#### THE SACRAMENTO RESIDENT ADVISORY BOARD

# TENANT FOCUS

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APRIL—JUNE 2007

#### COMMUNITY FUND RASING

#### **Capitol Terrace**

Our committee is always looking for a way to earn a few dollars to supplement our events. The committee had a dozen Coca-Colas left after an event. We decided to sell them for  $50\,\ensuremath{\wp}$  each, and then use the \$6.00 to buy more.

The Coca-Cola machine in the lobby charges  $60\,\,^{\circ}$ , so getting sales was not hard. <u>Winco</u> had Pepsi on sale at \$5.89 for the 24 pack so with crv and taxes we went in the hole \$1.31 and got them. Actually, I got my \$1.31 after we sold three.

The next day we started with  $19 \, \text{¢}$  and 21 Pepsis. Two weeks later when I went to <u>Winco</u> for my groceries I took the \$8.00 from the 'Soda kitty' and picked up another 24 pack. Now we had  $78 \, \text{¢}$  and 29 cans of Pepsi.

Two weeks later we had run out of Pepsi, but we had \$15.28 so I spent \$14.62 and got a case of Pepsi and a case of Mt. Dew.

We also began to get requests for 7-up, root beer, and diet soda. So with \$20.66 in hand (there were eight sodas in the fridge) off to  $\underline{Winco}$  I went. Now I am looking for value and flavors. I discover Shasta at \$1.97 for a box of 12 or \$2.61 with tax and crv. I came back with 8 boxes and the kitty owed me 22  $\/e$  . By the end of the day I was paid and we had 100 cans plus \$1.78

The Shasta cola did not sell well but the others have. The favorites are black cherry and diet root beer. Maybe if we got rid of all the Pepsi it would do better, but; we are driven by the market forces. We added candy,

then chips, now ice cream bars and ice cream sandwiches.

The average trip to <u>Winco</u> and  $99 \, \text{¢}$  Only Stores takes 50.00 to \$70.00 now. We have 15 flavors of soda, 20+kinds of candy and a choice of ten in ice creams. There are about 100 cans in the fridge and 400 more in stock, about 450 candy bars in stock and close to 150 ice creams.

When I take the change to the bank there is usually \$75.00 in coin and we always keep \$100.00 on hand in the *kitty* to go buy more.

This all started after Joe Gately cut off the money from Coca-Cola and CoinMach.

#### SMUD OFFERS SAVINGS AND PROGRAMS!

#### SMUD Programs Offer a Helping Hand

#### Energy Assistance Program Rate

SMUD offers eligible I o w - i n c o m e customers a monthly discount on their e I e c t r i c bill. Customers could save more than 30 percent

on their total monthly bill.

Call 1-866-675-6624.

## Medical Equipment Discount

If you or a full-time resident of your household uses an electrically powered device for medical reasons, you may be eligible to save more

than 30% on your monthly SMUD bill with SMUD's Medical Equipment Discount (MED) Rate.

#### FREE Weatherization

If you qualify for the energy Assistance

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Next Quarter:

The RAB Quarterly August 27, 2007

The Executive Committee meets each Wednesday at 11:00 am Except in July

#### CALENDARS:

We have posted meeting times for Committees on the web see: www.sacrab.com and follow the link to Google calendars.

The next Quarterly meeting for the RAB will be 1:30 pm August 27, 2007 at the Comstock Apartments Dinning room Street 1725 Sacramento, CA95811 •

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Program, you may also qualify to have your home or apartment weatherized at no cost to you. SMUD's weatherized at ion measures may lower your energy usage and help save you money on your SMUD bill.

# FREE Refrigerator Replacement

Qualifying for the energy Assistance

Program may also qualify you to have your old refrigerator replaced with a free energy-efficient model. A new refrigerator is another way to help you save energy in your home and money on your electric bill. You must own the refrigerator. For more information:

1-888-742-SMUD (7683)

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# YOUR COMMUNITY CONTACT INFORMATION

#### Your Community Highlight

#### PRIMROSE COMMUNITY

- Kiran Kaur, Site Manager—916-566-1246
- Email—<u>kkaur@shra.org</u>
- Karon Boyle, Housing Technician—916-566-1241
- Rebecca Freeman, Housing Technician—916-566-1253
- Maintenance Line—916-566-1241 & 566-1253
- After Hours Emergency—916-962-6095
- Office Fax—916-924-9189
- 320 Commerce Circle Sacramento CA 95815
- Monday—Thursday: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
   Friday: 8:00 a.m. 12:00 noon
- 44 units total in Community



THE NEWS
LETTER HAS
BEEN PUBLISHED
IN SEVENTEEN
VERSIONS THIS
QUARTER, ONE
FOR EACH
COMMUNITY

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From SHRA Resident services:



## DO YOU WANT A JOB THAT LEADS TO A CAREER AND WAGES THAT WON'T COUNT AGAINST RENT CALCULATIONS?

• We offer 1 & 2 year paid employment while you gain experience in our Paint, Custodial or Clerical Programs; *Immediate openings in Paint and Custodial* 

The Sacramento Housing & Redevelopment Agency
Training Program is accepting applications for positions in all three programs;

#### **Applicants Must:**

- Be a SHRA Resident in Public Housing.
- Have a Valid Driver's License (for custodial or paint) or current CA. ID (for clerical).
- Have no felonies (Applicants must pass a background check

#### Pick up an application at:

SHRA Building – 701 12th Street, Sacramento 240 Seavey Circle, Sacramento 321 Eliza Street, Sacramento 816 Revere, Sacramento 1725 K St., Sacramento – Site Manager's Office

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE COMPLETE AND SIGNED

All APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO: 701 12<sup>TH</sup> STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA 95814 ATTN: RESIDENT SERVICES To:

http://www.google.com/calendar/embed? src=sacrab%40gmail.com

http://residentadvisory.blogspot.com/

WE'RE ON THE WEB! http://www.sacrab.com

Phone: 916-443-5547 Email: sacrab@gmail.com

1725 K Street # 101 Sacramento, CA 95811

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#### The RAB goes on tour

By Gale Morgan, Webmaster SHRA announced their OPEN HOUSE to be held Thursday, April 26, 2007. It sounded like a good idea. With only seventeen stops there should be plenty of time to visit.

First we planned out the stops in travel order, then looked at the open hours, then stated the process again. Each community set their own hours, none thinking about what it would take to visit all seventeen locations. If we visited in the order of their opening hours we would cross Sacramento five times. With a little help

from MapQuest.com® we finally got a route set. They say anticipation is half of the enjoyment of a vacation, and we had lots of anticipation!

With a route and travel times in hand we wrote out a trip chart. The greatest surprise, we could only spend twelve minutes at each community's open house and lunch would wait till after 1:00pm. The balance of the time would be driving!

Thursday morning came, I picked up a few things at the office at 8:30am. Then picked up Carol and headed for Coloma Road, our first stop. Arnold and Rebecca

were to meet us along the way. We arrived at the first stop two minutes early and stayed within a ten minute margin of the schedule for the twelve scheduled stops.

We bumped lunch out to 1:45pm. Then added the two offices on I Street where the last five communities are managed.

A busy day, indeed, but well worth the effort. We slept well that night and showed signs of exertions for several days. Would I do it again?

Not this week, but; yes.

Travel well and prosper. •



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