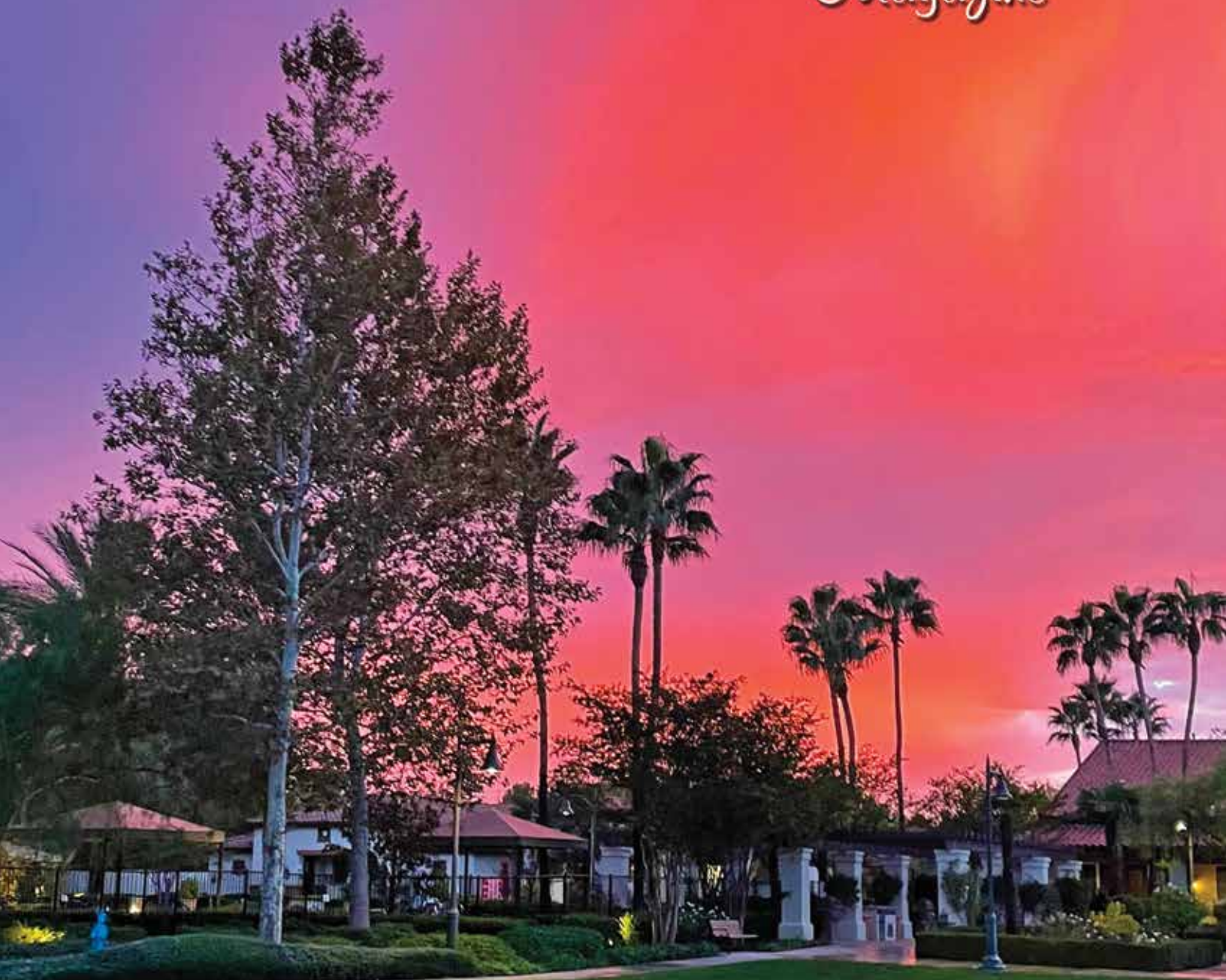


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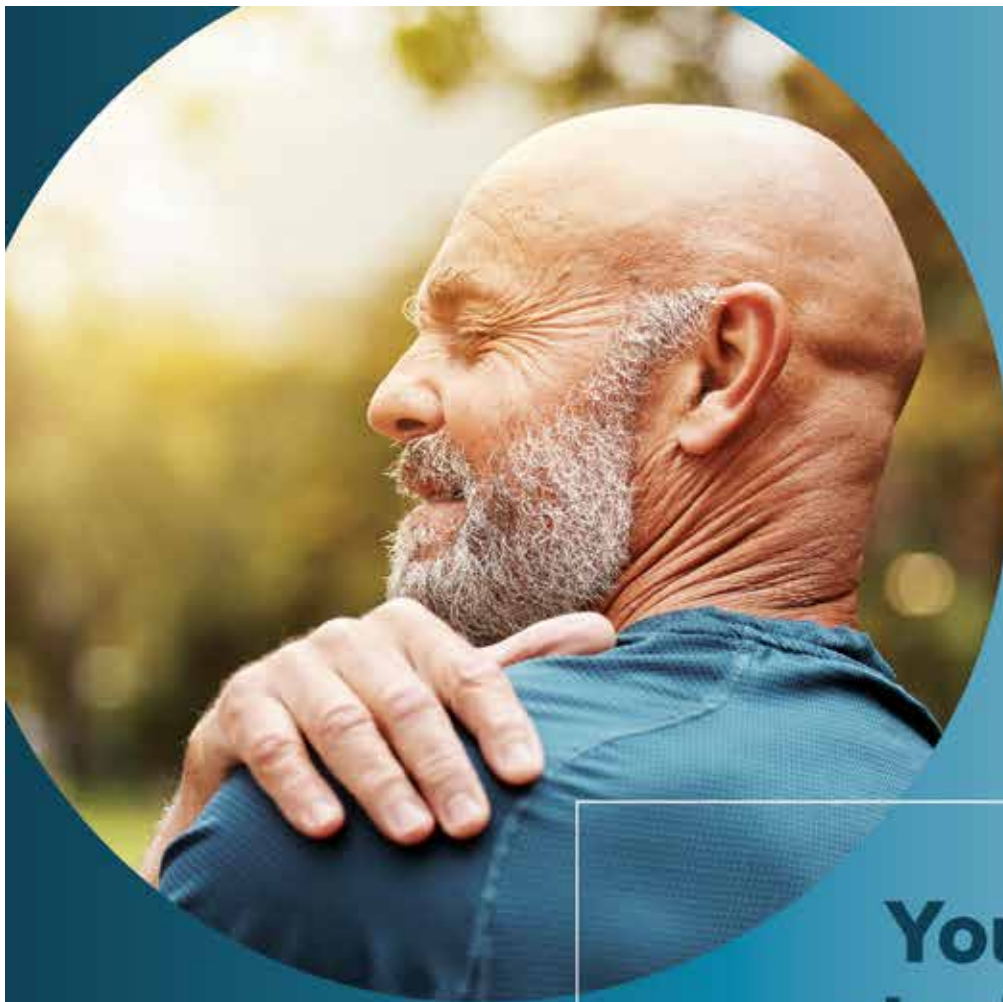
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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

By Jerry Monahan, Board President

The city of Beaumont has added a protected left turn signal to 1st Street and Highland Springs Avenue. The addition of this signal is a welcome sight and should improve the traffic flow.

Also, the city is currently working on adding protected left turn signals at the intersections of Beaumont Avenue and 1st Street, Beaumont Avenue and 6th Street, and Pennsylvania Avenue and 6th Street.

The addition of these protected left turn signals are welcome improvements to the safety of the motorists who use those intersections.

Also in the works is the West Side Fire Station which was added to the Capital Improvement Plan Budget in 2016. Construction has begun and is expected to be completed by the end of 2023. This project is completely funded and will be located on Potrero Boulevard east of the Olivewood community.

The solar program for our Lodge, RCN areas, The Summit, and The Courts is still under review. We are still in meetings to improve the HOA position and no contract has been finalized on this program. Locations for the placement of the solar panels at The Summit and Courts are still under review as well as any additional cost benefits to the association.

The construction defect lawsuit against K. Hovnanian is continuing. The areas of our concern include roadway, facility buildings,

sidewalks, and trees. We do not have a date for trial readiness, but it is possible the lawsuit could be resolved by the end of this year. As we progress, we will update the information as authorized by the attorneys representing the HOA.

Currently, our election for the Board of Director positions is in progress. There are four candidates for three positions. No matter who you vote for, the important issue is that by voting you have an opportunity to have your voice heard on how the HOA operates.

On May 2 and May 3, the Association will hold its Special Inspector meetings in order to count the votes received.

On May 4 at 1 pm in The Lodge Ballroom, the Annual Membership Meeting will be held and the announcement of the election results will take place.

The Board of Directors meets on the second Thursday of each month in an open session at 1 pm in The Lodge Ballroom. We also have an informal meeting at the RCN on the third Wednesday of each month where residents can discuss topics and ask questions of the Board members in attendance. This informal session "Meet with the Board" allows the Board members to respond and participate in a question and answer period which the more formal sessions do not permit.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (951) 212-8898 or at jmonahan.fsb@gmail.com.



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MAY MAINTENANCE TIPS

- Wash windows — interior and exterior.
- Dust ceiling fan blades, as these are sure to be spinning with the arrival of the summer heat.
- Replace vacuum cleaner bags or clean/replace filters of bagless vacuums.
- Vacuum refrigerator coils and underneath your refrigerator. This area is often overlooked and can collect all sorts of unwanted debris.
- Clean and seal countertop grout.
- Check for winter weather damage.
- Check exterior paint and caulking.
- Check wrought iron.
- Adjust thermostats and sprinkler systems for the coming summer season.

BOARD ELECTION

While writing this, ballots are coming in as it's early April. Thank you for voting this year and congratulations to the elected Board members.

SLOW DOWN 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. Please slow down and drive responsibly. Use the sidewalks if you're a pedestrian. ~ *Eric Zarr, eric.zarr@fsresidential.com, (909) 991-8337*

Meetings

<u>BOARD OF DIRECTORS</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>COMMITTEES</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Executive Session	5/11	9a	Architectural Review	5/3, 17	8:30a
General Session	5/11	1p	Community Planning	5/25	See Daily Rep.
Committee Chairs	5/8	10a	Emergency Prep (EPC)	5/10	10:30a
<u>SUB-BOARDS</u>			Facilities	5/10	8:30a
Canine Corral Council	5/8	10a	Finance	Last Tues.	1p
Communications Board	5/3, 5/9	10a	Landscape	5/16	1p
Technical Operations Board	See Daily Rep.		Safety	5/2	10a
			Social	5/2	1p

DID YOU KNOW?

DID YOU KNOW that we have multiple pot-holes and cracks in some of our community streets? We definitely know about them as they are all part of an ongoing construction defect legal case between the HOA and the builder. Due to the strict rules surrounding this type of litigation, we are unable to repair the potholes or cracks until after the case has concluded. We plan to notify you when that time arrives.

DID YOU KNOW most Californians will receive an extension on their income tax filings this year? The relief is available to anyone living or working in 51 counties, including Riverside, that are covered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency emergency and disaster declarations. This comes in response to the severe winter storms that caused floods, landslides, and mudslides between Dec. 27 and Jan. 31. State and federal authorities had previously delayed the deadline to May 15. Last week, though, the Internal Revenue Service pushed it back again, to Oct. 16. The state of California is doing the same.



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For September's *Breeze*, we honor Labor Day. Do you have a memorable photo from your past career at home or at your workplace? Look for that out-of-the-ordinary day captured in a picture at your job and share it with our readers. Email to FourSeasonsNews@yahoo.com and if you have any questions, please call Courtney at (909) 797-3647.



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From the Activities Director

By Cindy Graves

May is going to have quite the variety of fun events starting with the fabulous Performing Arts Show *Remember When Rock Was Young*. This show will be Friday, May 5 and Saturday, May 6 at 6 pm. There will be a matinee on Sunday, May 7 at 2 pm. This show is free to you; a ticket will be required to enter... so get yours at The Lodge front desk now, if you haven't already!

On Friday, May 12, the fun and popular Dave Rohrbacker will be hosting a "Pure Dance Party" event in The Lodge Ballroom at 5 pm. Once again, lucky you, there is no cost of admittance. Just show up with your dancing shoes and be ready to have a blast. Feel free to bring your favorite beverages and food into the party with you.

May 13 is our first big Loggia Dance Concert of the season, showcasing the wonderful band American Made. Everyone always raves about how much they enjoy this band and you will too! The Bistro will be offering a special event dinner, so keep your eyes open for more info on that. This is an HOA event, so there is no charge; however, we are requiring that you pick up a wristband at The Lodge to get in, starting on May 1. Hope you can make it!

On May 19 at 6 pm, the Let's Dance group will be offering even more dancing with a Ballroom Community Dance. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy. Bring your best buddies, a little "special juice," and appetizers and you'll be on your way to a good, good time!

May 20 blooms with the highly-anticipated Spring Garden Tour put on by the Garden Club. Eight homeowners will be opening their beautiful gardens for viewing from 10 am to 2 pm. Be sure to stop by The Lodge Lobby to pick up tickets for only \$5 per person. Tickets will be on sale May 2 and May 4, 10 am to 12 pm as well as on the day

of the event.

After you finish the Garden Tour, be sure to save energy for karaoke that same night (May 20) at 5 pm. Bring a song, an encouraging spirit, and a friend to top the day off. Music always has a way of making you feel good. This karaoke night is much cheaper and more fun than therapy. You'll be glad you came.

May 21 is the opening of the Amphitheater Concert series. Just wait until you hear the amazing sounds of Jimmy's Buffet (yes - it's "Buffet") ... These guys have quite the sense of humor. We are encouraging residents to wear Hawaiian shirts and, as an extra treat, we will be offering margarita mixes; all you have to do is bring the cup and the tequila! You're going to love this show! Mark Lassen has done an incredible job of contracting with all show bands this season. You may set up your lawn chair any time Sunday morning. There will not be Amphitheater police in the morning this year to ensure that you are not hogging more spaces than a single chair space. We are confident our residents are incredibly courteous and thoughtful of others.

On May 25, the CHP is offering a Senior Safe Driving Course in the Ballroom from 10 am to 12 noon. See The Lodge for sign-up information if you're interested.

Lastly, if you have boxes of old important documents that need to be shredded, then we have the event for you on Saturday, May 27 from 11 am to 2 pm. Just follow The Lodge car line to the drive-through Shred-It truck and securely dump your boxes for disposal. This is an HOA event and there is no cost to you to participate.

Have a happy May!

Mark Your Calendars!

May 5, 6 pm: Remember When Rock Was Young
May 6, 6 pm: Remember When Rock Was Young
May 5, 6:30 pm: Trivia Night
May 7, 2 pm: Remember When Rock Was Young
May 13, 5:30 pm: American Made Loggia Concert

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BANNING WAREHOUSE UPDATE

By Jerry Monahan, Board President

The court case involving the city of Banning, Creation Equity, and the Pass Action Group (PAG) continues to move forward. All the briefs have been submitted to Judge Reimer, and the Judge has scheduled a hearing date of Nov. 17, 2023. As we get closer to the hearing date, the PAG will update us on the proceedings.

In the meantime, a fundraiser dinner was held on March 26 and over 100 people participated in the event which was a great success. The PAG plans to continue their fundraising efforts to make sure they have the funds to get through the case until its conclusion.

The PAG is current on all expenses thanks to the great support

received from Sun Lakes and other areas of Banning and Beaumont. We will all be affected by the truck traffic and the congestion at or near the 10 Freeway, its on and off ramps, and local streets used by the trucks potentially 24 hours a day.

Fundraising is ongoing. If you want to make an online donation, it can be made at www.givebutter.com/passactiongroupbanning. Checks can be set to the Pass Action Group at 4832 Crenshaw Circle, Banning, CA 92220.

The PAG Board of Directors thank everyone who have supported and continue to support the efforts to stop the warehouse.





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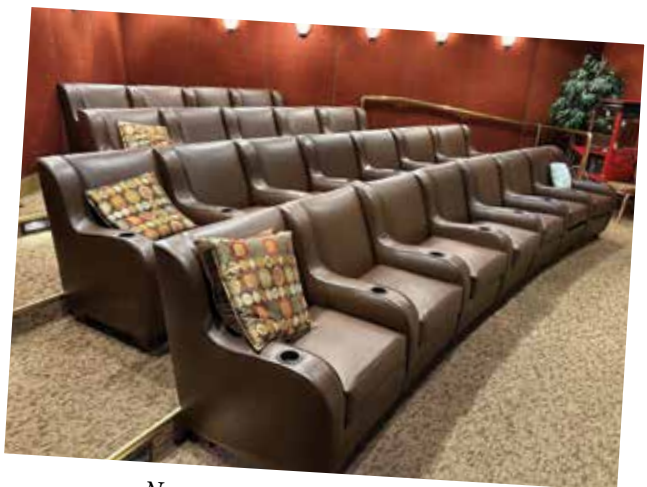
This is the happy group from the March Paint Time Party. The next one is on Friday, June 16



Appreciation Dinner magic show



St. Patrick's Parade



New seats in The Lodge Theater

Meet some
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musicians who are

MAKING MUSIC IN THE GOLDEN YEARS



Brad Malinowski plays in a variety of music projects including his own jazz combo, a blues band called the Bluesuations, and does occasional classic rock gigs

AND THE BEAT GOES ON & ON...



Jeff Stein recently moved here from Seattle and found musical connections



Gilbert Morales plays in Re-Light the Fire Band



Fifteen years ago, John Wagner got serious and has recently produced an album



Mark Gardiner is currently learning to play classical guitar, but he always comes back to his favorite — the Beatles



Pat Robinson-Byrd has played her flute for Handbell Choir and Sing-Along programs



Mike Bugni plays with his band, Re-Light the Fire

Residents have been ringing in a new hobby Back (L-R) Kathie Sundstrom, Pat Byrd, Laurie Naliboff, Susan Youel, and Cheryl Staples
Front (L-R) Bertsy Seim, Romeyn Bombanti, Karen Evans, Kevin Leathers, and Wayne Staples



Phillip Westbrook and his hobbies



Raul Bautista who plays with Dariel ans with Standard Jazz



Perry Goldstein at the July 4th celebration in Huntington Beach



Steve Schwinn writes original Country-Pop songs. Find them on YouTube at Mountain Trails Music



Stan Roberts, 2002, on the Star Princess inaugural cruise



Gary Krupski is proud of his acoustic guitars. The guitars are a Taylor GS Mini and the black guitar is an acoustic/electric Ibanez Telmax, "or as I call it, my black guitar. I like to try and play blues type music with them."



Bob Snyder had his own 17 piece band and is now a leader of the Hot Jazz Oasis Dixieland Band



Depending on the needs of the band, Stan Sweeney plays the bass or guitar



Ray Thorsky plays with the band, Re-Light the Fire



Eileen Gardiner loves playing the song Ukulele Lady



Daryl Werth playing at Los Ríos Rancho in Oak Glen for Mother's Day



Bertsy Seim's inset shows her 3rd grade first piano recital

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CANINE CORRAL COUNCIL VOLUNTEERS

When you decide to get involved with a group that also impacts your best friend's life, you volunteer to help that group. That is what happened to me after I joined the Canine Corral with my dog Reyna. Whenever I take her there, she almost smiles with excitement at the thought of running free, chasing a ball, and greeting her friends. So, when they told me they needed more members, I volunteered.

I have been a member about a year now. We meet only once a month for an hour on the first Thursday, so it is not a big commitment. The people on the Council are all focused on having a safe place for our dogs to run free. The Canine Corral Council is self-funding, which means we raise the funds we need to maintain the Corral.

We just held our spring "Yappy Hour" in the Canine Corral. We brought our own dogs and invited Four Seasons residents (without their dogs) to stop by to see how the dogs get along and played so well together. It is a joy to watch the dogs' excitement as each new arrival entered the Corral and joined in the fun.

We are looking for more people to volunteer on the Council. Can

you give one hour once a month to help? We mostly review new applications to confirm the pet has all their shots, a city license, has a microchip, is neutered, and is covered on the homeowner's insurance policy. We do this to make sure all dogs are safe to be with all the other dogs.

Most of us consider our dogs as part of the family — a treasured companion and friend. What better way to protect them than to spend one hour once a month helping them to have a safe place to run off leash? Come visit one of our meetings on the first Thursday of the month at 10 am in the RCN Conference Room. See how friendly and focused we are. Our goal is to protect our dogs as best we can while providing them a protected area to play off leash. I personally think it is time well spent for my dog, Reyna. Are you willing to do the same for your dog?

Can you help? Give me a call — let's talk. ~ *Martha Franck, Co-Chair, (714) 345-8588*



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By Stephen Katz, skatz.s@gmail.com

Google and Amazon are two of the biggest players in the home automation space, each offering its own suite of smart home devices and services. While there are some similarities between the two, there are also some key differences that set them apart.

Voice Assistants

Perhaps the most visible aspect of both Google and Amazon's home automation systems are their voice assistants. Google Assistant and Amazon Alexa both allow users to control various devices in their home using natural language commands. They can answer questions, play music, set reminders, and even order products online.

Voice assistants are clever helpers that are a key part of your smart home system, responding to your instructions, serving up information (like facts or weather forecasts), and controlling your home appliances. You can talk to them from your phone or via a dedicated smart speaker, and the big benefit is hands-free control so you can get your gadgets working without having to physically touch them.

One key difference between the two is that Google Assistant is more deeply integrated with Google's other services, such as Google Maps and Google Calendar. This allows it to offer more personalized responses and suggestions based on your schedule and location.

Amazon Alexa, on the other hand, is more focused on shopping and e-commerce and can even help users purchase products directly from Amazon.

Amazon Echo can connect to 60,000 compatible devices while Google Home can connect to 30,000. That's a lot of Home Automation devices.

Smart Speakers

Both Google and Amazon offer their own line of smart speakers that are designed to work with their respective voice assistants. The Google Home and Nest speakers offer superior sound quality and support for Google's various services, while the Amazon Echo line offers a wider range of devices at various price points, as well as more advanced features like a built-in Zigbee hub for connecting to smart home devices.

One key difference between the two is that Google's smart speakers tend to be more focused on music and audio quality, while Amazon's are more versatile and can be used for a wider range of tasks.

For example, Amazon's Echo Show line includes a built-in screen for video calls and streaming video, while Google's Nest Hub devices prioritize visual information like photos and videos.

Smart Home Integration

Both Google and Amazon offer support for a wide range of smart home devices from various manufacturers. There are, however, some differences in how they approach integration.

Google's Nest platform is designed to be more of an all-in-one

solution, with a central hub that connects and controls various devices in your home. This can be a great option for those who want a more streamlined and integrated experience, but it does limit the range of devices that are compatible with the system.

Amazon, on the other hand, takes a more open approach to smart home integration. Alexa supports a wide range of third-party devices and services, which makes it a more versatile option for those who want to mix and match different devices from various manufacturers.

Privacy and Security

Privacy and security are always important considerations when it comes to any technology that collects and stores personal information. Both Google and Amazon have faced criticism in the past for their handling of user data.

Google has come under fire for its data collection practices, which can involve collecting information from various Google services and devices in order to build a more complete profile of users. Amazon has faced criticism for its use of human contractors to listen to and transcribe voice recordings captured by Alexa devices, which has raised concerns about privacy violations.

That being said, both companies have taken steps to improve their privacy and security practices in recent years. Google has implemented stricter privacy controls and has made it easier for users to see and delete their data. Amazon has added more refined privacy settings to Alexa devices and has implemented new security features like two-factor authentication.

While there are some similarities between Google and Amazon's home automation systems, there are also some key differences that set them apart.

Google's Nest platform offers a more integrated and streamlined experience, while Amazon's Alexa is more versatile and open to third-party devices. Both companies have their strengths and weaknesses, and the best choice will depend on your individual needs and preferences.



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EASY ASPARAGUS TART



This recipe is quick and easy to prepare and makes a spectacular dish to serve for any meal. Pair it with a fruit salad for brunch or a mixed green salad for lunch or dinner and you have a complete meal. If you don't have much experience baking with puff pastry, here is a link to a website that has all the information you need to become proficient in using this delectable product: <https://www.puffpastry.com/tips-and-techniques/>. See the Cooks Notes for variations or create your own. Prep Time: 15-30 minutes; Cook Time: 20 minutes; Total Time: 35-50 minutes. Makes six slices.

INGREDIENTS

- 1 sheet of puff pastry, thawed according to package directions
- Flour for rolling pastry
- 4 ounces (room temperature) garlic and herb spreadable cheese, such as Alouette or Boursin
- 2 Tablespoons of milk
- 2 to 4 Tablespoons freshly grated Parmesan cheese, to taste
- Zest of one lemon
- 1 bunch fresh pencil size asparagus (about a pound), cleaned and trimmed
- Olive oil
- Salt and pepper to taste
- One egg for the egg wash

DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper or a silicone mat and set aside.
 2. Lightly sprinkle flour on work surface and lightly coat rolling pin with flour to prevent sticking. Roll out puff pastry to an 11"x 14" rectangle then transfer to the parchment lined baking sheet. Lightly mark a one-inch border on all sides of the pastry sheet. Prick the entire area inside the border with a fork. At this point you may cover the pastry and place in the refrigerator for 10 to 15 minutes. This will allow the butter to harden and produce a fluffier end product.
 3. Make an egg wash by whisking the egg, making sure to completely incorporate the white and yolk. Add just enough water to thin the egg enough to easily brush on the pastry, about a teaspoon of water. Set aside.
 4. Place the room temperature cheese in a small bowl, add the milk and mix until it is a creamy consistency, add a bit more milk, if needed. Mix in the lemon zest and Parmesan cheese.
- Evenly spread the mixture on the prepared pastry sheet leaving the border empty. Arrange the asparagus spears out on top of the cheese mixture parallel to the short side. I like to alternate the tips so each side has tip and stem ends. If you have extra stalks, tuck them into spaces between the arranged spears. Lightly bush the asparagus with oil and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Brush the border of the pastry with the egg wash.
5. Bake in the preheated oven for 20 minutes or until the crust is golden brown and puffy. Remove from oven and serve.

Cook's Notes for variations:

- Scatter ¼ cup sautéed mushrooms on top of the asparagus spears before baking.
- Chop 6 slices of cooked bacon, sprinkle over the tart after removing from the oven.
- Sprinkle additional grated Parmesan cheese over tart after removing from the oven.

Four Seasons Families Host Golfers

Once again, Four Seasons families opened their homes for a week to house lady golfers who participated in the Espon Golf Tournament held at the Tukwet Golf Course.

Having these ladies stay with us is always an enjoyable experience. They are very polite, kind, and grateful for allowing them to stay in our homes. Housing is so important because without our help the girls have to pay for their hotel, food, and transportation out of their own pocket. They are all dedicated to golfing and moving on to the next level, LPGA. Having these girls stay in your home leaves you looking forward to being a host family again.

If you are interested in learning more about hosting players, please contact Richard Bennecke at RBennecke@hotmail.com. We need more homes for next year.



Phyllis, host and player Lauren Cox



Jerry & Cheryl, hosts with player Agathe



Patrick (caddie), Lindsey (player), Wendy (host), Agathe (player), Jerry & Cheryl (hosts), Brayden (caddie), Kenzie (player), Penny (host), Cole (caddie), Kristen (player)



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Oh, the Places We Go!

Ever take that “perfect” travel picture or capture your significant other having a great time exploring parts of the world outside our community gates? Well, now you have a place to share it with others.

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.



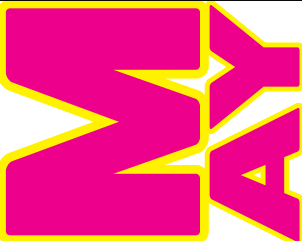
Need a bead? Colleen Battistone enjoying a Mardi Gras parade in New Orleans. Submitted by Michael Battistone



Four Seasons residents Linda Stratton, Lorene Sponsler, Gary and Puring Stifter enjoying their time together in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico



Phillip Westbrook is visiting one of 10,000 temples in Bali

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Life After Loss African American Cultural Club 1p 6p	2 Karaoke 6p	3 Motorcycle Club 6p	4	5 Seasoned Solos Remember When Rock Was Young 6p	6 Cars & Coffee 9a Remember When Rock Was Young 6p Trivia Night 6:30p
7 Remember When Rock Was Young 2p	8	9 Book Club Writer's Club 4x4 Club 9:30a 1p 6:30p	10 Neighborhood Watch 10a	11 BOD Exec Session 9a BOD Gen Session 1p Italian Amer Club 6p Classic Music Group 7p	12 "Pure Dance" Party 6p	13 American Made Loggia Concert 5:30p
14 Happy Mother's Day Counter Culture Cinema Club 7p	15 Life After Loss 1p	16	17 Meet with the Board 1p	18 Taste d'Vine 6p	19 Let's Dance Community Dance 6p	20 Travel Group 10a Karaoke 5p
21 Radio Show Auditions 2p Amphitheater Summer Concert 7p	22 Social Committee Ticket Sales 9a	23 Classic Film Group 6p	24	25 CHP Driving Course 10a Veterans Group 11:30a	26	27 Shred-It Event 11a
28 Counter Cultural Cinema Club 7p	29	30	31	<p>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 info if you have any questions or concerns.</p> <p><i>Calendar changes? Complete a Schedule Change Request Form, found on the website or at the The Lodge front desk, by the 6th of the month to make it in the following month's calendar.</i></p>		

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
Shuffleboard	Daily	Open
*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
*Water Aerobics (pool closed during class)	M/W/F	10a
	M/W	11a
*Yoga	W	6p
*Zumba	T/Th	9:30a

THE COURTS

Gym	Daily	Open
Courts Pool	Daily	Open Swim
Spa Pool	Daily	Open
Tennis	Daily	By Reservation
Ladies Putters	M	4p
	F	9a
Ping Pong	Daily	Open
FSTTC	M-Sat.	1p
AFSTTC	T	10a
*Yoga	T/Th	8:30a
*Pilates	M	8a
Water Volleyball (pool closed to swimmers)	T/Th/Sat.	11a

THE SUMMIT

Gym	Daily	Open
Summit Pool	Daily	Open Swim
Bocce Ball	Daily	Open
Horseshoes	Daily	Open
Cornhole	T	4:30p

DANCE

Let's Dance! Free Practice	M	6p
*Let's Dance! Beginning	M	6:30p
*Let's Dance! Intermediate/Advanced	M	7:05p
Country Line Dance Beginning	T	2p
Country Line Intermediate	T	2:45p
Country Line Advanced	T	3:30p
*Heart & Soul	W	4p
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

Classes/Groups

Believe Bible Study	F	10:30a
Ceramics	W	1p
Craft Group	Th	10a
Crafty Card Makers	2nd/4th F	1p
Handbell Choir	Th	1:30p
Intercessory Prayer	1st M	9a
Knit & Crochet	T	10a
*Mixed Media Art	M	10a
	W	6p
Men's Bible Study	T	9a
PAC	2nd M	6p
Photography	1st Th	6:30p
Quilting Enthusiasts	1st Th	1p
Sit 'n Sew	3rd Th	9a
TOPS Weigh In	T	8:30a

Activities

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	Daily	1p
Advanced	T	10a
Paddle Tennis	M/W/F/Sat/Sun	5p
Shuffleboard	M	9a
	Sat	9a
Tennis Play Day	Last Sat	8a
Beginners	All Sat except last	8a

Game Clubs

GAME	DAY	TIME
Bridge for Fun	W	12p
Bunco	F	1p
Canasta	Th	1p
Co-Ed Bid Whist	T	6p
Contract Bridge	2nd Sat	9a
Dominoes	W/F	5p
Hearts	T	6p
Mahjong	F	10a
Mexican Train	M	12p
Phase 10 Cards	2nd/4th T	2p
Pinochle	M/W/F	9a
Rummikub	M	2p
Three Thirteen	1st/3rd Tues	2p
Uptown Diva Bid Whist	1st/3rd F	2p

*A fee may apply for activity

CANINE CORRAL COUNCIL

This has been a challenging winter with all the rain (and snow) keeping us from being able to use the Corral as much as we all would like. But now that the winter is behind us, we can once again bring our pups to the Corral to play in the sunshine.

In last month's *Breeze*, we announced our next Yappy Hour to be held at the Corral on April 29. Unfortunately, due to a conflict with our HOA garage sale, we have rescheduled the Yappy Hour to Saturday, June 10, between 9 and 11 am. Please save that date to join us, especially if you are interested in becoming members.

If you have not already done so, and you and your dog(s) are currently members of the Canine Corral, please consider joining our Canine Corral Facebook Group, Four Seasons Canine Corral (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/638146317048512>) to share pictures of your dogs in the Corral or to set up playdates. During our winter months, we have had groups meeting at the Corral on Saturdays and Sundays at 9 am and Wednesdays at 3 pm. However, with the weather warming up, we will be meeting at 8 am on Saturdays and Sundays, and possibly at 4 or 5 pm during the week due to the heat. Please

check our Facebook page or contact any Council member for changes in days and times for the summer. Each member now has a roster of all current members along with contact information. Please feel free to use that information to set up other play dates with fellow members or ask any questions.

Our membership has been growing over the last three months and we now have 40 dogs registered with more applications in progress. Please consider joining with your canine companion(s). They will thank you for giving them the opportunity to run free with their friends.

The Canine Corral Council is still looking for additional members to join the Council. If you are currently a member of the Corral, please consider coming to our meetings on the first Thursday of each month at 10 am in the RCN Conference Room. It would be great to have additional members who could provide a new and different perspective to our group. All members are welcome to join. ~ **Lynn Jahnke**, lynnj92223@gmail.com



SOCIAL COMMITTEE

We hope you enjoyed the Comedy Show — they were very funny and professional entertainers... lots of fun.

The Social Committee is taking the month of May off to get ready for the event in June, which you do not want to miss.

The event on June 24 is "Motown & Las Vegas." It is going to be a tribute to Donna Summer, Diana Ross, and Rod Stewart. Get your dancing shoes on. Please feel free to dress up; there will be a contest for best dressed Motown or Vegas-themed costume.

Tickets go on sale May 22 at 9 am in the Ballroom. Price is \$25 per person. On June 24, doors open at 5:15 pm, show starts at 6 pm. There is no assigned seating. Bring



your favorite drink. There will be a door prize and four raffle baskets.

The last two weeks before the event starts, if there are any tickets left, we will open it up to non-residents. Again, don't miss out on getting your tickets on May 22; this will be a

sell-out event.

Thank you for all your support that you give our Social Committee. We so appreciate each and every one of you. ~ **Loretta Ramsey**, lorettaramsey@aol.com, (714) 803-6744

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



ARC has been contacted by some homeowners who stated that work has been done by their neighbors (including installation of solar systems) without ARC approval. ARC does not enforce violations of any rule or regulation concerning work that has been completed. Any homeowner wanting to report a violation or suspected violation should bring it to the attention of the management company.

With the extreme weather, many homeowners have experienced damage to their landscape and exterior of their homes. Based on this, it appears to be a good time to review what work and or changes require ARC approval.

The Declarations of Conditions, Covenants, and Restrictions (CC&Rs) set forth the responsibility of ARC to “review and approve or disapprove all exterior work to the Owner’s property.”

The details of how ARC meets this requirement are set forth in the Architectural Guidelines and Standards that is available online at www.fourseasonsbeaumont.org. A printed copy can be obtained at The Lodge front desk.

Work is defined in guidelines as including but not limited to:

Landscaping: trees, shrubbery, ground cover, real or artificial turf, hedges and vegetable gardens, irrigation, fences, walls, planters, arbors, trellises, pillars, fountains, pools, spas, water features, fire pits, building barbecues, exterior lights and fixtures, storage units, hardscapes, patio covers, ground cover, drainage systems, doors, windows, awnings, exterior painting, flags, flag poles, wall and roof vents, solar panels, air conditioning, satellite dishes, antennae, yard, and wall art.

Replacing dead or worn landscaping with the same type of landscaping and/or repairs to existing items does not require ARC approval.

Guidance states that failure to obtain necessary approval from the ARC, or failure to complete work with the plans approved by the ARC, may constitute a violation of the CC&Rs and may result in fines and or removal of the work at the owner’s expense.

There are strong reasons for all homeowners to insist that ARC approvals be obtained. Several studies have shown that lack of enforcement of HOA rules and/or zoning requirements almost always results in neglected appearances within a community as well as decreased property values.

This fact is confirmed in a study conducted by a major developer of HOA Communities.

The immediate impact of a failure to enforce architectural and maintenance guidelines is the neglected appearance of a community. On the surface, this may not seem like a massive deal. What many fail to realize is that properties located in poorly-maintained neighborhoods have much lower resale value than their counterparts located in well-maintained subdivisions. Therefore, lack of covenant enforcement not only impacts the appearance of a community but

also adversely affects property values — a very real consequence.

Every city in the United States deals with balancing zoning laws with retaining property values. There is a clear correlation with failing to enact and/or enforce zoning laws and urban decay. The ARC is charged with maintaining property values. One of the ways we accomplish this task is by monitoring work through the ARC approval process.

While ARC does not enforce violations and only deals with new applications, as stated in guidelines, any owner may bring possible violations of the Standards to the attention of management.

Please help keep our community the beautiful place we chose to live in. Before commencing any changes to the outside of your home, submit an application to ARC for approval. ARC works with all homeowners to ensure that changes and/or additions enhance not only your home but the entire community.

If you need help finding a solution or have questions, please attend a meeting or contact me or any ARC member. We meet on the first and third Wednesday of each month in the RCN Conference Room at 8:30 am. ~ Steve Cooley, (801) 815-5302, cooleyaudit@gmail.com

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EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE

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It is important to have access to emergency information and guides prior to an emergency or disaster. All Four Seasons Beaumont Residents should have a copy of the Four Seasons Emergency Handbook. Everyone's needs are slightly different. Residents with medical equipment may be most concerned with electricity and battery power. Food and water may be a major concern to others. Because of our age, it may be difficult for us to remember what we need to keep for sheltering-in-place or what to have in a go kit. Most of us will remember the things that are important to us. Having a guide handy will ensure that you will know how to deal with all of your basic needs not just the ones that are important to you.

An emergency or disaster will disturb your normal way of life. Making sure that you are prepared will make what could be a major handicap a mere minor annoyance. There are a number of things that are discussed in the guide. I urge you to take the time to review the guide. Some of the sections may be very familiar to you and others not so much. You can take a quick glance at the things that you are already familiar with. The unfamiliar subjects may require a little more study. The general idea is to make yourself a jack-of-all-trades not a master of sewage.

CERT or Community Emergency Response Team informs folks on the proper emergency response. First make sure that you are okay, then check on your family, your neighbors, and finally the surrounding community. Your concern will be with your home and family, your neighbors, Four Seasons, and the city of Beaumont. I will direct you to other sources of information.

- Four Seasons Emergency Handbook
- Riverside County (RivCoReady.org)
- FEMA.gov
- CALFire.org
- Red Cross.com
- USGS.gov for earthquake information.

Do not be concerned if you see the same information. Much of the Four Seasons Handbook information has been gathered from various sources. Some of the websites are user-friendly while others feel like you are searching for King Solomon's Treasure. If you find any of this of interest to you, feel free to join us at the next EPC meeting on the third Tuesday of the month at 10 am in the RCN Conference Room.

Our next meeting will be on May 16. ~ **Michael A. Mendoza**, srmendoza@verizon.net

FINANCE COMMITTEE

We have such a beautiful community and, as members of the Finance Committee, we work very hard to keep it looking that way through every season. Summer is coming and we hope everyone enjoys the great opportunities in our community to enjoy all the wonderful amenities.

During the Finance Committee's regular monthly meeting, the financial statements for February 2023 were reviewed and recommended for Board approval. In addition, the Committee reviewed six expenditure proposals, and reviewed investment recommendations to move maturing investments to higher yield FDIC insured instruments. Highlights of the January financial statements are: Total Cash is \$11,840,745, including operating cash of \$2,090,284 (checking and CDs) and reserve assets of \$9,750,461.

Our total year-to-date income is \$119,941.

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 will be Tuesday, May 30 at 1 pm. I would encourage all residents to become more familiar with the finances of our fantastic community. We would love to hear about your concerns and encourage you to share them with us. Attending a meeting only takes a little time and will give you a better understanding of how we operate. Come and join us in making this a thriving vibrant community. Our meetings are held in the RCN Conference Room.

If you have any questions or concerns contact Jolene Cooley joleneaudit@gmail.com. ~ **Jolene Cooley**

CONSERVANCY

The "Birding Season" in the conservancy commenced on April 15 and will extend until Oct. 15. During this period, qualified inspectors are not allowed to cross the wire strand fence (the actual conservancy section) of the conservancy. Prior to this date, a collection was made of the trash near the Windmill Bridge. As the photo shows, most of the human trash is from plastic water bottles that easily float downstream. These lightweight bottles are sometimes "escapees" during our Tuesday trash pickup days and not always due to carelessness. If gathered together in bags, there is less chance they will find their way into the conservancy. ~ **Len Tavernetti**, ltavernetti@hotmail.com



SAFETY COMMITTEE SAFETY 4 “ALL” SEASONS

Both driving and pedestrian safety remain two of our major areas of focus. Remember while driving in our beautiful community that the speed limit on Four Seasons Circle is 30 mph, while the speed limit on our residential side streets is 25 mph. While walking, 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.

OUCH! AVOIDING THE STING

While outdoors, we have the “opportunity” to share our space with mosquitos, wasps, bees, hornets, and other stinging insects. It is important for us to know how to respond to and treat stings, especially since some people may be allergic. Individuals with a history of severe allergic reactions to insect bites or stings should carry an epinephrine

auto-injector (EpiPen®) and wear medical ID jewelry stating their allergy.

The National Safety Council recommends the following to help prevent against stings:

- Wear clean, light-colored clothing that covers as much skin as possible.
- Do not use scented soaps, shampoos, and deodorants before working outdoors.
- Avoid working near flowering plants.
- Stay calm if a stinging insect is flying around. Swatting at it may cause it to sting. If multiple stinging insects approach, go indoors or to a shaded area.
- If an insect is inside your vehicle, stop slowly and open the windows.

If you are stung:

- Wash the sting site with soap and water.
- Remove the stinger using gauze wiped over the area or by scraping a fingernail

over the area. Do not squeeze the stinger or use tweezers.

- Apply ice to the sting area to help reduce swelling.
- Do not scratch the sting site, as this can cause swelling, itching, and risk of infection.
- CALL 911 if you have an allergic reaction and get medical attention as soon as possible! If available, use an EpiPen® until medical assistance arrives.

We meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 10 am in the RCN Conference Room. We encourage you to join the meeting if you have any concerns or if you would simply like an update on our ongoing safety projects. Please drop by if you are interested in joining the Safety Committee. We are always looking for energetic new members. ~ *Frank Hilberg, hilbergfrank@gmail.com*



LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

Spring is well underway and Park West has been busy catching up on all the work postponed due to the cold, rainy weather. You should see a lot of pruning on our common areas and Front Yard Cost Centers (FYCCs) as well as new plantings to replace dead or aging-out plants. During the winter months, we did not have Park West perform a lot of planting, but we were busy behind the scenes planning for the spring.

There have been a number of complaints to our Board and this committee regarding the increase in dues for the FYCCs. The monthly fee is now \$76 and includes weekly mowing, blowing grass clippings, watering, and tree maintenance as required (during the cold winter months the frequency is less often). During Park West's monthly rotation, they blow leaves from flower beds/planters, weed, prune, plant new plants when required, and perform sprinkler maintenance. (Note: Photinia shrubs are only pruned after the red tips fully grow out.) Most weekly gardeners charge \$35 plus per week which doesn't include the cost of water or replacement of dead/dying plants. The increased cost for the FYCCs was carefully evaluated in an effort to keep the increase down as much as possible. When you compare the cost of hiring a gardener to the monthly fee of \$76, it really is the least expensive alternative.

If there are plantings, maintenance, etc., that you don't like, please join us on our weekly walks. Becoming a member of the Landscape Committee gives you a voice. We are always looking for

new committee members to join our team. We walk in different areas of the community looking at plants to determine if any need extra maintenance or replacement. You do not need to be an experienced gardener. Please contact Kathryn Hughes of FirstService to find out where we are meeting on Friday morning as meeting places constantly change. Residents are also welcome and encouraged to attend our monthly meetings the third Tuesday of each month at 1 pm in the RCN. For info, email Kathryn.Hughes@fsresidential.com. ~ *Brenda Steckler*



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April Puzzles

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 70

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Overcast Outshines Other Podcast Apps

By Steve Benoff

Money, money, money. Remember the radio ad, Money, money, money; Money, money, money; Call Local Loan...? One of the benefits of writing a column in a senior-community magazine is being able to refer to things that happened half a century ago and still figure that at least some of you will know what I'm talking about.

Money, to say the least, has always been important. But so were many other things – like loyalty. Well, the balance between those two things has certainly shifted. There used to be loyalty between employer and employee. Not so much anymore. Money has grown in importance as a factor in so many aspects of life these days. Just look at college sports – especially football. I'm a big sports fan and college football is high on my list. But just look how money has changed the college football landscape.

Who ever heard of “name, image, and likeness?” Now, it's a major factor in the sport. Who'd have envisioned USC and UCLA leaving the Pac 12? But the comparative riches of the Big 10 were too much to resist. (Actually, there was always money in college sports – just under the table. We look at John Wooden with rose-colored glasses while conveniently forgetting about Sam Gilbert whose money made many of his players come to UCLA. And college football in the southern states has been so important that the NCAA has looked the other way for decades.)

All of this is a preamble to what seemed to have happened to my favorite podcast app, Overcast, which I've been happily supporting for years with my annual \$10 payment.

I say “seemed” because it turned out I was wrong. What was a spate of missing podcasts from Overcast, a fact I attributed to greedy podcast platforms restricting distribution of the content they produced, turned out not to be the case. But it did give me the chance to experiment with a couple of apps. I'm not saying money is a non-issue with regard to podcast distribution, but Spotify's exclusive offering of The Joe Rogan Experience is, at least for now, the exception to the rule.

I've sung the praises of the Overcast podcast app for a few years. But I really had no idea how it compared to a couple of competitive podcast apps. So, in my self-imposed frenzy, I downloaded the

Apple Podcast app and the iHeart app. I “followed” (their term for subscribe) the three shows I thought I'd lost.

My original podcast app used to be Apple's app, and I rather like it. Then, several years ago they made some changes I didn't like. Let me tell you, those changes were nothing to what it looks like now. Rather than present you with your playlist, a term now reserved for music, you get a screen full of other shows you can follow. To get to episodes of your followed shows, you have to go through several screens each time you select the app. Furthermore, there is no easy way to see when an episode was published.

The iHeart app is almost as bad as Apple. When you open the app, you have to wait five seconds for the iHeart logo to disappear. Then you get, like Apple, all kinds of shows to follow. You have to scroll down to see your podcasts and then go to another page to see the episodes. Those fortunately have publication dates. Occasionally, when I've selected an episode to play, I've had to wait for a 30-second ad to play before the episode starts.

Overcast on the other hand, has a very straight-forward utilitarian look to it. Adding podcasts to it involves just three steps. First find and select the podcast you want to hear regularly. Next, subscribe to that podcast. Lastly, add that podcast to your playlist. After that, any of your shows will be automatically added to your playlist. You can delete episodes. You can change the play order by pressing and moving an episode up or down your list. Other podcast apps allow you to adjust playback speed but usually in fixed increments. Overcast has a sliding scale including the ability to slow playback down as I do with the “In Our Times” and “History of the Second World War” podcasts. I've set my default speed at about 20 percent faster, but I can choose another speed for individual podcasts. Overcast also has a feature to shorten silences within an episode and another feature to boost voice volume.

I'm not saying there aren't other podcast apps with many or all of the things I like about Overcast, I'm just saying I'm very happy with it and gladly pay \$10 a year to show my support. As memory serves me, Overcast is available free with non-obtrusive ads running on a small section at the bottom of the screen.

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

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH & COMMUNITY AWARENESS

We had the Riverside County Transportation Commission representative at Four Seasons to talk about the plans and projects they have. The meeting was well attended by our residents who had many questions for the representative.

We also had John Huntsman, Environmental Compliance Manager for the city of Beaumont Waste Water Division. John spoke about the proper disposal of fats, oils, and grease.

Representatives from the Beaumont Police Department were present to discuss current criminal activities in the Beaumont area.

On May 10 at 10 am in The Lodge Ballroom, there will be a presentation by Cal Fire Captain Matt Escandel who will take questions from our residents prior to his presentation about fire safety. He will bring firefighters and emergency medical technicians

who will explain what they do in their emergency responses.

We are in the process of updating our Block Captain list for Four Seasons. Andi Henderson is compiling a list of our Neighborhood Watch Block Captains so that we can contact them in the event of any emergency.

We are still getting reports from residents about others speeding, failing to stop at stop signs, and not yielding to other residents who are already in roundabouts. Please slow down and stop at stop signs. The speed limit on Four Seasons Circle is 30 mph, 25 mph on residential streets, including Green Creek Trail, and 15 mph in alleys.

Thank you to our Block Captains and to all our Neighborhood Watch members for all you do to keep our community safe. ~ *Jerry Monahan, (951) 212-8898*

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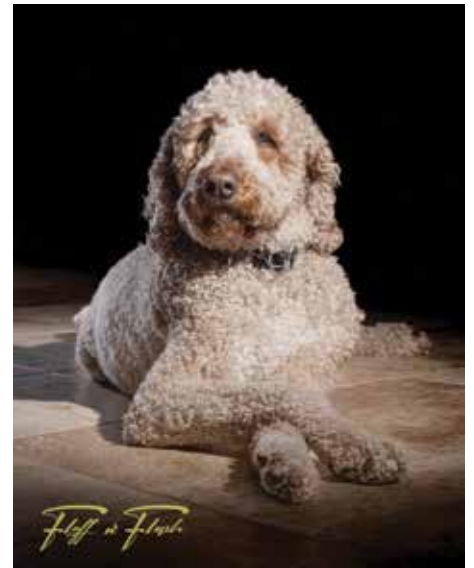
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Shadow, the cutest Schnauzer ever, just turned one year. Submitted by Kathy and Ed Martinez



Bootsie petsitting at Tina's.



My very sweet Flame Point Siamese rescues, Jack and Kai. Submitted by Sheri Novelli



"Dontcha know it's dinnertime?!" say Karen Belcher's Buffy, on the right, and visitor, Gary and Patti Pitts' dog, Cooper.



Our "lodger" Harley, the Shih Tzu. She is technically a granddaughter's dog but has lived with us (often with our granddaughter) for a majority of her life. This is probably a permanent arrangement. Granddaughter is currently in an apartment share in LA. Submitted by Rhonda Loudon



We were pet sitting George's look-a-like, Molly, over the holidays. In between are Millie and Izzy. Can you guess which one is George Clooney? Submitted by Rhonda Loudon

EXPRESSING GRATITUDE

I am grateful for all the kindness that surrounds us here in Four Seasons. A special thanks to Wayne Reagan for helping with my trash cans; Jeannie Dexter for making extra bowls of her healthy soups; and Becky Kotzin-Gustafson who is always here for us grieving survivors. Jane C.

I am expressing heartfelt gratitude to Chelsea Vancil who applied first aid to a bad cut on the tip of my finger, stopping the bleeding. Thank you, Chelsea! Lilly S.

Thank you Gracy Luna, for making the Taste d'Vine Club what it is today. You are really missed. Anonymous

Thank you to the Four Seasons staff for all you do and for always being ready with a smile. Gracy L.

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 in the box marked "The Box of Gratitude." Thank you.



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Our Cars & Coffee meeting on April 1 was NO joking matter. We had absolutely wonderful weather and a great turnout with more than 30 classic cars, trucks, and motorcycles.

The great weather always brings out the great rides that have been hibernating in the garage during the winter months. If you're ready to enjoy the warmer weather, please dust off your ride, put air in the tires, and join us the first Saturday of each month at 9 am at The Lodge parking lot. Enjoy some hot coffee and donuts with other car, truck, and motorcycle fanatics. Our next gathering will be May 6.

The Cherry Festival Car and Bike Show is Saturday, May 27 at Stuart Park in Beaumont. It is open to all makes and models, foreign or domestic, of any year. There will be music, vendors, food, and raffles. Even if you do not have an entry, please come and look at all the rides on display. Spectator admission is free.

The show benefits Carol's Kitchen. Pre-registration closes on May 20. For additional information, please contact Frank Morales at (951) 203-4578 or fmoralesjrinc@aol.com or Rick Morales at (951) 255-4710 or onemth53@yahoo.com.
~ **Frank Morales**



Cars & Coffee on April 1



Rocky Shaw, Pam Morales (holding Nikki), and Paul Carracino



A motley crew enjoying the beautiful morning

TAILS & TRAILS - ALL PETS

There are many benefits of owning a pet. For me and millions more, having a pet completes the circle of love in our lives. Pets give affection, we give it back, and all of us are the better for it.

Science agrees. Cigna conducted a national survey of U.S. adults and found that three of five of those surveyed reported feeling lonely. The company of a dog or cat can help us feel less lonely and they are the perfect companions for older adults who live alone. Research found that older adults who reported owning a pet were 36 percent less likely to report loneliness than those who don't have pets. "I have a list of many health benefits that studies have shown pet owners have," said psychologist Harold Herzog, a pet-loving professor at Western Carolina University who has long studied the human-animal connection. "Higher survival rates, fewer heart attacks, less loneliness, better blood pressure, better psychological well-being, lower rates of depression and stress levels, fewer doctor visits, increased self-esteem, better sleep, and more physical activity are just some of the noted benefits of pet ownership," according to Herzog.

Last year, an analysis of nearly four million people in the United States, Canada, Scandinavia, New Zealand, Australia, and the United



Kingdom found dog ownership was associated with a 24 percent reduction in dying from any cause. If the person had already suffered a heart attack or stroke, having a dog or cat was even more beneficial.

People were 31 percent less likely to die from cardiovascular disease. Mindful.org defines mindfulness as "the basic human ability to be fully present, aware of where we are and what we're

doing, and not overly reactive or overwhelmed by what's going on around us."

Pets live in the here and now, without worrying about the future or dwelling on the past. Playing with our dog or cat helps us feel more relaxed and in the moment. Hopefully, as more studies are conducted and we have additional data available, we can put behind us the debate about just how and why a cat, dog, bird, fish, lizard, or gerbil might soothe out stress and provide companionship. Until then, fellow pet lovers, I intend to go back to what I have always felt — my pets are some of the most loving family members in my life, and that, if nothing else, makes them good. ~ **Vivian Walker, vivr@sbcglobal.net**

COMMUNITY GARDEN CLUB PRESENTS

A Walk in the Garden

SAVE THE DATE!

On May 20, the Community Garden Club will host a self-guided home garden tour from 10 am to 2 pm. Guests will be able to visit and experience all sizes and types of successful gardens cultivated by your neighbors in Four Seasons. The eight homes featured will have volunteer ambassadors on hand to share highlights of each garden and to provide some refreshments. Please, no pets or children under the age of 12. Tickets are only \$5 per person and will be available in The Lodge Lobby on May 2 and May 4 from 10 am to 12 pm.



Thank you to Mona Swinehart for chairing this sub-committee and thank you to the following members who volunteered to help organize the garden tour: Bonnie Makela, Diane Gray, Karen Evans, Margi Spies, Nancy Justice, Pam Morales, Patti Pitts, and Patti Stone. For more info, email monaswinehart@gmail.com.

Park West will be offering a free event on June 22, so watch the Activities Blast for more info. ~ Pat Wayne



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All Parrot Heads and landlubbers alike will have a great time listening to Jimmy Buffett's hits from this eight-piece band. Crowd participation will keep everyone singing along with all the hits like *Cheeseburger in Paradise*, *It's Five O'Clock Somewhere*, *Margaritaville*, and all the others.

So don your Hawaiian shirts and flip flops and come to the

Amphitheater. To get the season going, and only for this first concert, the Amphitheater team will be providing margarita mixes, cups, and ice. You just need to bring the tequila! The Bistro will add to the party by grilling outside and will be selling cheeseburgers, hot dogs, chips, potato salad, sodas, water, and desserts. Come on down and meet your friends and get "Wasted Away Again in Four Seasonsville" (looking for your lost shaker of salt).

You may set your chairs up as soon as The Lodge opens on Sunday morning. Please keep any glass covered and do not place blankets down as placeholders. Have a great time! ~ **Mark Lassen**, lassenqa@aol.com

PERFORMING ARTS CLUB

Happy to see all who attended the April meeting. Due to the busy schedule of so many for the May show, our next meeting will be June 12 at 6 pm in the RCN Main Room.

You are encouraged to attend monthly meetings. You do not have to be in the shows, all individuals who are interested in the Club can enjoy our meetings with socializing and snacks. Besides general business, Pat Wayne usually has something fun planned with audience participation.

Many members are busy rehearsing for the upcoming May show, *Remember When Rock Was Young (and so were we!)*. Mark your calendar for Friday, May 5 and Saturday, May 6 at 6 pm, and Sunday May 7 at 2 pm for the great music of the 50s and 60s. Doors will open at 5:45 pm. Free tickets will be available starting May 24 at The Lodge. Any unused tickets available will be given to those whose names are on the wait list. Come to the show and enjoy watching other residents of Four Seasons share their talents with us!

The Performing Arts Club (PAC) will be presenting two *Old Time Radio Shows* on Aug. 26. If you are interested and available for the show, auditions for speaking roles will be held May 21 at 2 pm in the Ballroom. Rehearsals will begin in June. If you need additional



information, contact Tom Wasco at twasco16@gmail.com. Come have an enjoyable experience and give it a try!

And if you enjoy performing, auditions will be held on Sunday, June 11 at 2 pm in the Ballroom for this year's Christmas show, *A Dickens of a Christmas Carol*, based on the classic story by Charles Dickens. There are many roles

for actors including some that do not require the memorization of lines. We also need people to help with costumes, sound, lighting and set building. Come and join us. If you have any questions, please call John Horning at (323) 253-3854.

Get your name on the PAC mailing list, if it's not already on it.

Any questions or you wish to be involved, contact Marianne Bugni, PAC Coordinator, at (920) 517-2739, email lamarib77@gmail.com or Pat Wayne, President, at (949) 290-1811. ~ **Marianne Bugni**

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BIRDING CLUB

The Four Seasons Birding Club is having to make some big changes. Steve Edelman, who led the group for years with expertise and enthusiasm, has moved out of state. He leaves such big shoes to fill that several people will step up to keep the group running. Thankfully, Gerrie Karczynski, an accomplished birder and photographer, will be the leader, and many knowledgeable members will help with bird identification on our walks and with keeping our tally of sightings.

The club usually meets at 8 am on the first Saturday of each month at the entrance to trail A by The Lodge parking lot. We often take leisurely walks on trails A and B, stopping to log what we see and hear. Our most recent walk on April 1 was no April Fool's joke. We had spectacular sunny weather, blue skies and wispy white clouds that we appreciated after the frequent rains of the last month. The sycamores and arroyo willows were still not fully leafed, so that gave us an easier view of the birds we heard. We were able to zero in on 24 species, including the Anna's Hummingbirds and spotted towhees who like to hang out on our trails, and we got what may be our last look at the Yellow Rumped Warblers and American Robins who will be leaving us soon on their migratory travels. We especially enjoyed the Robin's song:

He rocks in the treetops all day long

Hoppin' and a-boppin' and a-singin' his song

Rockin' robin, tweet, tweedle-lee-dee

Come and join us for our next walk on Saturday, May 6. It's a great way to get to know the animals and plants around us, the frequently-seen birds, the shy ones, and some unusual bird visitors. For more information, please contact Gerrie Karczynski at gerrie201516@gmail.com. ~ *Kathy Hull*

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WRITERS' CLUB

Poems By Jane Czajkowski

LAMB'S CANYON

Dear:

Can you see the hillsides? Oh, so green?
The mountains iced like cupcakes.
Oh, this land is so beautiful!
Can you see it?
Remember the drive through Lamb's
Canyon?
How our imaginations would run wild
As we would revel in the views?
The peek-a-boo canyons,
And pocket caves,
And rock sculptures?
Now they are all cleansed and decorated
As if for a great celebration.
(Not like last year with all so dry.
In vain would we search for clouds in the
sky.)
The yuccas in their dress whites
Assemble in formation,
Awaiting the Captain's announcement:
"To let the ball begin."

Live Oak Maestro raises his baton.
Mother Nature wields her magic wand.
Birds trill in four-part harmony.
All creatures dance in celebration.
Lupines, monkeyflowers, and primroses
Vying for "best in show".
And the poppies, oh, the poppies!
They are so beautiful,
Carpeting the fields in a brilliant gold..
While those along the roadside wave,
"Isn't it a beautiful day!"
Can you see it too?
Oh, please tell me that you do.

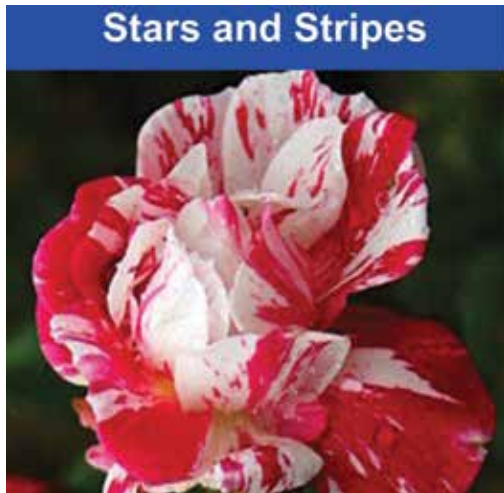
FLOWERS

He never gave me a floral bouquet,
But would show love a different way:
Not one grand gesture or display,
But little treasures, one by one.
A rose bush yesterday, mums today.
This one needs shade, the other likes the sun.
Well, you get what I mean,
The yard became a floral scene.

To him, a cut flower in a vase or basket
Is like a corpse in a casket.
Having witnessed war's lethal knife,
He would not cut short any creature's life.
Including spiders, wasps, and flies,
He would have no part in their demise.
The day we laid him in the tomb
The biznaga burst into bloom.
Oh, I so wanted to press it close to my heart,
But its thorns kept us apart.
How has it been since then?
Well, love still tends the garden:
Flowers, shrubs, critters, and such.
I see him - but I cannot touch.
And, that hurts so much.

The Writers' Club meets at 1 pm on the
second Tuesday of each month in the RCN
Conference Room. Contact Mary Lynn
Archibald at mlarchibald@mac.com. ~
Mary Lynn Archibald

FOUR SEASONS VETERANS PARK



Memorial Day marks the first anniversary of the Four Seasons Beaumont Veterans Park. Since that day, a group of veterans and dependents have been working to establish a club here at Four Seasons. At our last meeting, the group approved bylaws that will allow us to obtain a bank account to begin collecting funds with which to maintain the park.

The bylaws establish a board of five members with two alternates. The three positions needed to meet the legal requirements are: President, Treasurer and Adjutant. We have volunteers for these positions as well as the remaining four. The bylaws also define membership as veterans, dependents, and supporters who need not have military service.

The club will meet monthly on the fourth Thursday at 10 am in the Game Room. ~ **Len Tavernetti**, ltavernetti@hotmail.com

Repatriation

After the war, a Quartermaster report noted, "As of April 6, 1946, there were a total of 359 American military cemeteries containing the remains of 241,500 World War II dead. Estimated number of World War II service dead is 286,959, that figure has since been raised to around 359,000, although estimates are higher still.

Some of the next of kin wanted the remains of their loved ones brought back to the United States and either re-buried in their local cemetery or in one of the many national cemeteries (such as Arlington) around the country. Beginning in 1947, a program for the repatriation of bodies was initiated and until the 1960s when it was discontinued, it was possible to have bodies returned from a foreign grave to the United States at government expense.



In addition to eight World War I American cemeteries in Europe, except for those remains that may, in the future be found on the battlefields, no further burials may be made in the cemeteries under the American Battle Monuments Commission's jurisdiction.

At some of the cemeteries, many of the local people have lovingly adopted the grave of an American soldier who is unknown to them but has become their "adopted son," and regularly place fresh flowers at the grave as a way of quietly thanking him for his sacrifice.

Property: Hillside Cemetery Redlands CA

LIFE AFTER LOSS FORMERLY THE BEREAVEMENT GROUP

The month of May has many special dates. Some of these are: May 1, May Day; May 5, Cinco de Mayo; May 7, World Laughter Day; May 14, Mother's Day; May 20, Armed Forces Day; and May 28, Memorial Day along with others.

Before we experienced the death of someone we loved, we might have enjoyed some of these and even participated in some way to celebrate them. However, after the loss of a loved one, you may not pay attention to these or any holidays and not want to do the things you used to do to celebrate. This is normal. In fact, unless you have become clinically depressed or are experiencing complicated grief, (both of which you should seek professional help with), the majority of what you do and how you feel during bereavement is completely normal.

There are times you will cry, be angry, or just be depressed. It is normal. Grief comes at us like waves. Some waves are small and you can deal fairly well with them but others are like giant swells that knock you over when they surprise you. This is all part of the process

of grieving. How you choose to celebrate after a loss is totally up to you and anything goes. You don't have to do things the "old way." You can develop new ways to celebrate as part of the process of redefining who you are and how you will live your life.

The Life After Loss Group helps you understand that no matter what you are going through, it is similar to what others have felt. There is comfort in knowing you are not the only one feeling a certain way. If you think it might be a little uncomfortable to talk, please know that no one is forced to speak. You talk when you want and share what you want. The group is yours to get out of it what you need and to talk about some of these issues. Other members of the group share what they have tried or thought about. You are always welcome.

We meet on the first and third Mondays of each month from 1 to 3 pm in Room 3 of the RCN. For more information, please contact Becky KG at (951) 524-0215 or email her at beckykg_1@yahoo.com.
~ Becky Kotzin-Gustafson

"BELIEVE..." WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

On April 7, we held our last class on the study of the Book of Proverbs. I so admire the amazing women in our class who consistently attended class to study the wise and sometimes hard-to-decipher sayings of the writers. On April 7, we culminated this study with an in-house competition wherein the ladies who chose to do so, submitted their own present-day proverb, and we voted on them. (The winner will be announced in the next issue of the *Breeze*.) Also at the end of this lesson, we acknowledged the resurrection of Jesus Christ, celebrated on Easter Sunday (Resurrection Day), fulfilling the beautiful Plan of Salvation.

On April 14, we began our study of Acts, which focuses on the acts of the Apostles of Jesus Christ after His ascension. This will be an



in-depth study, and any of you beautiful Four Seasons women out there who are interested in attending are more than welcome to join us. We meet every Friday from 10:30 to 11:45 am in The Lodge Game Room. Please come! You will not only learn a lot, but also will benefit from interaction with the amazing women who attend this class.

On June 9, after our regularly-scheduled meeting, we will dismiss to the RCN building for our annual summer luncheon and party. The theme is "Life's a Beach!" We always have such a great time, with yummy food, games, and amazing musical entertainment. Hope to see you there!
~ Eileen Gilbert-Antoine, (951) 922-6829 or egcellent@msn.com



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BOOK CLUB

Our Book Club selection for May 9 is *The Only Woman in the Room* by Marie Benedict. Here is a brief description from Amazon.com: “Her beauty almost certainly saved her from the rising Nazi party and led to marriage with an Austrian arms dealer. Underestimated in everything else, she overheard the Third Reich’s plans while at her husband’s side and understood more than anyone would guess. She devised a plan to flee in disguise from their castle, and the whirlwind escape landed her in Hollywood. She became Hedy Lamarr, screen star. But she kept a secret more shocking than her heritage or her marriage: she was a scientist. And she had an idea that might help the country fight the Nazis and revolutionize modern communication ... if anyone would listen to her. A powerful book based on the incredible true story of the glamour icon and scientist, *The Only Woman in the Room* is a masterpiece that celebrates the many women in science that history has overlooked.”

Our meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 9:30 am in the RCN Room #3, and someone volunteers to lead the discussion about the book we have chosen for the month.

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



AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURAL CLUB

In the month of May, we celebrate two major holidays: Mother’s Day and Memorial Day. Do you know how these holidays originated? Let’s take a look into the moment in history. It is said that in the U.S., Mother’s Day was created by Anna Jarvis in 1908. Three years after the death of her mother, Ms. Jarvis held a memorial ceremony for her mother and all mothers at Andrews Methodist Episcopal Church on May 10, 1908. The day acknowledges the sacrifices mothers make for their families. Mother’s Day became an official holiday in the U.S. in 1914 under President Wilson who signed a measure officially establishing the second Sunday of May as Mother’s Day.

The next holiday is Memorial Day. The Memorial holiday was originally called Decoration Day. It is unclear where the holiday originated. It is believed many communities had some form of recognition after the Civil War ended. The earliest documented celebration was in Charleston, South Carolina by a group of formerly enslaved people less than a month after the Confederacy surrendered in 1865. However, by May 30, 1868, Decoration Day was widely observed and Gen. John A. Logan of the Grand Army of the Republic (an organization of former union sailors and soldiers) proclaimed it as a day of remembrance of those who died in service of our country.

In May 1966, President Lyndon B. Johnson officially declared Waterloo, New York as the official birthplace of Decoration Day where it had been celebrated on May 5, 1866. It was as a community-wide event. All businesses were closed and the citizens of Waterloo decorated the graves of the sailors and soldiers with flowers and wreaths. Congress recognized Decoration Day as a federal holiday in 1938, and the name “Memorial Day” became more commonplace after World War II. However, the federal government did not officially adopt the name until 1967. In 1971, Congress enacted the “Uniform Monday Holiday Act and established that Memorial Day was to be commemorated on the last Monday of May.”

Lastly, May also recognizes National Teacher Day (3rd), Africa World Heritage Day (4th), National Malcolm X Day (28th), World Cultural Diversity Day (21st), National Senior Health and Fitness Day (25th), and National Smile Day (31st), just to name a few.

Remember the date: Juneteenth Celebration on June 17 from 4 to 8 pm at The Lodge’s Loggia area. Tickets will be on sale from April 17 to May 25. Tickets are \$30 per person. For more information about the Juneteenth event, please contact Ms. Brown at (626) 589-9791. ~ *Jocelyn Doucette*

ITALIAN AMERICAN CLUB

At our April event, we were entertained by Karen Belcher whose “Name that Tune” game was challenging and a lot of fun. Thank you Karen for the time you put into your presentation making our club meeting so enjoyable.

On May 13, our club is planning a bus trip to San Diego’s “Little Italy.” Barbara Dipoma sent an email to our club members in March inviting us to purchase bus tickets for this all day trip. The cost of the tickets was \$54 a person, and reservations, at the time of this writing, have sold out.

If you are interested in the “Little Italy” bus trip and have not purchased tickets, please contact Barbara Dipoma to check on any cancellations.

The “Meatball vs. Matzo Ball” annual competition and social event

is tentatively scheduled for June. Once the date is confirmed, a notice will be sent out to the members of both clubs so that our calendars can be blocked for the date and time of the event. We have had a lot of fun and camaraderie during and after this event, so please plan to attend.

The Italian American Club is open to all residents of Four Seasons. You do not have to be Italian to join our group or come to our meetings. We would love to have you come visit with us.

To all our members and everyone in Four Seasons, we hope we will see you soon at one of our meetings. Non Vedo L Ori Di Vederti Presto (Looking forward to seeing you soon). ~ *Barbara Dipoma, (805) 377-2616 and Jerry Monahan, (951) 212-8898*

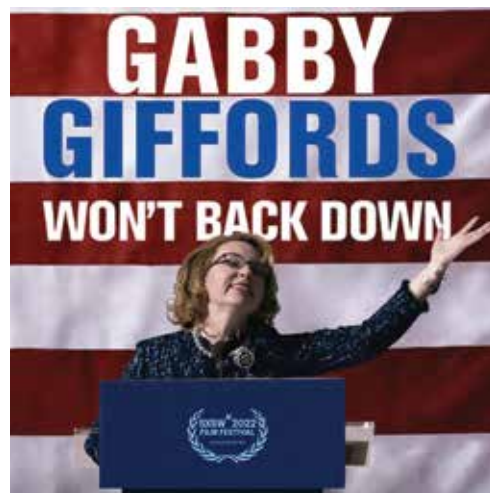
COUNTER CULTURE CINEMA CLUB

The club has screenings on the second and fourth Sundays of each month. We screen films you won't find at the big Cineplexes: documentaries, indie films, foreign films and other little gems that don't get wide release.



Our first screening for the month, on Sunday, May 14 at 6 pm, is the film *Jerry and Marge Go Large* (USA 2022, 1 hr. 36 min., English). Here is a brief description from Amazon.com: "When retiree Jerry Selbee discovers a mathematical loophole in the Massachusetts lottery, he and his wife Marge go on an exciting multi-million-dollar winning spree with the goal to revive their small Michigan town. But when a selfish college student cheats the system, Jerry must find a way to make the game fair for all. Inspired by a remarkable true story and featuring an all-star cast including Bryan Cranston, Annette Bening, and Rainn Wilson, *Jerry and Marge Go Large* proves that good deeds truly prevail."

Our second screening for the month, on Sunday, May 28 at 6 pm, is the film *Gabby Giffords Won't Back Down* (USA 2022, 1 hr. 38 min., English). Here is a brief description from IMDb.com: "*Gabby Giffords*



Won't Back Down tells the extraordinary story of former Arizona Congresswoman Gabby Giffords: her relentless fight to recover following an assassination attempt in 2011, and her new life as one of the most effective activists in the battle against gun violence. Featuring extensive filming of Gabby and her husband, astronaut-turned-Senator Mark Kelly; interviews with Barack Obama and other friends and colleagues; and exclusive access to stunning videos taken in the weeks following her near-death, this film is the story of a rising star transformed by gun violence, and a close-up portrait of the marriage that sustains her."

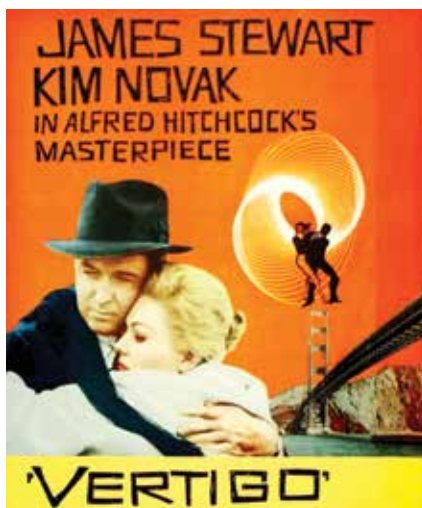
All of our screenings are followed by lively discussion about the film. The Lodge Theater has very limited seating, so if you're interested in our screenings, come early; we hope to see you there. Please note that all films announced are subject to availability. If you have any questions about the Counter Culture Cinema Club or want to recommend a film, please email Micki Rosen at michelesrosen@gmail.com. ~ **Micki Rosen**

CLASSIC FILM GROUP

On May 23 and June 6 at 6 pm in The Lodge Theater, we present the Hitchcock thriller *Vertigo*. This was the first movie to use computer graphics and you should see it from the beginning.

A San Francisco police detective John "Scottie" Ferguson (James Stewart) discovered after a workplace incident that he is acrophobic which leads to severe vertigo. The severe fear of heights forces him to retire when a colleague falls to his death during a chase. Following his early retirement, John becomes obsessed with two women which troubles his long time friend and former fiancée, Midge Wood (Barbara Bel Geddes).

The first object of his obsession is wealthy and elegant platinum blonde Madeleine Elster, the wife of his college acquaintance Gavin Elster (Tom Helmore), who hires John to follow her. John is drawn to Madeleine and her fixation with death. He unwittingly becomes a figure in a complex plot.



The second woman is Judy Barton (Kim Novak), who John spots on the street one day. Judy is a working class girl and is the spitting image of Madeleine. The initial question that John has is if there is some connection between Madeleine and Judy. He is determined to discover the truth behind it all.

Note: The opening title sequence designed by Saul Bass in 1958 makes this the first movie to use computer graphics.

An uncredited second unit cameraman, Irmin Roberts, invented the famous "zoom out and track in" shot to convey the sense of vertigo to the audience.

According to the *Oxford Dictionary*, the proper name for the fear of height is "Acrophobia," whereas vertigo is "a sensation of whirling and loss of balance, associated particularly

with looking down from a great height." ~ **Paul Plamondon**, 4seasonsmoviegroup@gmail.com

COUNTRY LINE DANCING



When you hear country music, do you start tapping your foot? Do you really listen to the story being told? Some are so romantic, some are heartbreaking, some are funny, and all tell the story about someone's life experiences. Yes, they are usually made-up lyrics, but the thoughts came from desires or memories. They make us laugh or cry or feel someone's pain. Most of all, the music makes us want to dance!

Most dances we use have 32 steps. Each eight steps are one-fourth of the dance. Our Tuesday class teaches you the steps to these dances one step at a time. When we reach all 32 steps, we repeat the steps until the music stops. We repeat each new dance three weeks

in a row to cement them in our brains. Since we dance for fun only, some steps can be altered to accommodate old hips or knees, or for some, dizziness. Come watch some Tuesday to see if it is something you would like to try.

On June 10, we will be having a FREE line dance party in the Ballroom from 5:30 to 8:30 pm.

This is open to all Four Seasons residents. Please watch the *Breeze* for further information. This is a BYOB event. Even if you do not dance, come enjoy the music and watch the dancers. It will lift your spirits and probably start your foot tapping. Hope to see you there!
~ **Martha Franck**, marthafanck@icloud.com, (714) 345-8588

LET'S DANCE!

This month we will be learning the Cha Cha (also called the Cha Cha Cha). It is a fun and exciting dance. It is danced to lively energetic music. This dance originated in Cuba in the 1950s. Cha Cha is one of the five common Latin dances. The other common Latin dances are the Samba, Rumba, Paso Doble, and Jive.

Our professional instructors have perfected a methodology originated at Arthur Murray Studios that enables students to learn faster, called the "Interrelated System of Teaching." This makes it easier for the student to learn because the same steps can be used in many different dances. This month's Cha Cha moves can be used in next month's Mambo and Salsa.

Our instructors are professionally trained dancers and instructors offering top quality instruction at a bargain price. They have endless patience and understanding. We students are just a group of friendly people doing the best we can to take their direction while having fun in the process. Come and join us!

May 29 will be dark due to the Memorial Day holiday.

We meet in The Lodge Ballroom every Monday evening with FREE open practice and review from 6 to 6:30 pm. Beginner class is from 6:30 to 7 pm with intermediate class from 7 to 8 pm. The cost is only \$10 per person for professional instruction, and you are welcome to stay for the entire session.

For more information, please contact Brian Fusilier at (909) 215-2778 or Lisa Johnson at (714) 322-8877. See you on the dance floor! ~ **Lisa Johnson**



Margi and Jack Spies

HEART & SOUL LINE DANCE

Do you enjoy dancing? Heart and Soul Line Dancing is in Da House! Why not join us Wednesday for an afternoon of fun? Dancing is a great way to burn calories while giving your heart, body, and soul a workout. You won't even feel like you're exercising.

Dance schedule: Beginner: 4 to 5:10 pm • Intermediate: 5:10 to 6 pm.

No partner necessary, just wear comfortable shoes (no flip-flops) and bring water. Any questions, call me at (909) 239-6464. See you on the dance floor! ~ **Priscilla Robles**





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Above: LAVENDER FIELDS OF PROVENCE. "The Lavender fields in the golden light of summer inspired me to paint this image. My sister and I stayed in Gordes, France, in a 200-year-old stone barn." By Diane Gray

Below: DESERT SILHOUETTE. "I wanted to show the beauty of a desert sunset and the power of complementary colors." By Warren White



Left: IDAHO SNOW. "I have so many wonderful childhood memories of growing up with snow blanketing my home and surroundings. Cold weather has a beauty all of its own." By Kitsy Anderson



MIXED MEDIA ARTS

Art challenge: complementary colors yellow and purple: This is the next in a series of articles showing the results of an art challenge I gave to my students, using complementary color pairings. Each set of colors are opposite one another on the color wheel, ie: yellow and purple, red and green, and blue and orange.

Classes are Mondays from 10 am to 12 noon and/or Wednesdays from 6 to 8 pm. There is a nominal \$5 fee per person, per session. If you have any questions, call Rob Kelman at (951) 992-9156. ~ **Rob Kelman**

RAINBOW GROUP



The Four Seasons Rainbow Group continues in our mission to support the local residents who identify as LGBTQ+ and anyone else interested in our community. We usually meet on the fourth Thursday of the month in the Ballroom. We introduce new members, share stories or news that might be of interest to the membership, occasionally hold potlucks, and host themed movie nights. We will gladly entertain ideas from anyone.

If you haven't signed up for our email list or feel that you did but are not receiving email, please contact us at rainbowgroup@myyahoo.com. Lastly, if you haven't already joined our Four Seasons Beaumont Rainbow Facebook group, please do so. Both avenues will keep you updated on any late-breaking developments, events, and details of our monthly activity. ~ **David Esquerre**



CROWN DIVAS RED HATS

Games! Games! Games!

At our March event The Crown Divas played Mexican Train, Three Thirteen and Bingo.

We started off with some delicious appetizers and beverages. Next, raffle prizes were won by lucky ticket holders. Now it was time to get serious. Which game to play?

If you watched the ladies playing Mexican Train you would see them quietly concentrating and strategically placing the dominoes. If you watched the ladies playing Three Thirteen, you would see them

looking at their cards and smiling while quietly speaking to one another. Bingo was another story. Ladies would be intensely looking at their cards hoping their numbers would be called. Whether they won or lost at each round you would hear loud chatter and laughter among the ladies.

There were prizes for the winners donated by the Divas. It's all about the Crown Divas getting together and enjoying our many events. ~ Irma Romero (Sugar Mama) Irmabsromero@gmail.com

TRAVEL GROUP

I apologize to all of you who didn't see the notice for the San Diego trip until it was too late as the trip sold out in less than 24 hours. On the bright side, we are busy planning a trip in July to the beach or a harbor. We will let you know as soon as plans are final. We are also trying to schedule a trip to the turbine windmills. We have a call into them waiting for a response.

We also want to book a trip for the theater and one for a day at Farmers Market and the Grove.

We have looked over the suggestion list and we are trying to book the requested trips. We will try to book a trip every couple of months, depending on the availability of the buses.

Check your emails often. Irene sends out announcements on any trips and updates, and don't forget to mark your calendar to save the date for our "Welcome to Hollywood" extravaganza. It is going to be a lot of fun. More details on this and other trips coming soon.

For questions about membership, email irenewelker55@gmail.com. Be sure to put "new member" in the subject line and include your name and phone number in the email. For current members who have changes, put "member changes" in the subject line and list your change request in the body. For all other information, email jonitruelsen@yahoo.com or call Joni at (661) 390-5512. Remember, enjoy life and travel. ~ Joni Truelsen





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Jacque Sneddon – Flower

PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

At the end of March, the Club held our field trip to Big Morongo Canyon Preserve. Good weather made it a fine day for photography. It was our second field trip and a chance to photograph a unique and striking area.

At our April monthly meeting, we covered two areas. First, we covered the composition photo challenge from the last meeting. We reviewed the photos submitted using Fill the Frame, Patterns and Repetition, Center Dominant Eye, Symmetry and Asymmetry, and Figure to Ground.

The second part of the meeting began with a review of traditional camera gear and photographic techniques, including hands-on use with our own gear. It was a time for us to learn from each other.

We look forward to seeing everyone at

the next meeting. It will be on May 4 at 6:30 pm in the RCN.

We continue our twice-a-month, Work-Study Group Zoom meetings. If you have a photography question, you are welcome to join us. Contact Jacque Sneddon for meeting times and dates for the Work-Study Group.

This month's photographs are examples of the unique photos submitted by our members. The first is the group at Big Morongo Canyon. The next is a flower by Jacque Sneddon, and finally, a black and white by Jameer Ali.

If you have yet to receive our emails, contact Jacque at jacquesneddon@gmail.com. She will be happy to add you to the mailing list. ~ **John Baeyertz**, johnbz1453@gmail.com



Jameer Ali – Black and white of couple walking

SEASONED SOLOS

The Seasoned Solos group experienced a slower than normal month. The weather was the biggest factor and kept most of us at home. However, several enjoyed some of the planned fun.

First on the calendar was a Sunday afternoon at Sunnylands Center and Gardens in Rancho Mirage. The Center is showcasing live music programs, and the performance and weather were wonderful. A yummy dinner followed at Babe's BBQ Restaurant.

Lunch at Domenico's Restaurant was the next event planned to celebrate birthdays from February. The group enjoyed good food

with friends.

The last activity was attending Andrea Bocelli's movie *The Journey* at the 2nd Street Cinema. Everyone enjoyed the special engagement film which was so fitting for Easter.

We have had some rain-free days recently and the afternoon temperatures are up a bit so we should be busy in May. We all hope you will join us at our next meeting on May 5 at 6 pm in The Lodge Arts & Crafts Room. Please call Joyce Olsen at (951) 980-3055 or Nyla Cheely at (951) 285-7112. Happy spring! ~ **Nyla Cheely**

QUILTING ENTHUSIASTS

April showers are suppose to bring May flowers. I do believe that we have had enough rain, more than enough rain to give us all a stunning show of May flowers this year. I just returned from a trip to Texas where the blue bonnets and Indian paint brush were blooming in the fields and along the roadways. Beautiful to see and enjoy, the California poppies and African daisies are, in my opinion, prettier and brighter!

Now for news from the Four Seasons Quilting Enthusiasts: Last month, Mary taught the members how to do foundation piecing on paper. See the images below. We had a great show-and-tell from another member, Glenda Timms, who shared with us her beautiful scrap quilt. At the May meeting, Mary will teach Quilt-As-You-Go. Pictures will follow.

The group learned that Sulli Hayek, the granddaughter of residents Penny and Rainey Cunard, was recently diagnosed with leukemia. The group gave her a quilt made by Sally Peterson, as a way to keep her wrapped in love during treatments.

The Quilting Enthusiasts continue to welcome all who want to learn, sit and sew, or just learn more about what we do. We meet on the second Thursday of each month in Craft Room 2, at The Lodge, from 1 to 4 pm. Our meetings are informal and there will be classes offered from time to time.

We sincerely hope that you will join us sometime! Peace through quilting. For info, contact me at (808) 430-7469, or via email, 4seasonsquilters@gmail.com. ~ **Mary M. Moody-Cox**



Glenda Timms with her beautiful scrap quilt



Sulli Hayek with her quilt



Jeri Sorenson with her "foundation pieced" tree

CRAFTY CARDMAKERS

The Crafty Cardmakers meet on the second and fourth Fridays of the month. We make three cards, cards for all occasions, and you only need to bring your own glue and scissors. The cost is \$10 to cover materials. Your cards include envelopes and will be ready to mail.

We have a wonderful group of participants and would love to have you at our next class. If you would like to be part of the group, call or email me with your name, phone number, and email address to be put on our monthly emails.

If you plan to come to class, please RSVP to Patty Grana at Granamemories@roadrunner.com or call (626) 862-2652 by the Tuesday before the class so we will have enough kits for everyone! ~ **Maryalice Chorba**

CERAMICS CLASS

Happy Mother's Day! Ceramics Class has something for the novice crafter who is looking for a new hobby and a crafter who has experience and wants to create unique designs or pieces for friends and family. In addition to individual projects, throughout the year we offer class projects to teach new techniques.

Come and join in the fun. Drop by the Arts & Crafts Room to see our monthly ceramics class schedule and learn more about our

upcoming class projects. We meet Wednesdays from 1 to 4 pm. Please see the class schedule for any exceptions.

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Call Loretta Ramsey at (714) 803-6744 or Brenda Ystrom at (909) 910-1100 for more information. ~ **Brenda Ystrom**

CRAFT GROUP

Don't miss out on some fun! Join us on Thursdays at 10 am in The Lodge Arts & Crafts Room. For more information, contact me at christimason02@yahoo.com or (951) 486-1091. ~ **Christi Mason**

KNIT & CROCHET GROUP

We meet Tuesday mornings 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 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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We will be presenting four wines from the state of Washington that I hope you will enjoy. ~ **Gino Domico**, gdomico@gmail.com



FOUR SEASONS SINGERS

We're coming back! Four Seasons Singers will be singing again starting Monday, Sept. 11. We meet in the Ballroom near the piano. Stay tuned for further information the closer we get.

If you would like to join us, have just moved in, 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**

CLASSICAL MUSIC CLUB

We are classical music lovers with an interest in sharing our love of, knowledge about, and interest in classical music. We meet on the second Thursday of each month at 7 pm in The Lodge Theater. We listen to and watch musical selections on the big screen. Each month we focus on a particular work or several selections of one composer. We also discuss current musical performances in the area. We welcome new members. Contact Steve Benoff at steve.benoff@verizon.net or (310) 413-4896. ~ **Steve Benoff**



HANDBELL CHOIR

More Adopt-A-Bell contributors include Michael and Leigh MacQueen, F# 3; Tom Grover, G 3; Lorie Reitz, C and C# 3.

History of Handbells, part 2: In the 18th Century, the first set of "tuned" bells was erected in Crayland Abbey, England. The bells were tuned like a piano, and ringing a set of tuned bells was called a "peal."

Next, it was discovered that the higher the bells were hung, the farther away they could be heard. Holland and Belgium were famous for their "singing towers" which had 23 to 70 bells called carillons. Carillons are heard in several colleges and churches today. Carillons are played by a single person, a carillonneur, who sits in front of a keyboard. There are levers that can be pushed down to cause a clapper to strike a bell. The Riverside Church in New York City has a 72-bell carillon which weighs 200 tons. ~ **Kathie Sundstrom**, kathryn.buck@comcast.net, (303) 903-6850

PICKLEBALL

It has been a cold and rainy winter, but the Four Seasons Pickleball Club was lucky enough to have some nice weather for our in-house Shamrock Shake-Up Tournament on March 25. The participants were divided into two divisions with a rotating-partner format. Our new players were encouraged to participate and we had a great turn out. The competition was tough but tons of fun! Even the “Sweet Pickles” who were “pickled” in one of their five games were smiling at the end of the day. The Leprechaun Bracket Winners were: 1st

place, Jim Allard and Mike McGrath; 2nd Place, Dan Anguiano and David Burchartz; 3rd Place, John Schaefer /and Dave Thomason. The Shamrock Bracket Winners were: 1st Place, Kevin Van Den Oever and Daniel Ward; 2nd Place, Bess Bushnell and Gary Condurachi; 3rd Place, Bernie Albanese and Bob Mendenhall.

We are continuing our weekly player development classes on Saturday mornings at 9:30 am. Hope to see you all on the courts! ~ [Lori Crosse crossec1@verizon.net](mailto:Lori.Crosse.crossec1@verizon.net)

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Winners



“Sweet Pickles”

TABLE TENNIS

Why do these smiling people play ping pong? They all have their own reasons, but three reasons that they have in common are: 1. Ping pong is a great way to make friends and socialize; 2. Ping pong is downright fun to play; 3. Ping pong has a lot of health benefits. To find out other reasons to play ping pong just ask (L-R) Perry White, Paco Perez, Bernie Albanese, Bob Rubenstein, Lian Lee, Mitch Harmon, Niles Sundstrom, Kathie Sundstrom, Bob Smith, Jeannine Baker, and Julie Dobos.

Come give ping pong a try. We play Monday through Saturday from 2 to 4 pm at The Courts. For more information, email Niles at nilstrom@gmail.com. ~ *Niles Sundstrom*



TENNIS CLUB

It's 38 degrees outside, the sun has set, dinner is over, and the night is young. What shall I do? Go out and play some tennis with friends under the lights, of course! We are blessed here at Four Seasons to have a beautiful tennis complex on site, as well as many people to play with who are seeking an active lifestyle. Tennis at night has some unique benefits and challenges to keep in mind in order to have fun, stay safe, and get some good exercise.

Many people move to 55+ communities before fully retiring. Luckily, we have many options for evening activities to enjoy. Our tennis courts are equipped with lights so we can play tennis whenever our schedules allow. If you play during the day, you know that the sun and shadows can be a challenge. The lights at night provide a consistent, bright environment to play in. Summer temperatures can be a factor in any outdoor sport, and evenings are always cooler.

Evening play has challenges that requires certain adjustments. It can take a bit of time for my eyes to adjust to the lights. Some people may have trouble with blurriness or depth perception at night. These can sometimes be helped by wearing a hat with a dark brim, or night vision glasses. Muscles and joints need a good warm-up before playing tennis, even more so when it's cold.

There is no dispute on the benefits of regular exercise. Playing tennis exercises the whole body. Running across the court works out leg muscles. Your core is engaged as you keep your balance while chasing the ball. Balance, flexibility, coordination, and agility are



all improved by playing tennis. With all of that in mind, night vision varies by individual and some people may not be able to adjust to night play safely. Others may be able to make small adjustments and be successful. Safety should always be the first consideration. If you are interested in giving

tennis a try, come to our Saturday morning drills at 10 am. It doesn't matter if you've not picked up a racket in 30 years, or ever at all. We have experienced players here to help people at all levels to gain the skills needed to play senior tennis, have fun, and stay fit! ~ Written by Laura Emerson

See you all at The Courts! Website: <https://sites.google.com/view/tennis-fourseasons/home>. ~ Stan Lam, (714) 757-2141, slamcpa@gmail.com



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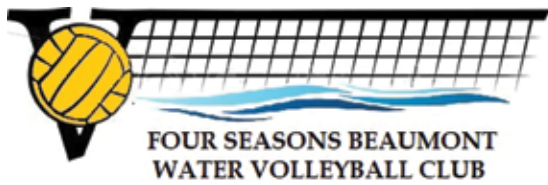
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WATER VOLLEYBALL CLUB

Members of the Four Seasons Beaumont Water Volleyball Club have been enjoying all the wet weather we've had this winter by playing three times a week at The Summit indoor pool. Our winter session concluded on April 15 with two hours of play followed by a potluck pizza party. Our summer session is now in full swing, meeting outdoors at the Courts on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 11 am to 1 pm. We have many activities planned for this summer in addition to our regular volleyball play. We will be holding multiple pizza and potluck get-togethers at the pool, as well as our annual end-of-summer community pool party celebration.

We are always looking for new players to join in the fun, and all ages, heights, and skill levels are welcome. If you're looking for a low-impact physical activity, having fun and laughs with your friends and neighbors, then water volleyball is the sport for you. Come join us! For more info, email Mel Harkin at odeegos@yahoo.com. ~ **Mike MacQueen**



BOCCE CLUB

Bocce Ball is played at The Summit on two green courts that overlook the surrounding valley with beautiful mountain views. We play on Tuesdays and Fridays at 9 am. If you are interested in learning the game, please join us. We have a great group of players who will welcome you. If you have questions, please call or text me at (909) 747-7087 or email hanknegrete16@yahoo.com. ~ **Hank Negrete**

COMBAT JUGGLING

Move over, Pickleball — Combat Juggling is the hot new sport and it's here at Four Seasons. If you've never tried juggling or combat but have always wanted to, this club is for you. We meet Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays at 4 pm at The Summit. We practice juggling from 4 to 4:30 pm then break off into groups of either one-against-one or four-against-four, depending on how many participants we have. The rules are simple: Juggle while walking menacingly toward your opponent(s). You are allowed to bark, shout insults (keep it clean!), or flirt — whatever you have to do to shake your opponents concentration. If they drop their pins, balls, or torches (depending on what we are using that day), you get a point. The person or team with the most points win. Losers buy dinner.

Come on out and see what the sport that's sweeping the nation is all about! ~ **Bozo the Clown**



PADDLE TENNIS

As always, we welcome new players, even if you are new to Paddle Tennis. We know you will grow to love it. You can get some fellow players and set up a time to play. Or join us on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays, or Sundays at 2 pm. No reservations required. Contact Lizzie or Paco if you would like some instructions. Paddle tennis, aka Pop Tennis, took part in World Autism Acceptance Day at the PGA National Resort in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla. Great work Pop Tennis. Tennis and Pickleball also took to the courts for this great event.

Our paddle tennis group is saddened by the loss of one of our own players, Diana Johnson Ali, at right. She played paddle on and off for about seven years. When not playing, you could hear her from the bench, cheering us on, joking around with us or pointing out our mistakes. Diana was a wonderful, fun-loving, and loyal person. We dearly loved her, and our paddle tennis family will truly miss her beautiful smile and laughter. Our sincerest condolences to her husband and their family. RIP Diana. ~ *Lizzie Carbajal Gallegos, ecgallegos@outlook.com*



HORSESHOE CLUB

I'm writing this on April 2 and we still haven't been able to play because of all the rain, especially on Wednesdays. Things are looking up weather-wise now so we should be able to play again soon and catch up on our tournaments and social activities. It's going to take a game or two to knock off all the rust from our games, so looking forward to it. With all the snow-covered mountains around, the view from our horseshoe venue is just spectacular. If you are not a member, I'm sorry you are missing it, as well as the opportunity to join us in playing this great game. Come on out and join us. We play Wednesday at 9 am at The Summit. Our contacts are Ron Erickson at (951) 846-3288, rejlerickson@sbcglobal.net or Gary Christi at (951) 845-0520, goldtoy@earthlink.net. ~ *Ron Erickson*

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Just like the daffodils, hyacinths, and daisies that bloom in the spring, healthy habits can flower with a bit of attention. It's Time to Bloom for TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) members. We started a seven-week contest that awards flowers for each point earned to help members create a bouquet of support and healthy choices. The member with the most flowers at the end of seven weeks wins a prize.

To earn flowers (points), members will attend the meetings,

contact other members for encouragement, lose a little weight, bring a vase with flowers to the meeting, be the biggest loser of the week or month, or give a program or exercise for the chapter. Flowers can be homemade, live, silk, or plastic. Winners will be announced next month.

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

BILLIARDS FOR FUN

WOW! What a great turnout for our March quarterly tournament. We had 10 teams competing and some great matches to watch and learn some new techniques. First place went to Gary Bruns and Bob Rector. Second place went to Paul Snyder and Rick Van. We have some new members which makes the group even more enjoyable and interesting. We welcome all to come and check out the Billiards For Fun Group. We meet every Tuesday. The first session is 11 am to 1 pm. The second session is 1 to 3 pm. We hope to see you there! ~ **Paul Snyder, (909) 214-9464, Donna Hendzel, (909) 435-6589**



First Place Team Gary Bruns and Bob Rector



Second Place Team Rick Van and Paul Snyder

WILD BUNCH BILLIARDS

The Wild Bunch is back in full swing! We are looking forward to having those who are serious and competitive billiards players join us. We enjoy playing 8-Ball, Scotch Doubles, and 9-Ball.

The Wild Bunch consists of some of the best players in the league: Joe Spinella, Bob Rector, Mike Corbett, Paul Snyder, Mike Fisher, Scott Frymire, Dave Martin, Gary Condurachi, Verina Rector, and Gracy Luna.

If you want to play serious, competitive pool, we invite you to come by the Billiards Room Fridays from 12:30 to 3:30 pm and join in the stimulation of competitive play. We invite Sun Lakes and Solera to join us, and they bring their best game for some exciting competition.

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



Augie Ramirez and Scott Frymire



Doug Strenger and John Johnson

8-BALL CLUB

Your 8-Ball Club is off to a great start with lots of practice and tournaments. The club practices or holds tournaments Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 6:30 until 9 pm. We have a meeting on the first Wednesday of each month, an 8-Ball tournament on the second Wednesday of the month, and a 9-Ball tournament on the fourth Wednesday of the month.

We now are playing four additional 8-Ball tournaments each month: two with Solera Oak Valley (1615 Fairway Dr., Beaumont) and two with Solera Diamond Valley (1645 Paseo Diamante, Hemet).

We are starting our fundraising again with the collection of aluminum cans. The collections are on the first Wednesday of the month on the night of the club meeting. Bring your aluminum cans to support our coffee supplies, 8-Ball summer get-together, and our Christmas dinner.

The in-house 8-Ball tournament saw Augie Ramirez and Scott Frymire compete in the final match with Scott coming out the winner to become this month's 8-Ball club champion. Congratulations to

Scott, this month's 8-Ball champion and to Augie, the 8-Ball runner-up. The in-house 9-Ball tournament saw Doug Strenger and John Johnson compete in the final match with John coming out the winner to become this month's 9-Ball club champion. Congratulations to John, this month's 9-Ball champion and to Doug, the 9-Ball runner-up. You can see how much fun the club has with the smiles on both the champions and the runners-up.

If you're new to the game or have played before, don't be shy — stop by, pick up a stick, and give us a try. Walk in and ask for Del, Larry, or any of the members playing. The 8-Ball Club is always looking for new members who would like to learn and play pool to join us. There is a calendar of our events on the 8-Ball Club bulletin board in The Lodge Billiards Room.

If you have any questions, contact one of the officers: Captain Del Lyles, Sr. at (951) 845-5114 or Co-Captain Larry Rice at (951) 236-1156. If no one answers, just leave a message one of us will get back to you. ~ **Larry Rice**



CURLY CUES BILLIARDS

The Monday morning Curly Cues have been having a great time playing billiards and getting to know new and returning players. We play on Mondays from 11 am to 1 pm in the Billiards Room. Come on down and start your week with a fun group of ladies enjoying the game and the easy camaraderie. You don't need to be an expert pool player in order to enjoy our group of ladies. We welcome all levels.

Pictured at left is April, a relatively new player to Curly Cues, preparing for her next shot. For more information, contact Barbara Morton at (559) 269-0908 or barb93720@yahoo.com. ~ **Barbara Morton**

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E-BIKE CLUB

Hopefully by the time this article is published in the *Breeze*, we will see some dryer and warmer weather. (The articles are written one month before the publish date.)

We continue to schedule a casual ride on the first Thursday of the month at 11 am, meeting at The Summit. Our goals include scheduling some weekend rides and even some out-of-the-area rides.

If you have any ideas, I'd love to hear them and present them to our members. We welcome new riders. Our structure is very open — just show up and join our ride. Looking forward to much more activity as summer is coming — I hope.

For more information or to join, please contact me at cooleyaudit@gmail.com or call (801) 815-5302. ~ **Steve Cooley**

SHUFFLEBOARD

As I am writing this article, I think that we can finally start thinking of spring weather. What a winter we have had. Anyway, I have been under the weather myself, so my apologies for no photos this month. A great way to start getting some fresh air, exercise, and socialization is to come out and play some shuffleboard. We play every Monday and Saturday at 9 am on the shuffleboard courts at The Lodge, which are located behind the swimming pool and next to the paddle tennis courts. We now have our own quiet area in which to play. Shuffleboard is an easy game to learn and anyone can quickly become proficient at playing this game. Our games usually last about an hour and we

choose up different teams each time we play. This allows us to keep the competition challenging and the games interesting. We play for fun, but, of course, everyone likes to win. We have no losers, only non-winners. We have a great core group of residents who play regularly.

However, we are always looking for new players, so if anyone is interested or has any questions or concerns, please contact me. Otherwise, please show up and we will give you an introduction to shuffleboard if you have not played before. See everyone on Monday and/or Saturday mornings at 9 am at the new shuffleboard courts. ~ **Marty Rotman, (310) 948-1693, mrtmj@aol.com**

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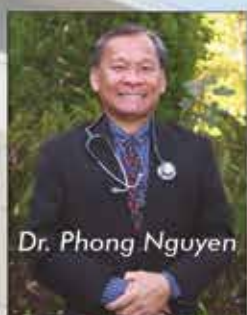
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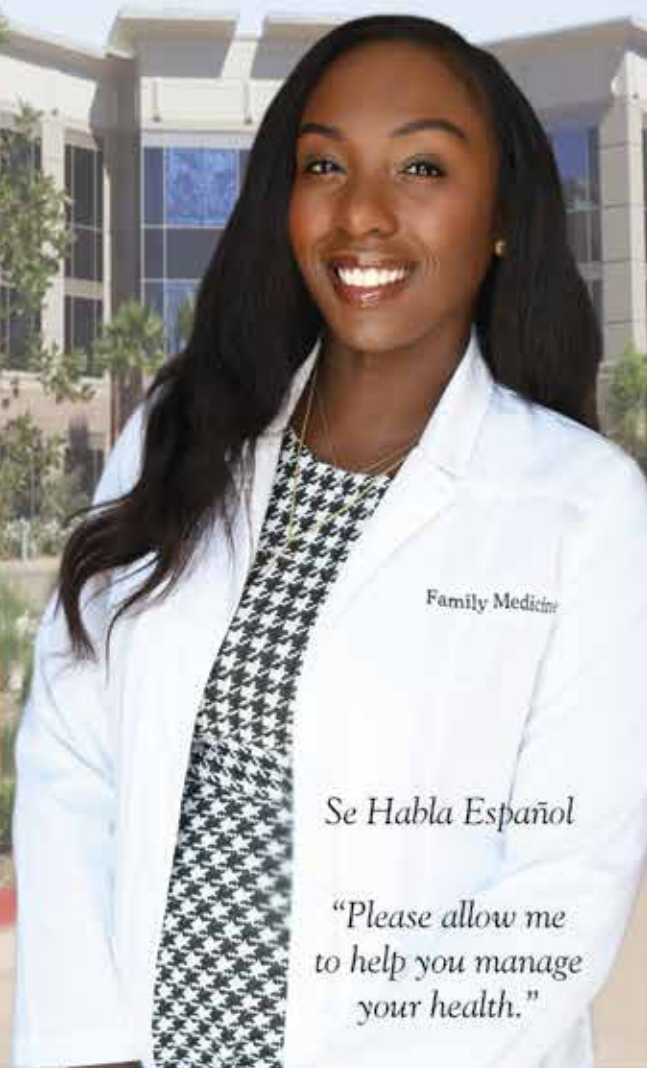
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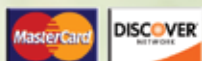


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A few of us took our RVs out and camped at Blair Valley, Anza Borrego State Park



4X4 SEASONS

Our 4x4 group enjoyed two runs for March. Scott Snyder led us on our monthly day trip through the Meccacopia Jeep Trail. Six Jeeps joined us. This is always a great day. We finished with a late lunch in Mecca.

Our second run for March was a first for us, we joined the Hemet Jeep Club as guests for a weekend overnight trip to Blair Valley in the Anza Borrego Desert State Park. We explored the Pinyon Mountain area, and then drove up Fish Creek. We lunched at a Native American

historical site and then headed back to camp and enjoyed a warm campfire.

We generally meet in the RCN Conference Room on the second Tuesday at 6:30 pm; our day run is usually the following Thursday. If this looks like fun, please join us for one of our meetings. For information contact Brian Fusilier, (909) 215-2778, bfusilier@verizon.net or Scott Snyder, (562) 714-7252, scottdonaldsnyder@gmail.com. ~ *Brian Fusilier*

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PAN

We are looking for players, substitute players, and people who are interested in learning the game. I am happy to teach anyone who wishes to learn to play Pan, either individually or in a small group — your home or mine. Pan is a card game, much on the order of Gin in some respects, that is played with up to eight people at a table. It is played by both men and women, so all are welcome. The game is played during the day or in the evening in The Lodge or in a private home. If you are interested, please contact Linda Mendelson at (951) 941-9100 or email Goldtoy@earthlink.net, and I will answer any questions you may have. As with all card games, it is played with both skill and luck. ~ *Linda Mendelson*

PHASE 10

We hope to see more fun-loving card players join us in The Lodge Game Room on the second Tuesday, May 9 from 2 to 4 pm. There will not be a game on May 23 due to the holiday week.

There have been the usual 'faithfuls' but we would love to see more join us to play this fun game. Snacks are provided.

The goal is to complete the 10 phases that are established for the game one round at a time. These phases include 'sets' of cards (all the same number) and 'runs' (cards in a sequence). There are also Wild cards and Skip cards during play.

Thank you for your support.

If you have any questions, please contact Marianne Bugni (920) 517-2739 or email lamarib77@gmail.com. ~ *Marianne Bugni*

DOMINOES

Congratulations to Vernon Bell, at right. We had a play-off with Pete Antoine, Reggie Fuqua, Wondell Collins, and Vernon Bell. Vernon won three games out of five. What a good time we had at the table. Again, congratulations Vernon. You are a great player.



We play every Wednesday and Friday in the Game Room from 5 to 9 pm. For more information, contact Reggie at (951) 743-3584 or Jesse at (951) 769-2035. ~ *Wondell Collins*

MAH JONGG

Hello all! We are now playing Mah Jongg in the RCN Main Room every Friday morning from 10 am to noon. 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. ~ *Terry Hall*

RUMMIKUB

Do you miss playing your favorite tile game, Rummikub? We sure miss seeing friends and making new ones while playing this fun, fast-paced game.

We play in the Game Room at The Lodge on Mondays from 2 to 4 pm. We welcome pros and newcomers alike and are always happy to teach the game to anyone who is interested. So come out and meet your neighbors and have a great time.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at retiredatlast@outlook.com. ~ *Caryn McSweeney*

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. Lowest score wins. It is lots of fun and we look forward to seeing you on Tuesday evenings. ~ *Lynette Smilac, smilac1954@gmail.com*

DUPLICATE BRIDGE GROUP

We have a session of Duplicate Bridge on the second Saturday of each month starting at 10 am, provided there is sufficient interest. If your name is not on our mailing list, please contact me at kafreyer@frontier.com. ~ *Kirk Freyermuth*

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 12 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 Verona Rector at (951) 769-1687. ~ *Lois L. Butler*

PINOCHLE FOR FUN

Whether you are a new or experienced player, we will help you enjoy the game. We meet in the RCN Room #1 every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9 am to noon. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact either Karen Farmer at (951) 313-6149 or Floyd Reid at (951) 317-3127. ~ *Karen Farmer*

CANASTA

Join us for an afternoon of friendship and fun while playing a game of Hand and Foot Canasta. We meet on Thursdays in the RCN Main Room from 12:45 to 4 pm. 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**, pamelamorales26@gmail.com

THREE THIRTEEN

Three Thirteen is a fun and fast-paced card game, played in 11 rounds. A variation of rummy, players meld using runs and sets of at least three cards. The first player to lay all cards down first 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 to be put on the group email list, contact Simone at simone@bissada.net. ~ **Simone Bissada**



Our Bunco group having a little Easter fun!

BUNCO

Join us on Fridays from 1 to 3 pm for fun, laughter, and good times! On the first and third Fridays, we play the regular Bunco game in the RCN. On the second, fourth, and fifth Fridays, we play Wacky Bunco in the Game Room at The Lodge. We've added a few twists to the scoring of the game to keep you on your toes. It's loads of fun.

Everyone is welcome to attend. It's a great way to meet new friends. Feel free to contact Cheryl Diego at Kinderbear@msn.com or Linda Supernaw at supernaw@4@sbcglobal.net. ~ **Cheryl Diego**

UPTOWN DIVAS BID WHIST

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

CO-ED BID WHIST

Hey everyone! Frank Turner is my name and playing Bid Whist is my game. I am looking forward to having more players come and join us! The Co-Ed Bid Whist group meets on Tuesdays from 6 to 8:30 pm in the RCN, Room #3. We offer a satisfying game environment filled with skill, good cheer, good-natured trash talking, and some great music. Again, I invite more players to come and check us out. Win or lose, you will have a lot of fun and meet some great folks while playing Bid Whist. New players and veterans are always welcome! We look forward to seeing you at the tables. For more info, call Frank Turner (562) 922-9737. ~ **Frank Turner**



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LAST MONTH'S JOKE

MIME CLUB

Did you know May is International Mime Month? The members of the Mime Club knew it ... and we prepare for it all year. We’ve been perfecting the world’s most famous routines including:

- Trapped in a box
- Pulling a rope
- Walking in the wind with an umbrella
- Dribbling a basketball
- Applying for a home loan
- Walking a dog
- Wondering what’s on TV
- Balancing a checkbook
- Opening an envelope
- Trying to figure out where that smell is coming from
- Tuning a piano
- Listening to birds

And these are just a few of our favorites. We’ll be popping up all around the community every day in May to force our art residents who are trying to go about their daily routine. Be prepared ... the sooner you like us and correctly identify what we’re doing, the sooner we’ll stop. For info, mime calling us or emailing us and we’ll mime you back.

YOUR COMMENTS

The mime club is a joke ~ but we can’t talk about that! Karen M.

I’m already trapped in a box. Karen S.

To be a mime isn’t easy. I tried it once just for fun. A mime will sneak up. Be ready, smile big and run! Mary B.

These monthly jokes are very entertaining. Linda P.

Wow! I don’t know what to say. Dan H.

THIS MONTH'S WINNER:

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HARD




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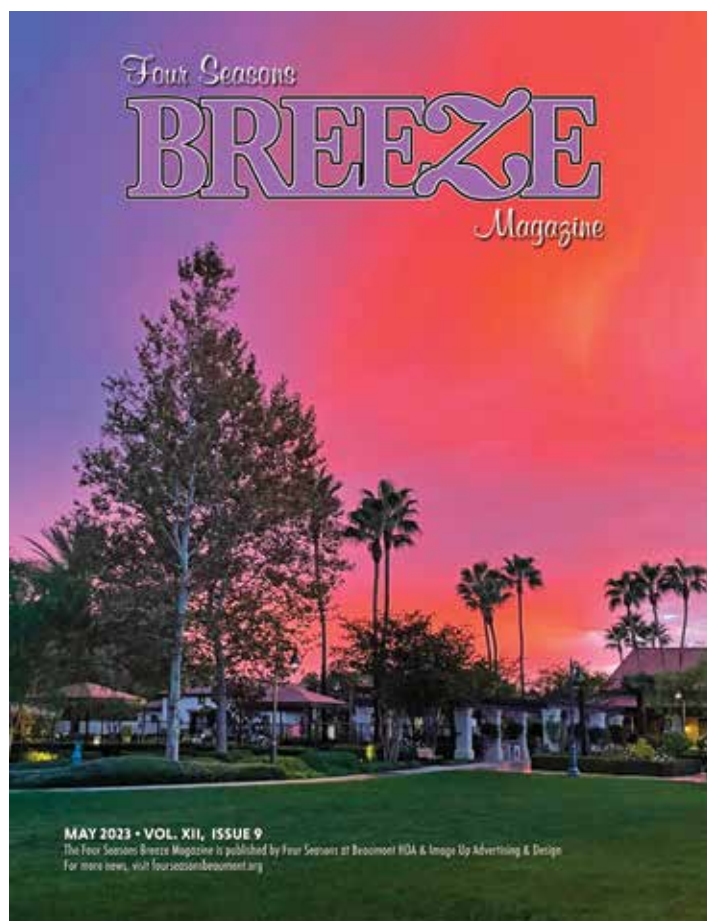
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