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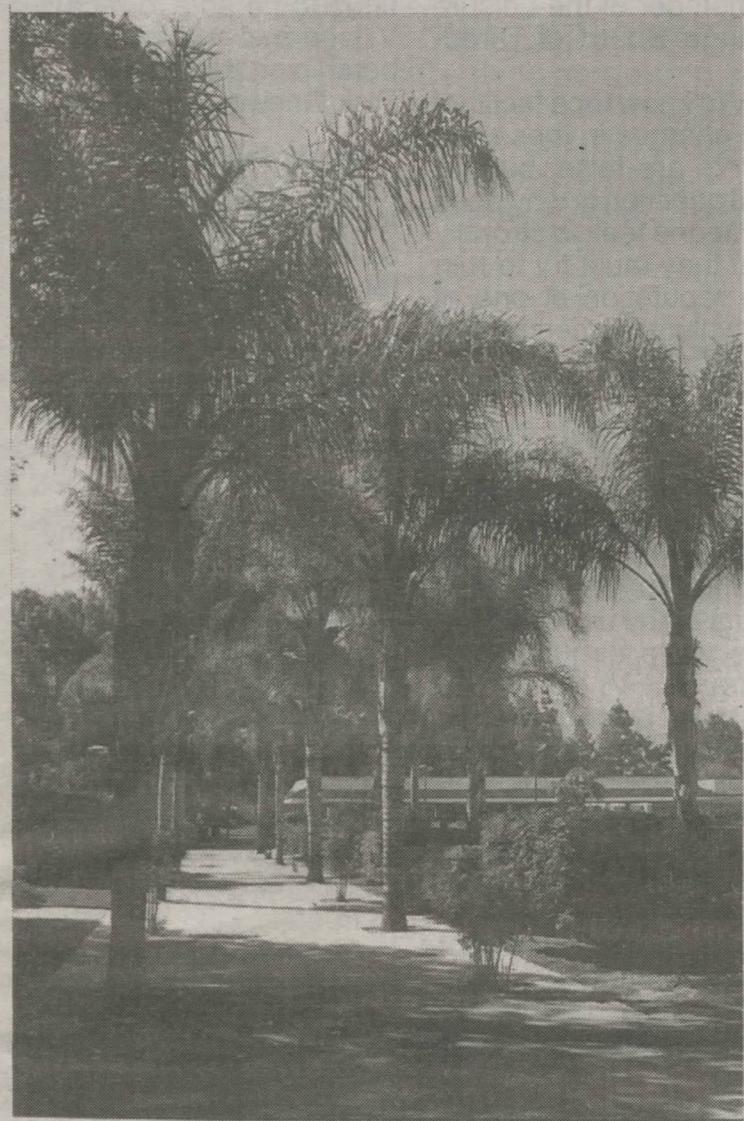


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WHO, WHERE, WHY of LEISURE VILLAGE

By Bill Himstreet

Someone asked the other day "What do I tell people to get them to move into the Village?" A simple answer is contained in pages 4 to 7 of our new phone book. Let's review some of that material that discusses who we are, where we are, and why we're here and in which I take some pride of authorship.

In our gated community of 2136 homes, we are friendly, relatively well-to-do, non-denominational seniors with diversified interests who want to make the most and best for ourselves and our neighbors.

Taken literally, we can't ask for much more

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Why pg 4

HEALTH CARE INFORMATION

By
Lillian S. Hawthorne

The Camarillo Health Care District will present a special health care information forum in Leisure Village, on Tuesday, June 6, from 10 a.m. to noon in the Assembly Room.

The Camarillo Health Care District is a public, not-for-profit, local government agency established by the State of California. Its mission is to serve the health needs of the Camarillo area through a range of direct and indirect programs, which include education, prevention, treatment and support.

The main purpose of the upcoming Forum is to present information to Leisure Village residents about many services and programs that may be of help or interest to seniors. These include the following: 1) available transportation resources, especially for handicapped persons; 2) Life-line, a 24 hour medical alert system; 3) foot care clinics; 4) assistance and information about in-home care or companions; 5) updates about Medicare regulations; 6) health and memory loss screenings; 7) support groups, i.e. bereavement, caretaking, illness; 8) counseling groups; 9) classes and lectures on health, safety, nutrition

and other subjects; and 10) adult day care.

A second purpose of this Forum is to hear from Leisure Village residents about their health care needs that are not being met, or are not sufficiently met, and their ideas and suggestions for new or improved services. The Forum will provide information and literature, discussions by program coordinators at the Health Care District, and opportunity for questions and answers. The overall goal is to strengthen the communication and relationship between Leisure Village and the Camarillo Health Care District so that the agency's services can best be used and the needs of seniors can best be met.

On a lighter note, the Forum will offer refreshments and also drawings for special prizes. In addition, arrangements will be made for the "Care-a-Van" bus to make several circuits around Leisure Village on that morning to transport residents to the Recreation Center to attend this program. Further information about time schedules and "pick-up" points will be presented on Channel 8. Please be sure to watch for future announcements and to attend this special Forum.

ELECTION DAY SCHEDULE JUNE 15

All Village meetings and events (all sports, library and club meetings) are CLOSED until 12 noon on Thursday, June 15, to encourage homeowners to vote and attend the Annual Meeting in the AR at 10 a.m.

Ballots and voting instructions will go into the mail about June 1 to homeowners. Voted ballots may be dropped into ballot boxes in the Recreation lobby or Association lobby starting June 2, after the Candidates' Night presentation.

Late voting will be accepted between 8:30-10 a.m. June 15 in the MPR. At 10 a.m. voting ends and the action moves to the AR for the Annual Meeting. See pages 8 & 9 for information.

CHANGES IN ILV

By Marge Lorraine

Starting with the June issue of ILV, Sandi Smith, the paper's publisher, will assume the duties of the coordinator. She is now an employee of the Camarillo Star, and the coordinatorship will be an extension of those duties. The editorial policy and the staff will remain the same. There simply were not enough people interested in becoming coor-

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INSIDE LEISURE VILLAGE

• OPINION •

QUESTION THE CANDIDATES

Years ago the LV Board of Directors was dominated by individuals who chose to micromanage the Village. These people did cut costs, held down homeowner assessments, directed the staff and some even physically occupied the Association Office.

What was the result? Employee morale plummeted under such constant scrutiny as Board members worked full time at their jobs. Some good employees and two general managers left. The Board made policy AND carried it out.

The general appearance of the Village deteriorated as landscape wages were frozen for three years and attrition cut the number of landscape workers. Yes, association month fees stayed low, but the appearance of the Village suffered greatly, along with employee morale.

Take a look at the candidates who have filed to run for the Board this June. Are some of them the same type of micromanagers who want to enjoy the positions of power and haunt the Association office to oversee everything? Is that what we homeowners want—a return to micromanagement?

Is it the role of board members to spend all their time on Village matters? Or do Board members establish policy for the Village structure and have time free to work on their computers or play a round of golf? They will IF they establish policy and then turn over the operational details to the employees hired just for this purpose. The Board CAN maintain contact without direct daily intervention.

Do the candidates have goals that are in accord with the beautification and continuing upgrading of the Village? Are their priorities going to attract active people with diverse interests willing and able to participate in and contribute to the Leisure Village lifestyle?

Candidate's Night is Thursday, June 1 at 7 p.m. in the Assembly Room. Take advantage of this opportunity to question all candidates on their theories and ideas of management, finance and quality of Leisure Village life.

ABOUT NEXT MONTH

Deadline for the May 2000 issue will be **Friday, June 5, 2000** at 5:00 p.m. To arrange for a photographer, call coordinator at least 3 days in advance. Do not call photographer. Type copy double space or submit hand written material **early** to allow for typing.

RESIDENTS' OPINIONS

Letters

ILV has obligated itself to publish letters to the editors 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 250 words. We reserve the right to edit and/or condense. Place in ILV box or give to Coordinator of the month, as listed on page 2.

To the Editor and Staff of ILV

Thank you all for the interesting and informative paper you supply the Villagers with each month. Having worked on a similar project in the past, Lou and I appreciate the time and effort that goes into the final result of such an undertaking. Thanks to all of you for a terrific job, and our best wishes to Lois for continued improvement in her health.

Sincerely,
Tia Perlman, V. 26

This is an Open Letter to the residents of Leisure

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Next Deadline for ILV is **Mon. June 5, by 5 p.m.**
Publication is **Friday June 30**

Next Open Board Meeting is **Mon. June 5 at 10 a.m. in the A.R.**

Village from Georgia & Dick Griswold.

During the past 21/2 weeks two letters, one libelous and one accusatory and mean, both unsigned, were mailed to our home. They referred to Caroline Pratt and alleged that she is guilty of impeachable offenses as a member of the Leisure Village Board of Directors.

We know for a fact that the charges in these two letters are false, but the real question is why does someone feel so strongly that they must try to ruin the reputation of one of our volunteer members of the Board?

For three years now we haven't had to endure the stress of false, unsigned accusations. Now suddenly they reappear.

Prior to June of 1998 and for the previous five years many unsigned letters were circulated in Leisure Village. Of course, because they were unsigned, we complained about them and ignored them: but the stigma of the sickness was very offensive, causing more than a few families to move out of our garden paradise.

It is truly unfortunate that living in our midst is a

cancer, known to exist, yet difficult to deal with, because its location is difficult to detect.

We trust everyone will be on the alert to help discover who this cancer is; so eventually it can be excised from our midst. This goal must be accomplished if we are to continue to be able to recruit Villagers to run for membership on the Board.

Dick Griswold, V. 22

Many thanks to all the friends and neighbors for the gifts, cards, telephone calls, and donations made for my speedy recovery.

I'm so fortunate to be living here in Leisure Village among all the caring and wonderful people here.

Bess Krohn, V. 41

A thank you to all of my dear friends for the many beautiful cards, letters and tributes that have come to me since Jack's death. He would have been overwhelmed and so pleased to be remembered so lovingly. Most of the letters and cards said so many of the same things—that he was a kind, gentle man. All so true.

After we moved here and settled in, he always said that he was living in Paradise. Well, now he truly is in Paradise.

Thank you all again for your continuing friendships and all of your concerned calls to be sure I'm well and able to cope with life as it is today.

Fondly,
Ruth Kassel, V. 42

In Memoriam

Eileen King passed away April 19 and I want all the wonderful people who expressed words of sympathy or attended the funeral services to know that you served to ease my grief as well as her family's. Thank you. I'll never forget you.

Cliff Kemp, V. 4

My family and I join in thanking all of you for your

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kind support and thoughtfulness on the passing of my dear husband, Charlie.

Your expressions of sympathy have been a great comfort and help in the healing process.

I personally thank you all for your cards, tributes and donations sent in his name.

I feel fortunate and blessed to be living amongst such wonderful and caring friends as in Leisure Village.

Betty Oeland, V. 44

Attorney, General Manager, consultants, employee department heads are running our Village. Our General Manager is finally attending classes to obtain his "certification" as a G.M. A small group of people have made decisions without regard to the majority of the residents such annex, exercise room, color of trim on our homes, vehicles, swimming pool, consultants, employee contracts. Annex & exercise rooms should have been budgeted over time. What

was total cost of these projects? Residents should choose colors for their own home! *Why are we in competition with Camarillo Police Department? The added attachments on our patrol vehicles are not needed. Bumper guards are for high-speed chases. Should the swimming pool have been turned over to a contractor for a total job on pool renovations? The \$24,900 consultant (for how many years?) was not necessary. This money could have been used toward total cost. Should we have written 3 year contracts for Department Heads? The \$90.000 contract for General Manager could be put towards Professional Management. Our accountants should be replaced with an outside accounting firm at a saving to Villagers. This firm would keep accountability of Professional Management Company.

Our budget of 7 million dollars plus grows each year to satisfy projects of

a small group of people. It's time we stopped building projects and used the money to maintain our aging Leisure Village. A contracted Professional Management company should be voted on by homeowners to maintain LV with our assessment money. **There would be NO "pet projects".**

Bill & Nancy Stubbs, V. 39

To whom it may concern:

I am deeply disturbed by the sick and vicious letters being circulated throughout the Village regarding the volunteers who are willing to serve on our Board of Directors. The tactics being used to destroy the character of volunteers, who have the qualifications and expertise to keep the Village well maintained and an affordable place to live is totally unacceptable.

This year the Nominating Committee had to request an extension of time because they were unable to get candidates to run for the Board of Directors.

Can you imagine the increase in our dues if all the services now provided by volunteers, had to be paid for by hiring additional employees and management?

I think it is time to call a truce and those unhappy vindictive souls who keep stirring the pot either move out or get some psychological help.

Bobbie Comer, V. 38

I want to agree with the Villagers who have stated the need for positive attitudes in our community.

The negatives (arguing, gossiping, personal competitiveness, name calling and lying) tear down our mutual living.

However, when we choose the positive values such as caring, sharing, kindness and service we influence our community in a good way.

How do you choose to live?

Does each of us want to live with jealousy, anger, hatred and "getting even" or live the "Good Life"? As a contributing member of

this community, are you contributing goodness or evil?

Joan Pilon, V.13

To all my friends in Leisure Village.

Thank you all for the cards, flowers, notes, phone calls, and delicious meals. All this attention is hastening my recovery.

L.V. is a great place to be when one is "out of sorts" and caring friends make one get well in a hurry. Thank you all. Fondly, Mary Whalen, V. 40

To ILV Readers,

I cannot say "Thank You" enough to all my friends and neighbors for their cards and phone calls, wishing me a speedy recovery during my recent illness. Thank you once again. I love you all.

Sincerely,
Aggie Saltus, V. 35

I am informing the residents of Leisure Village that all charges made

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Keeping Faith With ILV

This month space restrictions forced the editorial staff of Inside Leisure Village to make decisions regarding the contents of the paper. The Camarillo Star determines the amount of space we have for LV news. This month ILV was allotted approximately 20% less than last month. The situation was compounded by May being our election issue. It has been a tradition that ILV does a profile of each candidate prior to the election. The editors were faced with a dilemma regarding the choices facing them. The staff decided to run the Club directory, and omit the club articles. It apologizes to those who worked to submit articles, only to have them pulled. Articles not time related will be published next month.

Changes In ILV
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dinator, and getting the paper printed each month was becoming both stressful and tedious. All Leisure Villagers are deeply indebted to Betty Murray and Lois Atz for the years they published the paper every month.

Changes are being planned, however. The ILV staff wants to expand in number, and also to have people trained to know jobs other than their specialties. Having a back-up will take pressure off those now working, and create a new generation ready to continue the paper when vacations, illness, and when staff members need respite.

The ILV staff hopes to encourage wider par-

ticipation in the Village paper. Contributions are welcome. Articles or letters should be no more than 250 words and in reasonably good taste. Staff reserves the right to refuse and/or edit articles as deemed necessary.

One person submitted an article for "The Most Important Person In My Life". Since ILV June issue is published just before the Fourth of July, and since August will be the 55th anniversary of the end of World War II, ILV is soliciting articles about experiences Villagers had in the war, or the impact the war had on them. As always, ILV welcomes letters about issues concerning the Village.

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than to be in "Leisure Village in Pleasant Valley." We live in Camarillo, a place recognized by National Geographic as having one of the best climates in the world. We're also within an hour's driving time of Los Angeles and Santa Barbara. We're now the home of California State University Channel Islands and within only a few minutes of entrances to Channel Islands National Park.

New residents quickly perceive that they may safely walk within the confines of our village community at all hours of the day. Our Security

Department maintains a 24-hour patrol to ensure this serenity. And in health emergencies, the patrol has a record of almost instantaneous response.

But we didn't move here to sit on our backsides...that's impossible. We have an almost endless array of clubs, groups, and activities to satisfy almost any wishes. You may select to meet your activity needs from everything from tennis, golf, and swimming to checkers and bridge. In between are arts, hobbies, dancing, yoga, gardening, and dozens of other activities

to develop both health habits and intellectual interests.

In addition to these "leisure" pursuits, we volunteer to assist in the wider community in school, churches, hospitals, civic affairs, and philanthropies. The preretirement skills and knowledges we brought with us are used daily! Let others know who we are and why we are here! All this including ownership, maintenance of property, water, TV and fun and games for a reasonably low monthly membership assessment!

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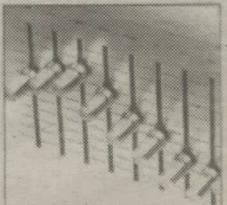
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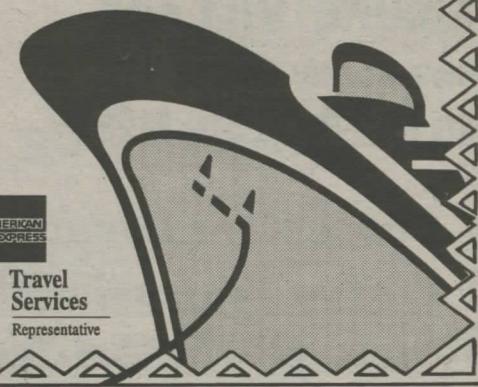
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Looking at Channel 8

By Jack Whalen

The coming month of June promises to be one of the busiest for viewers in some time. If you are unable to view a program live, put it on tape for later viewing.

Thursday, June 1, starts with a bang, presenting **CANDIDATES' NIGHT-LIVE** at 7 p.m. and repeated on June 3 at 10 a.m.

A truly popular show, not to be missed, is **WHAT WAS MY LINE?** Showing at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, June 7. That evening at 5 p.m. there will be a repeat of **CANDIDATES' NIGHT** and once more on Monday, June 12, at 10 a.m.

The Womens' Club's Annual Fashion Show will be shown on Wednesday, June 14.

On Thursday, June 15, in the **ANNUAL MEETING-LIVE** starting at 10 a.m. Should the meeting

run long, it will be aired live in the afternoon and the entire program will be repeated on Saturday, June 24, at 10 a.m.

Single Active Seniors will have a speaker talking about "Old Age" on Saturday, June 17, at 10 a.m.

The monthly book report featuring Lillian Hawthorne will be at 5 p.m. on Monday, June 19, while on Wednesday, June 21, the Leisure Village Chorale will entertain with "Musical Favorites Thru The Century".

Ed Pollaine's Investment Program will air at 10 a.m. on Monday, June 26.

Three historical stories on "Flying Machines" by Bob Vanderhaven will air on Wednesday June 28, at 10 a.m.

Please note, Channel 8's "Voice" precedes all programs by 15 minutes.

NOETIC SCIENCE

Is anyone in Leisure Village a member of the Noetic Sciences? Those interested in forming a small group for the purpose of discussions on a regular basis, please call Sonia Brink 484-2387.

IN MEMORIUM

David Dickinson, V. 16

Bill Leventhal, V. 39

Milton Dixon, V. 17

Marjorie Hope Peet, V. 6

Eileen King, V. 22

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Letters from pg 3 against me in the unsigned letters mailed or distributed to villagers are totally untrue. I thank the many residents who have come to my support. Caroline Pratt, V. 24

The more people in Leisure Village say they are interested in peace and harmony the more you hear people spreading juicy news stories that we all should abhor. The latest example of this practice

was heard at the May 1 Open Board meeting.

Two speakers talked about unsigned letters they received that made statements about Villagers that the speakers said were untrue, blasphemous, libelous etc., etc. By broadcasting the statements, they whetted the appetites of those people who love to spread venomous stories.

I have encountered this problem in the past and have a simple solution. If you receive any written

document that does not identify the author with both name and address and feel that it is scandalous don't finish reading it. Throw it in the trash! If someone wants to talk to you about it tell him or her you don't want to hear it.

By talking about it and expressing your feeling about its message to others, you are doing exactly what the authors want you to do. If people don't ac-

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Single Active Seniors

By Zelda Greentree

There's still time to get your ticket for Single Active Senior's MIXER to be held on May 30 at 7 p.m. in the Social Room. Refreshments of wine and cheese, coffee and cake, will be served and there will be light entertainment. Admission is \$5.00 for paid up members. To "BECOME CONNECTED" call Bud at 383-6814 for your ticket.

The speaker for the June 13 meeting will be Carolyn Pratt, Chair of the LVA Board of Directors. Ms Pratt will discuss, "How the Village Operates". This meeting will be held in the MPR.

Plans are now being formulated for the SAS 2nd annual Picnic in the Park in July. Keep July 25 open for this event.

Watch Channel 8 and look for posters with all of SAS activities. For further information, call Zelda at 389-9694.

LAWNS

By Bob Atz, EAC

One of the many features that makes the Village such an attractive place to live are the swaths of green that surround our homes. These greenbelts that are also known as "common areas" are mowed, trimmed and watered by the LV staff on a year-round basis. Such value is placed on these green areas that the golf course is maintained by a special crew using reel-type mowers to ensure a proper playing space.

Maintenance of lawns is a high priority item because the appearance of the Village is so affected by the condition of the grass. A significant portion of this maintenance effort involves proper watering. If the amount of watering is too small the grass responds by turning brown (ugh!). If too much water is used then we see runoff (waste!) or have soft, muddy areas. Also, if the water is applied improperly, such as on sidewalks, driveways or streets we see more waste.

Over the years the cost of water has been a significant part of the budget. The LV budget for this Fiscal Year is \$555,504. For the past three years the Board Directors has been working with a consultant to

get guidance in finding ways to reduce the amount of water used for irrigating our lawns. The Board has also directed the EAC to review the watering practices and make recommendations for reducing the amount of water consumed for ir-

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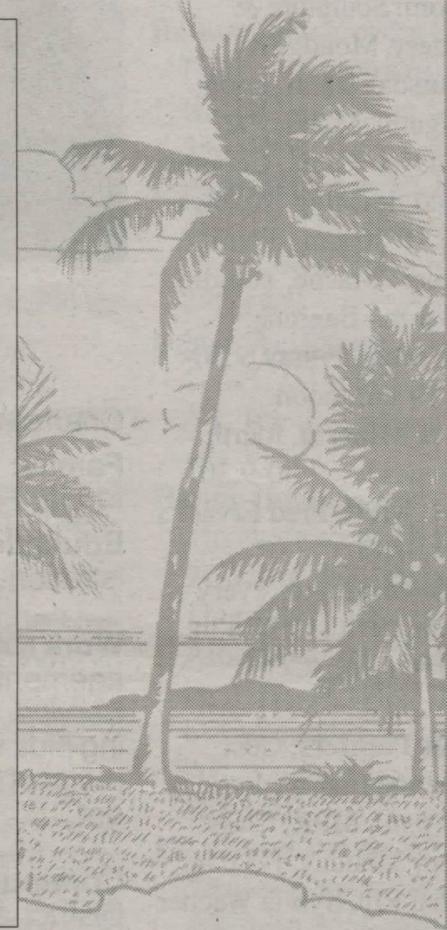
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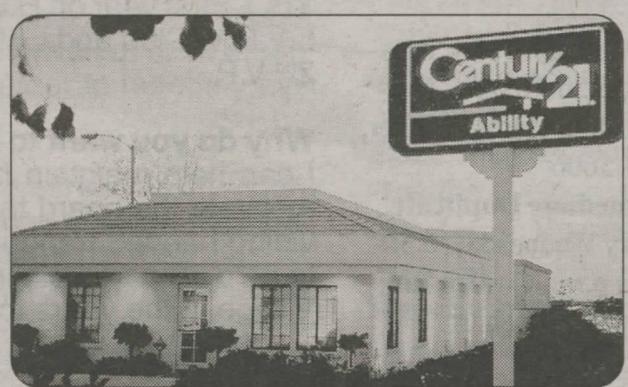
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Ceramic Plus, General Meeting fourth Thursday, 10-11:30 a.m., MPR, Irma Shapiro, 484-9019. Workshops in Ceramic Room: Sculpture & Pottery, Monday & Thursday 9 a.m.-noon; Origami, Monday & Friday 1-3 p.m., Ceramic Mold finishing, Wednesday 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.; Papiere Mache, Tuesday 1-3 p.m., Beginners Sculpture, Friday, 9:30-11:30 a.m.-noon.

Gem & Mineral, fourth Wednesday, 7:30-9:30 p.m., MPR, Fred Ervast 389-0787

Needleworks, etc., every Friday, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Garden Rm., Celia Gordon 484-3441

Village Painters, Gen. Meeting first Wednesday, 1-4 p.m., MPR. Class, every Monday, 1-3 p.m., Lanai Rm, Sylvia Wacher 389-1147

BRIDGE

Duplicate, every Monday, 12:30-4:30 p.m., Garden Rm., Lou Dektor, 987-3060

Duplicate, every Monday, 6:30-10 p.m., Garden Rm., Lucille Goldin 987-2373

Party bridge, every Tuesday, 6:30-10 p.m., Garden Rm., Harold Keeler, 484-5606

Intermediate Duplicate, every Wednesday, 6:30-9:30 p.m., Garden Rm, Wayne Wisehart 482-1091

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CHARLES BABCOCK

Charles Babcock, V. 37, resident since 1993.

Family: bachelor, born and raised in Venice, California. Family moved to Leisure Village in 1980.

Education: Working on B.A. in business Administration. Associates degree in Culinary Arts.

Work Experience: Nine years experience in management and ownership in Food and Beverage Service. Experience involved employing and training plus working efficiently with personnel. Preparation of budget and keeping expenses within budget.

Community Activities: Pleasant Valley School District as a Teacher's Aide at elementary level for 4 years. Member of Oxnard Elks Lodge and presently serving on their Board. Parishioner of Padre Serra Parish and member of Church Choir. Active in Boy Scouts, church groups, Sports and Civic Functions. Chosen for Platoon Leaders Class, United States Marine Corp.

L.V. Activities: Former Chairman of Building and Grounds plus two additional years of service on the committee. Presently on Travel Committee (3 Yrs.). First year on E.S.O. Committee. Member of L.V.R.V. Club and L.V. Men's Golf Assoc. as their 2nd V.P.

Why do you want to be on the Board? I believe I can help maintain harmony on the Board and motivate the board to work as a team while providing needed tranquility to Leisure Village. Also to help prepare Leisure Village for an even better Village in the years to come.

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DONNA DUKE

Resident of Leisure Village since 1987.

Education: Graduated from Wheeling High School, Wheeling, West Virginia in 1948. Have certification in the following courses during twenty-four years of Civil Service: IBM Courses, Management Methods, Navy Industrial Funding, Line Managers Institute, Business Management, Supervisory Principles, Supervisor/Subordinate Relations and Techniques, Program Budgeting, Management Objectives, Time Management, Managerial Accounting & various Army Extension Courses.

Work Experience: Served in the Women's Army Corp and in the active reserves for 10 years and attained the rank of Master Sergeant E-7. During the last eight years prior to my retirement served as a Program Analysis Officer, GS 12, where I served as the Business Advisor to department heads and program managers for the Weapons Program Management Department. My office managed all monetary and manpower resources for the department, consisting of a budget of 25-30 million dollars per year. I analyzed, projected and resolved equipment, manpower and cost control problems; in addition, I developed and executed management techniques for control and supervision of fiscal programs.

Current and Past Activities: For the past year I have served on the Insurance and Finance Committees. I assisted in both payroll and inventory audits. Previously served on Security & Safety Committee, Liaison to Bldgs & Grounds, Insurance, Ed & Rec, PRC Committees and Board of Directors for four years. My outside activities include Past President of River Ridge GC, Saticoy Regional GC,

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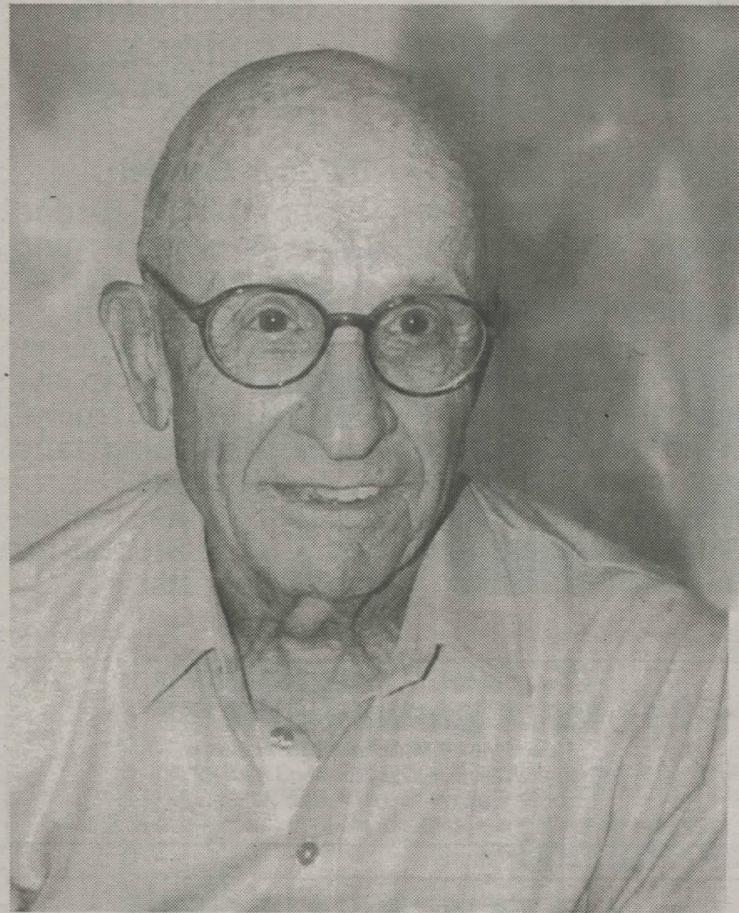


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BEN MILLER

Ben Miller, V. 31, resident since 1979.

Family: Married to Rosalie for 54 years. We have two children and two grandsons.

Education: Navy V-12 Program at Doane College, 1943-44, Midshipmen School at Columbia; attended USC from 1946-1962, received a BS in Bus. Admin 1947; General Secondary Teaching Diploma, 1953; MS in Bus. Edu., 1956; Gen. Pup. Pers., 1961, while attending USC received USC Honoraries, Beta Gamma Sigma and Phi Kappa Phi (top 10% scholastically); San Fernando Law College, 1967 (Sabbatical).

Work Experience: Asst. Buyer May Co. 1947-50; school teacher, tennis coach, Counselor, Dept. Chr., California Scholarship Federation sponsor, Work experience Coordinator, and Military adviser, in various Los Angeles High Schools (Manual Arts High, San Fernando High, and Sylmar High); have been a department chair, faculty president, and chairman of the East Valley Los Angeles Teachers' Association, 1953-1979. Originator of the High School Knowledge Bowls. Lecturer Eve. Div. L.A. JC, Law I and Law II, 1955-1986. Tennis instructor at Pleasant Valley Rec. and Parks, 1981-96.

Military Service: US Navy from 1943-46, and 1950-53. Served as Communications Officer, USS LCS (L) 64, Communications Watch Officer & Ship's Sec, USS Westmoreland, APA 104, Commanding Officer, Military Department, SS Ethiopia Victory, communications Watch Officer, Long Beach Naval Station, Naval Reserve Duty until retirement.

Community Services: Ventura County Community Service Award, 1996

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CAROLINE PRATT

Caroline Pratt, resident of Leisure Village since 1982

Family: Mother of three children, all in the nursing profession, 5 grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.

Education: Mills College, USC, Fresno State University, and Cerritos College. Additional training in Emergency Management program development and implementation from governmental and professional organizations.

Work Experience: From 1960 to 1984 I served in various emergency management positions with state and local governments, including the State of California, the Counties of Los Angeles, Fresno, and Ventura, and the City of Pasadena. My business responsibilities with state and local governments included executive management, operations, public relations, budget development, program development and implementation, planning, training, and specialized educational conferences. Following my government work I owned and managed a consulting company that provided emergency planning, management and training. My clients included large corporations, governmental entities, schools, and hospitals. Since I became a member of the LVA Board of Directors I have cut back drastically my business venture in order to meet my LVA Board responsibilities.

Community Activities: I have served as president and in other leadership positions of local, regional, and state emergency management programs for public and private agencies, schools, and hospitals, and served as volunteer evaluator of local, regional and state emergency programs and exercises, in-

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Pratt..... pg 13

Duplicate, every Thursday, 12:30-4:30 p.m., Garden Rm., Lou Dektor, 987-3060

Duplicate, every Friday, 6:30-10 p.m., Garden Rm., Al Green 987-4163

CARDS & GAMES

Bingo, every Wednesday, 6:30-9:30 p.m., AR, Marion Tavano, 482-1649

Cards, every Monday, 7-9:30 p.m., Sun Rm., Ruth Resnik 482-0578

DANCE

Balkan Dance, every Friday, 9-10:30 a.m., AR, Naomi Wieselman 388-1402

Dancercise, every Wednesday, 9-10:30 a.m., AR, Naomi Wieselman 388-1402

Dance Workshop, every Tuesday, 3-4:30 p.m., AR, Rhoda Smithkin 484-8132

Happy Hoofers, every Monday except the first, 9-11 a.m., AR, every Thursday, 9:-10 a.m., AR, Ida Zeller 484-9882

International Folk Dance, every Monday, 1-3 p.m., AR, Naomi Wieselman, 388-1402

Live Band Dance, fifth Saturday, 8 p.m-12 a.m., AR, Jean Aird, 482-6660

Round Dance, every Sunday, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., AR, Staley Carpenter 484-1134

Sat. Night Ballroom

Dance, second & fourth Saturday, 8-11 p.m. AR, Elmer Eymann 484-8422

Swing Dance, first & third Saturday, 8-10:30 p.m., AR, Paul Kelwin 987-1446

Village Cloggers, every Tuesday, 9 a.m.-noon, AR, Louise Houser 388-1303

Village Swingers, every Tuesday, 7-10 p.m., AR, from..... pg 9

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Mary Kovach 484-9928

Western Line Dance, every Friday, 7-8 p.m., MPR, Mary Kovach 484-9928

EXERCISE

Arthritis, every Tuesday, 10 a.m.-noon, Garden Rm., Wayne Wisehart 482-7945

Exercise, every weekday, 8:30-9 a.m., Pavilion, Lillian Mankoff 987-4049

GENERAL

Amateur Radio, first Tuesday, 10 a.m.-noon, Village Rm, Eddie Vasquez 484-1256

Camera, first & third Wednesday, 7:30-10 p.m., MPR, Milt Mankoff 987-4049

Computer, general meeting second Friday, 11 a.m.-noon, Mort Markovitz 384-4492

Farmers, quarterly — 6/2/00, 2-4 p.m. MPR, David Sohr 482-5577

Garden, second Thursday, 9:30-11:30 a.m., MPR, Barbara Wagner 482-5211

Players Guild, third Thursday, 7:30-10 p.m., AR, Miriam Hasen 482-3198

R. V. Club, third Tuesday, 7:30-10 p.m., MPR, Bill Deniston 987-6749

Showtyme, third Monday, 7:30-9:30 p.m., AR, Jerry Banchik 484-5585

Single Active Seniors, every Tuesday, 7-9 p.m. Social Rm., Zelda Greentree 389-9694

Solo Club, 4/14, 6/9, 5-8 p.m. AR, Marion Jayne 484-5112. Gen. Meeting, third Friday, 12:30-4:30 p.m., Garden Rm,

Veterans, fourth Thursday, 7:30-9:30 p.m., MPR, Ed Vasquez 484-1256

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Charles Babcock from pg 8

Specific qualifications: The sum total of all my business and personal experience and the L.V. committees I have worked on and personal observations during the years I have lived in Leisure Village have prepared me well to serve the best interests of the L. V. residents.

Giving responsible leadership: I will do what I did when I started my own business; when I was assistant director of Food and Beverage at the Palm Springs Airport;

when I worked with the Boy Scouts and when I was with the United States Marine Corp. Responsible leadership is what that experience was all about and I will apply that kind of strong leadership to any Leisure Village issue that comes before me.

I have years of experience in construction and related fields but more importantly I have learned to use advice and knowledge of those better versed in any particular field.

Goals for the Village: I would explore the possi-

bility of a "Jitney Service" within the Village to help those residents who don't drive or have difficulty walking get around the village to visit friends or get to the recreation activities. Work with the L.V. staff to use their capabilities to achieve a more efficient and less costly operation of our physical plant without resorting to micro-management methods. Respect the advice and input of our L.V. key committees.

BEGINNING BRIDGE CLASSES

By Raye Gabriel

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Weight Control, every Tuesday, 8-9 a.m. Garden Rm., Dorothy Fencl 484-3416**Women's Club**, first Thursday, 1:30-3 p.m., AR, Blanche Follen, pres. 482-7887**YNCG**, first Friday, 9:30-10:30 a.m., Village Rm., Sandy Okurm 482-8125. Blood pressure clinic, first Monday, 7-8 p.m., AR, Sonia Brink 484-2387**MUSIC****Belles of Harmony** every Wednesday, 10 a.m.-noon, MPR, Elaine Shainhouse 987-2354**Chorale**, every Monday, 12:30-2:30 p.m., MPR, Byron Kaufman 388-0880**Keyboard**, third Friday, 1-3:30 p.m., AR, Margarete Nayfack 388-2196**Liedleers**, second & fourth Tuesday, 10-11:30 a.m., Lanai Rm., Selma Lich 484-8129**Music Appreciation**, first & third Friday, 10 a.m.-noon, MPR. John Callas 987-5630**Rhythmettes**, every Tuesday, 1-2:30 p.m., AR, Ginny Naspo 987-9699**Sing-A-Long**, second, fourth and fifth Monday, 7:30 p.m., AR, Jules Nayfack 388-2196**SPORTS****Billiards**, fourth Tuesday, 7:30-9 p.m., MPR, Rosemary Woody 445-9076**Bocce**, fourth Thursday, 7:30-9:30 p.m., AR, Al Ventura 987-0778**Golf, Men's**, second Tuesday, 2-4 p.m., MPR, Jerry Orth, 389-8979**Golf, Women's**, second Wednesday, 2:30-4:30 p.m., AR, Donna Duke 987-2627**Racquet**, second Wednesday, 7:30-9:30 p.m., MPR, Irving Goldman 445-4133**Shuffleboard**, first Tuesday, 7:30-10:30 p.m., MPR, Lucy Fiore, 482-8393**SUPPORT GROUPS****Bereavement**, all Thursdays except the third, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Sun Rm., Jean Aird 482-6660**Coping with Confusion**, first Friday, 1-3:30 p.m., Lanai Rm., Jean Aird 482-6660**Self Awareness**, every Monday, 7-8:30 p.m., Sun Rm., Maxine Fritz, 482-7798

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Why run for the Board?

Having enjoyed 21 years of Leisure Village living, I decided that it was time for me to participate more actively in offering service to our "community." I have served on the Education and Recreation Committee and Emergency Services, but have devoted most of my efforts here to service in the Racquet club. I have been president and have been in charge of numerous activities therein. Have retired recently. I feel that I have the time to be of more service to the village. Lately the Board of Directors have encountered controversial problems which seem to discourage able villagers from running for office. My more than 30 years of

teaching, being a department chair, as well as faculty president, have taught me patience and the ability to work well with people.

Giving Responsible leadership: If elected, I can work harmoniously with other members. If a change in policy or procedure were presented, I would ask: "Is it reasonable and feasible?", but, mostly, "Is it right?" If my views disagree with others, I will listen. I profess to be a good listener. Compromise is usually a solution to controversy. If elected, I would hope to serve the views of the majority of villagers.

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knowledge responsibility for the statements they make, then don't publish their remarks. Trash them!

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member of Camarillo Springs BC and Soule Park GC. I acted as Federal Women's Program Coordinator for one year at Point Mugu. Served as Treasurer Ventura County Women's Bowling Assn. Current member of Women's Club, Women's Golf Club and Showtyme Club

Priorities/Commitments: (a) Planning ahead and prioritizing budget expenditures (b) maintaining and improving the high quality of our security (c) improving communications.

Goals: I have no agenda other than to provide villagers with a safer, more affordable and worry-free lifestyle.

I'm running for the Board of Directors because of my love for Leisure Village and as a dedicated homeowner...I want to provide the villagers with a safer, more affordable, and worry-free lifestyle. It's my opinion that this can be done by planning ahead and prioritizing budget expenditures.

While I don't believe in micro-management, I do believe in good man-

agement, e.g., setting fair and prudent policy and procedures for the General Manager to execute.

Since I consider Leisure Village a business, I would have to say that my specific contributions to the Board would be realized through my prior business and advisory positions, such as developing and executing management techniques for control and supervision of fiscal programs. My past four years on the Board and as a member and officer of LVA committees and clubs will also provide an expertise that can only be gleaned by active participation in LVA activities.

My education, work record, and LVA involvement present a triad of leadership qualities. Responsible leadership can only be measured by past actions, which I plan to continue, and to effectively build on, for the betterment of all Villagers. My commitments also include more open communications between the General Manager and Homeowners, and between the Board and Homeowners.

By Paul Kelwin

The Emergency Service Committee, which guides the almost 300 member ESO organization is becoming more useful with the acquisition of 10 radios that are not on the usually crowded CB (Citizen Band) frequencies. Instead of the CB 26/27 Megahertz band, ESO is on the 462 & 467 Mhz

band. That way a coordinator or alternate will not have to walk or run one, two or, in some villages, 3 blocks to a radio post. Individual villages may contribute to the purchase of a radio price. ESO is equipping the larger villages first. For more information, call Ed Vasquez at 484-256, or the Kelwins at 987-1446. Leisure Village is in

great need of Coordinators (leaders) in Villages 7, 16, 19, 22, 28 and 29. Those villages' "phone trees" and other helpers are all set up and trained, but they need a leader.

The Emergency Service Committee meets in the MPR, 1:30 p.m. Any questions, call 987-1446 or to volunteer as a coordinator, call Cy Boynton at 987-2415.

ART SHOW

Chinese Brush Painting

The Chinese Brush Painting Club will meet June 17 in the MP Room 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The following artists will be showing their work: Luella Kelwin, Marie Burger, Sally Brod, Florence Gilman, and Marie Young.

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Caroline Pratt from
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cluding those at Pt. Mugu and St. John's Regional Hospital in Oxnard. I have received awards and honors for outstanding service in the field of emergency management from the Governor, communities, organizations and businesses. I am an active member of my church and recently participated in the development of search information for a new pastor. I served in my church choir for most of my life.

I belong to the following Village Clubs: Gem and Mineral Club, Keyboard Club, Sing-A-Long Group, Women's Club, and Computer Club. I am an active participant of LVA Travel Committee trips. I proposed, developed and helped implement the village Automated External Defibrillator Program, I am now completing the second year of my first term as a member of the LVA Board of Directors. I am currently President of the LVA Board of Directors and committed to lead and guide Board activity for programs that maintain and improve our Leisure Village life style and property values.

Why Run for the Board? I bring current experience of two years on the Board. As current President of the Leisure Village Association I have demonstrated my capability to lead the Board in significant, positive and productive efforts to achieve the lifestyle and tranquility we are entitled to enjoy. I am willing to expend the time and effort this requires.

Specific Qualifications: I have demonstrated my management skills that I have gained from: 1) My 24 years in management positions

for state and local governments, 2) My experience as a business owner with responsibilities for all facets of business operations, and 3) My demonstrated capability to respect and work with other Board members, Board Committees, and other residents to encourage and allow for maximal participation of residents in program development and critical decisions.

Giving Responsible Leadership: I will: 1) Continue my current ongoing efforts and success in working with a diverse board and still reaching effective compromises; 2) Continue my practice of listening to the concerns of residents and pursuing needed solutions: Continue to support our Leisure Village staff in their pursuit of effective job accomplishments.

Priorities/Goals: 1) Continue my current productive support of budget and cost control; 2) Pursue the continuing upgrading of our recre-

ational facilities; 3) Provide continuing support to the Board's advisory committees and to Village clubs and groups; and 4) Continue to seek ways to gain improvement in the quality of life in Leisure Village. Additionally and specifically I will seek: 1) Much needed decisions on our current water management program; 2) Ways to reduce our current insurance loss assessment which currently is costing the Village and Villagers too much money; 3) Continue to propose and support tighter fiscal controls to effect savings; and, 4) Continue to keep homeowner assessments as low as possible within practical budgeted guidelines.

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Buildings & Grounds: first Thursday, 9:15 a.m. noon, MPR, Lucy Fiore, 482-8393

Channel 8: third Thursday, 9:30 a.m.-noon, Sun Rm., Guy Moshier, 484-2824.

Education & Recreation: second Thursday, 1 - 4 p.m., MPR, Ernie Ohmestedt, 987-2954

Emergency Services: third Tuesday, 1:30 - 4 p.m., MPR, Luella Kelwin, 987-1446

Engineering Advisory Committee: second Thursday, 1:30 p.m., Village Rm. (Annex). Bob Atz, 484-3208

Finance: fourth Wednesday, 1 - 4 p.m., Sun Rm., Dan Olonoff, 482-1331

Insurance: first Thursday, 9 a.m., Sun Rm., Ed Evans, 388-3366

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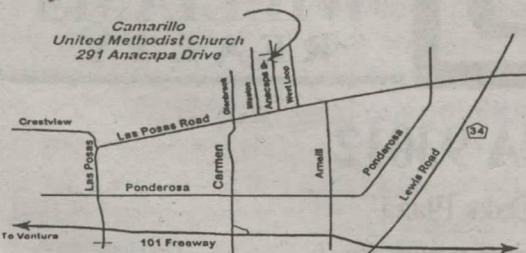
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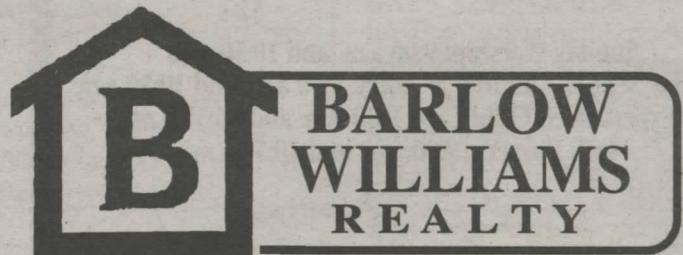
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