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Flood Control Progress Report

By Bill Huffman

A field inspection trip was held recently to determine if the widening and deepening of the Conejo Creek channel upstream from the Highway 101 bridges was completed to the satisfaction of the Ventura County Flood Control District. I have received information that this work was conditionally approved.

The next step will be to determine by photogrammetry new elevations of the stream bed and our levee to determine if the levee now meets the Federal Emergency Management Agency requirement of three feet (3') of levee freeboard above a theoretical 100-year flood elevation.

If the hydraulics study indicates our levee meets the Federal requirements, an amendment to the Federal Insurance Rate Map will be requested. If the study indicates the levee still does not meet the requirements, Pardee Construction Company will be obligated to place additional material on the levee to meet required elevations. It is my understanding that all the engineering work, plus any additional construction work, if necessary, will be done at no expense to the Leisure Village Association.



Gertie Dorward presented a Woman's Club check for a new router to use in the woodshop



Photos by Stabler

Harry Becker presented checks from volunteers for C-SPAN

Emergency Services Organization

By Bob Atz

The Impact of Transportation of Hazardous Materials Upon Leisure Village.

A public forum to discuss the transportation of rocket fuels was held in the Oxnard City Hall on Dec 28. The program was sponsored by Assemblyman Jack O'Connell and consisted of presentations by 5 experts concerned with the various aspects of handling and transportation of toxic materials, primarily rocket fuels.

We in Leisure Village need to be aware of the potential for danger from an accidental spill of these kinds of materials and to examine the steps

See ESOPg 17

Is This Your Year?

LV Nominating Committee Is Actively Seeking Qualified Candidates

The Nominating Committee is seeking candidates and possible candidates for the Leisure Village Assoc. Board.

If this is your year to give service to the Assoc., obtain the appropriate form from the Nominating Committee slot in the lobby, complete and return in a sealed envelope to the recreation office secretary. All returns will be held confidential.

If this is not your year, perhaps you know someone who would be a great candidate, please submit the name to a member of the Nominating Committee. This can be done directly or through the recreation office secretary.

Get involved with our democratic process.

C-SPAN I and II

By Harry Becker

On Jan 4 I had the pleasure of presenting to the Leisure Village Board of Directors 101 checks payable to LVA, totalling \$2,245, to cover the cost of bringing back C-SPAN I to Leisure Village TV receivers.

Board member Jack Rogers accepted the donations and announced that the new dish antenna was ordered in Dec. Installation will have been accomplished by the time this issue of ILV appears in Jan.

Donations were made by 99 individuals and two clubs, the Current Issues Forum and the Live Dance Band group.

In my presentation I stressed the importance of receiving C-SPAN II, which covers proceedings of the U.S. Senate, where

ratification of treaties takes place. It will be recalled that C-SPAN I reports on proceedings of the House of Representatives. Both channels broadcast from the same satellite.

After the Board meeting I was authorized to continue the solicitation of funds, for the purpose of obtaining C-SPAN II. The goal here is \$1,600.

With help from the clubs, there should be no difficulty in achieving this sum.

As before, make your checks payable to LVA and mail or deliver them to Harry Becker at 28147 Village 28.

THANKS

As usual Leisure Villagers respond to any worthwhile need.

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• OPINION •

EDITORIAL

January is a time for re-evaluation of needs and priorities, particularly in relation to financial responsibilities. For several months Leisure Village Board of Directors has been attempting to alert us to the necessity of a considerable and unavoidable increase in Association fees. A substantial deficit has already occurred in the 1987-88 budget due to unexpected escalation in fees for sewerage, water, trash collection and cable TV.

We, as homeowners, have elected a Board of Directors to make decisions pertaining to our welfare. Most of us are also aware of the continued rise in prices in other areas besides those mentioned. The more we have, the more we have to pay for — and we have much here in Leisure Village.

Although this is written prior to the January 15th presentation of the proposed budget, ILV feels that the present Board has devoted several months of study toward meeting the crisis that faces us. Therefore, our Editorial Staff wishes to go on record as fully supporting whatever decisions must be made.

UPDATE

The prepared budget for 1988-89 has now been presented to the Association. There no doubt is much in it which will be cause for concern and controversy. But we as homeowners must face facts. We have become used to the good living. We particularly have to protect our investment. We do not want our property values to go down.

ILV applauds our Board, too, for recognizing the intense and professional help that our volunteer Finance Committee has contributed to this task.

ABOUT NEXT MONTH

Coordinator for next month will be Jeanne Carlson. PLEASE FOLLOW GUIDELINES AND BE AS BRIEF AS YOU CAN! Deadline for Feb 26 issue be Feb 8. To arrange for a photographer call coordinator at least 3 days in advance.

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VILLAGE CONCERNS

"User Fee" proposed

Because of mounting costs for just maintaining our existence, let alone lifestyle, I herewith present to you for your implementation some fund-raising ideas. My thoughts regarding the following proposals resulted from hearing a most gloomy financial outlook to our future by Messrs. O'Brien, Rogers and Wilson at the Dec 7, 1987 Board of Directors meeting.

As one of the residents facing a substantial boost in our monthly homeowners assn fees coming in April, 1988, I believe there are alternatives to relieve these financial burdens that will:

1. Allow the monthly fees schedule to remain the same without the additional raises every year.

2. Provide a healthy reserve for any emergencies as well as an adequate petty cash fund for improving our LV lifestyle.

3. Compel us to finally admit to ourselves that the promises made by Leisure Technology as their "sales tools" for selling houses can no longer be tolerated in the present structure of our Leisure Village. We have lived in the past long enough and now I believe we should restructure our planning and our thinking.

I am proposing a "User Fee" be charged to all villagers using specific facilities, meeting rooms, sports, i.e., golf, tennis, RVs, swimming pool, etc. as is presently in force at Leisure Village Oceanside and Leisure World Laguna. At what I consider to be a very conservative estimate, these "user fees" could provide a welcome solution toward improving our dilemma. I believe, after careful calculation, that a grand sum of \$74,945.00 would be added annually to our income.

William Kobrin, V.17

Thanks

The Children's Auxiliary of Ventura County wishes to thank the many residents of LV for their commitment of time, effort and financial assistance.

The Auxiliary is an adjunct to Ventura County Public Social Services agency. Our services are as follows: Care-bags which contain night/day sets of clothing and hygiene items for each child when he is brought into protective custody; tutoring, birthday parties, Christmas gifts for all 800 children who are in the system. A big Christmas party, camperships, lunch and other needs when a child must be in court, medical assistance whenever Medi-Cal will not provide for a child, and furnishings for one bedroom for a mini-crisis care home in Ventura County are other cares we provide.

One's very soul is shaken when he hears the cries of children who are victims of family violence, sexual abuse, and/or neglect.

We are grateful to Anne Thorel, Betty Walker, Mildred Jackson, Mimi Chuntz, Dorothy and Arthur Skuro, Ruth Wideman, Mary Whalen, Phyllis Fruehauf, Dottie Sickles, Fran Tabakman, Martha Moffit, Louise Coddington, the Village Swingers Square Dance Club and the LV Women's Club.

Your generosity is heartening and will help to provide necessary services for children thus helping them to appreciate and love themselves. All children are God's most precious gift. Two LV Grandmothers —

Betty Parker, V.17
LaRue Boynton, V.38

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Between a rock and a hard place

The Directors of the Leisure Village Association, our neighbors and fellow-residents, are facing some difficult decisions. In the face of escalating costs for goods and services which they cannot control, they are faced with the dilemma of trying to keep costs under control while striving to maintain the essential services we want as residents of this community. We have heard, many times, how water rates have and will continue to increase, how trash collection fees have gone higher and about the higher costs for sewage disposal. Even if those costs over which a bit of control can be maintained are kept low, we are still faced with increases in our homeowner's fees.

Even now, as the Nominating Committee is seeking candidates for the next year's Board, any prospective candidates will face the spectre of having to deal with the problem of increasing costs. We Villagers must support those neighbors who are willing to take on this enormous and distasteful task. We must also realize that Leisure Village, once proud of the fact that our homeowner's fees were lower than those of other comparable community living enterprises, is at the end of the "gravy train." Leisure Village is no longer a cheap place to live and we must support our Board and trust them to make the correct economic decisions. If these decisions require substantial increases in our homeowner's fees, so be it. No doubt there will be cases where economic hardship

will result; it's another instance where life is not always fair.

Bob Atz, V.8

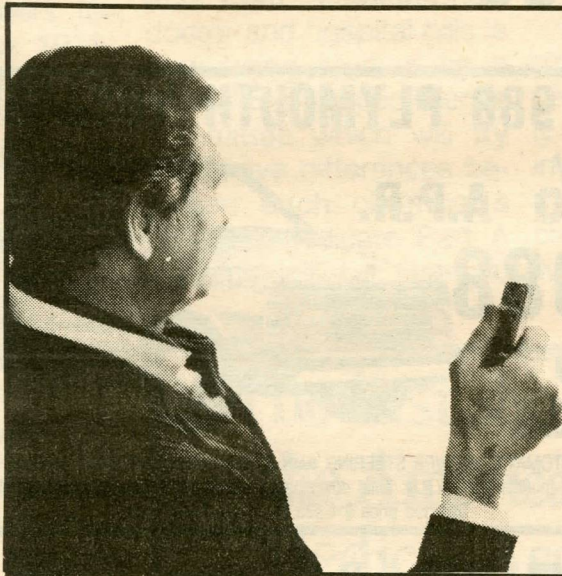
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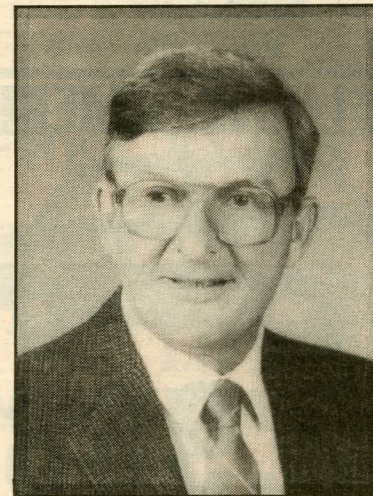
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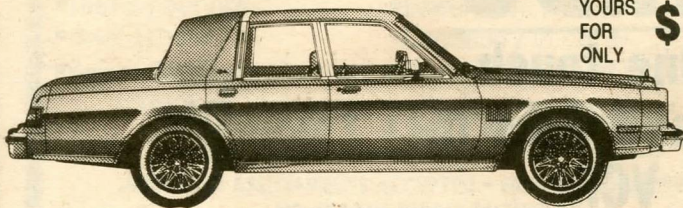


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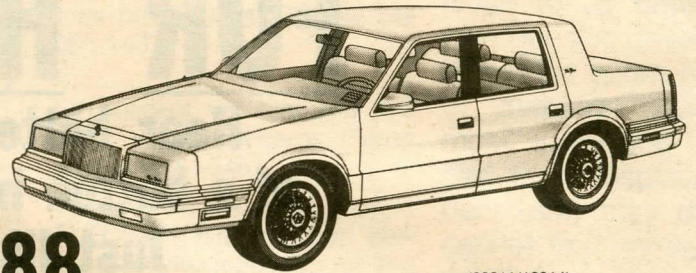
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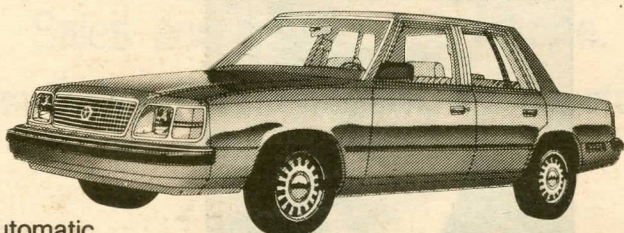
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We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to all our friends in LV for their many cards and phone calls during Honey's recovery from surgery.

The encouragement and support offered by so many played a vital role in helping us appreciate the supreme gift of friendship. It is these friends that fill our lives with sweetness and make life worth living. Honey and Sol Robin, V.

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My heartfelt thanks and appreciation for all the wonderful people who made my year as President of LVWC such a great success and pleasure.

With the great abundance of help and encouragement, we were able to help so many people and give so much.

I am very grateful.

Gertie Dorward, V.1

I wish to thank all my wonderful friends and neighbors for the tributes, letters and cards expressing sympathy for the passing of my beloved husband, Frank.

Fritzie Levenson, V.37

I wish to thank all my wonderful friends of the Village for the "get well" wishes you've sent me. The good Lord heard you and I'm on the mend now. It's a mighty good feeling to know there are so many people who care, besides Max.

From one who appreciates so much.

Rose S. Gardner V.19

What Does One Do With Old Memories?

By Lillian Wallace

I felt the need to walk around
The quiet room, once more —
Glance about and touch
The empty chair beside the door.

Nothing has been changed,
Each memory waited in the room —
I could almost see her
Moving softly through the gloom.

A shawl still hugged the floor
Where it had fallen, and I tried—
To keep the tears from spilling
As they welled up deep inside.

What does one do with memories
Once loved, that lie and wait —
How do you salve your conscience,
When you must decide their fate?

For life's many acquisitions,
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I know, nothing is forever,
But that doesn't ease the pain —
Of parting with the past
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Live band for '88 New Year party?

By Anne Janoff

That is the question being contemplated by members of the Ed. & Rec. Committee, which they plan to bring up for discussion at their next regular meeting.

Taped music has been provided alternately by our two groups, The Saturday Night Ballroom Dance, and the Swing, Disco, Jazz Dance. These have been well attended and enjoyed by villagers for several years.

However, numerous comments and requests for a live band to make the New Year's Eve party a more 'special' evening, have been suggested a number of times.

In line with the Ed. & Rec. Committee's commitment to respond to residents' input, this question will be presented consideration for the coming year.

New Years Eve party party report

Almost 400 villagers ushered out 1987 and welcomed 1988 at the annual New Year's Eve party, with Swing Disco Jazz dance group acting as hosts this year. Tom O'Brien, chairman of the LV Board of Directors, greeted everyone warmly and acknowledged the volunteers who organized the party.

Ed and Marguerite Abdelnour provided the taped dance music. Paul and Luella Kelwin headed the decoration committee, with helpers Elizabeth and Al Sullivan, Staley Carpenter, Wanda Saari, Ruby and Dave Teasdale, Suzanne and Gabriel Cataglione, Dorothy and Ben Feinstein, Anita and Larry Trindl, John Kubica, Sally Brod, Elise and Elmer Eymann, Virginia Dun-ion, Max Polley, and Ethel Erickson. They decorated both the AR and

MPR.

Marguerite Abdelnour chaired the refreshment committee, aided by Roie Beck and Piff and Nick DeSimone. Ticket sales were handled by Max Schwartz, Jean Zimmerman and Marion Tavano. Ticket takers were Archie Aird, Sam Bianchio and Sandy Linka. Coordinating set-up and reservations were Will and Anne Janoff, Max Schwartz, Marion Tavano and Jean Zimmerman. Ann Goldberg and Rose Siers did duty in the cloak room.

Entertainment in the MPR was arranged by Jean Zimmerman and included songsters: Miriam Hasen, Billie Pachter and Eleanor Quartuccio; pianist Nick King. Joe and Charlotte Romero performed the Mexican Hat Dance, while Charlotte did a graceful belly dance.

Joe Remero was emcee in the MPR.

Henry Carfagna was emcee in the AR, and paid tribute to Father Time (Dan Bryan) and welcomed New Year 1988 (Al Law). Al Pachter handled the lighting. Thanks go to George Thomas, Recreation Facilities Manager, who was general overseer of committees.



By Ethel Goldfarb

An unexpected treat was experienced at the Jan 14th meeting of Variety Guild. "Disc Jockey" Harp Smith created an unusual involvement with the audience. Fun, fun evening.

Next meeting will be Feb 11, 7:30 p.m. in the AR. All welcome to an evening of entertainment and refreshments.

Village 32 Club holiday party

By Ada Jensen

Village 32 Club held its annual Chanukah-Christmas party on Sun, Dec 13, at Ottavio's Banquet Facilities. It was attended by 52 neighbors and friends. The room and tables were beautifully decorated in colorful holiday motif.

Following a delicious dinner there was community singing; and then bingo was played, with a generous amount of prizes given. Also, two lovely door prizes were won.

Throughout the evening Faye Cox took pictures, which have been added to the Club Album she has been keeping for several years.

Bea Allen, founder of the Club 9 years ago, was party chairperson; Bill Geddes, treas; and Paul and Luella Kelwin were in charge of decorations.

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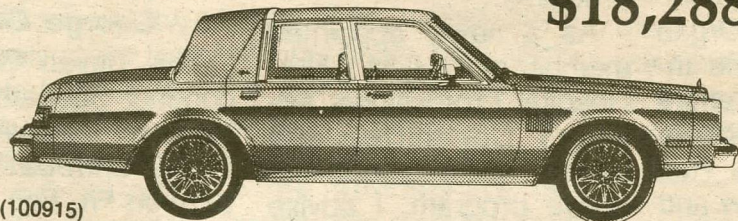
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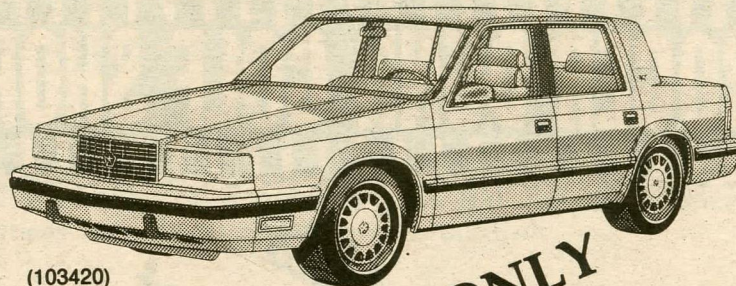


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Organ Club To Sponsor Cabaret Night

By Lois Atz

Cabaret Night is coming Fri, Feb 5! Fun and festivities start at 8:30 p.m. in the AR. True to the night club atmosphere, outside artists Rima Rudina and Nick Ariondo will provide entertainment.

Rima plays violin and sings musical numbers with spirit, from gypsy to jazz and from Bach to hoe-down. She has appeared across the US and in Europe, as well as on international TV. She does her own musical arrangements for personal appearances and orchestration for her recording sessions.

Nick is a virtuoso accordionist and composer who plays both classical and contemporary music. He has mastered the com-



Rima Rudina

plex "free bass" style accordion, an instrument where the left hand plays six rows of individual notes, such as a pianist. He has played on both radio and television.

Rima and Nick combine their talents into an entertaining night club act appropriate for the Cabaret

Night setting. LV Organ Club is sponsoring the annual event for the entire Village. Cabaret tickets are available at the Rec Center ticket window and from Organ Club members for a donation of \$2.50 each. Performance time on Feb 5 starts at 8:30 p.m.

"New" Hospice Plan Can Save A Bundle

By Sandy Okum

On Feb 1 at 7:30 p.m. in our AR your YNCG will present a program on the new Hospice Medicare Program that could save you thousands of dollars in medical expenses.

Judith Roelse, R.N., Master in Health Administration and now Hospice manager at L.M.V.N.A. (Livingston Memorial Visiting Nurses Association), will lecture on this exciting new program. She will also present a twelve-minute tape showing exactly how the program works in the field. This could answer some long term care problems.

As a newly appointed member of the L.M.V.N.A. Hospital Professional Advisory Committee and having heard about the above program, I advise you to learn about it. You or your family may not need Hospice now but you may in the future. Be prepared.

CURRENT ISSUES FORUM CALENDAR

The next Current Issues Forum will be held on Fri, Jan 22 in the AR at 7:30 p.m. The subject will be "U.S./U.S.S.R. Relations — Past, Present and Future." How did the arms race come about? Is there a rational, practical and realistic solution to this life-and-death struggle between the 2 major super-powers? Speakers will be Richard Hicks, attorney and co-founder, So. Calif. "Beyond War" movement, and Annette Mills, Camarillo Beyond War lead.

THE TIKVAH GROUP

By George Goldfarb

The Tikvah Group will conduct Sabbath evening services, followed by an Oneg Shabbat at 8:00 p.m. on Fri, Feb 12 in the Community Room at Gibraltar Savings & Loan in Santa Rosa Plaza. For information call 484-8834, 482-8102 or 484-0649.

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By Sandy Okum

About 60 people attended a very informative program on Medicare insurance supplements. Conclusions arrived at are as follows:

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For about \$100-\$150 per year more than we are paying at the present we would get a policy that will pay 100% of reasonable charges from our doctors on all Medicare approved procedures. That is, no out of pocket moneys after Medicare pays its part.

The fee for your present age group would continue as long as you live.

No one can be canceled.

A 60-day overlap of policies would be necessary to cover any current medical problem.

Two years ago our group had between 300-500 people. Today we are down to 63.

Hartford will probably cancel us in the near future and/or raise our fee an incredible amount because of this.

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LOOKING AT
CHANNEL 12

By Jack Whalen

While several people have recently joined the Channel 12 staff, Gerry Sills is still looking for one or two individuals who might like to do camera work or be of support to the technical staff. It promises to be interesting and challenging work for perhaps from two to four hours weekly. Any volunteers?

February LV Board of Directors' meeting will be on Mon, Feb 1 at 10:00 a.m. Should you be

unable to attend in person, then tune in Ch 12 at 10:00 a.m. for a live broadcast. If you are going to be away from home and own a VCR, why not record it, set the timer for 2 hours, and see it at your convenience.

There will be one golf instructional film in Feb, featuring Alda Kroll and Billie Mueller. During March Charlie Bellanté will have two sessions with lady golfers Dorothy Caster and Martha Nunn. Dorothy holds the ladies' low gross with a sparkling 55 while Martha, not too bad player either, is this year's club president. They promise us two entertaining golf segments.



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THE LEISURE
VILLAGE
WOMENS CLUB

By Jeanne Carlson

Everyone agreed that Women's Club's traditional January Installation meeting was excellent. The lovely pink room at the Oxnard Hilton, the food, the decorations were all delightful. A good crowd attended and everyone was happy to be there.

Helen Thomsen had made 36 lacey crocheted boxes topped with ribbons and flowers as centerpieces. One lucky guest at each table received one in a drawing at the end of the event. The decorations committee of Maxine Himstreet, Lee Whittinghill and Irene Helmstead lined the speakers' table with soft pink flowers.

Door prizes (boxes of candy) were won by Rose Nelson, Jessie Friedman and Anna Jacobson.



Photo by Clara Smith

Maxine Himstreet crowning new Women's Club President Kay LaPrell, with "hat of office" decorated with lucky rose.

The cost of the luncheon was half-price to members since the See's Candy Sale organized by Gerri Kikendall, Mary Kay Franey, and Dorothy Fencil had cleared a profit of \$1,772 which paid the balance of the tab.

Outgoing President, Gertie Dorward, presided and thanked the membership and her board for a highly successful year. The club had been able to donate \$9,000 to 22 charities and also had been

generous with Village and community activities. She thanked her husband, Fred, for his support as well. She announced that she was returning to her "same old stand" ramrodding Trading Post.

Outgoing 1st V.P. Esther English, then presented Gertie with the traditional gold disc engraved with the name of the club, and Gertie's name, office and date of service.

Installation of new officers was handled by Maxine Himstreet who remarked that all the new officers would be wearing different hats now. She then donned a cloche hat herself and proceeded to describe each new officer's responsibility in terms of a hat to put on.

Gertie, who will now serve as Parliamentarian, received a "hard hat" since she may get into some arguments. 1st V.P. (Program) Elva Ward had a "social hat" with a glamour-veil. 2nd V.P. Dorothy Fencil (Ways and Means) received an Indian feathered bonnet since she will be big chief of the Bazaar. Carol Heyerick will be corr secy and was awarded with a mortar board cap as befits a scholar. Mary Dullam will be rec secy and received a fetching bonnet made of a phonograph record. Doris LaPrell, new treas, received a Scotch plaid tam as a reminder to keep an eye on the money. New

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Last view of outgoing Women's Club Board. L-R: Gerri Kikendall, Parl; Kay Varley, Treas; Gertie Dorward, Pres; Gladys Eriksen, Rec. Sec; Esther English, 1st V.P.; (Dorothy Fencil, 2nd V.P. and Minnie Gorelnik, Corr Sec, not shown.)

LVWC From Pg 10

Pres Kay LaPrell's hat was pink with a big pink rose on top as a reminder that 'everything's comin' up roses' now that Kay's in charge.

Kay then made a brief acceptance speech and reminded everyone that she will need lots of help. She named her committee chairpersons. They are: Membership, Betty Walker; Hospitality, Lee Peterson; Refreshments, Minnie Gorelnik; Decorations, Esther English; Historian, Kay Varley; Publicity, Jeanne Carlson.

After the installation, Elva Ward gave a few hints about the year's pro-

grams. The February meeting will feature concert and musical singer, Helen Boyd, accompanied by Dorothy Wilson, in a program, "Songs from the Twenties." In March there will be a fashion show from Florence's Intimate Basics (robes and gowns) and Carlotta's Chic and Casual.

Elva reminded the membership that she had promised good attendance at each meeting to encourage the performers to accept. She wants to see everyone there Thurs, Feb 4 to make good her promise and Betty Walker requests your company in order to pay new membership dues. (\$5.00)

Look To The Mountains

By Esther Robbins

This morning I looked to the mountains
And found there a heavenly sight...
The rain that had battered the valley
Had covered them thickly with white.

I cannot find words to describe them...
"Majestic's" the word that I seek,
With an unblemished sky as a background
Outlining each snowy capped peak.

If ever I doubted God's presence,
Care-laden and filled with despair,
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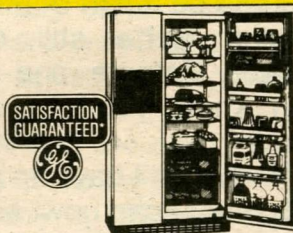
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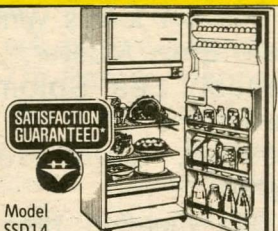
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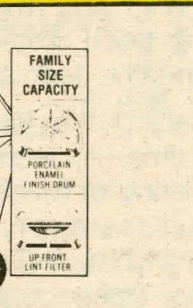
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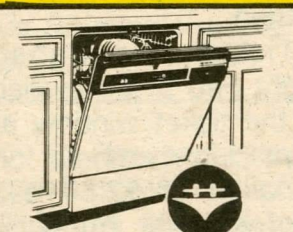
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BOWLING LEAGUE

By Vee Flowers

The Leisure Village Bowling League has reached the halfway point, and with it has come a multitude of high scores and averages.

Three of our ladies, Mary Whalen, Vi Haley and Lori Springborn, who all suffered unusual and untimely accidents, are back bowling, with casts, bandages and patches and doing quite well. The popular saying, "you can't keep a good man down," applies to the so-called weaker sex as well!

Also want to welcome back Chase Gregory, Al Podewils and Stan Zeff this season after surgeries that kept them out for awhile.

The handicap format was revised this year in order to better accommodate the lower average bowlers, thus resulting in some keen competition among the teams.

Leading the league at this time is team #10, consisting of Marie Story, Lois Kissinger, Norm Page and Hugh Gary. Following close behind are teams 11, 18 and 20 all tied for second place.

Men's season High Scratch Series thus far is Leo Garten with 657, followed by Al Sparkman 632, and Sid Weinberg 623. High Scratch Game: Al Sparkman 254, Leo Garten 252, and Ernie Slabotsky 246.

Season High scratch Series for the ladies, Edith Baker 544, Helen Mamula 536, and Doris Goldman 527. Season High Scratch Game: Helen Mamula 205, Doris Goldman and Vee Flowers both 200.

High averages: Al Sparkman 190, Morris Gold 180, Mike Mamula 178, Leo Garten 176 and A.D. Flowers 174. For the ladies: Helen Mamula 158, Vee Flowers 152, Gen Wesley 145, Celia Levin

144 and Lindsey Merrill 143.

Seems as though we might have some potentials in the mens' division for the Pro Bowlers tour!

For those that have bowled in the past and would like to start again, there is always room for substitutes and on occasion a vacancy to be filled for a regular member.

It's never too late to come join the fun and competition, so come on down to the Wagon Wheel Bowl on Fridays before 1:00 p.m. if you want to be a part of a fun league. Better still, call Charlie Bellante and let him know you're available.

If you don't have an average, you can bowl as a Pacer, which means your score won't count for the team that day, but will go towards establishing an average and handicap to be used later when bowling as a substitute. See you there.

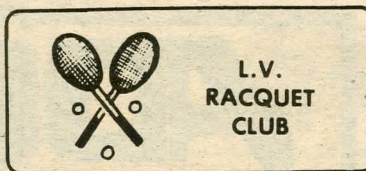


By Lois Atz

LV Organ Club meets today, Jan 22 in the AR at 1:30 p.m. Musical theme is "Winter Songs," played on the Yamaha theater organ and/or on the baby grand piano. Listeners as well as players are welcomed.

Tickets for Cabaret Night Feb 5 are available at the ticket window and from club members for a donation of \$2.50 each. Professional musicians Rima Rudina and Nick Ariondo will perform their nightclub act in the AR starting at 8:30 p.m. Their violin and accordion numbers range from gypsy to jazz and from Bach to hoe-down. Rima, clad in shimmering costumes, also sings in 30 languages. Cabaret Night is presented annually by the Organ Club.

Musical theme for the



Racquet Club meets Feb 10, Wed, 7:30 p.m. MPR. Raise your racquets and solemnly swear you'll support these events in the the forthcoming year! Meetings: 2nd Wed of month, 7:30 p.m., MPR.

Tournaments: Paddel: 3rd Thurs of month. Ch: Russ Lomask, Jack Kassel. Tennis: 4th Thurs of month. Ch: Ben & Rosalie Miller.

Special Events: Tournament at Mission Viejo - March 26. Annual Picnic - to be announced. Annual Dinner/Dance - to be announced.

Over the Net:

Russ Lomask reported no Paddle Tournament in Dec due to inclement weather, but come to meeting to hear Russ' plans for 1988 Tournaments, i.e., "Bang-Up" for July, etc.

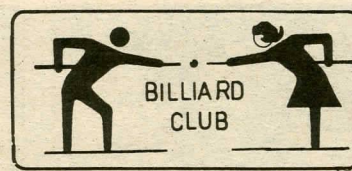
Dec. 24 tennis winners were Ernie Mueller, Jack Kassel, Les Solomon; tied--Jim Wolf & Art Rosner, Gene Bookwalter.

Dec meeting presided over by outgoing president, Roy Lester. Refreshments of wine and cheeses were provided by Anne Wolfson, Bill and Yvonne Morgan, Gerri Nolte, Kay Bell, Shirley Kordell, June and Ted Rose, Gene Bookwalter.

Russ Lomask emceed the "Roast" and cooked up a delicious installation of officers with kudos to outgoing officers.

A certificate of appreciation was presented to paddle tennis teacher Bob Hasen by Ann Zimmon, Mary Kovach, Louise Ralph, Dorothy Konecko (also known as "The Killers.")

Feb 26 meeting of the club will be "Theme Songs." A short business meeting starts at 1:30 p.m. in the AR.



By Morley Goldberg

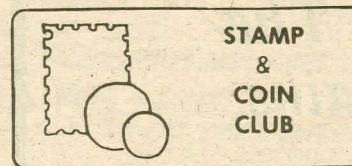
The Billiard Club tournament is on, with leaders up to now posted on the bulletin board. Please be sure to meet your time and date competition.

New officers for 1988 are Morley Goldberg, pres; Jack Bagelman, V.P.; Luella Kelwin, secy; Dave Robbins, treas; Sylvia Rottersman, event and awards; Russ Sievert, promotion. Let's all give them our full cooperation. Thanks to George Laufer for his fine secretary job in 1987.

At our last meeting Sylvia Rottersman was presented with a special award for her outstanding supervision of the Billiard Club's holiday party.

Winners of the lottery tickets were Bea Robbins, Lloyd Spencer, Gabe Catalogne, Anne Laufer, Reggie Topping and Isabel Torchia. Special door prizes went to Sally Brod, Paul Kelwin, Anne Laufer and Sandy LaPittus. Remember, if you don't attend meetings you can't be a winner. Thanks, Sylvia, for these prizes.

Don't be late — DUES ARE DUE FOR 88! \$3 a year gets you 12 wine and refreshments socials. Bargain of the year!



By Charles Kaub

The newly elected officers for 1988 are Oscar Kane, Pres.; Charles Kaub, V.P.; and Bob Atz, secy. and treas. of the stamp and Coin Club. Our annual dinner and installation dinner was held at the SEAFOOD PARLOR in Camarillo on January 5.

The Stamp and Coin Club will be happy this 1988 to help and assist any villager who is interested in starting a stamp



By Ike Abrams

Men's Golf Assn announces the results of the 54 Hole Low Gross Individual Championship as follows: new club champion is Harvey Shirk with a 54 hole score in 178; in second place Pete Aspen, 179; in third place a tie between Jack Whalen and Les Boyd.

I've heard many people praise the condition of our golf course. Give your thanks to George Kroll, our greens chairman, who can be found prowling around the course on an inspection tour at all hours.

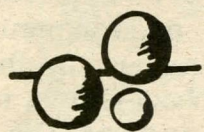
If you want to settle any golf rule arguments, check with "Hard Line" Bob Anderson, our rules chairman.

Plans are being made to form an Ad Hoc Committee to review and bring up to date the Golf Handbook.

The Women's Golf Club hosted an excellent affair for the Christmas party. Drinks were plentiful, the food was excellent, and the camaraderie was overflowing. A great time was had by all. Thank you Lois Killeen, Kay LaPrelle and your committee.

collection and will be available to give an opinion as to the worth of his stamp collection at no cost to him. Kindly call one of the officers or attend one of our regular meetings on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm in the card room. We would also appreciate any donation of stamps or accumulations to the club for worthy distributions.

In 1988, we plan to have fine lecturers, stamp auctions, slide programs, swap meets and good fellowship. And we do wish you all a very Happy New Year...



BOCCE CLUB

By Mary Lee

The newly elected Bocce Club officers for 1988 are: Max Polley, Pres; John Buccieri, 1st V.P.; Rick Behrman, 2nd V.P.; Kay Collier, treas; Trudy Orsan, rec secy; Luella Kelwin, corr secy; trustees Elfriede Kupka, Mary Lee and Connie Mayer; and Henry Carfagna, consultant.

The installation luncheon will be held at the Cafe Basque, on Mon, Jan 25 at 11:30 a.m. The menu choice will be pork, chicken or fish. The charge for members will be \$8.00 and \$10.00 for guests. The 1988 dues are now payable.

The next board meeting will be Tues, Feb 9 at 7:30 p.m. in the LR and the general meeting will be Thurs, Feb 25 at 7:30 p.m. in the AR.

Bocce lessons are given by Henry Carfagna on Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m.



HAPPY HOOFERS

By Dor Karlin

The Happy Hoofers spent a busy holiday season entertaining others and enjoying the warmth of family and friends while the most unusual cold snap nipped at our noses — to paraphrase, "The weather outside was frightful, but inside so delightful."

We start the new year with a performance at Otavio's banquet facility. Our other activities are under wraps at this time, but watch for further announcements.

The Happy Hoofers wish you a Hale and Hearty year filled with Health and Harmony. We wish you 12 months of Happiness made up of a Happy-go-lucky attitude,



SATURDAY NIGHT BALLROOM DANCE

By Anne Janoff

On Feb 13, the Saturday Night Ballroom Dance will hold their "Valentine's Dance." This is an evening for sweethearts and other romantics to hold hands while their dancing feet glide to the music of top dance bands recorded on tape, playing their favorite tunes.

Max and Dora Polley and Gabriel and Suzanne Catalogne will host. Dancing from 8:00-11:00 p.m., 50¢ per person admission, the usual coffee, tea, punch and ice refreshments, BYOB.

Our following dance will be on Sat, Feb 27. Max and Lil Schwartz and Ben and Dorothy Feinstein will host.

All are welcome and we especially invite new villagers to attend, to become acquainted with others, and enjoy an evening of dancing pleasure.



By Erma Hopkins

Here it is! That rare opportunity, a beginners square dance class! Drop out years ago and want another chance? You will feel great with us. Our usual group is graduating into an intermediate status and we are all staying on which means plenty of regulars to help you learn fast. Our teacher-caller is Ray Flick. New group to start Jan 18 and will meet every Mon night 7 to 9:30 in the MPR. If you have missed the first meeting or two - not to worry. Come on down, there will be a place for you!

Hilarity, High Spirits and an unquenchable sense of Humor. Bye, bye for now and remember — KEEP ON DANCIN'!!



SWING DISCO JAZZ

By Marguerite Abdelnour

Swing Disco Jazz dance group and many other villagers said farewell to 1987 at the annual New Year's Eve party. The group was host for this year's gala event.

Members prominent as committee chairmen and volunteers included Ed Abdelnour, taped dance music; Paul and Luella Kelwin, decorations and favors; Max Schwartz, Marion Tavano and Jean Zimmerman for set-up and reservations; Marguerite Abdelnour and crew for refreshments; Ann Goldberg and Rose Siers, cloak room.

Henry Carfagna was emcee in the AR and paid tribute to Father Time (Dan Bryan) and welcomed New Year 1988 (Al Law).

Swing Disco Jaza group will host a Sweethearts-On-Parade dance Feb 6 and another dance Feb 20 in the AR. Refreshments provided, BYOB. Check Ch 12 for more information.



GEM AND MINERAL CLUB

By Don Holmes

Looking back at the Gem and Mineral Club's 1987 activities, we find that, besides the regular monthly meetings, the Club had a pot-luck dinner in February, a Picnic-in-the-Park in June, a Wine-and-Cheese in October and a Christmas Party in December. Members contributed to the Gem and Mineral Exhibition at the Ventura County Fair in August, a first for the Club. We held the successful annual Show-and-Sell in September, and participated in the Village Arts and Crafts Show in November.



VILLAGE SWINGERS SQUARE DANCE CLUB

By Romaine Lambert

The Village Swingers Square Dance Club may have a hard time getting back into routine after the extra-special Christmas pot-luck followed by the bubbly New Year's Eve party. It was mostly Bill Kramer's usual "what's he going to do next" calling that gave everybody a high - but of course, that from the other bubbly stuff may have helped. The hard-working committee as usual did a great job.

Now that the new year is well on its way it is not too early to think about elections in June. Who is it going to be?

In the meantime, Suzanne Stern will be keeping members posted on a mystery bus trip. David Mee will guest call on Jan 26 and Arlen Miller on Feb 23. In between on Feb 16 we'll all be somebody's valentine in red and white, and no doubt Bill has something up his sleeve for that night. Attend all general meetings to keep informed. All members have an easy-to-follow printed schedule.

The proceeds from the raffle of Lucy's album went to the Children's Services Auxiliary of Ventura County. Please see La Rue Boynton's article, this issue.

Early in the year, the projection screen which the Club had donated to the Village was installed in the MPR, and we were able to make modest contributions to the New Stage Lighting Project, the Emergency Fund and to Channel 12, which carries announcements of our monthly programs. The meetings are back on schedule: Every fourth Wednesday, which in Feb will be on the 24th at 7:30 in the CR.

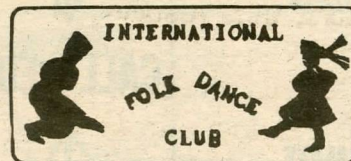
VISION LIMITED

By Florence Block

Election of officers for Vision Limited was held at the Jan 4th meeting. Results were: Pres, Stanton Lutton; secy, Pauline Castaligma; treas, Ruth Marler; sunshine and hospitality, Rose Drell; telephone, Anne Gaynes and Gigi Alexander; publicity, Florence Block. Joe Gaynes, Harry Castaline and Charles Fridberg will be in charge of programs.

Following the meeting there was an enlightening and interesting rap session.

Next meeting, Mon, Feb 1 at 1:00 p.m. in the LR. Guest speaker, Al Wuelfing, former director-treasurer of Camarillo Hospice. Topic, "Hospices, Past, Present and Future." Everyone is welcome. Call 484-5838 or 482-7085.



By Florence Friedman

Our sixth anniversary party and installation of new officers for 1988 was celebrated Mon, Jan 11 in the AR.

Our new officers are Ralph Farhi, pres; Esther Gollub, V.P.; Edna Rogers, treas; and Bella Levy, secy.

Mary Wilson and Yetta Farber, hospitality chairpersons, did a great job. Many thanks to all our members for the delicious refreshments.

If you enjoy dancing and would like to learn, join us. We welcome beginners.

Dance time: Mondays 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., teaching and dancing; Wednesdays 9:00 to 10:30 a.m., review and new dances; Fridays 9:00 to 10:30 a.m., continuous dancing.

Membership meeting, the first Monday of the month at 2:00 p.m.

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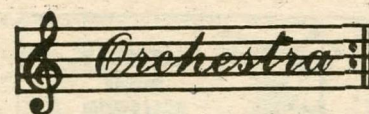
R.V.
Club



By Bill Johnson

The wine and cheese party of the R.V. Club was a huge success and was very well attended. At the Jan 19 meeting the new officers took over their new duties. The new officers are: Pres. Warren Stanfield; 1st V.P. Joe Scheck; 2nd V.P. Bill Johnson; 3rd V.P. Dan Bernard; secy. Pat Stanfield; treas. Earl Mettler; ass't secy. Ruby Teasdale; and ass't treas. Vickie Sheck. Don't forget, 1988 dues are now due!

The Roamers also had a well attended potluck dinner with Marge Robinson doing her usual great Santa Claus act. New officers will be installed at the Roamers annual dinner which will be held on Jan 25 at Fabrizio's. There will be a no-host bar at 5:30 p.m. and a gourmet dinner served at 6:30 p.m.



By Don Holmes

The Leisure Village Orchestra rehearses every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the MPR. As we reported in previous columns, the Orchestra has played eight "mini-concerts" in the past year, both inside and outside of Leisure Village. While we don't solicit donations, several groups have made contributions, and as a result, while this writer was in the Bay Area over the holidays, he was able to visit a music publisher and purchase four new numbers — two Strauss polkas, the Finale to Haydn's Symphony No. 88 and a Beethoven Overture. In order to present these properly, we need more players, particularly brass and double reeds. We could use a few more violins, a viola or two and string bass. If you play any of these, we will be

happy to have you join us.

Future engagements include a request by the Oxnard School District to play at one of their schools, and a date in May for the Variety Guild.

The last rehearsal night of the year was devoted to a pot-luck supper for members and their spouses, with excellent food. The surprise of the evening was the presentation of an Appreciation Plaque with a new baton to Director Don Holmes. Librarian Jack Simmons and his hard-working assistant, Zo Simmons, were presented with a tiny crystal music-box piano, also with a plaque in appreciation for their work for the orchestra.

The program for the evening was the showing of video tapes which Ch 12 had taken of programs which the Orchestra had played, put on by Al Pachter with the Ch 12 portable monitor, and a sing-along led by Connie Andrews with pianist Selma Simon.

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CAMERA
CLUB

By Dorothy Levy

The Camera Club ended the year with an informal meeting of camera talk, reports, wine and cheese with homemade cookies and coffee. This led naturally to our first meeting of 1988 when our attention was focussed on a study of interiors. We looked at various types of interior shots, from cathedrals to simple homes. In this type of photography lighting is one of the most important considerations, for the camera eye usually needs help to record an interior and show us the setting as the photographer wants us to see it.

We also had a luncheon on Jan 13 when we installed our new officers: Pres Bob Novick, V.P. Max Klapperman and treas Phil Mahn. We had a wonderful nature film, "Desert Odyssey," presented by Bob Vanderhaven, who made the film. Plans are now being made for club trips that will offer very interesting sight-seeing as well as good photographic opportunities.

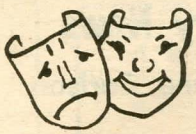
If you are interested in learning more about photography, either as a novice or an experienced participant, come to our meetings. It is possible to hear or see something new at every one of them, or you may want to share some of your know-how with us. We meet twice a month, the first and third Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the CR.

Welcome aboard!

Village Painters

By Marion Jayne

The Village Painters' next meeting will be on Wed, Feb 3, in the MPR at 1:00 p.m. Members may bring paintings for Critique and we will finish the Personal Analysis Questionnaire which we started at the holiday luncheon.

VILLAGE
PLAYERS

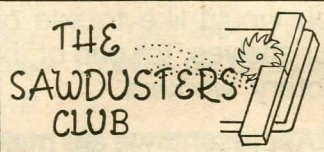
By Irwin Steinhart

The Village Players made history on Thur, Jan 21 by inaugurating their new officers with a delicious sit-down-dress-up dinner followed by professional entertainment imported from Los Angeles, and ending with dancing into the late wee hours....almost as late as 11:00 p.m.

The new V.P. Board of VIP's consists of: Pres, Ir-

ving Leeds; 1st V.P., Edythe Sills Fahringer; 2nd V.P., Irwin Steinhart; Treas, Herbert Schwartz, rec secy, Billie Pachter and corr secy, Miriam Cooper.

This news announcement is being written three weeks before the event, but it may be reasonably prognosticated that a massive crowd participated, that the ladies looked lovely in a re-run of their New Year's finery and that all the gentlemen were reasonable facsimiles of Cary Grant and Clark Gable! At least, we started off with a bang.



By Bernie Goldman

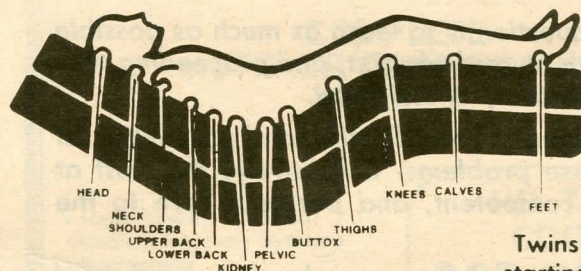
The next regular meeting of the Sawdusters Club will be held on Thurs, Feb 4 at 2:00 p.m. in the MPR. Our program will consist of a talk and demonstration by Joe Selden on "How to make sliding

drawers in cabinets."

During the month of January classes were conducted for interested members by Morris Lefkowitz and Joe Selden in the use of the table saw. The purpose of the Sawdusters Club is "To develop interest and skills in Woodworking." Villagers are invited to join if this appeals to them.

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By Esther Robbins

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Steeped in somber recollections.

Year's end...tally up the cost...
Memories of loved ones lost...
Omissions...errors...thwarted schemes...
Illness...aging...shattered dreams.

Reflections in a muddy pond...
The sun appears and I respond;
Depression lifts, I fill with cheer,
Ring out the old, A new year's here!

A fresh beginning, a brave new start,
A time for singing "You've gotta have heart,"
A time to count blessings, for drying your tears,
A time to look forward, to stilling your fears.

A time of great promise, of hope to renew,
A time to start dreaming, new dreams to come true,
A time to start planning, to finding your way,
The world's resurrected with each new year's day!

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

By Mary Erbsen

Please join us for our monthly "Meet Your Neighbor Coffee" on Fri, Jan 29 at 2:00 p.m. in the GR. This month we have scheduled as speaker, Mike Sherman, member of the LVA Board of Directors, and former president of LVA. He was also in charge of Security and Safety and Emergency Services perviously.

All villagers are invited to attend, both new residents and long-time residents, for a stimulating meeting of good conversation, coffee and cookies. Come and help us greet newcomers, meet old friends and make new ones.

Library News

By Jeanne Carlson

The Library has new books coming in to the pay shelves every month. The latest arrivals are: "A Taste for Death" by P.D. James, paper-back — very good. "Seasons of the Heart" by Freeman (romance). "Not Without My Daughter" by Mah-moody — true story of an American woman married to an Iranian and living in Iran. "America's Secet Aristocracy" — Birmingham — good writer.

If there is a new book you would like to see on our shelves, tell one of the Library workers.

At present, we are making room for new books because winter is reading time!



BOOK
REVIEW
GROUP

Book Review meets every second Monday in the GR at 10:00 a.m. There are no officers, no dues, no memberships. Just come and listen.

In January, "The Le-Baron Secret" by Birmingham was reviewed. This is an up-to-date novel — what is called a "good read" with a San Francisco background. Some of the work of Dr. Leo Buscaglia, teacher, columnist, counselor was also discussed.

The program for February will be announced soon on Ch 12.

Everyone is always welcome at Book Review — please drop in.



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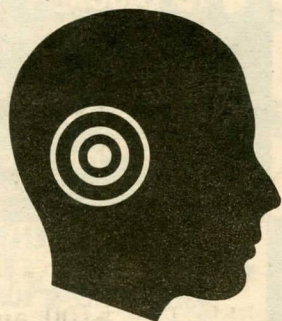
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By Cy Maller

Bingo! Is there anyone who does not know how to play? When you attend the Wed evening sessions of the L.V. Bingo Games, do you realize that you are one of the 52 million Americans that play Bingo and spend the whopping sum of \$3.5 million to play?

Bingo is big business: last year \$180 million was spent on equipment and supplies. Our games are not big business, they are evenings to socialize with friends and neighbors; the cash prizes only make the evening more enjoyable. Last month we had a heavy rainfall on a Wed evening and only 28 people showed. The committee decided to go ahead with the games, an announcement was made that the number of games

and the cash prizes would be halved but every penny that was taken in would be rewarded. Everyone was in agreement. The games continued, an enjoyable evening was had by all.

Find out for yourself, drop in on a Wed evening. We start at 7:00 p.m in the AR.

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During the presentations it was shown that, on the basis of experimental programs conducted by the Lawrence Livermore Laboratory, fumes from spilled products generally float along the ground and are dispersed by winds. Concentrations of these products in the atmosphere decrease with distance from the spill yet can remain at toxic levels even 1-1/2 miles from the spill site. It appears that a 30-minute

period would be available for evacuation of the Village based on a wind velocity of 5 MPH blowing from Highway 101.

At present no rocket fuels are being transported along Highway 101. In the past, 2 to 3 truckloads per month were being shipped to Vandenberg Airforce Base. Shipments are now being routed through Santa Barbara County. Assemblyman O'Connell is planning to introduce legislation to prohibit permanent use of Highway 101 for the transport of rocket fuel. However, since other hazardous materials can be transported by tank truck along Highway 101, we must continue to look to our defenses against injury from a spill of all toxic materials.

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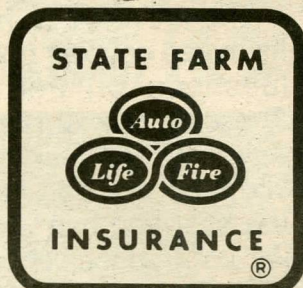
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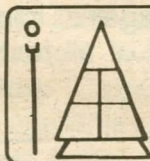
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Dance Workshop

By Margaret Hines
The Rhythmettes are back on track again after a month of fun and entertaining.

We may perform for the Camarillo Convalescent Hospital in Feb. No date has been set. An invitation from the Solo Club is pending also.

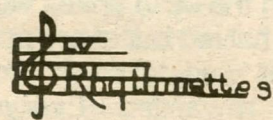
Now that the holiday music has been put away for another year, we are in a carefree play-what-pleases us time. Our pianist, Selma Simon, has some music in mind that should prove exciting.



SHUFFLE BOARD CLUB

By Cy Maller

The LV Shuffleboard Club meets on the first Tues of the month in the MPR at 7:30 p.m. Delicious refreshments always follow meetings.



By Velma M. Cade

The Dance Workshop meets every Tues at 3:00 p.m. in the AR. Come join us and dance for joy and good health!

Membership dues of \$1.00 are now due and payable.

Feb 11, the Dance Workshop is sponsoring a luncheon at Mercury Savings. This will also be our Valentine party. Come to Dance Workshop to pick up your tickets.

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**INDOOR
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GARDEN
CLUB**

By Madelyn McKean
Esta Stough of Santa Barbara City College gave an interesting talk, augmented by slides, on "The History of Gardening" at the Garden Club meeting on Jan 14.

A plant sale will be held in the atrium preceeding the regular meeting in the MPR on Feb 18. Laird McDonald, owner of "Growing Ground" a local nursery, will conduct a "Garden Clinic" featuring plant problem solving, pruning, easy spraying and fertilizing. Bring your questions about your indoor and outdoor plants to this expert. Villagers are welcome to come to this meeting and join our club.

Larry Stallings will again be offering his six session course on "Flower Arranging" starting Thurs, Feb 25.



**L.V. WOMEN'S
GOLF
ASSOCIATION**

By Betty Bruce

The Women's Golf Assn. arranged a delightful holiday party at the Radisson Hotel. Thanks go to many, but especially to Lois Killeen, Martha Nunn and Lois Kissinger.

Forgot to mention last time that Betty Ansell and Donna Duke had holes-in-one recently. They divided the "pot" but Donna contributed her share to the LV Women's Club. Very nice of you, Donna. This was Betty's first ace. Congratulations to both lovely ladies.

The LVWGA is having its mixed couples golf and luncheon on Feb 2-3. These tournaments are interesting and really fun if you let them be. Just do the best you can and enjoy your congenial group. Lois Killeen is in charge.

Regulation Golf will be on Thurs, Feb 18.

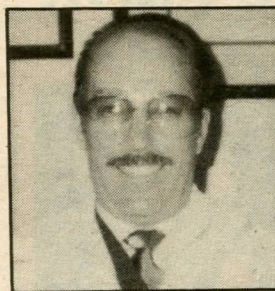
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SOLO
CLUB

By Vivian Collester

The Solo Club enjoyed a delightful luncheon in January at Two Plus Two. Good food, good talk and especially good friends to start off the New Year with a flourish.

Our first potluck dinner of the year will be held in

the AR on Feb 12 at 6:00 p.m. A-G, please bring meat or meat casserole; G-M, salad; and N-Z dessert. Don't forget your contribution to Food Share.

Our officers for 1988-89 will be installed at this dinner. We will have co-presidents this year, Eleanor Evans and Jean Raner. Our first V.P. will be Louise Loesch; second V.P., Marie Chase; secy,

Rosemary Seigh; and treas Bert Kunz. We congratulate them and wish them well. We are happy to have these capable members to steer us through 1988.

Business meeting on Feb 19 at 12:30 in the GR. Members are urged to attend to show support of new officers. Membership in the Club is open to all Village singles. Come join us!

THE
CERAMIC PLUS
CLUB

By Don Holmes

The Ceramic Plus Club's January meeting will be on Thur, Jan 28, not Wed, as your writer erroneously stated last month. It will be at 10:30 a.m. in the CR, so you can still get there. On the day before Christmas, president Irma Shapiro held an open house for club members in her

home, and displayed her amazing collection of ceramic pieces from all over the world, and, more amazingly, she remembers the provenance of every one of them.

The weaving classes have started, with the first project a butterfly which uses a coat hanger as an armature or base. Irma promises to get into basket weaving, using pine needles as our early native weavers did. The classes are on Thursdays in the Ceramic Shop,

starting at 9:00 a.m. Space is limited, so sign up soon.

The February meeting will be on Thurs, Feb 25 at 10:30 a.m. in the CR Watch Ch 12 for the program announcement.

Just for the fun of it — Wanting to start an all-girl instrumental musical group.

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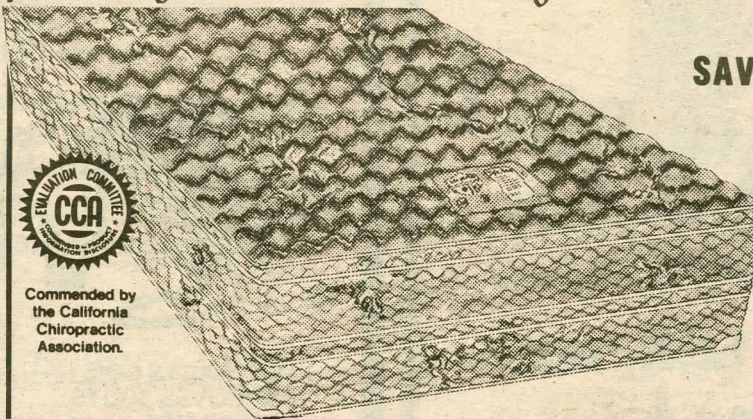
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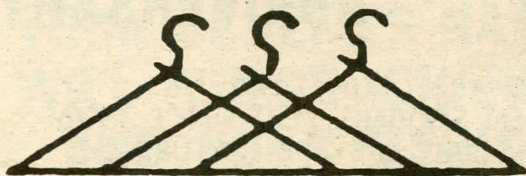
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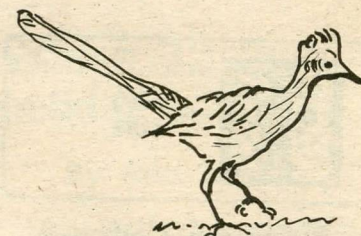
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Birds of Leisure Village

By Frances Gold

When the Chumash Indians lived in Pleasant Valley, the land was mostly semi-arid desert, watered by winter rains but seldom having even a trace in summer. In some places the water table was high enough for shallow wells so the natives thrived. Birds and animals that could live under such conditions also thrived: the ground squirrel, the cottontail (conejo), coyote and deer among the animals. Birds such as the owl, hawks, condors and doves were plentiful, and one that was like no other, the roadrunner.

Over the years since 1769 when civilization began to come to Southern California many of these have been pushed back or have been completely lost to the area.

A few hardy ones still exist here; new-ones such as the linnet have come with the population and a few such as the red-winged blackbird have been helped by our irrigation.

Sometimes animals seem amazingly human in their actions. Last week just west of the main gate and across Santa Rosa Road I saw the largest and most beautiful roadrunner that I have ever seen. He stood absolutely still just below the hill which is most unusual for a runner. His long tail was cocked saucily and he was carefully checking with his eyes every cactus and tumbleweed near him. He looked exactly like a house-hunting husband to me, and he looked as if he was just about ready to say, "I'll take it."

Camarillo Springs has

See BIRDS..... Pg 22

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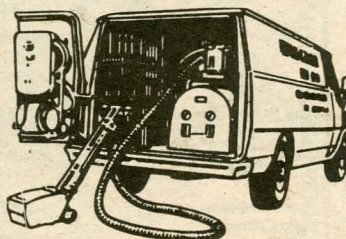
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Preserving Social Security and Medicare

By Sol Robin

When the Congressional summit took place recently to consider the pressing problem of reducing the national deficit, every government program was carefully scrutinized to slash operating costs except one — Social Security. The reason for that is quite simple. Social Security is vigorously supported by the most powerful lobby in the nation — senior citizens. We have the clout in any election to defeat a candidate or put him into office. Politicians get the message: hands off Social Security.

Voters 65 and older outnumber teenagers for the first time since 1972, when 18-year-olds got the right to vote. Of 178 million Americans eligible to vote in 1986, more than 50 million are 55 years and older. Adding to that clout is the fact that, traditionally, older people are more likely to show up at the polls than younger ones.

Overall, the generation aged 65 and over has grown 11% since 1980. It is interesting to note that at the time of the 1980 census, half the total U.S. population of people over 65 lived in only 8 states, seven of which had more than a million people in that age group. Those states were, in order, California, New York, Florida, Pennsylvania, Texas, Illinois, Ohio and Michigan.

Those numbers would be meaningless if they were not accompanied by a determined will to do something with them. There are many fine senior organizations whose very size and lobbying power in Congress and state legislatures guarantees senior representation. Largest of these is the A.A.R.P. with a membership of 25 million. It has a legislative committee in every state and a

group of 20 registered lobbyists on Capitol Hill.

The burning issues of Social Security and Medicare will demand our attention in the 1988 election because of their impact on the 65 plus generation.

Only last month, Congressman Elton Gallegly issued a timely report to the senior citizens of the 21st District. In it Gallegly reassures us that he is working to protect the benefits seniors enjoy from a safe and solvent Social Security and Medicare system. Health care coverage to protect 31 million senior citizens and disabled Medicare recipients from "catastrophic" doctor and hospital bills is now being studied by a House-Senate conference committee which will try to resolve differences between each chamber's version. Medicare Part A benefits will be financed

through an income-related surtax. This tax could be as high as \$580 per person in 1988 and would increase each year. Medicare Part B benefits would be financed through increases in monthly premiums that would increase each year as the cost of the program rises. That monthly premium is expected to be \$25 in 1988.

It is obvious that our health care costs will continue to rise in the years ahead. We seniors must monitor the voting records of our representatives in Congress to make sure that they will protect our best interests.

We have the political clout and we must continue to exercise it constantly — at the ballot box and in a never-ending flow of mail to our elected officials to let them know where we stand.

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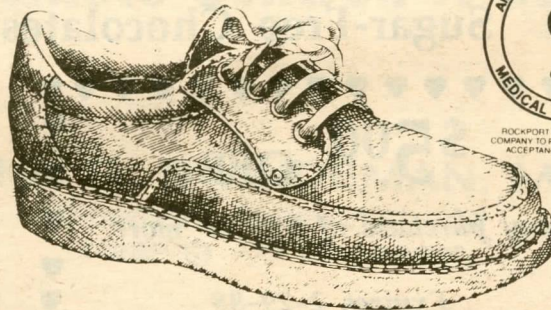
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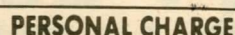
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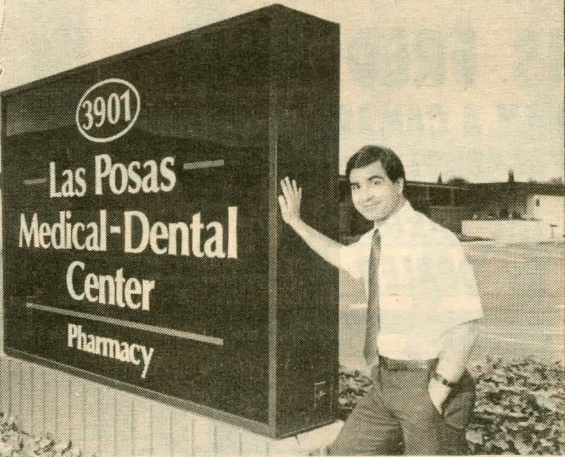
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BIRDS From Pg 20

had many roadrunners but I've not seen any so close to us before. The new housing development there has taken great toll of chaparral habitat. Almost surely that beautiful bird is a 'displaced resident' and may die if he cannot find someplace to go. I hope that our hill across the street will be hospitable to him and his mate.

For those of you who may not be familiar with the road runner, he is unique. A member of the cuckoo family, he can be as long as twenty-four inches. His head is roughly crested and his long straight tail is almost as long as his body. He has very strong legs and often prefers running to flying. Indeed one of his charming habits is suddenly to appear in front of your car on a country road and run there with great strong strides for some distance. When he tires of his game he will hop to the side and seem almost to be laughing at you as you resume speed.

Roadrunners are reputed to mate for life. Once I personally saw evidence of this at my brother's house in Lake Isabella where there was a nesting pair. Someone shot the female and she died. Her mate came to the roof of a shed next door almost everyday with a tidbit, often a lizard. He'd carefully lay it down and call. Then he'd pick it up and display it, lay it down and call again.

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