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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

By Kathy Craven, Board Vice President

I have been contacted by several residents who wanted to understand the process of the HOA for new ideas and how they become enacted. The following article is from 2022 and shows the flow of an idea to completion. It also describes the checks and balances on how money is spent. Enjoy!

We all learn many things throughout our lifetime, but some of the most important things we learned as kids were from watching TV. I know I learned how many licks it takes to get to the center of a Tootsie Roll Pop (which, by the way, is number three on the top 10 commercials of all time), how to spell B-O-L-O-G-N-A, and what was Magically Delicious! All important things to know.

Schoolhouse Rock on Saturday mornings (airing between your favorite cartoons), covered mathematics, grammar, science, history, economics, and civics, and made learning fun and interesting. My favorite was “America Rock.” One episode had a catchy tune explaining how a bill becomes a law, how it must go through Congress, and how it can be vetoed, etc. I was thinking that since we all learned about civics at early ages from these animated shows, and hopefully from school, this month I would outline how an idea makes its way through our committees and to the Board of Directors for a vote. We can call it “Four Seasons Rock,” without the catchy tune!

All joking aside, Four Seasons has a process, and sometimes not a quick one, that enables us to utilize checks and balances and ensure all I’s are dotted and T’s are crossed. This keeps the association from exceeding the budget, possibly incurring a special assessment.

Once an idea is presented within a committee, they meet with other committees that will have a piece of the project. They discuss what will be done in each committee. After all committees agree with the project, the FirstService liaison prepares the documentation and sends it out to bid. Each contractor is provided the same information so we compare “apples to apples” on the bids when quotes are returned. Currently, the HOA requires three separate bids. Since committees meet once a month, the earliest the bids can be presented to the committee for a vote to decide which bid to accept would be the following month, assuming all bids are returned and there are no issues that need clarification.

After this bid is voted on by the respective committees, it is then passed to the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee looks at all three bids and takes into consideration the votes from the individual committees and their recommendations. Finance will make the determination if we have the funds available and either send it back to the committee saying no funds available or pass the request on to the Board of Directors indicating funds available. At this point, the request is about a month-and-a-half to two months in progress to the Board. This all is the equivalent of a bill in Congress passing through committees with votes to approve, moving on for a full vote, and on for final approval/veto from the President.

Finally, the Board receives the request that has been signed off by each committee involved and funding approved by the Finance Committee. At this point, the clock is ticking up to a minimum of two to two-and-a-half months since conception. The Board will review and discuss in an open session and either vote to approve or deny or pass back through the process for more clarification.

Although our process is much faster than a bill passing through Congress, there is still some lag time from start to finish. The time frames outlined above are in a perfect world, so it could take longer. All the checks and balances make the idea worth the wait so everyone is on the same page with the best possible outcome for our community.

The Board of Directors meets the second Thursday of the month at 1 pm in the Ballroom and we encourage everyone to attend and see the workings of the corporation. Per civil code, the Board cannot engage in conversation with any homeowner input. If you prefer to meet with the Board in a less formal environment, “Meet the Board” is a more intimate setting where the Board can engage in conversation with you on almost anything you wish to discuss (one exception is any issue currently under litigation). “Meet the Board” is held the third Wednesday of every month at 2 pm in the RCN. If you have any questions or concerns, I can be reached at kathycravenbod@yahoo.com or at (714) 722-1301. Remember, be kind to one another.



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GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

By Eric Zarr, email eric.zarr@fsresidential.com, or call/text (909) 991-8337

SUMMIT CLOSURE Thank you everyone for your patience this summer while we updated The Summit, inside and out! The Summit is on track to be open with Winter Hours of 7 am to 7 pm daily starting Nov. 1. Come out and see the new paint, tile work, replastered pool, and updated pool deck.

WINTER HOURS Nov. 1 starts Winter Hours for the facilities. The Lodge will remain open from 7 am to 9 pm. The Courts hours change to 8 am to 8 pm. The Summit will change to 7 am to 7 pm.

ANNIVERSARY PARADE Thank you everyone who participated and came out to watch the 20th Anniversary Parade! What a great way to celebrate the fantastic community that Four Seasons Beaumont truly is. From the fire trucks and Beaumont Police Department and wonderfully decorated cars, to the band and In-N-Out truck at The Lodge, it was a fantastic day. Thank you!

Speaking of anniversaries, October also marked Cindy Graves' 18th year as your fabulous Activities Director. I can't praise her enough for her love of the community.

SEPTEMBER DOLLARS AND CENTS At the September Board meeting, the following projects and bids were approved. Please note in parentheses is the Committee that generated the proposal and then stating either an Operational expense which comes from this year's dues, or a Reserve expense:

- Various Tree Removals - \$2,275 (Landscape/Operational)
- Ballroom Window Tinting - \$2,100 (Facilities/Operational)
- Mini PCs - \$700 (Mgmt/Operational)

Meetings

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

	DAY	TIME
Executive Session	11/13	9a
General Session	11/13	1p
Committee Chairs	11/10	10a
Meet the Board	11/19	2p

COMMITTEES

	DAY	TIME
Architectural Review	11/5, 19	8:30a
Canine Corral Council	11/6	10a
Communications	11/5	10a
Community Planning	11/27	9a
Conservancy	11/5	8a
Facilities	11/12	9a
Finance	11/25	1p
Landscape	11/18	1p
Recognition	11/11	10a
Safety (includes EPC)	11/4	10a
Social	11/4	1p

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REMINDERS A reminder I give at each Open Session Board Meeting is to slow down. Once you are home behind the gates, speeding or not stopping at stop signs will only "save" you a few seconds of time. Speed limits are 30 mph on the Circle, 25 mph on all side streets, and 15 mph in parking lots. Slow down and drive responsibly. Also, use the sidewalks if you're a pedestrian and wear white or reflective clothing when it's dark outside.

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Activities Director's Report

Autumn is in the air and the holidays are upon us. I hope everyone was able to get a jump on their holiday shopping during the Craft Boutique; what a fun time that was.

Our highly-anticipated Veterans Car Show will happen on Saturday, Nov. 8 from 10 am to 2 pm in The Lodge Administration parking lot. This is our way of honoring our wonderful veterans. The Bistro will be offering breakfast burritos and sandwiches in a little booth during the car show and the amazing homemade ice cream vendor, Roosevelt Ice Cream (photos above), will be making delicious ice cream on the spot. If you are an ice cream connoisseur, you will certainly agree that this ice cream is the best ever! We will be entertained throughout the day by both DJ Dave and the live band "Joe and the Forgettables." These two groups will keep us hopping and bopping as we admire all of the incredible cars. There will also be a raffle and other goodies available. Come on down and enjoy the fun!

For all of you Club and Group Captains, be sure to come to our Annual Events Lottery to book any special events you may be wanting to do in addition to your regularly-booked meeting time. The lottery will be Wednesday, Nov. 12 at 6 pm in the RCN Main Room. Please be sure the Captain, main contact, or a representative of your group comes to pull a lottery number for priority in choosing a date. Be sure to have several choices for the date you are hoping for, in case your preferred date is taken.

Also, on Wednesday, Nov. 12, a new program will be offered to

us by the County of Riverside called, "Tech on Wheels." These professionals are offering senior communities free computer, iPad, or smart phone help from 10 am to 2 pm in The Lodge parking lot. Anita Worthen will be showcasing this service in her Community Awareness meeting on the same day. If you are unable to ask questions or get your device fixed on the 12th, they will be back again on Nov. 21, from 10 am to 2 pm in The Lodge parking lot. Everyone is welcome.

For you dancers, the Westbrooks will be hosting another "Latin Beats & More" dance on Friday, Nov. 14 at 6 pm in The Lodge Ballroom. You are welcome to bring your dinner from the Bistro or BYOB. This is a no-cost event and always proves to be a popular one.

Hooray! The Musician's Guild is back with some home-grown music. They will be presenting multiple bands for you to enjoy on Sunday, Nov. 16. The doors open at 5:30 pm and the show starts at 6 pm. It's always amazing to hear the quality of musicianship that we have here in the community. Be sure to come out and support these hard working neighbors!

Lastly, we all have a lot to be grateful for this year and I'm always grateful for the privilege of serving my favorite community in the world, Four Seasons Beaumont! You folks are the best and the joy of my life! May each and every one of you know how important you are and how much you are loved. Enjoy a wonderful and meaningful Thanksgiving. Big hugs to you all. ~ *Cindy Graves*





Winter Wish ... The Season of Giving

Last year, we had more than 250 families and a total 747 kids who enjoyed a little bit more for Christmas, thanks to the residents of Four Seasons Beaumont! You were joined by other retirement communities, schools, churches, businesses, service clubs, and many members of the community to fulfill the Christmas wishes and filled the stomachs of our families within the Beaumont Unified School District.

asking for compassionate participation in the 2025 Winter Wish Gift and Food Drive.

To participate in this year's gift giving, simply select a paper tag and check the tag out with the front desk. Attach the gift tag to the outside of the wrapped gift and deliver it to The Lodge front desk attendant absolutely no later than Monday, Dec. 1 at 5 pm.

~ Pamela Dopf, bdlalm@aol.com

Beginning Saturday, Nov. 1, the Winter Wish Program is again



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We are inviting you to participate in the February *Breeze* pictorial. Please send us a picture of you and your sweetheart with your names and your favorite song. Send your submission to FourSeasonsNews@yahoo.com by Jan. 6 for the February issue. Be sure to put "Love and Music" in the subject line! Questions? Call Courtney at (909) 797-3647.

Farewell to Four Seasons Friends

If you have lost a loved one and would like to let others know, you can have the information placed in this column in the *Breeze*. Guidelines are: Your loved one must have lived in Four Seasons Beaumont. Only one notice may be submitted. Photos are optional. Limit the remembrance to 400 words and send it to FourSeasonsNews@yahoo.com. Be sure to include your contact information in case we need to reach you. Contact information will not be published.

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Interview with Beaumont Mayor Mike Lara

Mike Lara, the current Mayor of Beaumont, California, is a true local, having grown up in Beaumont, lived here his entire life, and raised his family in the city. His deep roots in Beaumont have shaped his perspective and dedication to public service, especially within our active-adult community of Four Seasons.

Mayor Lara prioritizes making sure residents of Four Seasons have access to all the services they need. He understands the unique needs of the community and is committed to maintaining a safe, comfortable, and well-supported environment for its residents. Whether it's public safety, recreation, or health services, Mayor Lara focuses on providing quality and dependability for the seniors who call Beaumont home.

Mike has served three terms as mayor, demonstrating his long-standing commitment to the city and its people. His leadership has been characterized by community engagement, responsiveness, and advocacy for Beaumont's interests at all levels of government. When

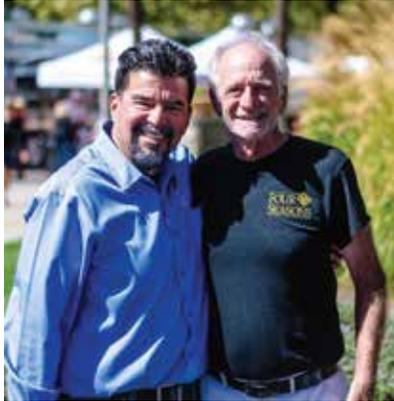
asked about his future plans, Mike expressed interest in running for a fourth term.

Some wonder if Mayor Lara aspires to take his service further, such as running for State Governor. When asked about this, Mike honestly said, "Not at this time." For now, he remains focused on Beaumont and its residents, making sure they get the attention and support they deserve.

The mayor's lifelong ties to Beaumont and his dedication to the Four Seasons Beaumont community make him a steadfast leader. His leadership ensures ongoing progress and continued service.

Our mayor said the 20th Anniversary Parade was fantastic and very well organized. He said he was honored to participate and looks forward to being invited to more events.

It was a pleasure to interview Mike; he was kind, knowledgeable, well-spoken, and very generous with his time.
 ~ Regina Farmer, Recognition Committee



Mayor of Beaumont Mike Lara with Four Seasons' CFO Barry Ginnetti

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Happy Anniversary, Four Seasons Beaumont

October 4, 2025, marked the final event of our year-long 20th Anniversary commemoration. Four Seasons Beaumont commemorated its 20th Anniversary with a parade and community celebration, which have been over a year in the making. The grand finale, truly the pièce de résistance, unfolded before everyone's eyes much like a Beethoven symphony: perfectly coordinated, beautifully orchestrated, and nothing short of magical.

The Parade: Heart of the Community

The parade was a joyful sight, a procession that captured the very essence of our community. Horses trotted proudly, gleaming fire trucks rolled by under the bright sun, while dedicated police officers waved and smiled at cheering crowds. Throughout it all, Mayor Mike Lara joined the celebration, driving alongside the residents who make Beaumont shine. From the Wine Club toasting the crowd, to the Line Dancers dancing in the middle of Four Seasons' Circle, to *Breeze* Publisher Courtney Taylor and Editor/Chair Irene Welker, to our Board of Directors in their golf cart limo, and all the clubs and committees — a job very well done! What a turnout from our residents — this is one of the largest turnouts for a parade in the history of Four Seasons Beaumont!

A Magical Display of Creativity

Clubs and committees showcased their creativity. The sparkling Roaring Twenties costumes and playful animal outfits brought smiles to everyone's faces. Decorated golf carts glided past, each uniquely designed and bursting with color, imagination, and community spirit. Decorations filled every corner, creating a cheerful and festive scene. A juggler on a skateboard juggled alongside the parade. The only thing missing was the elephants — as explained by Barry and Nancy Ginnetti, the elephants were delayed in Africa by customs. Perhaps they will arrive in time for our next big parade; they have subsequently been released back into the wild.

Food, Fun, and Festivities

No celebration would be complete without great food. The In-N-Out Burger truck drew happy crowds, serving up classic burgers, chips, and drinks with its signature charm. The Bistro joined in, offering delicious dishes, warm smiles, and friendly service that made everyone feel at home.

As the afternoon continued, the celebration moved indoors to the Ballroom, which was beautifully decorated. The Ballroom displayed a 20th Anniversary Quilt, handmade for the occasion by the Quilters Club. Laughter, music, and the afternoon glow continued as people talked, reminisced, hugged, and shared tears over the great memories of the past 20 years. And then came the cupcakes — rows and rows, beautifully decorated and sweetly irresistible, providing the perfect ending to a perfect day.

Gratitude and Community Spirit

None of this would have been possible without the incredible support and dedication of the management team, FirstService Residential, and the Recognition Committee,

chaired by our fearless leader, Nancy Ginnetti, and, of course, our supportive Board of Directors, who cheered us on all the way! What a fantastic way to close out the 20th year — sharing the simple joy of an old-fashioned, hometown parade. A heartfelt thank you to our FirstService staff and the Recognition/20th Anniversary Committee for their tireless efforts over the past 14 months.

Thank You to All

To everyone who participated throughout the year — from History Night to Corks, Clicks & Canvases, to Name that Tune — thank you for making it a year to remember. Here's to the memories made, the laughter shared, and the bright future ahead at Four Seasons Beaumont. And cheers to many more celebrations in our beautiful community.

With the parade marking the conclusion of the 20th Anniversary festivities, please note that the Turkey Trot, initially scheduled for November, has been canceled. The turkey has been pardoned by our President Jerry Monahan and has trotted off to live comfortably at the Ginnettis' home.

Wishing everyone a wonderful holiday season until next time ...

~ Regina Farmer, Recognition Committee





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Over-the-top thank you and kudos to our amazing Activities Department, the Recognition Committee, and our management team for organizing and planning all the wonderful entries that were in the Four Seasons 20th Anniversary Parade. It was truly a memorable day.

The community enjoyed the fire trucks, police, mayor, entertainer of the year, all of the decorated golf carts were amazing; the juggler on his skateboard juggling knives and the horses were a fun touch ... just like the Rose Parade. Superb planning and organization. The Ballroom decorations, popcorn, cupcakes, Jazz Band, and the In-N-Out food truck were all very special. Thank you!

~ Connie Mendoza and the Tails & Trails Team.

If you have seen an act of kindness or have received one, please share with the community. Let's spread gratitude! Email your gratitude to FourSeasonsNews@yahoo.com or go to The Lodge Lobby and fill out a gratitude note and put it in the box marked "The Box of Gratitude." Thank you.



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Thriving Through Happiness: Simple Everyday Joys

By Dr. Jerry L. Turner, Resident

Have you ever paused during a routine day, maybe while sipping your morning coffee, and caught yourself wondering, “What truly makes me happy?” In our busy world, happiness can feel like a distant goal, but research in psychology tells us it is often simpler than we think.

According to Dr. Judy Ho, a clinical neuropsychologist, true happiness is not the absence of challenges. It is a deeper sense of purpose that can stand strong through life’s highs and lows. Our day-to-day routines can nudge us toward that peaceful, purposeful life, so long as we remember a few simple habits and share them with the younger generations who watch us closely.

First, consider starting your day with a moment of stillness. If you enjoy mornings on the porch, pause for a few deep breaths, noticing how the air feels and what makes you grateful for another sunrise. This gentle mindfulness exercise, backed by clinical findings (Ho, 2024), helps begin each day in a calmer state of mind. Next, keep a short “joy list” on hand. This can include simple pleasures, like calling an old friend or walking around the block to admire the neighbors’ gardens. By setting an intention to do one joyful thing daily, you train your brain to look for pockets of positivity.

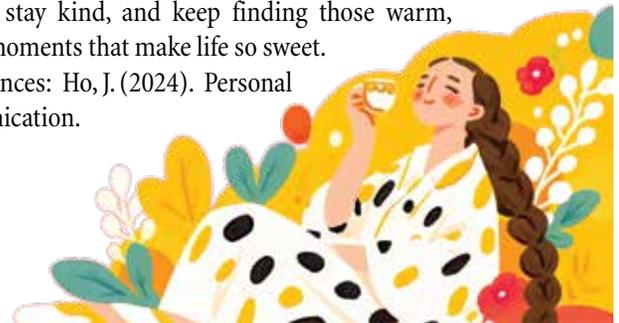
Your body also craves care to maintain a happier outlook. Research by Dr. Joshua Hicks (2024) shows that staying hydrated, moving your

muscles (even a gentle stroll), and carving out enough time for sleep are powerful ways to boost your mood. Take a moment to “think like a kid,” as experts say, and notice the delight in ordinary things, a funny-shaped cloud, a well-loved family photo, or that old song that gets your toes tapping.

When you come across bumps in the road, remember we all slip sometimes, and kindness toward ourselves helps us get back on our feet. Sharing these tips with a grandchild is especially rewarding. Helping them keep a gratitude journal or joining you on a short walk not only lifts their spirits, it reinforces yours, too.

In the coming weeks, try weaving one of these happiness habits into your routine. Before you know it, you will feel a subtle shift, a lightness in your step. After all, happiness is not out of reach, it is there in the little joys, waiting to be noticed. Until next time, stay curious, stay kind, and keep finding those warm, simple moments that make life so sweet.

References: Ho, J. (2024). Personal communication.



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Apps for Christians

By Steve Benoff

You may have noticed that last year I devoted half my columns to things Jewish. And among those things was the occasional app. I think it's only fair to mention apps for other religions. This month I'll cover Christian apps.

Of course, I have no personal experience with Christian apps. But I do have Christian good friends. So, I queried them as to phone apps they may use. Alas, they don't use any. So, not to give up, I consulted that greatest source for things Christian – ChatGPT.

Artificial intelligence is all the rage right now. ChatGPT is only one of many AI resources. Awhile back, when AI was first becoming known, I had AI write a pretty decent column on apps for seniors.

Here are some of the apps recommended by ChatGPT –

First shot out of the box I ran into trouble. I entered “bible” and got an app called “Bible” as the first listing. It looks like an extremely comprehensive bible app, perhaps the Christian equivalent of the Jewish Sefaria app I've mentioned in previous columns. According to the description in the Apple App Store, the app offers thousands of Bible versions in over 1,750 languages. By the way, there appear to be about 7,000 languages worldwide. There are plenty of audio versions available. There's a verse of the day. There are many guided scriptures. Frankly, it would take this entire column to fully describe the extent of this app. If you don't have a Bible app on your phone, this one looks like a good one to start with.

So, here's my problem. Many of the recommended apps duplicate each other. I'll try to highlight some features that may be distinctive. Bible Gateway says, “learn more about any Bible passage with a library of trustworthy Bible commentaries and other references.” Here's a unique feature if you have an iPad – “view three different translations side-by-side.” (I'd like this feature for Jewish translations of the Hebrew Bible.) The description mentions a paid version; I don't know if the free versions come with endless offers to upgrade.

When I searched the App Store for the third recommended app, Daily Bible, I couldn't find one with that exact name. Instead, there were many purporting to fulfill that daily need. So, enter that in the search bar and choose among the many offered. Some go beyond one offered verse. DailyBible Lite provides prayers for morning and night.

Pray.com looks like an app based on a website. It offers prayer plans, bedtime bible stories, meditation, and audio bible stories. This app includes James Earl Jones Reads the Bible, Dr. Phil Prayer Therapy, Drew Brees 21 Days of Motivational Prayers, Brian Cox The Word of God, and many other suggests audio presentations.

ChatGPT calls the next app Abide. But searching for that app brings up many choices and the AI description is so general as to not point one in any specific directions. However, one of the apps that comes up in the store search is Abide – Bible Meditation Sleep. But more than offering 2000 meditations and 365+ bedtime stories, this app says it will “deepen your Lenten journey with daily scripture, guided meditations, and prayer prompts. Transform the

40 days of reflection into a powerful spiritual reset.”

Glorify – Prayer and Devotional offers the usual “daily devotionals, guided Christian meditation, and prayer.” However, it also seems to stress using the app to “connect with friends, family, and church communities. Discuss devotionals, share prayer requests, and support each other.” Aha, this app may be limited unless you pay monthly.

Lastly, there are Christian podcasts. You can search for them on your podcast app of choice or get Edifi – Christian Podcasts. Pastor Rick Warren has an app which says it's “a powerful Christian app that brings together thousands of the best Christian podcasts for your listening enjoyment ... You can access more than 2,000,000 pieces of Christian audio, including Bible study podcasts, sermons, news podcasts, women podcasts, leadership podcasts, lifestyle podcasts, and music podcasts.”

Lest I overlook other Christian apps, there are apps for Christian dating, mingling, hypnobirthing, games, and cupid.

And this from the *New York Times*. Religious chatbots are becoming very popular. “Chatbot” defines chatbot as “a computer program designed to simulate a human conversation through text or voice.” Sounds sacrilegious to me, but some think of this as “chatting with God.”

If you use an app you'd like to share with others, let me know at steve.benoff@verizon.net.



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1 A Fright to Remember Show 6a						8 Veterans Car Show 10a
2 Trivia Night 6:30p	3 Life After Loss 1p African American Cultural Club 6p	4 Karaoke 5p Classic Film Group 6p	5	6 Ballroom Piano Night 4:30p	7 Hula Hoop Club Event 10a Seasoned Singles 6p	15 Travel Group 10a Crown Divas 11a Karaoke 5p
9	10	11 Book Club 9:30a Bistro Bingo 4:30p	12 Tech on Wheels 10a Wednesday Matinee 2p Annual Events Lottery 6p	13 Exec Session Board Meeting 9a Open Board Meeting 1p Italian Am Club 5:30p Classical Music Grp 7p	14 Latin Beats & More Dance 6p	22
16 Acoustic Showcase 6p	17 Life After Loss 1p	18	19	20 Taste d'Vine 6p	21 Tech on Wheels 10a Barn Burner 5p	29
23	24	25 Classic Film Group 6p	26	27 Closed for Thanksgiving	28 Amateur Radio Club 10a	
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The activities, dates, and times on this calendar are subject to change at any time. Check with your club or group contact for the latest information.

CLASS, GAME, EXERCISE SCHEDULES

Below schedules may change, cancel, or reschedule at any time. Check with The Lodge front desk or fourseasonsbeaumont.org for updates.

Physical Exercise

THE LODGE

Gym	Daily	Open
Hula Hoop Group	F	7:30a
Pool	Daily	Open Swim
Spa Pool	Daily	Open
Paddle Tennis	Daily	Open
Pickleball	Daily	Open
Cornhole	T	4p
Shuffleboard	M/Sat	8a
*Beginners Conditioning	T/Th/F	8:30a
*Total Body Conditioning	M/W	8:30a, 9:30a
*Kickboxing Cardio	Sat	9:30a
*Chair Yoga	W	5p
*Yoga	T/Th	10:30a, 8:30a
*Zumba	T/Th	9:30a
*Pilates	W	7:15a
*Pound Fitness/Pilates Fusion	M	11a
Ping Pong	M/W/F/Sat	1p
	T	2p

THE COURTS

Gym	Daily	Open
Courts Pool	Daily	Open Swim
Spa Pool	Daily	Open
Tennis	Daily	By Reservation
Ladies Putters	M	4p
	F	9a
FSTTC	M-Sat	1p
AFSTTC	T	10a
Ping Pong	Daily	2p
Water Volleyball	M/W/F	10a
*Yoga	T/Th	8:30a

THE SUMMIT

Gym	Daily	Open
Summit Pool	Daily	Open
Bocce Ball	Daily	Open
Horseshoes	Daily	Open
Water Volleyball	Sat	10a

DANCE

*Let's Dance!	M	6p
*Heart & Soul	W	3:30p
Old School Dance	4th Th	3p
Step it up Line Dance Beginning	M	1p
Step it up Line Dance Improvers	M	2p
Step it up Line Dance in the Ballroom	W	6:30p

*A fee may apply for activity

Classes/Groups

Believe Bible Study	F	10:30a
Ceramics	W	1p
Craft Group	Th	10a
Crafty Card Makers	2nd F	1p
Handbell Choir	W	2p
Healing Craft Class	1st/3rd T	1p
Intercessory Prayer	1st M	9a
Knit & Crochet	T	10a
*Mixed Media Art	M	10a
	F	10a
Men's Bible Study	T	9a
PAC	2nd M	6p
Photography	1st Th	6:30p
Porcelain Clay	Th/Sat	1p, 10a
Quilting Enthusiasts	1st Th	1p
Sit 'n Sew	3rd Th	9a
TOPS Weigh In	T	8:30a
Talent Workshop	3rd M	6p

Activities

8-Ball Club	M/W/F	6:30p
	3rd M	1:15p
Cornhole	T	4p
Curly Cues	M	11a
Billiards for Fun	T	10:30a
Wild Bunch Billiards	F	12:30p
Dominoes Billiards	W/F	3:30p
Bocce Ball	T/F	8a
	Th	6p
Horseshoes	W	9a
Ladies Putters	M	4p
	F	9a
Ping Pong	M-Sat	2p
Advanced	M-Sat	10a
Paddle Tennis	M/W/F/Sat/Sun	5p
Shuffleboard	M/Sat	8a
Tennis Play Day	Last Sat	8a
Beginners	All Sat except last	8a

Game Clubs

GAME	DAY	TIME
Bridge for Fun	W	11:30a
Bunco	F	1p
Canasta	Th	1p
Co-Ed Bid Whist	T	6p
Contract Bridge	2nd Sat	9a
Dominoes	W/F	6p
Hearts	T	6p
Mahjong	F	1p
Mexican Train	M	12p
Phase 10 Cards	2nd/4th T	2p
Rummikub	M	2p
Three Thirteen	1st/3rd Tues	2p
Uptown Diva Bid Whist	1st/3rd F	2p

FACILITIES COMMITTEE



Summit Renovations Update

There is something truly special about November. From the earthy scents to the fall breezes, this season evokes nostalgia and wonder. For the Facilities Committee, November marks the completion of renovations to The Lodge and The Summit.

The renovation process began at the end of 2023, beginning a busy 22-month journey. During this time, the Facilities Committee met monthly, often lasting three hours or more. These meetings involved thorough reviews of RFPs, contracts, and extended debates leading to final decisions. Once the committee reached conclusions, the process moved to the Finance Committee, which brought a new round of extended discussions. The final step was presenting the project to our Board of Directors for approval. The entire process was lengthy and was further complicated by the scheduling and timing of the actual renovation work.

Looking forward, we invite you to check next month's article, where we will share photos and more details about the renovation journey from start to finish.

Here are some glimpses of our current work at The Summit. The building is being painted inside and out, and the pool area is being resurfaced. By the time you receive the November *Breeze* magazine, you will be able to enjoy the newly renovated area!

The Facilities Committee wishes everyone a wonderful Thanksgiving with family and friends. Cherish every moment of this beautiful fall season here in Four Seasons Beaumont, your home sweet home.

Our meeting is held on the second Wednesday of every month. Stay tuned to the Daily Report for the meeting location. ~ *Regina Farmer, ginjo25@aol.com*

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Don't FALL Behind! Review Your Safety Checklist:

TIME TO CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS: Remember, Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday, Nov. 2. As a reminder, clocks are to be set back one hour ... so plan accordingly! This is also an excellent time to review the following safety checklist:

SMOKE ALARMS: According to the National Fire Protection Association, three out of every five home fire deaths result from fire in homes with no smoke alarms. As good practice, test your smoke alarms every month and replace the battery at least once a year. If the alarm makes a "chirping" sound, replace the battery immediately.

Smoke alarms should be in every bedroom and in common areas on each floor of a home. They should be mounted at least 10 feet from the stove to reduce false alarms; less than 12 inches from the ceiling; and away from windows, doors, and ducts. Be sure to purchase smoke alarms with the label of a reputable testing agency, like Underwriters Laboratories (UL).

CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS: Anything that burns fuel can potentially become a source of carbon monoxide (CO), an invisible, odorless gas that can kill. CO alarms should be installed in a central location outside each bedroom and on every level of the home. The safety tips for CO detectors mirror those of smoke alarms (i.e., change the batteries annually and test them monthly). Also, make sure vents for your gas appliances (fireplace, dryer, stove, and furnace) are free and clear of debris.

EMERGENCY PLAN: An emergency kit should include one gallon of water per day for each person, at least a three-day supply of food, flashlight and batteries, first aid kit, plastic sheeting, duct tape, and medicines. You can visit the FEMA website for a complete list. Your emergency plan should also include:

- A communications plan to outline how your family members will contact one another and where to meet if it is safe to go outside.
- A shelter-in-place plan if outside air is contaminated. FEMA recommends sealing windows, doors, and air vents with plastic sheeting.
- A getaway plan that includes various routes and destinations in different directions.
- Also, make sure your first aid kit is updated.

GET RID OF UNWANTED MEDICINES

The National Safety Council recommends you take unwanted or expired medicines to a prescription drop box or "take-back" event near you.

As an added safety reminder ...

Unsafe driving is a common concern and theme brought up by residents. Here are a few reminders to help keep our community safe.

- 25 miles per hour is the maximum speed limit on roadways within our residential districts.
- 30 miles per hour is the maximum speed limit on Four Seasons Circle.

• 15 miles per hour is the maximum speed limit in alleyways. Remember, parking in alleyways is prohibited. We need to maintain access for emergency response vehicles.

- Stop at all designated STOP signs.
- Roundabout etiquette: Yield to vehicles already in the circle. When entering a roundabout, only drive in a counterclockwise direction! Use your right turn signal when exiting the roundabout.
- No Distracted Driving - Put away your cell phones and other electronic devices while driving.
- Yield to pedestrians.

Note to Drivers: It is important to follow prudent driving practices. Although our streets are not marked with center lines, please avoid driving down the center of our roadways, staying on the right side of the street.

Remember: With the return to Standard Time, daylight is in short demand. Therefore, if you are walking at night or in the early morning hours, please wear light colored or reflective clothing and carry a flashlight. Also, be mindful of vehicle traffic on the streets and stay on the sidewalks whenever possible. If you need to walk in the street, always walk facing the opposing traffic, and if in a group, walk single file.

CPR / AED CLASSES: Monthly CPR classes on Sundays are currently not scheduled. You can arrange a CPR class for your club or committee by calling, texting, or emailing A J Reilly at (951) 522-9975 or reilly58@me.com.

Community Awareness Meeting: We invite our current Block Captains and anyone interested in becoming one, to join this month's Community Awareness Meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 12 at 10 am in The Lodge Ballroom. All are welcome!

"If you see something, say something" This is the message we want everyone in our community to take seriously. We all need to be our "eyes and ears" to report unsafe or unusual situations.

We also thank our Block Captains and Community Awareness Committee members for their efforts in keeping our community safe. ~ Frank Hilberg, hilbergfrank@gmail.com

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ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Unless you have just moved into our community you have had some contact with the Architectural Review Committee. In this article, I will review the origins of ARC, its responsibilities to the community, how it meets those responsibilities and the legal basis for doing so.

On Jan. 1, 1985, the State of California codified the Davis-Stirling Common Interest Development Act. This act is commonly referred to as Davis-Stirling. The Act defines types of residential associations, creates a hierarchy of governing documents, establishes ownership rights and responsibilities, imposes maintenance duties, defines protected uses, addresses elections and governance, protects finances, and deals with the dispute resolution and rules of enforcement.

That is a lot of information to understand and digest. So, for the purposes of this article, I will only discuss the Architectural Review Committee.

Davis-Stirling requires all HOAs to draft and record Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions — commonly known as CC&Rs. CC&Rs are the rules that define how properties can be used and maintained in a planned community. Davis-Stirling requires all associations to provide a fair, reasonable, and expeditious procedure for making decisions pertaining to making any physical change to the member's separate interest.

By law every person buying a home located in a community regulated by Davis-Stirling must receive a copy of the CC&Rs in the closing documents. When you signed the closing documents you acknowledged receiving a copy of the CC&Rs. It is presumed that you agreed to comply with ARC requirements, however, once you signed the closing documents you became responsible for abiding by the conditions set out in all the documents.

The CC&Rs of Four Seasons Beaumont (FSB) established the ARC Committee following the requirements of the Davis-Stirling Act. Our ARC Committee is required to review all applications for proposed exterior changes to homeowner's properties. These reviews are conducted with the goals listed below to ensure that all modifications comply with the community's CC&Rs to maintain the neighborhood's aesthetic harmony to maintain property values by ensuring uniformity and quality in architectural standards to prevent modifications that may negatively affect the community's appearance or safety

ARC must comply with the association's governing documents (CC&Rs and Guidelines). While ARC is required to use these documents in considering applications, the ARC is not responsible for ensuring that homeowners comply with building codes or local ordinances. In some situations, ARC (usually for safety reasons) may require a homeowner to follow building codes and/or local ordinances to ensure that the CC&Rs and its objectives are met. In these instances, ARC may require proof that the modification(s) meets building code standards.

All Beaumont residents living in a HOA community are required to provide a copy of the ARC approval before the city issues a building permit.

Four Seasons Beaumont's Architectural Standards and Guidelines are regularly reviewed by the ARC Committee and the Board of Directors. When warranted the Guidelines can and have been modified following the process contained in the CC&Rs. (Which requires prior notification before the Board of Directors makes any changes.)

As a member of the ARC, I have had the opportunity to ask many of the homeowners why they chose to live here. With very few exceptions the top reason given is the beauty of the community. The second response is the amenities and social opportunities that are available. My favorite response was, "This is Disneyland for adults."

For most people living in FSB with its HOA is a smart homeowner move. Here are some of the reasons:

FSB has great amenities and is visually appealing. According to the National Association of Realtors, homes governed by a HOA typically sell for 5 to 6 percent higher than non-HOA homes.

FSB contains a wide range of access to amenities including swimming pools, gyms, Bistro, amphitheater, movie theater, pickleball and tennis courts, and too many others to list. All of which are available without paying additional fees.

FSB has one of, if not the best, Activities Director. From planning holiday celebrations, concerts, dances, garage sales, to other events that foster a sense of community and opportunities to make friends and social connections, Cindy Graves is invaluable to FSB.

Yes, there is a down side of living in an HOA which is the fees that support the community. However, FSB has an excellent Finance Committee who, in concert with the Board of Directors, keep our fees as low as possible. Compared to other HOAs, FSB has the best bang for the buck.

The other possible down side is the rules and regulations. While homeowners may find these restrictive, they function to support property values and overall neighborhood consistency. These rules simplify general maintenance and overall aesthetic appeal.

More importantly, these rules create the overall beauty and desirability of the community — and that is the reason most of us bought our homes here.

If you have any questions or just want more information, please contact me. ~ Steve Cooley, (801) 815-5302, cooleyaudit@gmail.com



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The financial statements for August 2025 were reviewed and recommended for Board approval. In addition, the committee reviewed expenditure proposals for various recommended projects in the community. We also reviewed investment recommendations to move maturing investments to higher yield FDIC insured instruments. Highlights of the July financial statements are: Total Cash is \$11,622,869 including operating cash funds of \$2,261,915

(checking and CDs) and reserve account funds of \$9,357,134 and reconstruction funds of \$3,820. Our total year-to-date current income is \$12,114.

Homeowners are welcome to join us at the Finance Committee's regularly scheduled monthly meetings held on the last Tuesday of each month. Our next meeting is Tuesday, Nov. 25 at 1 pm in the RCN Conference Room. We review and discuss many issues that you may have questions about. Residents are welcome to attend one of our meetings to become more familiar with our finances. At the beginning of each meeting, we allow three minutes per homeowner not to exceed 30 minutes in total for comments. If you have any questions or concerns, contact Jolene Cooley at joleneaudit@gmail.com. ~ *Jolene Cooley*

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

A New Challenge for the Landscape Committee

Change is the only constant — and our committee is experiencing one now. As we move forward, let's revisit the core purpose of the Landscape Committee: to provide recommendations to the Board regarding all Association-maintained landscape areas and to collaborate with the landscape vendor to monitor conditions. In practice, this means overseeing not only the lawns of individual homes we maintain, but also addressing all landscape-related concerns throughout our shared common areas.

You've likely heard about the recent updates to fire regulations in California. On July 17, 2025, the City of Beaumont formally adopted these changes. While we're still awaiting the official regulatory code, this marks a significant milestone in our ongoing three-year effort to comply with Riverside County Ordinance 787. For reference, this ordinance was enacted to implement Assembly Bill 3074, passed in 2020, and further reinforced by an Executive Order signed in February 2025 — all aimed at mitigating wildfire risks. Although the specific enforcement measures from Riverside County and the City of Beaumont remain uncertain, one thing is clear: California is taking wildfire prevention very seriously.

The Ad Hoc Wildfire Mitigation Committee has recommended that our initial focus be on the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone, also known as the Red Zone for both residents and the HOA. The first step for the HOA is to assess which common areas fall within this zone. To carry out this assessment, the Landscape Committee — alongside Park West and a retired fire captain — has been tasked with walking the zone and providing their recommendations to the Board. Based on these findings, the Board will be able to establish a phased budget plan, spread over three years, to avoid concentrating the financial impact in a single year.

The Landscape Committee is actively preparing for its new assignment through special planning meetings, training sessions, and homework assignments that include educational videos and reference materials. As part of this effort, we will be aligning our work with Cal Fire's Defensible Space Requirements — many

of which are already incorporated into our regular maintenance program.

Our committee meets on the third Tuesday of each month and warmly welcomes visitors, residents with landscape concerns, and anyone interested in joining. Together, we remain committed to preserving a lush, green environment while enhancing the safety of our community. ~ *Cathy Goldsmith, cathyhg13@yahoo.com*

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Volunteers for the Social Committee: Margaret Jones, Thelma Towner, Chris Gambino, Janet Owen, Elaine Recchion, Denise Culley, DeAne Nottingham, and Lisa Johnson.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

We have two members stepping down from their positions. They will still remain on the committee, but not in their current roles. Elaine Recchion will step down as Decoration Supervisor, and Bobbie Christman will step down from the Secretary position. We will need to find replacements. If you or anyone you know is interested, please contact me.

Did you miss the magician event (photos above)? Well, Anthony and Dawn were fabulous! I personally love magic. I have been to the Magic Castle many times over the years, and their magic was top-notch. If they are ever invited back to Four Seasons, please add them to your must-see list. A special thank you to Colin Taylor for creating the commercial to help boost ticket sales.

The 20-year Anniversary was a complete success! I hope everyone who viewed the 20th Anniversary Parade saw all of the wonderful entries. The Social Committee was able to feature two carts in the parade. Since the carts were new, we chose not to decorate the outside. Instead, we decorated the inside with flappers from the Roaring '20s. Why? Because we are planning a Roaring '20s event in 2026. The Murder Mystery Company will perform *Death of a Gangster* on April 25, 2026. This is just one of the exciting events planned for that year.

Our final event for 2025 is a "New York" New Year's Eve celebration. MARK YOUR CALENDARS — tickets go on sale Dec.

CONSERVANCY

The committee made an inspection walk of Trails A and B loop on Oct. 1. Both trails and buffer zones were very well maintained with very little trash. Even the tin whistle drains in the basins were clear of debris. Members agreed that it's the cleanest these trails have ever looked.

The Board will be requested to approve Donna Lewis to become a member of the committee.

Our next inspection walk will be of Trail B and the Potrero parcel on Nov. 5 at 8 am. We will start at the Potrero Trail Monument in The Lodge parking lot. ~ Howard Ochi, Conservancy Committee Chair, hmochi47@hotmail.com

2 from 9 to 11 am in the Ballroom. Seating will be assigned. On New Year's Eve, Ballroom doors open at 5 pm, with appetizers and champagne served upon arrival. The ticket price remains the same as last year at \$75 per person. We will celebrate the New Year at 9 pm and conclude at 10 pm. Entertainment will be provided by the band called Jolly Corks who will play from 7 to 10 pm. They're sure to play one of your favorites! The caterer will once again be Anne Taylor. Photographer JB Photo will be there with plenty of fun props to capture the mood of the evening. Hope to see you all there to ring in the new year 2026! ~ Lisa Johnson, lisajohnson710@gmail.com

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AD HOC FIRE MITIGATION

RISK AND READINESS: YOUR GUIDE TO SAFER LIVING

As your new Ad Hoc Wildfire Mitigation Committee develops a plan for our compliance with whatever regulations come, let's talk first about the fire mitigation mechanisms and procedures already in place here at Four Seasons. These items should give you a measure of assurance that we have already addressed some of the most important issues. Information like this could also be of interest to your insurance companies.

Defensible Area: As a condition to allow the development of this property, the builder was required to provide a fuel modification buffer between the development and the wildland. Surrounding our entire property, we have a buffer zone of 100-feet called a Fuel Reduction Zone. Also known as a fuel modification zone, it is maintained by our landscaping company, meaning that it is watered, thinned and debris removed. The cement walls that surround most of our property are not just for security, they are also good for fire prevention.

Perimeter Watering System: Within that Fuel Reduction Zone, we have installed a sprinkler system that is turned on when an active fire is close to us and then around-the-clock it waters this perimeter, in rotating segments, until there is no longer a threat.

Construction of Homes: The homes here are stucco, with concrete tile (rated as a Class A material) roofs and metal garage doors, built to modern building codes required for homes abutting wildland areas. Roofs with ember-resistant vents were required after 2008. Homes built after 2011 also have indoor sprinkler systems. These construction features were designed to fire-harden our houses.

 *If your home is in a Red Zone, (Very High Fire Severity Zone) Cal.fire.gov (Fire Hazard Severity Zone Map), Look for this symbol (at left) it indicates some actions you can take now to increase your fire protection.*

TREE AND PLANT MAINTENANCE

Watering: We spend over \$325,000 on water a year. This is for our public areas, public buildings and the lawns of the 556 homes that our landscape contractor maintains. Studies have shown that a well-maintained flammable plant is more fireproof than

a poorly maintained flame-retardant plant. To further enhance fire safety, along with our watering schedule, the Landscaping Committee is utilizing flame-retardant plants as part of our replanting efforts.

 Check that your watering system is in good repair and sufficient for your plantings. Prioritize making any necessary repairs.

Removal of Debris: You many have noticed that our landscape maintenance company cleans under our trees. The ground under plants, bushes and on our hillsides is also cleaned to remove leaves and debris, then the refuse is carried away. We are no longer using mulch.

 Remove dead plants and clear leaves from under trees, plants and on hillsides. Keep your rain gutters free of debris. Remove wood/combustible mulch, and wood planters; in essence, any flammable ornamentation.

Tree Trimming: Not just for looks. Notice that the trees in our public areas do not have low hanging branches, and diseased/dead branches are trimmed.

Along with the other inspections required when selling your home, residents in Red Zones also need to have a fire inspection [AB 38 (2021) – Fire Hazard Disclosure & Defensible Space Inspections]. Other residents are getting letters from their insurance companies requesting pictures. Should you get a letter that requires you to modify any plantings on your property, **bring the letter** to our ARC Committee and they will assist you.

We will keep you informed once we are notified of any new fire mitigation measures. Our goal is to increase our safety while remaining the beautiful “green” community we are. Yes, it can be done, and we will show you how.

Look for this symbol (at right) for ways to keep your garden green. 

 When you change your landscaping or replace plants, check to see if they are fire-retardant and in an appropriate place. Our ARC Committee can help with this. Advise your gardener on correct pruning. ~ *Cathy Goldsmith, cathyhg13@yahoo.com*



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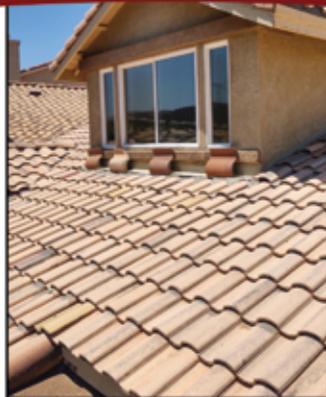


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SAFETY COMMITTEE SAFETY 4 “ALL” SEASONS

As we move into the holidays, the Safety Committee is committed to making our community a safe environment in which to live.

Enjoy a Safe Holiday Season (Part 1): From late November to mid-January — when families gather, parties are scheduled, and travel spikes — safety concerns should be at the forefront. In Part 1 of this two-part series, the National Safety Council has provided the following tried-and-true advice to ensure your family remains safe and injury-free throughout the season.

Traveling for the Holidays? Be Prepared: If you're traveling this year, be sure your vehicle is in good running condition, get plenty of rest, and be prepared for any emergency. Traveling by car during the holidays has the highest fatality rate of any major form of transportation based on fatalities per passenger mile. Hundreds of people die every year in crashes on New Year's Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day, according to National Safety Council's Injury Facts. Alcohol impairment is involved in about a third of these fatalities.

Stay safe on the roads over the holidays — and every day:

- Prepare your car for winter and keep an emergency kit with you.
- Get a good night's sleep before departing and avoid drowsy driving.
- Leave early and plan for heavy traffic.
- Make sure every person in the vehicle is properly buckled up no matter how long or short the distance traveled.
- Put that cell phone away; many distractions occur while driving, but cell phones are the main culprit.
- Practice defensive driving.
- Designate a sober driver to ensure guests make it home safely after a holiday party; alcohol, over-the-counter prescriptions, and illegal drugs can cause impairment.

As a reminder for our pedestrians: With the return to Standard Time, daylight is in short demand. Therefore, if you are walking at night or in the early morning hours, please wear light-colored or reflective clothing and carry a flashlight. Also, be mindful of vehicle traffic on the streets and stay on the sidewalks whenever possible. If you need to walk in the street, always walk facing the opposing traffic, and if you are in a group, walk single file.

Turkey Fryers: Be alert to the dangers if you're thinking of celebrating the holidays by frying a turkey. The Consumer Product Safety Commission reports there have been hundreds of turkey-fryer related fires, burns or other injuries, and millions of dollars in property loss from these incidents.

The National Safety Council discourages the use of turkey fryers at home and urges those who prefer fried turkey to seek out professional establishments or consider using an oil-less turkey fryer. If you must fry your own turkey, follow all U.S. Fire Administration turkey fryer guidelines.

Food Poisoning Is No Joke: Keep your holidays happy by handling food safely. The foodsafety.gov website from the U.S.

Department of Health and Human Services provides some valuable holiday food safety tips:

- Wash your hands frequently when handling food.
- Keep raw meat away from fresh produce.
- Use separate cutting boards, plates and utensils for uncooked and cooked meats to avoid cross-contamination.
- Use a food thermometer to make sure meat is cooked to a safe temperature.
- Refrigerate hot or cold leftover food within two hours of being served.
- When storing turkey, cut the leftovers in small pieces so they will chill quickly.
- Thanksgiving leftovers are safe for three to four days when properly refrigerated.

CPR / AED CLASSES: Monthly CPR classes are currently not scheduled. To arrange a CPR course for your club or committee, contact A J Reilly at (951) 522-9975 or reilly58@me.com.

Remember, “If you see something, say something.”

The Safety Committee meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 10 am in the RCN Conference Room. Your attendance is encouraged if you have questions or want updates about safety projects. ~ *Frank Hilberg, hilbergfrank@gmail.com*



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Kiera cuddling up in a cooler evening time. Submitted by Roma Nall



This is little Bentley. He's new here at the Four Seasons and enjoys meeting new doggy friends. Submitted by Richard Lockwood



Here's a pic of Bud, our seven-year-old rat terrier mix we adopted nine months ago, enjoying camping at the Kern River. He's living his best life. Submitted by Margi and Jack Spies



Binx the mischievous one and Sassy the sweet one, taking time out of their busy day for a hug! Adopted from a shelter two years ago by Bob and Pat Semler



Introducing Nikki. Someone found him hungry, alone and looking for a home. Resident Joyce Allen welcomed him into her home about a year ago. As you can see he loves the new toy he won during the Name that Tune event that was hosted by Tails & Trails. Submitted by Elaine Brown



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HOLIDAY MEAL IDEAS

Happy Holidays! This month, I decided to offer two side dishes that are not often seen on the holiday table. If you are craving a change, try one or both as sides for your holiday meal.

Nancy Reagan's Potato Gratin with Gruyere and Fresh Rosemary

This dish was Nancy Reagan's go-to holiday casserole. My sister Joni was given the recipe several years ago. The casserole is so good that it disappears every time she serves it with dinner. Prep Time: 20 minutes; Cook Time: 1 hour 15 minutes; Total Time: 1 hour 35 minutes Serves 8-10.

INGREDIENTS

- Butter to coat the baking dish
- 10 ounces of Gruyere cheese, shredded and divided
- 1 1/2 to 2 pounds Yukon Gold potatoes
- 1 1/2 to 2 pounds sweet potatoes
- 1 1/2 Tablespoons finely chopped fresh rosemary, plus a few sprigs for garnish
- Kosher salt to taste
- Freshly ground black pepper to taste
- 1 cup heavy cream
- 1-2 cloves garlic, minced



DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat the oven to 400.
2. Butter a 13x9-inch baking dish and set it aside.
3. Set aside 1/2 cup of the shredded cheese to top the casserole.
4. Peel and thinly slice the sweet potatoes and the Yukon gold potatoes. Alternate layers of potatoes and sweet potatoes, sprinkling each layer with some of the remaining cheese, a little rosemary, salt, and pepper.
5. Combine the cream and garlic, pour over the potatoes. Sprinkle with the remaining cheese. Cover with heavy-duty foil, sealing as tightly as possible. Place on a sheet pan. Bake in preheated oven for 1 hour. Uncover; bake 15 to 20 minutes or until the potatoes are tender and bubbly. Let stand 15 minutes to cool slightly. Serve garnished with the rosemary sprigs.

Spinach Soufflé Casserole

Mare Solomon provided this recipe. His mother used to serve it with dinner. The dish is not what would be considered a traditional soufflé. It is actually a casserole that was popular in the 1980s and is making a comeback. Bonus: the dish can be served as a side dish or an appetizer. Prep time: 10-15 minutes; Cook Time: 30-40 minutes; Total Time: 40-55 minutes. Serves 8.

INGREDIENTS

- 48-ounces, frozen chopped spinach, thawed
- 1-pint sour cream
- 8 ounces shredded cheese, extra sharp cheddar, mozzarella, or gruyere
- 1 packet of dry onion soup mix (1 ounce)
- Salt and black pepper to taste
- Optional toppings: Garlic or cheese croutons, or sliced or slivered almonds



DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 350.
2. Lightly grease a 9x9x2-inch or 10x10x2-inch baking dish, set aside.
3. Drain the thawed spinach, pressing out as much liquid as possible. Place in a large mixing bowl. Add the sour cream, shredded cheese, soup mix, and salt and pepper. Mix all the ingredients until well blended. Transfer the mixture to the prepared baking dish. Cover and bake for 30 to 40 minutes, until heated through. If using croutons or almonds, uncover dish after 15 minutes, add topping, then re-cover and continue baking. Remove from oven, let cool slightly. Serve.

Oh, the Places We Go!

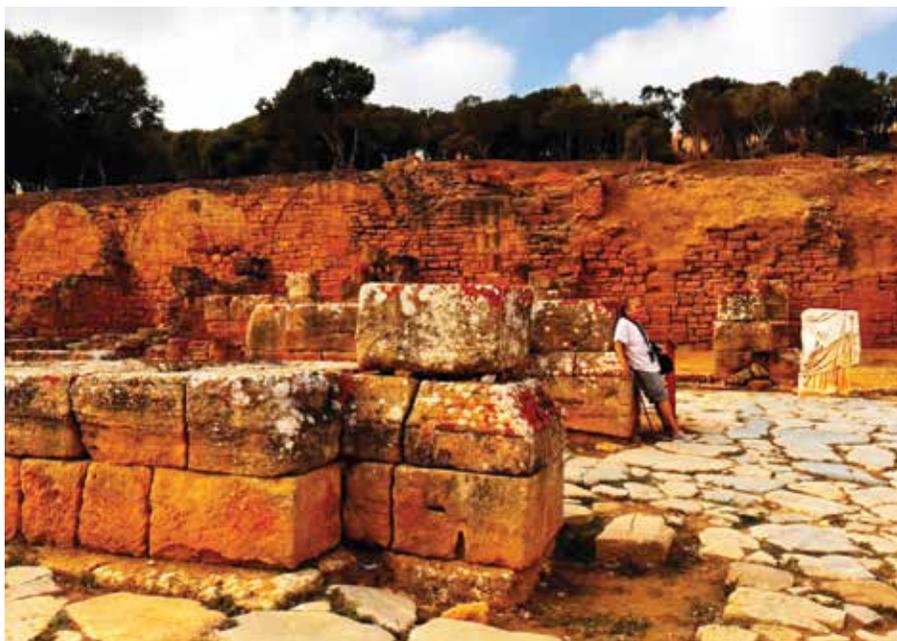
For this “Oh, the Places We Go!” column, residents may submit high-quality digital photos to FourSeasonsNews@yahoo.com. While not required, we would love to see a copy of the *Breeze* featured with you in the photo of your escapades. It will be fun to see how far and to what exotic places the magazine travels. Please be sure to include information to explain your photos, especially the who, what, when, and where.



We celebrated our 53rd wedding anniversary and Bob's birthday on a cruise in French Polynesia. Absolutely gorgeous blue, crystal clear waters in Tahiti, Bora Bora, and Moorea where we adventured in an overwater bungalow — the highlight of our trip! Submitted by Joanne Stigerts



September Adventures - (from top) Linda Stratton and Debbie Jenkins enjoyed the Biltmore Estate, Pike Place Market in Seattle, and beautiful waterfalls in North Carolina. Submitted by Linda Stratton



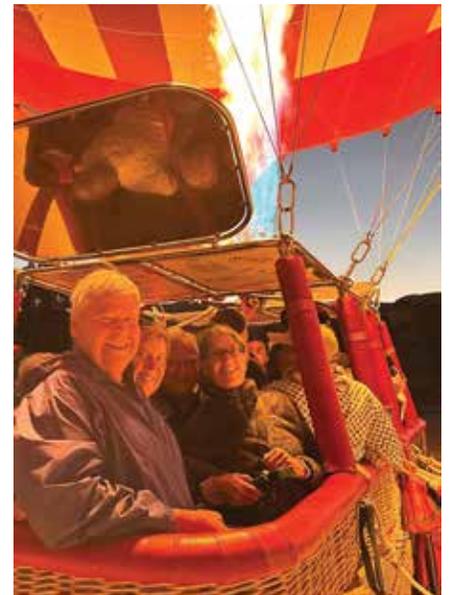
This is part one of my trip. I'm at Chella, an archaeological site of Roman ruins in Rabat, Morocco. A guard took my picture. Submitted by Juana Alamos

Oh, the Places We Go!

Barbara and Tom Wasco and Cheryl and Wayne Staples cruising to Alaska in September, 2025



Lori and Calvin Crosse and Brenda and Rick Steckler took a trip to Africa and Turkey



Cappadocia, Turkey



Leta, April, Joy and Pat — girls on the loose during a three-day trip to the Worldmark Resort in Indio. You don't have to travel far to have a good time with your besties! Submitted by Leta Ramirez



Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe



Suzan Reynolds and Craig Weber were at the Great Wall of China on Sept. 21, during a three-week coastal tour of China. Submitted by Suzan Reynolds



Cape Town, South Africa

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HARD

If you are a beginner at playing Sudoku, here is a brief tutorial. Sudoku is played on a grid of 9 x 9 spaces. Within each row and column are 9 squares made up of 3 x 3 spaces. Each row, column, and square (9 spaces each) needs to be filled out with the numbers 1-9, without repeating any numbers within the row, column, or square.

If the instructions above are not sufficient, simply Google "Sudoku for beginners." There are loads of instructions from novice to expert.

If you're new to Sudoku or have questions, message us at rwgeiser12@yahoo.com or call (406) 261-3759.

Puzzles created by Ray Geiser. Solutions on Page 73

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Between rehearsals in October, the Showcase players, decorators, and drivers screeched at you in haunted golf carts during the parade

on Oct. 4. It was a howling good time for all. You might have even seen some ghosts!

The Talent Workshop and Showcase monthly meeting will take place on Nov. 17 at 6 pm in the RCN Activity Room #3. It is open to all residents wanting to learn, or to sharpen, performance skills. We will discuss future projects and continue to explore the world of Improv. Everyone is welcome and we never charge for membership or participation.

If you have any questions, please contact Paula Drake pdrakelaw@aol.com. ~ Paula Drake



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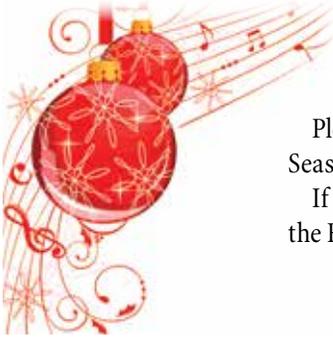


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FOUR SEASONS SINGERS

Please mark your calendar for Dec. 19, an Evening of Music with the Four Seasons Singers and the Four Seasons Handbell Choir with a few surprises.

If you would like to join the Singers, would like to be included in my email list, or if you have questions about the Four Seasons Singers, call (951) 797-3466 or email me at bawasco@dc.rr.com. ~ *Barbara Wasco*

PERFORMING ARTS CLUB



October has passed, and we had a great event with our decorated golf carts reflecting PAC and our previous shows. We hope the residents enjoyed the 20th Anniversary parade.

The PAC October meeting was led by President Pat, including a sing-along with familiar songs but with a humorous senior twist. Everyone enjoyed the leading voices of Marianne Bugni, Bill 'Elvis' Thomas, and Leah MacQueen.

At our October meeting, officers for the 2026 year were elected.

Mark Dec. 5-7 for our holiday show, *It's a Four Seasons Christmas*,

Charlie Brown. Familiar songs and characters will bring joy and laughter to your Christmas spirit. Your fellow residents are busy rehearsing for this fun event. It is free, but you will need a ticket, which will be available at the front desk starting Nov. 24.

PAC offers free entertainment to our community with various shows and events throughout the year. All interested residents are welcome. We hold bi-monthly meetings for anyone interested, with no dues required. For more information about the club, contact Pat Wayne at (949) 290-1811 or email pwayne1@outlook.com. ~

Marianne Bugni



Performing Arts Club members at the 20th Anniversary Parade

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Join us on the fourth Thursday of every month at The Lodge Ballroom from 3 to 5 pm and let the good times roll. We will also educate you about the history of those old-school songs we all know and love. It's not only about dancing and loving every minute, but also it's about understanding the roots and stories behind the music that shaped an entire generation. For more information, contact Willa Harris at (951) 550-3453. ~ *Willa Harris, willaharris89@gmail.com*

BIRDING CLUB

Perhaps you have been wondering what our Birding Club is all about. This might be especially true if you saw our cart in the 20th Anniversary Parade. Admittedly, we were being as frivolous as we could be, trying to draw attention to our group.

In reality, we are a loosely-knit bunch of people who all share a love of being outdoors and of observing the non-human life around us. When we are outside we try to be aware of our surroundings, looking and listening all of the time. Some of us carry binoculars, some carry cameras, and some just walk and look. Many of us have bird feeders in our yards and enjoy seeing our feathered friends up close and personal. We have varying levels of knowledge and experience, and we all learn from each other.

Although the members of the Birding Club through the years have identified roughly 140 species of birds at Four Seasons, most of us prefer just to take note of birds on our monthly walks rather than

keep official lists. For anyone who wishes to be on record with their findings, the eBird app is an excellent resource. Most of us use the Merlin app to help identify the birds we are hearing and seeing. The photographers in the group are very helpful in the identification of birds we have not clearly seen. We enjoy hearing about the birds other members have seen in their yards, or on their travels, and to see the pictures our photographers have taken.

While bird watching is often a solitary activity, doing it with a group means more eyes to see and more ears to hear. Why not give it a try? The Birding Club walks the trails as a group on the first Saturday of the month. We gather at 8 am by the Potrero Creek sign at the edge of The Lodge parking lot. We walk at a leisurely pace, taking time to see as many species as we can. Please feel free to join us. We love to see new faces. If you have any questions, please call or text me. ~ *Genie Cooper, (269) 930-0310*

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Although we have a dedicated group of volunteers, they cannot carry the entire load of recovering, rescuing, and fostering all these animals on their own. We are seriously in need of more volunteers to foster these deserving pets. Essentially, fostering a dog means temporarily welcoming a dog into your home and keeping them comfortable and well cared for. Dog fostering benefits the pets, shelters, rescues, and homeless animals. Fosters provide dogs with a safe, loving, temporary environment. Foster parents report back to the rescue group about the dog's personality and behavior. Rescues can then use that information to find the best adopters for each dog.

Fostering a pet can help save animals, potentially preventing at-



risk pets from euthanasia. Some animals stay in their foster homes for a short time, while others may need a few weeks until they're matched with the right adopter. Even one- or two-night stays are valuable, giving the dog some quality time with a caretaker in a quiet, calm setting. Although it may not be intentional, many foster dogs also end up staying at their temporary home permanently.

These "foster fails" happen when a foster family decides that their new friend is meant to stay with them.

We encourage everyone to consider becoming a foster family and helping these wonderful animals found in Four Seasons. If you'd like to make a meaningful difference in a dog's life, contact Tails and Trails at (951) 663-7012 or reach out to me via email at vivr@sbcglobal.net. ~ Vivian Walker



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OPERA CLUB

On Nov. 14, the Four Seasons Opera Club presents Puccini's *Tosca* in The Lodge Theater. *Tosca* is Puccini's dramatic, crowning achievement and Floria Tosca is one of opera's most memorable femme fatale heroines. Memorable arias? Floria sings, "Vissi d'arte" ("I lived for my art, I lived for love") and her lover Cavaradossi sings, "E lucevan le stelle" ("And the stars were shining") as he awaits the firing squad fusillade. The corrupt chief of police, Scarpia, attempts to coerce Floria to yield her honor to him but instead Floria bestows "Tosca's Kiss" — a knife through the heart. When Floria discovers that Scarpia deceived her one last time in having Caravarossi shot with real bullets, she curses Scarpia and throws herself over the parapet wall of the Castel Sant'Angelo.

Tosca is one of the most frequently performed works in the canon and there are many great productions. We will present a 1956 film version by the Opera Theatre of Rome featuring Franco Corelli. Handsome, with a powerful voice and passionate delivery, Corelli is one of the greatest tenors the world has ever known.

Puccini premiered *Tosca* on Jan. 14, 1900 in Rome. It is very precisely set in time and place. He was commenting on the



"Tosca's Kiss" dagger from the LA Opera



Castel Sant'Angelo along the Tiber in Rome

political situation in the Italian region and specifically in Rome in this time frame (June 14, 1800). Our offering of *Tosca* will run 2 hours, 14 minutes, so there will be a short lecture before the actual screening begins. The lecture will explain the motivations of the characters to risk their lives and for Floria Tosca to murder Baron Scarpia in cold blood. There will also be time to share a few inadvertently humorous endings to this tragic opera.

Our second event this month will be the opera version of "Name That Tune."

We will schedule a 90-minute program of arias from different operas and points will be awarded for correct answers. The participant with the most points will win a prize — a scented candle from Healthy Crafting Club leader, Barbara Toyama. As this is the first time the Opera Club does this, we will make it a little easy by sticking to shows we have presented since our inception two years ago. At best, you will win a scented soy candle, and at worst you will hear a selection of the greatest arias ever recorded.

See you at the opera! ~Harvey Toyama, admin@fsbopera.org, (951) 524-3765



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The Singles were really busy in September. They enjoyed fun birthday lunches at Finney's Crafthouse in Redlands, Claim Jumper in San Bernardino, and Kasama in Beaumont. We also took a very interesting tour of the Amazon Fullfillment Center in Eastvale. It was fascinating to learn how those items you purchase on Amazon get delivered to your door. We also attended a jazz concert presented by the San Bernardino Symphony at San Bernardino Valley College. Rounding out our month, we attended LifeHouse Theater's production of *Jonah! A Whale of a Tale* in Redlands.

Many more activities like these are on our to-do list so if these sound like activities you'd enjoy and you're single, we'd love to see you at one of our future meetings. We meet on the first Friday of the month at 6 pm in the RCN. For more information, please contact Sue Torkington at (860) 712-3430. ~ **Phyllis Kates**



Monica Sarafian, Phyllis Noreika, Barbara Wingfield, Sue Torkington, and Phyllis Kates (taking the photo), attended LifeHouse Theater's latest production



Barbara Wingfield's birthday restaurant choice was Claim Jumper.



The Singles celebrated Marty Freeman's birthday at Finney's Crafthouse.

TRAVEL GROUP

Wow! Can you believe it's already November? Only two months left in this year. Where does the time go? It has been such a busy, fun-filled year for our Travel Group, and we couldn't be more grateful for all the wonderful memories made along the way.

The recent 20th Anniversary Parade was a true highlight. What a special celebration it turned out to be! It was fantastic to see so many clubs take part, helping make the event festive and memorable. The colorful floats, cheerful music, and enthusiastic participants all came together beautifully, and the day was full of joy. Hopefully, many of our residents were able to come out, line the streets, and show support for our community. It really was one of those days that reminded us of why we love being a part of this community. Check out the photos from that day at right.

But we're not slowing down just yet! This month, we're heading to the Getty Villa in Malibu, a destination that promises to be both fascinating and inspiring. The Villa is a true gem, offering visitors a chance to step back in time and admire extraordinary art and history. You'll encounter remarkable collections of ancient artwork, elegant statues, and stunning architecture. The lush landscaping surrounding the grounds, complete with serene gardens and even a beautiful swimming pool, make it feel like you've been transported to another world. Whether you are an art lover, a history buff, or just someone who enjoys a breathtaking setting, this trip is guaranteed to be something special.

Looking ahead to December, our final outing of 2025 will take us to San Diego's Little Italy for a festive day filled with holiday cheer.

We'll enjoy the sights, sounds, and flavors of a traditional Italian tree-lighting ceremony. From twinkling lights and charming streets to delicious food and the famous Santa's Village, it's the perfect way to wrap up the year together. This is always one of our most popular trips, and it's easy to see why — it combines travel, tradition, and togetherness in the heart of one of San Diego's most vibrant neighborhoods.

As we close out the year, we are reminded once again that the best part of our group is sharing these adventures with all of you. Thank you for your enthusiasm, friendship, and love of travel. Here's to ending 2025 with joy and starting the new year with excitement for even more journeys ahead.

For membership questions or to join the Travel Group, contact Irene at irenewelker55@gmail.com. For all other info or to book a trip, call Joni at (661) 390-5512 or email at jonitruelsen@yahoo.com. ~ **Joni Truelsen**



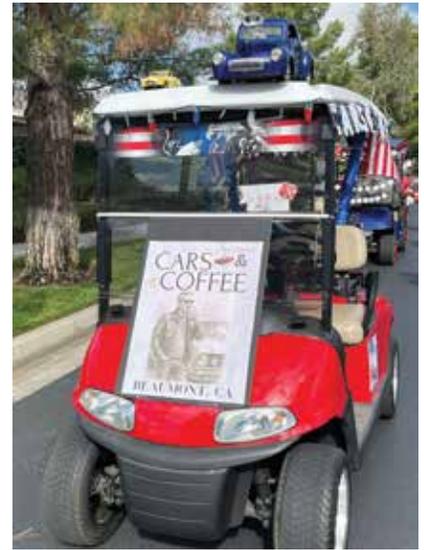
CARS & COFFEE

Our Oct. 4 Cars & Coffee, unfortunately, coincided with the Four Seasons 20th Anniversary parade. The Cars & Coffee Club entered two vehicles in the parade: I was in my 1977 orange Corvette and Dale Supernaw in his decorated golf cart. We received plenty of thumbs-up and comments about looking good. It was a really nice event; Cindy Graves and her staff did a wonderful job organizing the parade.

We still had a number of fantastic cars and their owners show up. The highlight was definitely Mike Flowers with his stunning 1968 Acapulco blue Ford Mustang Shelby GT350, equipped with a ground-pounding 460-horsepower engine paired with a 10-speed automatic transmission. Rick Van also came with his 1965 Chevrolet two-door metallic blue Nova, running a built 283 small block. Rick has owned his Nova for 41 years.

Just a reminder — the Veterans Day Car Show is coming up on Nov. 8. The last day for pre-registration is Oct. 30. Registration forms can be picked up at The Lodge — they are located on the rack where upcoming events are kept, not at the front desk. However, you can drop off completed forms with payment at The Lodge front desk.

Please join us for our next meeting on Saturday, Nov. 1 at 9 am in The Lodge parking lot. For additional information, please contact Frank Morales at (951) 203-4578 or fmoralesjrinc@aol.com, or Rick Morales at (951) 255-4710 or onemnth53@yahoo.com. ~ **Frank Morales**



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Mike Flowers and his '68 Mustang Shelby GT-350



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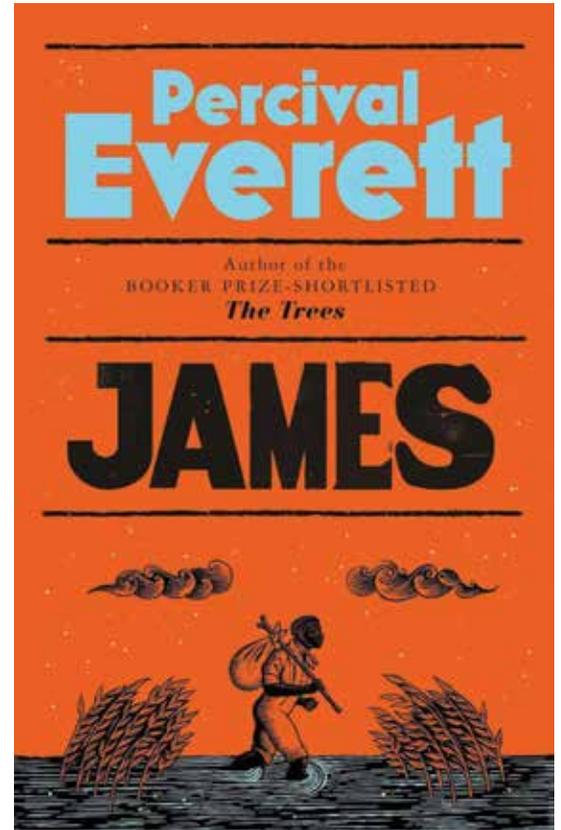
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BOOK CLUB

Our Book Club selection for Nov. 11 is *James*, by Percival Everett. Here is a brief description from Doug S., who will be leading our discussion: “*James* is the most acclaimed fiction of the past two years and winner of most major awards, including the National Book Award and the Pulitzer Prize. It is a reimagining of the *Huckleberry Finn* story told from the perspective of the enslaved Jim (who refers to himself as “James”). The Book Club will discuss not only the novel but what Percival Everett and James add to the legacy of Mark Twain’s *Huckleberry Finn*. In all ways, it is a creative and inspiring book. The Amazon.com description says it well: ‘When the enslaved Jim overhears that he is about to be sold to a man in New Orleans, separated from his wife and daughter forever, he decides to hide on nearby Jackson Island until he can formulate a plan. Meanwhile, Huck Finn has faked his own death to escape his violent father, recently returned to town. As all readers of American literature know, thus begins the dangerous and transcendent journey by raft down the Mississippi River toward the elusive and too-often-unreliable promise of the Free States and beyond. While many narrative set pieces of *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* remain in place (floods and storms, stumbling across both unexpected death and unexpected treasure in the myriad stopping points along the river’s banks, encountering the scam artists posing as the Duke and the King), Jim’s agency, intelligence and compassion are shown in a radically new light.’”

Our meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 9:30 am in the RCN, Activity Room #3. All our book selections are recommended by book club members. Someone volunteers to lead the discussion about the book we have chosen for the month.

For more information about the Four Seasons Book Club or to get your name on our mailing list, please contact me at michelesrosen@gmail.com. ~ *Micki Rosen*




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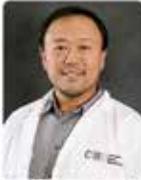
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FS VETERANS CLUB

November is the time to step up our gratitude for the service of our military veterans. The City of Beaumont will have a parade in the morning, saluting veterans. We had two vehicles in the 20th anniversary parade — one trailed the horses to safeguard the trailing pick-up man who had a shovel and broom for his task.

Any veteran who wants a tile on the Tile Tribute must attend our monthly meeting the fourth Thursday of each month at 10 am. Due to Christmas falling on that date there will not be a meeting this December. ~ *Len Tavernetti, ltavernetti@hotmail.com*



TOPS

Each TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meeting begins with a pledge: “I am a responsible person. I know I have what it takes to reach my weekly goals. I know when to say ‘yes.’ I know when to say ‘no’ to temptations that are placed before me. I remind myself that no food can control me. That I have the power to overcome obstacles . . . to achieve a healthier life. I’ve got this!”

In October, we hosted a salad party where each member brought two items for the salad bar. We had a variety of over 30 items. Each person brought two-pint containers filled with fresh veggies. Once



filled, these jars made a delicious lunch. Two of our programs this month included a review of the “Real Life: The Hands-on Pounds-off Guide,” our TOPS bible. It helps us understand the food and nutrients that make up our daily meals and snacks. The foods we eat contain essential nutrients that our bodies need. We are working on eating healthier.

You may find that a group like TOPS can help you too. We meet on Tuesday at 8:30 am in the Ballroom. For more information, call Andi Henderson at (918) 497-6491. ~ *Andi Henderson*

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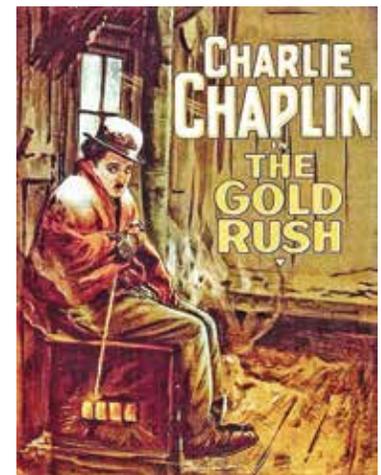
CLASSIC FILM GROUP

The Classic Film Group presents a special Thanksgiving event featuring a screening of the best of Thanksgiving. Join us for *Planes, Trains, and Automobiles* on Nov. 25 and Dec. 2 at 6 pm in The Lodge Theater. A Chicago advertising man struggles to travel home from New York for Thanksgiving, with a lovable oaf of a shower-curtain-ring salesman as his only companion.

Our Wednesday matinee on Nov. 12 at 2 pm in The Lodge Theater we’ll enjoy the best of Chaplin’s silent movies. *The Gold Rush* stars Charlie Chaplin as The Lone Prospector, facing sickness, hunger, cold, and loneliness in a desperate attempt to strike it rich during the Klondike Gold Rush in Alaska. This heartfelt story tells how fate brings “hope, friendship, and love” to the cold Klondike.

The Gold Rush encapsulates the best of Chaplin’s silent films and is an ambitious, character-driven story that remains one of the funniest movies of all time. It’s a great action-comedy for silent film fans.

Happy Thanksgiving! ~ *Paul Plamondon, Aseasonsmoviegroup@gmail.com*



RAINBOW GROUP



This month our selection for the Famous LGBT Americans series is Mary Wings, a lesbian cartoonist and writer.



Mary Wings (née Mary Lee Geller) was born in 1949 in Chicago. She attended Shimer College in Mount Carroll, Illinois. She moved to Portland, Oregon and studied ceramics at the Museum Art School. She came out as lesbian at 21, became an illustrator and lived in

the U.S. and Holland.

In the 1960s, Wings explored underground comic books and their depiction of lesbians. She discovered misogyny and homophobia. In Portland, Oregon, she started to frequent a feminist bookshop and discovered a comic book, *Sandy Comes Out*, about a lesbian written by Trina Robbins, a heterosexual woman. The book described coming out in an intellectualized manner that lacked the emotional intensity that would have come from a lesbian describing her own experience. Wings later said that the book's portrayal of coming out "seemed so superficial. I thought, this has nothing to do with what it really feels like."



TASTE D'VINE

Thanksgiving is around the corner and you're going to want to be at this month's meeting to sample some great wines for your holiday dinners. Gino Domico has picked out some tremendous wines to sample.

John Wagner, who writes his own music, will entertain us with his songs this evening. He is highly respected by his fellow musicians here in Four Seasons.

The doors open at 5:15 pm and the meeting begins at 6 pm. Bring a bottle of wine to enjoy, two glasses, and something to share with your table. This meeting will get us all into the holiday spirit.

If you have any ideas for wines or topics, please call or email me.
~ Tom DePaola, tomdepaola@roadrunner.com, (714) 404-1956

That motivated Wings to create her own comic book, *Come Out Comix*. It was the first comic book about lesbians, by a lesbian and for lesbians. She self-published the book and advertised it through flyers. It was picked up by a publisher giving it national exposure within a year. She moved to San Francisco and created two more comic books, *Dyke Shorts* in 1978 and *Are Your Highs Getting You Down?* in 1980. She also illustrated her own books.

Wings moved to Amsterdam in 1980 and returned to San Francisco in 1987.

After her three comics, Wings became an award-winning novelist writing lesbian detective stories. She wrote a series of five books about a lesbian detective named Emma Victor and also another book not part of the series.

Wings' comics work has been described as "sparse, but her output remains meaningful in its honesty. ... Mary Wings might not have made a ton of comics, but the ones she did remain incredibly important well over four decades later. ... (They) remain an underrated classic of LGBTQ+ comics."

Wings died on July 3, 2024 in San Francisco at 75.

For more information and for the sources for this article, please go to the Rainbow Group's Facebook page or request a copy via our email (rainbowgroup@myyahoo.com). The locations and times of Rainbow Group events are available via our Facebook page or email.
~ Dan Hazeltine and Frank Galvan

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AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURAL CLUB



Since the beginning of humanity, people have used symbols to communicate complex ideas and represent abstract concepts. These

visual patterns and designs hold deep significance, conveying everything from a person's social status to an entire language.



Weaving sample featuring the widely recognized adinkra symbol, Gye Nyame, late 20th century (Asante people), woven, dyed, and printed cotton



The Adinkra stamps were carved out of wood

In 2010, Betty Ann James, founder of the AACC, visited Ghana and discovered the Adinkra symbols of the Akan people. The Akan traditionally stamp these symbols — a visual language representing beautiful and meaningful proverbs — onto fabric for clothing, scarves, rugs, and jewelry.

Inspired by this art, the AACC chose the Adinkra symbol Gye Nyame as their club logo. Pronounced “jee nyam-eh,” the symbol translates to “Except for God, there is none,” representing the omnipotence of a higher power and serving as a perfect



AACC members Betty Ann James, Rose Thomas, Connie Bowen, Carol Carter, Letha Sellers, Doc Sellers, and Beverly Blackshear

representation of the club's culture.

The origin of Adinkra symbols dates back to the 19th century. After the Asante army defeated the Bono people, they captured the Bono king, Nana Kwadwo Agyemang Adinkra. According to their tradition, the symbols are named after him. The Asante army took Adinkra's decorated robe and the art of printing as trophies. Over time, the tradition of stamping symbols on fabric spread from the Bono to the Asante and other Akan kingdoms.

African symbols like Adinkra are seen in modern applications from high fashion to street art, tattoos, and digital designs.

In today's globalized world, the Gye Nyame symbol, has traveled beyond Ghana to become a powerful emblem for the African diaspora. This one simple yet profound message resonates with people seeking to connect with their heritage and express their spirituality.

Gye Nyame is more than just a design on a piece of fabric. It is a philosophy, a historical artifact, and a powerful, living symbol of faith. The symbol's timeless message acknowledges a higher power, reminding us that there is a force far greater than ourselves woven into the fabric of our lives.

The next AACC meeting is Monday, Nov. 3 at 6 pm in The Lodge Game Room. This year's Holiday Party will be held on Saturday, Dec. 13. For more information, contact Club President, Jocelyn Doucette, at cjs1speed@gmail.com. ~ **Regina Thomas**

JEWISH CULTURE CLUB

Don't Miss Four Seasons Annual Hanukkah Party starring Perry Goldstein: Fiddler On The Roof Sing Along & America's Favorite Game Show "Name That Jew!"

On Dec. 21, Perry Goldstein returns to The Lodge Ballroom for his famous Hanukkah Extravaganza. This year, he will be bringing back the popular "Fiddler On The Roof Sing-Along" featuring your friends and neighbors. The words will be on the big screen, so you can sing your hearts out to your favorite "Fiddler" songs.

As an added attraction, we will be playing America's favorite game show, "Name That Jew." Which famous celebrities are Jewish? You will find out that night. Bring your phone, because you will need it to play the game. Valuable prizes are in store for the winner.

As always, a dessert nosh and coffee will be served. And the cost of this fun event? FREE! Tickets will be available to reserve your spot. Pick them up at the front desk at The Lodge starting Dec. 10.

Questions? Contact Perry at perry.goldstein@gmail.com. This will be Perry's best Hanukkah party, so don't miss it. ~ **Perry Goldstein**

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CROWN DIVAS FOUR SEASONS

In September, we attended a show at the Yucaipa Performing Arts Center. Chipper Lowell, a comedian born into a traveling-circus family, was the performer. It didn't go unnoticed by the comedian that the ladies in the front row were wearing red hats or fascinators. We knew sooner or later he would jest with one or more Divas, and he did, as predicted. First, he singled out Lady Scarlet, then he picked Queenie, followed by Sugar Mama. His good-natured humor added to the fun. Some people believe in magic — do you? Chipper is also a masterful magician, and his tricks were very convincing. In his act, he uses storytelling and humor to draw the audience in. For the Divas, the fun started before the show with greetings, posing for pictures, and catching up on conversations. We're already making exciting plans for our October event — witches! ~ *Irma Romero, (626) 733-3019, Irmabsromero@gmail.com*



LIFE AFTER LOSS

“Balancing the Needs of the Season”

As the holidays approach, many people dread their arrival. Whether celebrated as Thanksgiving, Christmas, Chanukah, Ramadan, or Kwanza, seasonal celebrations are difficult for those who have experienced memories with their departed loved one. Although there is no magic emotional formula, there are some healthy guideposts that can be considered.

1. Accept The Nature of Reality

The approaching season is a factual reality. Denying that truth or pretending otherwise will only bring heartache. Try to avoid being reactive where you are “guilted into attending an event” or even outright “cancel” the holidays. Instead, thoughtfully, ahead of time, consider your need for solitude and grieving (boundaries) with some planned social activities.

2. Practice Self-Care

It is vital to take care of yourself, especially when there are extra demands and stress. Take stock of actions that help to keep you regulated, distractions that can bring a moment of calm or personal rituals that can help create steadiness.

3. Plan Ahead and Set Boundaries

Decide if you can handle past responsibilities and expectations as they once were. Inform others you appreciate their understanding and flexibility. Family members may need to manage their own expectations around certain traditions and be flexible and creative with new alternatives. Above all, it's important to be gentle with yourself and the needs of your heart. By thinking ahead, you can anticipate what you might need and minimize unnecessary pain.

4. Remember Your Community. Share your plans with valued

family and friends and let them know in advance of changes in your emotional boundaries and holiday routines. Educate them. Make specific plans and obtain the support you need.

The Life After Loss Group is about “people helping people” who have encountered any form of grief/loss in their life. Should you desire a deeper understanding of a “life after loss,” we invite you to join us.

Unless otherwise notified, we meet the first and third Mondays of each month from 1 to 3 pm in RCN Activity Room #3. All information is kept confidential.

If you would like to join the group, please text/call Byron Thomsen beforehand at (909) 936-7097 or email him at byron.thomsen@yahoo.com. ~ *Byron Thomsen*

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THE GATHERING

Need encouragement? The Gathering may be a great resource for you. Several residents have met on the last Sunday of the month at 6 pm for a time of sharing, singing and rejoicing in the love of God. Currently we meet at The Courts Multipurpose Room where the walls echo with praise and people volunteer to pray for needs within

the community. Our focus is on the encouragement that comes from the Lord Jesus Christ who said that in this world we would have troubles, but be of good cheer — He has overcome the world. All are welcome to join us. ~ *Sally White, musicalsal@yahoo.com*

“BELIEVE ...” WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY

Our class is currently studying 1 and 2 Samuel. Many of the bravest members of our class have attended consistently while we have studied all the wars and resultant bloodshed while King David was leader. It took a lot for him to get to the place of ruling as king over all of Israel and Judah, but because of God’s sovereign persistence, patience, and perfect plan for Israel, and, because of the mighty warrior that David became, at last there is peace in Israel in 2 Samuel Chapter 7. It’s also the beginning of David’s downfall. We have very interesting and knowledgeable discussions, because the women in our class are not only brave but very astute as well. 2 Samuel Chapter 7 discusses the Davidic Covenant, which was our whole motivation in studying 1 and 2 Samuel. We received a great handout for Chapter 7 showing the lineage of Jesus through Joseph’s ancestral line and through Mary’s line.

Book of Hebrews.

If there are any other Four Seasons women out there interested in studying the Bible, please come join us. We would enjoy your input and attendance. We meet every Friday at 10:30 am in The Lodge Game Room. Hope you’ll come by! ~ *Eileen Gilbert-Antoine, (951) 922-6829 or egcellent@msn.com*

Here’s a praise for all the wonderful women who have not balked at the wars, but looked at the pertinent history and its purpose in the Bible. Thank you for your support, encouragement, attendance, and knowledge. You know who you are. We will finish our last lesson on Solomon, David’s son (1 Kings Chapter 11) on the day of our class party (Dec. 12), and will begin 2026 in the New Testament and the

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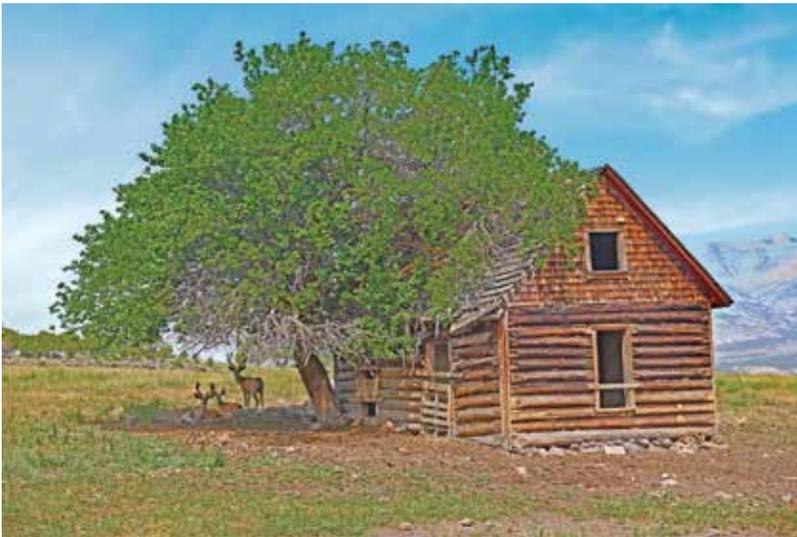
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PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

November begins the rush of holiday activity, a time for family and friends to gather and celebrate ... time to capture those moments with photographs. So, let's talk portraits and group photos. What are some of the tips and tricks to making our holiday photos stand out? Consider composition, lighting, and posing. We will discuss photo topics that do not rely on any specific camera type, whether a

DSLR, mirrorless, or our go-to, the cell phone camera.

If you want to share your love of photography, please join us. We meet the first Thursday of each month, 6:30 to 8:30 pm, in the RCN Main Room. Photographers of all skill levels are welcome.

If you have questions or wish to be added to our mailing list, please email jacquesneddon@gmail.com. ~ *Jacque Sneddon*

KNIT & CROCHET GROUP



We meet on Tuesdays from 10 until 11:30 am in the Arts & Crafts Room. We welcome all levels of knitters and crocheters to join us. We also welcome anyone who is interested in learning how to knit or crochet. Please email me if you have any questions. ~ *Marlene Doyle, marlened3333@gmail.com*

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MIXED MEDIA ARTS

This is the perspective of the artist of the month, Christine Vegara.

“Although most of the time students in the Mixed Media Art Class work on subjects of their choosing, once in a while we join a class-wide “challenge” to do a piece based on a common subject. One such challenge this past summer was to select a photo from Edward S. Curtis’s historic collection of later 19th century and early 20th century Portraits of Native Americans and interpret it as we wished. It was fascinating to see which portraits we were each drawn to and the very different media and styles of our resulting artwork. I selected this picture of Ola Noatak, a young Eskimo woman. The original photos were black and white and although some people chose to interpret their photograph in color, I felt that simple graphite pencil on white paper best captured the starkness of her image and, likely her life.

I have been part of Rob Kelman’s art class for more than a decade, and continue to find new inspiration as well as a wonderful supportive group of people who are all exploring their creative expression. We would love to have you join us.”

Classes are held on Mondays and Fridays from 10 am to 12 noon. If you have any questions, call Rob at (951) 992-9156. ~ **Rob Kelman**



Fantastic elegant vase is by the very talented Mila Asunciorn



Elf on the shelf is painted by creative Martha Olvaro



Funky Garden frog by Karen Reed

CERAMICS CLASS

Happy fall y’all! We are having many new students attend our ceramic craft classes. We welcome any new potential artists always. Gift-giving ideas? Yes we CAN do that. Anyone can shop online, stand in long lines waiting to make purchases OR make a personal gift and spend more time with family. Come join us for holiday fun! For further information call Loretta Ramsey at (714) 803-6744. Run in for fun fun fun! ~ **Karen Reed, (707) 567-1144**

HEALTHY CRAFTING

The holidays are coming fast! Let's make some cozy gifts for loved-ones. Please join us for Healthy Crafting Classes: create, relax, and enjoy! Imagine crafting your own soothing spa products, designing a unique piece of jewelry, or painting a winter-themed birdhouse. At Healthy Crafting, you can do all of this and more! Held on the first and third Tuesday of every month from 1 to 3 pm in The Lodge Arts & Crafts Room, this hands-on workshop is perfect for anyone looking to explore their creativity while making sustainable and healthy products. Classes are \$10 for materials and \$10 for instruction. Sign-up sheet is located on the credenza, just outside The Lodge Theater in the Lobby.

Crafting isn't just about making something beautiful — it is a form of self-care. When you create with your hands, you engage your mind, relieve stress, and boost your overall well-being. That's why Healthy Crafting focuses on projects that nourish both body and soul. This month we will be making canvas poolside bags, customized perfume, a favorite, mandala rocks, and more!

If you love artistic expression, try your hand at

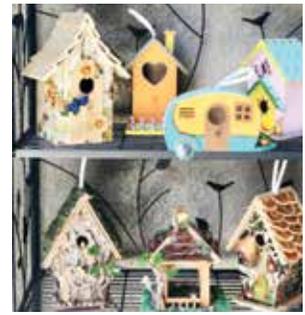
designing jewelry or painting intricate mandala rocks. If you're just into trying new things, this is the place for you. Whether you're a seasoned crafter or a total beginner, this class is designed for all skill levels — no experience needed! Instruction and all supplies are included, so you only need to bring your enthusiasm and a friend or two.

One of the best parts of Healthy Crafting is the sense of community it fosters. You will meet like-minded individuals who share an appreciation for handmade, eco-friendly creations. There's something truly special about learning a new skill together, sharing ideas, and leaving with a finished piece that reflects your personality. Get a jump on the holidays!

Classes coming up this month: Painted Wine Glasses on Nov. 4 and Coffee Candles on Nov. 18.

Take a break from your usual schedule — come unwind, get creative, and make something you'll love. Join us at Healthy Crafting and experience the joy of creating with intention!

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CRAFT GROUP

Join us for more holiday craft projects! We make it easy for you with encouragement and support every step of the way. Our group comes up with fun projects for the month and sends you an email listing the projects we'll be working on together with a list of supplies you'll need. We meet every Thursday at 10 am in The Lodge Arts & Crafts Room. Come join in the fun!

~ *Christi Mason*



QUILTING ENTHUSIASTS

On Oct. 4, Four Seasons celebrated its 20th Anniversary with a parade, In-N-Out hamburgers, live music, cupcakes, a slideshow showcasing 20 years of history, and a stunning quilt presented by the Quilting Enthusiasts.

With the facilities repainted and compass colors refreshed, Karen Reed presented her idea to the group, and several members helped make it a reality.

The finished quilt will be displayed in the Ballroom or main entry of The Lodge. I've included a picture of the quilt, along with Karen's thoughts and the poem she wrote.

"Thoughts come unexpectedly. While watching the renovations, I noticed a compass on a rose. Regardless of our direction, we stand at the center, experiencing something in every direction. I wanted to showcase the compass's impact on our community.

"I created a rough draft and presented it to our quilting group. I knew it would perfectly represent our Four Seasons and activities. Growing up as a "military brat," I understood the experience of

having multiple homes. Finally, I found my forever home here in Four Seasons. Many residents still travel extensively, but this is where they return — home. We're incredibly fortunate to reside in this magnificent community. HOME TO YOU AND HOME TO ME." Here is her poem:

*The Mariners Compass guides us to our many destinations:
North to the majestic Mountains,
South to the vast Sea,
East to the expansive Desert,
West to the Ocean with the cool breeze of the horizon.
Wherever destiny takes you, let the Winds return you to
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Home to you and me.*

Written by Karen Reed, Sept. 7, 2025

~ *Mary M. Moody-Cox, (808) 430-7469, 4seasonsquilters@gmail.com*



The 20th Anniversary Quilt. Members shown in the back row, Jeri Sorensen, Karen Reed, and Carol Young. Mary M. Moody-Cox is sitting in the chair.

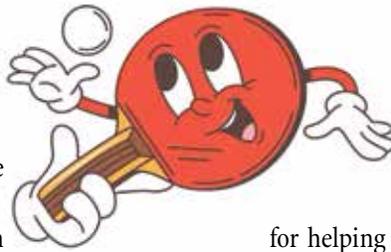


Technique class was held on making a "machine-stitched" Cathedral window block(s).



Barb Miller and Jeri Sorensen with their blocks

TABLE TENNIS



“My favorite exercise is a cross between a lunge and a crunch. I call it lunch.” ~ Unknown

Our Four Seasons Oldlympics was held on Sept. 10 with many players participating. With 10 years of experience playing Table Tennis, I had never played in a tournament. I decided that as the Captain, I should set a good example and play. It was exhilarating, exhausting and a challenge. In doubles, we played with all the other teams. I survived and went on to play women’s singles. This was definitely a challenge and I was exhausted from the doubles matches. In singles, it was two out of three games to win. All I could think about was putting my legs up in the recliner. All the players were good sports and played exciting games. A huge shout-out to Niles Sundstrom for organizing the doubles and Perry White for stepping in and running the men’s singles. The champions were:

DOUBLES: First place: Soo Lee and Pete Antoine; Second place: Perry White and CeCe Lee; Third place: Sally White and Richard Carrasco

MEN’S SINGLES: First place: Perry White; Second place: Niles Sundstrom; Third place: Pete Antoine

WOMEN’S SINGLES: First place: Jeanine Baker; Second place: Mary Baer; Third place: Kelly Arizaga

The next day after club play we had a pizza party to celebrate! Thank you to Lisa, Jeanine, and Mary for helping with extra food. It was a fun time. The players enjoyed the fellowship and getting to know each other better. See you Monday through Saturday, 2 to 4 pm, at The Courts. ~ **Mary Baer**, baerhuggy@icloud.com



L - R: Val Moller, Mary Baer, Kelly Arizaga, and Jeanine Baker



PADDLE TENNIS



Paddle (pop tennis) was invented in 1898 by Frank Peer Beal, then a teenager in Michigan. A few decades later, he moved to New York City and officially founded the United States Paddle Tennis Association in 1923.

His goal? To create a sport that kids could play in crowded, urban neighborhoods. He shrank the tennis court, swapped traditional racquets for solid paddles, and used a softer ball. The result: a fast-paced, easy-to-learn game built for community ... and it took off. While paddle tennis was born in New York, the sport found its soul in Venice Beach, CA, starting in the 1940s. Introduced as part of the city’s beach-side recreation push just steps from the ocean, the game took root and quickly developed its own fast-paced, gritty West Coast flavor. The Venice courts draw all kinds of people — locals, tourists, actors, athletes, and everyday legends. Over the years, familiar figures like Andy Roddick, Arthur Ashe, and even Serena Williams’ former coach, Patrick Mouratoglou, among other athletes, have dropped by to play. We welcome our community to come learn a new sport and join in the fun. ~ **Lizzie Gallegos**, ecgallegos@outlook.com

PICKLEBALL



When Tony Greicius (at left) moved to Four Seasons in July of 2023, he'd never played pickleball. After looking over the various activities offered here, he came to the pickleball courts to see what it was all about. That morning, he was offered a paddle and invited to join in to play.

Nearly every paddle placed in the holders to "paddle up" has a name on it, helping to identify who is up to play next. The paddle loaned to Tony had "Demo" written on it. In a short time, "Demo Tony" became a force to be reckoned with! Now, Tony, Robert Mahan, and Jimmy Connor run a drill session on Tuesdays from 5 to 6 pm for players who want to level up their pickleball skills. Here's a brief interview with Tony:

How long have you been playing pickleball? I've been playing pickleball for a little over two years. I used to play softball in leagues and tournaments, but now I focus solely on pickleball.

How often do you play? I play whenever I can — sometimes five or six days a week at several different locations.

What do you enjoy about playing at Four Seasons? I especially enjoy playing at Four Seasons because the people here are so friendly and encouraging. When I first started learning, everyone was so welcoming.

Southern California is known for high-quality pickleball; do you play at other locations? Yes, I currently play in a league at Soboba and have competed in several local tournaments. Last year, I played in Fallbrook and San Diego, where I qualified for Nationals.

How important is selecting the correct paddle? The paddle is a crucial part of the game. Using a high-quality paddle can really improve your performance. I was recently selected to be a representative for the Honolulu Paddle Company and truly enjoy using their products.

What advice would you give to our Breeze readers new to pickleball? If you're just starting out, I recommend playing as often

as you can. Take a few lessons and practice drills whenever possible. It's such a fun sport, and the people who play make it even better.

While not everyone can become good at pickleball as quickly as Tony did, if you're interested in learning the game, come out to the courts, talk with the players, and take an introductory lesson with Nancy Hessin on a Saturday at 8:30 am.

For the 20th Anniversary parade, we made a float complete with a mini-net, pickleball tunes playing, players dressed in white, balloons, and even a pickleball mascot! Many thanks to Bob Mendenhall for providing the 18-foot flatbed trailer and driving the float,

and to his very creative wife, Rebecca, for her expertise in design and putting it all together. The float received many compliments (which we greatly appreciate), and our mascot was a definite hit! ~ KR, gmew@hotmail.com



Maggie Domico with her dog Gigi, our mascot, who made many new friends



Pickleball Club float in the 20th Anniversary Parade



BOCCE BALL

November is here and fall weather means cooler temperatures, which means start time will be switching to 9 am sometime this month. I'll inform everyone when that will be.

We had our Bocce Ball Senior Olympics Sept. 12 with a good turnout. The tournament was played with four teams competing to score the most points playing three rounds. We had fun with the team of Kirk Baacke, Becky Gustafsen, Jacquelyn White, and John Morgen winning the Gold Medal. Thanks to all the players.

Bocce Ball is played at The Summit on Tuesdays and Fridays at 8 am. We continue to have fun getting together, socializing, and enjoying the game of Bocce Ball.

If you are interested in learning the game, you are more than welcome to join us. Any questions, please call or text me at (840) 234-6494 or email me at hanknegrete16@yahoo.com. ~ **Hank Negrete**

Gold Medal Team Winners: John Morgen, Becky Gustafsen, Kirk Baacke, and Jacquelyn White

LAWN CHAIR VOLLEYBALL

What a great time we had for the Oldlympics. We had 34 people divided into 3 teams competing for the gold medal. The competition was fierce with the ball bouncing off of people's heads and flying over the net all the while people kept their butts in the chair! The gold medal winners are as follows: Dave Rohrbacker, Scott Skellinger, Jolene Cooley, Julie Roth, Allen Koblin, Paul Seigman, Augie Ramirez, Margie Spies, Terry Albright, Karen Staublein, and Bev Haller.

Congratulations to the silver and bronze winners as well. This was the first year we competed in this event and we hope for many more.

We play on the second and fourth Thursday of each month on the grass area by the pickleball courts. We are shifting to winter hours so we will start at 4 pm. Chair volleyball is a lot of fun if you are looking to try something new and different.

~ Dave Rohrbacker



Augie sits for joy with his gold medal victory!



The teams prepare for the silver medal match. The trash talking was led by Janine Rohrbacker.



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We had 13 competitors for our 2nd Annual Olympics Putting Tournament.

(Thanks LPG member Claudia Rozzi for taking this photo!)



Putting competitors finished up our morning tournament with our Closest to the Pin (without going in) competition.



Thanks to Elaine Brown for supplying water and snacks



LADIES PUTTERS

The Ladies Putting Group held their Second Annual Oldlympics Tournament in mid September. The weather was cool which was a wonderful relief from the high 90s we had been experiencing for the previous several months. We had 13 participants and we were thrilled that four men decided to join us this time. The winners were:

Lowest Total Score for (4) 9-Hole Rounds: 1st - Phyllis Kates: 73; 2nd - James Chappel: 81; 3rd - Pat Whalen: 82

Most Total Hole-In-Ones: 1st - Phyllis Kates: 5 (Tiebreaker); 2nd - Pat Whalen: 5; 3rd - James Chappel: 2

Closest To The Pin (without going in): 1st - Phyllis Kates - 10"; 2nd - Jolene Cooley: 17.5"; 3rd - Jackie Morris: 37"

Now that our Oldlympics event is over we hope to see more ladies coming out and giving our Ladies Putting Group a try. This is a low-impact, "high fun and very social" activity and the best part is that no experience is necessary. We have extra putters and balls if you'd like to join us. Our 9-hole putting green is located at The Courts, behind the pool area. Our putting days/times are Mondays at 4 pm and Fridays at 9 am. For more information, please contact Elaine Brown at (626) 589-9791 or Phyllis Kates at (909) 227-0037. ~ **Phyllis Kates**

FISHING GROUP

I'm back! I guess most of you that read this fishing article probably thought I had passed away. I had so many things going on in my life that fishing took a back seat. Finally I can get back to what I love ... FISHING.

Last month, I went fishing a couple of times at Diamond Valley Lake in Hemet with my fishing buddies from Four Seasons.

One time we went with a fishing guide who caught all the fish. He told Jessie and I that we did not know how to fish. We will never go fishing with him again. Another trip I went with Jessie and Eddie. I took a picture of them with the fish they caught.

If you haven't guessed by now, I confess I haven't caught any fish the times I've gone fishing. I was able to net a huge Striper that my friend Mike caught (photo at right). That is yours truly holding the striper.

I plan on going fishing more often in the coming months. If I go a bunch of times, I may get lucky and catch at least one fish. Remember, you don't have to catch fish to have fun.

Tight lines to all my fishing friends and remember find time to go fishing. Have a great time fishing with your friends. You will be glad you did. ~ **Richard Carrasco, ricarrasco52@gmail.com**



Jessie and Eddie holding fish they caught at Diamond Valley Lake.



Me holding a big Striper my friend Mike caught at Diamond Valley Lake.

CURLY CUES BILLIARDS

Curly Cues plays every Monday at 11 am and continues until 1 pm in The Lodge Billiards Room. Come on down and start your Mondays with a group of ladies enjoying the game of billiards and having fun, too. There is always room for more ladies to join. No experience is

necessary and there is no pressure; we just want to have fun! We would love to have new faces join our ladies-only group.

For more information, contact Barbara Morton at (559) 269-0908 or barb93720@yahoo.com. ~ *Barbara Morton*



BILLIARDS FOR FUN GROUP

Fall is finally here! No matter what the weather is like outside, you can come on down to the Billiards Room on Tuesdays for a fun afternoon of billiards with the Billiards For Fun Group (BFFG). The (BFFG) meets every Tuesday. We have two sessions: 11 am to 1 pm and 1 to 3 pm. See you there!

For more info, please contact Paul Snyder at (909) 214-9464 or Donna Snyder at (909) 435-6589. ~ *Donna Snyder*

8-BALL CLUB

The 8-Ball Club presents pool lovers with lots of opportunities for practice and tournaments.

The 8-Ball Club practices or plays tournaments on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 6:30 to 9 pm.

The monthly 8-Ball Club business meeting is held on the first Wednesday of each month.

In-house tournaments include an 8-Ball tournament on the second Wednesday of the month and a 9-Ball tournament on the fourth Wednesday of the month.

The club also competes in team events with Solera Oak Valley and Solera Diamond Valley (see addresses below) on the first, second, third, and fourth Monday of each month: two here and two away.

Solera Oak Valley, 1615 Fairway Drive, Beaumont, CA 92223; and

Solera Diamond Valley, 1645 Paseo Diamante, Hemet, CA 92545

If you're new to the game or have played it before, don't be shy, stop by, pick up a stick, and give us a try.

Walk in and ask for Del or any of the members playing about the club (David, Captain Kirk, Doug, Augie, Larry, Bella, Claudio, Rick, Scott, Leo, Jone, et al).

The 8-Ball Club is always looking for new members who would like to learn to play pool to join us.

There is a calendar of all our events each month plus sign-up sheets in the Billiard Room at The Lodge, on the 8-Ball Club bulletin board.

If you have any questions about your 8-Ball Club, please contact the 8-Ball Club Captain, Del Lyles, at (951) 267-1752.

WILD BUNCH BILLIARDS

Four Seasons Billiards Room is the place to be! The Wild Bunch is in full swing, and looking forward to having those who are serious and competitive billiards players join us. We enjoy playing 8-Ball, 9-Ball, and Scotch Doubles. You don't have to be the best player, just a player who wants to improve their game in a more competitive setting.

The Wild Bunch consists of some of the best players in the league,

and we are always looking for great competition.

If you want to play serious, competitive pool, we invite you to come by Friday afternoons from 12:30 to 2:30 pm in the Billiards Room and join in the stimulation of competitive play.

Looking forward to seeing you! ~ *Gracy Luna, gracyluna@aol.com, (951) 292-3624*

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Shuffleboard Olympics participants



Shuffleboard Olympics Gold Medal winners: Wetto Gambino, Ron Jacobson, Linda Santilli, James Chappel, and Kirk Baacke

SHUFFLEBOARD

On Sept. 13, we held our annual community Olympics for shuffleboard and had 20 participants making up four teams of five players per team. It was an intense competition but the gold medals went to Wetto Gambino, Ron Jacobson, Linda Santilli, James Chappel, and Kirk Baacke. Congratulations!

By the time you are reading this article, we have changed our play hours to the winter schedule, which means that we start play at 9 am instead of 8 am. We continue to play at the shuffleboard courts at The Lodge, behind the swimming pool and next to the paddle tennis courts, where we enjoy our own quiet area for playing.

A great way to start your day is to come out and join our group for some fresh air, exercise, and socialization. Shuffleboard is an easy game to learn and almost anyone can quickly become proficient.

Our games usually last about an hour and we randomly select teams each time that we play. This keeps the competition challenging and the games interesting. We have no losers, only non-winners.

We have a wonderful group of residents who play regularly, but we are always eager to welcome new players. If you are interested in joining a fun activity with friendly residents, please come out on a Monday and/or Saturday morning a little before 9 am. We will introduce you to shuffleboard if you have never played before or give you a refresher, if needed.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me. Otherwise, I hope to see you at the shuffleboard courts. ~ **Marty Rotman**, (310) 948-1693, mrtmj@aol.com

BEAUMONT BAGGERS CORNHOLE GROUP

Our Cornhole Group Olympics featured 14 teams, playing close games and fun competition. Bronze, Silver, and Gold Bean Bags were awarded to our winning teams and medals were handed out at the awards ceremony. Our spectators added to the fun with cheers, encouragement, and pom poms!

We are changing our start time to 4 pm as of Nov 1. Please join us for cool, fall nights. We meet every Tuesday at 4 pm at The Lodge.

All are welcome and we place you with a teammate before the games start. Spectators and participants are always welcome. Bring a chair and enjoy the evening!

We suspend our games in the winter due to weather conditions. Nov. 18 will be our last session of the season until May. Watch our *Breeze* article to keep updated on our group and when we will start up again in the spring. ~ **Pat Barry**



Bronze winners, Tom Conigliaro and Susan Conigliaro



Second Place and Silver winners, Allan Koblin and Roger Constance



Pat Barry with our Gold Medal Winners, Bob Semler and Pete Levario

Tennis Club Senior
Olympics Players



TENNIS CLUB

The Tennis Club was all in for the Senior Olympics with Women's, Men's, and Mixed Doubles teams battling for the chance to win the coveted Four Seasons Beaumont medals. In mixed doubles, the gold was earned by Chuck Beckman and Bev Haller, who won all seven of their matches. Silver went to Tracy Mahan and Richard Carrasco, and there was a tie for third between Lizzie Gallegos/ Tito Calderon and Bernadette Chance/Larry Zimmerman, though if the tie had to be broken it would come down to the number of game losses: 39 for Lizzie/Tito and 40 for Bernadette/Larry. It wasn't as complicated for the Men's results, with Chuck and Larry Martin on top followed by Stan Lam/Larry Zimmerman in second and Tito/Randy Haemmerle grabbing the bronze. The Women's championship went to Bev/ Tracy Mahan, second to Laura Emerson/Thekla Seigman and third to the Bernadettes, Lombardo, and Chance.

In an earlier Tennis Club event, the theme was Wimbledon. "You can't be SERIOUS," bellowed John McEnroe when he heard that the FSB Tennis Club was holding a tournament and that the players would be taking on the names of actual Wimbledon champions (Source: Associated Press). In 1977, McEnroe at the age of 19 was the youngest male semifinalist in 100 years, and in his career, he became a three-time champion, as well as a well-known cranky pants. When McEnroe found out that it was going to be Steve Hovey, an aged lefty and cranky pants in his own right, who was tagged with his name, he really popped his cork. Which is exactly what the tournament winners were able to do with their large bottles of champagne, in keeping with Wimbledon's traditions. Four teams qualified for the semi-finals: Stan Lam (Stan Smith)/Tracy Mahan (Lindsey Davenport), Thekla Seigman (Billie Jean King)/Randy Haemmerle (Carlos Alcaraz), Larry Martin (Jimmy Connors)/Chikako Ferguson (Elena Rybakina), Bernadette Lombardo (Simona Halep)/Richard Carrasco (Rafael Nadal). In the match for third place, Bernadette and Richard defeated Larry and Chikako 10 - 6, and in the championship contest, Tracy and Stan prevailed

over Randy and Thekla, also by 10 - 6. Then we all celebrated the American way, with barbecued burgers and hot dogs.

Saturday FUNDamental drills and gentle coaching will start at 8:30 am on Court 1. Regular last-Saturday-of-the-month Play Days will have sign-ins at 8 am and play beginning at 8:30 during the summer months.

Visit our website at sites.google.com/view/tennis-fourseasons/home. ~ Steve Hovey (951) 712-5319, sahovey47@hotmail.com



Chuck and Bev go for the gold



Friends Bernadette, Tracy, and Chikako after the match

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WATER VOLLEYBALL CLUB

By the time you read this, your Four Seasons Water Volleyball Club will have started its winter season. Beginning Nov. 1, we moved indoors full-time at The Summit, playing on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 10 am to 12 pm. The temperature might be dropping outside, but inside at The Summit, the water is warm and the volleyball competition is heating up!

October was filled with activities: The Water Volleyball Club was represented in the 20th Anniversary Community Parade; and the winning teams were awarded their medals for the Senior Olympics. The teams are as follows:

Team one (third place): Bob Kapel, Cheryl Lacy, Dave Rohrbacker, Gary Pitts, John Morgan, Lou Stokes, Mike MacQueen, Paige Papineau, Pat Barry, Pat Keep, Pete Levario, Rocket Spinosa, and Vicki Manderino.

Team two (first place): Bricey Leathers, Craig Korotko, Gerald

Campos, Hank Negrete, Kellie, Maryellen Barr, Mel Harkin, Paul Manderino, Ron Jacobson, Russell Maring, Scott Skellenger, and Thekla Seigman.

Team three (second place): Barbara Dipoma, Deb Jenkins, Karen Belcher, Kathy Casillas, Leah MacQueen, Marty Rotman, Paul Sapien, Paul Seigman, Roger Constance, Shannon Jerrain, Todd Treacy, Tom Conigliaro, and Vicki Gonzales.

Water volleyball is a great way to get out of the house for some low impact exercise, and the indoor game is much easier since the ball is softer and the pool shallower. Everyone is welcome and beginners especially enjoy the indoor experience! You don't need to be a member of the club to participate, and all ages, heights and skill levels can enjoy the fun. For more information, contact Craig Korotko at Korotko@msn.com. ~ *Craig Korotko*



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BRIDGE FOR FUN

If you are thinking of new activities and have a basic knowledge of how to play the game of Bridge, come join us on Wednesdays from noon until 3:30 pm in The Lodge Game Room. We are a fun and easy-going group; come play with us. For more information, contact Verina Rector at (951) 769-1687. ~ *Lois L. Butler*



DUPLICATE BRIDGE

We have started a Duplicate Bridge Group here at Four Seasons. This is not an ACBL-sanctioned group but it is a social group of Bridge players that likes a more competitive style of Bridge. It does take two people to play. We currently have three to four tables and are restricted to that at the moment. This means that we can only play with 16 players. If you are interested in playing with our group, please contact Bill Guy at (951) 845-5627. ~ *Bill Guy*



BUNCO

Join us on Fridays from 1 to 3 pm for a fun-filled afternoon playing Wacky Bunco! For those new to the group, it's just regular Bunco with a few twists. We play on the first and third Fridays in the RCN and on the second, fourth, and fifth Fridays in The Lodge Game Room. Everyone is welcome to play! Come on down to The Lodge to meet new friends and see what the Crazy Bunco Ladies have in store for you. If you have any questions, email Cheryl Diego at Kinderbear@msn.com or Linda Supernaw at Supernaw4@sbcglobal.net. ~ *The Crazy Bunco Ladies*

CO-ED BID WHIST

I'm inviting more folks to come out and play Bid Whist. We have paper flyers available at The Lodge, and our electronic flyer can be viewed on the E-boards in all the facilities and online in the Activities Blast.

We have an enjoyable time socializing while applying our individual team strategies to win the hand or stop the opposing team from winning. You can hear the excited voices of the victors around the tables, as well as a variety of mellow music from artists like the Temptations, Herbie Hancock, Aretha Franklin, Paul Simon, and Adele, to name a few, in the background.

I strongly encourage new players to come out. We will teach you

how to play the game. Bid Whist is a variation of the original game of Whist, and it involves trick taking, strategy, card counting, and careful communication with a partner. It is similar in play to Bridge and Spades. Whether you are new to the game or a veteran player, I invite you to come out and play with us! Win or lose ... you will have a lot of fun and meet some great folks while playing bid whist.

The Co-Ed Bid Whist club meets on Tuesdays from 6 to 8:30 pm in the RCN, Activity Room #3. We look forward to seeing you at the tables! For more information, contact Frank Turner at (562) 922-9737. ~ *Frank Turner*



DOMINOES

Our 2025 Summer Quarter — July, August, and September — was quite competitive, yet fun-filled. Three players emerged victorious. The winner for this quarter, with an impressive 52 games, is Frank Turner! Frank also scored the most wins for July.

Two other players, James “JT” Taylor and Reggie Fuqua, scored impressive wins of their own for the quarter. JT won 48 games overall and was the winner for September, while Reggie scored 43 games overall and was the winner for August. A special shout-out goes to Vance Ready, a newer player, who scored well during September. Congratulations to Frank Turner, James Taylor and Reggie Fuqua, our Fall Quarter winners!

Our next announcement for the winners of the 2025 Winter quarter – October, November and December – will be in January 2026 and will post in the February 2026 *Breeze*. So players ... get ready, get set and go!

While we enjoy the competition, we do also offer relaxing sets where the aim is playing the game, win or lose. Our club is actively encouraging more players, experienced and novice, to come out and join us on Wednesday and Friday evenings.

We offer joyful, fun-filled sets where players match their wits and gaming styles while attempting to “domino” – or play their last

bone before other players can do so. There is soulful music in the background, and (often) goodies to munch on.

So, come on out and join us for a rousing evening “slamming bones.” The Dominoes Club plays every Wednesday and Friday from 6 until 9 pm in the Game Room. Novice players are encouraged to come out from 5 to 6 pm, on Wednesday and Friday, to learn the game.

For more information, contact Reggie at (951) 743-3594 or Jesse at (714) 474-1365. ~ *Roxanne Williams*



Fall quarter winners (L-R): Frank Turner, James Taylo, and Reggie Fuqua



CANASTA

Join us for an afternoon of friendship and fun while playing a game of Hand and Foot Canasta. We meet on Thursdays from 12:45 to 4 pm in the RCN Main Room. Table assignments are distributed at 12:45 pm. Each week you may play with someone different, giving you an opportunity to meet new friends and/or to visit with existing friends. We supply the cards, so just bring yourself and a desire to have fun. If you don't know how to play, we are always happy to set up a teaching table — by the end of the afternoon you will have mastered the game. Join us. ~ *Pam Morales, pamelamoraes26@gmail.com*

HEARTS

We play Hearts every Tuesday at 6 pm in The Lodge Game Room. We welcome new players. If you don't know how to play, we'll be happy to teach you. Seating is done by random card draw. Try your luck at getting all the hearts plus the queen of spades. That takes 26 points off of your score, or, if you choose, adds 26 points to all the other players at the table. The jack of diamonds takes 10 points off of your score. The lowest score wins. It is lots of fun and we look forward to seeing you on Tuesday evenings.



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The Uptown Divas Bid Whist Group meets on the first and third Friday of every month from 2 to 4 pm in The Lodge Game Room. ~
Deborah Garner, kenyakiki@aol.com

THREE THIRTEEN

Three Thirteen is a fun and fast-paced card game, played in 11 rounds. A variation of Rummy, players meld runs and sets of at least three cards. The first player to lay all cards down receives no points. Then the remaining players lay down their cards, on either the first player's cards or their own. Each round uses a progressive, new wild card, from 3 to kings. The lowest score wins. Not a lot of rules to remember and it's quick and easy to learn. Everyone is welcome and we will always have a learner's table, if needed.

We meet the first and third Tuesday of each month at 2 pm in The Lodge Game Room. Everyone is welcome to join us. If you have questions or want your name to be added to the group email list, contact Simone at simone@bissada.net. ~ *Simone Bissada*

MAH JONGG

Hello all! We are now playing Mah Jongg every Friday from 1 to 3 pm in the RCN Main Room. I hope you can join us. The great part is that you do not have to commit to every Friday. If you are interested in learning this game, we arrange periodic lessons and have a table designated for new players. If you have any questions or would like to arrange an introductory lesson, contact Terry Hall at Terryhall005@gmail.com. ~
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PAN

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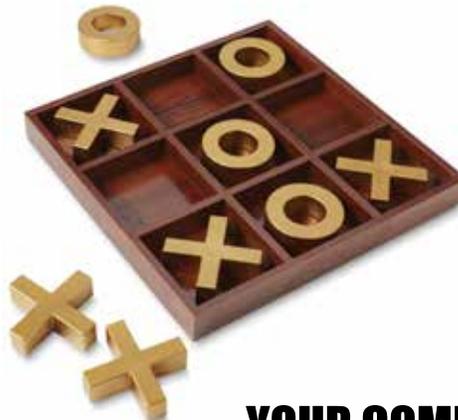
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“Get the Joke” is a simple contest . . . somewhere in this issue is a “joke” ad, article, or other notice. You’ll know it when you see it — it will be silly, over-the-top ridiculous, or just plain goofy — and hopefully it will bring a smile to your face. When you find it, email your response to FourSeasonsNews@yahoo.com. Or you can cut out and complete the box below and take it to The Lodge front desk. One correct entry will be chosen at random to win a \$20 gift card. Please get your entry in no later than the sixth of the month. Thanks!

LAST MONTH'S JOKE

TIC TAC TOE

Our newly-formed Tic Tac Toe Group has grown to over 100 members! We enjoy getting together for this challenging, thought-provoking past time. It's a battle of wits that takes place every Wednesday from 9 am to 4 pm in the Game Room. Bring a sack lunch because we don't break for food! There are two five minute bathroom breaks — one at 11:32 am and the second at 2:04 pm — so plan accordingly. We also utilize a timer limiting players to no more than 15 minutes to study the board. If you are new to the game or haven't played in awhile we encourage you to study some YouTube videos on the strategy and history of the game. There's a good one produced by National Geographic that is in five parts (10 hours total). Membership dues are \$20/month to pay for the custom wooden playing box and gold leaf Xs and Os. Contact me if you have any questions. ~ *Winston Churchill*



YOUR COMMENTS

Finally, a game I can get behind. BRING IT! Scot S.

Tic Tac Toe sounds like a fun new group, I look forward to meeting Winston Churchill! Karen M.

THIS MONTH'S WINNER:

PAT SPIER

I got the joke!

Resident's Name (first & last): _____ Phone _____

This was the joke: _____

We love your comments (about the joke, the *Breeze*, or whatever's on your mind!): _____

Solutions of puzzles on page 40

8	9	7	1	4	2	5	6	3
5	1	4	6	8	3	7	9	2
6	2	3	9	5	7	4	8	1
2	3	9	7	6	1	8	4	5
1	4	8	2	9	5	3	7	6
7	5	6	8	3	4	1	2	9
9	6	5	3	7	8	2	1	4
3	7	2	4	1	6	9	5	8
4	8	1	5	2	9	6	3	7

EASY

3	6	1	7	4	9	8	2	5
5	4	7	6	2	8	3	1	9
9	2	8	5	3	1	7	6	4
6	5	3	2	7	4	1	9	8
1	9	2	8	5	3	4	7	6
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2	3	6	9	8	7	5	4	1
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4	7	9	3	1	5	6	8	2

MEDIUM

4	5	1	7	6	3	8	9	2
9	6	7	2	4	8	3	5	1
8	2	3	5	9	1	6	4	7
1	7	4	8	3	6	5	2	9
3	8	5	4	2	9	1	7	6
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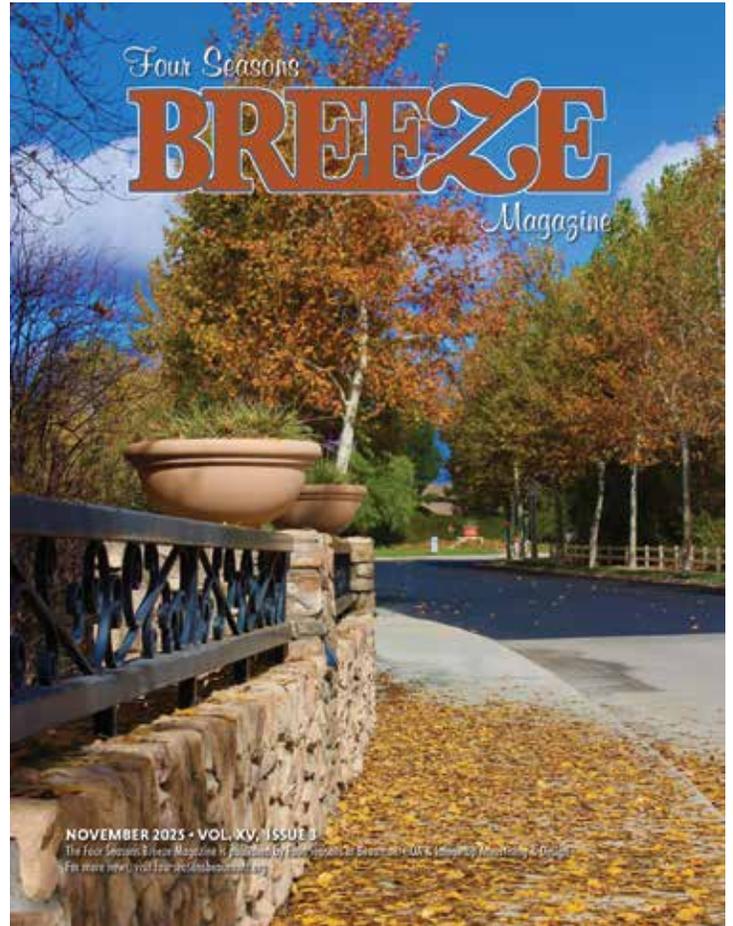
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