

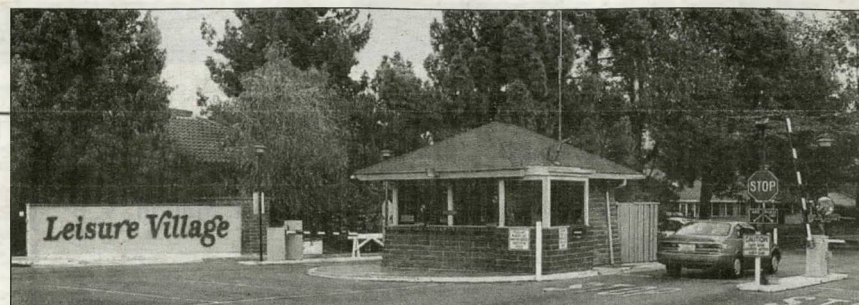
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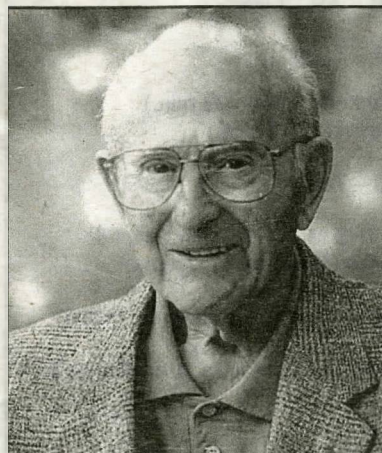
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LV resident stars in elder-abuse announcement



Ernie Slabotsky stars in a public service announcement.

By Ali Slabotsky

Longtime Leisure Village resident Ernie Slabotsky, who recently celebrated his 95th birthday, has a starring role in a made-for-television public service announcement (PSA) intended to bring more attention to elder abuse. The PSA is part of a series in a "Campaign Against Elder Abuse" that addresses the different kinds of abuse that nearly 2 million senior citizens are experiencing every year.

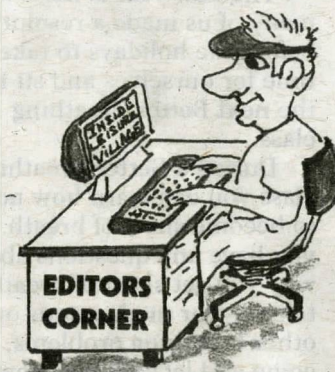
Ernie, who is not a professional actor, deftly portrays a

vulnerable victim of abusive neglect by his caregiver. The PSA, titled "Who Cares?" is the product of the nonprofit 501(c)(3) multimedia production company, Impact PSA Inc., whose mission is to bring awareness to elder abuse via broadcast and broadband media. The dates and times this PSA will air are random and unknown at this time.

In addition to the PSA, Ernie and his wife, Ali, both play important roles in another project produced by Impact PSA. This motivational video,

produced for the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging, is intended to encourage America's communities to get ready for the needs and expectations of the "about to retire" baby boomers.

As a means to complete its own mission, Impact PSA produces projects for other charitable organizations, and this production, funded by the MetLife Foundation, was a very rewarding and enlightening project.



The Inside Leisure Village staff wishes everyone a healthy and happy new year.

You'll find a real treat on Page 6 of this month's edition: the recipe for the winning chili at the Halloween Festival. It's perfect for this time of year.

Lois Keeler is back with her "Strolling" column, in which she recalls favorite haunts of her past. Today's column discusses Clifton's Cafeteria and Bullock's Wilshire in Los Angeles.



Jerry Spector's "Oh Full Moon, Shine Your Light On Me," took first place in the Creative Category in the LV Camera Club's Picture of the Year competition. The Ventura County Fair and the Thousand Oaks Camera Club also gave it first place. Story, Page 3.

College-level Comparative Politics class still available

By Mitzi Ettinger

It's not too late to register for a Comparative Politics class.

The first class is on Tuesday, Jan. 12, in the Garden Room from 2 to 4:45 p.m. Dr. Carolyn Dorrance will be teaching the Oxnard College class, which will offer comparisons of the various political systems of foreign countries.

The fee for the full semester is \$99.00.

Bring a check and your Social Security number with you to registration. It takes place between 1 and 2 p.m. in the Garden Room on Jan. 12.

The Wry Eye

By Joseph Benti

Dear Board, as you figure how to pay our bills, In fairness, make us all bite the bitter pills — Whatever the pain, it should be evenly felt, For example, no raises and a tighter belt. Forget about being Mister and Miss Nice Guys, Which has no place in a budget cut down to size.

LETTERS

I want to thank Susan Rockwell, Jennifer, Shelley, Mark Smith and Todd Williams for sharing their Thanksgiving Day with the Village. The dinner was

excellent, and all the staff worked very hard to make it a perfect day.

Thanks again.

— Michele G. Malkin, V. 6

BETTER BREATHING

By Lorraine Comer

The new year is here, and many of us made a resolution before the holidays to take time for ourselves and sit in the next Better Breathing class.

During a Better Breathing class you can learn how not to become short of breath. If you have any questions about why you get short of breath, taking your medications or other breathing problems, come and let's discuss how to take care of yourself. There are so many things we can

take part in when we don't have breathing problems and so many things to enjoy living here in Leisure Village that, once again, I remind you to learn the better breathing techniques that will help you get things done a little easier.

As we all get a little older, better breathing techniques become more important.

Hope to see all of you looking to improve your everyday life the second Wednesday of the month at 10 a.m. in the Sun Room.

February deadlines

The Display Advertising deadline for the February 2010 issue will be Monday, January 11, at 5 p.m. Deadline for letters, club news, stories, photos and classified ads is Wednesday, January 20, at 5 p.m. Publication is scheduled for Friday, February 5. Please e-mail stories and photos to editorilv@yahoo.com. Typed copy, double-spaced, should be deposited in the ILV box in the Recreation Center hallway. Handwritten material should be submitted early to allow for typing.

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Friday	1	-----	NEW YEAR'S DAY - Offices Closed
Monday	4	10 A.M.	LVA OPEN BOARD MEETING - AR - Live
Tuesday	5	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	LVA OPEN BOARD MEETING - Tape
Wednesday	6	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	LV History: The Life of Milt Mankoff (2008) (33 min.) "Why Don't We Do It in Our Sleeves?" (5 min.)
Friday	8	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	LVA OPEN BOARD MEETING - Tape
Monday	11	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	"TWO HUNGARIANS GO TO THE MOVIES": Lin Grant & Bob Koster; John Mayer, Referee (40-45 min.) - Repeat
Wednesday	13	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	SHARED EXPERIENCE, Larry Sawyer & Art Kaufman (1995)
Friday	15	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	Women's Club: Gene Valentino's Fabulous 40's (1 hr. 5 mins.)
Monday	18	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	Kill Joy (3/2001) (1 hr. 33 min.)
Wednesday	20	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	PLAYERS GUILD: "Calendar Girls" (11/19/09) (45 min.)
Friday	22	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	Fifth Annual Pumpkin Festival (10/29/09) (45 min.)
Monday	25	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	MOVIE REVIEW (new): "Two Hungarians Go to the Movies": Lin Grant & Bob Koster; John Mayer, Referee (40-45 min.)
Wednesday	27	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	Words of Peace: "Joy Every Day" (20-08) (30 min.)
Friday	29	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	WHAT WAS MY LINE? Jerry Spector & Co. (30-45 min)

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Blood pressure clinic is free

Your Neighbors Care Group (YNCG) Blood Pressure Clinic is open to all residents of Leisure Village every first Monday of the month from 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room.

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VILLAGE HAPPENINGS

Best Pictures of '09 announced

By Marion Green

The best pictures of 2009 were announced at the Camera and Computer Clubs' Holiday Party, the theme of which was "Love" — a theme carried out in the table decor and musical presentations.

Following a wonderful dinner, the newly elected officers of the Camera Club were installed: Jerry Spector, President; Marlene Votion, Vice President; Marion Green, Secretary; Ben Racowsky, Treasurer; and Arnie Borgen, Assistant Treasurer.

President Jerry Spector acknowledged the work the club has provided to many areas of Leisure Village, including winning pictures displayed at various locations.

This was followed by Jerry's musical video tributes honoring Bill Robinson, Jack Caldwell, Vic Fledge, Don Treadwell, Arnie Borgen, Jerry Cohen, Ben Racowsky, Jerry Goldsmith, Florence Gillman, John Mayer, Betty Murray, Lindy Stein, Marlene Votion, Judy

Spector and Bob and Betty Gross for all their contributions to the success of the club.

Following the tributes, awards were announced for the best pictures of 2009. In the "Assigned" category, the Picture of the Year was awarded to Frank DeSimone. Second place went to Jerry Spector. Third place went to Marlene Votion, and Honorable Mentions went to Don Treadwell and Jack Caldwell.

In the "Open" category, the Picture of the Year was awarded to Don Treadwell, second place went to Vic Fledge, third place went to Judy Spector, and Honorable Mentions went to Verna Cryder and Frank DeSimone.

In the Creative category, Picture of the Year was awarded to Jerry Spector, second place went to Marlene Votion, third place went to Bill Robinson, and Honorable Mentions were awarded to Jerry Cohen and Rita Linsey.

It was a wonderful celebration honoring the club's accomplishments.



Don Treadwell's "Drinking in a Smoky Bar" took first place in the Open category in the LV Camera Club's Picture of the Year competition.

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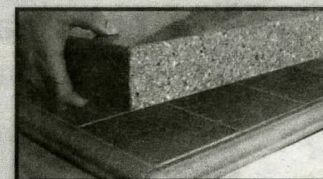
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Outpatient clinic opens near Village

Villagers who regularly go to St. John's/Pleasant Valley Hospital for outpatient services will be glad to know that the hospital has recently opened an Outpatient Lab in Santa Rosa Plaza, the shopping area just

outside the Main Gate on Santa Rosa Road. It's located at the end of the Plaza near the gate, not far from the Bank of America building. Outpatient services are available weekdays from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Bible Study group meets on Tuesdays

By Carol Cannell

The Bible Study group meets every Tuesday at 10 a.m. at Brighton Gardens.

We had a wonderful Christmas Luncheon at Ottavio's Restaurant with lots of caroling and jingle-belling.

Feel free to join us. We are being taught by four different local pastors, so there is no homework. Just bring a Bible and show up. Carol Cannell will be glad to greet you.

For more information, call Carol at 987-7570.

THEATER BEAT

Camarillo Community Theatre: "Annie," through January 30. 330 Skyway Drive, Camarillo, 805-388-5716.

Conejo Players Theatre: "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," January 22 through February 20. 351 S. Moorpark Road, Thousand Oaks, 805-495-3715.

High Street Arts Center: Dark January. 45 E. High Street, Moorpark, 805-529-8700.

Simi Valley Cultural Arts Center: "Rent," January 9 through February 14. 3050 East Los Angeles Avenue,

Simi Valley, 805-583-7900.

Elite Theatre Company: "One-Act Festival," January 8 through February 7. 730 S. "B" Street, Oxnard, 805-483-5118.

Ojai Art Center Theater: "Shirley Valentine," January 29 thru February 27. 113 S. Montgomery Street, Ojai, 805-640-8797.

Rubicon Theater: No information. 1006 E. Main Street, Ventura, 805-667-2900.

Santa Paula Theater Center: Dark January. 125 South 7th Street, Santa Paula, 805-525-4645.



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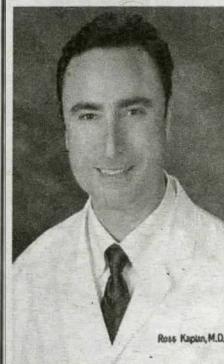
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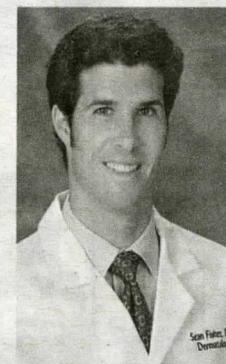
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REALTORS CORNER I

What's the prognosis for real estate?

By John Baker
Prudential California Realty

How is the real estate market?

This is a common question that is asked by many homeowners in Leisure Village. It seems we read conflicting information in the news. So what are we supposed to believe?

There are indicators of what the market will likely do in the future. Several of them are:

- Days on the Market (DOM). These represent the number of days that a property is on the market before it sells. When you compare the sales for the six-month period from June to November of 2008 versus 2009, the results are encouraging. According to the Multiple Listing Service data for Leisure Village, the average DOM in 2008 was 110 days, compared with 2009, which was 89 days. This represents a 20 percent decrease in the number of days a home was on the market.

- Inventory. Inventory simply represents the number of homes for sale.

We know that the inventory in Leisure Village is much lower compared with the past few years. The real question here is: Will there be buyers for the current inventory?

- Sales. Unlike many communities outside Leisure Village, most of the sales in the Village have been normal sales — not short sales or bank owned — which have helped keep the sales in the Village much more stable than outside the gates. According to MLS data, there were 39 homes sold from June to November 2008 versus 52 homes sold during the same period in 2009. This represents a 33 percent increase in the number of homes sold.

So, what will the market do in the future? We do know what has happened in the last six months compared to last year, and the trend is promising!

— John Baker lives in Leisure Village and is a Realtor with Prudential California Realty. He can be reached at 233-1525 or at jbaker@prucal-homes.com

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WHAT'S COOKIN'

Halloween Festival's first-place chili recipe

By Susan Amerikaner

What a wonderful event the Halloween Party was! I was "chilled" out! Here is the chili that won first prize. It's not an easy recipe, but then nothing this good ever is!

Prize-winning Tri-County Tri-Tip Chili

By Jerry Spector

- 1 3-pound tri tip roast
- 2 15.25-oz. cans of S&W red kidney beans
- 1 14.5-oz. can of Del Monte stewed tomatoes
- 1 14.5-oz. can of Del Monte plain tomato sauce (optional if chili is too thick)
- 1 24-oz. jar of Barilla roasted garlic spicy tomato sauce with imported olive oil

- 1 teaspoon cumin *
- 1 teaspoon red pepper *
- 1 teaspoon black pepper *
- 2 teaspoons of chili powder *
- 3 1.5-oz packages of McCormick regular chili seasoning mix*
- 1 teaspoon white pepper*
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder*

In a pot, add the 2 cans of red kidney beans with the fluid to 1 can stewed tomato and all the seasonings. The spices* should be added to your liking, so taste the sauce as you make the chili! Simmer for 30 to 45 minutes. Grill the 3-pound tri tip with no seasoning on a barbecue with a low flame until done medium.

After the tri-tip is grilled, remove any burnt or tough parts. Cut the balance of the tri-tip into small thin cubes (chewable size) and add to the

sauce in the pot that has been simmering. Simmer for another 1 hour until the tri-tip has absorbed the spicy flavor of the sauce. Refrigerate overnight. This is important so that the spices will blend in completely and add the flavor to your chili.

Remove chili from refrigerator and place in a pot and add the 1 jar of Barilla spicy tomato sauce and simmer for 45 minutes or until complete mixture is hot. Place mixture in a crockpot, set temperature to high, covered with lid and serve when ready to eat.

NOTE: The chili can be made all in one day by adding the 1 jar of spicy tomato sauce after the tri-tip has been added and heated for 45 minutes to give it time to absorb the spices. Heat until the chili is hot and transfer to crockpot for serving if necessary.

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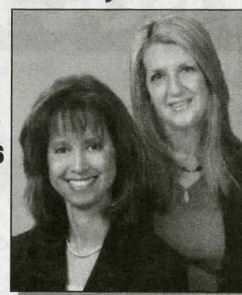
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Why it pays to hire a Realtor to sell a home in today's market

By Sharron Parker
Troop Real Estate, Inc.

Selling a home is serious business, and hiring a Realtor is just plain good sense. Although there are more than half a million licensed real estate agents in California, there are only 165,000 Realtors who voluntarily agree to subscribe to a strict Code of Ethics and are members of their local, state and national Association of Realtors.

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Clifton's Cafeteria, Bullock's Wilshire were hot spots

By Lois Keeler

It's been awhile since I've written a strolling story, but here goes again.

I'm sure those of you who spent your early years in the Los Angeles area will remember good times at Clifton's Cafeteria, and those who missed it will appreciate hearing about this wonderful landmark.

At present there is only one Clifton's Cafeteria still operating. It is located at 648 S. Broadway. Clifton's has been serving Los Angeles patrons since 1935, serving "good food at good prices."

Robert Clifton, grandson of Clifford Clifton, the founder of the Clifton's Cafeteria chain, announced recently that the family finally had bought the building at 648 S. Broadway after seven decades of leasing. This will protect the restaurant from rent increases and leasing disputes

that contributed to the demise of so many other cafeterias.

In a region catering to sushi bars and pizza parlors, nostalgia plays a big part at such a surviving institution. People come back after 30 years and say, "I remember this macaroni and cheese or the carrot and raisin salad or the apple pie or the service" and best of all, they remember the prices. They like the fact that some things are familiar and never change in such a changing world. Some of the other familiar foods were pear-lime Jello for \$1.49, strawberry shortcake for \$2.39, a plate of beef noodles for \$3.99 or roast turkey with dressing for \$6.54. Sounds good, eh?

Another institution in the Southland was Bullock's Wilshire. Always elegant, and what woman could forget the beautiful tearoom? White-gloved clerks wrote sales checks by hand

so no one heard the clatter of cash registers. Customers were "patrons." Women were ladies, and ladies wore hats and gloves. The beautiful tea room was elegant, and clothes were modeled there for the patrons. It was the epitome of gracious living, and I remember it well.

Many well-known patrons graced the store, and some didn't even come in. Mae West would sit in her limo while salesclerks brought designer dresses for review. Marlene Dietrich bought all men's trousers there. She also was known to drive up late Saturday afternoon and load her car with store employees, whom she took to her Malibu house for the weekend. Actress Greta Garbo once asked a clerk to help her choose a swimsuit. When they went into the fitting room, Garbo removed her coat, which was all she was wearing.

Several movies were filmed at the store, including Cary Grant's comedy "Topper" in 1937, "Bugsy" in 1991 and "The Aviator" in 2004.

The store was built in the 1920s by John Gillespie Bullock and Percy Glen Winnett, Canadian immigrants and owners of the original Bullock's in downtown Los Angeles. The store opened on September 26, 1929, and with its distinctive terra-cotta and copper façade, it was dubbed "The Cathedral of Commerce."

When the store opened, it was one of only three commercial buildings in the mid-Wilshire area, along with the Brown Derby and the Ambassador Hotel. And then it grew. Something like "Topsy."

Hope you enjoy these musings and that they bring back some memories or add to your lore of Los Angeles.

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Submitted by Mary Barkemeyer

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LOOKING BACK

By Marilyn Holthouse
Village historian

January 1975, 35 years ago: 150 square dancers from Los Angeles and Santa Monica participated in the Leisure Village Hoe Down.

January 1980, 30 years ago: 190 new villagers moved in to Leisure Village. Most were in Village 37.

January 1985, 25 years ago: Pleasant Valley Hospital donated 10 magazine subscriptions to the LV Library.

January 1990, 20 years ago: An oak podium for the Assembly Room was a gift from the Women's Club.

January 1995, 15 years ago: A 3 percent reduction in the yearly assessment was the highlight of the budget presentation.

January 2000, 10 years ago: The Current Issues Forum presented an evening with Handel Evans, president of California State University Channel Islands.

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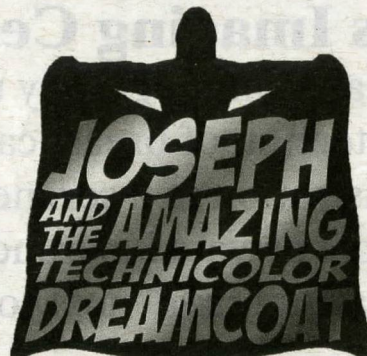


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L.V. New York Club

By Bob Prowler

Installation ceremonies of the 2010 officers of the club will take place on Thursday, Jan. 14, at 7:30 p.m. in the AR. Stuart Rose, a beautiful voice singing our favorites, will be the featured attraction. Come and welcome our new officers and enjoy a wonderful show.

Happily, we can report that the Dec. 3 meeting, starring Rush Robinson at the piano, was a smashing success. Mr. Robinson's dynamic personality and smooth music had some folks dancing at the rear of the room. His knowledge of music and good humor made this a special evening and should have convinced everyone there to join for 2010. Dues are a modest \$7.00 and include special "members only" benefits. Pay at the door, or for further information, contact Membership Vice President Leatrice Posner at 388-6440. Check bulletins in the Recreation Hall or tune in to LVTV for

future shows.

The club is bringing back its popular New York Club newsletter as a quarterly, featuring personal stories, adventures and memories about growing up in New York as a resident or visitor. For would-be writers, we welcome your thoughts and, of course, there must be a New York connection. Your recollections, only a paragraph or two, may bring back fond memories. If interested, call me at 987-5282.

We wish all our readers a year of pleasant surprises.

Showtyme

By Phil Kamens

Showtyme for Friday, Jan. 8, at 7:30 p.m. in the AR will feature Barbara Brighton, an accomplished actress as well as a singing comedienne. She has played in "General Hospital," "Hart to Hart," "Archie Bunker's

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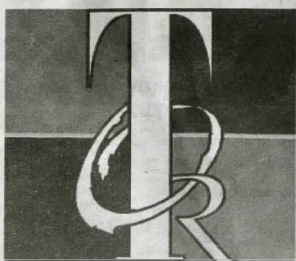
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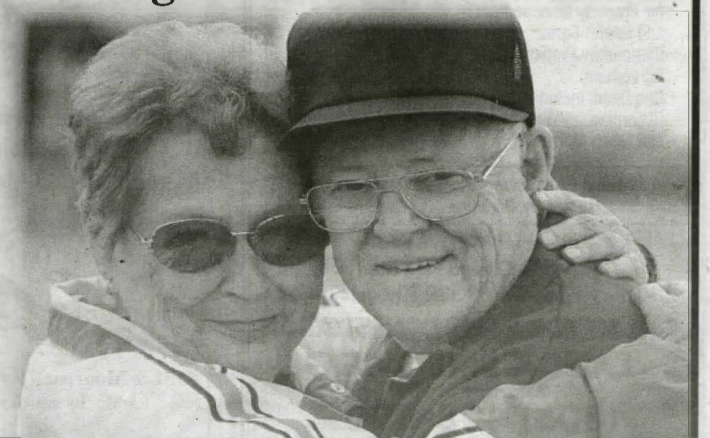
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Place" and "Superior Court." She has been called Florida's answer to Joan Rivers and is one of the top stand-up comedienne. In Las Vegas, Barbara appeared at the Desert Inn and Caesars Palace. Also, she had her own talk show in Los Angeles, "The Barbara Brighton Show." Don't miss her here at Leisure Village.

It is the new year and time to sign up as members. These shows are for members only. All others are welcome for a \$3.00 charge at the door. Membership is \$7.00 per person for the year ending Dec. 31, 2010. Don't forget to bring a check.

Players Guild

By Joyce Belcher

It's now 2010 and the Players Guild wishes everyone a great new year.

In December our annual holiday dinner dance was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Our new board was installed and they are anxious to start the new year.

An all-star cast of our talented residents will kick off the 2010 season on Thursday, Jan. 21, at 7:30 p.m. in the AR. The Players Guild presents a radio "re-creation" of the famous "Shadow" series. However, we have taken some creative license to make the experience a bit more fun. The Shadow knows — or does he? Come join us and listen and enjoy the unfolding of the mystery.

Don't forget it's time to renew your membership for 2010. Just \$7.00 buys you a complete year to one of the best

clubs of the Village. As usual refreshments follow the show. See you there.

Saturday Night Dance

By Howard Koehn

Well, the holidays are over, and it's time to settle into a new year.

We start the year Jan. 9 with Jerry Dokken. Jan. 16 is Country Western Night with a new group called Rose Band. Jan. 23 is the Aristocats, and the popular Rhythm Kings finish out the month on Jan. 30.

Did you know that the AR is a great place to have birthday and anniversary parties? You can come to the dance to celebrate, and bring your own food and beverages if you want to. With the new dance floor, stage lighting and decorations, plus free punch, popcorn and coffee for the \$5.00 per person admission, it's hard to beat. And there's no mess to clean up at home!

Let's have some fun and dance in the new year!

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 we welcome all Villagers to join us.

Happy new year! We made it to another year to have fun playing and getting our exercise, meeting old and

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new friends and being thankful for all of our blessings.

Our January meeting will have Pat Urban, one of our own members, giving us a talk on her life "down under" in Australia. For those of us who have never been and those who have just visited there, this will be a very interesting talk. Don't miss it.

Our tournament in January is in the planning stage, and as soon as it's settled, we will let you know. Keep watching LVTv and the board at the tennis court for details.

See you Jan. 13 in the MPR for fun and refreshments.

Single Active Seniors

By Zelda Greentree

This month, SAS meetings will be changed a little, so please make a note.

Our first meeting, Jan. 19, will be our annual Installation Dinner to be

held at Ottavio's Italian Restaurant at 5:30 p.m. It will be a complete dinner, including coffee, tea or soft drink and dessert, and it will be \$20, including tax and tip. Reservations are a must by calling Della (Dubby) at 383-9870.

We are very pleased to announce our installing officer is Carol Sweetney Zimmet, our SAS first president. Come and say hello to our new president, Judy Siegel, vice president Zelda Greentree, treasurer Nancy Kuebel, secretary Dorothy McNulty, and all the committee chairs: Naomi Brill, Della Carmona, Anne Haas, Ginny Dunion, Ruth Weiss, Michele Malkin, Richard Beeman, Muriel Rosenkranz, Ida Kubica and, last but certainly not least, Bobbie Comer.

Don't forget reservations must be made for the installation dinner by calling Dubby.

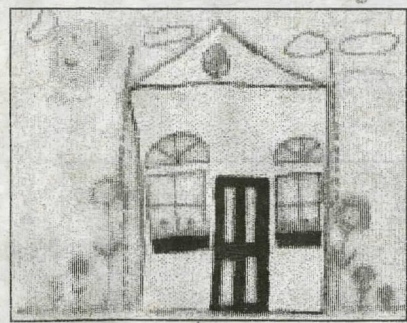
The next change in the schedule will be the movie, in the Annex, on Jan. 26, and it will be the blockbuster "Julie & Julia." Many of us have already seen it, but I for one will be see-

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"Please Don't Ever Paint This Again," by Frank DeSimone, took first place in the Assigned category in the LV Camera Club's Picture of the Year competition.

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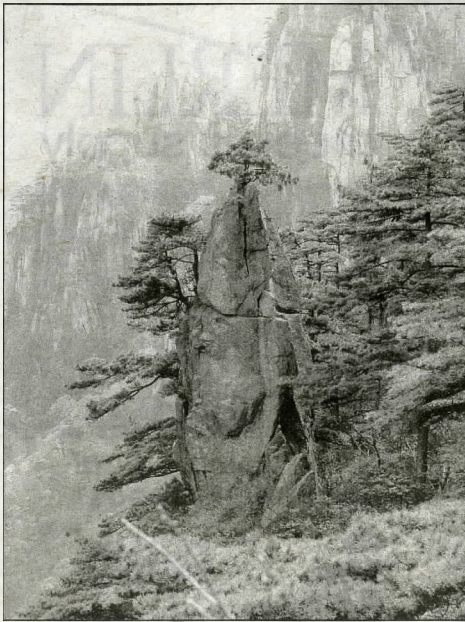


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"Yellow Mountain Pine" by Florence Gillman took first place in the Assigned category of Landscapes and Seascapes during the Camera Club's monthly competition for December.

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ing it again. It was so good! The movie starts at 7 p.m.

The last change will take place on Feb. 2. Val Rains of the AAUW will be portraying "the unsinkable Molly Brown" in costume. The meeting starts at 7 p.m. in the MPR. We enjoyed Ms. Rains a while ago when she was Eleanor Roosevelt. Come for another delightful evening.

A new year has begun, and our treasury is hungry again! Dues are a mere \$5.00 per year, and our treasurer, Nancy, is waiting for you.

Country Line Dance

By Ida Kubica

Our Dance Workshop meets on Tuesdays from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in the AR. At 2:45, Betty Dean leads a review of the dance steps used in our dances.

Rhoda Smithkin, our dance instructor, selects a variety of dances for that day to enjoy.

Regular attendance is the key to success. Dance your way to good health.

Ladies and gentlemen, come to our workshop and see what we are all about. The first two classes are free, and the annual dues are still only \$3.00, due now for 2010. Sylvia Belsky, our membership chairperson, will take your dues at any class.

For more information, call Rhoda Smithkin at 484-8132.

Sing-a-long Group

By Roy Badger

We have had a great 2009 and are looking forward to an even better year in 2010. We finished up 2009 by having a combined dinner/dance on Dec. 10 with the Leisure Village Musicians Club. It was a great party and was enjoyed by all.

We start our new year with a meeting on Jan. 11 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the AR. Our second meeting will be on Jan. 25 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the AR.

Come and enjoy the fun. It would be great if each of us could bring a friend so we can grow our group to more than the 50 to 60 people who now come.

Irene Olson, who plays the piano, is always great, and Dick Guttman is back and he is a great leader.

Hope to see you in Sing-A-Long at our next meeting.

L.V. Exercise Group

By Millie Seidman

It's a new decade! May it be a major improvement over the last one and may this year start the change! Why not welcome this new year with a half hour of celebratory stretches and gentle joint movements with other like-minded residents? We meet in the pavilion, Monday through Friday at 8:30 a.m. Find out how exercising in a group is somehow easier than solo, and the benefits are a more flexible body and more friends! Dues are

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Maybe you are new to the Village and want to see if you like the regimen. We invite you to give it a try. Don't hesitate to introduce yourself to one of our members.

Our returning officers this year are: president, Jerry Cohen; treasurer, Bill Deniston; social chair, Shiprah Maller; membership chair, Joan Bird; and corresponding secretary, Millie Seidman. We have a new recording secretary, Jeanne Whalen, and Estella Bjel will be assisting Shiprah. Many thanks to retiring recording secretary Roz Feldman for her years of service and entertaining minutes.

A wonderful and happy new year to all!

LV Musicians

By Roy Badger

Our Leisure Village Musicians Club had a great dinner/dance holiday party on Dec. 10 in the AR. We joined with the Sing-A-Long group for this occasion. Don and Fern Fey provided us with some great music. They were joined by Stan Vansant, who played several numbers with them.

Our next meeting will be on Jan. 14 in the AR from 1 to 3 p.m. Please come and enjoy the fun. We have singers, piano players, organ players, sax and clarinet players sometimes. Come join us and enjoy some great music.

Hope to see you at the next Musicians Club meeting.

In addition, we sponsor an 18-piece band that practices in the AR every Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m. Come and listen to some great big band music.

Women's Club

By Eldora Barton

After the beautiful holiday program early in the month, December was quiet for the Women's Club. All were busy with family and seasonal activities. After a few weeks off, the Workshop will be rolling again in January.

We will be well entertained in 2010 at our general meetings. First up was Tatjana on Jan. 7. She is an outstanding performer. Then Feb. 4 will bring us a toe-tapping time with the California State Old Time Fiddlers playing their classic country music and just good old fiddling. The general meetings are on Thursdays, starting at 1:30 p.m. in the AR. There is a \$2.00 charge for non-members.

Come early if you want to buy See's Candy certificates or suckers.

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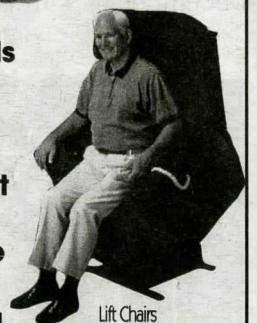
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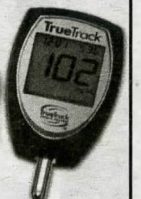
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L.V. Mens Golf Association

By Mannie Abbate

Monthly meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month in the MPR at 2 p.m. Pre-meeting refreshments are served at 1:30 p.m.

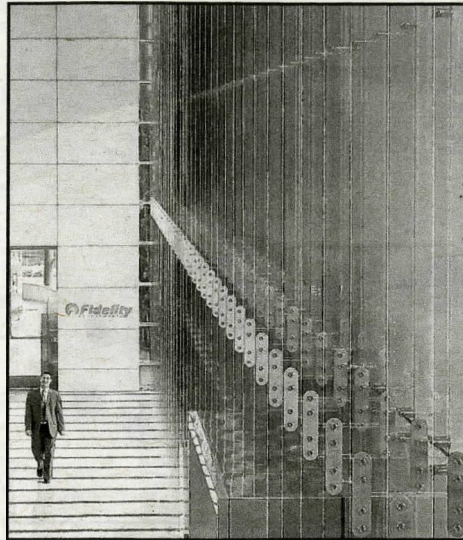
Come early, have coffee, cookies, wine or punch and chat with the members. Get 50/50 tickets for a drawing at end of the meeting.

As we start our new year, let's not forget our commitment to our homeless veterans. Although Larry Dool has moved away while he receives

medical treatment, we still are collecting clothing and meal tickets to be distributed to the veterans. Take some time to show your gratitude to the young people who put themselves in harm's way. John Thorne has stepped up to keep this commitment going as a tribute to our friend Larry Dool.

The LVMGA, together with the LVWGA and the Billiard Club, had our Holiday Dinner Dance Party on Friday, Dec. 18, in the AR. The attendees had another great time at this annual event to wind up another year. The AR was beautifully decorated, with the stage lighting and Christmas trees setting a festive mood highlighting the Jerry Dokken Band in center stage. Credit should be given to Bill Foeller and his helpers for the professional appearance of the room. It is a tribute to the staff and the volunteers who devote their time and give their expertise to make Leisure Village a thriving community.

On Jan. 7 we had our first regulation tournament at Elkins Ranch. The next tournament will be on Jan. 28 at



Jerry Cohen took first place in the Camera Club's Open category for December with "The Modern Look."

Westlake Golf Course. The fee will be \$40, including carts. On Feb. 28 we play at Buena Ventura, where the fee will be \$29 and you pay for the cart

at the course. Get a copy of the year's schedule from Ernie Ohmstedt so you can mark your calendar for the year and make your doctor appointments on other days.

On Jan. 31 we will have the Mixed Tournament with the LVWGA and Chili Bowl. The men are sponsors this time and our new 2nd VP, Bob Revelles, promises a good time will be had by all.

Every male resident is eligible for membership. By joining our club he can play in our home course tournaments, attend our social functions, attend our monthly meetings, participate in our handicap system and play in our regulation course tournaments at many of the public courses in an area from one to 30 miles around Leisure Village. Attrition is depleting our ranks, so do a little recruiting to get new members!

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The Mavericks

By Vera Erskine

Happy New Year to all! Time to start fresh, make and break resolutions and just enjoy life.

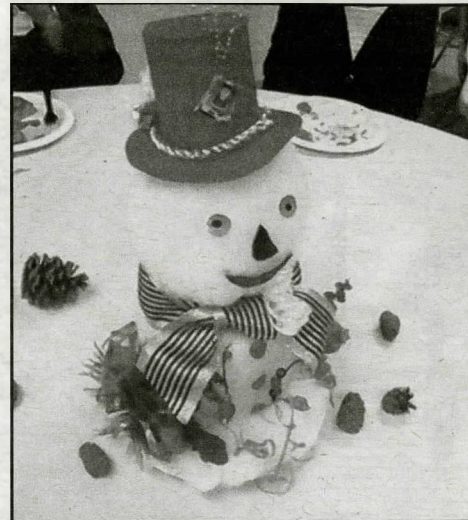
You probably think that all the traditional holiday parties are over for now, but there is still one more to come. The "Mavericks' Winter Ball" is scheduled for Jan. 22. "Willie & The Boys" will entertain us. They performed at the August Sock-Hop. Dinner will be catered by Command Performance. The menu is as follows: 5:30 p.m. hors d'oeuvres, then dinner of salad and bread; Chicken Pecan stuffed with an apple pecan filling, served with a cranberry, raspberry and red wine glaze; or Slow Roasted Beef Burgundy Tips, simmered in wine sauce with pearl onions and button mushrooms and dessert. BYOB. Tickets are on sale until Jan. 12. Members are \$20, non-members \$30. Membership will be verified. Look for our poster in the main lobby in the Recreation Center.

Contact Joe Miller at 383-0715 or Sharon O'Conner at 389-6834 if you have any questions.

Village Painters

By Aurelie Zachary

Our December potluck and gift exchange was a lot of fun. Gwen Zimring finalized the Happy Holiday banner that was hung behind the tables deco-



Irene Davis made the snowman centerpieces for the Village Painters potluck and gift exchange.

rated with Christmas tablecloths and laden with a wonderful variety of food brought by the members for all to share. All who sat at the round tables admired the snowman centerpieces made by Irene Davis.

Marge Curry, outgoing president, summoned those who are leaving office to give them a colorful pencil inscribed with, "Thanks for the Memories." Then she read the following parody she wrote:

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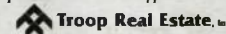
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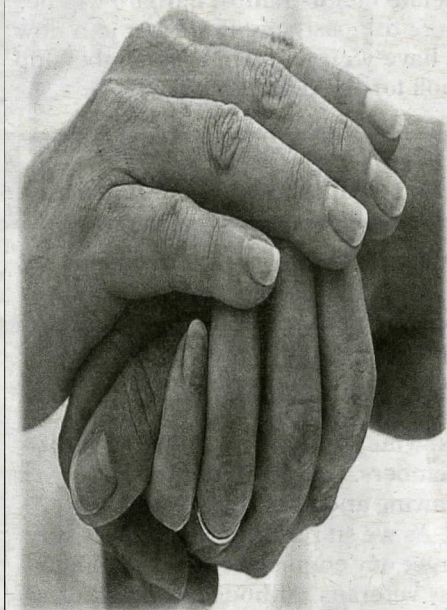
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Vic Fledge took first place in the Creative category for "Flower" during the LV Camera Club's December competition.

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Art Shows we had in the fall,
Pot lucks that pleased us all,
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White elephants I recall.....So

Thanks for the memories,
Lessons in the Lanai,
With color we're not shy,
So here's my art,
Right from my heart,
We're learning as we try,

Oh, thank you so much.

Camera Club

By Jerry Cohen

The December competition featured "Landscapes and Seascapes" as the Assigned category. First-place honors went to Florence Gillman, with second place earned by Jack Caldwell, and third place was captured by Patricia O'Connor in her first competition! Honorable Mentions were by Judy

Spector and Don Treadwell.

In the Open category, first place was taken by Jerry Cohen. Second place was won by Don Treadwell, with Lora Treadwell earning third place. Verna Cryder and Marlene Votion took the Honorable Mentions.

In the Creative Division, Vic Fledge was the first-place winner, with Rita Linsey capturing second place and Judy Spector taking third place. The Honorable Mentions were by Bill Robinson and Frank DeSimone.

Judging was by professional Dan Holmes.

Under the very capable leadership of Jerry Spector, the club continues to grow, with exciting competitions on the first Wednesday of each month, and interesting programs on the third Wednesday of each month. Meetings start at 7 p.m. in the MPR and refreshments follow. Guests are always welcome. Come join us!

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Woodshop

By Chuck Russell

Happy New Year from the Woodshop Committee volunteers, who continue to offer free repair service for household items Tuesday and Wednesday mornings between 10 a.m. and noon.

The Woodshop is one of the many recreation facilities in LV and is available to residents with woodworking experience, provided they can demonstrate the ability to operate power equipment safely. Interested residents should contact a Woodshop Committee member for an appointment to be checked out on the equipment.

Reminder to those shop key holders who have yet to be introduced to the equipment changes and operating procedures: Please contact a Woodshop Committee member for an appointment for a tour and to sign the

updated key authorization form.

Bocce Ball

By Jan Tamburro

Bocce Club begins another year here in Leisure Village. A membership fee of \$5.00 is due after Jan. 1.

Our installation dinner will be held on Jan. 28 in the AR. Cost to all members will be \$13.00, and \$15.00 to non-members. If you plan to attend the dinner, please write a separate check of \$5.00 for your enrollment fee. Our catered dinner by DJ's will consist of chicken and vegetable lasagna, salad, rolls and dessert. Wine and beverages will also be included. To purchase tickets in advance, call Sy Blau at 484-8080 or Diane Fleischer at 383-5752. Tickets can also be purchased at the Bocce Court on Monday and Thursday mornings at 10 a.m.

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will take less than 10 minutes to learn how to play. It's a lot of fun and a good way to meet some of your neighbors. See you at the Bocce Court!

Ceramics Plus

By Aurelie Zachary

For our Christmas lunch, we met at the Aloha Restaurant. After we enjoyed the food and conversation, we moved to the Ceramic Room, where members set up goodies and coffee. Each member brought a gift to exchange. It was fun.

Our workshop is scheduled every Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. We welcome anyone who would care to join us. We have greenware and glazes. Finished pieces are fired in the kiln provided by Leisure Village. Cost of membership is \$3.00 per year. For more information, call Lucille Terry at 484-2589.

L.V. Bowling League

By Marty Simons

Week 12 saw just one 200 game, a 208 by Mickey Newman. Side pot winners were Phil Kamens, Mickey Newman and Al Feldman for the men, and Sandy Rosenthal, Shirley Heller and Billie Stimac for the ladies.

Following a week off for the Thanksgiving Weekend, Week 13 began with the announcement of the winners of the Ladder Tournament. They were, for Group A, Leonard Belcher; Group B, Phil Kamens; Group C, Irv Cohen; Group D, Shirlee Stone; Group E, Sandy Rosenthal; and Group F, Clarice Shapiro. Clarice had the most pins with handicap, an impressive 1,945. Wow! Edward Bledsoe rolled a 212 and Leonard Belcher a 214. Side pot winners were Ernie Slabotsky, a tie between Jerry Rosen and Harry Lampert and Stan Reshes for the men, with Ruthy Levine,

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Helen Koehn and Vivian Hurst for the ladies.

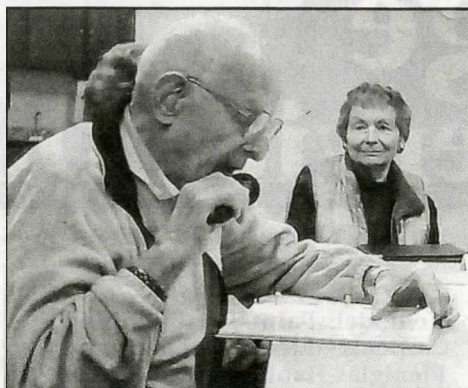
Week 14 saw some big-time scores with Al Schuster rolling a 242 and Les Galvin 236 and a 224. Side pot winners were Les Galvin, Al Schuster and Alan Singer for the men, and Helen Koehn, Susan Kusak and Marie Carbone for the ladies.

Writers Club

By Rob Sollett

The Writer's Club wishes to extend our best of luck to Macon Epps and his wife, who have moved from the Village. Macon left the club two of his self-published books for members to enjoy.

The club had one of its last meetings of the year with various topics, which spanned the globe. Clarice Smolarz read her autobiographical story of her childhood in Bucharest during World War II, while Bernice



May Richards listens as Harold Rose reads his story to the Writer's Club.

Epstein read of her school years in Canada during the same period. Bonnie Sanders read of her observations of living on her family's Nevada farm as her older brothers fought in the war. Club President Kenney Nelson completed his story on his military training during WWII. May Richards took us to present day with a story of a dog named Thongdaen owned by the King of Thailand. Harold Rose's story described his experience moving

to Leisure Village with the cooperation and hard work of his three sons.

Meanwhile, Stan Bryer detailed his preparation of his award-winning Smoke Trail Chili and shared his recipe. Josett Wingo read a Christmas letter, Joan Niebank detailed a Christmas adventure surrounding black boots, while Sandy Garfield's dealt with the story of Hanukkah.

Virginia Sims read her classic, "The Brat" and Rob Sollett took us into a fictional world with a vampire story.

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By Barbara Krohta

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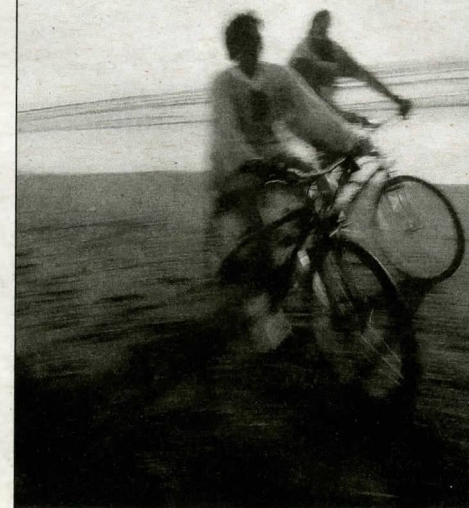
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FEMA has rezoned many areas including parts of Ventura County. A large portion of Leisure Village falls under the new this flood zone which means flood insurance will be required if you have a loan on your home. The new zone goes into effect January 20, 2010.

We have attended a meeting regarding the new requirements. We have the information in our office to share with you. It is important for you to act NOW. Doing so will save you money. You will start with a lower base rate (this base rate can be transferred to your buyer should you sell your home. This is a great selling point). Rates start at \$348 for the first year and \$906 for the second. If you do not get the insurance BEFORE January 20, 2010 the rate goes to \$1,634. The grandfather clause for the lower rate is a big difference but you must have the insurance BEFORE January 20, 2010. Call your insurance agent today!

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