INSIDE LEISURE VILLAGE





Photo montage by Jerry Spector Camarillo City Council candidates are, from left, Bob Taylor, Mike Morgan, Charlotte Craven, David Schlangen and Jan McDonald

Council candidates to be in LV Oct. 13

By Jack Whalen

The Current Issues Forum will bring to our Village on Friday, October 13, the three incumbents and two challengers seeking the three open seats on the Camarillo City Council.

Mayor Mike Morgan, a council member since 1980, is in his fourth term as mayor. He is a founding member of the Camarillo Youth Advisory Council.

Council member Charlotte Craven has been a Council member for 20

years. She has served as chairwoman for Camarillians for Affordable Housing.

Council member Jan Me-Donald has been a council member since 1996 and is president of the Camarillo Arts Council.

Challenger Bob Taylor, while never having been involved in local politics, has been involved as a board member with the Camarillo Chamber of Commerce and has been chairman of the

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chili contest is Oct. 30

The 2nd Annual Pumpkin Festival sponsored by the LV Farmers Club is coming on Monday, October 30, in the AR. It will be a guaranteed day of fun and excitement for all Leisure Village residents.

8 to 9:30 a.m.: All pumpkins must be in the AR for set-up.

10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.: The AR is open to all residents for viewing the pumpkins.

10:30 a.m.: All categories of pumpkins will be judged: Best Carved, Most Original, Scariest, Funniest.

11 to 11:30 a.m.: All chili entries must be brought to the AR for set-up, and all pumpkin edible dishes must be brought to the AR for

Pumpkin,

The schedule of events for the day will be as follows:

10:30 a.m. to noon: LV residents will vote for "People's Choice."

set-up.

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We have a new feature, 'Dear Mrs." Please send us your comments. See Page 12.

Our Strolling Reporter, Lois Keeler, has an interesting article regarding La Brea Tar Pits and the history of Los Angeles. Refer to Page 13.

The Painters Club had a wonderful showing at the Ventura County Fair. See Page 8.

The article by Joe Foraker on earthquake preparedness is worthy of reading. Go to Page

There is a lovely poem about the passing of summer by Aleta Trogdon on Page 11.

"I Do Believe" is worth reading on Page

Do not miss the Pumpkin Festival and Chili Cookoff on October 30. See Page 1.

This issue has some worthwhile articles regarding Randy Watkins. They begin on Page 1 and continue on Pages 2 and 3.

Read our classified ads. They offer many interesting services to aid you in day living. They start on Page 28.

Read about the Annual Painters Club Arts and Crafts Show on Sunday, Nov. 5. Information is on Page 6.

Villagers bid farewell to Watkins

By Jack Whalen

An era came to a close prior to the September Open Board Meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 5, as many, many Villagers came to shake hands with and say goodbye and good luck to General Manager Randy Watkins who, after eight great years, leaves for a key assignment with Pulte Homes, the parent company of Del Webb Co., reported to be the largest homebuilder in the United States.

Here for this special yet informal get-together were dignitaries representing both Ventura County and the City of Camarillo.

Mayor Mike Morgan told of the many projects his city and Randy

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One of last year's decorated pumpkins — this one, by Judy Spector.

Former board presidents praise Watkins

By Jack Whalen

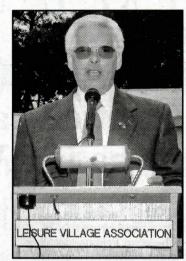
Just how does one evaluate General Manager Randy Watkins' impact on Leisure Village over the past eight years? Your reporter determined that those who knew him best had to be the former presidents of our Board of Directors.

Let's start in 1996, two years before Randy's arrival. Why? Both those men continue, to this day, to be involved as committee members and are keen observers of day-to-day Village activities.

Ed Hawthorne, then president, says: "Randy Watkins was the best manager of the five I've known since coming to LV. He is very knowledgeable, he is an excellent organizer and leader and has been sympathetic and always available to homeowners — which

is so very important in our retirement years."

Following Ed was Dick Griswold, who also carries today the title as Senior Senator in the California Senior Legislature for Ventura County. Dick, in his own words: "I have served on the Leisure Village Association Board of Directors for eight years, four months, and worked with General Managers Bob Collatti, Gene Verbeck, Jim Gembala and Randy Watkins. Randy requested and got Board approval to obtain four CAI Management credentials. thus educating himself to a superior degree in the management and administration of our Planned Unit **Development Homeowners** Association type of business. His dedication to self-improvement qualifies him as our most outstanding



Departing General Manager Randy Watkins addresses a crowd as he prepares to leave Leisure Village.

General Manager, and I am proud to designate him with this honor."

Bo Humphrey was President when Randy arrived, and he says: "In 1998 I was President of the LV Board of Directors, and Randy had been on the job as Senior Accountant for just a few months. Our GM passed away, and we asked Randy to take charge temporarily. After checking for potential General Managers and observing Randy in day-to-day operations, we offered the job to him, and he

accepted. In my opinion, he has been an outstanding General Manager, and I wish Randy and his family all the best in his new endeavor in Nevada."

Max Heller followed, and in his own words, "In 1998, during my first year on the Board, our then General Manager, Jim Gembala, suddenly died. Randy was then the newly appointed Head Accountant for the Village. He had come to us with an impressive executive background. As Treasurer, I had worked with Randy for several months, and I had no difficulty in agreeing that Randy was well-suited to step into the position of General Manager. His subsequent accomplishments over the years have proved that his appointment was one of the best decisions we ever made.'

Caroline Pratt served two and one half years as President, and she states: "I believe that the condition and attractiveness of our 33-year-old Village is the greatest accolade I can pay our Randy Watkins. I wish him and Sandy God-speed and many joys in their new life."

Carol Sweeney Zimmet followed, but she will appear again later.

In 2003, Jack Prosen was elected President, and in his own words: "During my tenure as Board President, Randy was my right arm. There was nothing that I could ask him that he either immediately knew the answer or said he would get back to me, which was done promptly. Many times I would ask certain things that I thought would necessitate the use of a lawyer, but in most cases Randy would have the answer right at his fingertips, saving the Village possible legal expenses. He was such a pleasure to work with, and I personally know the Village is losing a very capable General Manager. I wish him every kind of success in his new position."

Then came Bob Ellis, who said: "It was my pleasure and good fortune to have worked with such a fine General Manager as Randy Watkins. Randy handled every situation placed before him with the poise and expertise of a Fortune 500 Executive. While making decisions, both long and short range, Randy always kept the welfare of the Village, its residents and his employees at the forefront. He will be dearly missed."

Today's President, one who has served us often and well, Carol Sweeney Zimmet, says: "Randy Watkins has been a tremendous asset to the Leisure Village Association and Homeowners. Further, he has been an invaluable help to me and to the Board Members because he readily shared his expertise. Randy will be missed."

Deadlines for next month

The Display Advertising deadline for the November 2006 issue will be Monday, October 9, at 5 p.m. Deadline for letters, club news, stories, photos and classified ads is Saturday, October 14, at 5 p.m. Publication is scheduled for November 3. Typed copy, double-spaced, should be deposited in the ILV box in the Recreation Center hallway. Handwritten material should be submitted early to allow for typing.

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Channel 25 airs interview with Watkins on Oct. 29

By Jack Whalen

The Historical Committee is proud to present the final TV interview with departing General Manager Randy Watkins on Friday, October 29, both at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

This quarter-hour video features former President of the Board of Directors Caroline Pratt and current President Carol Sweeney Zimmet. Filmed by Mark Smith in the outdoor Gazebo area, Randy speaks of his accomplishments during the reign of these two ladies, plus the goals he met here.

It's a short but fact-filled 15 minutes that will be a reminder of a very popular eight-year-long general manager here.

No Oct. movie

By Bob Koster

There will be no Classic Film screening in October. The next screening will be on November 12, when we will see the second half of "Olympia."

Clogging class kicks up

By Mary Kovach

A new Beginner Clogging Class recently started in The Village. This class is ideal for men and women who want to exercise to lively music.

Two professional instructors are teaching the class. It is \$4 per session. For information, call Mary at 484-9928 or Louise at 388-1313.

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worked together on and promised Randy that a letter of appreciation, signed by all City Council members, would be sent to him soon.

Joyce Taylor, representing County Supervisor Kathy Long, said of Randy: "He was always so receptive and a pleasure to work with. On behalf of the Ventura County Board of Supervisors, it's a distinct pleasure

to present you with this Certificate of Appreciation."

Randy responded by saying he truly enjoyed his eight years here, leading Leisure Village into the 21st century, "but this was an offer I simply could not resist."

Back in his office, Randy was quick to say: "I fully believe that Leisure Village is in good hands with Marilyn DeAngelo. She has the skills and expertise necessary to be a fine General Manager."

Randy had high praise for our many volunteers, saying: "I have nothing but deep respect and admiration for the hundreds of dedicated volunteers who make this Village tick. Without their great work, our assessments would be much higher."

In closing, I truly believe all Villagers will agree that we are a "better-than-ever" senior community because a man named Randy Watkins spent eight years with us, serving us.

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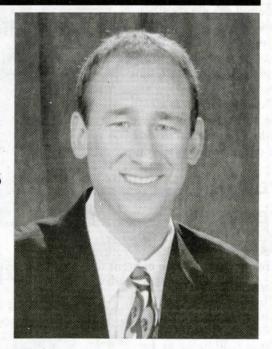
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Jackie Sinatra, V. 20 Mart De Yoe, V. 11 Patricia L. Romer, V. 20

2.5-yard-long covering and needed to be cut to fit as well. They worked on it and made it work beautifully and easily. Where would I go for help? I had no idea. They saved my dilemma. I can't thank them enough! Bless them for their efforts!

- Raye Gabriel, V. 25

or someone never at a loss for words, I am having a very

hard time finding the right way to express my thanks for all the affection and support shown me following the loss of my dog, Louie. He was a wonderful friend, and the streets of Leisure Village will never be the same. He will be greatly missed.

To everyone: Please accept my heartfelt thanks for the friendship shown to me at this very trying time.

- Lorraine Comer. V. 13

55 Alive is Oct. 19, 20

By Claudia Roberts

Registration is now being accepted for the next 55 Alive Safe Driving Class offered Thursday and Friday. October 19 and 20, from 1 to 5 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room for the benefit of licensed drivers of all ages who are residents of Leisure Village.

This class will enable you to qualify for a threeyear discount on your auto insurance. Take the class.

and, hopefully, you will be a safer, more cautious driver and will have learned the current rules and regulations of the Department of Motor Vehicles.

The cost is \$10 per person. We ask that you pre-register and pre-pay by check. Please bring your driver's license and a pen or pencil to write with. To register, call Claudia Roberts at 482-9904 or Naomi Balfour at 987-9851.

Flu shots set for Nov. 10

By Naomi Balfour

The new date for flu shots in the Village is Friday, Nov. 10, from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Assembly room. Medicare can be billed if you

have Medicare insurance. All others will need to pay a charge. Be sure to bring your Medicare card. Seating is available if there is a waiting time.

Better Breathing helps with onset of autumn

By Lorraine Comer

It's hard to believe that summer is over and autumn is upon us. Cool weather is just around the corner, and then come the holidays. Let's get together to discuss taking care of ourselves during the upcoming holidays.

As you know, we discuss improving our breathing patterns so that shortness of breath does not become a problem. Let's get together to practice good breathing techniques so that daily chores become easier to accomplish, leaving more time

This message is to all those with and without breathing problems. During each of the Better Breathing

Free blood pressure clinic Oct. 10

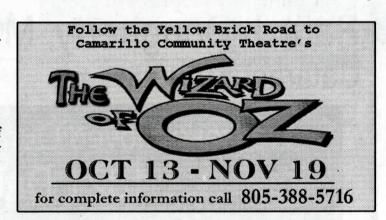
By Naomi Balfour

The October Blood Pressure Clinic will be in the MPR on Tuesday, Oct. 10, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. for October only

sessions, we discuss how to conserve energy when doing daily activities, which will allow us to perform many of the things that make life here in Leisure Village so good. Proper breathing techniques will give us the added benefit of making tasks and/or fun times easier to participate in during the day. We discuss any special

problem you might have, either with all of those in attendance or privately at the end of the session.

As we all get a little older, better breathing techniques become more important. Hope to see all of you looking to improve your everyday life the second Wednesday of the month at 10 a.m. in the MPR.



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When a man reaches the nonagenarian age of 90, he can expect to hear mostly praise from here on out, if only to honor a life welllived and an excellent taste in genes.

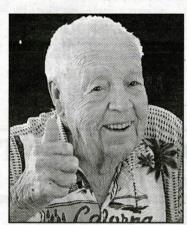
On September 23, some 200 family and friends gathered on the outdoor patio at the Leisure Village Recreation Center to do just that — celebrating the 90th birthday of Burt Swallow. The party was two days ahead of the actual milestone, which he planned to observe one of his favorite ways, fishing.

Despite Burt's dislike of extreme displays, Dorothy, his wife of 68 years, along with some 16 members of the four generations of their immediate family, made sure this party was as exceptional as its honoree. Missing only his grandson who is in the Air Force, the event brought together the whole Swallow clan: two sons and daughter, five grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter.

And what a party, fully catered, from nearly a dozen appetizers to two fabulous food lines — one themed Mexican and the other Italian, all the food and drink anybody would want - to the music of a wonderful jazz combo. None of that overshadowed the praise and admiration expressed for Burt, a man who has become legendary in the Village for his tireless, selfless sharing of himself and his talents in the seven years he has lived here.

Ernie Ohmstedt, chair of the Village's Education & Recreation Committee, said of Burt, "He keeps Leisure Village a fantastic place to live. He and Dorothy are very active, never negative, always coming up with ideas and contributions to make it better."

In addition to service, the couple also are admired for their willingness to do



Burt Swallow



Dorothy Swallow

all they can despite increasing physical limitations. Both rely on motorized wheelchairs for mobility, a fact which did nothing to keep Burt and Dorothy from flitting among the birthday

Two older Village nonagenarians, Art Kauffman, who is 94, and 93-year-old Milt Mankoff, praised Burt's constancy and for always helping to make things better.

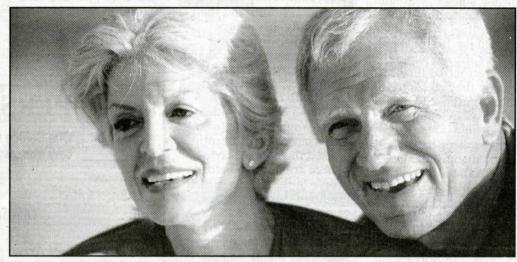
Kauffman said Burt's expertise in woodworking and electrical skills, "proved invaluable in modernizing and maintaining the television studio and the lighting booth in the Rec Center."

"For a young kid," Kauffman said, "Burt's really OK."

Mankoff, who produces and directs many live shows from the Rec Center, called Swallow "talented and brave, an all-round man."

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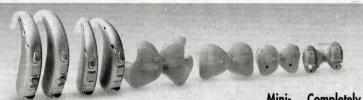
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And, in typically droll, Mankoff fashion, he advised those who would live a long life, "Don't stop breathing."

Recalling once when a resident was preparing to throw out some old kitchen cabinets, Recreation Director Susan Rockwell recalled, "Burt said no. He got some help, took the old cupboards, retrofitted them, and today they are used in our Multi-Purpose Room. He is always helpful, always volunteering."

Burt Swallow has had his share of "inconveniences," as he calls them. Two years ago he lost his left leg to diabetes and undergoes dialysis three times a week. But, warns Sid Alweiss, his friend and fellow woodworker, "Don't ever call Burt handicapped. When he wants to do something, he does it and does it well.'

Of all that Burt has done in Leisure Village, his impact has been greatest in the Woodshop Club and the Architecture Committee. Ted Lansing, who succeeded Burt as Chair of the Committee, praised him as, "an amazing man, clear, concise, and to the point, warm and affable, a pleasure to be with.'

Sid Alweiss, who now heads up the Woodshop, says, "Burt is a joy and an inspiration to have as a friend."

A few weeks after Burt lost his leg, he was back at board meetings, delivering reports, and in the Woodshop, confidently dodging the woodworkers and their heavy-duty machinery, offering his wisdom and guidance. Burt designed and made his own version of a wooden leg, one he wears easily with confidence.

Donna Duke, President of the Women's Club, who works closely with Dorothy. praised the couple, saying, "There are not two better people in the Village, which has flourished since they came here."

Longtime friend Shirley Nowlin echoed many, saying, "They are always there for us."

These days, if Burt's not as visible as usual, it might be because he's breaking in two new fishing poles he bought for himself.

No matter what, though, it's clear that Burt Swallow won't have much time for small talk; he never did. As he said in his speech at his birthday party, which we happily quote here, in its entirety, "I appreciate all of you being here, and that's the end of it."

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Village Painters win big at Fair

By Aurelie Zachary

Village Painters' participation at the Ventura County Fair was most rewarding. Four members entered a total of 12 paintings and won seven awards!

Linda Stein's "Pooped

Pooch" won First Prize, Special Award and Nomination for Best of Show.

Gwen Zimring's "The Petition" won First Prize.

Aurelie Zachary's "Ole Barn" won Third Prize, "Zachary" won Third Prize and "Peaches on a Branch" won Honorable Mention.

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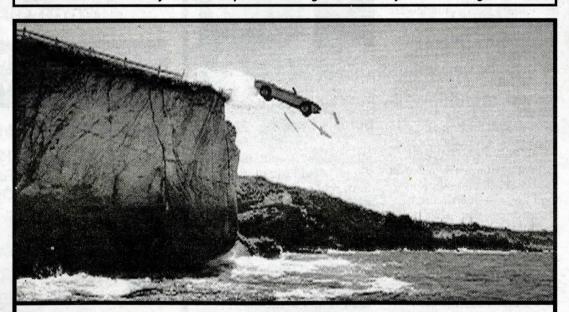
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Residents of Village 30 "get acquainted."

Village 30 hosts barbecue

By Stan Reshes

Village 30 held its third 'Get-Acquainted Barbecue" on Saturday, August 26.

Begun in 2004, this has turned into a rousing successful annual event, allowing residents of Village 30 to meet new residents as well as mingle with some of their other seldom-seen neighbors.

The festivities were held on the green belt area with hamburgers and hot dogs, including all the trimmings, and cole slaw, potato salad, cold drinks and ice cream being provided, along with fantastic brownies made by Helen Barbe.

Gerald Rosen and Stan Reshes handled the barbecue chores, while Loretta

Reshes, Betty and Norm Scadron and Marilyn Foraker were in charge of the food purchases.

The approximately 35 attendees were treated to entertainment provided by Sonny and Cher, as portrayed hilariously by Al Law and Marilyn.

Village 32 continues its 24-year tradition

By Marie Donnel

Following a 24-year long tradition Village 32 celebrated a neighborhood party on Sunday, Aug. 13, in the Multi-Purpose Room.

We enjoyed the company of old friends and neighbors and welcomed newcomers to "the friendly Village." The room was filled with warmth and good fellowship. Chuck Donnel, Village Coordinator, emceed the proceedings, which included a lasagna lunch with trimmings prepared by Miriam Laird and helpers. A drawing for door prizes offered brand-new \$2 bills and large dark chocolate bars.

Most of the residents of this small village attended. and we happily look forward to another neighborhood celebration next year.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

A second grader came home from school and said, "Mom, guess what? We learned how to make babies today!" The stunned mother tried to keep her cool. "That's interesting," she said. "How do you make babies?" "It's simple," replied the girl. "You just change 'y' to 'i' and add 'es."

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1857 California quake a challenge for newspapers

By Joe Foraker

Southern California's most recent great earthquake occurred on January 9, 1857.

The sparsely-settled area at that time was populated by approximately 35,000 people. A small contingent of soldiers occupied the Fort Tejon military facility, which was located near the quake's epicenter. One soldier was killed and another dozen suffered minor injuries.

Years later, geologists would prove that the nearby San Andreas fault had delivered its eighth great quake over a 1,200-year period.

Today, more than 25 million people live in the area that will be seriously assaulted by the next great earthquake in Southern California. The epicenter of the Fort Tejon Earthquake is about 50 miles northeast of Camarillo.

The lack of wholesale carnage made it difficult for newspaper reporters of that area. Nearly all the documented information is filled with humor, descriptions of weird happenings, and religious references.

The accounts that follow were published by two Los Angeles area newspapers.

From the Los Angeles Star, January 17, 1857: "In an instant, the fearful cry of 'earthquake' issued from every mouth — then a rush, shouting and screaming, which may well be conceived, but cannot be described. At the hotels, the breakfast tables were instantly deserted, people wildly rushed to the streets, tripping and tumbling over each other in their hurry and dismay - in some cases blocking the door, so as to prevent egress for the moment. Many people, used to indulge in a comfortable snooze on a morning, were unceremoniously turned out of the comfortable quarters, in anticipation of having the roof about their ears before they could make their exit. They took no thought of their toilet - but gal-

lantly gave their linen to the A Chelennes en Er RARRARA

breeze in hopes of bringing up safe quarters.

"One gentleman, who in his hurry mistook a window for a door, was soon running along the roof of an adobe building, thinking should it fall, it was better to be on top of it rather than it on top of him. Another, enjoying the luxury of a bath, stood the rocking for some time, but at last was compelled to evacuate the premises, and rush to the yard, where, to his

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horror a number of ladies had also sought refuge and were seeking consolation in prayer. Whether from the shock to his feelings, or the shock from the earthquake, he was immediately brought prone to the earth, where he managed to creep under cover, unobserved

From the Los Angeles El Clamor Publico, January 12,

"The first shock started at 8 in the morning and lasted between 80 and 90

seconds. It began very gently, became strong, and was a little less strong when it ended. The ground immediately around us seemed to shake violently, like a cradle rocking. Only rarely do earthquakes last so long and have such strong motions. The water standing in pools was thrown about and splashed over the edges. The water in the ditches around the village was also thrown about and over the banks, and from being

crystal clear became thick with mud. Dogs howled and the beasts stood like statues while flocks of startled birds flew shrieking from south to north as if moved by an invisible force. The people fled into the streets; many could not stand and in terror fell to their knees and cried out, 'Lord have mercy!' The houses cracked, and if they did not have light roofs of asphalt would have fallen in.

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My Summer Has Passed

By Aleta Trogdon

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To get me about,
My heart needs assistance.
It's old and worn-out.

The fingers are twisted And never lay still, But I see and I hear And I say what I will.

I've been up and been down.
I know how to fall.
Don't pity this lady.
She's had it all.

I seeded life's pathways With memories to last. The harvest was fruitful. My summer has passed.

QUAKE

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Many people were nauseated.

"Along the banks of the creek near here the earthquake has produced long open cracks of varying widths. A few minutes past eight, there was another earthquake which lasted for a short time. At 11 at night there was a third shock which lasted 4 seconds. During the night three more were felt, making a total of six that were noticed by most people. There is also another phenomenon. From the first shock until 5 p.m., the earth has been moving constantly, though it has required close attention to it. There have certainly been more than a few periods, up to 20 minutes long of almost imperceptible earthquakes. It seems as though the Earth, tired of suffering our sins, was shaking herself free of us as birds shake off what disturbs their feathers.

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If readers would like to join in on the fun by anonymously writing their fictitious problems that may be answered by "Mrs.," all the better. But don't get serious. Don't use real names. Don't use real Village addresses. And, most important, keep it light.

Dear Mrs.,

The man across the way leaves his blinds open and walks around naked. What should I do?

— Perplexed, V. 51

Dear Perplexed, Seems to me you have two choices. Either you can close your blinds, or you can sell tickets.

Dear Mrs.,

My grandson likes to visit, but he always plays his so-called music too loud. I've asked him to turn it down, but he says then he can't hear it.

- At-a-Loss, V. 67

Dear Loss.

If he won't heed your request, send him to his room — in his own house.

Dear Mrs.,

I can't get my lazy husband to stop watching TV and help me around the house. What should I do? - Lonely and unhelped

Dear Unhelped, Hide the remote.

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La Brea Tar Pits, L.A. River helped shape region

By Lois Keeler

Here we go again! Today we will stroll around the La Brea Tar Pits, and I will attempt a brief history of Los Angeles and Los Angeles County.

Originally the tar pits were located about seven miles west of Los Angeles. They are still in the same place, but urban sprawl has put them in the middle of downtown Los Angeles. The tar pits were originally described as "The Salt Creek Oilfields." They contain one of the richest, best preserved, most studied assemblages of Pleistocene vertebrates. They include at least 59 species of mammals and over 135 species of birds. Aside from vertebrates, they also include plants, mollusks and insects - more than 660 species of organisms in

Tar pits form when crude oil seeps to the surface through fissures in the earth's crust. The oil evaporates, leaving heavy tar or asphalt in sticky pools. Tar from the pits was used by early native Americans as a glue and waterproof caulking for baskets and canoes. Later the tar was mined by Westerners and used for roofing.

Scientists have been extremely successful in their excavation of the pits. Today the George C. Page Museum of La Brea is right next door, where a huge number of fossils are displayed. The Page Museum is part of the National History Museum of Los Angeles County. It's well worth visiting.

The history of Los Angeles began some 10,000 to 20,000 years before the first Europeans arrived. Hunters and gatherers of many Aztec and Indian tribes populated the area. Around 1769, the first Mexican and Spanish settlers began to settle. Among the most

notable were Gaspar de Portola and Junipero Serra. Commanding the soldiers was the Mexican Rivera y Moncada. In addition, there were 80 indigenous people from Baja, California, 25 Catalan soldiers, a group of Franciscan missionaries and a dozen artisans.

A permanent colonial settlement was established on September 4, 1781, as El Pueblo de Nuestra Senora de los angeles di Porciuncula. It was named in honor of the shrine to the Virgin Mary, Santa Maria de Angeli, Our

Lady of the Angels in Assisi, Italy. The construction of a presidio and town was the project of Governor Felipe de Neve, mandated by King Charles III of Spain.

The city was built on the Rio Porciuncula, the broad river running through

the valley, now known as the Los Angeles River. The Spanish saw a full-flowing wide river, overflowing at times into vast marshlands that were home to a myriad of waterfowl and small ani-

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This we may all say with pride, And stand up very straight and tall, Knowing we were the leading stars In the greatest show of them all.

I Do Believe

By Elaine Dorff

I do believe in Santa Claus And laughing, impish elves. I do believe in whispering trees Who talk among themselves.

I do believe in fairies dancing In the dell Just as I believe in God and people, For Mother taught us well.

You cannot always see and touch The wonders that you feel

Like love, the one thing that makes Life very real.

So do believe, like I believe, in the magic Of your dreams. And gain the goal however impossible It seems.

Just believe and do your very, very And with gifts from God and Santa You'll be ever blessed.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

A little girl was diligently pounding away on her father's word processor. She told him she was writing a story. "What's it about?" he

asked. "I don't know," she replied. "I can't read."

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mals. Though it flowed plentifully near downtown all year long, by the turn of the century it had become a dry wash for most of the year, and the ample stream had become a local joke that has never gotten any funnier. By the time the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers had lined its banks with cement, they were literally "closing the coffin" on a river that was already dead. What a shame, and all in the name of "progress." Trees had been felled, the wetlands dried and the river diverted into a series of irrigation ditches, often spilling over with "garbage and foul matter."

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California was ruled by Spain until 1822 when Mexico assumed jurisdiction. After a two-year period of hostilities with Mexico beginning in 1846, the area came under U.S. control. In 1848 The Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo made California a U.S. territory.

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Have you heard this one?

By Bob Browne

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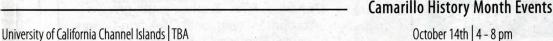
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Camarillo Library | 3100 E Ponderosa Drive
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October 11th | 5 - 6:30 pm Adolfo Camarillo High School 50th Anniversary BBQ ACHS Ag Barn | 4660 Mission Oaks Blvd., Camarillo Tri-tip and chicken dinner | RSVP 805. 389.6410 October 14th | 4 – 8 pm

Pleasant Valley Historical Society Annual Harvest Festival
Thiessen Family Barn | 4822 Donlon Road, Somis
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October 14th | 1 - 4 pm

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October 15th | Noon – 2 pm
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October 15th | Noon – 4 pm Adolfo Camarillo Ranch House | 201 Camarillo Ranch Road Open House, tours & gift shop | 805.389.8182



Ongoing Camarillo History Month Exhibits:

Camarillo Library | 3100 E Ponderosa Drive, Camarillo Exhibit of the history of Camarillo Library Pleasant Valley Historical Society exhibit of Camarillo historical photos & artifacts

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October 18th | 7 pm Adolfo Camarillo Ranch House | 201 Camarillo Ranch Road Los Rancheros Vistadores tell about the annual horse back ride in which Adolfo Camarillo participated Refreshments | Membership and reservations req'd 805.389.8182

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October 29th | Noon - 4 pm Adolfo Camarillo Ranch House | 201 Camarillo Ranch Road, Camarillo Agricultural display w/antique tractors Cake to celebrate Adolfo Camarillo's birthday Carmelita Nicholson, Adolfo's granddaughter will autograph her book. Open House, tours & gift shop | 805.389.8182 Look for us in the AR every

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a.m. Any questions, call

By Martin Alfred

The Woodshop continues to be busy helping residents with their woodwork repair problems on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings.

As you may or may not know, our excellent woodworking committee members do a great number of jobs for the Village. Just recently, some of the tables in the Sewing Room needed repairs, and Roger Williams, Chuck Russell, Ron Stave and Sid Alweiss renovated them at no cost to the Village. Thanks, fellows.

If you want to use the Woodshop and have not been cleared, you must come in on a Tuesday or Wednesday morning or call Sid for an appointment at 482-5341. These are Village safety rules.

1610 or Ben Racowsky at 445-8284 by Monday, Oct. 16, for reservations and cash please. We've had these chicken dinners for the past four years, and everybody was well-fed and happy, so come join us. There will be no regular meeting in October, November or December due to holidays. Enjoy them, and look forward to another good year.

Camera Club

By Jerry Cohen

484-9882.

Photo journalism was the Assigned category for September and the first-place winner was Jerry Spector. Second place was earned by Betty Murray, with Betti Hendrickson capturing third place. The Honorable Mentions were by Florence Gillman and Ken Hendrickson.

The Open category winner was Bob Sandusky, followed in second place by Marlene Votion, and Don Treadwell took third place. The Honorable Mentions were by Judy Spector and Frank DeSimone.

In the Creative division, first place was won by Jerry

Spector, with second place awarded to Helen Newton. and Ken Hendrickson taking third place. The Honorable Mentions went to Vic Fledge and Marlene Votion.

Judging the competition was professional Dan Murphy.

Because of the exciting competitions and the entertaining leadership of president Jerry Spector, this is one of the fastest growing clubs in the Village. All are welcome to join us on the first Wednesday of each month for the competitions and the third Wednesday of

each month for the program nights. Meetings start at 7 p.m. in the MPR, and refreshments follow.

..V. Chorale

By Elise Perlmutter

Round them up for the LV Chorale! We are starting our new season, and we need some new voices, male and female, who enjoy singing a variety of songs. Auditions are not necessary, nor

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Happy Hoofers

By Ida Zeller

How lucky we are to have two new dancers joining our group in the past month. Welcome to Betty Dean and Betty Herrmann. They know how important it is to exercise, and what better way than dancing. slimming your thighs and

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Veterans Club

By Martin Alfred

Our Veterans Club annual picnic will be on Thursday, Oct. 19, at 5 p.m. in the picnic area. We'll be feasting on El Pollo Loco chicken dinners, complete with soda and cake dessert - all for \$7.00. All are welcome. Just call Marty Alfred at 389-



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Single Active Seniors

By Zelda Greentree

I'm still laughing after reading the contribution by Bob Browne called "Desperation" in the August Inside Leisure Village. I read it to our group of singles, and we all appreciated Mr. Browne's humor. Keep it coming!

Oct. 3 News and Views will be held in the MPR at 7 p.m. Bring your articles and/ or jokes to the meeting!

The following week, on Oct. 10, an expert on gait and balance (walking and balance), Ron Seitz, will be here to help us "keep our balance." He has had a great deal of experience, and this may be an invaluable program for all of us. It's in the MPR at 7 p.m.

The movie of the month for October, on Oct. 17, in the Annex, is "The Prize Winner of Defiance, Ohio," starring Julianne Moore and Woody Harrelson.

Manipulation will be held in the Annex on Oct. 24, beginning at 7 p.m.

Please watch for our posters and Channel 25 for all of our activities every Tuesday night.

Showtyme

By Phil Kamens

Showtyme presents, on Monday, Oct. 16, at 7:30 p.m., a wonderful entertainer and singer, Raymond Patterson. He has played to full houses all over California and was a big hit with each show. Be sure to come to this performance. You will be glad you did. So mark your calendars, and we will see you at the show.

L.V. New York Club

By Gerry Schulman

The Travel Committee has planned a Mystery Theater night on Sunday, Oct. 29, at 5 p.m. The evening includes a complete dinner at The Side Car in Ventura. Transportation is by your own vehicle. Call Irene Garry at 388-7089 for further information and tickets.

The New York Club meeting on November 2 at 7:30 p.m. will be a great videotape of "Liza with a Z." I have seen the tape and highly recommend it. She is a great performer.

If you haven't paid your club dues, please do so. They are only \$5 for the period January 1 to December 31. Your dues help the club put on the great entertainment that we continually enjoy. It also permits attendance at members-only events.

V. Mens Golf Association

By Mannie Abbate

The next monthly meetings of the Leisure Village Mens Golf Association will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 10, at 2 p.m. with social time starting at 1:30 p.m.

Don Obal had to resign once again as our 1st VP because he is moving back to Leisure Village at Ocean Hills. The board announced the appointment of John Thorne to fill the vacancy. John is another of our younger members who has been willing to step up to keep our club viable. Welcome, John!

The Solvang outing will be held Oct. 25 to 27. Call Mannie for pertinent information.

The 2nd Annual Harvest Golf Tournament and Picnic for Men & Women golf members and their families was held on Tuesday, Sept.

26. Continental breakfast was served at the 1st Tee at 7:30 a.m. A chipping contest was held before the first tee-off time. The picnic was another big success, with barbecued hamburgers and hot dogs, baked beans, salad and chips, dessert, coffee, beer and soft drinks, too. Second VP Joe Smith is doing a great job following Jack Kirkland's lead in that key job. We are very fortunate to have them with us. It would be nice if more members volunteer to help the board.

The Club Championship and Regular Tuesday Tournaments are scheduled for October 3 and 10. This consists of 36 holes of stroke play at scratch. It is played in four flights that was determined after the first day of play. Handicaps do not apply, but an LVMGA handicap is an entrance requirement. Low Gross will determine the Club Championship, but individual awards will be given to the winner of each flight. The

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winners will be announced at the October 10 meeting.

The next regulation tournament will be at Westlake Golf Course on October 19. The fee is \$36, which includes green fees and carts. First start will be at 9:30. Checks for \$36 should be put in the white box behind the glass in the display box next to the Ladies Golf Shack at the course.

We will play Elkins Ranch on Thursday, Nov. 16, and Buenaventura Golf Course on Wednesday, Dec.

The best way for members to keep up with the various events available to club members is to come to the monthly meetings. Check the bulletin boards at the course and watch Channel 25.

Players Guild

By Stan Reshes

Get ready to take a musical trip around the good old USA when the Players Guild Workshop presents "Music Across America" on Thursday, Oct. 19, at 7:30 p.m. in

Written, directed, and produced by Elise Perlmutter and Debra Guill, our "Primetime" travel agency will help you escape musically throughout the USA and will feature a talented cast of Players Guild singers and dancers. As always, free refreshments follow the

LV Travel

By Eugene Foxman

Would you like to be an escort for our trips? We are looking for a few good people. No experience is necessary. We will train you. This is a great way to meet new people while doing an important service for Leisure Village. Please call me at 388-7845.

We have a lot of trips going the next few months. Please look over the following list and mark your calendar for those trips you would like to take. As always, they will appear on Channel 25 and on our bul-

or

letins, and be sure to sign up early to avoid disappointments.

- Getty Villa, Oct. 26
- Oktoberfest at Big Bear,
- · Las Vegas Golden Nugget, Oct. 15-17
- Hawaiian Islands Cruise, Oct. 7-14
- · Laughlin Golden Nugget, Nov. 8-10
- · Castaways, Nov. 14
- · Primm-Buffalo Bill's,

Dec. 5-7 • New Years Eve, Dec. 31

Watch for announcements for future trips. We are working on revisiting Reagan Library, Palm Springs, a concert at Disney Hall (this is a first), the Glendale Theatre, and we are planning a Caribbean cruise.

Please drop by the Travel Office and pick up the latest travel bulletin. You can also find the itineraries of the trips being sold currently.

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Saturday Night Dance

By Milan Weiss

A wonderful summer of dancing at the Saturday Night Dance Party is now behind us. It is now fall and we have more dancing to look forward to this year. So, let's get into winter dancing, for lack of a better name, and reserve your Saturday nights to attend the LV SNDP in the AR. There's a few acronyms we hope you have learned along with a few new dance steps!

Here is what is planned for the remainder of the year. There will be the following theme dances: Halloween, Country Western, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Stay in shape and prepare to have a good time!

The SNDP schedule for October is as follows: Oct. 7. Jerry Dokken: Oct. 14. Tunes R Us; Oct. 21, Jerry Dokken returns; Oct. 28, Wyatt Haupt, and this is a Halloween theme dance night, so dress accordingly if you like. It's fun! All dances are \$5.00 per person. All dates are Saturday. All dances start at 7:30 p.m. in the AR. Punch, ice, coffee and tea are provided for your pleasure, but BYOB

Don't forget to make your personal celebrations, as they come up, a part of your evening, such as birthdays, anniversaries, engagements and newlywed announcements, and bring your family and friends. Let all of us celebrate with you!

Where else on Saturday night can you be greeted by three or four charming, elegant ladies welcoming you at the door to spend a joyful evening at the dance?

Solo Club

By Cleo Cooney

The Solo Club October potluck dinner will be held in the AR at 6 p.m. on October 12. If your last name begins with the letters A-E, please bring a salad, F-Q a

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main dish, R-Z a dessert.

The monthly Brown Bag Business meeting will be at 12:30 p.m. on October 19. Bring a lunch to eat at 12:30. The business meeting will be at 1 p.m. There will be cards and games after the meeting.

Visitors and guests are always welcome at all of our dinners and meetings.

If you have questions, please call Cleo at 482-8395 or Eldora at 388-7006.

Women's Club

By Eldora Barton

How about that Caravan musical group that played for our September meeting! They were terrific, showing what a talented family can do. Sandra Hillman on the drums was a real treat.

Following our October business meeting, we will hear the singer-pianist Tom Sperry bring back timeless classics of popular songs by those greats, Frank Sinatra, Tony Bennett and Dean Martin, as well as a bit of showmanship on banjo, guitar and harmonica. Get set for some good-time entertainment.

Then hold onto your hats for November 2 and the Red Hat Chili Peppers and Company, directed by Ginny Naspo. They have a lively, to say the least, program in store for us. They will keep you on your toes.

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Join us on Thursday, November 2, at 1:30 p.m. in the AR for the business meeting, program and refreshments served by Ceil and her crew.

As always, the Workshop is in action each Tuesday morning in the MPR between 9 and 11 a.m., making handmade holiday decorations, gifts and crafts of all kinds. If you are clearing your jewelry drawer of items ready to be retired or have any old knick-knacks, donate them for our retro jewelry table. Someone else will love that oldie. Come by any Tuesday and join in the activities.

RV Club

By Bill Gardner

Our September meeting was held on September 19, and we critiqued the annual picnic we had on September 16 in the picnic area of the Village. The food was great, the games were a lot of fun, a good time was had by all who attended.

The Nominating Committee is requesting anyone who is interested in serving as an officer or on a committee to please contact Gerry Stone, chairman of the committee, to see if the position

has been filled yet. Please do this as soon as possible.

The October campout will be hosted by Barb and Gerry Stone and will be at Rancho Oso from October 25 to 29. The next meeting will be Tuesday, Oct. 17, in the MPR at 7:30 p.m.

We hope all of you will come to the meeting and have fun with us.

L.V. Womens Golf Association

By Lillian Turnbull

Happy Halloween to all! October is a busy month. The October 11 tournament will be followed by our monthly General Meeting at 2 p.m. in the AR. Be sure to come early and join the so-

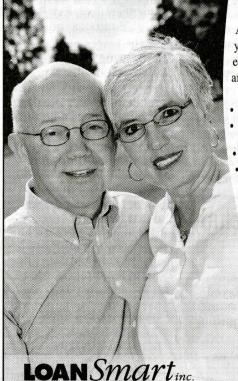
cial hour beginning at 1 p.m.

Our prestigious President Cup Tournament will be played October 18, and October 25 and will be "Net Play" only -- two days in Flights. There will be one Low Net Over The Field and Low Net playoffs. Last year Alda Kroll won LNOF for the 18ers and Mary Kovach won LNOF for the 9ers. Congratulations to past and future

Regulation golf tournament will be at Elkins Ranch on October 19. The weather should be great, and the

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International Folk Dancing

By Raye Gabriel

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We welcome your efforts to join us. Call 484-0936 for information.

Square Dance

By Raye Gabriel

The clubs up and down the coast enjoy Arlen Miller as well as we do on Tuesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. in the AR. All square dancers are welcome. We can sashay for enjoyable exercise in pleasurable company with refreshments. Call 484-9928 or 987-5674 for information.

Racquet Club

By Anne Wolfson

The Racquet Club meets the second Wednesday of the month in the Multi-Purpose Room at 7:30 p.m. All Villagers are invited to come to play tennis, paddle tennis and table tennis, and to come to our lively meetings!

Our dues are \$5.00 a

year, and, if you want to have your name in our book, please get your dues in now! Our treasurer, Kay Bell, will be glad to take your checks or cash.

Our recent speaker, Roger Pichardo, was introduced by Macon Epps, our vice president in charge of programs. Mr. Pichardo is the city's recycling coordinator and spoke on the upcoming opening of our new library in Camarillo. The tentative opening is January 2007! Flyers were given to our members with a layout of the building and its facilities. Donations of books of all kinds and contributions are sorely needed and may be sent to the present library. Mr. Pichardo's talk was very interesting, as he answered questions about hours, etc. The Racquet Club voted to donate \$100 to the Library Fund. The library is at 4101 Las Posas

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Our Dinner Dance is set for October 22 and will be preceded by tennis with Keith Timothy, paddle tennis with Si Ross, and a table tennis tournament with Kay Bell.

In December we will have our annual wine and cheese with Norman Scadron in charge.

Our refreshments, a delicious birthday cake, was donated by Anne Solomon in honor of Les's 91st birthday! Many more happies. Les!

Our next meeting will be on October 11, so plan to be there!

Duplicate Bridge

By Edie Pedersen

There are four duplicate bridge groups.

Two meet on Monday

and Thursday afternoons, with a check-in time at 12:30 p.m. Play begins at 1 p.m. and goes until 4 p.m. These groups are run by Edie Pedersen at 484-0312 and Clara Ballew at 388-2166.

Also, there are two evening groups. One meets Monday night and has a check-in time of 6:30 p.m. This group is run by Aaron Weiss at 484-1263. There is also a Friday night group that has a check-in time of 6:30 p.m. This group is run by Blanche Burns at 484-5433 and Martha Nunn at

482-8568.

The fee for the games is 50 cents a player, and we award prize money based on the number of players. If you do not have a partner, we attempt to find you one compatible with your level of play. We do not belong to ACBL, so we do not award points.

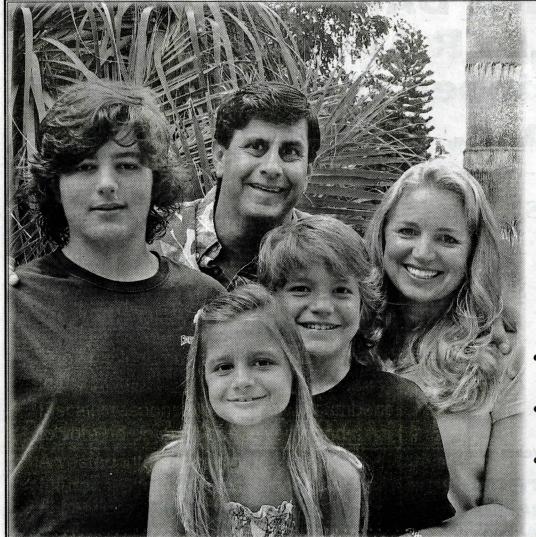
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Bocce Ball

By Fran Cohen

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Sing-a-long Group

By Jules Nayfack

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Village Painters

By Aurelie Zachary

At our September 6 meeting, B.J. Kumler brought many fine examples of her painting on china. She explained how it takes time and patience to acquire the exquisite results. She gave tiles to the members who wanted to try to follow her instructions. It was very fascinating. She displayed her painting that won Second Prize in the Professional Art building at the Ventura County Fair.

There was a discussion about the Arts & Craft show on November 5. It seems that more advertising is necessary to let people know the day and time.

The Monday afternoon workshop in the Lanai Room under the guidance of Ruth Miller continues. All are welcome.

Paintings in the library for the month of October are by Mike Mancusi, an accomplished artist.

Billiard Club

By Jack Quinn

The summer straight 8-ball tournament was well accepted by many participants.

In the B group, Jim Ronge took first place, Al Shuster got second, and Kathy Wirtz third.

In the A group, Mannie Abbate battled Bill Foeller for first place, and Bill settled for second, while Norm Selbert got the thirdplace trophy.

In the SA group, a newcomer, Hal Simon, won first place, Ray Martinez received second, and a front-runner, Irwin Kress, came in third.

The club's tourn-a-fest dinner is scheduled for

Sunday, Oct. 15, in the AR. This is an annual event that sells out quickly. Chicken lasagne, salad and set-ups will be catered by Country Harvest. BYOB. Be sure to get your tickets early by contacting Betty Herrmann at 388-9696.

L.V. Bowling League

By Lucy Fiore

We are back again for another fun season of bowling.

New officers are: Claudia Roberts, President; Barbara Humphrey, Vice President; Bo Humphrey, Treasurer; and Lucy Fiore, Secretary.

Our first week of a 200-plus game came with Al Schuster. Side Pot winners were Kathy Wirtz, Bob McQuivey, Clarice Shapiro, Irv Cohen, Rosemary Woody and Marty Simons.

Results of week two for 200-plus games were Irv Cohen and Les Galvin. Side Pot winners were Kathy Wirtz, Irv Cohen, Gerry Leibowitz, Marty Simons, Betty Herrmann and Les Galvin.

Country Western Line Dancers

By Ida Kubica

Country Line Dance Workshop meets on Tuesdays from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in the AR.

At 2:45, Betty Dean or Rhoda, our dance instructor, is on hand to help with dance step review. If you're new to the class, be sure to attend the Routine Refresh.

Before we start dancing, Rhoda runs us through a warm-up exercise routine. We do stretches and bends that flex our body to help avoid injuries. Deep breathing while we exercise brings more oxygen to the brain, which helps us remember what we are learning. A pair of comfortable flexible anti-grip and supportive shoes would help you move and glide on the floor. Does that sound like we are the Hollywood Rockettes? Not at all, it just makes it easier to dance, and it's better for your feet and balance.

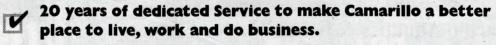
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like the new kid in the class. We are all in the learning stage, to one degree or another. This is a dance/exercise class for balance, brain stimulation and, above all else, fun. A good start is to attend the class, just observe and watch what goes on. If the spirit moves you, try out a dance or two.

The first two classes are free. A nominal charge of \$3.00 per year is applicable.

To quote John Wain of the BBC, "Poetry is to prose as dancing is to walking."

Rhoda can be reached at any class for inquiries or by calling 484-8132.

L.V. Exercise Group

By Milt Mankoff

Mornings at the Pool Pavilion find members of the Leisure Village Exercise Group going through their bending and stretching routines. More and more residents are taking advantage of this free exercise program. Many senior adults have difficulty with maintaining good balance. A number of these exercises

are specially devised to help improve that situation.

Also included are movements to keep muscles and joints in better working order. Combined with cardiovascular exercises, this makes for a well-rounded program.

Friday, October 27 is the date set for the Annual Halloween Potluck Dinner and Costume Contest. Each table of 10 or 12 makes up its own menu of favorite foods. This makes it possible for everyone to eat at the same time. Shiphrah Maller handles the reservations. The evening is capped by the Costume Parade, and winners receive prizes. Space is limited, so reserve now.

The final event of the year is the "Good Cheer" visit to patients of the Camarillo Convalescent Hospital in December. More on that next month.

Exercises are held Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 9 a.m. at the Pool Pavilion. Annual dues are only \$4.00, and all residents are welcome to join the Leisure Village Exercise Group. Keeping fit makes the effort really worthwhile. And it's fun, too!

Channel 25

Friday, Oct. 6, 10 a.m.: Tape of the Oct. 4 LVA Open Board Meeting.

Monday, Oct. 9, 10 a.m.: September Current Issues Forum.

Wednesday, Oct. 11, 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.: Classic Car Shows, 1986 and 2006.

Friday, Oct. 13, 5 p.m.: September Current Issues

Monday, Oct. 16, 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.: Book Review with Lillian Hawthorne, 20 to 30 mins.

Tuesday, Oct. 17, 10 a.m.: Tape of the LVA Working Board Meeting.

Wednesday, Oct. 18, 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.: Law Talk, Right of Privacy, 31 mins.

Friday, Oct. 20, 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., Flood Map Presentation, 1 hr. and 32 mins.

Monday, Oct. 23, 10 a.m.: Insurance Presentation, 2.5 to 3 hrs.

Wednesday, Oct. 25, 5 p.m.: Insurance Presentation, 2.5 to 3 hrs.

Friday, Oct. 27, 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.: What Was My Line? Milt Mankoff & Co., 30 to 40 mins.

Monday, Oct. 30, 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., Candidates for Camarillo City Council.



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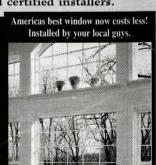
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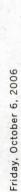
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CONTEST

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Chili and pumpkin dishes will be served immediately after the costume judging is completed.

1 p.m.: Pumpkin category winners will be announced.

1:30 p.m. Chili winners will be announced.

2 p.m.: Women's and men's costume winners will be announced.

3 p.m.: The pumpkins, pumpkin dishes and chili

containers must be removed from the AR.

All residents of Leisure Village are eligible to enter any one or all four of the contests. If you are interested in participating in any of these contests, please contact the following people for entry forms and any additional information:

Pumpkin carving and decorating contest: Joe Foraker, 388-9797.

Chili cookoff contest: Georgia Griswold, 388-1383.

Pumpkin dish contest: Clay Starr, 389-3537.

Women's and men's costume contest: Mary Jane

Porter, 484-1962.

The chairman of the event is Jerry Spector, who can be reached at 384-9039.

There will be some nice prizes given out for each contest, and everyone will have a fun-filled day. The deadline for entry is Monday, October 23. Please do not wait until the last minute, as it takes a lot of time for each committee chairperson to complete their tasks.

Please watch Channel 25 and look for posters in the Rec Center for any additional information and last-minute changes. The intention of these contests is to have a fun day at the Rec Center and have a chance to see how creative Leisure Village residents can

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David P. Schlangen, also

a novice in local politics, is a native of Camarillo and is a projects manager for Amgen, an international biotechnology company.

We urge you to circle the date, Friday, October 13, at

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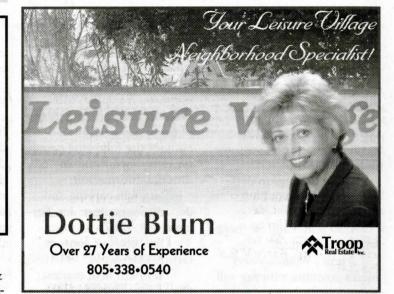
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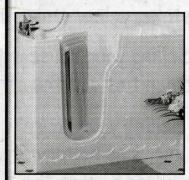
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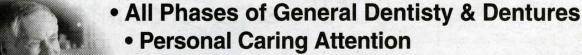
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