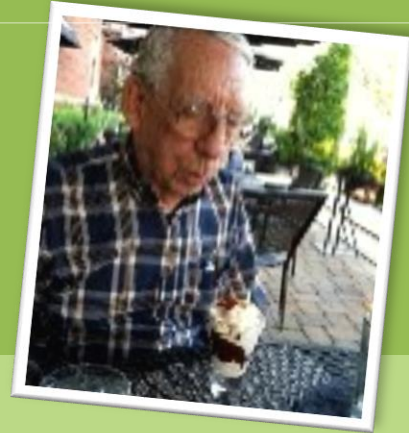


Sequoia Village

Welcome to the third issue of the Sequoia Village Newsletter, serving residents of Belmont, San Carlos, Redwood City, and Redwood Shores.



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Upcoming Events

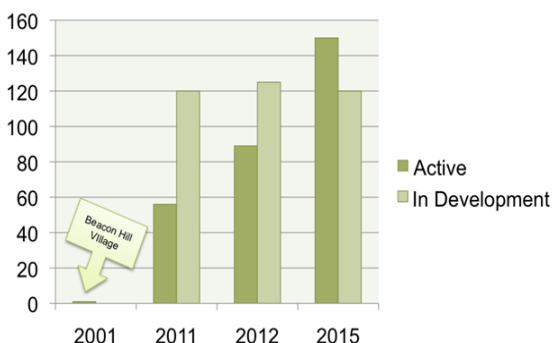
- Apr. 9, 2015**
10 – 11:30am
Information Session
San Carlos Adult
Community Center
601 Chestnut St., San
Carlos
- Apr. 11, 2015**
10:30am - noon
AAUW Belmont
Library Presentation
- Apr. 23, 2015**
1 – 2:30pm
Information Session
Twin Pines Senior &
Community Center
- Apr. 25, 2015**
9:30am –
12:30pm
Volunteer Expo
San Carlos Adult
Community Center
601 Chestnut St., San
Carlos

The Nation-Wide Trend

Sequoia Village follows the example of Beacon Hill Village, which started in 1999 with a group of friends living in Beacon Hill, Boston. These individuals talked about their desire to stay in their own homes while being able to access services as they aged. They didn't want to relocate from their neighborhoods and decided to create their own future with neighbors helping neighbors. Thus, Beacon Hill Village was formed. Looking beyond conventional models of care, the Village launched in 2002 and has now grown to 400 members.

Today, there are more than 150 Villages operating throughout the country. There are roughly 120 additional Villages in development, including Sequoia Village. Beacon Hill Village and Capital Impact Partners jointly created the Village-to-Village Network (www.vtvnetwork.org) to help other communities form new Villages. See how quickly the trend has grown, and be a part of the Village Movement today!

**The Village Movement:
Villages, Active and In Development**



By May Ratiu, Ambassador Chair



WHAT VILLAGERS ARE SAYING...

"A proud [Beacon Hill Village] member since the early days of the village... [Beacon Hill Village] has been a lifeline that has kept [me] going for the last 12 years with a variety of fun activities and special friendships...." Dodie M.

<http://www.beaconhillvillage.org/>

"When I joined [Santa Barbara Village] it was actually to broaden my horizons and meet new people. Never did I guess how desperately I would need rides to doctor appointments and much more...." Pat M.

<http://www.sbvillage.org/>

MAKING IT PERSONAL

A month ago my husband and I picked up a bright green brochure entitled "Sequoia Village: A Village without Bricks and Mortar." While enjoying our cup of coffee there, we read about the proposed mission "to enable people to continue living in their homes and communities as they age by providing access to support services." Just what we were looking for! Reading on, we found out about the "Information Sessions" and the next day we were at the center, with other interested people, learning about all the 'goings-on' and value that the Village can provide to people just like us!

Attending the information session gave us the opportunity to express our personal needs and learn if and how they could be met through participation of the Village. But consider yourself forewarned...

by being among the planners and soon-to-be recipients of Sequoia Village services, we found ourselves eager to volunteer to make this exciting vision become a reality. Not only will be giving back to the community, where we have lived for over fifty years, but our lives will be stimulated by meeting new people, and keeping our brains going in positive ways, avoiding boredom and self-concern.

Sequoia Village has and will enhance our (and perhaps, your) lives with practicality as well as with passion and gratitude. Pick up those bright green brochures! See you at an Information Session!

*By Nancy Grandfield, Co-Chair
Newsletter Committee*



The mission of **Sequoia Village** is to enable its members to continue living in their homes and communities as they age by providing access to support services.

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Upcoming Agenda

- Mar Recruit Volunteers
- Apr Membership Drive
- May Beta Test Services
- July Sequoia Village Launch (July 10)



ONE CALL DOES IT ALL

Members are able to call one number to access volunteers, services, social activities and other resources from their Concierge. Many services will be provided by volunteers: transportation, friendly calls and screening for safety/fall prevention. If volunteers are unable to fill a need, a member will have access to professional service providers. These providers will be screened for quality, integrity, appropriate licensing and will have negotiated discounted rates. Examples of screened providers are: handyman, appliance

repair and computer education/assistance. Our members' quality of life is our number one priority and we expect high quality service from our providers. Sequoia Village will perform member satisfaction surveys and update our service provider information to maintain the high quality service. Whether your needs involve a volunteer or vendor service, you will be pleased with the quality and ease in finding the right resource to match your needs ...with just one call.

*By Randi Kutnewsky,
Newsletter Committee
Member*



Sequoia Village Needs You (and you will need us)!

We are ramping up for our July opening and are looking for volunteers, drivers, handy-persons, and whoever finds fulfillment in helping others. Your participation will be critical to the success of Sequoia Village.

Contact us.

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