# EDITORS CORNER

# Happy New Year! With the election is over, maybe things will be a little quieter in 2017. Certainly, world events seem to be unpredictable at best but, hopefully, we here in Leisure Village will be insulated from most of the drama the rest of the world has to endure. I believe our community has rock solid leadership with our Board of Directors and full-time staff to do what is best for the community, regardless of external forces.

I think you will find this a most interesting edition. The articles regarding the budget process and what is happening with the exterior of our buildings is worthwhile information for all residents. Patty Ecker's profile article highlights the accomplishments of someone who has participated in historic events and Ted Lansing walks us through using the Woodshop. Additionally, the Club News articles keep us informed on the many activities going on here in the Village.

This New Year also presents an opportunity to get involved in a club or committee. Step forward and see what you can do to help make Leisure Village an even a better place in which to live!

All the best in 2017!

- Tim Palmer

#### **ROCKET SCIENCE IN THE VILLAGE**

By Patty Ecker

He was the real thing. Villager Larry Whitacre was a rocket scientist. As a member of America's team that made space exploration possible in the 1960s and '70s, Larry worked in Cape Canaveral and the Kennedy Space Center. When he moved to Leisure Village last year, he brought some of the magic of his former career with him. Now, with the help of another kind of rocket scientist from LV's Woodshop, Larry can share that magic for decades to come.

First, Larry. As a new college graduate in 1962 with degrees in aerospace and electrical engineering, he went to work first on Atlas Missiles. Then he moved to the Apollo Project that captivated the public throughout the 1960's and '70's.

His team built the systems that made sure the service and command modules were going in the right direction. "I was the youngest person in the control room at the launch of Apollo 11 in 1969," Larry recalls. "It was our first moon shot. The entire room was silent."

When he left his aerospace work, he took two souvenirs: a rocket engine from a service module and a copy of a systems schematic for the Apollo Command Module. This year, he decided to give those historic mementos to his grandsons for Christmas. But just wrapping them in Santa paper didn't seem right. And that's where Ron Quick, a "rocket scientist" of another kind, comes in.

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Photo by JERRY SPECTOR

Larry Whitacre and his rare copy of an Apollo Command Module schematic that he helped design 50 nearly years ago.

# Stucco Relief May Be On the Way

By Joseph Benti

In the coming weeks, you'll probably notice neighbors with clipboards, and possibly cameras, giving your residence more than a passing glance. They will either be volunteers from our Buildings & Grounds Com-

mittee, or somebody from Resident Services checking out the stucco for reparable damages. They will also be looking at extreme staining as the result of roof run-off, unsightly algae growth and re-cycled water staining that has marred the exterior appearances of quite a few homes.



Photo by JOSEPH BENTI

Contrary to most home-owning experiences, one of the biggest changes we discover living in a planned community is that even though we "bought a house," all we really "own" is the inside. The outside and all the rest belongs to the Association in which we are the shareholders who are governed by a Board of Directors and Rules and Regulations.

Among the Association's responsibilities is to maintain the appearances and upkeep of the stucco exteriors. Despite the view of some that the Board and Management are neglecting the maintenance and appearance of the stucco on our homes, we've been assured that they are aware of the problems and the need to act.

What has stopped any action is that big stumbling block of a tenacious drought and a resultant mora-

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Discolored or damaged stucco that is slated for cleaning and painting

#### **WE'VE GOT YOUR NUMBERS**

Here are some important Village phone numbers and email addresses. **The Main Gate:** 805-482-0716 (for guest passes, a security question, etc.) or www.gatepass@leisurevillage.org

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#### **February Edition Deadlines**

Deadline for letters, club news, stories, photos and classified ads for the February 2017 issue is Tuesday, January 17 at 5:00 p.m. The Display Advertising deadline is Monday, January 23 at noon. Publication is scheduled for Friday, February 3. Please e-mail stories and photos to editorilv@yahoo. com. Typed copy (a last resort for submissions) should be double-spaced and deposited in the ILV box in the Rec. Center hallway.



# **LVTV Program Schedule**

**January 2017 | Channel 1390** 

LVTV Committee Email: lvtvcommittee@gmail.com

| Day   | Date | Program date time 10 am and 8 pm   |  |
|-------|------|--|--|
| Mon   | 2    | LV Arts Festival - 11/11/12 (13 min)   |  |
| Tues  | 3    | LVA OPEN BOARD MEETING - LIVE (10 AM only)   |  |
| Wed   | 4    | LVA OPEN BOARD MEETING - TAPED   |  |
| Thurs | 5    | Thurs. Showcase, Message Board for Shows   |  |
| Fri   | 6    | LVA OPEN BOARD MEETING - TAPED   |  |
| Mon   | 9    | LVTV-Historical Committee: Milt Mankoff - 2008 (33 min)  |  |
| Tues  | 10   | Players Guild: Kill Joy - 2001 (1 hr. 33 min)  |  |
| Wed   | 11   | LVA 101 #3-Governing Documents-2014 (56 min)   |  |
| Thurs | 12   | Thurs. Showcase, Message Board for Shows   |  |
| Fri   | 13   | Chess Club: Why Play Chess? - (10 min)   |  |
| Mon   | 16   | What Was My Line- Marlene Daly, Bob Kaplan,<br>Sam Arouesty (56 min)   |  |
| Tues  | 17   | Women's Club - Fashion Show - 2007 (47 min)  |  |
| Wed   | 18   | Players Guild - The Bickersons - 2008 (30 min)   |  |
| Thu   | 19   | Thurs. Showcase, Message Board for Shows   |  |
| Fri   | 20   | FYI (For Your Information) #6  |  |
| Mon   | 23   | Cooking Show - From Soup To Nuts - 2011 (18 min)   |  |
| Tue   | 24   | LV Musicians - Pops Concert - 2011 (2 hrs.9 min)   |  |
| Wed   | 25   | LV Pet Fair & Parade 2014 (28 min)   |  |
| Thu   | 26   | LVA 10-#4: The Finance Committee-2014 (44 min)   |  |
| Fri   | 27   | New York Club: Stu & Laurie –2016 (62 min)   |  |
| Mon   | 30   | Players Guild - Two For One - 2011 (32 min)  |  |
| Tue   | 31   | Women's Club Fashion Show - 2007 (47 min)  OLD-TIME RADIO AUDIO: Thurs. 7:00 PM  CALENDAR DIVA: 8:00AM, 2:00, 5:00, 7:00 |  |

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#### **NEW STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE**

The Village street sweeper will be rumbling around our streets on different days beginning on January 10. The new schedule moves the cleaning operation back by one day. That means sweeping will occur on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Friday service will be eliminated entirely. Streets that used to be swept on Wednesdays will be now be cleaned on Tuesdays: Thursday service moves to Wednesdays, etc.

The hours for the sweeper will remain the same. The new schedule goes into effect on January 10, 11, and 12. This 2017 timetable will be published monthly in The Village Voice.

#### **AARP SMART DRIVER CLASS**

By Paul Herman

Leisure Village will be hosting an eight hour Initial Class of the AARP Smart Driver Program on Wednesday and Friday afternoons, January 18 and 20, at 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.in the MPR. Contact Paul Herman at 444-6420 for details.

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Carmen and Burnley 1605 Burnley 2:00-5:30p.m., Wednesday January 25, IRS Camarillo Office, 751 Daily Drive, 9:00a.m.-12:30p.m.; and Friday January 27, Santa Rosa Technology 13282 Santa Rosa Road, 10:00 a.m.-1:30p.m.

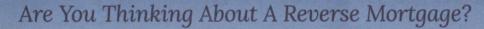


Sue, Howard and Jaclin at the golf course

#### THE PERKS OF VOLUNTEERING

Howard Koehn, pictured with LVWGA golfers Sue Davanzo (on left) and Jaclyn Claros, has been a Volunteer since 2005. Howard and his late wife Helen, avid dancers, volunteered to work in the kitchen and help clean-up for the Saturday Night Dance Club. Ultimately, they became responsible for the entire program. Though his wife passed away four years ago, Howard still sells dance tickets every Saturday. And when he

could no longer golf, he remained active with Men's Club where he chairs the Special Events and Mixed Tournaments Committees and is the Club's Chief Starter. Here he was one recent Wednesday morning at the Women's regular Tournament, selling tickets for the Annual Harvest Ball. Asked why he volunteers, Howard said, "I like being around. I enjoy it. I even dance sometimes but it has to be very slow."



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#### LARRY WHITACRE From Page 1



Photo by JERRY SPECTOR

Larry Whitacre's keepsakes from the Apollo Space Program are now well-housed, thanks to the skill of LV Woodshop volunteer Ron Quick.

Ron Quick can create just about anything with wood. In the LV Woodshop, he has built (from scratch) a miniature airplane for his toddler grandson and a complete bed, restored antique chairs, and repaired countless treasures for residents. So when Larry Whitacre walked into the Woodshop to ask about the possibility of having something made to house his precious mementos, Ron said, "No problem."

Four days later, Ron delivered two handcrafted homes for Larry's gifts. They are both made from walnut finished like satin: a shelf for the engine (that's for 14-year-old Alex) and a box for the schematic book (for Will, who is 11). "They are far more than I ever imagined," says Larry. "They turned out so beautifully. Ron is a master."

Newcomer Larry is pleased that he moved to the Village from Ohio. His family is close-by, plus "There's no snow to shovel or leaves to rake. Everything is done for you." And now he knows that "rocket scientists" of another kind live here, too.

#### STUCCO From Page 1

torium on using the water necessary to power-wash the stucco before any painting can be done. Along with others, I had assumed that the delay was caused by the Board's hesitancy to spend the money. In fact, it was the Camrosa Water District, bound by state edict to deny or restrict the use of water to clean or repair stucco.

Board President Grant and General Manager Scheaffer emphatically stress that there are sufficient funds in our Reserve account to resume the 8-year stucco paint program, when and if those restrictions are lifted. Now, it appears that some of the intense algae growth in the Village has created a potential health issue which may cause a possible easing of the restrictions.

By the time the Buildings & Grounds volunteers complete their census, not only may we be getting rid of the algae stains and start on the long-delayed stucco repair and painting, we may also see the introduction of an improved color palette to brighten up our exteriors - and our days.

#### **IN MEMORIAM**

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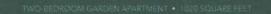
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# Board to Decide on New LVA Budget in February



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LV's Board of Directors questioning the proposed 2017-2018 LVA Budget

Residents got a first look at the hundreds of proposals that could make up the final 2017-2018 Budget over the holiday season just past. At a working Board meeting on December 19 and at a Town Hall on January 5, the hundreds of pages that contain the projected costs of operating the Village were discussed publically.

The proposed budget for the next fiscal year includes raw budgeted expenses totaling \$13,096,767. General Manager Bob Scheaffer and various managers of Village Departments including Recreation and Landscape made the December presentation of that proposal. The 2016-2017 budget in effect was reported to be \$11,543,316, described as estimated annual costs (EAC) because three months remain in that fiscal year.

The projections filled a binder that was at least six inches thick and represented line by line estimates of cost, i.e. the price tag for upgrades to the Garden Room or the savings from the new practice of mowing the Village lawns every other week instead of weekly. 2017 is the year that residents' auto decals must be

replaced; that adds \$3000 to the budget. Mailing the ballots and information for the homeowner vote on new governing documents cost \$15,000 this past year. That charge won't be in next year's budget.

The eleven volunteers who make up LV's Finance Committee have been watching the budgeting process since September. Committee Chair George Jones estimates that every member spent "dozens of hours in October, November, and December observing, supporting or rejecting the costs proposed for Village operations in the next fiscal year. "Two members were assigned to each major department as it created its portion of 2017-18 budget," explains Jones. "Then in December, we came together to draw our own conclusions about the next LVA budget. No Board members, Association members or visitors are allowed in this meeting. We evaluate the proposals and share that with the Board."

The final decision of the 2017-18 Budget will be made by the Board of Directors at the February 6 Open Board meeting.



For Display Advertising contact Stacey Janson | 805-484-1949 ext. 303

# TRAVEL CORNER

By Carol Moody

Happy 2017 to all LV residents and their families. May the New Year bring you good health, good friends and happy travels. Our Cuba and Italy trips are now closed for reservations, but mark your calendars for our February 15 presentation on the October Ireland Adventure. And if you missed signing up for Santa Anita Racetrack on Feb. 2, you can still put your name on the waiting list. The following tours are now up for sale:

BYE, BYE BIRDIE at Glendale Centre Theater with lunch at Tam O'Shanter: March 4, 2017. The theater's musicals are always a big hit and sell out early. Cancel date is Feb. 2.

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LV Travel puts trips up for sale approximately three months before the event, so keep checking for upcoming events by watching LVTV, checking eNews and our Travel Display case (at end of hall by east parking lot) or by stopping by the Travel Window. If you wish to be on our email list or for flyers, please stop by the Leisure Village Travel Office.

#### **POETRY CORNER**

#### 'HOME AT THE VILLAGE'

(Updated version of 'Home on the Range)

By Patti Crichton

Oh, give me a home where the coyotes roam, And the people are happy to stay! Where often are seen, trees and grasses so green, And retirees are shouting, 'Hurray!'

#### **CHORUS**

Home, home at the Village Where the golfers and swimmers all play. Where seldom is heard a discouraging word, And the skies are not cloudy all day.

Where the residents dance, and the gardens enhance, And the breezes are balmy and light. Where we want to stay 'til the end of our days With the moon and the stars shining bright.

#### **CHORUS**

Oh, give me a spot where the weather is hot, And the people are happy and fun. Where there's lots to do for me and for you, And the bunnies hip-hop in the sun!

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Another LV home brightens the neighborhood.



LV residents line up for chili.



A home decorated in the holiday spirit at LV.

# 2016 Holiday Tree Trimming Party



Judy Spector and helper decorate the tree as Santa looks on.



Chi Chun gets ready to bake cookies at the Tree Trimming festival.

#### WHAT TO DO IF...



Photo by BUD BRADLEY

Doll crib created by Woodshop Elves.

#### By Ted Lansing

That antique end table finally collapses. Two legs have chosen to disassociate with it. Maybe you could fix it if you had the tools, and the place to work. You remember, there was some mention of Woodshop in the Welcome Tea you attended last year. Maybe that is the answer. If you wish, and you are capable, you can join the Woodshop and fix the table yourself.

If, however, you do not have the interest, skills, or there are other reasons why you can't or won't do the job yourself, there are the "Woodshop Elves". These are the members of the Woodshop Committee, a sub-committee of the Education and Recreation Committee. They hold an 'open shop' each Tuesday and Wednesday, from 10:00 a.m. to noon, to accept items for repair from residents of the village. Although the emphasis is on articles made of wood, other projects have, from time to time, also been accepted.

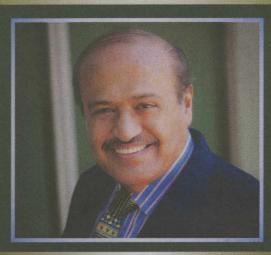
Tables, chairs, bureaus, lamps, toys, and many, many other types of items have been accepted over the years. Occasionally, a special-

ized construction project will be accepted as a challenge for the incredible collection of skills found among the 'Elves'.

There is never a charge required, except in the case of a job that requires outside purchase of parts, tools, specific and exotic materials, for which there is no ordinary need for stock on hand. These the requestor must supply or pay for procurement. For example, a Salvatore Dali bronze sculpture required a very special display stand. The exotic lumber chosen by the owner cost several hundred dollars, and he found it and supplied it for the task. He was immensely pleased with the stand produced and displayed the bronze on it for many years.

For most things, chairs, kitchen drawers, etc., just come to the shop window with it, fill out the brief paperwork, make your needs CLEARLY known, and wait for the telephone call to come back for pickup. If you are pleased with the results, you might want to make a contribution to the shop. They use quite a bit of glue, sandpaper, screws, lumber, and so on.

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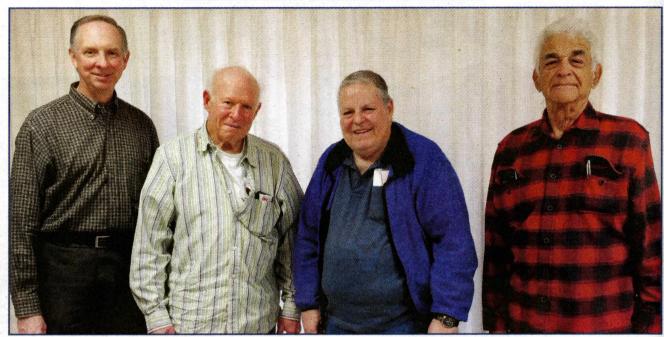


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#### THE AMATEUR **RADIO CLUB**

By Jonathan Fox

At our last meeting, we held our annual Holiday party. Officers of the Secretary Sheldon Hayutin, Vice President Ted Lansing club were elected: President - Jonathan Fox, VP-Ted Lansing, Secretary-

in Review; 22 prizes were given out, refreshments were served and every-Sheldon Hayutin and Treasurer-Mike one had a great time. Sirelson. We had fun doing our Year

Amateur Radio Club President Jonathan Fox, Treasurer Mike Sirelson,

On Wednesday, January 11 at 2:00 p.m. in the MPR, we will have a special guest speaker: Ken Larson will be speaking on why our radio signals are having a hard time going to distant states and countries. No, it's not climate change, but it could be linked to the cycles of the sun. Join us to find out what this is all about. You do not have to be a licensed amateur radio operator to be a member, and guests are always welcome. If you want, we will provide help in getting your license and it's now easier than ever since Morse code is no longer required. For more information, contact Jonathan Fox at 805-377-3697 or KJ6LV@yahoo.com.

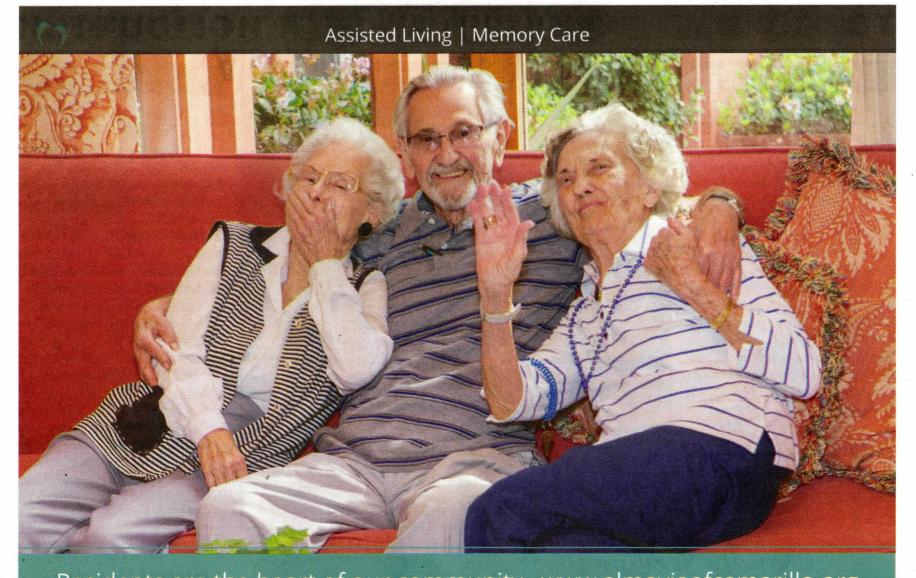
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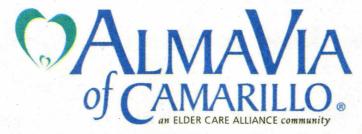
By Tim Palmer

The Veterans Club will meet on the fourth Thursday, January 26 at 7:00 p.m. in the MPR. We are looking forward to sharing the camaraderie of fellow veterans while we have presentations on a variety subjects relevant to people with military service. The meetings are open to all; join us and share your story about serving our country.



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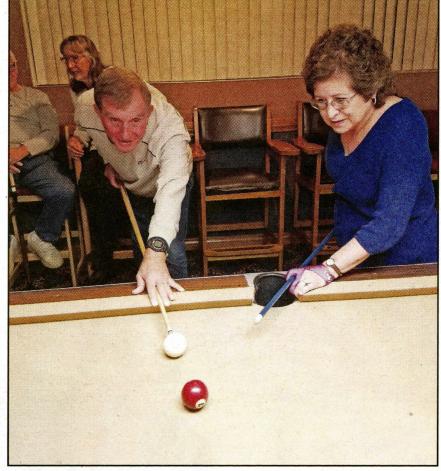
By Patrick Price

The first Billiards Club meeting of 2017 is on Tuesday, January 24 in the MPR. Stop by for some surprises.

The popular Thursday night challenge continues. Be there at about 6:00 p.m. to sign-up. Left, center, right is back up and running for those not playing pool on Thursdays. Billiards Club membership fees are due for 2017. Deposit checks in the billiard box next to the bulletin board, \$7.00 for each member. Please do not leave cash in the box. Use the forms at the box to update any information for the Billiards Club directory.

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Gerry Sarno teaches Vera Erskine a Billards English shot.



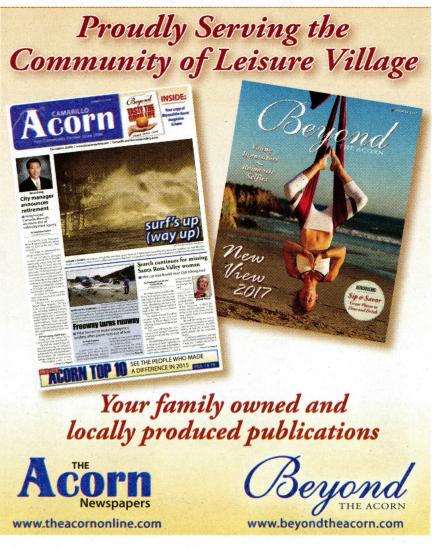
#### IN OTHER WORDS

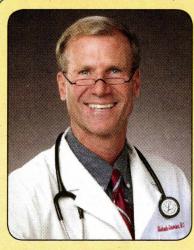
By Frank Seiden

In January, In Other Words will meet the third and fourth Wednesdays, Jan. 18 and 25, at 2:00 p.m. in the Lanai room because of a personal schedule conflict.

Topics we shall discuss are (a) writing about the little things in our lives that have added color to our being and (b) writing with dialog. What people say and how they say it tells much about the person and helps carry the interest in the story.

We had interesting discussions at our December meetings which included a guest who came to listen and returned. More of our participants are writing poetry, including some who have never tried writing poetry before. One comment was that poetry has amazing power and can say things that can't be said in usual prose. Visit us and judge for yourself.





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#### **WOMEN'S CLUB**

By Louise Romero

Thank you to all the incredible Leisure Village bakers who donated delicious cookies, cakes, peanut brittle, fudge and other sweets to the annual LV Women's Club Bake Sale on December 8. The Bake Sale was a great success and just in time to add goodies to our Holiday tables. The winner of the Silent Auction of a beautiful handmade wooden clock, made by Ron Quick, was Phyllis Angers for \$125.00. Thanks to Ron and Phyllis for their contributions.

Our Thursday, January 12, program will be preceded by the Boutique, vintage jewelry and See's Candy at 1:00 p.m. in the AR. The General Meeting will begin at 1:30 p.m. with Installation of Officers for 2017, followed by the performance of Jason Love. Jason is a well-known comedian and has appeared on HBO, Comedy Central and over 20 National Broadcasts. Jason incorporates music, making him a favorite for companies like Google, Chevron, Costco and others. You will not want to miss his performance. Be sure to bring canned goods for



Photo by LOUISE ROMERO

Rita Meeks selling bakes sale goodies at the annual bake sale in December.

Food Share.

Boutique days are Tuesday, January 10 and 17 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the MPR and Wednesday, January 18, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the AR Lobby. There are many items for gifts or to own, so do stop by and shop. There will be coffee, tea and goodies offered. We look forward to seeing you there.



Camera Club Winner, Crinkled Corolla, by Gregg Gillmar

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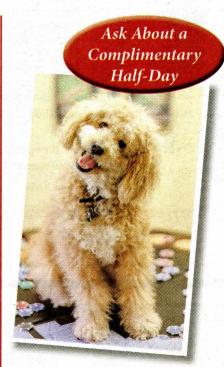
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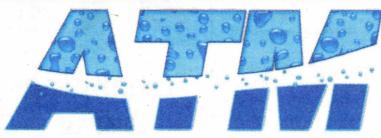
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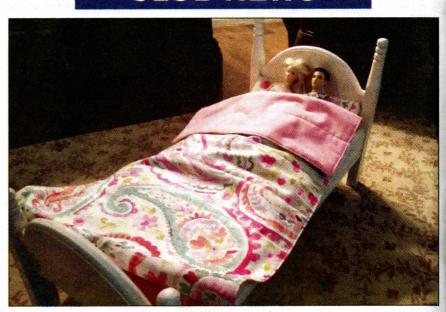


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A lovely doll bed for a very lucky granddaughter of a Woodshop Elf.

#### WOODSHOP

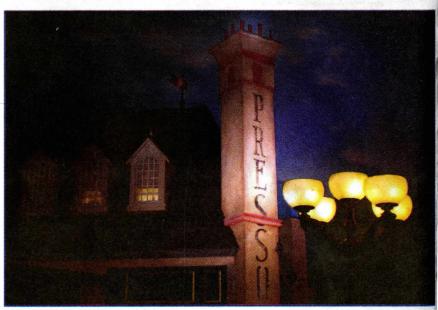
By Chuck Russell

There was no truth to the rumor that a man in a red velvet suit and long white beard was seen hunched over the power saw in the Woodshop last month. But the rest of us were busy with our own holiday creations, plus the work brought to us by Villagers. We are proud of the total number of projects we've completed this year:

Residents: 257 projects Clubs/ LVA: 67 projects Quickies: 43

And there are lots of woodworking challenges in this New Year. Residents can bring a broken wooden-something-or-other to the Woodshop in the Rec Center on Tuesdays or Wednesdays between 10:00 AM and noon. We don't charge for our work; we graciously accept donations for materials, but they aren't required.

Those who enjoy woodworking are welcome to join us. If you have experience with power tools, Call Chuck Russell at 383-3043 to make an appointment with one of our members who will answer any questions you have and will check you out on our equipment



Camera Club Winner,
Paris Street Lights-2, by Rita Linsey

#### **SHOWTYME**

By Jerry Spector

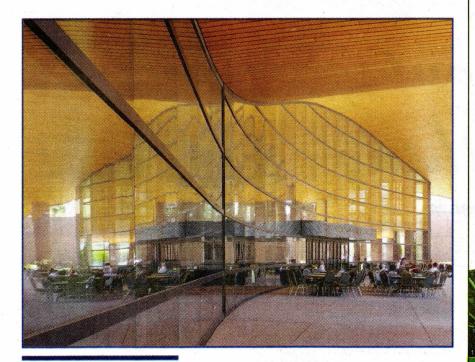
Showtyme is proud to welcome back Rick Jarrett, who returns to us with a heartwarming show on Friday, January 13. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. and the show

starts at 7:30 p.m. Members free, Nonmembers \$3 donation. Refreshments are served and there is a 50/50 with 2 winners. Rick's performance will be the "icing on the cake" that brings the holiday season to a wonderful close and starts the New Year off with an array of beautiful music. He is always a delight and you do not want to miss an evening of great entertainment.

Showtyme has outstanding shows lined up for the entire 2017 calendar year. Showtyme has a very dedicated staff of volunteers that make these shows possible. Membership is only \$10 per person, so please sign up and enjoy a full year of professional entertainment.



Rick Jarrett
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Camera Club Winner, Curved Reflections, by Sharon Forkner

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### **CLUB NEWS**

#### PET CLUB

By Ruth Stubba

We are pleased to announce special arrangements for pet adoptions with

the Camarillo shelter. If you are thinking about adopting a pet, come to our meeting for more information.

Please join us as we kick off 2017 with a Speaker Series program on Monday,

January 9 at 7:00 p.m. in the MPR. Dr. Andy Miller from Mission Oaks Vet Clinic will talk about cats in general and dog specific skin and foot problems that cause some dogs nonstop itching and licking! At the

meeting, get your 2017 membership card for \$5.00, free Pet Pack-It, 2017 Pet Calendar (just a few left) and updated dog walker and pet sitter lists. Refreshments are served and we have a 50/50 raffle. Contact Ruth for more information at 805 496-7188.



Photo by RANDY FRIEDMAN

Pet Club members Ruth Stubba and Donna Giles, with director of Ventura County Animals Services Barbara Zajac and Bette Greene, provide donated items to VCAS.

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

By Stan Reshes

A year and a half ago, Players Guild presented a workshop production, "Grand Ole Opry." The audience, as well as the cast, had such a good time that it was decided to do a "Grand Ole Opry II." That event will take place Thursday evening, January 19, 7:30 p.m. in the AR. Directed by Vivian Hollander and produced by Joyce Belcher, this new production will feature many performers from the original show, including Minnie Fil (Barton) and Chuck Kiskaden (who likes beer), as well as some new faces. The audience will be encouraged to sing along with the cast on some familiar "oldies." So, kick off the New Year with an old-fashioned Hootenanny. It'll be a hoot!

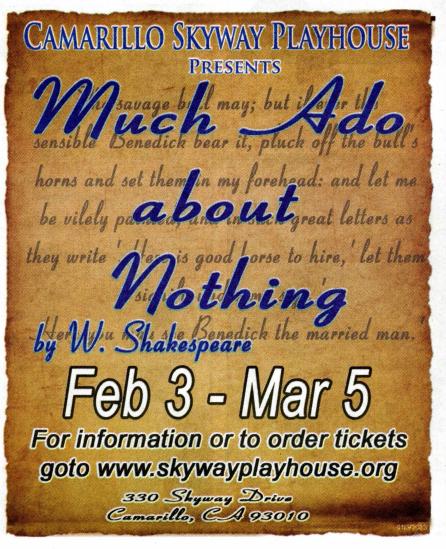






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Women's Golf Holiday Party at Ottavio's.

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#### **WOMEN'S GOLF**

By Patti Crichton

December was a very enjoyable month for the Women's Golf members. We played some new games and appreciated the later winter start time of 8:30am. Our holiday party was at Ottavio's in Old Town Camarillo with an amazing Italian luncheon, gift exchange, and festive sweater display.

We sincerely welcome Sheila Bunch to the team; she knows how to cook and cater pro style. Plus golf! Many thanks, Sheila!

We appreciate Linda Gaffney's excellent leadership as club president with her trusty Board of Directors. Please attend our January 11 meeting in the Garden Room at 2:00 p.m.

Regular tournaments are scheduled for January 11th and 25th. On January 18, we will play the new Edith Dowsing Tournament and the winner will take home a special trophy. Women will host the Chili Bowl tournament and luncheon on Saturday, January 28.

Thanks to our golfers for the friendly competitions on the fairways. We are all encouraging each other and learning something new every round. Grateful! Happy Holidays and all the best in 2017!

#### **MEN'S GOLF**

By Joseph Benti

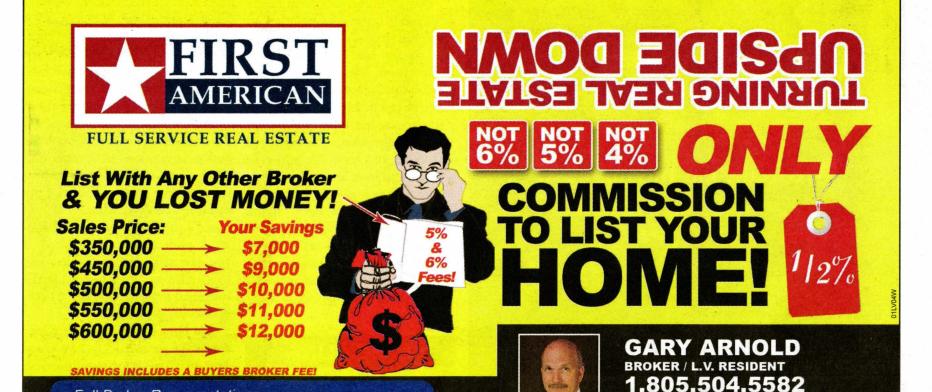
It was a long road, but the "licensed" use of golf carts on our fragile and limited course is now allowed. And at the December Ed & Rec meeting, President Gaffney reviewed some of the good and bad news that followed. Members, cart-users or not, who want solid information and guidance on the subject, should go to this website: http://www.usga.org/videos/2013/03/05/usga-course-care-video--golf-cart-and-pull-cart-etiquette-220501.html and watch the video.

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# **CLUB NEWS**

#### **COUNTRY WESTERN** DANCE

By Sue-Ellen Colp

Starting January 9 from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. there will be a new beginner tap class. There will be something for everyone to learn. Our teacher, Haile, has been teaching all levels for Parks and Recreation in Ventura and Camarillo for a long time. Cost will be \$30 for 10 weeks and drop in is \$3, so come to the AR stage and try it out. For more information call Sue-Ellen 805-312-1991

Our Tuesday night class continues with Julia from 5:30-6:30 p.m. This is a good class and fun; we learn new routines and even oncein-while perform for the Village in Players Guild or other events. Cost \$30 for ten weeks or drop-in fee of \$3 per class. For more information, call Sue-Ellen at 805-312-1991

Thank you everyone from Buster and Sue-Ellen for being such an important part of our lives for the past six and one half years at the Country and Western Dance. We want to thank Sharon and Merle for being on our Board and for the great party at our last time as President and Vice President; the cake, the gift cards and love! We will take a break and look forward to going to the dances as guests, having fun and not working so hard. Thank you again and we look forward to the Country Dances continuing on with a new group of leaders, along with the old. Thank you again for having fun and being supportive.

#### LV BOWLING

By Vivian Hurst

Happy New Year! We had an exciting Ladder Tournament. The section winners were: (a) Art Matter (b) Don Christie (c) Jerry Schneider and (d) Sandy Rosenthal. Congratulations!

In order to catch upon this won-

derful year of bowling, I will list all the winners of the side pots: Peggy Rebsch, Irving Bergman, Dyane Reider, Don Christy, Nancy Owens, Art Matter, Helen Hartman, Betty Herrman, Bill Kirkpatrick, Al Schuster, Vi Guzman, Stan Reshes, Alan Singer, Jerry Schneider, Leslie Fox, Robert Argast, Bob McQuivey, Joyce Belcher, Fran Titan, Fred Diehl, Sandy Reshes, Ginny Cordell, Jeff Argast, Dennis Duran and Franklin Melton. Dennis Duran has been outstanding with his numerous 200 games. As well, we have also had 200 games by Bob McQuivey, Art Matter and Alan Singer.

We would love to welcome anyone who would like to come out and have fun bowling with us.

#### WRITERS CLUB

By Harvey Brosler

WRITE-PRESENT-PARTIC-IPATE-ENJOY-LEARN. We have all seen these types of obituaries: A person was born on a certain date, had a certain occupation, and then died on a certain date. Obviously, something happened in-between. Was there something significant in their life? Would you like to share the interesting aspects of your life and your opinions with other residents? If so, we would like to hear them. Come to the Writers Club meeting held every Monday at 1:00 p.m. in the MPR. No special ability or prior experience required. If you can talk, you can write. You may write on any topic or use the suggested topic for that day. Microphones are provided.

For January, the suggested topics are: Do I Expect 2017 To Be A Good Year For Me? My Most Enjoyable Volunteer Job, What My Father Did For A Living and My Part Time Jobs. Stories of the Month are displayed just inside the entrance to the Village library.

Contacts: Larry Kalisher 465-0042, larry.kalisher@gmail.com or Harvey Brosler 465-0006, hsbros@ roadrunner.com"



Photo by CARLA MOLTER

Winners of the Racquet Club's Turkey Trot Pickle-ball tournament: Clair Scott, Gary Carroll, Ron Adams.

#### RACQUET CLUB

By Leslie Fox

HAPPY 2017! Our last meeting of 2016 ended with a farewell to Diane Carroll. Our President, Trish Zakas, expressed the Club's gratitude to Diane in both words and gift cards (her favorite restaurants). The winners of the Pickleball tournament were announced: Gary Carroll, Claire Scott, and Ron Adams. Congratulations on great playing! We concluded our meeting with Buster leading us in "Silent Night". It must be all that outdoor play that made so melodic. us sound

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, February 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the MPR. This will be Merle Ruiz's first meeting as our new President. To assist in making our new year everything we year for fun and laughter!

enjoy, there are short surveys on the bulletin board; please grab one, fill it out and return it to the envelope marked surveys. Not only will we be discussing future activities, Merle has warned me that we should all be ready for a serious game of "Trivia"

Paddle tennis league will begin the week of January 9 and run for seven weeks. League

> play is for members only. If you have not paid y o u r dues yet, please contact Sunshine

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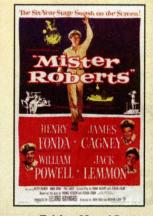
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# **CLUB NEWS**

#### WII BOWLING

By Ginny Bryce

The Wii-Bowling General Meeting and Pot Luck lunch was held on Saturday, December 17 at noon in the Santa Rosa Room. We had a great time socializing and planning for the coming year. Awards were given:

#### 300 Games:

Diane Hawrylo Barbara Bell Darryl Sobelman

Sylvia Edmonds (eight 300 games + two 300 games in prior years)

#### **High Series:**

Barbara Bell

#### **Best Attendance:**

Charlene Spector George Lueke

We will have another Bowling for Dollars contest on February 21, 22, and 23; come join us. Wii-Bowling is held Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays in the Club House. It is open to all. For information and 805-388-2264.



bowling times, please call Joan Levy at 805-482-6871 or Barbara Bell at 805-388-2264.

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Wii bowlers who had one or more 300 games this year: Barbara Bell, Carole Warren for Darryl Sobelman, Sylvia Edmonds and Diane Hawroylo.

#### SATURDAY NIGHT BALLROOM DANCE

By Andrea Moran

Hello fellow villagers: happy and healthy New Year. We will have new bands for your enjoyment along with the best dance floor in Ventura County. We have two dances for January: on the seventh, John and John Duo (National Bobble Head Day), and the twenty eighth, Dick Parent (Celebrate Chinese New Year). Ballroom dance is great exercise for the mind and feet, so let's get started in the New Year with fun and new friends. Dancing is 7:30 to 10:00 p.m. in the A.R. \$7.00 per person admission, fresh popcorn, coffee and punch served. Hope to see you all at the party.

Also on Saturday, January 14, the Country and Western Dance; line dancing and two step music; 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. in the A.R. \$5.00 admission includes refreshment and prizes.

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#### LV RV CLUB

By Mary Beil

Welcome to our New 2017 RV CLUB Board: Jim Arthur, President; Jack Miller, Vice President; Jean Tucker, Treasurer; Michelle Hoffman, Secretary; Past President Mary Beil

On December 13, 2016, at Jessica's Café, the RV Club had their Installation/Holiday Party with more than 50 club members in attendance. The food was fantastic: Mac n' Cheese, Tri-tip, Chicken and Salmon, accompanied by garden salad, rice, potatoes and steamed veggies. For dessert, four varied Bundt cakes.

Please join us at our monthly meetings held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Santa Rosa Room. Refreshments always available! Contact: Mary Beil: 805 987-7901.



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RV Club members celebrate at their Holiday dinner.





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#### **VILLAGE ARTS**

By Gwen Zimring

Happy New Year, Village Arts Members and Friends. Looking forward to 2017 which promises to be a year full of new members, new ideas and hope you can participate whenever ou can.

The holiday luncheon was enjoyed by all and Ottavios treated us to a very generous offering of fine Italian cuisine. Thank you Lee Truman for sharing your fine art in the library in December and to everyone who shared their work during 2016. Gwen Zimring will have some of her new work in the library during January.

For our first meeting in the New Year, Kathy Whitesell presented a watercolor demo. Kathy will also be giving a water color class very soon. You will be informed as to the date and time.

Everyone is invited to visit the Lanai Room during January for a member display of winter art. The Lanai room is available to members Monday, Tuesday and Friday between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. For members, supplies are available for your use.

THE MAVERICKS

#### By Dian

By Margo Secia

The Mavericks' "Winter Ball" Dinner Dance will be held on Friday January 27, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. in the AR. Tickets are available now for \$25.00 per paid-up member and \$30.00 per non-member. Your tickets can be purchased by calling John Wirtz at 384-8508, Ruth Stubba at 496-7188 or Geri DeSimone at 402-1465. The last day of ticket sales will be Tuesday, January 24 due to the date the caterer would like a count. There are 150 tickets available for this event and NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR, so make your plans early.

Our caterer for this wonderful dinner is "Command Performance," which is the exclusive provider for food events at the Reagan Library. The choice of entrée is Slow Roasted Beef Burgundy Tips, Chicken Marsala or Spinach and Cheese Ravioli. Included with each entrée is a Harvest Apple Salad with Garlic Focaccia Bread Roasted Garlic Mashed Potatoes and Grilled Vegetables. Wine, beer coffee and soda will be provided but, as always, you may BYOB.

The evening will begin at 5:30 p.m. with an Hors d'oeuvres Station, offering an Imported Cheese Display and Fresh Vegetable Crudite. Dinner will be served a 6:00 p.m. We are happy to have great music from "Generation Gap" for your dancing and listening pleasure.

Please calendar this dinner dance and come enjoy our very special party we have every January Start the New Year off right with great food, friends and entertain ment!

By Diane Hawrylo

**SHUFFLEBOARD** 

High scores submitted for all eight frame game in December 2016 were: Milt Krapes, 153; November 23, Jon Amelsberg, 156 November 30, Milt Krapes, 147 December 7, Milt Krapes, 165; and December 14, Cela Foster, 140.

Everyone is doing very well and enjoying shuffleboard at the same time. There is a lot of enthusiasm and interest in shuffleboard. Come on by, and enjoy the fur We regularly play shuffleboard of Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. Villager are invited to join; we will teach you if you don't know how and you capractice any time. Come on by an join the fun; there are no dues.

A safety note: because of unever surfaces, wear only flat shoes, and walk only between the lanes. Never walk across the lanes.

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### One More Time Around the Sun or - How to be 2,000 Years Old

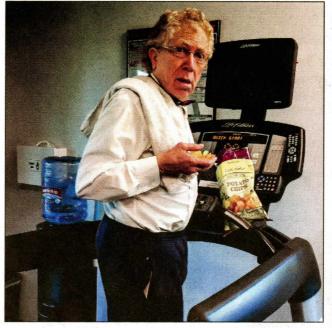
By Larry Swartz

Whenever a New Year or birthday occurs, as my son puts it, I've gone around the sun one more time. Like many of us, I wonder, how many more times I'll go around the sun; but I know that my chances at longevity improve if I exercise and eat reasonably. Don't panic, this is not going to be one of those "Behave yourself- make resolutions" articles; most psychologists agree resolutions don't work anyway. I do know that when Carl Reiner asked the 2000 year-old-man what did he think was responsible for his longevity, he said "I neva eva touch fried foods, I don't run for a bus, dell be anodder and eat a nectarine, it's de best fruit in de woirld."

Be Reasonable! And if you are on a special diet for medical reasons, ALWAYS do what your health care provider has told you to do, short of I was reasonable and I was happy! You

that, eat reasonably and remember that everything in life is a tradeoff. So skip dessert for two days, then share a piece of apple pie with a friend; get a half order of onion rings occasionally i.e. give yourself something to look forward to, not something to look back at.

To get this started, when I was a kid growing up, my parents used to take me to Shanghai Jimmy's Chili Rice...a restaurant run by a Shanghainese and a Texan who combined their 'native" dishes into a tasty treat. I don't eat white rice anymore unless it's in sushi, and I really limit my red meat consumption to almost none but I wanted chili rice. So, I traded off the beef for ground turkey and ground chicken breast and made a pot of chili, poured it over a bowl of steamed brown rice, topped it with chopped celery, onions, grated lite cheddar and



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can be too...and "eat a nectarine, it's de best fruit in the woirld."

#### Chili

Sauté one half of one large onion, finely diced in olive oil. Finely dice a can of diced tomatoes, yea more! When onions are translucent, add tomato. Brown in a separate skillet one pound each of ground dark turkey meat and ground white chicken. Season with a few dashes of salt and chili powder till dark maroon; add one teaspoon of ground cumin. Continue cooking on low heat till meat is done. Combine with onion tomato mixture and one and one half cups chicken bouillon, simmer 30 minutes; adjust seasonings to taste. Add a tablespoon of cornmeal to thicken and more broth as needed.

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By Sharron Parker

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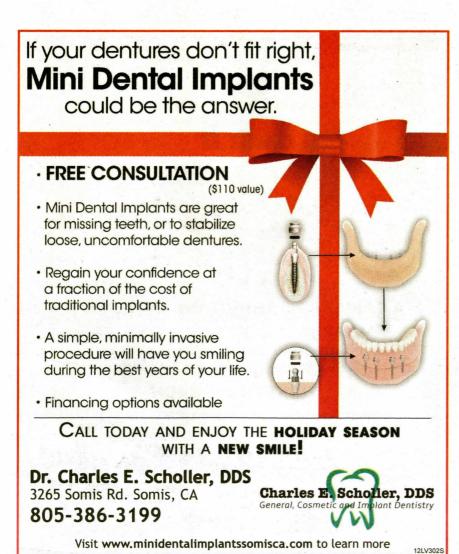
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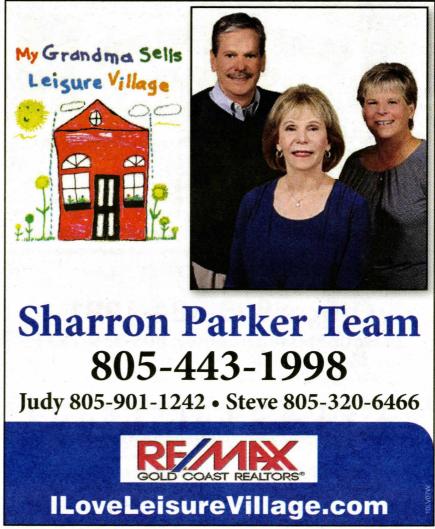
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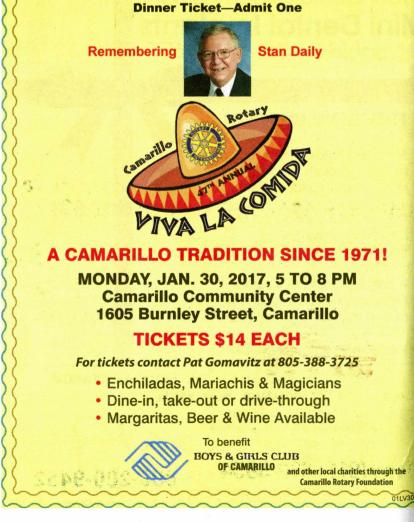
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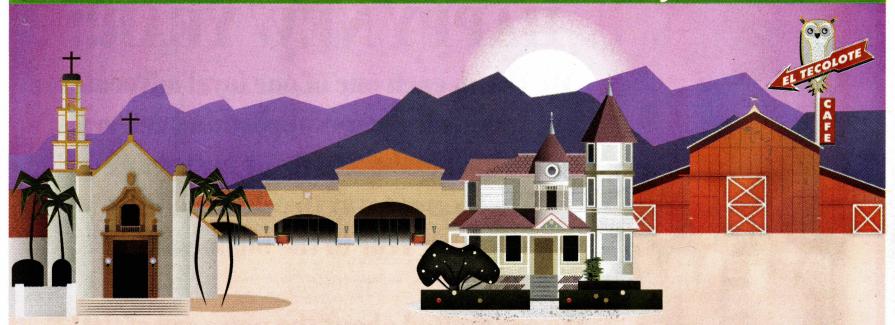
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