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## **Tribute to Directors**

At the 1983 Annual Homeowners Meeting, Board Member Carmen Read expressed herself as follows:

I do want to thank those

members of the Board who will not be with us next year. It may be a little premature since we are not making the change yet, but since so much has been said so far, I feel compelled to point out to you that part of the success of this year's administration has been that Mike Sherman introduced a system of democracy into the consultations and advises of our committees. They felt that they were really contributing. The Board listened very carefully to them, and Mike always made sure that we considered all of their recommendations. He also instituted a system of having members of the committees accompany the chairman to the Advisory Board meetings, so that more people have a view into what makes the administration run. Then Karl Cannon. He is our diplomat. Every time the troubled waters needed a little oil poured on them, he always knew exactly the right way to say things and for that I am very grateful and regret that we won't have him here with us. I hope that he does pour oil on the waters from the audience, wherever he goes. And Robbie Karlin, who always makes light of everything, has a brain that has been of great help to us. He helped guide us through negotitaion of a 3 year labor contract, and without his help, we would not have the good contract we have today and we might even have had a strike on our hands. So, for that I am very grateful, and I am sure that every Board from here on is going to remember that he is our labor expert. I thank you.



Photo by Stabler

New Board of Directors: L. to R.: Phillip La Porte, Carmen Read, Ed Salzer, David Corwin and Lou Okun.

## L.V. Wins Award

General Manager, Skip Roberts, has announced a special award to Leisure Village by the Turf and Landscape Council, Ventura Chapter. A group of staff people involved in landscape maintenance, landscape architecture and landscape supplies. There were several classifications in the competition based on size, etc., and inspection included government areas and golf courses. Judges awarded first prize to Leisure Village in its size category, and then Sweepstakes as best in all categories.

How about that!

## **Retiring Directors Bid Adieu**

MIKE SHERMAN: This is the last occasion that I will have to address you from this seat. I would like you all to remember that this is a Board. It isn't and never has been a one-man show, and I hope it never is. It has taken five to tango--we have learned to work together. For people coming from differbackgrounds, different businesses, different professions and sitting in a room hammering away at some of these problems, it is not always easy. I am not going to make a great big report on accomplishments for this year, because I learned immediately upon getting on the Board of Directors for Leisure Village Association that what I might consider an accomplishment may not be considered an accomplishment by a lot of our constituents. Therefore, there is no sense in patting ourselves on the back. What we did, we did; what I did, I did. I hope

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KARL CANNON: The Chairmen of the committees have reported in depth, and I am not going to review the activities that they have reported on so well. I consider the committees to be the arteries of the circulatory system that our living community depends upon to sustain its healthy existence. As a Board member, I try to contribute to our community's health by strengthening our committees, giving serious attention to their concerns, recommendations and activities. I want to thank all the Association members who served on committees so abley and who gave us all so much of their time and help. In the resolution of problems, sweetness and patience and mutual tolerance did not always prevail, and I want to apologize for those times when I acted in haste, without proper consideration of your concerns and needs. Your new board of Directors

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ROBERT KARLIN: When I first walked in here this morning, this room was jammed with people. It reminded me of a time when I was in Atlanta, Georgia on a union organizing drive and there was a crowd following me--but they were a lynch mob. I'm glad it has thinned out, but I am not going to tell you about past activities. I will tell you about one thing that really touched me during my period as a Director. It happened very recently. In our lifetimes, all of us have been given some commendation, plaque or letter of appreciation. As many of you have, I have received many of those things in the past. Most of them came because someone felt a responsibility to do something for the poor little guy when he is going somewhere else. Recently, I was given a plaque by the Women's Club as "Man of the Year," and for the first time in as long as I can remember, I

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## **The Long Count**

It was a cliff-hanger.

Ballot Measure B, the Earthquake and Flood Insurance proposal, won by a vote of 1,537 to 242. These figures may convey the impression of a landslide victory; not so.

The affirmative vote was 75.75% of a total eligible vote of 2,029, just barely more than the 75% YES vote required by the C.C.&R.'s to authorize the Board of Directors to levy an insurance assessment over and above the 71/2 % permitted increase in the annual assessment.

ILV welcomes the outcome, for we are convinced that Earthquake and Flood Insurance covering all houses and community structures in Leisure Village will enhance our economic security in the event of very real and possible natural disasters.

Yet, if we are to assess the vote with some degree of perspective, certain observations must be made:

1) In order to achieve a 75% YES vote, it was necessary to extend the voting period from June 22nd to July 5th, utilizing the interim period to solicit proxies from non-voters. This is a common practice of corporations seeking stockholder approval of various resolutions. (Of course, no one is suggesting that it would be in order to use this method to elect Board members.)

2) How much pressure was exerted to obtain favorable proxies is not known, but we do have knowledge of at least one instance when a canvasser attempted to convince a Villager who had already voted on June 22nd, but whose registration had not been recorded, to cast a second ballot. Let it be known that the attempt failed.

3) Why 250 residential units (12.32%) failed to vote on this issue is anybody's guess. It would be instructive to survey the non-voters and tally their reasons for not participating. Perhaps we may learn something that would be helpful in the future.

4) There are still some questions outstanding that cannot be answered until the insurance policy is written and available for

\*\*How will Contents coverage be handled? How much of a deductible will apply? When will the amount of such coverage be determined by each householder--before or after a loss occurs?

\*\*How much Additional Living Expenses are included? (Remember: Very often a building loss results in extended stays in hotels or motels while the property is being repaired or rebuilt.)

A once-famous newspaper chain carried a slogan that read something like this: "Give light and the people will find their own

We are not certain whether enough light was directed on this issue. That is a debatable question. In any event, we are going on te premise that the newly-constituted Board of Directors of L.V. will exercise sound judgment in negotiating the final details of the insurance policy.

## **ABOUT NEXT MONTH**

Coordinator for next month will be Frances Gold. Copy should be placed in the box by the parking lot door of the Rec Center by August 8. Final deadline for LATE-BREAKING NEWS ONLY is noon, August 15. To arrange for photographer call coordinator at least 3 days in advance.

## **Honor Roll** 1982-83 Committees

Tom O'Brien quoted an old saying when he made his Finance Comm. report at the Homeowners annual meeting: "Some people make things happen; some people watch things happen, and some people don't know anything happened." There are many unsung villagers who make things happen so that we may live in a beautiful community. Among these are those who have served on committees during the past year and ILV salutes them.

#### **Finance**

Tom O'Brien, Ch. Gerri Kikendall Herb Swartz Karl Joehnck Abe Milman Aaron Bonderman Simon Schroeder **Ed Donahue Harry Jacobs Dorothy Fencl** 

## **Community Relations**

Jack Fosdick, Ch. Marion Gordon, Co-Ch. Bill Roffman Rosalie Elston Phil Farber

**Dorothy Alexandre** Bill Corwin

Florence Hamrol **Rube Davis** 

#### Information to New Residents

Eva Beck, Ch. **Nita Parentice** Marion Slutsky Hildi Lustig Collice Blank **Dorothy Karlin** Helen Gelb Elaine Sherman

#### **Education and Recreation**

Art Wilson, Ch. Mildred Alexander Frank Craven Dene Dunn Joe Gaynes Bernie Goldman Lillian Goldman **Roy Lester** Ben Miller Don Moore Joe Poliak Herb Schwartz Joe Selber

**Bob Hasen (resigned)** 

## Security and Safety

Lou Okun, Ch. Elmer Eymann Ken MacKaig Jeanne Carlson Ken Wilson Mel Erbsen Art Kaufman Jim Wolf Jesse Uslan Ray Harvey **Betty Edwards** Corky Milman **Architectural** Bemrose Boyd, Ch. Leslie Solomon Lucy Herhardt Ferd Franz Frank Jayson Eugene Markley (resigned) **Jack Rogers** Earl Edwards (resigned) Maurice Bernstein Henry Obenchain

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Jacques La Presle

**Betty Tytler** 

Ottis Reid, Ch. Sharon Green **David Corwin** Max Schneiderman Jeanne Brown Wayne Nelson Herb Levelle Yolande Carr **Arnold Edwards** Mike Kazarian Phillip La Porte

#### **Storm Drain and Flood Control**

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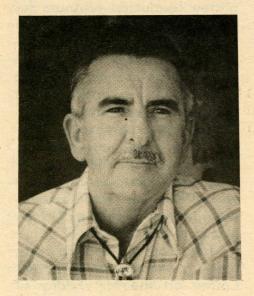
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#### **PRODUCTION**

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## **Villager Makes Hall Of Fame**



Gene Coke - named in "Safety Hall Of

Recently named SAFETY HALL OF FAME is Eugene R. Coke, Chief Engineer on the Glomar Challenger. Gene is retiring, after 23 years, from Global Marine, a company engaged in underwater survey and oil drilling. His early service included working on many of the Global Marine

rigs, and in 1974 when he was chief engineer on the Explorer, it was his ship that located and retrieved the Russian submarine which had exploded and sunk.

Gene's citation states in part his "never having suffered a Lost Time Accident.

Gene and wife Lucy have moved from Carpenteria back into their home in Village 4 and are long-time members of the Village Swingers Square Dance Club. Welcome back, and Congratulations!



## **ALL HART**

The readers of ALL HART will miss Ruth Hart's column this month, but we hope that it will be only for this issue. Ruth is recovering from serious surgery and is at home. All of our hearts are with you, Ruth, and our prayers.

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## **Many Villagers Are** Gleaners For Foodshare

By Romaine Lambert

Your Neighbors Care Group recently donated \$120 toward the Foodshare Program, a requirement to ensure the distribution of surplus food to several persons in the village. It may not be generally known, but in addition to free cheese which is distributed periodically, produce and staples are also distributed when they are available. Produce is picked by gleaners when ranchers have surplus to give, and there are over forty of these Village volunteers doing the back-breaking work in the fields so that needy people can benefit.

If you qualify for surplus food (income roughly in the range of \$650 per month, \$950 per couple), call Leonie Ziler, our authorized agent for YNCG and FOODSHARE program here. Information strictly CON-FIDENTIAL.

## LETTER

## **In Appreciation**

Many thanks are due to all who have contributed to the successful drive to pass Prop B, the Earthquake and Flood Insurance, Especial thanks are due to the INSIDE VILLAGE Staff for a fine editorial on the subject, and to the many dedicated Leisure Villagers who generously contributed their time and energy to get out the

Now that the property owners have voiced their desire to have Earthquake and Flood Insurance, the Board of Directors is now empowered to finalize the Insurance Contract.

> **Aaron Bonderman** Former Chairman of the Insurance Subcommittee of the Finance Committee



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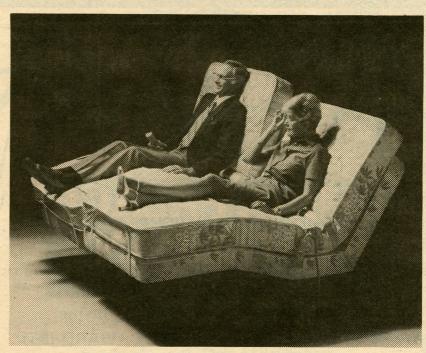
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## Highlights of 1982-83 Committee Accomplishments

At the annual Homeowners meeting on June 22nd, outgoing President, Mike Sherman stressed the importance of the work of committees and stated that the Board of Directors could not have operated without their help. He also emphasized as did the Committee chairmen the mutual cooperation which existed among the various groups. The following is a brief outline of what has been accomplished during the past year.

#### Finance Comm.,

The Committee published its minutes within one week after meetings. It furnished the Board with a comprehensive Wage and Salary study for this area. Another sub-committee audited over 3,200 invoices of the Association. A sub-comm. conducted quarterly audits of the Travel Comm. of over \$200,000 in receipts and disbursements for year ending 3/31/83. Special Events funds were audited. The sub-insurance comm. completed the work of a previous comm. resulting in the package on Earthquake and Flood Insurance.

## Community Relations Comm.

The various sub-committees monitored county and state meetings when issues affected L.V.; formed a volunteer School Assistance Program involving speaking programs; attended Ventura Co. Emergency Care Comm. meetings on disaster and paramedic procedures and facilities; held candidate forums for local electees and provided guest speakers on many subjects; monitored Airport Expansion and Flight Pattern activities and Cal-Trans development re: 101 freeway; and continually informed the Board of Directors and residents on current issues.

#### Architectural Comm.

The Architectural Committee received 302 applications for permits, approved 286, denied 4. There were 9 cancellations. Approximately 274 projects were completed

for skylights, patio enclosures, patio covers, garage door windows, fences, solar water heaters, heat pumps and miscellaneous.

A new specification for Pannelled Patio enclosures was written, and the Committee participated in the establishment of a set of paint color samples and in a modification of permit processing procedures.

## Educational and Recreation Comm.

The Educational and Recreation Committee took many significant actions. Among these were the recommendation for the establishment of a sub-committee responsible for the planning and operation of the usage of Channel 12; a study of the past practice of outside instructors who are reimbursed for their services while using L.V. facilities; conducted monthly housekeeping surveys of facilities; recommended the approval of five new clubs. Its Travel sub-committee conducted 66 tours for 2.650 residents.

## Information to New Residents Committee

Members of this committee welcome all new residents and deliver a packet of informational literature pertaining to cable television, bus service, maintenance of interior, landscape maintenance, etc. There were 96 such visitations--36 were leases, 27 resale, 31 new and 2 old sales.

The Committee also conducts a Meet Your Neighbor Coffee on the last Friday of each month.

#### **Bldg.** and Grounds

This Committee submitted 16 formal recommendations to the Board of Directors, processed 164 landscape permit applications and made a monthly inspection and report to the Board on villages and golf course. Major accomplishments included the inspection of 1,646 diseased and damaged trees resulting in budget allo-

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cation for 400 replacements, as well as approval to replace 50 of the 114 wind-destroyed trees. A trained pruning crew was established with a definite time work-schedule for each village.

Security and Safety

The Security and Safety Comm. made many recommendations to the Board for the welfare of residents. These included improved lighting on the parking lot at the east exit of the Recreation Bldg., limiting to three per household 6months guest passes, publishing safety tips for drivers, bikers and pedestrians and establishment of handicap ramps. The Committee assisted by other volunteers registered and decalled 2,181 vehicles. The Emergency Services Program was completed and distributed in pamphlet form to designated authorities. A control plan for pedestrian traffic at the main gate was recommended and is pending, and the entry lane to the east parking lot has been widened.

#### Storm Drain and Flood **Control Committee**

On March 1, 1983, the Conejo Creek drainage area experienced the heaviest rainfall in many years. As a result, the flow of storm water in the Conejo Creek as it passes Leisure Village was approximately two-thirds of the flow expected in a 100 year storm. Due to (1) lack of adequate channel capacity downstream of the free-(2) substantial impairment of channel capacity upstream of the freeway as a result of huge deposits of silt in the channel during previous storms, and (3) obstruction of the channel caused by debris piling up against the freeway bridges, the water level in Conejo Creek at the freeway reached a high enough level to permit water to flow over both roadways of the freeway. At that time, water backed up into the southwestern portion of Leisure Village, filling streets and swales in the golf course and covering lawns in front of

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## Showboat a Sell-out and a Hit

## **Variety Guild**

#### By Ethel Goldfarb

"Showboat" docked in Leisure Village on June 30th for four sell-out spectacular performances. Our Variety Guild performers have captured every facet of this ambitious Florence Ziegfeld production with the professionalism of Joan Johnson as Director; Ginny Cordell, Producer; and 50 dedicated people determined to have a smash hit.

The introduction to "Show-boat" was a Medley of tunes from the Show played by Artie Mae Beech on piano who effectively accompanied the singers and set the proper mood-music throughout the show

The curtain opens to the Levee with the Mississippi flowing behind it, the fore of the docked "Cotton Blossom". The Stevedores and dock workers come on followed by Townspeople, all colorfully dressed,

singing "Cotton Blossom", a rousing introduction to a play of love, heartache, jealousy, comedy, play within a play, acts at the Chicago's World's Fair, all to the music and lyrics of Jerome Kern and Oscar Hammerstein II.

Capt. Andy, owner of the "Cotton Blossom," played with such lightness of spirit and vitality by Irv Leeds, gave a superb portrayal bringing his players together as "One big happy family."His wife, Parthy, played by Blanche Follen and Sylvia Altes on alternate nights, was a complete antithesis with prim and proper New England behavior. Each with her distinct personality gave an excellent portrayal of a straight-laced gal with authority and dignity.

Our Sweethearts, Magnolia, daughter of Capt. Andy, played by Joan Woodenschek

(See Variety page 22)

## Life Upon the Stage

#### By Betty Murray

What do a lawyer, an auto dismantler, meat cutter, sign painter, studio electrician, a U.A.W. Representative, and a dancer all have in common? Hint: they all like to tinker, they have imagination, and are not turned off by hard work.

There is just such a group of volunteers, largely unsung, who work behind the scenes in Variety Guild and Players productions to transform a plain platform into fantasy settings for the players on-stage, and to change the sets for each scene.

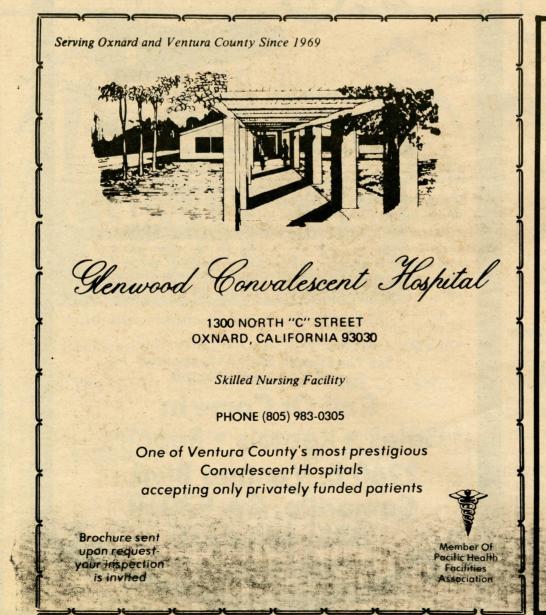
The colorful, imaginative Mississippi River setting for the Variety Guild's "Showboat" was the latest magic performed by these people.

Art Kaufman, in charge of the "Showboat" set construction and lighting effects, worked 28 years at Universal Studios and 10 years at Columbia as a gaffer (lighting director). He met his Mimi at the studio where she also was in the electrical department. Mimi performs on stage, but also works behind the scenes doing make-up. Art spent many hours building the structures needed for seven different set changes.

Irv Feldman practiced law in New York and had never been active in stage productions. He started helping the Rhythmettes' early shows, and discovered that his handiness with hammer and saw was very useful.

Al Pachter, also a New Yorker, worked as a youth for a sign painter, then learned to construct the intricate glasstubed neon lights which illuminated our cities before fluorescent lighting came into vogue. He became a civilian electrician for the Brooklyn Navy Yard, then worked for eleven

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#### By Jeanne Carlson

Women's Club news these days is all begins with "B" as in Bazaar, big, and bargains. Since this traditional sale will take place Saturday, September 24, all members are working hard making plans, finishing sales items, organizing food and refreshment sales, and getting ready for the Big Day! This year the theme will be the Olympics, or rather, O.O.O., "Our Own Olympics."

A new idea in scheduling is being tried. The Saturday sale will be a full day even continuing into the evening. Then on Sunday, September 25, there will be a celebration of Our Own Olympics which Women's Club has been sponsoring. (More details are elsewhere in this issue of I.L.V.)

Raffle tickets for the traditional Bazaar drawing are now on sale. (50¢) First prize is \$100

#### NOTICE

Frances Davis will display her Chinese Brush paintings at the Santa Barbara Savings and Loan, Santa Rosa Plaza until July 31.

in cash and second is a handknitted decorator afghan in subtle colors made by Harriett Miller. What a bargain!

Of course there will be entertainment throughout the day as well as a super Trading Post. It should be a total funday for everyone.

The program of the July meeting was patriotic in theme, a happy birthday to America. Jeanne Carlson read a tribute to the American people. Arthur Kates and his Oompah Band played several spirited numbers and a grand finale was furnished by the Happy Hoofers. Helen Gold and Sophie Lebetkin did a tap duo Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy followed by the larger group outrivaling the Rockettes as usual by doing a military medley. Group singing of God Bless America ended a thoroughly enjoyable program.

## O.O.O. Awards Scheduled

**By Nancy Ueberroth** 

Sponsored by the L.V. Women's Club, the OUR OWN OLYMPICS will take place on Sunday, Sept. 25th at 11:00 a.m. in the picnic area. The L.V. Women's Golf Assn. is the latest club to join the following groups participating in tournaments to qualify for the Olympic awards: Bocce, Bowling, Golf, Paddle Tennis, Shuffleboard and Tennis.

In addition to the organized sports there are individual women in the Women's Club who have established personal physical goals which they will attain by Awards Day and will receive certificates of merit for their achievements.

This new event for the village will follow the annual Bazaar in the A.R. on Saturday the 24th from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. when the Women's Club will make available a wonderful sale of boutique items, crafts, toys, bakery goods and other food.



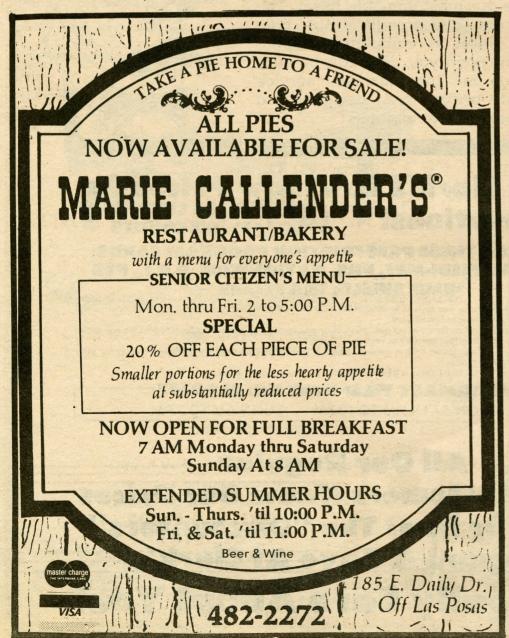
## By Dorothy Kenecko

The organ CLub treats Leisure Villagers to a wonderful FREE ORGAN CONCERT on Sunday, Aug. 14th 8 p.m. in the AR. Eddie and Marty Baxter will perform on two Lowreys, courtesy of Frank McNeice of Keybd. Exchange in Thousand Oaks. The Baxters tour nationally and are thouroughly professional and entertaining. ENJOY THIS!

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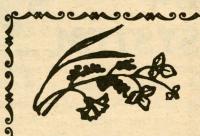
Shirley Kossack, V.17

My family and I wish to thank all my wonderful friends and neighbors in L.V. for the many contributions to charitable organizations, the beautiful Holy Masses in memoriam, cards, etc., in memory of my beloved husband Frank. Where else but in our L.V. can one find the comfort, solace and peace of mind that one looks for to carry on in our hour of need? My heart is full. God bless you all.

Marion Tavano, V.9

I want to thank all my friends, neighbors of Leisure Village for their concern during my stay at the hospital by visiting me, sending cards and beautiful flowers. I really don't know how to thank you all. For anyone that don't have family close by L.V. is the place to be. Thanks again and love to all.

Irene Fishman, V.7



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Frank Tavano	V.9
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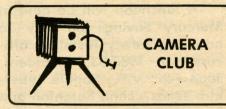


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New Officers of the Camera Club, L. to R.: Irv Kaplan (past President), Maurice Lefkowitz, Treas.; Anne Wolfson, Secty; Dorothy Levy, Vice Pres.; Don Moore, Pres.



## By Dorothy Levy

Beginning our new fiscal year with new officers, the Camera Club will try to offer interesting and informative meetings, plus some field trips, for all who would like to attend. The first meeting of the month usually features a competition, judging slides and

prints presented by members. This month's winner was Sam Katz with a beautiful picture of horses on a windy hill in Ireland, mystical and provocative. The second meeting of the month may have movies on technical aspects of photography, or a club member may present his pictures of a recent interesting trip he has made. Next month's meetings are on Aug. 3 and Aug. 17.

Bruce Barnbuam, an authority on Photography will talk on how we may improve our techniques on Aug. 17.



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VILLAGE SWINGERS SQUARE DANCE CLUB

#### By Romaine Lambert

The Village Swingers Square Dancers have approved a donation of \$100 to the Association for Channel 12.

President Jack Broude has appointed new committees as follows: Membership, Jerry and Elsie Banchik, Gene and Lucy Coke, Arnold and Helen Doty; Posters, Jim and Ruth Zupa; Table decorations, Bernice Bryan and Anne Wolfson; Sunshine and Retention; Mary Kay and Bob Franey; Telephone Tree, Herman and Jessica Reischel; Historian, Sharon Green; Camera, Mort Linick and Al Siegel; Publicity, Romaine Lambert.

Clyde Drivere will be guest caller on July 26. The annual picnic for ACTIVE MEMBERS ONLY will be held on Sunday, Aug. 28 in our own picnic grounds with dancing in the lattice area.

Plans have been in progress for the Annual Spring Fling which will take place on Sunday, April 8, with Leon and Lucille Goldin in charge.

The Club welcomes new members Harry and Mary Talan, V.42; and Leanard and Vickie Carmel, V.40.



SWING DISCO JAZZ

### By Ruth Laub

The Swing-Disco-Jazz Dance Group featured a Hat Dance on June 18. Hats were judged during a Grand March around the AR. Prizes of a bottle of champagne each were awarded for the most beautiful hat to Ceil Priore, most comical to Chuck Puro, and most unusual to Terrie Hernandez. Hosts were Chuck and Amy Puro.

Our next dance will be on Aug. 6 at 8pm in the AR. John and Ruth Laub will host. Tea, coffee, punch and ice will be provided. BYOB. Donations 50¢. All Villagers and their guests are welcome.

## SOLO CLUB NEWS By Ethel Beyer

The next event of the Solo Club will be a potluck dinner on Friday, August 12, at 6pm in the AR. Members whose names begin with A through E are to bring a meat dish; F through N, salad, and O through Z a dessert. As usual the gentlemen are to bring their handsome selves and donate \$2.00 for their dinner. All attending will contribute 25¢ toward miscellaneous expenses. Of course we will have entertainment.

The next regular "brown bag" lunch will be on August 19 in the WCR. We received four new members since we last met. Why not try to bring a guest who might like to join us?

On a happy note we would like to thank all who participated in the request for funds for Channel 12. We were able to contribute a rather nice amount from a small group. Thank you, members and thank you, Channel 12 for your service.

Summer is here and our numbers may be fewer in attending our get togethers so try to arrange your schedules so you can be with us.

## International Folk Dance Club

By Lillian Skellenger

The International Folk Dance Club's "Open House" was a very happy occasion for members and guests.

Our members range in dance experience of over 50 years to the novices of a few weeks, but all eighty-eight agree that the fun and excitement of Folk Dancing is truly contagious. Won't you let us prove it to you?

## VARIETY GUILD By Renee Greene

Our TICKY TACKY SHOW will be held Thursday, Sept. 22. Members and non-members are welcome to perform in this light, fun evening, be it song, dance, comedy, musical instrument, or whatever. Join the performers Thurs., Aug. 11, 1-5PM in the AR so that the program may be set up. Contact Dorothy Karlin 987-1180 or Irv Leeds 987-2995 for further information.

Regular meeting will be Au-



BOOK REVIEW GROUP

#### By Jeanne Carlson

For July, Book Review was pleased to present Elva Ward, a gourmet cook in her right, reviewing "Eat Better, Live Better, a Commonsense Guide to Nutrition and Health." Elva has been taking lessons from a staff member of Bon Appetit, has contributed recipes to many cook books, and is thoroughly conversant with all branches of cooking and nutrition. (She also does a million other things.) Her expertise lent a great deal to the review.

For August, the program will consist of books about and by George Burns (America's oldest living sex symbol). His newest book is "How to Live to Be a Hundred or More, the Ultimate Diet, Sex, and Exercise Book." He says of the book, "This is an honest book with a few lies in it." The name of the reviewer will be announced soon.

Everyone is welcome to Book Review. We meet the second Monday of every month at 10:00 in the WCR. Please join us August 10.

## GYPSY FOLK DANCERS By Lucie Falk

GOOD NEWS! We now have both sides of the MPR; and what a pleasure it is to dance on the smooth new floor! Our feet just seem to fly as we do the Syrtos, Hasapiko and other line and circle dances from Greece and the Balkan countries, as well as Israeli dances.

There's also a Folk Dance Happening planned for Sept. 4 in the A.R. from 7 to 10 PM. Some of us may even wear our folk dance costumes! So brush up on all those favorite dances by joining us every Thurs. (EXCEPT the 3rd) from 7:30-10PM in the MPR. Basic instruction from 7:30-8:30, then open dancing and requests.

gust 11, 7:30PM in the AR when election of officers for 1983-4 will take place. Board meeting is Tuesday, Aug. 2, 3PM in the Lanai Room.

## VILLAGE PAINTERS By Sally Becker

Our Village Painters Club luncheon this year is going to be exciting. Doing the demonstration will be a professional painter, Anna Lea, who will donate her painting to the person who wins the drawing.

Tickets are \$3.00 each. The date is Wednesday, Aug. 3 at Mercury Savings. Be sure to reserve a place by calling Sarah Tauber 482-1370 or Evelyn Kohon 987-3243.

## **Happy Hoofers**

By Roie Beck

A luncheon will be held at Mercury Savings on July 26 honoring newly installed officers for 1982-83: President, Jean Fox; V.P., Sophie Lebetkin; Treas., Lena Reighton and Sec., Kay Collier.

Performances for July included a military dance for the LV Women's Club and a program for the Jewish Home for the Aged in Reseda.

Plans are underway for First Annual Happy Hoofer show in Jan.

## Stamp and Coin Club

By William H. Huntley, Jr.

The Leisure Village Stamp and Coin Club welcomes Gordon Smith back, and is happy to see that he is rapidly recovering from his prolonged medical problems.

During the meeting of Aug. 2, the club will have another lively auction under the auspices of Oscar Kane, our distinguished auctioneer.

On Sept. 6, Morris Katz will be in charge of another one of his fun filled Stamp Bingos.

On Tuesday, Sept 20, there will be a Stamp and Coin Swap after the business meeting, so get your Want and Have Lists into the club officers as soon as possible, so that we can post them on our bulletin board.

The annual stamp and coin exhibition is coming up in September. Members who plan to enter an exhibit should begin to seriously think about their entry so that the proper plans can be made as soon as possible.

Nominations for officers for the 1984 programs will take place in a short time, so start thinking about who you want



L.V. RACQUET CLUB

By Ellis and Maxine King

Regular meetings of the Racquet Club are held the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30PM in the WCR. The August meeting will be on the 10th.

The annual Racquet Club picnic will be on Saturday, August 6, with tennis and paddle tennis tournaments in the morning and the picnic starting at 1:00PM. Picnic tickets are \$3.00 and may be purchased from the Club's officers. Deadline for tickets is Aug. 1.

In our Olympics tournament, the paddle tennis event will be on Thursday, August 18; with tennis on Thursday, August 25. For all tournaments, signup sheets will be posted on the bulletin board by the courts.

The Fall Dinner-Variety Show will be on Sunday, October 23. Please note this for an outstanding program.

Winners in the June tennis tournament doubles were; for "A" flight, Jerry Doctrow and Les Solomon; "B" flight, Evelyn Faulkner and Ben Smithkin. In paddle tennis, the "A" flight winner was Doug Ross; "B" flight winners were Jerry Banchik and Woolf Phillips; while Urho Saari and Ralph Schwartz prevailed in "C" flight.

Sam's Sartorial Splendor Shoppe announces an August Sale on Racquet Club patches. Sew one on your shorts for only \$1.39! Place your order at 484-1631.

GARDEN CLUB
By Henny Sills

Stop Complainin'! Attend the Garden Club Meeting on Thursday, Aug. 11 in the WCR at 9:30am. Theme for this meeting is "Shade Gardens. Protection from Winds and Heat." Mary Hale will share her knowledge. We'll learn how to take the winds out of the Santanas, to add color and beauty to our shade gardens and beat the heat. Esther English will make certain that we enjoy the refreshments.

Trips to Descanso Gardens and Santa Barbara were enjoyed by all who went. We're looking forward to future excursions.

#### LEISURE VILLAGE BOWLING LEAGUE

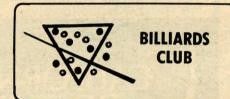
By Shirley Johnston

The Bowling Club will meet in the AR, 7:30pm, August 8. We urge all team members to attend. New members are also welcome, it's great fun!

The new officers are: Pres., Lee Gardens; 1st Vice Pres., Ernest Nika; 2nd Vice Pres., Lois Kissinger; Treas., Rae Sohr; Publicity, Shirley Johnston.

The new season starts early in September, so we would like to get off to a smooth start. It would be appreciated if all members bring their checkbooks. Our teams will be made up and our money paid. That way, we will be ready to roll the ball.

More information--call Lois Kissinger, 484-2622.



**By David Robbins** 

The Billiard Club held a special meeting to discuss plans for a show in October to be called The Talent and Beauty Contest. Lillian Skellinger has offered her services as director-producer. She submitted brilliant suggestions for the show. Helen Gold has graciously offered her services as choreographer, and Max Lustig is the talented man in charge of lighting.

There is a lot of activity going on in the Billiard Club. A tournament is presently in progress, and should be completed prior to the publication of this issue. The finals involving four finalists should be completed by July 10.

An important event at the Mercury Savings luncheon on July 7 was the presentations of winners of our previous tournament by President Ron Neiss. The following received beautiful plaques made by Neiss: Doubles champions, Bill Geddes and Guy Caraccia; sinales champions, Maurice Kasner and sadly to Steve Sochacki, who has passed away. His wife Theresa accepted it in his name. A special presentation went to Russ Sievert, a most outstanding and deserving member of our club.



By Ruth Laub

The Bocce Club dinner dance on June 23 was enjoyed by all. Village Swingers square dancers entertained. Norm and Gerri Fuller were in charge of the music. The dancers, led by Ceil and Joe Priore were: Norm Fuller and Romaine Lambert, Minna and Hal Hudson, Mary Kay and Bob Franey, Marjorie and John Rice, Isabel and David Dominguez, Bernice and Bill Bryan, Helen and Arnold Doty. We were most privileged to have this talented group perform for us.

Door prizes of a bottle of champagne each went to Gabriel Catalogne, Elfriede Kupka and Frank Mainwaring.

The dinner was served by the Rainbow Girls of Ventura and catered by Bill and Kay Berry. Ballroom dancing to Ed. Abdelnour's swinging tape music topped off a memorable evening. Special thanks to Joe Carfagna for working so hard on the arrangements.

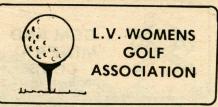
The July meeting will be on Thursday the 27th, followed by entertainment, refreshments and ballroom dancing.



## By Dick McDonald

Trophies and door prizes were awarded at the Men's Golf Association luncheon held June 29 to install the following 1983-84 officers: Paul Fox, Pres; Roy Zhe, 1st Vice Pres.; Chase Gregory, 2nd Vice Pres.; Dick McDonald, Secty; and Charlie Kent, Treas.

Committee chairmen for the coming year are: Coenraad Meyers, Membership; Jerry Knopf, LV Tournaments; Sid Dubin, LV Handicaps; Ken Spangler, Regulation Golf; Bruce Calkins, Regulation Golf Handicaps; Al Norvig, Program; Bill Peloquin, Greens; Jack Broude, Budget; Dick Ojeda, Rules and Education; Charlie Bellante, Awards and Trophies; Harvey Shirk, Historian; George Holtfrerich, Parlia-



By Elise Eymann

LV Women's Golf Association honored their incoming and outgoing officers at an installation luncheon at the Hungry Tiger June 23. Trophies were given to Gussie Lancaster, Club Champion, and Kit Ross, the most improved player of the year.

Members will participate in the OOO (Our Own Olympics) sponsored by the LV Women's Club. Three prizes will be awarded based on 18 holes counting putts only. Aug. 24th will be the OOO tournament for the 18 holers and the 9 holers will count putts from both the Aug. 10th and Aug. 24th tournaments. The three top putters will be selected from these regular play days. Prizes will be awarded at the Women's Club Anniversary picnic on Sept. 25th. Scotch twosome picnic will be on Aug. 16 and 17. \$3.50.

At our 19th hole party on June 26th we were entertained by the music of Joe O'Neill and Larry Killeen. Our next 19th hole party will be on July 31st. Special entertainment is planned.

RHYTHMETTES By Lillian Skellenger

The Rhythmettes passed the baton from Mary Farkas to the new President, Anne Fosdick, at Mercury Savings and performed at the L.V. 4th of July Celebration without missing a beat.

The new Board will disclose some of their exciting plans for the coming year at a "Just for Fun" brown bag luncheon on August 2nd. A "SPECIAL" for the month of August only---ALL PLAY AND NO WORK!!!!

mentarian. Special Events Chairman Al Koblin will be assisted by Ray Milewsky and Cecil Nunn.

Executive Board meetings are held the first Thursday of each month at 3:30 p.m. in the MPR.

Joe Selber won the Super Seniors Tournament in June. Al Koblin was runner up.



**GEMAND** MINERAL CLUB

At the June meeting, in a swift change of program, President Anne Wolfson inaugurated her new term in office by showing her skills at sand painting. Her demonstration painting became one of the door prizes.

At the July meeting Lillian Skellenger is scheduled to demonstrate her art and skill in stone sculpturing.

The club will display samples of the completed gems and jewelry in the atrium showcase, beginning August 1. This material, as well as raffle prizes will be on sale during the Anniversary Celebration on September 24 and 25. Call Tom McMahon at 482-4813, or Garnette Holmes at 482-4979 for raffle tickets.

For the luncheon at Mercury Savings on Wednesday, Sept. 14, call Tom McMahon, or Anne Wolfson for tickets. The price is \$3.00.

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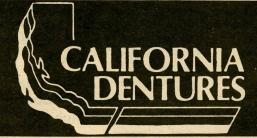
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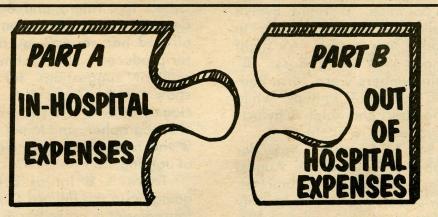


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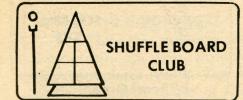
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## By Will Schreiber

Previously announced new officers of the Shuffleboard Club were installed July 5th by outgoing President Bee Schreiber. In honor of the occasion special refreshments were served.

Louise Colbert, our new President, led a discussion of the long-delayed work still to be done on the courts being refinished.

Louise explained plans to increase participation in shuffleboard play by more of our members, particularly in view of our Olympics tournaments fast approaching.

July 7th was the starting date for Tuesday and Thursday evening organized play, always a feature of our summer program.

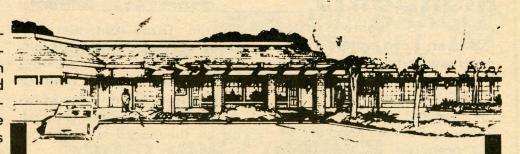
Think "B" Think "BIG" Think "BAZAAR" - Sept. 24

## **Apology**

Blame the pressure and excitement, or call it an inexcusable oversight, but I owe an apology to those who worked so diligently to make the Shuffleboard Club June barbecue such an outstanding delight. As President of the club, in greeting the guests, I neglected to acknowlege the outstanding work of Helen and Howard Bell, Louise Colbert and Tom Smith who helped cut and fasten the tablecloths; Sid Friedman who set up the amplifiers; Ed Donahue and Dave Teasdale who poured wine; the ticket sellers without whose efforts no one would have come. Louise Alan shopped for wine, sold tickets, arranged the attractive posters her talented grandson designed and drew, and collected tickets.

I do truly appreciate the fine help and hope this letter makes amends for my failure to acknowlege it at the barbe-

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homes in some areas. However, flood waters did not enter any homes or garages.

Plans for the improvement of the Ventura Freeway from the summit of the Conejo Grade to Dawson Road are being prepared by CAL-TRANS with the goal of advertising the project for bids before Jan. 1, 1984, with construction commencing next summer. New freeway bridges will be built over Conejo Creek and Calleguas Creek, designed to pass the flow of a 100 year storm, and upon completion, would eliminate the type of flooding on March 1, 1983.

The City of Camarillo is proceeding with a project to build a small desilting basin in Oak Creek Canyon, upstream of the entrance to the 'F' Canyon Drain. The 'F' Canyon Drain carries drainage from Mission Oaks through L.V. to the Conejo Creek. The basin will prevent silt from entering and partially plugging the 'F' Canyon Drain as in the past. The three 72 inch pipes of the 'F'

Canyon Drain between Villages 28 and 30 are partially plugged with silt from previous storms. The City of Camarillo and Ventura County Flood Control District have been requested by the Board to clean out these pipes.

This summer, Leisure Village Technology is planning to complete work required of it in Conejo Creek, upstream of Village 38. When completed, Ventura County Flood control District is expected to assume responsibility for maintenance of that section of Conejo Creek and also the Upland Drain along the easterly side of L.V.

On Sept. 22, 1982. the Camarillo City Council denied the request of L.V. that the storm drains constructed in L.V. pursuant to the subdivision requirements of the City be accepted by the City as a part of the City's storm drain system. Many of these drains carry storm water from facilities which are a part of the City system.

## FOURTH OF JULY PICNIC By Bettie Windsor

The 4th of July Picnic was a great celebration. Our barbecue experts Walt Whitaker and Nick DeSimone sated our appetites with hamburgers and all the trimmings. Entertainment was provided by the Rhythmettes, with Earl Cunningham at the piano. The dance workshop performed for us and Ed Abdelnour played an excellent selection of tapes throughout the day.

The Recreation Dept. wishes to thank all those who volunteered their help to make the picnic such a huge success. It would be impossible to have these function without the help and cooperation of so many dedicated people.

## TIKVAH GROUP By George Goldfarb

The Tikvah Group will conduct a Sabbath evening service followed by an Oneg Shabbat at 8:00PM on Friday, August 12, in the meeting room of the Mercury Savings and Loan in Camarillo. For information and reservations call 484-3818, 482-8102 or 484-8834.



### By Pearl Greenfield

On June 27, sixteen avid scrabble players joined together for an entertaining and educational evening.

Murray Greenfield won 1st prize for highest combined score; Caroline Solomon won 2nd prize and Pearl Greenfield earned a prize for the highest single word score.

We were pleased to welcome three new players to the club, Barbara Williams who scored high for a single game, 346, and Lew Drucker who scored 325. Third new participant was Marion Winans.

Beginners as well as experts are welcome. Refreshments are served between games. Murray and Pearl Greenfield are available for information at 484-1398.

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The July 11 meeting was very gratifying, with two great guest speakers, Doug. Van Bogelen, Ms. CRC, State of California Department of Rehabilitation, Ventura Country, who gave us valuable resource material, and Karen Derman, MA.M.FCC, a psychotherapist, in private practice in Encino, who, as a facilitator, led the group in a discussion.

Our next meeting will be held on Aug. 22 at 2pm, in the Lanai room. Notice the change to the 4th Monday of the month and place of meeting. We will particpiate in a "Show And Tell." Members will bring their visual aids, or any other "aids," and we will rap about our involvements in L.V. and elsewhere.

A dessert social is planned for Monday, Aug. 1, at 2:30pm in the home of Florence Block (484-5838). All spouses of the members are invited, as are any other partially sighted persons in L.V.

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**Neighbors** Care Group

By Sonia Brink

Recently Dr. Richard Reinhart gave a short talk about the mental health services that are available to Ventura County residents. We all liked him personally as well as his presentation. There were lots of questions,, and we felt then that we would like to have him again. So he will be the main speaker on Monday, August 15 at 7:30 in the AR.

Dr. Reinhart is the chief psychologist of the mental health services of Ventura County. His topic will be "Mental Health and growing old." There will be a question and answer period following.

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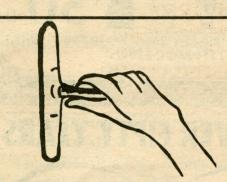
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## SHERMAN

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that I was able to conduct meetings in a way that would not embarrass anybody who wished to address the Board. I sincerely hope that if I overstepped the bounds once in awhile, I can apologize for it and be forgiven. I am not the most patient guy in the world, and it takes a big effort to do what I do. I hope that nobody was ever hurt by anything I did.

We have lost our resident services manager and the head of the Landscape Department. Terminations were for reasons deemed to be sufficient by the Board and had nothing to do with anything else. After several years of good service from both of these men, we had to come to a parting of the way.

The rest of the staff has been magnificent. Our Executive Secretary, who has been with us now for quite a little while, has done an excellent job. Our bookkeepers are doing an excellent job-every-body else is doing an excellent job. They have been cooperative with the Board. They are

working in the best interest of L.V., and I believe and I think that the Board believes they are giving their best. Mr. Roberts is fitting into the job of General Manager very well, and I think he is going to be a great asset to the Association. I ask for your support for him. He needs it. It is a difficult job to walk into. It is not easy having almost 4,000 bosses, believe me.

The committees are the eves and ears of the Board of Directors. They work hard at what they do. The cooperation we have had from the committee chairmen and all of the members of the committees this year, particularly, and in past years has been magnificent. These volunteers who do their own work, who attend these meetings, who wrestle with these problems and these recommendations that we have to thresh out are doing a great job for you—the committees and the ad hoc committees and sub-committees--I cannot name them all. The

Board has been marvelous. The cooperation we give each other--not only the cooperation with me, but the cooperation we give each other--has been an excellent example of the way people can work together and cooperate and act in the best interest of an organization without engaging in personalities, trying to do favors or things of that kind. This is arguing and discussing without heat or rancor and conducting the meetings in such a way that it makes it a pleasure to come to the meetings and it makes it a pleasure when you leave the meeting. As far as everyone else is concerned, I hope that

we have gotten along this year. It has been a pleasure to be allowed to serve the place in which I live. One thing has not happened. I have not changed my mind since candidates night two years ago, and I was very happy to come here and become a resident of Leisure Village. God bless you all.

Editors' note: We apologize to Mr. Sherman in not publishing his text in full due to space limitations. Please note other reports in this issue.

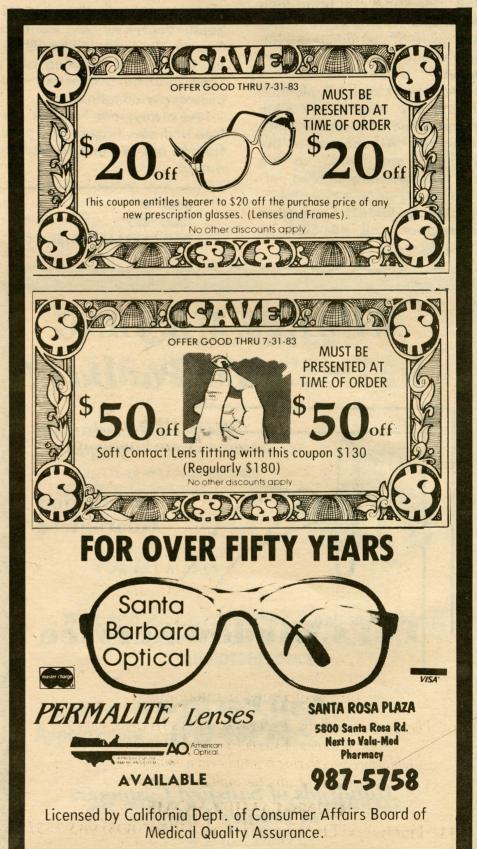
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KARLIN was speechless. I had not ex-

will be confronted with great responsibility. They deserve everyone's cooperation and support. When I look back over the last few years and recall that we have experienced a change in four managers; three recreation directors; that our former General Manager, Stan Berman, hired away our long-experienced executive secretary, Anita Westbrooks, and later our chief bookkeeper; the recent departure of our landscape manager and our customer service manager and with this Board leaving at the end of this month, I sympathize with the task of the incoming Board of Directors. I have worked with all our new Board members in one capacity or another, in the past. I have complete confidence in their ability to cope with our problems and manage our facilities. They deserve our thanks and our support. We should help them with our constructive criticism... Your constructive criticism has helped your outgoing Board measure up to its responsibilipected it. And then my good friend--a real sweetheart--Gerri Kikendall gave me a plaque that she and her husband Lloyd had made for me, which said "You are awesome." That really touched me, too. As a matter of fact, my wife was in the store the other day, and she found a cap that said, "Totally Awesome," so when you see me from now on, remember that I am awesome. Thanks for giving me the chance to do the kind of job I enjoy doing. I like to work with people, for people. I have made a great many friends and, I'm sure, a few enemies; but it has been a very, very enlightening experience and a great pleasure. I love you all.

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years on the West Delaware Water Project, the tremendous aqueduct which furnishes water to New York City. When that was finished he and Billie moved back to New York, and Al resumed working as a Navy electrician. Here in L.V., Al and Billie were both caught up in the Players' and Guild's productions, and Al is called upon to produce the elegant lettering he might once have used in sign making.

Irv Weiss was an auto dismantler in Los Angeles, and the stage crew profits from his strength and skill, his willingness to help, and his generous good nature.

One of the busiest ladies on the L.V. stage is Helen Gold. Helen was a professional dancer in Milwaukee, performing since she was a teen-ager. She also won an art scholarship, but was unable to take advantage of it. Art, though, has continued to be part of her life. Helen never did any set decoration until she came to L.V. For the past two years, she has been responsible for the original, effective sets for produc-

tions of both the Players and the Guild. She volunteered to paint cheerful murals in the consultation room of the Children's Ward at Camarillo State Hospital. She also choreographs and teaches dancing. and with her partner Sophie Lebetkin, tap dances with unbelievably youthful agility for being a proud grandmother.

When the builders and decorators have finished their projects, another crew changes the sets as the scenes are played. Robby Karlin, who has just completed a term on the Board of Directors, is Stage Manager. He was once International Representative of the United Auto Workers, but he does not earn Union wages in L.V. As a young man, he did work as Stage Manager for Billy Rose's Diamond Horseshoe and Aquacade in New York. and he coordinates his crew to change an entire scene before the audience realizes the fact.

Earl Mettler, whose experience as a meat cutter and an automobile salesman didn't particularly prepare him for Stage Crew chores, is part of the team. Earl's wife Rowena was the Stage Mother to her

dancing kid sister Joan Johnson for a number of years. In L.V., Rowena has been an invaluable assistant on numerous occasions, and served as Tape Engineer while Earl was back stage.

Another man whose services are much appreciated is Max Lustig, who works with lights and sound during the productions.

Organizing the hundreds of miscellaneous properties needed for "Showboat" was Mimi Chuntz. Mimi recalls being a "Rosie the Riveter" during WWII, doing welding and sheet metal work. She is now usually making something, knisting, embroidering, or organizing something else.

Other assistants who worked in various capacities were Ruth Weiss, Bob Mullick, Charles Possell, Charles Bellante, and Mary Wilson.

The glamorous and romantic stars of a production would not look nor sound as well without the skill and dedication of the people who are never seen in front of the curtain. Credit belongs where credit is due. Thank you from all who enjoyed watching "Showboat."



#### Roie Beck

In a clever courtroom scene presided over by former Judge Dring Needham in flowing robes, with former court reporter Donnie Weigel at her post and Iry Leeds as bailiff, the new officers for 1983-84 were installed; President, Jack Fosdick; V.P., Blanche Follen; Rec. sec, Sylvia Altes; Treas., Herb Schwartz; cor. sec, Billy Pachter; Ex. Director, John Zoller.

Highlight of the meeting was the announcement of play chosen for fall production, "The Man who Came to Dinner," with a cast of 10 males, 8 females and 6 male singers.

Synopsis of play, description of characters and material for auditions will be given by John Zoller at regular meeting on July 21.

Private auditions will be held July 23 and 24 in the WCR



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## WORLD TRAVELERS OF LEISURE VILLAGE

by Lee Edwards

Our July General Meeting featured an interesting film on Australia. The club is planning a 29 day trip leaving September 28. Most meals are included at \$4,580.00 per person.

Festival in Spain leaves Sept. 19 for a 22-day tour of Spain/Tangier and Portugal, via TWA to New York. Price, including breakfast and dinner, is only \$1,795.00.

The same travel agency who is arranging the Australian trip is conducting our tour to Hawaii, leaving October 3rd for 15 days, all at beautiful deluxe beach hotels; \$1,085.

A Fall Foliage Tour on Sept. 28 tours New England for 14 days, \$1,457.

Next General Meeting in the AR is Friday, Aug. 5, will feature a cruise to Mexico aboard the M.S. "Tropicale" for 7 days, departing Nov. 6. The cruise tour operators plan to provide refreshments

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## **VARIETY GUILD**

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and handsome river gambler, Ravenal, played by "Woody" Woodenschek, teamed up brilliantly for solos and duets.

There's Julie, a forlorn figure, played by Renee Greene Thurs. and Fri. evenings and Shirley Fishkin on Sat. and Sun. coupled with husband Steve played by George Goldfarb. Both Julies gave excellent renditions of "Can't Help Lovin' dat Man," and were joined by Nola, Queenie and her man Joe, the Stevedore.

River rat Pete, played so menacingly by Al Law, creates heartache in Julie and Steve's lives, as well as that of Magnolia and Ravenal. Windy, Pilot on the "Cotton Blossom," played by Syd Weinberg, is impressive with pipe in hand, doing his part well. Doorman Charlie Bellante added a touch of humor. Jake, by Jack Meyers, sitting at the fake piano was a fine pianist, thanks to Artie Mae.

Queenie, played by Billie Pachter, was a charmer as she bubbles with effervescence in her portrayal, and in song about her man whom she loves with all his failings. What a burst of animation as, in song, she invites all to come and see the show.

Stevedore Joe, Queenie's man, played by Bob Denny, tells about the Mississippi and sings "Ol" Man River." This well-loved song had a soulfulness as he was joined by Stevedores and workers.

Weaving through the show a hilarious couple, Ellie and Frank, played by Dorothy Karlin and Oscar Kane, comediennes par excellance. Ellie wants to do Drama, but is destined for Comedy. There are the serious moments too, but laced with humor as they perform as part of the "Cotton Blossom" players.

Ellie is confronted by the Mincing Misses, beautifully attired ladies with parasols in hand from the Grand Mansions along the river. Ellie enlightens them about "Life Upon the Wicked Stage," as they demurely do a delightful step, joining in song.

Ellie and Frank team up singing "Good-by My Lady Love" with amusing antics and cake walk.

Sheriff Vallon, portrayed by Herb Schmidt, whose voice alone makes each situation a threatening one, creates a few unhappy situations. He is the Law!

The Flora Dora Girls were a sight to behold as they sang "Ta Ra Ra Boom De Ay," the audience joining in and clapping to the beat, as they flipped their skirts to reveal layers of red tulle skirts, and...

Capt. Andy tries to get his show going with rehearsals, as he finally assumes the male and female roles. Backwoodsmen viewing his show, creating a tumult, having earlier come on stage with rifles, hill country clothes and ready to pay with Confederate money.

To add to the gaiety, street urchins, Sophie Lebetkin and Helen Gold, do a buck and wing that had the audience whistling. In another number, they are joined by members of the Happy Hoofers in a tap routine that literally brought down the house.

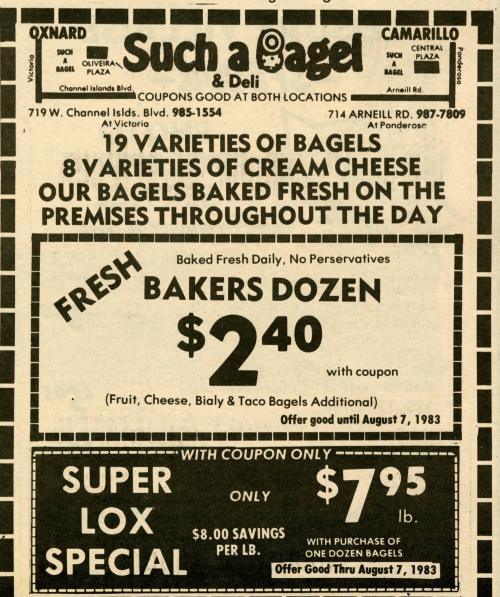
There's a touching scene at the Boarding House in Chicage where the Landlady, played effectively by Lillian Leeds, reveals to Ellie and Frank, who were seeking quarters, that Magnolia, who just arrives is staying at her place with her 2 yr. old child. Realizing her needs after reading Ravenal's letter that he is leaving her-no funds, nowhere to turn, they bring her to the Trocadero Night Club for auditioning.

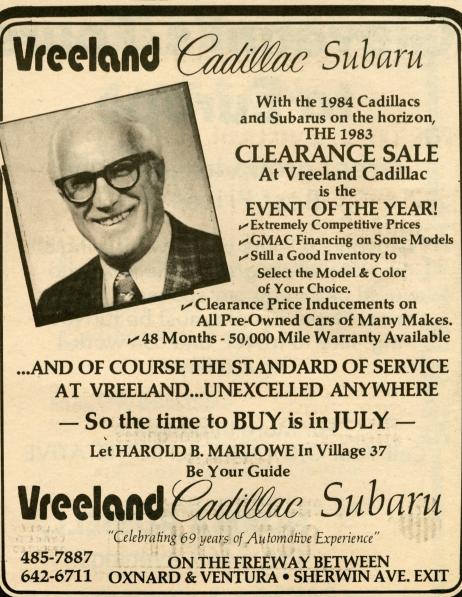
Sightseers at the 1903 World's Fair in Chicago gather on the Midway as Barker Puro announces the weight-lifter, young and petite Faith Saunders. On to Fatima with Grace Back doing a Hootchy Kootchy in graceful, tantalizing motion, draped in sheer and glitter. The wildmen roar down the aisle to a piercing scream of a frightened woman.

There's Ravenal, destitute and in despair, standing on the Levee thinking of his lost love, during which there is a Magnolia Dream Ballet done so gracefully by Heidi Pommer to the refrain of "You Are Love."

At the Cast Party following

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the last performance Merit Awards and China plaques were presented to the performers and those behind the scenes who made it all come together. Joan Johnson was honored with a large encased plaque and Ginny Cordell was praised, who in turn thanked Lil Heimowitz for her cooperation. Thanks to Dolores Tribich and her crew for a wellplanned dinner arrangement.

A special finale was a TV film of "Showboat" taken very effectively by the son of the Herb Schmidts.

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Tuesday evening winners on 6/28 were Lorraine Sirott. Carra Hatfield and Estelle Corwin. Tops on July 5 were Helen Stevenson, Hattie Stern and Ruth Laub.

Thursday winners on 6/23 were Janet Spiro, Ken Black and Iz Zindler. June 30 winners were Harriet Brown, Bernice Engen, and Charlie Cromwell. Top three on July 7 were Dave Corwin, Charlie Cromwell and Jack Ansell.

Directors are: Tuesday afternoon, Ray and Jennie Vasquez; Tuesday evening, Ernie and Bernice Engen; Thursday, Iz Zindler.

Top three on June 16 were Ray Vasquez, Caroline Solomon, and Helen Stevenson.

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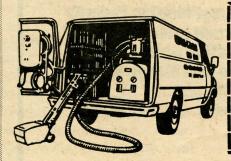
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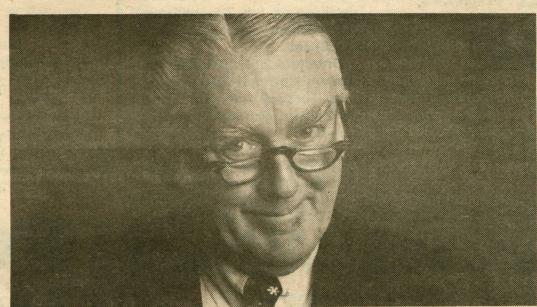
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