patrick's Day Meal – March 17, 2026 featuring

Jason Whorlow – The Piano Man!

Interested? Got questions? Let's chat! Reach out to me, Dawn Strong at 612-308-2655, or connect with any member of the SRV Social Board.

Let's make the winter season unforgettable—together!

SRV Community Park and Off Leach Area by Gail Runnels

Dog facts that no one knows!

- **Unique Nose Prints:** Like humans have fingerprints, dogs have unique nose prints.
- **Sweating Through Paws:** Dogs don't sweat like humans; they primarily sweat through their paws.
- **Barkless Dogs:** The Basenji is known as the only barkless dog breed.
- **Three Eyelids:** Dogs have a third eyelid called the nictitating membrane, which helps protect and lubricate their eyes.
- **Left or Right-Pawed:** Dogs can be left or right-pawed, similar to humans.
- **Color Vision:** Dogs can see color, though their perception is different from humans.
- **Born Deaf:** Puppies are born deaf and their hearing develops as they grow.

What's Coming Up!

August 19th Dining Out at the New York Deli at 112 N. A Street, Harlingen Time eating at 11:30.

August 25th Monday morning meeting in the A.P. Room at 9:00 A.M.

August 27th Social Time with Edith and Deigo in the Main Hall Starting at 3:00 until 4:30.
Pop, Popcorn, and Ice Cream will be available for purchase for \$1.00 each. Please bring a donation for the entertainer.

August 27th Pot Luck in the Main Hall 4:30 Social 5:00 we will start eating. please bring you dish to share and your own table service and Beverage.

August 29th Celebration of life for Lt. Col. Richard (Dick) Mead in the Main Hall time 2:00 P.M.

September 1st (LABOR DAY) Games and More games hosted by Brad and Rosie Danielson in the Main Hall from 2:30 until 5:00. Please bring and Appetizer to share and your own beverages. Please join us as we had a lot of fun in July when we did it last time. Would love to see more people show up. At lease 2 corn hole games will be there. Large connect four game. Playing cards. Jenga, Triopoly. Pegs and Jokers. Yahtzee, these are just some of the games available to play. Or bring one of your favorite games to play.

September 3rd. Peter Piper Pizza in Weslaco. at 11:15 A. M. Please sigh up in the A.P. Room if you are going.

September 8th Monday Morning Meeting in the A.P. Room at 9:00 A.M.

September 9th Social Hour with Steven May in the Main hall from 3:00 to 4:30.
Pop, Popcorn, and Ice Cream will be available for purchase for \$1.00 each. Please bring a donation for the entertainer.

September 9th Potluck in the Main Hall 4:30 Social 5:00 we will start eating. please bring you dish to share and your own table service and Beverage.

September 22nd Monday Morning Meeting in the A.P. Room at 9:00 A. M.

September 24th Social Time with Edith and Deigo in the Main Hall Starting at 3:00 until 4:30.
Pop, Popcorn, and Ice Cream will be available for purchase for \$1.00 each. Please bring a donation for the entertainer.

We Need You! Lock Up Help Needed!

Volunteers are needed for lock up over the summer. The sign up sheet is in the main hall. Thank you.



Fun Facts about Labor Day

Labor Day, celebrated on the first Monday of September, is a US federal holiday honoring the American labor movement and its contributions to the country's prosperity and well-being. It's a day for relaxation, picnics, and reflecting on the significance of the working class.

Here are some key facts about Labor Day:

- **Origins:**

Labor Day emerged from the late 19th-century labor movement, which advocated for better working conditions, including shorter workdays and fair wages.

- **First Celebration:**

The first Labor Day celebration was a parade held in New York City on September 5, 1882, organized by the Central Labor Union.

- **Federal Holiday:**

Labor Day became a federal holiday on June 28, 1894, when President Grover Cleveland signed a law making it official, according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

- **Significance:**

Labor Day acknowledges the contributions of all American workers to the nation's strength, prosperity, and well-being.

- **Weekend Activities:**

It's often seen as the unofficial end of summer, with many Americans enjoying barbecues, picnics, and other outdoor activities, says WalletHub.

- **Contested Origin:**

While Peter J. McGuire and Matthew Maguire are both credited with suggesting the holiday, its exact origin remains debated, according to Rocket Lawyer.

- **No White After Labor Day:**

This old tradition is said to have originated with the upper class, who would switch to lighter clothing for the summer and then pack it away after Labor Day, according to Rocket Lawyer.

The Villager Submission Information:

- There is no fee to list your events in The Villager. You may reach people this way who are not able to attend all Monday meetings.
- If you have information you would like in The Villager, it needs to be submitted by 9 PM the Wednesday prior to Monday publication.
- You need to write the submission exactly as it will appear in The Villager. I will not write your article. If you would like your article to be included for more than one week, please indicate the number of weeks you would like it to run.
- I prefer you email your requests to siestavillager@gmail.com. Also, if you email, please put your submission in the body of the email, not as an attachment.
- If you aren't able to email your information, you can text me at 763-458-5495. The deadline is still the same for these submissions.
- Also, there are times the office needs to send out an announcement via email. Please ensure the SRV office has your updated email address. Emails will be sent for last minute changes or updates; not for information that missed the submission deadline.
- Print versions of The Villager are available for 50 cents in the office or at Monday meetings. Digital versions are available for free on the SRV website.



HEADS UP

The greatest ever theme dance is scheduled for March 7th will be a "Rock the 60's" Hippie Dance. So don't forget to bring your tie dyed t-shirts, head bands, peace symbols, fringe vests, beads, worn out jeans, sandals and your long lost, long hair. Be there or be square.

Community Park Fund Raising Committee Annual Fundraiser

Our goal is to make the Community Park a self-sustaining park at no cost to the residents of Siesta Retirement Community.

If you would like to donate Money to the park you can contact Sheryl Homan (Park Treasurer) @ 402-660-2989.

If you would like to donate a Bench or any Dog Park Equipment contact Lynette Bastian (Park Designer) @ 920-362-1149.

Each Fall we are having a fund raiser to add bricks to the existing wall at the entrance of the park. Here is your chance to help maintain and improve our park.

We are working with a company called "BRICKSRUS" bricksrus.com

Bricks that will be available:

3 5/8" x 7 5/8" - 4x8 Standard Brick Donation of \$100
7 5/8" x 7 5/8" x 1/2" - 8x8 Brick Donation of \$250
11 5/8" x 11 5/8" x 1/2" 12x12 Brick Donation of \$500

All bricks are to be ordered through the Fundraising Committee "please do not order directly through BRICKSRUS".

We will be selling Bricks during the summer and fall, and sending the order in this winter. We will be allowing lettering and one symbol on the brick at no additional cost. (see Bricksrus.com for available symbols)

If you would like to design your own image/symbol Bricksrus charges \$50 for image setup. Image must be in a word image doc and must be approved!

Please contact Mark George for order information and design assistance mgeorge15@hotmail.com or 763-458-5495 (please leave a message)

Community Park Fund Raising Committee

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**Siesta Village Dining Out
Aug 19th**

Siesta Village Dining Out will be August 19, Tuesday, 11:30 A.M. at the New York Deli, 122 North A Street in Harlingen.

A copy of their menu is with the sign-up sheet in the All-Purpose Room.

The New York Deli is a family-owned and operated restaurant since 1982, offering delicious and fresh food. The menu includes options like deli classic sandwiches, grilled specials, hot dogs, chef salads, and their popular Navy Bean with Pastrami Soup.

Please wear your name tag, and arrange your own transportation. VERY IMPORTANT:

If you sign-up, then find you cannot attend, please remove your name from the list or call Gayle.

If you have questions, call Gayle Mead, 425-501-6773.



**DINING OUT CONTINUES
NANA'S TAQUERIA, WESLACO
Sept 16th**

Siesta Village Dining Out will be September 16, Tuesday, 11:30 A.M. at Nana's Taqueria, 1802 International Blvd.,

Weslaco. A copy of their menu is with the sign-up sheet in the All-Purpose Room. The following is from their

webpage: "Our restaurant started with my husband in the kitchen, myself as the cashier/waitress and an 8 table

dining room. Thanks to the support of the RGV community over the past 12 years, we have been able to slowly

grow and nurture our business. Eventually we transformed our home into the restaurant and have been working to

add to the Nana's experience ever since. Our mission is to share the vibrance and joy of our heritage one taco at a time! We believe every day is a celebration. We are driven by our love for spreading our Mexican culture in an authentic way with our community."

. If you have questions, call Gayle Mead, 425-501-6773.



HAPPY Labor Day
GAMES & MORE GAMES!

MONDAY – SEPTEMBER 1, 2025
JOIN US FROM 2:30 – 5:00 PM
SRV MAIN HALL

Bring your friends –
Your Favorite Appetizer
& Beverage
Enjoy an Afternoon of Fun!

The Story of Stone Soup

Once upon a time, there was a great famine (which means there wasn't enough food to go around). The people in one small village didn't have enough to eat, and definitely not enough to store away for the winter. People were afraid their families would go hungry, so they hid the small amounts of food they did have. They even hid their food from their friends and neighbors.

One day a wandering soldier came into the village. He asked the different people he met about finding a place to eat and sleep for the night. "There's not a bite to eat in the whole county," they told him. "You better keep moving on."

"Oh, I have everything I need," he said. "In fact, I would like to make some stone soup to share with all of you."

He pulled a big black cooking pot from his wagon. He filled it with water and built a fire under it. Then, he reached slowly into his knapsack and, while several villagers watched, he pulled a plain gray stone from a cloth bag and dropped it into the water.

By now, hearing about the magic stone, most of the villagers were surrounding the soldier and his cooking pot. As the soldier sniffed the stone soup and licked his lips, the villagers began to overcome their lack of trust.

"Ahh," the soldier said aloud to himself, "I do like a tasty stone soup. Of course, stone soup with cabbage is even better."

Soon a villager ran from his house into the village square, holding a cabbage. "I have this cabbage from my garden," he said as he held it out for the soldier. "Fantastic!" cried the soldier. The soldier cut up the cabbage and added it to the pot.

"You know, I once had stone soup with cabbage and a bit of beef, and it was delicious." The butcher said he thought he could find some beef scraps. As he ran back to his shop, other villagers offered bits of vegetables from their own gardens--potatoes, onions, carrots, celery.

Soon the big black pot was bubbling and steaming. When the soup was ready, everyone in the village ate a bowl of soup, and it was delicious.

The villagers offered the soldier money and other treasures for the magic stone, but he refused to sell it. He had many offers for a cot to sleep on that night. The next day he traveled on his way.

Well Dawn Strong ran into that soldier in her travels in Minnesota this summer and purchased several of these stones and is bringing them back to Seista Village next winter.

Look forward to SRV Stone Soup this upcoming winter.

Details to Follow!



Wednesday Mens Golf League

Are you interested in playing in a Wednesday SRV Mens Golf League?

We have openings and play at Los Lagos Golf Course in Edinburg and Monte Cristo Golf Course, alternating every week.

We start playing the first Wednesday November.

You can start play when you arrive in RGV!

If interested contact Mark George, League Coordinator.

mgeorge152000@gmail.com

or Text 763-458-5495



New Ideas Coming for Next Winter

There have been talks about purchasing a large Projector and Screen. (10-12')

- a) Superbowl Party, NCAA Final Four, Sunday Football
- b) Movie night in main hall
- c) Drive-in-Movie- Put Projector and screen by Hut- people would sit in golf carts during Movie
- d) Many other events could use Screen

Triva Game- having a host come in and run game

Family Feud- having a host come in and run game

Murder Mystery Night- running our self or having host come in and run party.

The Social Board



Game Night and Card Night

Card Games have been losing interest and the numbers have been getting low.

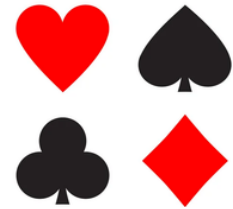
We are looking at things we can do to get the numbers up.

Here are some ideas!

- 1) Have a designated card game night and the entire hall can be used.

If we get enough people we can open the kitchen.

Bridge
Cribbage
Canasta
Pegs & Jokers
500



- 2) Have a designated game night and the entire hall can be used.

If we get enough people we can open the kitchen.

Back Gammon
Domino's
Train
Scrabble
Checkers
Horse Race Game



- 3) Touraments with Prizes

- 4) Poker would be left on there own

Looking for ideas- please email or text one of the Social Board Members with any ideas you have!



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General Reminders

Post Office Box Procedures

It is important that everyone receive their mail in a timely manner and in the correct post office box. In order to assist this happening, and ensure that mail is not returned or put in the incorrect box, please follow these procedures:

Residents

Each street address should have one mail box assigned by the Office. The Office should be notified of the following:

- Any resident change in name,
- Any resident change of address especially within the park,
- Any visitor that may receive mail.

The SRV office must be notified when residents return in the fall, leave in the spring, or have new people living in their home. Inaccurate information may result in mail being returned to sender. PLEASE make sure your Unit number is included in your address. Improperly addressed mail may also be returned to the sender. If you are going on a trip and wish to have your mail held, please contact the Weslaco Post Office at (956) 968-7412.

Renters

Renters shouldn't be given mail box keys by the property owners. If the Office and/or Post Office is not notified of the renter information we do not know who is using the box and mail may be returned or misdirected. (We also put names on the boxes inside the mail building to help the USPS, if we do not know the name we cannot label the box.)

Renters need to contact the office and get their own mailbox. They should pick up the key from the Office and return it to the Office when they leave. This assists in the accurate tracking of empty boxes for reassignment. (If a renter returns to the same house annually, they can keep the same box, but need to notify the office.)

Blocks

If using a block in the box, allow enough time for the mail to be forwarded before placing the block and, when you return, remove the block as soon as the forward is requested. If mail is delivered and there is a block in the box the mail will be returned. The Office will be happy to assist with placing or removing blocks.

Key Return

Any time a box will no longer be used by the current resident, the key must be returned to the office (e.g. sale of house, renter leaving for the season, etc.). The Post Office will not make duplicate keys (and they can not be made elsewhere) nor will they retool the box for a new key.

USPS Packages

Packages that are delivered to the Office by USPS (either because they are too large for the key boxes or the key boxes are full) will be available for pick up in the office lobby.

Architectural Requests

ANY change made to the exterior of your home or property requires Architectural Approval and a Permit. Forms are located in the office. Once filled out, two members of the Architectural Committee and a member of the Board of Directors must sign off on the request BEFORE work can begin. When approval has been given, a Permit will be issued and should be placed in a visible front window of your home. Any request that would require a variance of the SRV 9th Amended Covenants and Conditions must be taken to the full Corporate Board of Directors for approval.

Per SRV Covenants Article V.03: No structures of any kind, including MOBILE HOMES, may be commenced, erected or maintained upon the PROPERTIES, nor shall any exterior addition to, or change, or alteration therein be made until plans and specifications showing the nature, kind, shape, height, materials, color and location of the same shall have been submitted and approved in writing as to harmony of external design and location in relation to surrounding structures and topography by the Architectural Committee.

Contractors In The Village

Reminder to all residents having work done by a contractor. All contractors are expected to register with the SRV office PRIOR to performing any work within the Village. **Contractor vehicles should all have a RED SRV CONTRACTOR PERMIT in their front window.** If you notice a vehicle without this form, please either send them to the office or report them to the office. **NO contractor vehicles should be left on SRV streets overnight.**

Rentals

The Office is keeping a list of people who would like to be renters in the Park and also a list of Owners who have rentals available (or that will be available). If you own a rental and would like to be on the list given to potential renters, please contact the Office with your information. As people call inquiring about available rentals, they will be given your contact number. And if you would like the list of people interested so that you can contact them, also contact the Office.

If you have a renter or no longer want potential renters to contact you, please contact the Office to remove your name from the owners list.

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