

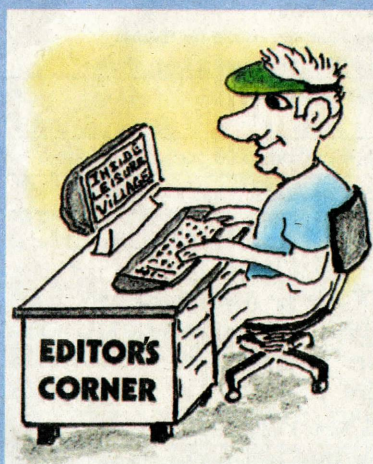
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Santa Rosa Road, Camarillo, California

September 4, 2015



The folks at LVTV bid farewell to John Baillie, the familiar face often seen on our channel 1390 as he prepares to move out of the village. Photo on **page 5**.

A new sign at the West Gate will alert drivers of their speed as they exit LV. Check it out on **page 6**.

He volunteers for so many causes, he qualifies to be called the Poster Boy of Leisure Village. But he's no boy. The amazing Ben Racowsky will celebrate his 100th birthday Sept. 17. Read his story on **page 8**.

The new fitness center is almost complete, but you can get a sneak preview of some of the top-of-the-line equipment already installed. See **page 9**.

Showtyme presents an exciting tribute to the American spirit

By Bob Cohen

Tuesday, 9/11/2001: A date seared into the collective conscience of America. Fourteen years have gone by since we all vowed never to forget. And yet, although it is not quite forgotten, it has slipped from the forefront of our memory. As have other major events that have threatened our country.

This 9/11 is special also as Showtyme brings us "God Bless the U.S.A.," a time for remembrance along with a musical tribute to those who have served, and those who continue to serve, as first responders and in our Armed Forces.

Go back in time to the harrowing days of World War II when the likes of Bob Hope, Bing Crosby and Lena Horne entertained our troops in far flung theaters. Head back in time to hear the music of the

See **SHOWTYME, 19**



Photo illustration by Jerry Spector

Showtyme honors 9/11 with a patriotic program.

Villager has reunion 50 years in the making

By Patty Ecker

It is a reconnection of awesome proportions. Two girls, who at age 13 in 1960 became pen pals connecting Sweden and Southern California via the one-sheet air-mail letter paper of the time, met in person for the first time 55 years later. Villager Judy Spector and Scandinavian Christina Byfeldt hugged and laughed and cried.

"It was like finding a lost twin sister," exclaimed Judy, describing that special moment in Seattle last month. They thank

Christina's diligence and Facebook for the emotional event.

Decades before, the girls shared everyday details of their lives, some secrets and their dreams for the future over a period of eight years. Their communication was in English, which was very significant to Christina, who wanted to master the language. With dictionary at hand, she read Judy's letters and answered them in English. It worked. Christina has taught English, English literature and Swedish in

See **PEN PAL, 19**

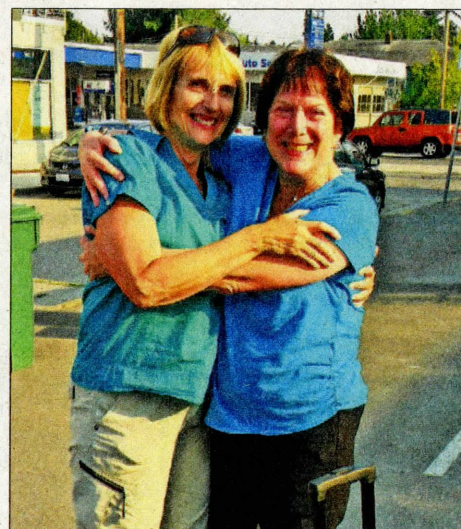


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After writing to each other from 1961 until 1968, they finally meet face to face.

LETTERS

This article is addressed to those who have access to the RV lot. Some people who store RVs, cars, trailers and the like in the RV lot seem to believe it is a place to dump their unwanted items.

I have seen broken chairs, dead batteries, a set of splintered wooden ramps and assorted trash left near the trash bins or against the wall. This is not a place for oversized, used and unwanted items.

The trash barrels in the RV lot by the RV Club storage shed are being emptied on a regular basis. If they are full, take your trash home. If you have trash from your RV or home, please either place it in your own trash can or call Harrison for a large item pick up.

We, as residents of Leisure Village, all need to do our part. Please do not litter the RV lot with your unwanted trash.

— Darryl Sobelman, V. 42

LETTERS

ILV has obligated itself to publish letters that are not profane, inflammatory or libelous. Views or statements expressed are the beliefs of the writer and are not necessarily supported by the staff of ILV. Letters must include signature, address and telephone number. Please limit letters to 150 words. We reserve the right to edit and/or condense. Place in ILV box. Space permitting, whatever was not printed in this issue due to space limitations will be considered for the next issue.

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LVTV PROGRAM SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 2015 Channel 1390

LVTV Committee Email: lvtvcommittee@gmail.com



DAY		TIME	PROGRAM	*Note: OTR = Old Time Radio
	All Month	<i>Viva the Village!</i>	<i>Host, John Baillie – Mon-Wed-Fri-Sat-Sun</i> *9:15 am; 3:15 pm; 7:15 pm See Message Board for listing. *On Sat. Larry's cooking show will follow the 9:15 am show	
	All Month	<i>Villagers On The Town</i>	<i>Host, John Baillie – Mon-Wed-Fri-Sat-Sun</i> 8:30 am; 12:30 pm; 4:30 pm	
		<i>FYI Times</i>	<i>Host, John Baillie – Sat and Sun – 2:00 pm; 6:00 pm</i>	
Daily		<i>Calendar Diva</i>	<i>Debra Guill & John Baillie – 8:00 am; 2:00; 5:00; 7:00 pm</i>	
Tue	1	10 am & 8 pm	Writer's Club: The Morphine Dream - 8/18/14 (55 min)	
Wed	2	10 am & 8 pm	Players Guild - Grand Ole Opry – 2015 (50 min)	
Thu	3	10 & 8 *OTR 7	Thursday Showcase – See LVTV Message Board for Shows	
Fri	4	10 am & 8 pm	Women's Club - Raspberry Jam Dixie Land Jazz Band - 2007 (55 min)	
Mon	7	10 am	LVA OPEN BOARD MEETING - LIVE	
Tue	8	10 am & 8 pm	LVA OPEN BOARD MEETING - TAPED	
Wed	9	10 am & 8 pm	What Was My Line - Bob Kaplan, Rene Kaplan, Bill Foeller (55 min)	
Thu	10	10 & 8 *OTR 7	Thursday Showcase – See LVTV Message Board for Shows	
Fri	11	10 am & 8 pm	LVA OPEN BOARD MEETING - TAPED	
Mon	14	10 am & 8 pm	Showtyme - Art Douglas - 2007 (1 hr. 53 min)	
Tue	15	10 am & 8 pm	LVA 101 - #16: Community Associations Institute – 5/29/15 (33 mins.)	
Wed	16	10 am & 8 pm	Festival Of The Arts - 11/6/11 (14 min)	
Thu	17	10 am & 8 pm	Thursday Showcase – See LVTV Message Board for Shows	
Fri	18	10 am & 8 pm	Players Guild - A Saga Of The Old West - 2014 (55 min)	
Mon	21	10 am & 8 pm	Showtyme - Ken Shepski - 2009 (55 min)	
Tue	22	10 am & 8 pm	What Was My Line - Dick Berman, Sandy Foeller, Millie Murphy (52 min)	
Wed	23	10 am & 8 pm	Women's Club - Jazz Combo - 2010 (42 min)	
Thu	24	10 & 8 *OTR 7	Thursday Showcase – See LVTV Message Board for Shows	
Fri	25	10 am & 8 pm	From The Ground Up: Landscaping In L.V. - (38 min)	
Mon	28	10 am & 8 pm	LVA 101 - #10: Assessments - 10/27/14 (1 hr)	
Tue	29	10 am & 8 pm	Movie Review - Current Movie Review with Lin Grant and Larry Swartz	
Wed	30	10 am & 8 pm	Safety & Security - (31 min)	

Contact: Chairman Bill Foeller at 384-4447 or for New Programming call John Mayer at 388-4642.
LVTV Committee meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at 9:30 AM in the MPR.

DAILY AUDIO ON MESSAGE BOARD: 9:00 AM, 11:30 PM, 3:00 PM, 6:00 PM, Narrated by Debra Guill.

*OLD-TIME RADIO AUDIO PROGRAM: Thurs. 7:00 PM, featuring Jack Benny, Bob Hope, Burns & Allen, etc.

OCTOBER DEADLINES

Deadline for letters, club news, stories, photos and classified ads for the September 2015 issue is Thursday, Sept. 17, at 5 p.m. The Display Advertising deadline will be Friday, Sept. 18, at 5 p.m. Publication is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 2. Please e-mail stories and photos to editorilv@yahoo.com. Typed copy, double-spaced, should be deposited in the ILV box in the Recreation Center hallway. Handwritten material should be submitted early to allow for typing.

IN MY OPINION

Every stop sign in the Village should have an additional sign attached saying "Applies to all Bicyclists."

I nearly hit a bicyclist after I obeyed the stop sign at the intersection of Mountain View and LV Drive near the West Gate. The individual had not stopped at the sign

and narrowly missed my car. The security officer at the association advised me that I should have immediately reported the incident to them so an officer could be dispatched to advise that individual that traffic signs apply to bicyclists.

— **Irving Bergman, V. 18**

The power of just a hug

By **Jussara Penna**

When I moved here, Norma, my neighbor, left one month later. She lived in the house next door. She was a 90-year-old lady who was talkative and very wise.

She was widowed recently after a marriage of 45 years. She seemed healthy; however, her son took her to a nursing home near where he lives.

She said goodbye to me with a beautiful smile and thanked me for an afternoon of drinking coffee and "goofing off" together.

In fact, that day we shared our stories of life. Afterward, with a big hug, as if we were old friends, she confided in me that she had never received a hug like that.

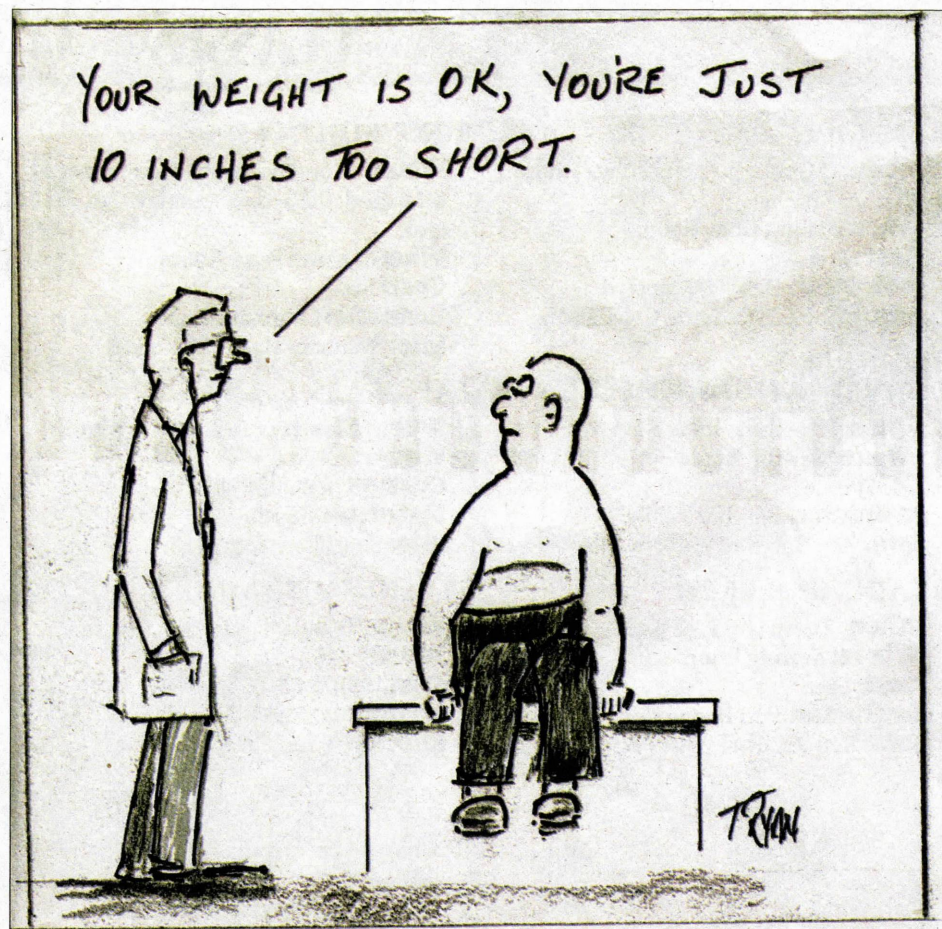
A hug shows affection and offers support.

American scientists say a hug has the reverse effect of a cigarette: every time you give or receive a hug, you get a few more minutes of life.

It fills the empty spaces in our lives and makes us feel good. To give a hug, just open your arms and your heart.

If people knew the benefit of a touch or caress, sure, life would be much easier to live.

Even so, some people are not ready for a hug. If one doesn't receive one, they don't know how to give one. Try and if you don't like it, please, return it. It will make someone happy.



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Cost: Free

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Info: Debbie Woodard, 484-0280

BEGINNER'S CONVERSATIONAL HEBREW

When: Tuesdays, noon - 1 p.m.

Where: Sewing Room

Cost: Free

Instructor: Ben Racowsky

Info: Ben Racowsky, 445-8284

READING HEBREW

When: Tuesdays, 1 - 2 p.m.

Where: Sewing Room

Cost: Free

Instructor: Ben Racowsky

Info: Ben Racowsky, 445-8284

BONE BUILDERS

When: Mondays and Wednesdays at 8:15 and 9:30 a.m., Fridays at 8:30 a.m.

Where: Santa Rosa Room

Cost: Free

Instructor: Mamata Kalle

Info: Mamata Kalle, 388-9360

TAP CLASS

When: Mondays, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Where: AR Stage

Cost: \$3 per class

Instructor: Linda

Info: Sue-Ellen Colp, 312-1991

STRENGTH TRAINING

When: Tuesdays, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Where: AR

Cost: \$30 for 10 classes

Instructor: Sue-Ellen Colp

Info: Sue-Ellen Colp, 312-1991

BETTER BREATHING

When: Tuesday, Sept. 29, 1:30 p.m.

Where: MPR

Cost: Free

Instructors: Lorraine Comer

Info: Lorraine Comer, 383-7423

MUSIC AND MOTION

When: Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, 9 - 10 a.m.

Where: AR

Cost: \$5 per class

Instructor: Renee

Info: Mary Doyle, 987-9720

YOGA CLASS

When: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 - 11:15 a.m.

Where: Santa Rosa Room

Cost: \$5 per class

Instructors: Craig & Sheryl

Info: Bonnie or Holli, 419-4935

THEATRE BEAT

Camarillo Community Theatre: "Nine" Sept. 25 through Nov. 1.
330 Skyway Dr., Camarillo, 388-5716.

Conejo Players Theatre: "Pycho Beach Party" through Sept. 19.
351 S. Moorpark Road, Thousand Oaks, 495-371.

Elite Theatre Company: "The Derry Slope Off" Sept. 4 through Oct. 4.
31 Victoria St., Oxnard, 483-5118.

High Street Arts Center: "Annie Get Your Gun" Sept. 11 through Oct. 11.
45 E. High St., Moorpark, 529-8700.

Rubicon Theater: Dark September.
1006 E. Main St., Ventura, 667-2900.

Simi Valley Cultural Art Center: "Fiddler on the Roof" Sept. 12 through Oct. 18.
3050 E. Los Angeles Blvd., Simi Valley, 583-7900.

Santa Paula Theater Center: "Nora" Sept. 11 through Oct. 18.
127 S. 7th St., Santa Paula, 525-4645.

Ojai ACT: "Doctor Doolittle" Sept. 11 through Oct. 4.
113 S. Montgomery St., Ojai, 640-8797.

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Janice Liebnaue, V. 25

Mike (Myron) Shapiro, V. 31

To submit a memoriam, call Loretta Reshes at 388-7116



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The LTVV committee wishes John Baillie good luck as he is leaving the village. From left, back row: Gil Cooperman, Larry Forkner, Rita Linsey, Arnie Borgan, Martin Linsey, Joyce Baker, Ken Walker, John Baillie, Fil Barton, Kathy Wirtz, Debra Guill, Judy Siegel and Bill Foeller. From left, front row: John Mayer and Larry Swartz.

REALTOR CORNER

Home sales in California are up, all-cash and investor purchases are down and home prices are rising. The housing market here in Southern California is settling into a more normal, healthy pattern.

Economists say that these factors put this regional housing market on a path for growth that could see some longevity. A recent report also says home sales show an 18.1 percent increase in June from a year earlier, while median prices rose 5.7 percent from June 2014. The sales increase is the largest in nearly three years. Sales and prices climbed in all six Southland counties.

People's confidence to buy houses is also up because of sustained job growth — California added 54,200 jobs in May. As the economy improves, more families are entering a recovering market to buy houses they actually want to live in.

Southern California isn't the only area experiencing this sunny patch in the housing market.

Improvements extend nationally, with sales of previously owned homes up in May to the highest pace in six years. Buyers are rushing to lock in historically low interest rates before the Federal Reserve is set to raise its short-term interest rate later this year. The chief economist for the California Association of Realtors warns that the market has too few homes for sale and that prices have risen to a point again where many can't afford a house. Housing affordability has become a big issue.

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A sign of prevention

A new sign has been installed at the West Gate. No, not the large one that says “Welcome Home,” although it was posted there just a few months ago. The newest addition is an electronic speed signal, which blinks out how fast oncoming cars are approaching that Village exit.

“That sign will prevent an accident from happening,” says LV Board Member Ted Lansing, who says he has a front-row seat from his patio of unsafe driving on our main streets.

“From the stop signs on Leisure Village Drive and on Mountain View Drive,

drivers take off so fast; some ‘lay rubber’ as they head to the gate,” he reports. “It’s particularly noticeable in the mornings between 7 and 8 a.m.”

Village security took a close look at that stretch of roadway and agreed. Drivers emerging from Village 1 and the RV lot, and pedestrians crossing the streets were vulnerable. Vehicles were hitting 30 mph as they approached the gate. The speed sign went up. Security officers have noticed an improvement already.

Were you surprised at your speed as you approached the West Gate?

AT THE BOX OFFICE

Box Office hours are 9 to 11 a.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. The Box Office is located in the Rec Center lobby.

Currently on sale:

Mavericks Fashion Show: Sept. 25, \$7
Women’s Club Spaghetti Western Night: Sept. 10, \$20

Club dues we collect:

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Happy Birthday Ben

Villager Ben Racowsky tutors elementary school students in math five days a week, he teaches Hebrew to adults weekly here in Leisure Village, he's a greeter at the Herzog Winery on Wednesday nights, and he starts every day by going to Temple. There's hardly time in that schedule to celebrate his 100th birthday.

That number is not a typo. On Sept. 17, Ben hits the century mark — one-hundred-years young — with his usual smile and gentle manner.

"There is no secret to living this long," he laughs. "I just like to keep busy." He retired from the Navy in 1970, but has not retired from anything else. Volunteering, hobbies, friends and his faith have filled his years ever since. In 2013, the Camarillo Chamber of Commerce honored his contributions by giving Ben its Senior of the Year

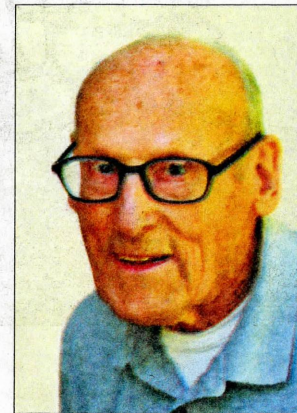


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Ben Racowsky turns 100 on Sept. 17.

Award.

"I also ride my stationary bike every day and make toys and gifts at my wood-working bench in the garage when I'm home," he says. He's lived happily in Leisure Village for 18 years. And he has no bucket list. "There's no place else I'd like to go or anything I'd like to do that I can't do here," Ben adds. He has two sons: a math teacher in Northern California (the acorn didn't fall far from the tree) and a dentist in Boston. He has a family dinner on Tuesdays with his niece, and every night Ben sets a place in

honor of his late wife, Frances.

Ben believes his mother's advice is at the heart of his longevity and love of life. "She always said to me, 'Be Nice.' That's it, as simple as it sounds. That's what I do," he explains, ever so nicely.

TRAVEL CORNER

Please come by the Travel Office for more details on the following trips:

Annenberg Space for Photography, Wednesday, Sept. 16, \$57 — After enjoying an early lunch at LA's Farmers Market or the Grove, we will travel to Century City to experience a unique photographic cultural destination, The Annenberg Space for Photography. The current exhibit, "Emerging," features 90 emerging photographers with fresh perspectives and creative techniques to professional photography. 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Dodgers Game, Sunday, Sept. 20, \$94 — Take Me Out to the Ball Game. Enjoy an afternoon at Dodger Stadium where the LA Dodgers will host the Pittsburgh Pirates at Chavez Ravine, one of the most unique and picturesque settings in sports. Tour includes round-trip deluxe motor coach transportation with water on board and reserved seats at Dodger Stadium. 9:45 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Catalina Island, Oct. 21-23, \$499 (Double) and \$689 (Single) — Package includes: Transportation to Catalina Express Cruise Dock; Catalina Express Cruise; two nights at Avalon, Catalina, Pavilion Hotel; City of Avalon Tour; Glass Bottom Boat ride; luggage handling, plus one dinner

and two extended continental breakfasts.

Golden Nugget/Laughlin, Nov. 11-13, \$168 (Double) and \$201 (Single) — Package includes: Round-trip deluxe motor coach with water on board, two nights at Golden Nugget, baggage handling and Fun Book. On day two, there will be a side trip to Oatman, the historic gold mining town known for its burros and western theme.

Hearst Castle - San Simeon, Dec. 10-12, \$499 (Double) and \$699 (Single) — \$200 deposit holds reservation. Includes three day, two nights stay. This is Central Coastal California at its best — the coastline with stops along the way, elephant seals and a night tour of Hearst Castle. Stop by the travel office for flyer. Travel insurance is available.

New Orleans and Western Caribbean Cruise, Feb. 26 - March 6, 2016, \$2,179-\$3,099 (Double) — Includes round trip airfare, two nights in New Orleans, a welcome dinner, plus a tour of the city, and a seven-day cruise aboard the Norwegian Dawn.

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A panoramic view of the new Fitness Center.

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If you have not yet been inside the Village's new Fitness Center, consider this an advisory. You might think you've mistakenly entered a top-of-the-line spa exercise facility. Spa facility? No. Top-of-the-line? Yes. After years of using old-fashioned exercise machines, Leisure Villagers have a 21st century Fitness Center.

More than twice as large as the previous location, the new facility is outfitted

with equipment made specifically for senior exercise — for the fittest 55-year-old to those who use a wheelchair. Useful information about how to use the machines is available via videos on the equipment and easy-to-read posters. Overhead fans and lighting create a bright and comfortable place to work out. Two security cameras now operate in the center as a protection for anyone who may need help and

can't get to the phone.

Access to our Fitness Center has been modernized, too. Instead of the keys of yesteryear, residents enter the Center using a personal sensor to open an electronic lock. Its use eliminates the need to sign in and out because the sensor records the owner's name on entry. Sensors are available when residents participate in a simple orientation at the Fitness Center. Ap-

pointments can be made in the Recreation Office.

One thing the new Fitness Center is not is curved, as it appears in the photograph. That picture is a panorama shot taken to show readers the entire view of the facility from the door. The camera technology curves the scene; think of it as squeezing everything into the picture.

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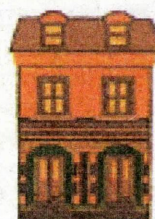


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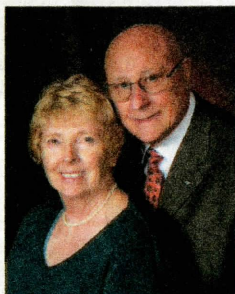
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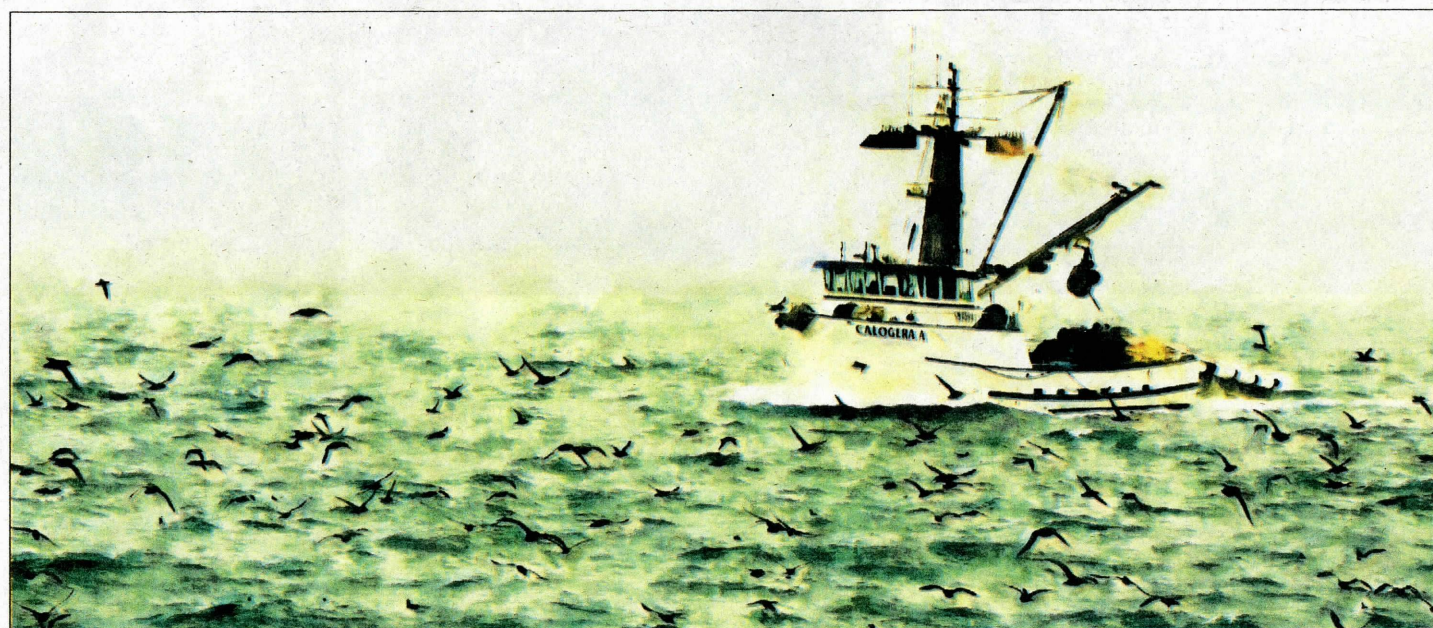
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Camera Club winner, 1st place Creative, *Surrounded* by Jean Kohut.

LV Bowling

By Bob Cohen

The 2015/2016 season is underway! The Village has fielded 14 teams once again. In addition to 48 returning veterans bowling as regular teams members and five others bowling as subs, we have six new members and two people returning to the league after taking a year hiatus, for a total of 61 members.

Our requirements are always changing, and we usually need several subs each week, so if you are interested in bowling with us, contact me at 217-4118.

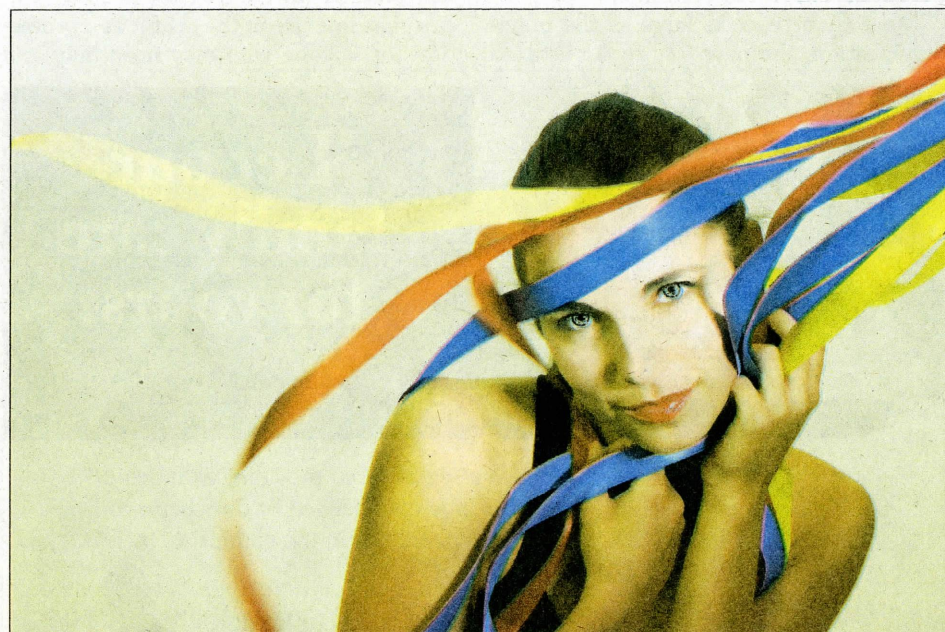
The results of our vote on the proposed rule change is:

Option 1: (No Change)	26
Option 2 (Raise fee to \$5)	6
Option 3 (Mixed missing member/sub fee)	11
Abstain.....	2
The rule remains unchanged.	

Saturday Nite Dance Party

By Andrea I. Moran

Hi Leisure Village neighbors. Hope everyone is having a great summer. We had a great August lineup with dancing and listening to the music here at Leisure Village. We are so grateful for the volunteers who help. If you wish to be on the commit-



Camera club winner, 1st Place Open, *Won A Ribbon At The Fair* by Don Treadwell.

tee, contact Joyce Baker or myself.

The schedule for September: 9/05 Jerry Dokken (ballroom); 9/12 Country Dance; 9/15 Forever Young; 9/26 John/John Duo (Hawaiian Theme) Ballroom.

Why sit home on Saturday night when you can have a nice evening with friends right here in the AR from 7:30 to 10 p.m.? \$7 per person admission. Sounds like fun to me. See you there.

Women's Club

By Chi Chun

The Women's Club invites you to dine with us and be drawn into the suspense of the Murder Mystery Theater, "How the West Was Won," presented by professional performers, the Flying H Group. This will be our September General

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Meeting held on Thursday, Sept. 10, at 5:30 p.m. in the AR. This is an evening of firsts — first night meeting, the first dinner theater, first mystery.

On the menu is spaghetti with meat sauce or vegetable lasagna, bread, dessert, wine and coffee — with murder!

If you don't have your tickets yet, hurry to the Box Office, 9-11 a.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. The price of the tickets is \$20; seating is limited. Contact Shearon Millar, president, 603-2773.

The Mavericks

By Margo Secia

Sharon Loney will host the Mavericks' fourth annual "Fashion Show (Thrift Store Style)" on Friday, Sept. 25 at 7 p.m. in the AR. All the men and women models will be wearing great outfits costing \$20 or less that were purchased at local thrift stores. Our emcee will provide details on each outfit while the models walk the "runway" through the audience. This is a very popular event so purchase your tickets early for



Camera Club winner, 1st place Assigned, *Siesta In The Serengeti* by Lorraine Friedman.

\$7 per person from the Box Office in the Rec Center Lobby on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 9 to 11 a.m. or by calling Sharon Loney at 419-4853. There will be no reserved tables/seating

and tickets are limited. We hope everyone will come to enjoy the fashions and join their friends for cake and champagne following the show. Wine, coffee, tea and water will be available and, as always, you

may BYOB. You won't want to miss this very entertaining show, so come join in all the fun!

Everyone should be giving some thought for their costumes, as planning has begun for our annual Halloween Party in October. Look for all the details in the October ILV issue and on e-News.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to call President John Wirtz at 384-8508 or Vice President Ruth Stubba at 494-6774.

Writers Club

By Larry Kalisher

The Writers Club meets every Monday at 1 p.m. in the MPR. Anyone interested in writing short stories or poems or just listening to others is welcome to join us. Some club stories from August can be seen in the library just inside the door. Suggested topics for September are: Activities Outside Leisure Village, Advice To A Senior In High School and The Most Enjoyable Topic I Have Written On. For

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Doctor John Truong received his Bachelor of Science at University of California Irvine. He went on to pursue dentistry and received his D.M.D degree from Western University of Health Sciences in Pomona, California. Dr. John Truong practiced in Paramount, CA and taught dentistry part-time at Western University of Health Sciences

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Golfers go one over par for a picnic



Photos by Patti Crichton

Christine Gunning and Gail Hillesheim share a laugh at the 19th hole picnic.



John Palmer teeing off at the 18th hole.



Healthy and tasty food served at the picnic, coordinated by Leslie Rawlings.

The Tee Timers Tournament is a mixed Men and Women's annual event, where the Golf Clubs combine their talents on the greens. The Clubs take turns each year hosting the tournament and luncheon.

It is a prime opportunity for husbands and wives to team up and play together. It is also an opportunity for members of both Clubs to play together and socialize.

Awards were announced at the luncheon and the friendly competition was enjoyed by all participants.



ABOVE: Marilyn Rizzardi and Patricia Turner half way through the tournament.

LEFT: Patricia and Dan Turner team up in the Tee Timers mixed event.

WHAT ARE THE ODDS?



Photo by Jerry Spector

By Roz Feldman

On May 4, not knowing it, my roof neighbor Brena Lestner and I both had our scrapes and dents being worked on by two different auto repair companies. What a coincidence!

Both working on our driveways, on the same day, at the same time and both cars are Hyundais. Neither knew the other was scheduled to have this done. What are the odds?

A DOG'S LIFE

By Arlo Amerikaner



Leaping lizards

There I was lazing in the window waiting for my mom to come home. We were in the middle of a summer heat wave, which was fine by me. I wandered into the kitchen to slurp from my water bowl. I heard something. I looked up. There was a little lizard scampering around on top of the skylight. I did what any self-respecting pup would do. I began barking my head off. Then Mom came in. She looked up and saw it. She did what any self-respecting mom would do. She started screaming her head off. When we finished our hysterics, the reptile had stopped in its tracks. It was more scared of us than we were of him. Mom regained her composure and called the Leisure Village office. Although sym-

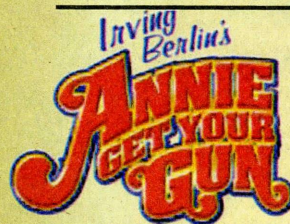
pathetic, the LV personnel couldn't send someone right now. All the guys were at work on the new pool and rec center.

We both looked up at the lizard. Mom was thinking what to do? I was thinking how yummy it would taste. I figured she would wait till Dad came home. But Mom said, "Every time your dad goes on a ladder, he breaks something." She had to act now, so Mom made a bold choice. She called Jay of Handyman and Son, for whom "no job is too small." And guess what? He came right over, got up, got the lizard and put him outside. That leaping lizard was saved. Darn. I wouldn't have minded a little bite. Enough excitement for a hot day. Went back to my window and dreamed about lizard stew. So much for the dog days of summer in Village 17.

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Musicians Club

By Dick Guttman

Mark the calendar for Friday, Oct. 2, when the Musicians Club will present a special event, La Dolce Vita-The Sweet Life, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the AR. Of course, solid and liquid refreshments will be served. Don't miss it.

LV Woodshop

By Chuck Russell

The Woodshop's "Village Repair" program has kept our members busy this year. We welcome residents who bring items to be fixed to our shop and do our best to repair whatever has been damaged. Projects are divided into three categories: residential, clubs and LV Association, and quick projects (such as replacing tennis balls on



Photo by Jerry Spector

From left: Ted Lansing, Bud Bradley, Chuck Russell, Steve Alnes, Roger Williams and Ron Quick of the LV Woodshop club.

walkers, for example). Here's what we've repaired in the first seven months of 2015:
Residential: 148 projects

Clubs and LVA: 38 projects
Quickies: 38 projects

This month, the committee members are modifying the ticket sales boxes for the Players Guild. Photos of the "before" are shown in this issue. The October issue of ILV will have the "after" photos.

There's no charge for our work. But we do accept donations for materials and supplies. We can't guarantee that we can fix everything. But our team does its best to restore all items.

Residents are welcome to bring things

that need repair to the Woodshop in the Rec Center on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings between 10 a.m. and noon. If you want to join the Woodshop team, you should have woodworking experience and the ability to operate the power equipment safely. Contact Chuck Russell at 383-3034 who will answer questions and set up an appointment for you to be checked out on the equipment.

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Photo by Chuck Russell

The Woodshop committee members are modifying the ticket sales boxes for the Players Guild.

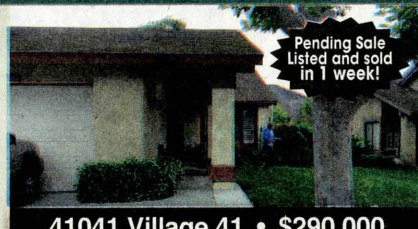
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Photo by Jack Miller

From left, Dave McCutcheon, Jeff and Mary Beil, Linda Gordon, Bev Manzo, Cyndee Miller and Judy Hope.

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LV RV Club

By Darryl Sobelman

Judy found the Leisure Village RV Club at Valencia Travel Village. In attendance were Jeff and Mary Beil, Howard and Linda Jacobowitz, Linda Gordon, Bev Manzo, Jack and Cyndee Miller and David McCutcheon and Judy Hope. It was a Red, White and Blue campout celebrating Independence Day. Lots of food, games and a relaxing time!

Judy Hope, who is new to the Village and to the RV lifestyle, jumped right in to help plan some campouts for us. Thank you so much, Judy, for all your hard work! Now we just need LVRV Club members to sign up for the outings. Judy is our new Wagonmaster.

Here are the outings that are in the planning stages now.

2015

Sept. 25-27 - Holloways Marina & RV Park, Big Bear Lake

Nov. 13-15 - Pismo Coast Village, Pismo Beach

2016

Jan. 22-24 - Hobson County Beach Park, Ventura

Feb. 19-20 - Camp Comfort, Ojai - Hosts: Ruthie Kay & Verna Cryder

March 4-7 - Oasis Las Vegas RV Resort, Las Vegas, NV

May 6-8 - Wine Country RV Resort, Paso Robles

July 1-5 - Holloways Marina & RV Park, Big Bear Lake

Oct. 7-9 - Newport Dunes RV Park, Newport Beach

"These dates and places are tentative based on how much interest we get in the next few weeks. I know it looks like a long way off, but if we don't book early, we might not get in at all," says President Jack Miller.

These, and other campouts will be developed in the coming months, so join us.

Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month, now at 7 p.m. in the MPR.

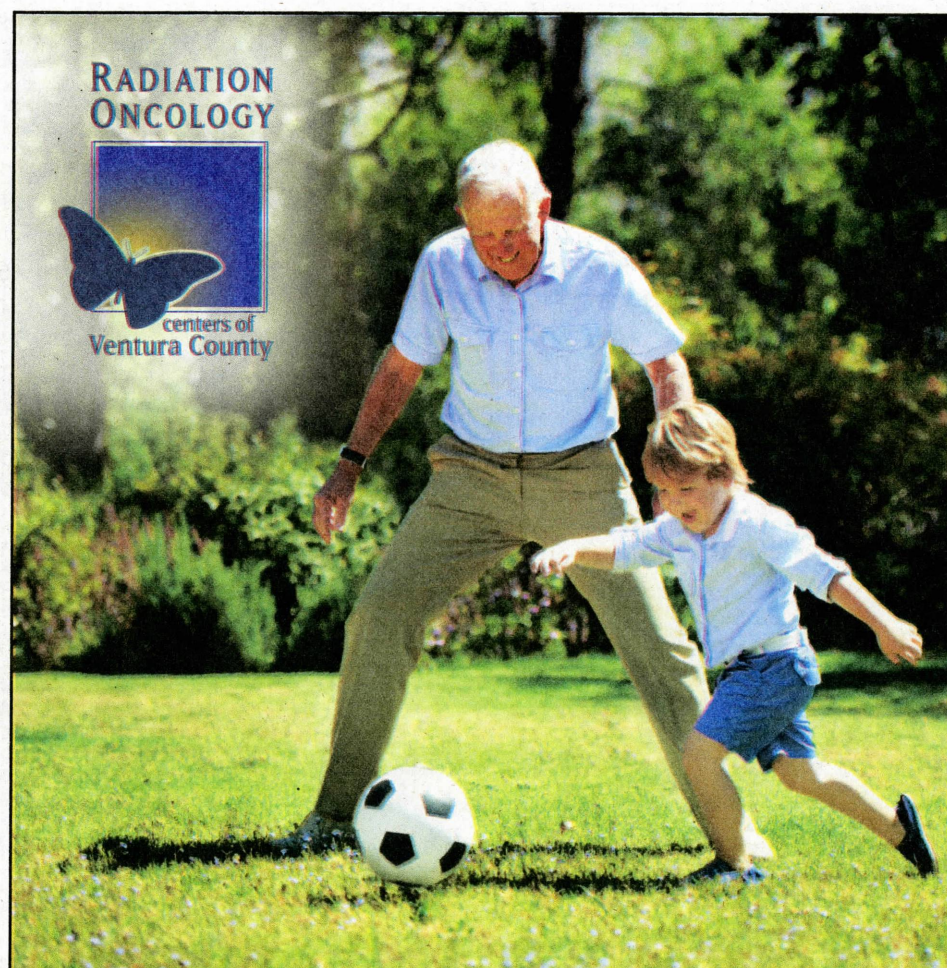
For more information on the club and its activities, attend one of our meetings, or call Jack Miller, president at 233-7796.

The New York Club

By Frank Seiden

At our Oct. 1 meeting, the New York Club will have a pizza party for club members only at no charge. We look forward to

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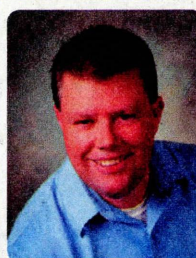
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seeing all our members in the AR at 6 p.m.

We are still looking for someone who would undertake arranging the entertainment for our meetings. Please, if you or someone you know would do this, call Frank Seiden (437-6242) or Florence Sklarz (482-5001).

In Other Words

By Frank Seiden

Four people came to our last meeting to try us out. They found it easy to join discussions of the writings presented and their comments and questions were helpful and provocative. We look forward to them becoming regular members.

At our September meetings, the subjects will be on choosing and combining words creatively and on making the lead (the opening sentence) one that draws the reader into the story or poem. Our normal meeting days are the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. When there is a conflict with a holiday or other event that would keep people from attending, we will agree on an alternate date. Check the Village Voice calendar for our meeting schedules. We look forward to greeting new writers, whether for poetry or prose, at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 9, in the Lantai Room.

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By Zelda Greentree

You have to eat — don't you? Well, join us for a delicious Italian dinner with the singles of LV. We meet every third Tuesday of the month at 5 p.m. at Ottavio's Italian Restaurant. We have a private room and we each get our own check. Our next "Dinner Out" will be on Sept. 8. All you need to do is make your reservation with Lee Edwards at 484-3289. She is standing by at all times to speak to you. Make the call. You won't be sorry.

LV Camera Club

By Jackie Fishman

President Ken Lauchner focused this month's business meeting on emails received from club members in response to his request for ideas on how to improve our photography skills. These comments prompted an eager discussion as to how

we can help each other improve our skills especially by utilizing Photoshop and our many different cameras. Those more advanced will be mentoring those who are new. Ken will also be giving workshops with Joel Leslie in September and October as needed. Our past president, Marlene, volunteered to mentor with Photo shop Elements. Mentoring will be done on a one-on-one basis.

The judge this month was "Hutch." And the winners for the month of August were

From 19 entries in the Assigned Category (Photo Journalism): First Place, Loraine Friedman for *Siesta in the Serengeti*; Second Place, Doug Demers for *Dry Dock*; Third Place, Gregg Gillmar for *Sunrise Photo Op*; First Honorable Mention, Sue Gillmar for *A Camera is Quicker*; Second Honorable Mention, Marlene Votion for *Do We Really Want to Do This?*

From 20 entries in the Open Category: First Place, Don Treadwell for *I Won a Ribbon at the Fair*; Second Place, Frank DeSimone for *Dunk Like a Pro*; Third Place, Marlene Votion for *I'm Just a Cutie Pie*; First Honorable Mention, Jean Kohut for *Tw for the Honey*; Second Honorable Mention, RA Sarnelle for *Rear End Gears*.

From eight entries in the Creative Category: First Place, Jean Kohut for *Surrounded*; Second Place, Marlene Votion for *Fla Array*; Third Place, John Kingsley for *Wh Has the Right Away*; First Honorable Mention, Sharon Forkner for *Lichen Column*; Second Honorable Mention, Gregg Gillmar for *Second Childhood*.

The Competition Meetings are always held on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Santa Rosa Room. Check with Ken Lauchner if you are interested in attending the workshops, and for mentoring. Ken can be reached by email as follows: ken.lauchner@roadrunner.com

LV Men's Golf

By Rob Sollett

Before the vampires, werewolves and other demons of the night reveal themselves with the rising of the moon, a bunch of brave souls armed not with flaming torches, wooden stakes and silver bullets, but yielding golf clubs, appeared for participation in the Twilight Golf Tournament held by the LVMGA.

Second VP Jim Gaffney, keeping a jovial mood to this new venue, stated: "We ha

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the first and 10th holes covered. Jordan Spieth (No. 1 golfer in the world) is playing on the back nine with Sid. The four-somes are going out, the competition is keen and the shooters are here. Listen how quiet it is. This is serious golf here in the village."

President Jim Mainland remarked: "It's nice to have this kind of thing. Several of our members who work during the day now can get together for a round of golf. One such participant, Gary McGraw, exuberantly praised the event before hitting his first tee shot."

Some two dozen members took part in the inaugural event in July which was organized by First VP Bob Michna. Twilight Golf is a monthly event, with no plans to coincide with the full moon. Ahooooo.

Hearty congrats to Hole in One achievers: Reuben Ruiz who scored his ace on Aug. 7 on the LV Course and Bruce Hochstadter who made his during a Regulation Tournament at Buena on Aug. 5. Bill Crome scored during the opening round of the Aug. 11 Tuesday Tournament. Way to go!



Photo by Rob Sollett

Gary McGraw watches his tee shot during the second LVMGA Twilight Golf Tournament held Aug. 13.

Congrats to Ron Rubenstein who won C Flight in the Olivas Links Senior Men's Golf Club competition in Ventura which included two days of intensive play. "It was one of the rare days when everything worked," he commented. His playing partners were Norm Chapman, Jay Balter and Dan Turner. Our boys from the LVMGA showed them how to play, indeed they did.

Joe Miller scored a Sandy Birdie on No. 6 at the Tee Timers joint club tournament on Aug. 19. Miller reflected: "Also, I shot a 54 net which I'm happy about. It's the first time since my surgery that I played 18 holes." Our sister group, the LVMGA hosted the event. Leslie Rawlings, Third VP said: "All went well and all had a great time. A lot of laughs."

Racquet Club

By Leslie Fox

Summer is coming to an end and I am sure our picnic was the best! If anything noteworthy happened I will be sure to let you know next month.

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CLUB NEWS

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With the end of summer the hot days should be ending as well. The "heat" has caused a little confusion (not because we're LV residents???) as to when to play Round Robin on Mondays and Wednesdays. Until the temps come down a bit, play will begin at 4 instead of 3. Hope this will help those of you who have missed out.

Otherwise our schedules for our courts are:

- Round Robin begins at 4 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday
- Group play Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday 8 to 9 a.m.
- Open play Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday from 9 to 11 a.m.
- Spring/summer social mixer Friday nights at 4 p.m. until dark
- Advanced players are late afternoon on Tuesday, Saturday and Sunday
- Pickle Ball is Monday and Wednesday from 9 to 10:30 a.m.

Any new residents interested in tennis, paddle tennis or pickle ball, lessons and instructions are available. For more info on any of the racquet club's activities, please contact Diane Carroll at 419-4325.

Have a wonderful month full of great play and lots of fun!

LVWGA

By Patti Crichton

We have had a busy summer with lots of golf and special events. The Summer Eclectic Tournament wrapped up at the end of July.

Results: 18'ers Merle Ruiz and Kerry Williams tied for Low Gross at 61, and Wilma Hutson took Low Net at 44. 9'ers

Patti Crichton took Low Gross at 36, and Sue Hongsermeier was Low Net at 21. Congratulations to all participants!

The Tee Timers Tournament and Picnic was hosted by the Women on Aug. 19. It was a fun day where women and men mix it up on the course, followed by lunch in the picnic area and awards. Good times were had by all. Joe Miller had a starring role with his low score and sandy birdie.

Twilight golf continues in popularity. We will finish the summer season with one more 4 p.m. start Sept. 30.

September is our Ringer Tournament month. We will play on Sept. 9, 16 and 23, with the opportunity to improve our scores each time. Good luck, ladies.

Mark your calendars: The next meeting is Sept. 9 in the Garden Room at 2 p.m. Come early for snacks, visits and bring \$1 for the 50/50 draw. Newcomers welcome.

The men are hosting the annual mixed Harvest Picnic on Tuesday, Sept. 29. Tickets will be on sale soon.

Check the golf bulletin boards for the latest updates and information.

Shuffleboard Club

By Diane Hawrylo

High scores submitted for an eight-frame game in July were: June 24, Diane Fleisher, 154; July 1, Milt Krapes, 160; July 8, Keith Murchland, 155; July 15, Jackie Whitehead, 143; and July 22, Diane Fleisher, 159.

High scores submitted for an eight-frame game in August were: July 29, Cela Foster, 163; Aug. 5, Cela Foster, 156; Aug. 12, Diane Fleisher, 151; and August 19, Milt Krapes, 185.

We regularly play shuffleboard on Wednesdays at 9:30. Villagers are invited to join. We will teach you if you don't know

how. There are no dues. You can practice at any time. Come and join the fun.

Wii Bowling

By Muriel Bannatz

Congratulations to Paul Schifanelli for bowling two consecutive 300 games. That's 24 strikes in a row. Wow! Good job.

If you would like to join a fun group, get some exercise and learn a new and easy skill, join the Wii Bowling Club. Anyone interested may contact either Joan Levy at 482-6871 or Lois O'Connor at 844-2763.

Billiards Club

By Patrick Price

The Billiards Club membership meeting is Sept. 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the Garden Room.

A Billiards Club 1-15 pool tournament is scheduled to start Monday, Oct. 12. Sign-ups begin in mid-September. Join this challenging tournament and test your skills.

Join our popular Thursday night challenge. Sign-up is 6 p.m. And, there is the fun LCR game in the Lanai room for those not playing pool.

The Amateur Radio Club

By Jonathan Fox

Last month, we had a very interesting guest speaker, Dr. Jeff Wolf. Using many pictures and short movie clips, he showed how the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club makes a once-a-year trek over to Catalina Island to set up several ham radio stations and then make contacts all over the world.

These contacts are highly valued because there are not a lot of small islands that have ham radio stations.

If you are curious about becoming a member of the club, please join us at one of our regular meetings. You do not have to be a licensed amateur radio operator to join. We will provide help in getting your license if you choose to get one and it's now easier than ever since Morse code is no longer required. Meetings are normally held the first Thursday of the month in the MPR at 2 p.m. For more information contact Jonathan Fox at 377-3697 or KJ6LV@yahoo.com.

Players Guild

By Stan Reshes

One of the most popular workshop productions from Players Guild has been the salutes to famous composers. Cole Porter, Irving Berlin and Johnny Mercer are a few who have been honored in the past with productions exclusively featuring their songs. And this month Burt Bacharach will be the subject.

For over 40 years his partnership with Hal David has dominated the pop music scene. And their discovery in 1961 of a member of the Drifters' backup vocal group became the focus of their composing energy. That was Dionne Warwick, who had 15 top singles from 1962 through 1968.

Our multi-talented Players Guild entertainers will perform classic hits such as *Walk on By*, *Do You Know the Way to San Jose*, *Close to You* and many others. A songfest not to be missed ... Thursday, Sept. 17, 7:30 p.m. in the AR. Refreshments following the show, and still only \$5 to become a member through 2015.

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war-time '40s as the AR reverberates to the strains of *Reveille*, *You're a Grand Old Flag* and *Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy*.

Re-live again the turbulent years of the

PEN PAL from 1

n Sweden for 40 years.

The pen pals remained in contact until 1968. Then college graduation and marriages followed, and letter writing dwindled into silence.

"My last message to her was on a Snoopy card I sent in June of that year. I told her about my husband Jerry and our new lives in Los Angeles," recalled Judy.

Christina and her husband Ejell have travelled a lot over the years, and it was on a trip from San Francisco to Redondo Beach that she recalled her pen pal – now named Judy Spector – lived somewhere in Southern California. A friend suggested Facebook for a search, and, over time, Christina wrote to every Judy Spector on that site. A few months ago, the right Judy Spector saw the note, responded, and the reunion in Seattle became real.

Vietnam era mood of the day through the music of the time including *Imagine* and *Age of Aquarius*.

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"It was such an exciting time. We are so much alike," said Judy. "We both have a son and a daughter. We both worked at colleges. We love to travel afar and to walk (which they did in abundance during their four days in Seattle). We read a lot and both belong to book clubs. I would mention an author, and Christina could name the book."

Much to Judy's surprise, Christina kept the Snoopy card that was Judy's last letter. "It was like being in a time machine, to see my 21-year-old handwriting," she laughs. They both promise no more time machines will be necessary. "We are already talking about where our next get-together will be," Judy adds. Of course, the pen pals will be emailing each other, too.

Photo by Jerry Spector

RIGHT: Christina (right) and Judy hold the last card sent in 1968.



God Bless the U.S.A.

All of this happens on 9/11 as Showtime presents *God Bless the U.S.A.* featuring the singing of Terika Jefferson, Hannah Davey, Kendyl Yokoyama, Madeline Gambon, Jeanette Mora and Vanessa Townsell, along with an ensemble of

her talented students. All of this plus a narration by Joyce Schifanelli promises to be a show worth remembering. Mark your calendars now: Sept. 11, 7:30 p.m. in the AR.

Did you know?

Ellen Neally, V. 8, was in a bar one night when someone was buying drinks for all? She ended up with three shot glasses in front of her, and asked three guys at a table if they wanted one. One, John, said yes. Three months later they were married. That was 16 years ago.

Gail Singer, V. 7, met her husband Alan because his bowling team needed another bowler? And now, 41 years later, they are still bowling together in the LV Bowling League.

Charlie Hartman, V. 42, paid his way through St. Michael's High School and Iona College by working at the Bronx Zoo? While working there, he was hit by lightning. He believes he survived.

Gerry Leibowitz, V. 23, and her husband had five party stores in the San Fernando Valley?

Leslie Fox, V. 13, recently fulfilled her bucket list by sky diving in Camarillo?

Danel Stites, V. 40, was a blood sister to Rory Calhoun's daughter? The well-known 60s movie star performed that ceremony himself.

Helen Hartman, V. 42, while in high school worked in her parents' hot dog and ice cream stand located across the street from Central Park in New York?

Are You Connected?

Jeannine Hinkel (Rutter), V. 16, moved from Apple Valley (Sun City), and graduated from Dorsey High School in Los Angeles. (909) 253-9050.

Leo (Ed) Hinkel, V. 16, graduated from high school in North Kansas City, Missouri. (909) 329-8078.

Georganne Norton, V. 32, moved from the Valle Linda area of Camarillo, and graduated from high school in Dallas, Texas and SMU. 987-9215.

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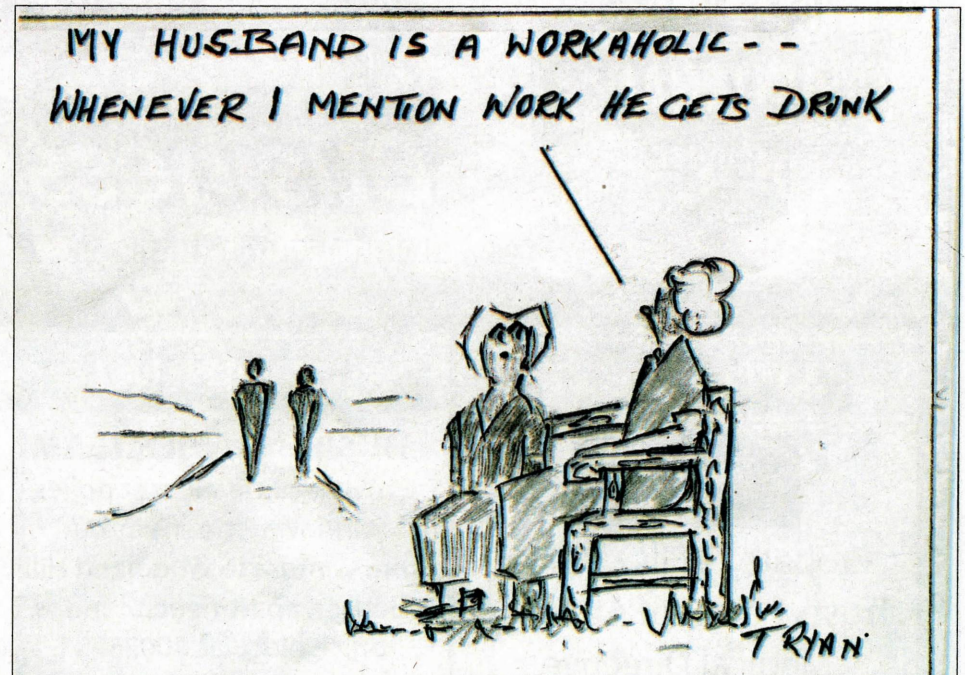
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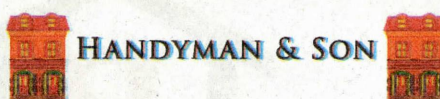
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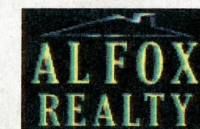
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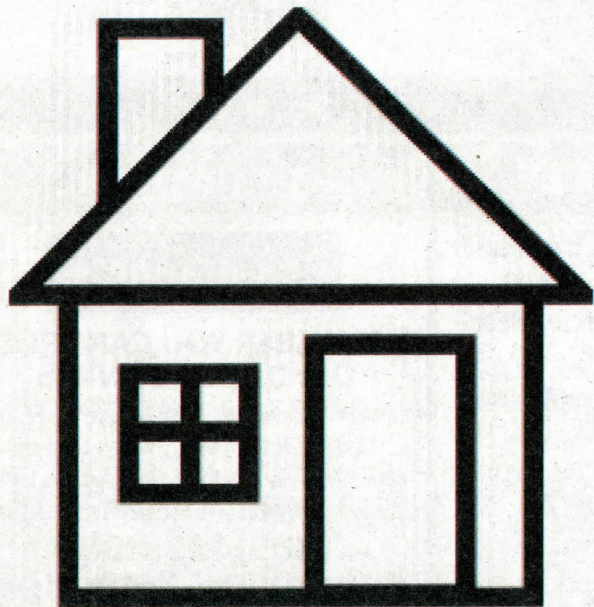
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