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# **Changes Coming to LV's Garbage Collection System**

That headline alone evokes dozens of guestions. Why does it need to be changed? Whose can is it anyway? Where can I store new can replacements? What if we aren't able to pull the can out to the curb? What happens to the 2136 holes in the ground?

The answers to these and other related queries are not easy, nor answered yet in some cases, and may not be finalized as long as all concerns are focused on dealing with COVID-19.

However, some conversations between E.J. Harrison, the waste management company for all of Camarillo, and Leisure Village representatives occurred before the pandemic began. So, some Garbage pick-up rules changing. information about possible changes is available.

It seems clear that Village garbage collection will be different in the future. Driving that



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covered by the larger contract. Harrison says Leisure Village pays half of what residents outside the gates pay.

That includes special services like the underground change is the corporation that does the work garbage barrels. "They represent serious safety issues for - E.J. Harrison & Sons, which is responsible our drivers," says Daniel Harrison, Contract Complifor pick up throughout Camarillo because of ance Manager for the company. "They have to get out its contract with the City of Camarillo. Leisure of the truck at each stop, pull out the barrel, dump Village does not have a separate agreement with it, then put it back. LV is the only community that Harrison; special services to the Village are is provided this service." He cites it is safer that the

automated barrels can be emptied from the curb by driver control inside the cab. He adds that accommodations would be necessary for residents who could not roll out the barrels themselves.

A concern for Leisure Village is storage for those roll-out barrels. In garages? On patios? In red stake gardens? Harrison has suggested the smaller 32-gallon barrels. But the question of where to store them is complicated. Rick Wilkman, Co-Chair of the Village Architectural Committee, says the group has begun to look for answers, including building shelters or creating concrete pads outside for them, recognizing that one-car garages often won't have room.

Many questions must be answered in any new agreement between Harrison and Camarillo. One will be answered inside Leisure Village beginning June 1st. Harrison will no longer pick up trash bags of green waste left outside the trash can for free. The new charge

— Please see Page 10

# The Helping Hands of Leisure Village

By Patty Ecker

People who live here learn quickly about the warmth and neighborliness of Villagers. However, the giving nature, hard work, and personal outreach from so many of our neighbors during the first three months of the COVID-19 Pandemic have been extraordinary. Look at this scoreboard of contributions from Leisure Village's helping hands thus far:

Handmade Masks: more than 2790

Plastic Gowns: 42

Two-way Patient Monitors: 16 Cash Donations: \$1000 (so far)

Members of the Women's Club started the outreach. "We began to hear that some of our neighbors didn't have masks," Shearon Millar recalls. "We wanted every Villager to have at least one. So, several women who liked to sew quickly stitched up some. And a wave began." Shearon laughs as she admits that in the first weeks that wave kept the volunteers busy eight to ten hours a day, creating the masks, collecting the finished products and distributing them to LV residents as

well as to locations around the county such as the County Rescue Mission, the Angel of God Hospice, local hospitals, and nursing homes.

Villager Phyllis Angers was in that first wave. "I'm a sewer. When I heard that neighbors didn't have masks, I got busy," she says. And that's not the half of it. Through the middle of May, Phyllis has made 420 double-lined masks – not bad for a 90-year-old retired nurse who says she actually wore out one of her sewing machines on this project. "I'm kind of fussy," she laughs. "I am committed to keeping the virus out."

It didn't take long for others to join the Covid-19 attack. Susan Rockwell fired up her sewing machine to make 637 masks by mid-May. Mamata Kalle sewed more than 250 protectors for Villagers, and she spread the word to all those in the Bone Builders and duplicate bridge groups. Her husband Hemu Kalle and Sandy Jacobs answered the need of the Healthcare Foundation of Ventura County and learned to make personal protective plastic gowns. "We make them out of large garbage bags; we've made 42 for the healthcare workers," Hemu explains, "And they tell us they need more."



Phyllis working 8 to 10 hours a day making masks.

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Shearon Miller's house

Central" for the masks,

was "Distribution

The Village has been alive with helping hands: cutting material, making seam binding, cutting thousands of elastic ties, and donating money to support the effort. "People just knock on our doors and hand us cash," says Shearon, "They say not for a mask for themselves, rather for masks for other people. So far, we've collected more than \$1000."

Next time you see these special residents around the Village, you know what to do.

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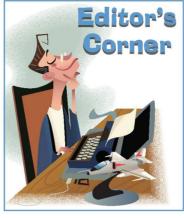
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Over the many years Leisure Village has been in existence, people have raved about what a great community it is and how happy they were to live here. Well, since the COVID-19 emergency, our neighbors have stepped it up a notch in terms of caring about each other and helping defeat this ugly virus. Patty Ecker's front-page article about Women's Club members, and others, initiating projects to sew masks, make protective garments and generally look-out for our residents, is

an example of how communities should respond to adversity. I applaud the work that is being done and the discipline of our people to shelter in place and follow the county guidelines. We are going to win this battle with few or no casualties.

In this issue we have some items that may be of interest: a cryptogram, the answers to Larry's walking trivia and other articles of interest.

Take care and be safe!

- Tim Palmer

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# The Human Connection and Its Healing Powers

By Janey Rifkin

In our neighborhood, something is happening. A walk on spring evenings easily involves a dozen hellos and a few spontaneous conversations. Decked out in our face masks, and maintaining social distances for safety from the dreaded COVID-19 disease, we are partaking of feelings of continuity and connectiveness during this most unusual time in our lives.

Come to find - we have no corner on the market - the human connection is endemic throughout the communities; a blessing indeed! Neighbors are checking in with one another, sharing phone numbers and email addresses, and coordinating tag-team trips to the grocery and pharmacy. You might say grocery shopping has become the 2020 version of food rationing.

One talented neighbor is hand-crafting face masks; another shares her culinary artistry among many shut-ins; and a few have shared home-made cookies, especially welcome at this time. Not just people-helping people, but how striking to receive phone calls from offices, companies, and agencies we have dealt with, offering their help, however needed.

Evolution designed our brains for empathy, for caring, for the love of others, and for the binding of the tribe. Embracing community is our best legacy in the midst of a pandemic, and we ourselves are indeed the better for it. Our church, like so many other houses of worship, suspended all gatherings for an extended time, also a safety precaution. It is our collective wish that we all survive this world-wide outbreak.

Some among us are sickly. Especially for them, a sense of imminent threat makes the world feel less safe and hospitable. Despite the polarized time in which we live, our community instincts remain alive and well. We step up and come together. And that's what is happening in our neighborhood.



# **IN MEMORIAM**

Marie Donnel, V. 32
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# **LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

Your kind words and expressions of support and affection have helped our family and me immensely during these days since we lost Marie. She and I loved living in Leisure Village, and your concern for us is an example of why we felt lucky and safe to be here, and why I now am fortunate to be comforted by that Village warmth. Thank you so much.

— Chuck Donnel, Village 32

My family and I would like to thank all of the Villagers that sent prayers, flowers, notes, emails etc. after hearing about the unexpected death of my husband of 66 years, Jim Thurmond. Having the support of friends and family means a lot to all of us and will get us by this devastating ordeal. Thank you again.

— Sue Thurmond, Village 7

# Easy as one, two, three, FORE!

By Joseph Benti

On a recent, gray Sunday morning, we captured a moment that helps to illustrate one of those moments that challenge some and confound others. Two couples, each a member of our Village Golf Clubs, matter-of-factly and effectively illustrated just a couple of basic changes in behavior dictated by County restrictions in this time of the COVID-19 Virus. On the first tee, Debbie Dolan's drive heads for the green where your sharp eye may notice there is no flag marking the hole. Though some guess work is needed to figure where the hole is located, players managed to adapt their play easily while saving time not having to remove and replace the flag. Another major feature of this photo is the players' honoring the "Social Distance" stipulation clearly posted at several points around the Rec Center and constantly referenced

by various sources. The others, Leslie and Chuck Hall and Chuck Dolan observe the recommended six feet of separation. To the casual viewer it may appear that the "Two Chucks," are closer than the required six feet, in fact, they are not. The group provided both a timely reminder of some of the Virus-related rules and prove how easily Village golfers can accommodate their games to those rules, at least for now.



Photo by JOSEPH BENTI Golfers maintaining social distancing

# Spam Calls - Online Safety for Seniors

■ Take Control of Those Pesky Robocalls

By Louis Lapides

Hardly a day goes by in which I am targeted by an avalanche of robocalls. These annoying intrusions are non-stop and cause us to feel helpless. According to YouMail, which provides call blocking services, there were 58.5 billion robocalls in the U.S. in 2019. Forty-four percent of these calls were illegitimate. Can we actually take control of the influx of these fake calls?

First, we need to understand what are robocalls. An AARP article on this problem states, "Illegal robocalls include telemarketing spam (automated sales calls from companies you haven't authorized to contact you) and attempts at outright theft. Prerecorded messages dangle goodies like all-expenses-paid travel or demand payment for nonexistent debts to get you to send money or give up sensitive personal data."

Next, understand the key to any "successful robocall" is to get you to answer the phone. Robocall scammers will use ID spoofing to hide their location, tricking you into thinking you are receiving a call from a legitimate or local number. One study shows 59% of people will pick

up these calls if they see it has been placed from a similar area code. Once you pick up the call, the scammer on the other end of the line assumes you are all ears. Now you have provided these crooks exactly what they want: a real person on the line and the knowledge that their repeated attempts to verify your number have paid off.

Finally, recognize that awful robotic voice will say anything to keep you on the line. They will lie about who they represent: the utility company or a federal agency like Social Security. They will say anything to get you to give them your personal data, credit card information or social security number. Here is the real shocker: these calls will tell you to press a particular key to learn more, or to get off a call list. By trying to get off that call list, you have actually put yourself on the list!

In further articles I will share additional steps to take to reclaim your telephone privacy. For now, I advise you not to engage these calls. Ignore them. Hang up on them if you mistakenly answer their call.

Don't forget that some robocalls are legitimate. I will receive robocalls from my dentist reminding me of a dental appointment. Be on guard against the fake calls.



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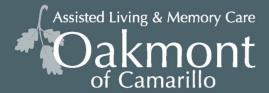


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# **BRIEFS**

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#### **Have You Sent in Your 2020 Census Form?**

You can do that by mail or internet. Over 80% of your neighbors have already completed the task. There is still time to do it! If you are waiting for someone to knock on your door, they will be coming sometime between now and August 14. Mail it in, it is easier!

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# **Day 63**

By Pat Lagerstrom

Day 63? Unbelievable! But true, and we are hanging in there together. Have you started any new habits? Are they habits worth keeping? I started walking my dog Barkley every day and now it is a habit. When I sit down and do my morning writing, Barkley waits until I am finished and then looks at me with those big brown eyes that say, "can we walk now?" How can I resist? So off we go, and it feels so good to be outside, ummm, with my mask on. Barkley does not wear one. I tried but he chewed it up.

Thinking about habits, there are some that would be worth keeping. One I experimented with was getting in touch with old friends. I called a lady that I met when I was thirteen years old. I hadn't talked with her in years. We had a delightful conversation, and we caught up with each other. When I got off the phone I had a warm feeling go through my body.

I have noticed over the last twenty years a speed up of life. "Hurry, hurry" is the theme, and "I want it yesterday" is the comment. Maybe it is time to s l o w down, and appreciate what we have, and ask ourselves what we can do to help others. Sounds good to me!

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# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

# LEISURE VILLAGE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

The Leisure Village Association annual membership meeting will be held on June 25 at 10:00 a.m. in the AR. Absentee ballots are due by close of business on June 24. Refer to the May Village Voice for the official notice.

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# **NOTES**

# A "Thank You" from the Somis Food Pantry

LV's Women's Club provided much needed support last month to the Somis Food Pantry that serves more than 400 people, the working poor and those recently unemployed who live in the area. The Women's Club check for \$500 was used to "purchase foods on our wish list that are not easily found right now," said the Thank You letter from the Pantry volunteers. Club Treasurer Shardell Wilkman adds that the pantry needs grocery bags which are now in short supply; she will pick them up from Villagers who want to donate them.

#### **Cryptograms**

Encryption, codes and secret messages have been around for centuries. Governments have long used encryption to communicate information they want to keep from the enemy. The most famous example of secret coding was the Enigma Machine devised by Nazi Germany, and ultimately deciphered by British Intelligence.

The simplest kind of secret code is letter substitution in which one letter stands in for another. Here's an example:

GOVERNMENT YHPAKGFAGY

Good luck!

"ZGW JD HT SVIIDU ZHVANXZGJ, ZJL GDF UPZF TDKA XDKGFAT XZG WD SDA TDK, ZJL UPZF TDK XZG WD SDA TDKA XDKGFAT." – MDPG S. LVGGVWT

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#### **LEISURE VILLAGE WALKING TRIVIA ANSWERS**

Disclaimer: "Your mission, should you decide to accept it, is to answer the questions. As usual, should you or any resident of Leisure Village be upset with the writer, the secretary will disavow any knowledge of your existence. These answers will self-destruct in five seconds. Good luck! '

#### **MOUNTAIN VIEW DRIVE EDITION**

- Q: What is the speed limit on Mountain View Drive?
- A: If you figured this out by walking 25 MPH, congrats!
- Q: How many yellow lines at the crosswalk near Village 20?
  - A: 13
- near V. 22?
  - A: (ILV) OR (NO ONE)
- Q: What is significant about the bench near the golf course and across from V 22 between Village 24 & 26 on the right side of the street headed toward LV Dr?
- A: Manufactured by Barco
- Q: There are some yellow dots on one side of the street, only they're supposed to be a total of 31...2 are missing. Clearly define which two are missing by column and row counting from the curb looking toward the middle of the street. Column 1 is on your left and row 1 is closest to the curb.
- A: Column 1 row 6; Column 2 row 7
- Q: What color are the bows on the Easter bunny baskets on the patio in the back of the house at Village 19?
  - A: Yellow
- Q: How many baby ducks did the duck have who is sitting on the patio at the corner of village 23 and Mountain View Dr? And don't forget the little baby near the owl.
  - **A**: 9
- **Q**: Which villages have more than one entrance off Mountain View Dr?
  - A: 16, 17, 20 & 28
- **Q**: There are two gates kind of across the street from each other that have icons hanging on them. What
- A: Pink cat and heart (sorry the pink cat got eaten by the purple

stegosaurus)

- Q: There's a crosswalk by Village 20 between 24 and 26 that has seven diagonal lines. Why do some crosswalks have diagonal lines and others have vertical or horizontal lines (depending on how you are facing them)? You gotta figure this one out for yourself and the more creative your answer, the more points you score... like "the guy who painted them just came from Sheila's Wine Bar."
- A: The guy who painted them just came from Sheila's Wine Bar.
- Q: What could you find out by calling 818-901-6352...but don't call it. You can figure this out without calling the number.
- A: It was a place for rent, guess • Q: Who donated the bench it got rented and they took the sign down.
  - Q: What is significant about the number 21 when you look at the entrance sign on village 25?
  - A: The sign says 25101 to 25347 and if you total the digits in 25347 they equal 21.
  - **Q**: Spell the flower that is pronounced Boo- gun-vee-ya.
    - A: Bougainvillea

#### EAST LEISURE VILLAGE **DRIVE EDITION**

- Q: What telephone number is 805 WUT-ICAT and who comes if you call them?
- A: 805-988-4228; Camarillo
- Q: What is significant about the number 15 on the Village 40 sign?
- A: If you add the 5 digits in the last 5 numbers, total is 15.
- Q: What village did Fred Richter live in?
- A: Fred Richter V33 (on bench donated by "Your Neighbors' Care
- Q: How many handicapped parking spaces in the East Parking Lot?
- Q: The mail is picked up at 10AM and at what time in the afternoon from the mailbox in front of the rec center?
  - A: It's only picked up at 10 AM.
- Q: If you deleted nopar from a sign in the east parking lot, what ruler would remain? (Note: This
  - Please see Page 10



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#### **ANSWERS** From Page 8

question had a typo, should have been an "r" after rule = ruler.

- A: King (No Parking Nopar = King)
- Q: What is the address of the Rec Center?
  - A: 12000 LV Drive
- Q: There is a blooming bush/tree prevalent around Leisure Village that comes in yellow, soft red and white. What is the name of it?
  - A: Hibiscus.
- **Q**: What two villages does the bridge connect?
  - A: What bridge?
- Q: What was the Women's Club busy doing in 2004?
  - A: Donating benches
- Q: What color are bottlebrush
  - **A**: red
- Q: What are the 3 phrases on the green leaves at the bus stop on LV Dr?
- A: 100+ activities; ideal climate; gated security
- **Q**: What tree at what location would it be wise to bring a bottle of vodka to?

• A: Orange tree near V. 34... screwdrivers?

#### WEST LEISURE DRIVE **EDITION**

- Q: What is the article in the LV By-Laws that requires a guest be with a resident host in the RV lot?
  - A: 15.2B
- Q: What is significant about the number 11 with regards to the Village 14 sign?
  - **A**: 14123 add the digits to = 11
- **Q**: At the bocce ball courts or whatever you call that weird game, the signs on the North end are very colorful and reminded me of a country flag. If you wanted to honor that country at dinner, what dish would you bring?
- A: Pasta red, green and white are the colors of the Italian Flag... also the Mexican Flag.
- Q: What is "strac on" spelled backwards?
  - A: No carts on the golf course

- Q: What is radar spelled backwards?
  - A: Radar
- Q: What's the word for words that are spelled the same front and backwards?
  - A: Palindrome
- Q: What was that bird that just
- A: How would I know, you're walking, not me.
- Q: Which villages have more than one entrance off Leisure Village Dr?
  - A: 6, 7, 41, 42
- Q: What two villages does the bridge connect?
  - A: #36 and Brooklyn
- Q: Can you go faster on Mountain View Dr. or Leisure Village Dr.?
  - A: The same
- lage 4?
- A: It is a shortcut that connects LV Drive to Mtn.View Dr. – thank you Seymour.

#### **CHANGES** From Page 1

could be \$5 a bag or more.

And who buys the 6,000 new cans necessitated by the changes? And what will happen to the holes in front of each LV house? And why can't green waste be discarded in LV's large containers?

There's lots more to come. Stay tuned.

#### **CRYPTOGRAM ANSWERS**

May answer: The Staff of Inside Leisure Village wish you a happy Mother's Day.

June Answer: "And so my fellow • Q: What's unique about Vil- Americans, ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country."-John F. Kennedy

# Inside Leisure Village

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# **CLUB NEWS**

#### **VILLAGE ARTS**

By Patti Crichton

We are missing our workshop chats, art classes, and monthly meetings.

But we do now have some time and opportunity to be creative at home. I hope that we can share some of our art when we meet again. Unfortunately, our annual Pavilion Potluck Luncheon in June will not be happening this year. President David Kiefer will keep us informed of any Village Arts updates by email. Stay well!

#### **PLAYER'S GUILD**

By Stan Reshes

# "Carnival" Production Postponed

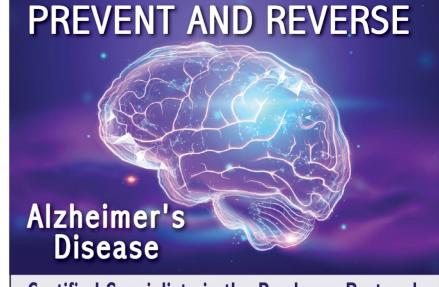
Players Guild's planned production of the musical "Carnival" has been postponed for the current year. For those who have already purchased tickets, con-

tact Barbara Stone, (805) 377-8867 to receive a full refund. They will be required to return their tickets, so it is important to not destroy them. The show is tentatively scheduled to open in April 2021.

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# **CLUB NEWS**

#### **WORKSHOP FOR WRITERS**

Pat Lagerstrom

This is the eighth week of our "stay at home lockdown." What do we do with our time at home? Clean house? Do laundry? Work in the yard? Well, writers write.

There will be plenty of thoughts and stories to share when the lockdown is lifted, and the Workshop for Writers meet again at the recreation center.

Villagers are invited to join us every second and fourth

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Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. Bring your stories to share. The Lanai room is where we meet and, when we hear the all-clear signal, there we will meet again and read our poems, stories, reports, remembrances, and reflections.

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As we work to keep our "social distance," we personally have found that this forced 'distancing' has caused us to more truly cherish all our relationships...from loved ones to acquaintances.

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# UB NEWS

#### **PET CLUB**

By Cathy Michaels

The LV Pet Club invites you to participate in our 2020 Fundraiser! Just as many Americans have sewn masks to protect front-line workers, the Pet Club will make and sell microwaveable cozies for bowls and plates to protect Beach Dog Fun, a valuable business for our Leisure Village and Camarillo community! See the photo!

Beach Dog owner, Melissa, has partnered with the Pet Club to present an annual fun, rollicking, outdoor summer activity for members and their dogs. Plus, many LV residents use Beach Dog Fun services, notably doggie day care. It is now able to open for full day care with curbside drop off/pick up and soon open for dog grooming. Our Beach Dog Fun fundraiser will support business recovery.

To Order: Go to www.lvpetclub. com; microwaveable cozies for bowls and plates—reversible cat and dog or other colorful patterned cozies made by LV volunteers. Great gifts for yourself and others!

#### **SHOWTYME**

By Jennifer Stein

Hello Leisure Village. We are all trying to return to normal. But it's

taking a while to happen. The show will go on as it has for 25+ years. We aren't sure when but it shall and your patience is greatly appreciated. As soon as we get the green light that it's safe to start up again we will inform all the LV residents to \*Mark the Date\*.

Until then, check out Showtyme on Next Door Leisure Village; it talks about fun facts regarding past shows and their entertainers. Let's warm up and start practicing our traditional shout out at the shows.

On the second Friday of each month at 7:00 p.m. let's hear you shout loud and clear. What Time Is It - It's Showtyme! Until we meet again be safe, happy & healthy. Any questions, please call Jennifer at 805-204-8324

FYI: If you enjoy the talented Rick Jarrett, he is performing live from his home in Calabasas. Check him out on Face book or his web page. He sings up a storm. The Hills are Alive in Calabasas.

## **WOMEN'S GOLF**

By Patti Crichton

We have been so fortunate to have our golf course open to play. Special thanks to Beverly Vandermeulen for her support and to Mike Undem and his crew for their upkeep.

So far, there will be no Wednesday morning tournaments and no monthly meetings for Women's Golf. But come on out and enjoy the exer-

cise and fresh air.

Presidents Kathy Whitesell of Women's Golf and Norm Paniagua of Men's Golf have posted a reminder that the golf course is still reserved for the men on Tuesdays from 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and for the women on Wednesdays from 8:00 am-1:00 pm. Please respect those times.

There are a few other rules pertaining to the current Covid situation: please maintain social distancing on the course to a minimum of six feet. No guests from outside, residents only, up to four players maximum. Flagsticks are still absent due to official instructions issued by the County Health Officer, to avoid touching by many hands. President Kathy Whitesell, will inform us of any updates by email in regards to Women's Golf.

#### RACOUET CLUB

By Arnie Kremer

All RC official events continue to be on hold. For now, everyone please stay safe, stay healthy, maintain MINIMUM 6 foot spacing, wear masks, use disinfectant wipes/hand

gel, wash your hands often and keep them away from your face and wear gloves when appropriate.

#### **ACTIVE SENIORS**

By Lee Edwards

Well, we did not make it in May!! Here's hoping restaurants will be open again in June so we may have dinner at Ottavio's on June 9 at 5:00 p.m. Please call me at 805 484-3289.

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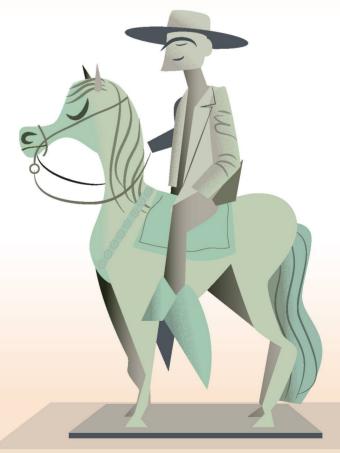
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#### Mortgage Forbearance Scams

Mortgage, forbearance, and loan modification scams increased over 2000% in the first month of the stay-at-home orders. The Ventura D.A. put out a warning about these scams and we have a link to it on our website. Here are the key points:

- Never pay any person or business for mortgage or forbearance assistance, including the negotiation of a new, lower mortgage payment. It is unlawful for any entity to charge an advance fee to negotiate on a borrower's behalf with a lender. Borrowers should contact their lender directly to discuss forbearance options, and never go through a third party.
- Never sign a deed that transfers any portion of home ownership to another person or entity as part of a mortgage assistance or forbearance scheme.
- Never make any portion of a mortgage payment to anyone other than your lender.
- Never stop making mortgage payments to your lender on the advice of a mortgage or forbearance "expert."
- Homeowners struggling to pay their mortgage payment should contact their lender directly to learn what assistance programs may be available.

#### Things to do that increase your protection from current fraud schemes

- Beware of ads, emails and other communications offering COVID testing kits, COVID vaccines, or other types of medical help relating to COVID 19.
- Contact tracing scams: If you get a text claiming you were exposed, and the message contains a link to click on to learn more, DO NOT CLICK it, delete it immediately! The FTC has issued a warning about these scams and assures that messages from local health departments will **not** include links whatsoever. We have more details about this on our website.
- Don't respond to texts, emails or calls about checks from the government.
- Hang up on robocalls
- Beware of emails claiming to be from the CDC or WHO
- Do not make donations in the form of gift cards, cash or by wiring money.

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