

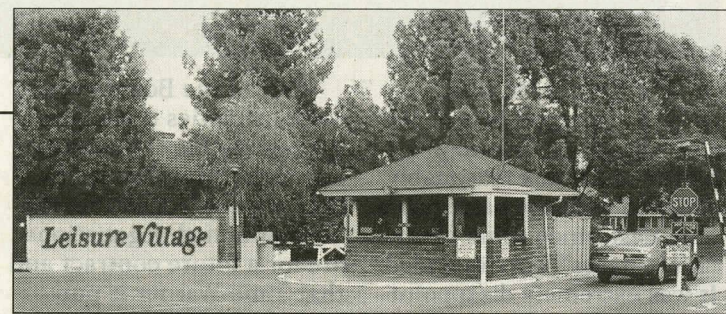
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A message from the editor of ILV

When I assumed the role of publisher and editor of this publication, I warned the most important people in the Village, you, our readers, that I intended to avoid, as much as possible, getting embroiled in divisive community "politics."

By that, I meant I did not want to print controversial letters to the editor that frequently were often thinly disguised personal attacks or a kind of expression found in "gotcha politics," that usually are based on distorted facts, accusations

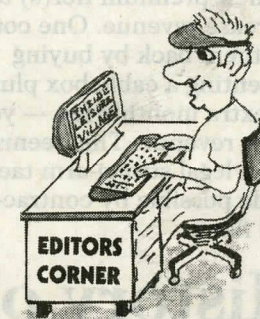
and suspicions. And, often, relied on no facts at all.

I noted that I see Inside Leisure Village as a monthly "community" paper with a primary objective of providing stories of human interest, club news, and "friendly," positive items

that reflect the core values of our resident and enhance our lives, not demean them.

Overall, I made it clear and repeat again, we do not pretend to cover "the news," especially the news of com-

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Showtyme brings variety show

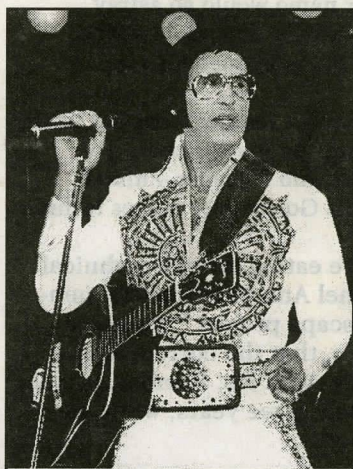
By David Harris

Do not miss "The Show of Shows" on Sunday, March 25, at 2 p.m. in the AR.

The talent is lined up, and we are ready to go! Are you? You only have three weeks until "The Show of Shows," our first variety show of 2007.

Get your tickets early. They've been on sale for a few days now, and sales continue March 2 from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Sun Room. The cost is only \$10 for members and \$13 for guests. For more information or tickets, call Roz Feldman at 383-6566.

Our headliner, Jeanne Vanyo, has been in musicals since age 4. She studied



Raymond Michael

under Estelle Brown Mills of the Metropolitan Opera Co., Julliard and La Scala in Milan, Italy. She has had lead rolls in "Oklahoma!"

"Carousel," "Showboat," "My Fair Lady" and "The Sound of Music" all over the world. She has performed at the Palladium in London and has given a command performance for the Queen at Buckingham Palace. She also sings concerts, light opera and grand opera. She now lectures and performs in Broadway musicals while giving an intimate view of the people who have performed on Broadway from the onset of Broadway itself.

Raymond Michael will perform "A Tribute to the King of Rock and Roll" — Elvis. Michael has performed for 10 summers at Knott's Berry Farm, five summers

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Jeanne Vanyo

Congratulations to our new General Manager, Bob Scheaffer. Read about him in the story on this page.

Remember to get your tickets for "The Show of Shows," being presented by Showtyme on Sunday, March 25. It could sell out.

The Players Guild presents the comedy "Nunsense." See Page 5.

See our new Realtors Corner on Page 8.

Please read the earthquake preparedness article by Joe Foraker on Page 11.

We now have an outdoor chess set. See Page 6.

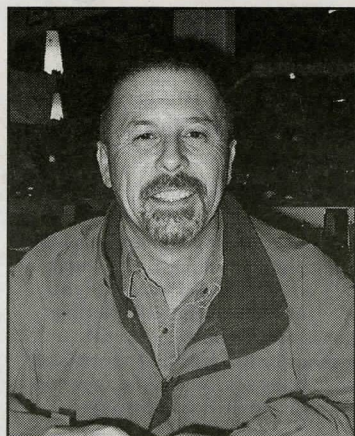
Classic Films has a great movie this month. See Page 3.

Can you believe that 67 Villagers went on the same cruise? See Page 7.

Remember to attend the Spring Cleaning Bazaar. See Page 4.

Please remember that we will be unable to print any articles sent in by people running for the Board until after the election.

Board picks a winner for General Manager



Robert Scheaffer

By Bob Koster

The Leisure Village Board of Directors has come through yet again. After an exhaustive search for a replacement for our lamented General Manager, Randy Watkins, the Board has tapped a real winner to replace him.

Robert Scheaffer has excellent qualifications for General Manager of Leisure Village. First of all, he has been the General Manager of Buenaventura Gardens in

Ventura for 15 years. And he is now working to find a replacement for himself there. He is intimately familiar with the problems of running such an enterprise, from reconstruction of building to handling cable TV and computer connections (Hello!) to working with Village members to better their own community.

Don't be surprised if he shows up at your committee or club meeting so he can keep tabs on all the Village

activities. He is definitely a hands-on kind of manager. He enjoys being involved in all the many activities of the Village and helping out wherever he can, as he has been doing so successfully in Ventura.

Prior to his management work, Bob was in the construction business for more than 17 years, starting as a carpenter apprentice in Denver, then moving West to our neck of the woods a few

Please see **GM** on 16

Television is an integral part of our lives. This newcomer to LV was reasonably satisfied with the basic cable channels, since some of my "must-haves" were included. It was extremely disappointing when Time-Warner Cable took over the franchise and moved some channels to their premium tier(s) to increase revenue. One could get them back by buying or renting a cable box plus an extra monthly fee — yet more revenue. This seems like a legal strong-arm tactic made possible by contractual flaws.

One of the Board's major responsibilities is supporting reasonable community interests. They have publicly acknowledged that the oft-mentioned negotiations are for a future contract and that Time-Warner is purported to not be a customer-sensitive company. Why the heck is the Board even talking to them?

It could be useful to let the Board know your wishes, which might include hiring a media-savvy lawyer to get us a better contract — with another provider, maybe?

— Harold Simon, V. 11

History of cable in LV

By Dick Griswold and Alan Rosin

Today we are in the midst of negotiation with Time-Warner Cable and other companies for the renewal of our cable TV service contract.

Since February 20, 1998, the Village has had a contract with cable entities, first with GTE, Verizon, Adelphia, and now Time-Warner Cable. Prior to this date, Leisure Village was the owner of its own television cable system. It had its own in-house TV channel, Channel 12 — then Channel 8 and today Channel 25 — owned all the wiring and cable and decided which television channels Villagers received. This was so from the Village inception in 1973 until 1998, a 25-year period. As a cable TV company, Leisure Village hired a maintenance firm, Communication Services, to service the equipment.

How and why did the Village make the change from an owner to a customer of cable TV?

It began in 1998, when Leisure Village was approached by GTE, which

offered to provide our TV cable network and supply our programming for a flat fee per household. That fee was \$9.00 per month. The contract term was 10 years.

The issue came to a vote in the Village, and after a spirited campaign on both sides, the GTE contract was narrowly approved. Ultimately, GTE sold their interest to Verizon, then Adelphia, and recently it was bought by Time-Warner Cable.

We are about to start the 10th year of that original contract. It will expire in February 2008. Leisure Village, should it wish to, could again assume control of all the TV wiring and cable infrastructure at some to-be-determined "materials" cost and again be a cable TV company. Considerable dollar savings are possible, along with improved programming, compared to Time Warner's recent activities.

How should Leisure Village proceed at this point? That will be up to the five members of the LVA Board of Directors.

Deadlines for next month

The Display Advertising deadline for the April 2007 issue will be Monday, March 12, at 5 p.m. Deadline for letters, club news, stories, photos and classified ads is Wednesday, March 14, at 5 p.m. Publication is scheduled for Friday, April 6. 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.

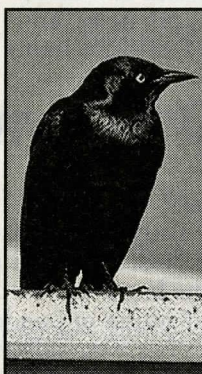
It tastes just like chicken

In our last edition, Joseph Benti wrote that two Board positions are up for election next June. The seats are now held by Mike Shapiro and Board President Carol Sweeney-Zimmet.

Several readers brought to Benti's attention that there are three Board openings. They noted Member Harold Goldwasser was not elected to a full term. As the third largest vote-getter in the last election, he was appointed by the Board to fill out the term of Phil Woodward who had moved out of the Village before his term was up.

By way of amends, for what he calls "a senior moment," Benti, who sometimes writes poetry, offers this by way of apology:

A Crow-eater's Lament



Would that we were perfect
In every word we thought or wrote
And could catch each glaring error
Before any could take note

Every story would come out right
No fact or name would go astray
And none would dine on blackbird
For what he really meant to say

Pulling another feather from our teeth
I'll re-count the seats coming free
It's Shapiro and Sweeney-Zimmet
And Harold Goldwasser makes it three

Editor's Note: While we're eating crow, a technical correction: In answer to Ethel Ann Pemberton's mention of a "\$1.5 million landscape project," we noted that the amount was in error, that the correct figure was \$400,000. We were both right. Ms. Pemberton was referring to the total cost over three years, while we were citing just the annual cost.

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK

By Naomi Balfour

Stop in at the AR between 6:30 and 8 p.m. on

Monday, March 5, for a free blood pressure check by Your Neighbors Care Group.

Letters

ILV has obligated itself to publish letters that are not profane, inflammatory, or libelous. Views or statements expressed are the beliefs of the writer and are not necessarily supported by the staff of ILV. Letters must include signature, address and telephone number. Please limit letters to 150 words. We reserve the right to edit and/or condense. Place in ILV box. Space permitting, whatever was not printed in this issue due to space limitations will be considered for the next issue.

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Square Dance introduction is March 13

By Mary Kovach

Friendship set to music: Sounds strange, doesn't it? How can you have friendship set to music? Believe it or not, you can. We call it Square Dancing.

Oh, I know, when you think of Square Dancing, you think of a barn dance, wearing bib overalls, or worse, all that frilly crinoline. But modern American Square Dancing isn't like that. We dress in casual clothes and dance to all different types of music, from Dixieland Jazz to 1950s rock and roll.

You moved to Leisure Village because you wanted activities. You're not content to sit in a rocking chair and watch TV. We, the members of the Village Square Dance Club, have an ulterior motive. We want to share our love and passion for dancing with everyone.

We are hosting a free party on Tuesday evening, March 13, in the Rec Center. This is a "no obligation" party so you can see for yourself how fun Square Dancing is. You don't need a partner, and we'll supply snacks, coffee and tea.

All we are asking is for you to come out and try it. If you don't like it, well, fine. But if you do, we'll show you how to set friendship to music.

Sir Alec Guinness classic to be shown March 11

By Bob Koster

One of the finest and most honored actors in our era was Sir Alec Guinness. His range was immense. He was able to play martinets, as in "Tunes of Glory" and the justly renowned "Bridge Over The River Kwai." He could be a charismatic, mystic Jedi knight in a galaxy a long time ago and far, far away, in the very first "Star Wars" film. He played Herbert Pocket in "Great Expectations," a serious young London ne'er-do-well.

On stage he was famous for his interpretations of Shakespeare's most convoluted characters. His Richard III created a stir when he played the famous cripple not as a deformed monster but as a tragic figure suffering from multiple sclerosis — a brilliant twist

on what could have been a cliché.

In his early days he was, however, a famous comedian. He made a series of films at Ealing Studios that set a benchmark for all the British comedies for the next two or three decades. "The Ladykillers," "Man in the White Suit" and "Captain's Paradise" were all screamingly funny. But the genius of Guinness really was put to the test by "Kind Hearts and Coronets."

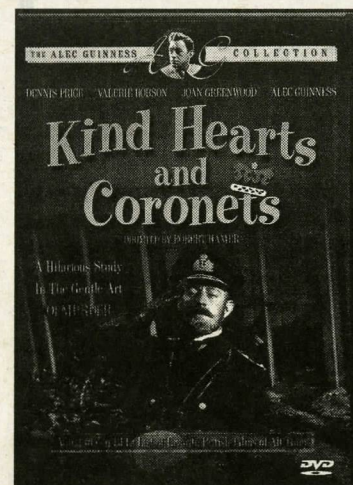
In this film, Guinness plays eight roles — actually nine, truth be told. In the Duke's castle, there is a portrait of an ancestor. Guinness sat for that portrait also. The story goes that Guinness was originally offered the parts of only four D'Ascoynes.

"I read [the screenplay]

on a beach in France, collapsed with laughter on the first page, and didn't even bother to get to the end of the script," he recounted. "I went straight back to the hotel and sent a telegram saying, 'Why four parts? Why not eight!?'"

This film will keep you in stitches throughout, right through the amazing scene in which Guinness plays six members of the same family all on screen at the same time. And this was long before the advent of computer graphics.

Guinness was so ubiquitous in films that we will be seeing more of him during this, our year of British films. We have much to choose from. We can see "Lawrence of Arabia," in which he plays Prince Feisal, "Great Expectations"



Sir Alec Guinness plays nine roles in this British classic.

or even "Bridge Over The River Kwai" — lots of good choices.

Guinness was knighted Sir Alec in 1959. His Oscar was for "Kwai." And he never made a great deal of

money, preferring to work on good product rather than popular shows. He finally achieved financial success when he asked Fox for a percentage of the profits of "Star Wars" rather than a big salary. He rightly suspected that it would be very successful, something 20th Century-Fox Studios did not.

But for now, the laughs are on him. You won't often have the opportunity to see the Master at work on the big screen, which is why we bring these classic films to you.

As always, there will be popcorn, coffee, Punch and Judy, if she can make it.

Remember: 7 p.m. in the AR on Sunday, March 11.

See you at the movies!

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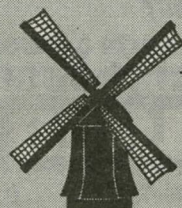
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Eldred Silva, V. 1

For memoriams, please call Bernice Schornstein at 484-8443.

LV writers publish anthology

By Lois Keeler

An anthology of children's stories, essays, poetry, short stories, tall tales and true experiences has been assembled from writings of the Writers Club members and published here in the Village.

The contributors are Ginny Bryce, Stan Bryer, Macon Epps, Bernice Epstein, Lois Keeler, Ruth Kent, Kenney Nelson, May Richards, Ginny Sims and Josette Wingo.

We hope the Villagers will be interested in reading some of these stories. To that purpose, all members who have contributed will

have a copy, and our chairman, Kenney Nelson, will have extra copies and would be happy to loan them out.

Please contact Kenney or any of the contributors for a copy of the book to peruse. Any one of the contributors would be happy to help you with your search. You may also stop by a meeting any Monday to obtain a copy.

This is a diverse collection from several members, and we think our fellow Villagers will enjoy their different styles. Many of them have written about their unique experiences with family, gatherings, travels and much, much more.

Ruth Miller, V. 20, thanks her many friends in the Village who have remembered her and sent encouraging messages during her recent illness.

We want to thank all of our friends here in Leisure Village for their support with phone calls, cards and donations to various charities in the name of our grandson, Marine Cpl. Gav Jacobs, who suffered severe wounds while on his second tour of duty in Iraq. All the support and warmth expressed is gratifying and appreciated. Thank you all.

— Ann and Irv Jacobs, V. 6

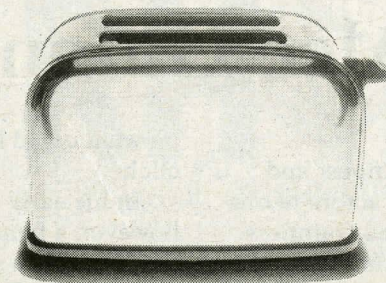
Spring sale is on May 12

By Gertie Dorward

Get ready, it's coming! Gather all your unwantables for the Spring Cleaning Sale to be held in the Pavilion on Saturday, May 12, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Register for tables beginning April 2 in the Rec Office for \$5 each.

Questions? Call Gertie at 484-5509.

Once again, there are free goodies, and hot dogs will be served.



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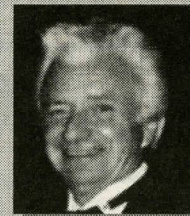
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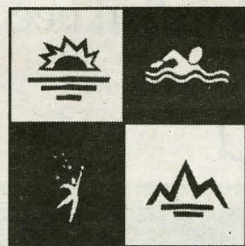


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Tickets for April's 'Nunsense' on sale

By **Cathy Friedman**

Well, I'm back with more information regarding this year's Players Guild show, "Nunsense."

At this time, I would like to introduce the nuns. Though it may be hard to believe, each of the Little Sisters of Hoboken are based on real-life nuns.

Sister Mary Regina (the Reverend Mother) was to the outside world a model Mother Superior. But to those who knew her, she was an outrageous, quick-witted soul who knew how to get a laugh. She tried to convince you that she was strict, but everyone knew that her "bark was worse than her bite!" Prior to taking her vows, Sister Mary Regina was Marilyn Foraker.

Sister Mary Hubert was a kind person who would always try to be understanding and diplomatic. She taught the Novices the ground rules, and was supposed to be dignified. But with the slightest bit of encouragement she was ready to kick up her heels. Sister Mary Hubert is the former Debra Guill.

Sister Robert Anne was a tough, streetwise nun who had a heart of gold. All the kids adored her because she spoke their language. And she could hit a baseball "out of the park." Sister Robert Anne was Felicite Barton.

Sister Mary Amnesia was the picture of innocence. She couldn't remember her past and so looked at each new day with a childlike joy.



Players Guild members in "Nunsense" include, from left, Ruth Nathan, Elisa Perlmutter, Debra Guill, Annie Robinson, Marilyn Foraker, Felicite Barton and Ida Zeller.

Sister Mary Amnesia was Ruth Nathan.

Sister Mary Leo had been a professional dancer before she entered the convent and was always eager to display her talent. She was very impressionable because she was young and could easily be led astray. Sister Mary Leo was Annie Robinson.

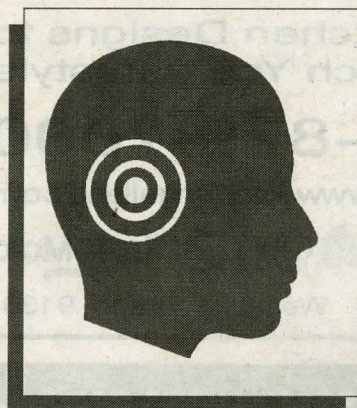
Before the performance

and during intermission, the sisters wander through the auditorium as they please. So be sure to buy your tickets and join in the fun.

The performances will be April 18 through April 21 at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, April 22, at 2 p.m. The price of the tickets is \$7. Tickets go on sale March 5, and you can purchase tickets

every Monday and Friday from 9 to 11 a.m. and every Wednesday from 1 to 3 p.m. You can also purchase tickets at the door at every performance, unless, of course, we are sold out.

If you have any questions regarding the tickets, contact Barbara Stone at 388-8867.

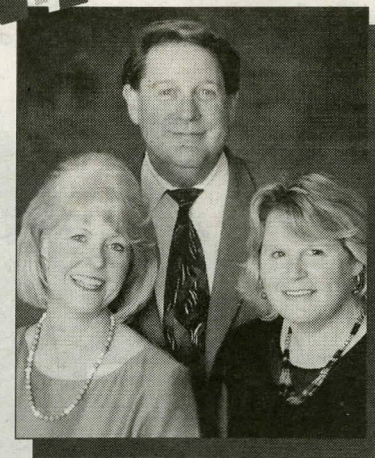


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Checkmate! Giant chess set moves in

By Ed Colbert

In the last week of January, European Chessman — 17 by 26 inches tall — suddenly appeared on the new, beautifully designed, 20-square-foot cement Chess Court, located directly east of the Social Hall in Leisure Village.

Some people were startled and in denial, while others were enthused.

Chess originated in China, India or Persia, with the Moors bringing it to Spain in the 8th century. It continues as a vibrant, challenging international game, with 15,000 games being played in one day recently in Mexico City. Youth membership in the U.S. Chess Federation has doubled since the year

2000, with sales of chess sets increasing steadily.

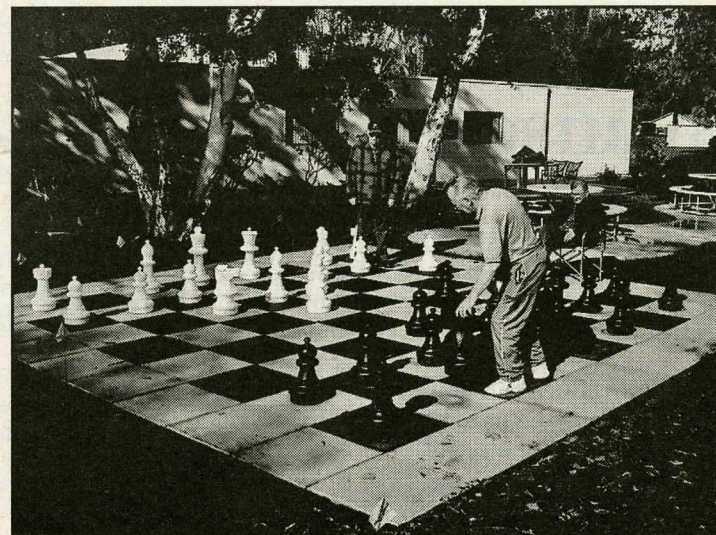
It has been demonstrated that constant practice of chess has aided in the memory of some schoolchildren, even those with Attention Deficit Disorder. The Dec. 6, 2006, issue of the Washington Post compared mental exercise to physical. Ten sessions to boost reasoning skills, memory and mental processing speed staved off mental decline in middle-aged and elderly people in the first definitive study to show that honing mental skills can bolster the mind in the same way that physical exercise protects and strengthens the body.

People need to get out of their comfort zone to

be challenged. Crossword puzzles and chess can do this!

Several months have ensued since the idea of Outdoor Chess surfaced. Through the efforts of Ernie Ohmstedt, Ivan Bjel, Ed Colbert, the Leisure Village Administration and funding by Inside Leisure Village, the time has come to cry, "Let's play chess!"

We are in the process of forming an Outdoor Chess Club that will meet monthly. Lessons and mentoring will be available. Don't be intimidated by the game. It's a great deal of fun! You need not belong to the club to play chess, but it is hoped that those with an interest will join.



In the future, we will invite some schoolchildren and their parents to join us. Friendships, learning and goodwill will ensue.

The first meeting of the Outdoor Chess Club will be Monday, March 12, at 10:30

a.m. at the Chess Court. Watch Channel 25 for further developments.

Contact Ed Colbert at 987-6521 or Ivan Bjel at 482-6528 if you have any questions.

Estate workshop March 22

Have you ever received an invitation to a free lunch? If so, who can you trust?

On March 22 at 1 p.m. In the MPR, Joan Virginia Allen will present a program giving you tools to better understand estate planning, why you may or may not need a trust, and why probate is not always a bad thing.

Joan is the founder and

coordinator of the Ventura County FAST — Financial Abuse Specialist Team — a program of Conejo Valley Senior Concerns. Joan is a retired elder law and estate planning attorney.

In addition, a program on fighting financial fraud, designed and presented by Joan, will be shown on Channel 25 in February. Watch Channel 25 for further details.

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67 from LV go cruising

By Stan Reshes

Sunday, January 21, 2007, nearly 70 Leisure Village residents left for a seven-day cruise to the Mexican Riviera — Cabo San Lucas, Mazatlan and Puerta Vallarta.

Aboard Royal Caribbean's magnificent ship, Vision of the Sea, the nightly entertainment was especially outstanding. But the highlight was definitely the Karaoke All-Stars, which featured the best talent from the passenger list. And, to no surprise to the LV passengers, our own Dick Berman and Irv Goodnik were among the select entertainers chosen to perform on the final night of the cruise. Both proved to be show-stoppers, as the audience rousingly applauded Dick's rendition of "If I Were



Dick Berman, left, and Irv Goodnik relish the victory of a karaoke championship on a Mexican cruise.

A Rich Man" from "Fiddler on the Roof." Dick was in full "Tevya" costume for his number. And Irv Goodnik gave his best Bobby Darin impression as he sang "Mack the Knife."

For an encore, Irv had the audience in hysterics with his parody of Elvis Presley singing "Are You Lonely

Tonight?" Except in this version, Elvis would be alive today, in his 70s, and the title of the song is, "Are You Bloated Tonight?"

We may be seniors, but we can still show these young "whippersnappers" how to have a rollicking good time.

Dear Mrs.: 'I'm lonely'

Dear Mrs.,
Since we moved to the Village, my husband has developed new interests. He's bowling, playing golf, tennis, poker, spends evenings with his buddies doing God knows what. He is out six nights a week. What should I do?

— Abandoned, V. 76

Dear Abandoned,
Give him seven nights out a week and change the locks on the door.

Dear Mrs.,
I went on one of those overnight trips with other people from the Village recently. Do you know that some of the so-called singles ended up sharing a room? And they were of the oppo-

site sex. Isn't that terrible?
— Shocked, V. 55

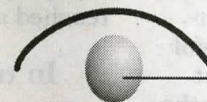
Dear Shocked,
You really have to get out more, dear!

Dear Mrs.,
I'm a bachelor and recently moved here to Leisure Village from another state. I don't really have any friends here, and I guess I'm just an introvert, because I have trouble meeting people and making friends. Any suggestions?

— Newcomer James

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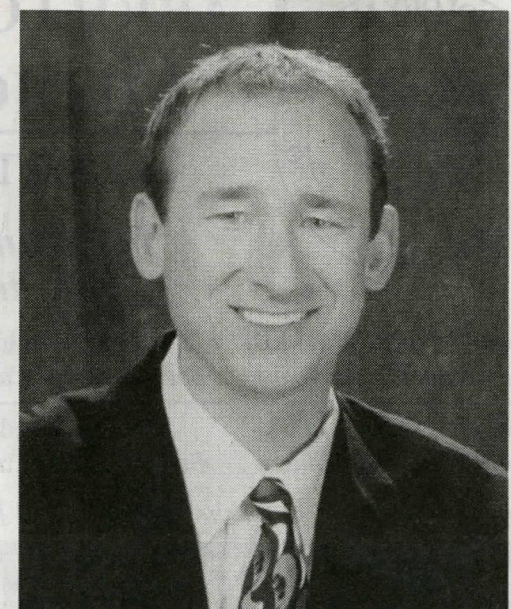
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REALTORS CORNER

We are featuring a new column on a monthly basis called The Realtors Corner. Written by four of our local Realtors, it will give helpful hints to our Villagers.

Taxing time of year

**By Peggy Marcketta
Fox Home Real Estate**

March: "In like a lion and out like a lamb." A time of shamrocks, leprechauns and luck. Spring forward, change clocks, lose an hour. Just around the rainbow, April showers bring tax time! What? Whatever happened to the rainbow with the pot of gold?

What happened to the fairy-tale ending? The deadline of April 15 brings every story to a screeching halt.

Now, a lucky few leprechauns have found their shades of green-saving tax deductions, but many others are still trying to recover from the holidays, broken resolutions and trying to find the perfect card to send to a loved one.

Here are two common real estate tax deductions to make your story live happily ever after.

1. Did you sell your home for a profit last year? If it was your primary residence for two of the last five years, up to \$250,000 in profit is tax-free for single taxpayers. Married couples

have \$500,000 in tax-free gain from a qualifying home sale. The two-year occupancy need not be continuous. Only one spouse need be on the title, but both must meet the residency requirement.

2. If you bought a home last year, you may deduct many of the costs associated with your home loan or acquisition mortgage.

For more information please visit the following Websites: www.irs.com; www.taxsites.com; www.newsandtips.com/humor; www.taxresources.com; and www.1040.com

(Peggy Marcketta and Fox Home Real Estate can be reached at 987-4369.)

Weatherproofing

**By Sharron Parker
Troop Real Estate**

"Baby, it's cold outside" — and inside, too — is a common theme heard by our Leisure Village Association staff every winter.

Winter months are cold, even in our very temperate Camarillo. It is helpful to have a handyman put additional insulation in the attic, install weatherstripping around your doors and consider installing new windows and doors. Most homeowners still have original heating systems, which can do a better job if we help to

keep the cold outside where it belongs. You will notice a considerable difference! Not only will the house feel more comfortable, but you will save on your electric bill.

Another good tip: Cover your hot water heater with a blanket. This will help to cut your electric bill, too.

As I drive around Leisure Village, I enjoy seeing the pride that some homeowners have put into the exterior of their homes, helping to add value to their home, as well as Leisure Village in general. Prospective buyers do notice exteriors that are clean of dust, debris and cobwebs, nice doormats, and those homes that have brick or stone walkways, upgraded lighting and lovely landscaping, particularly colorful flowers. Beginning next month, I will request permission of a homeowner to take a picture and include it in my article. Will your home be next?

(Sharron Parker and Troop Real Estate can be reached at (805) 443-1998.)

In trust we trust

**By McKay Barlow
The Barlow Group**

What is a living trust and how does it avoid probate? Here's a simple

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response from an attorney.

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There are two ways to avoid probate: Own nothing in your own name, or have a living trust. The living trust allows you to own nothing in your name, yet still have complete control over everything in your trust's name. Nothing changes except the names on the titles. You still control everything as you did before. Since you own nothing in your own name (everything is in the name of your trust, which

you completely control), there is nothing to probate when you die or become incapacitated.

Our experience is all Villagers should have a living trust.

(McKay Barlow and The Barlow Group can be reached at (805) 987-5755.)

Use it or lose it

**By Lenore Stern and Jim Hoffman
Hoffman-Stern Realty**

Recent home inspections conducted while properties are in escrow have resulted in a spate of problems with air conditioners, furnaces, dishwashers, garbage disposals and other items of equipment that many homeowners only use infrequently. The problems, in many cases, have proven to be quite expensive for the homeowner and could have been avoided if the owner had only taken the time to cycle the seldom-used equipment on a regular basis.

In other words, even though you may not use your dishwasher, or your air conditioner, or your furnace, you should still take the time to put the equipment through its paces every couple of weeks or so. Exercising the equipment will ensure that it stays in

operating condition and, should a problem become apparent, you can take corrective action before that problem becomes serious.

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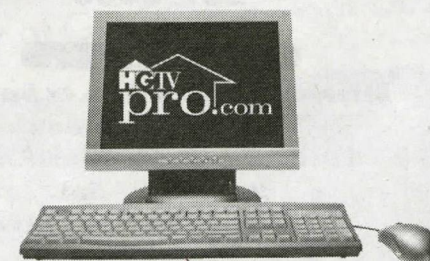


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Seismology makes quake preparation pragmatic

By Joe Foraker

The recent 150th anniversary of the 1857 Fort Tejon great earthquake was widely commemorated by the media. And only nine months earlier, the 100th anniversary of the 1906 great San Francisco earthquake was observed.

Both of these giant temblors were spawned by the San Andreas Fault, which has delivered two great quakes in the last 150 years and also moved Los Angeles 60 feet closer to San Francisco.

Seismology, the study of earthquakes, made little progress until scientists embraced the tectonic plate theory in the early 1960s. By pinpointing the epicenters of powerful temblors, scientists discovered the shape and boundaries of the seven major templates that make up most of the Earth's surface. Two gigantic tectonic plates, the Pacific and North American, are grinding against each other with such force that they have caused a network of fractures across California.

In 1970, a Stanford graduate geology student used an old-fashioned pick and shovel to learn the history of great quakes spawned by the San Andreas. He located a gully adjacent to the San Andreas that had been offset over the years by a quarter of a mile. Here he dug a 16-foot-deep trench through silt, gravel, and carbonized organic matter. In the process, he discovered eight scars from plate movements, and, with radiocarbon dating, determined when the movements occurred. The oldest scar marked a 640 A.D. quake, and the most recent was the 1857 temblor. The average interval between quakes is 140 years, but the intervals have ranged

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from 65 to 210 years.

California's population in 1857 was about 35,000. In the intervening 150 years, the population has grown by an incredible 1,000 percent to more than 35 million. At least 20 million of these residents live in Southern California.

The historical lurches of the San Andreas have been greatly ignored, as evidenced by the highways and bridges that crisscross the fault zone, as do power lines, pipelines and aqueducts. Major industries, hospitals, public schools and universities are dangerously close to the fault in dozens of locations.

The U.S. Geologic Survey believes as many as 24,000 people could lose their lives in the next great California quake, with property losses as high as \$250 billion.

Camarillo is about 50 miles northwest of the fault, which means that seismic waves from a ruptured San Andreas could create an intensity of VI to VIII on the Modified Mercalli Scale in Ventura County. USGS intensity maps prepared after the 1994 Northridge Quake

reveal that the Leisure Village area received shaking in the VI to VII range.

All residents of Leisure Village should be well prepared for an earthquake emergency. Dozens of faults exist in Southern California and become known after a quake strikes an area. The Sylmar, Coalinga, Whittier, Sierra Madre and Northridge quakes were all surprise events and revealed the location of previously unknown faults.

Approximately 50 Leisure Village households chosen at random from four villages recently participated in a brief oral questionnaire. Residents' responses revealed their readiness for a devastating earthquake emergency. Questions

covered food and water supplies, emergency kits in the home and automobile, anchored furniture and heavy wall hangings, emergency lights that turn on when power fails, fire extinguishers and first aid kits.

Overall, responses were not encouraging and revealed many residents are ill-prepared for disasters. Two of five responders were well prepared, one in five was in the middle range, but the other two of five were borderline or unable to complete the suggested preparations.

If results of this informal inquiry have validity, nearly half of Leisure Village residents are poorly prepared for any emergency.



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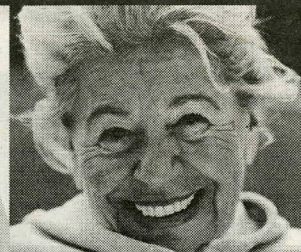
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plicated issues involving community resources and policies.

Simple facts dictate that position: We are a small, non-professional staff; none of us gets paid for our time and efforts; we often work at this when we can; we cannot pretend that we have access to the kinds of time and research necessary to provide adequate information on complicated subjects; and, because of the inescapable changes that occur among our residents, we do not enjoy a continuity of personnel that a true newspaper demands.

Once again, we approach an election. Three seats are to be decided — seat now held by Mike Shapiro, Carol Sweeney-Zimmet and Harold Goldwasser. Once again, issues are bubbling up and finding their way into our mail. They are intended as letters to the editor. Once again, I made the mistake of letting myself become involved in published exchanges on arguable subjects of Village business and policies. As a result, once again, I have to conclude that nothing informative or good comes out of that process.

By law, our Board of Directors meets openly and entertains any and all questions or challenges. All matters pertaining to the operation of the Village are properly their responsibility, and legal processes are in place to let members find redress should there be any failure on the part of the Board.

Some Villagers may not realize that Board Members are restricted from commenting to this paper in any official capacity on any official business of the Board. There is a history behind that restriction. Early on, the controversies, the misinformation and distortions, as perceived by earlier boards, were so great, that as a matter of policy, it was decided to keep the Association's business within the Association, leaving it to its mem-

bers (residents) to iron out issues and differences in the more responsible and formal setting of Board meetings and elections.

While publishing the occasional controversy may excite some or all of our readers, that is not what is intended to be the purpose of this little paper.

Therefore, as a matter of policy, from now on, when I consider letters to the paper, I will ask these questions: Is the subject controversial? Is the subject one that is better discussed or answered by our elected Board, or by our

professional staff? And is there a forum and/or process by which the subject can and should be pursued within the context of our Association?

If the answer to any is yes, then I will suggest that the matter be taken to the proper venue and not attempt to have it resolved in these pages — that simply is not responsible or worthwhile.

I, for one, believe that is a good policy.

It is a policy that this publication intends to follow.

Better living, better breathing

By Lorraine Comer

Let's hope the very cold weather is now behind us and we start to experience some warmer weather. We can now start getting outside more and also start doing more of those outside activities we all like to do.

So, once again, I remind you to remember better breathing techniques that will help you get things done a little more easily.

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cuss taking care of ourselves during the upcoming holidays with daily exercise and better breathing techniques.

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years later. He then rose to a management position in construction, where he became very familiar with all the workings of building construction from the ground up, including the management of suppliers and subcontractors. It was this quality that first attracted the attention of the Buenaventura Gardens folks, who then elevated him to the position of General Manager because of his skill in every phase of building and construction management. His college education in construction technology added to his cachet as a manager.

In California, an association called the Community Association Institute helps all the managers of communities such as ours. Leisure Village belongs to it, and Randy Watkins is a member. Educational in intent, it holds classes to give managers of homeowners associations better management skills. Bob Scheaffer is a member. In fact, Bob Scheaffer is president of the organization, a measure of how highly he is admired in the homeowner association managers' community.

He also mentioned that after 15 years, it is not easy for him to leave Buenaven-

tura Gardens. That had been like a home to him and his family, and the residents there had become like a second family to him. He watched as many moved in and then moved on, and he is admired and respected by all. Their loss is our gain!

Bob was born in Beaver Lodge, Alberta, Canada. After two years of traveling, his family settled in Denver, where Bob grew up. He moved to California in 1989.

He was in commercial construction here for two years before he switched into property management, and that job evolved into his management of Buenaventura. Normally we would say that he grew into the job. In the case of Bob, the job grew into him! He was named as manager by the homeowners' association there to oversee the management company that was managing the property. When the management company was let go, Bob had to straighten out all the problems they left behind. He did that and has been managing a smoothly run organization ever since, without the interference of outside management.

Bob and his wife, Holly, have been married for 34 years and have, as he puts it, two daughters and 5½ grandchildren. Holly has her work cut out for her as well. She not only works as an

office manager for a doctor in Oxnard, but she also was the director of the YMCA in Ventura. She also is past president of both the American Academy of Professional Coders and the Professional Association of Health Care Office Management. She also teaches adult education at Thousand Oaks Adult Ed. It's a whole family of over-achievers.

Bob loves working with people, and he loves the challenges of working with an evolving community such as ours. Our demographics are changing, and this presents opportunities for upgrading facilities to accommodate the newer members, as well as to better accommodate those who have been here longer.

The most important thing: Bob is a genuinely nice person, affable, open, very interested in those around him and genuinely anxious to dig in and start helping us by managing the Village. Great sense of community, great sense of humor, great sense of common sense. Leisure Village is lucky that he is here! We can look forward to a coming period of calm and purposeful progress, and excellent financial and physical management of the finest retirement community in the country.

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½ teaspoon vanilla

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1 cup plus 2 tablespoons

sifted all-purpose flour
½ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon baking soda

Stir in:

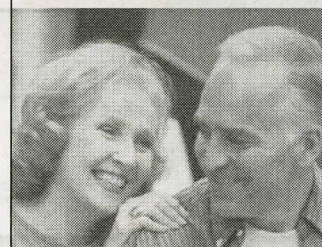
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Players Guild

By Stan Reshes

Players Guild will have a special treat this month for LV members.

The Usual Suspects is not your parents' 1890-style barbershop quartet. Three years ago, four guys got together to certify to sing in a Barber Shop Harmony Society contest. And the rest is history. Two-time second place SoCal West division quartet winners, The Usual Suspects have performed for the inauguration of Los Angeles Mayor Anthony Villaraigosa, performed at the Hollywood Bowl, and sung for the 2005 movie "Be-witched." You will hear not just a program of traditional barbershop quartet numbers, but popular songs as well, including show tunes.

These performers — Mike Van Schoonhoven, tenor; David Livingston, lead; Bill Horst, bass; and Chuck Walton, baritone — are pros in every way. We're very excited to have these guys perform.

Remember the date: Thursday, 7:30 p.m. March 15, in the AR. As always, refreshments will follow the show.

L.V. New York Club

By Gerry Schulman

The New York Club meeting for Thursday, April 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the AR will be a surprise video. Please make sure to be there and enjoy the outstanding video. We have been guaranteed by good authority that the presentation will be both audio and visual.

We need articles for the New York Club newsletter. Any article that pertains to New York is fully acceptable. Talk about growing up in New York. Tell us about a trip to New York. Tell us about a family member's trip to New York. Please send all articles to Sheila Bachelis at the following e-mail address: sheilagb@aol.com or call her at 389-7631.



The Players Guild brings this quartet to the Village on March 15 at 7:30 p.m.

Remember: Your dues help us to put on the great entertainment that we all continue to enjoy throughout the year. The membership also permits you to attend members-only events. Our members make the club one of the outstanding clubs in Leisure Village.

Showtyme

By Phil Kamens

Get your tickets for the Big Variety Show on March 25 at 2 p.m. in the AR. It should be a great show. Check the write up on Page 1. Tickets will be on sale.

Call the ticket lady Roz Feldman 383-6566.

Remember January started a new year and it is time to renew your membership. Please sign up early. Your dues help us to have the outstanding performances year round. Please renew your membership.

LV Travel

By Eugene Foxman

For those residents who work full-time and can't get

to the Travel Office during our usual hours, we now are open from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. every second and fourth Tuesday. Please come by and book a trip.

Circumstances beyond our control have forced us to delay our visit to Disney Hall until June 5. It is not too late to have your name added to the standby list.

Also, please note that our Glendale Theatre attraction, "Fiddler on the Roof," has been changed to "My Fair Lady." Please see **CLUB NEWS** on 18

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Watch for future trips to Las Vegas, Laughlin and the Griffith Observatory.

The following trips are being sold now:

- Death Valley and Pah-rump, March 5-7.
- Las Vegas Riviera, March 13-15.
- Glendale Theatre, "My Fair Lady," March 24.
- Laughlin Golden Nugget, April 10-12.
- Getty Villa Malibu, April 19.
- Caribbean Princess Cruise, Nov. 3-11.

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. Our regular hours are 9 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Camera Club

By Jerry Cohen

The February competition drew 85 entries, and the month's judge was Stephanie Coyner of Camarillo Camera, a graduate of Brooks Institute of Photography.

The assigned category was "Architecture, Doors and Windows," and the first-place winner was Jerry Cohen, with Ann Prowizer

earning second place and Florence Gillman taking third place. Honorable Mentions were by Rhea Williams and Mary Larecq.

In the Open category, first place was taken by Tiny Marsh, followed by Bob Sandusky in second place and Frank DeSimone taking third place. The Honorable Mentions were by Helen Newton and Don Treadwell.

In the Creative Division, first-place honors went to Vic Fledge, with Bob Sandusky taking second place and Jerry Spector earning third place. The Honorable Mentions were by Marlene Votion and Bill Robinson.

The club continues to grow under the able leadership of president Jerry Spector, with interesting programs and field trips. Everyone is invited to join us on competition nights the first Wednesday of each month and programs on the third Wednesday of each month. Meetings start at 7 p.m. in the MPR, and refreshments follow.

L.V. Mens Golf Association

By Mannie Abbate

The next monthly meetings of the LVMGA will be held on Tuesday, March 13, at 2 p.m., with social time

starting at 1:30 p.m.

The Reunion Luncheon was a big success. Ernie Ohmstedt and Joe Smith did a phenomenal job with the luncheon portion of the meeting. Our new neighbor, Jersey Mike's in the Santa Rosa Shopping Center, provided delicious sandwiches for the 104 attendees at the luncheon. There were 40 guests this year. All these men were formerly active golfers and members of the LVMGA who have been unable to play golf with us anymore but still show an interest in our activities.

At the end of the afternoon, Mannie Abbate gave us a surprise treat. Many of our members were not aware of a genuine American hero we have living in our Village and actively participating in our home and away tournaments, although he is now about 90 years old.

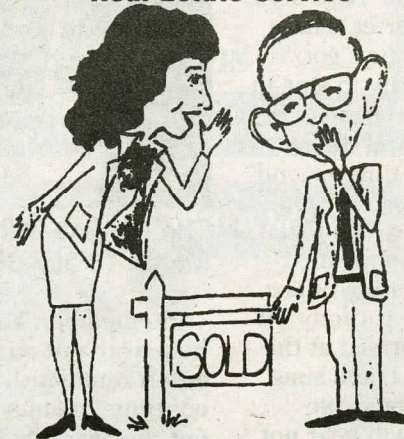
Mannie was able to obtain a copy of a DVD depicting the true story about Ben Kuroki, an American of Japanese ancestry, who became a member of the Army Air Corps as soon as he was able to enlist only days after Pearl Harbor was attacked on December 7, 1941. This DVD was created by members of his squadron who served with

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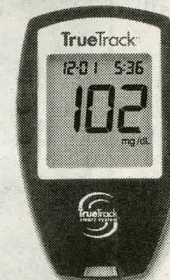


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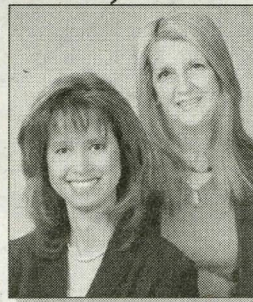
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him and spent many years petitioning the U.S. government to give him the recognition he rightly deserved. It was a fascination film that should be shown on Channel 25 so everyone in Leisure Village can learn about Honorable Son.

On March 15, we will play a tournament at Buena Golf Course, and on April 5, we will play at Camarillo Springs. Later in April we will have the Tournament of Champions at Buena Golf Course. This will be open to all our members, even if you haven't been a winner during the past year. Watch Channel 25 and look at the bulletin board at the golf course for further tournament information.

The Board asks all current and new members to pay their 2007-2008 dues ASAP. The new membership handbook will be published soon, and your name will be missing if you don't give your \$10 check or cash to

our treasurer, John Wirtz, or deposit it in the brown box over the water fountain at the putting green.

You are also asked to contact Ernie Ohmstedt or Mannie Abbate if you would like to be a candidate for the LVMGA Board for next year. We would like to have more new people take part in running the club. We have a new crop of Baby Boomers moving into our Village, and they are welcome to join us and give us a fresh outlook into the golf club's future.

Racquet Club

By Anne Wolfson

The Racquet Club meets the second Wednesday of the month in the Multi-Purpose Room. We are a very active group of tennis, paddle tennis and table tennis players and welcome all Villagers to join us!

At our February meeting,

Naomi Brill introduced our "mystery guest," none other than our new president, Lou Schwab. Lou was born in the Bronx, N.Y. He moved to California and to Leisure Village in 2000. Lou became very active with paddle tennis and enjoyed the group. He was co-president of the New York Club. He and his wife, Harriet, worked very hard taking care of refreshments, etc., for this club. He also became involved with the Players Guild, helping with construction of sets, etc. He had an electronics background, having worked for several companies testing electrical equipment for them. All in all, Lou and his wife really put themselves out helping to make Leisure Village a happy place to live.

Next month, we are having a speaker from outside of the Village that promises to be very interesting, so don't miss this meeting. March 14 is the date. See you there!

Happy Hoofers

By Ida Zeller

Things are going along as usual, practicing old routines and learning new ones. Our ranks have now reached 14 with new member Sherry Stubblefield joining our group.

You, too, can be a member of our class. All you need is a basic tap background and the desire to keep fit by dancing. You will enjoy, I promise!

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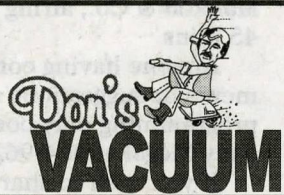
9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Woodshop

By Martin Alfred

Woodshop Committee members continue to be busy helping our residents with woodworking projects and repairs. This is a free service that many of our folks are taking advantage of. The men worked more than 900 projects last year, and some of our machines are wearing out and need re-

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Channel 25

- Friday, March 2, at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m., Channel 25 will air "Estate Planning and Fraud," by Joan Allen. It runs 20 minutes.

- Monday, March 5, at 7 p.m., the LVA Open Board Meeting will air live.

- Wednesday, March 7, at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m., "Estate Planning and Fraud" runs again.

- Friday, March 9, at 10 a.m., the LVA Open Board Meeting will air again on tape.

- Monday, March 12, at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m., Showtyme's Art Douglas airs for a 1 hr., 25 min. performance.

- Wednesday, March 14, at 10 a.m. is the two-hour "Aspirin & Elephants."

- Friday, March 16, at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. is Disaster Preparedness for 1 hr., 23 minutes.

- Monday, March 19, at 9:30 a.m., is the LVA Working Board Meeting, live.

- Wednesday, March 21,

at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m., is Lillian Hawthorne's Book Review, lasting 20 to 30 minutes. It now airs on the third Wednesday of each month.

- Friday, March 23, at 10 a.m., is a tape of the LVA Working Board Meeting.

- Monday, March 26, at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. is "Law Talk: Parental Responsibility," running 27 minutes.

- Wednesday, March 28, at 10 a.m., "Broadway on Parade" airs, for 2 hrs., 21 mins.

- Friday, March 30, at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. is "What Was My Line," with Milt Mankoff & Co., airing 30 to 45 mins.

Anyone having comments or suggestions about programming may contact Judy Siegel at 384-9620.

If you wish to share or contribute any of your music CDs to Channel 25, please contact Ben Perry at 388-1902.

Veterans Club

By Martin Alfred

At our last meeting in February, we had Col. George Compton, who brought us up to date on veterans affairs. He is head of the Ventura County Veterans Service Office and

a longtime friend of ours. As always, it was a highly informative session and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Watch Channel 25 for information on the March meeting on Thursday, March 22, at 7:30 p.m. in the MPR. All are invited for friendship, interesting programs and refreshments. For any information, call Marty at 389-1610.

P.S.: No dues.

Single Active Seniors

By Zelda Greentree

"News & Views" will be held on March 6 at 7 p.m. in the MPR. We would like to expand the discussions, but in order to do that, we need more participation. All you need to do is bring in a few news or magazine articles and we'll go from there. We need diverse opinions on

these subjects to make them more interesting! Don't be shy!

On March 13, we're happy to welcome Hanna Huber, the new chairperson of the ESO. This promises to be a valuable program, not to be missed. It will take place on March 13 in the MPR at 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Then, on Tuesday, March 20, we will have a showing of a 3 1/2-star movie, "The Illusionist," in the Annex at 7 p.m. This movie stars Ed

Norton, Rufus Sewell and Jessica Biel. Let's not forget Paul Giamatti of "Sideways" fame! This is a "magical" movie. Don't miss it!

Our "Manipulating" ladies and gentlemen will meet in the Annex on March 20 for an exciting evening!

Coming in April, SAS is having a Pizza Party. Save April 10 for that! Look for our posters and on Channel 25 for all information!

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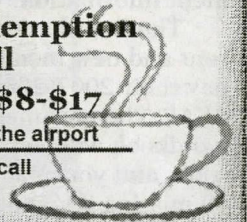
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Solo Club

By Mitzi Allison

The Solo Club will be going out to lunch at the Sizzler on Thursday, March 8, at 2 p.m. We will order from the regular menu and pay individually.

On Thursday, March 15, we will be in the Lanai Room with our brown bags for a luncheon. After lunch, we will have our business meeting, which will be followed with card games.

Dues are now due for 2007 at \$5 each.

Remember: All visitors are welcome to attend our meetings and other activities.

Hope to see you there!

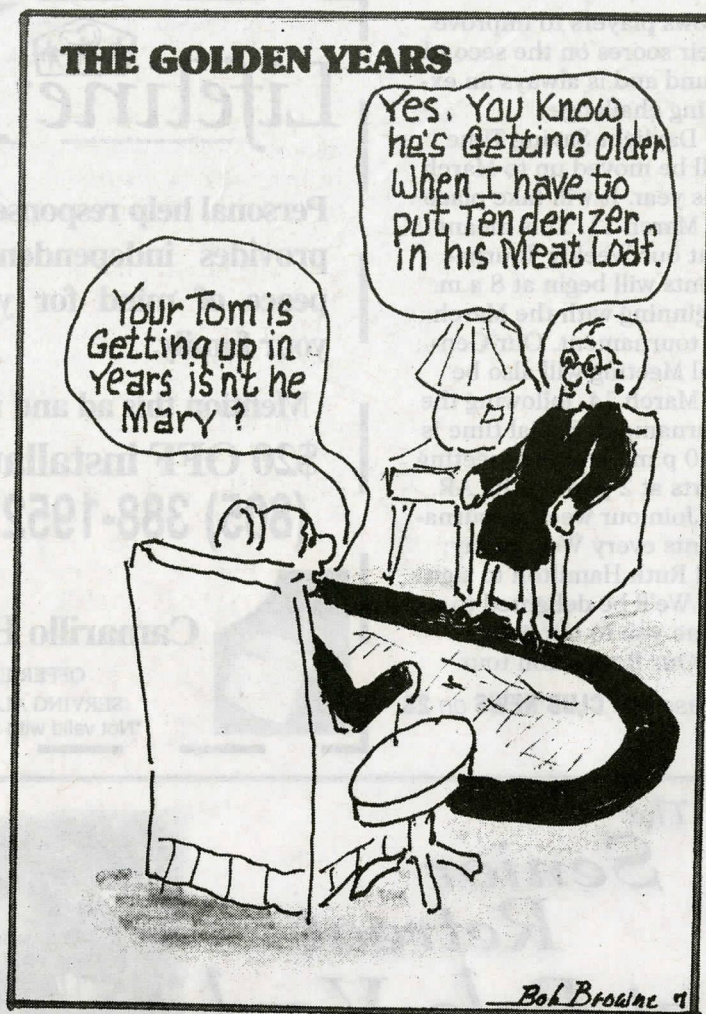
Women's Club

By Eldora Barton

At the March 1 General Meeting, we were livened up by the jazz music played by the Raspberry Jam Dixie

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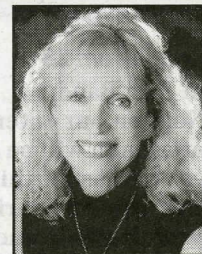


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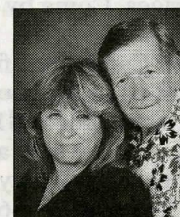


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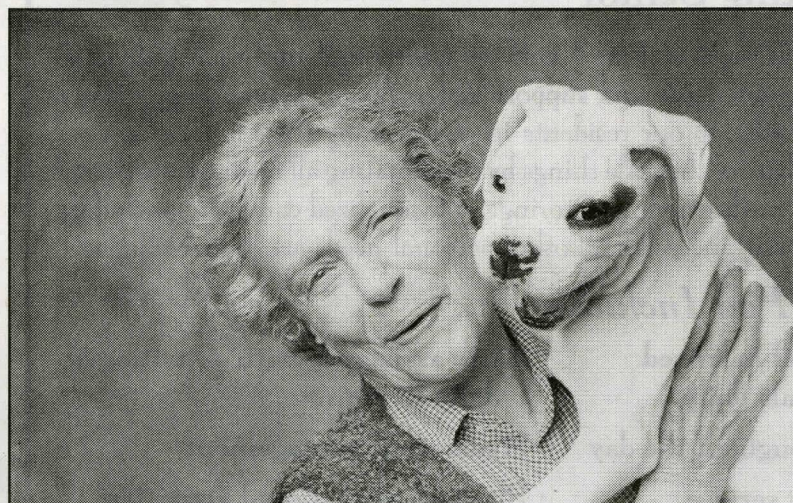
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Land Jazz Band.

Next on our entertainment agenda will be Jacqi Bowe. Join us for this one-women comedic variety show with music and dance on Thursday, April 5, in the AR at 1:30 p.m.

You will find the Workshop people and their busy hands creating all kinds of needlework and crafts each Tuesday from 9 to 11 a.m. in the MPR. Many lovely items are on sale at very reasonable prices. Come by and browse.

See's Candy certificates for a gift — or for yourself — are available for \$12.75. Certificates are sold at all meetings, or you may call Helen Eggert at 389-6961.

Village Painters

By Aurelie Zachary

Every year for Valentine's Day, we make items and fill them with candy for the children at Casa Pacifica. This year, we decided to make Origami boxes out of wallpaper. They were very colorful. At our Feb. 7 meeting, we filled them with candy. All 80 boxes were delivered before February 14.

Since most of them were put together by members before the meeting, we had time to view three tapes:

portrait drawing, Chinese brush painting by a Chinese artist, and an oil painting of bamboo. We appreciated all three.

Pictures in the library are by Hy Golditch. Village Painters paintings are also being shown on Channel 25.

The Art Workshop is open every Monday from 1 to 4 p.m. All are welcome.

International Folk Dancing

By Raye Gabriel

The world of dance is a charmed place. Some people like to inhabit it, others to behold it. Either way it is rewarding.

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L.V. Womens Golf Association

By Lillian Turnbull

Winners of our prestigious Spring Eclectic Golf Tournament, played February 28 and March 7, will be announced next month. This important tournament

allows players to improve their scores on the second round and is always an exciting challenge.

Daylight Saving Time will be moved up to March this year. It will take place on March 11. This means that our Weekly Tournaments will begin at 8 a.m. beginning with the March 14 tournament. Our General Meeting will also be on March 14, following the tournament. Social time is 1:30 p.m., and the meeting starts at 2 p.m. in the AR.

Join our weekly tournaments every Wednesday; call Ruth Hamilton to sign up. We'll be delighted to welcome you to our group.

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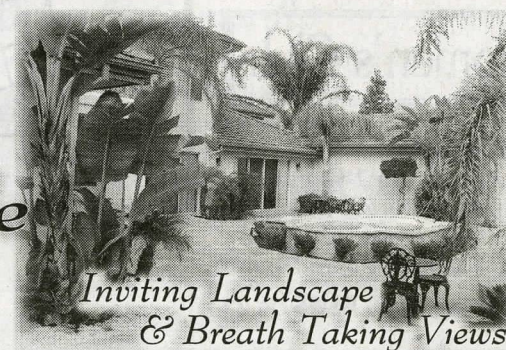
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nament will be on March 15 at Camarillo Springs Golf Course. Contact Donna Duke for sign up on this tournament.

The experts tell us that exercise — walking our Par 3 course — can go a long way towards improving stiff joints and maintaining a healthy heart. We agree.

Writers Club

By Lois Keeler

The Writers Club meets every Monday at 1 p.m. in the Sun Room. We welcome any new members who bring a story, poem, essay or any other writing, or those who just want to listen. Some members are real writers and some are not but just love to write. Some just like to listen and enjoy the camaraderie and the gentle critiquing. We are a fan group and learn a lot from each other. Come give us a try. We hope to see some new faces at our next meeting and maybe some of you who have drifted away from us.

RV Club

By Fred Sass

Yes! We have dine-out and camp-out this month, thanks to Gene and Frances Eyraud. The dine-out will be Tuesday, March 6, at 5 p.m. at Red Lobster. The

camp-out will be March 12, 13 and 14 at Flying Flags in Buellton. Please contact the Eyrauds at 987-9901 for details if you want to go to either outing.

This month's meeting will be Tuesday, March 20, at 7:30 p.m. If you are new in the Village and have an RV, please come and visit our club.

This year the Pancake Breakfast will be held on Saturday, June 9, and we need lots of people to sign up and help. There are two

shifts of workers — from 8 to 9:30 a.m. and from 9:30 to 11 a.m. If you have helped before or are new and want to help, please call Fred Sass at 987-3713.

Farmers Club

By Joe Foraker

The pitiful rains in January and the first half of February were welcome but were far short of what was needed. The rainfall was

spotty in the county, but the Foraker rain gauge has recorded 1.6 inches since January 1.

The erratic weather hasn't started our gardening urges, and those gardeners who like to work before the sun rises have been intimidated by the cold nights and frigid early mornings.

Those patches with sugar snaps, spinach, lettuce and onions tolerate the weather quite well. Tomato and pepper plants are now readily available in garden depart-

ments, but it is too early to plant them. There are two big reasons why you should not buy them now: The nurseries are not carrying six-packs, but instead have one plant in a pretty paper cup priced at \$1.59 and up. None of these plants prosper with cold nightlines in February and most of March. When night temperatures are lower than 50 degrees, tomato blossoms and tiny tomatoes will die and drop from your plant.

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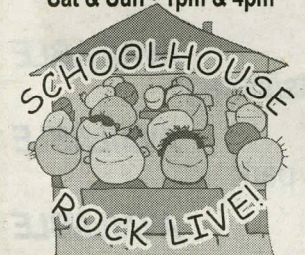
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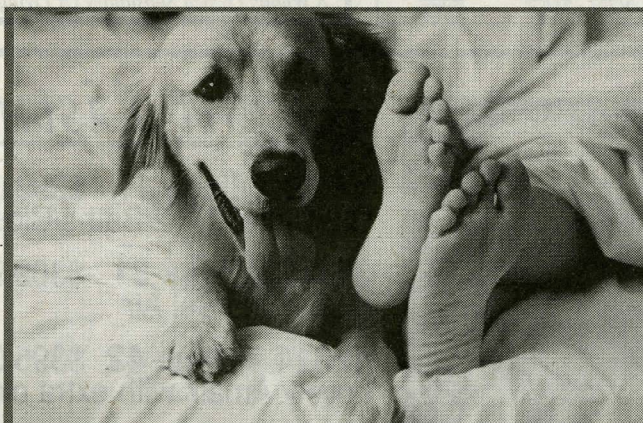
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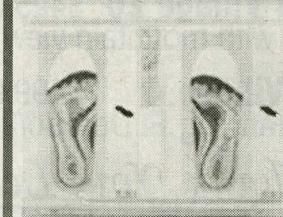


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If tomato plants are introduced to your garden in late February or March, you will discover that they grow very little until warmer weather arrives. Tomatoes that are planted four to six weeks later do not experience shock from the greenhouse to garden patch and will soon be larger and more vibrant than those planted earlier. Following these recommendations, you can save money and also not be frustrated by a neighboring patch with tomato plants that look much better than yours.

In mid-March more than a dozen varieties of tomato plants will be available. Also, six-packs will cost approximately \$2. Two varieties, Celebrity and Early Girl, are highly recommended. If these two varieties are planted by April 1, gardeners will be picking tomatoes by the middle of June.

The wisest farmers will also keep a lookout for tomato plants in August. These should be replacements for your first crop. This second crop will provide home-grown tomatoes from mid-September to late December.

The Mavericks

By Debra Guill

The March board meeting of the Mavericks will be held on March 12 in the Lanai Room at 7 p.m. This is an open board meeting, and all interested members and prospective members are urged to attend. We will discuss plans for upcoming meetings and also discuss the upcoming elections for new board members. The term of the current board expires in May.

Our regular March meeting will be held on March 22 in the Garden Room at 7 p.m. The theme of the meeting will be Celtic. We will have games and a potluck dinner. Those people with the last name beginning with A-E, bring appetizers, enough to serve seven; F-M,

bring a main dish, enough to serve seven; M-S, bring dessert, enough to serve seven; and T-Z, bring drinks.

If you have any questions, please call Aleta at 236-0040.

L.V. Bowling League

By Lucy Fiore

The league is holding a Ladder Tournament that runs through March 9.

Results of week 18 for 200-plus game were Bob McQuivey with two, Ernie Slabotsky, Phil Kamens and Ray Cass. Side Pot winners were Shirley McQuivey, Ernie Slabotsky, Ginny Cordell, Ray Cass, Helen Hartman and Bob McQuivey.

Results of week 19 were Jerry Schneider and John Albany with a 200-game. Side Pot winners were Esther Knopf, Al Schuster,

Louise Coddington, Jerry Schneider, Shirley Heller and John Albany.

Results of week 20 for 200-plus games were Marty Hasen, Stan Feldman, Bill Fox and Jerry Knopf. Side Pot winners were Lucy Fiore, Marty Hasen, Clarice Shapiro, Stan Feldman, Marty Simons and Esther Knopf.

Results of week 21 for 200-plus games were Bob Freedman and Marty Simons. Side Pot winners were Ruth Levine, Bob Freedman, Ginny Cordell, Marty Simons, Esther Knopf and Bill Fox.

L.V. Exercise Group

By Milt Mankoff

Members of the Leisure Village Exercise Group await the return of warmer mornings. Despite the wintry temperatures of the

last month, most spaces are taken at exercises each morning.

Plans are now being made for some of the annual social events of the group. May 31 is set for the Members Only Breakfast. Only those who have paid the \$4 annual dues by that date may attend.

The membership drive starts in April. The Catered Dinner Picnic will be held on Friday, June 29. This event, which features a sit-down dinner, games and many prizes, is always a favorite.

President Shiprah Maller directs the planning of these events.

Our volunteer exercise leaders do a great job. Among them are Hanne Huber, Della Carmona, Shirley McQuivey, Evelyn Lerner, Bill Fox and Lil Mankoff. Dick Beeman, Chuck Wolfe and Milt Mankoff share the playing of the exercise tape.

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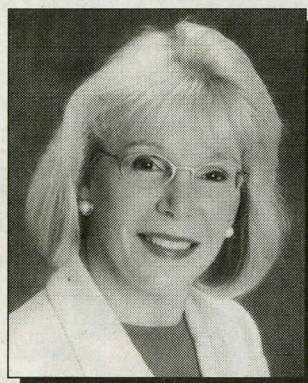
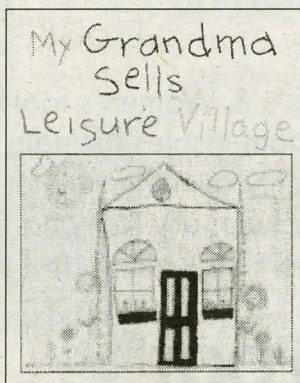
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morning is a valuable investment in preventive maintenance. "Use it or lose it" is a good statement to remember.

Also included in the program are some cardiovascular exercises. Some people have difficulty maintaining good balance. A number of these exercises are designed to help in that area. The 30-minute program was created with the assistance of physical therapy specialists and is intended for use by senior adults.

Exercises are held Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 9 a.m. at the Pool Pavilion. The friendly and welcoming atmosphere attracts many new people.

All residents are invited to join the Leisure Village Exercise Group. Make new friends and "Start Your Day The Exercise Way."

Saturday Night Dance

By Milan Weiss

The Leisure Village Saturday Night Dance Party attracts a different mix of attendees each week. There are many who attend regularly and some who attend when their favorite musical group is there to play for their dancing pleasure. No matter what, it's there for you! It's good to see everyone each week. And friendships are still being made.

The scheduled programming for the year is still on track. You'll see a few changes, even the introduction of some new musical groups. The intermission ticket stub drawing varies slightly, with more wine being given away sometimes. There have also been some 7-oz. Hershey's Kisses given away, and they're big! Many times a dinner for two at a local restaurant is "won"! The dinner giveaway tickets are brought in by Aleta Trogdon, who persuades the local restaurant owners to participate. Many thanks, Aleta!

All dances are \$5 per

person and start at 7:30 p.m. in the AR. The dance schedule is as follows: March 3, Jerry Dokken; March 10, Caravan; March 17, Jerry Dokken (St. Patrick's Day); March 24, Rick Tucker (Country Western); March 31, Jerry Dokken.

The SNDP hasn't changed. It's fun and a wonderful way to spend a Saturday evening. So show up and bring a friend if you'd like. You are always welcome!

Ceramics Plus

By Aurelie Zachary

On January 26 in the MPR, we had our annual brunch, which was coordinated by Lindy Stein and Aurelie Zachary. The food was provided by Ceramic Plus. Lindy was responsible for the nice selection of

"goodies." Marty brought the New York Bagels.

Of the 16 who attended, several were guests who were most welcomed. We encouraged them to join our club that meets on Monday and Thursday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon. We will show anyone how easy it is to shape an object out of clay.

Bocce Ball

By Fran Cohen

On Thursday, March 29, the Bocce Club will have its annual Ice Cream Social. Further details will soon be on Channel 25.

Reminder: On Mondays and Thursdays at 10 a.m., weather permitting, we are out on the bocce courts having a good time. Come and join us.

Billiard Club

By Jack Quinn

The first tournament of 2007 had a great turnout, with many new and seasoned participants. 9-ball is a fast game that creates much excitement for players and spectators alike.

Bill Foeller is negotiating the possibility of installing new accent lights in the Billiard Room to add bright-

ness and decor. Also, two of the pool tables will be recovered, and all the tables will be checked for level and corrected as needed.

The Billiard Club received 15 more cue sticks. Some are wood and the others are the plastic type. These are presently at the engravers to have the Leisure Village name put on them.

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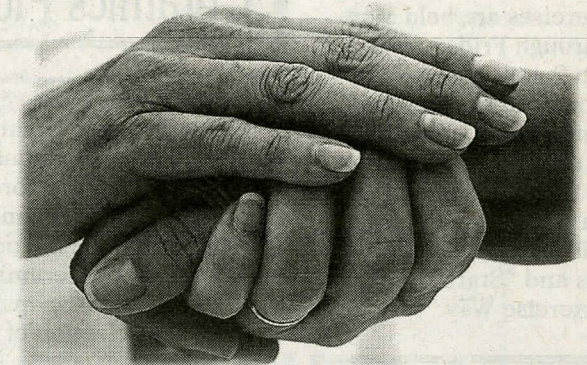
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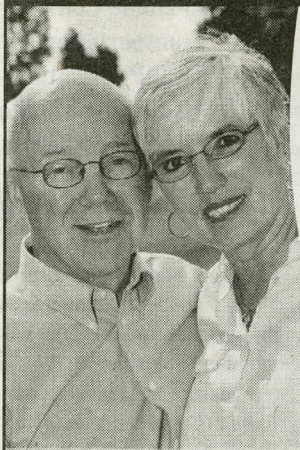
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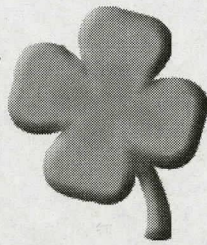
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March Is Upon Us The Luck Of The Irish Is In The Air

We asked Dave Barlow "What makes you feel LUCKY?"

Dave's response, "*Having such good people around me throughout my life like my wonderful wife, children, family (mine and Lorraine's), and friends has definitely been the greatest blessing in my life.*"

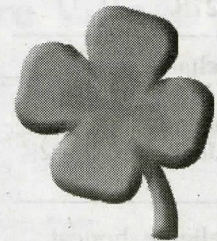
One of the greatest events of Dave's life and one for which he still feels LUCKY everyday was his decision to move his business from Santa Monica to Camarillo. A major part of that change was Dave's partnership with Ed Williams and his working in Leisure Village for the last 20 years.

Dave once again felt so LUCKY as he was overwhelmed with the love and support he received during this past month as his mother passed away unexpectedly. (It was the first time she went to the hospital and she passed away peacefully.) Dave said, "*I am so grateful to have so many friends in the Village. During these last few tough weeks in my life I have received more heartfelt support and love from my friends in the Village than from any other group of friends in my life. Wow, I get emotional just thinking about what great support I have from my dear friends in the Village.*"

The Village, and specifically so many of you, has been such a blessing to the entire Barlow Family. Thank you for caring so much for us as a family and specifically our Dad at this tough time. We just keep thinking, we sure are LUCKY to know you!

Please accept our heartfelt "Thank You" for the many wonderful years you have been a part of our family and to each of you we say—

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