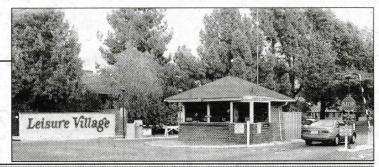
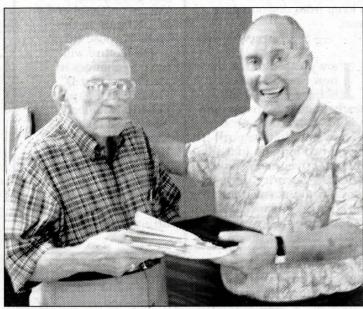
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Levenfeld retires as ILV editor



Gerry Levenfeld, left, hands over the paperwork to the new editor of Inside Leisure Village, Gerry Schulman.

By Joseph Benti

Inside Leisure Village is switching Gerrys.

Gerry Levenfeld is retiring as editor and has been replaced by Gerry Schulman.

Writing for the paper for the past four years, I have developed a healthy respect for Gerry Levenfeld, both as a friend and an editor. I would like to share some of that with you.

At a recent dinner, with Gerry and his wife Betty, I learned more about the depth of experience and erudition, and the amazing and interesting life the couple has lived.

Born in Chicago, Gerry studied engineering and

physics. When World War II began, he joined the Army Signal Corps as a radar technician, a time, he says, "when you couldn't say the word." But he knew enough about the new field that he became an instructor, teaching theory and operational equipment.

Transferred to the Army Air Corps, he was assigned to train crews how to use the device in flight. Then, in Wichita, Kansas, he joined a group modifying radar equipment for use in the B-29 Superfortress. Most of the defensive turrets on the Superforts were operated by hand, but others were aimed automatically by

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As the grandparent of six healthy and active grandchildren, I am often at a loss when they come to visit as to what we can do together. So, from personal experience, I've put a few suggestions on Page 5. Readers who have other ideas, please send them so we can share with others.

In the hope of providing an outlet for differing views on important issues, check out the new "One Side Of The Story" and "The Other Side," which we are inaugurating on Page 3.

We are really happy to have the creative genius of Bob Browne to call on more frequently, as you will see his wonderful cartoons throughout the paper.

On Sunday, Sept. 11, there will be a memorial service held at the parking lot in honor of the people who died in the great tragedy. Guest speaker will be Ventura County Supervisor Kathy Long.

And, a reminder, our policy about letters to the editor has not changed. All letters should be limited to 150 words, be factual and in good taste and not engage in personal attacks. If citing Davis-Stirling or any other law, please include the cited section.

Your editor's pledge

By Gerry Schulman

Editing a monthly newspaper that serves a potential readership of some 3,000 homeowners and residents of our Village is a responsibility that I both welcome and respect.

me: I am Gerry Schulman retired in one sense, but still working and traveling Southern California, from Los Angeles to Bakersfield and places in between.

Like most, I find we are in a world of hustle and bustle with heavy traffic. For you who do not know Yet, the moment I drive

back through the gates of Leisure Village, it all changes. I am home in my own little Shangri-la. The feeling of safety, peace, quiet and the lack of traffic is a feeling unavailable any other place for me.

In short, that feeling is what will motivate me to

see that my Shangri-la becomes just that for all who live here.

I am proud and challenged to think that in some small way, I can try to replace the steady and committed efforts of my prede-

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Meet Lillian Hawthorne

By Jack Whalen

"I graduated from college at age 20, started teaching the following day and discovered that many students were almost my age and everyone was head and shoulders taller than I," says Lillian Hawthorne, whose entire life has revolved around the theme of education.

Lillian was born and

raised in New York City and discovered at an early age that schooling was both enjoyable and challenging. She graduated from New York University with a bachelor's degree and was an honored Phi Beta Kappa.

Teaching was not all this ambitious young lady was doing. She attended



Education has been a constant in Lillian

Please see LILLIAN on 9 Hawthorne's life.

n his article in the July issue of ILV, Bob Koster went to great lengths describing how impartial Channel 25 is

Our experience has been

just the opposite.

We found Channel 25 to be consistently uncooperative when submitting announcements for the **Concerned Homeowners** Club. This was mentioned repeatedly by the club's treasurer during her 3minute presentations at Open Board Meetings. More examples follow:

During the run of CHC's announcement in April, members called to say the announcement was up such a short time they didn't have ample time to read

- May's CHC announcement was pulled the day before the meeting.

- It took three attempts by the publicity chair to get the CHC announcement on Channel 25 in June. It was finally put up for viewing by Mark Smith two days after the power came back on and three days prior to the July meeting.

On a scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being best performance, we'd reluctantly give Channel 25 a 4.

- Sylvia Stoller, Treasurer Ethel Ann Pemberton, Publicity Chair. **Concerned Homeowners** Club

(Editor's note: This club has has its charter revoked by the Board of Directors. This is being published only as a courtesy.)



LV resident Bob Browne draws these cartoons for Inside Leisure Village. Another appears on Page 20.

ou recently published an article about men from outside the Village who attend the Saturday Night Dances to prey on single women residents.

Villagers should be made aware of another class of predators who also appear to be preying on single women. These are supposed building contractors who first get their foot in Village doors through slick telephone contacts with single

women listed in the phone

I know for a fact that some women do not know what to do about the calls, becoming flustered and more susceptible to a con job. I trust you can look into the matter for us.

- Bobbie Comer, V. 38 (Editor's note: Thank vou, Bobbie. We will try to have a report on this subject in next month's issue.)

Then we revise and update our CC&Rs, serious thought should be given to how we deal with disputes involving our resident vol-

Members of Committees are exposed to all sorts of potential problems that can arise between them, other

homeowners and our employees.

As a first step in any dispute that does not involve clear legal liability, I suggest that we try to solve the problem between the parties directly involved.

Also, I suggest that we be lenient with all first-time offenders.

We should understand that we can all improve. We need valuable volunteers, and we should do all we can to keep from discouraging them.

- Sid Alweiss, V. 28

am pleased to see the new Speed Minders. I believe that LV will greatly benefit by reminding us all to watch our speed.

I was told that we purchased two units to judge their effectiveness. I spoke to head of Security, Jim Moore, who informed me that the two Radar Speedreaders have had a very positive effect on the speed in the areas where they have been used.

I would hope that the Village seriously considers purchasing at least another 12 so that they can be used in both directions of our main roads. The cost of the 12 will be approximately \$16,800. Residents and visitors will be pleased that they can be gently reminded if they are exceeding the speed limit. Think of the accomplishments of a dozen more meters stationed at all parts of the roads:

a) The reduction of speeders without the fright and embarrassment of a security car with its blinking lights.

b) A safer community with better use of its securitv guards.

c) Savings of one or two police officers at a cost of about \$30,000 to \$60,000 annually.

Medicare forum **By Mitzi Ettinger**

A Medicare Outreach Seminar is being brought to Leisure Village by the Education and Recreation Committee.

Dennis Jurcak, a trained volunteer with the County of Ventura Area Agency on Aging, will be in Leisure Village on October 14 at 1:30 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room.

His lecture will include changes in Medicare "Part D" Prescription Drug Benefits, Medicare Advantage Plans: Kaiser, Secure Horizon, Scan, Limited Income Subsidies and much more.

For more information, please call Mitzi Ettinger at 482-8361.

d) Most importantly, the peace of mind that we have accomplished everything that makes Leisure Village more pleasurable and the envy of all other retirement communities, and that we have a security force that be more available in the event of emergencies.

Let us invest to bring Leisure Village to the 21st century. We have a chance to make our community a model of efficiency, safety and security for all other retirement communities.

- Allan Budoff, V. 33

Letters

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

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About next month's issue

The Display Advertising deadline for the October 2005 issue will be Monday, September 12, at 5 p.m. Deadline for letters, club news, stories, photos and classified ads is Saturday, September 17, at 5 p.m. Publication is scheduled for October 7. 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.

One side of the story

By Ethel Ann Pemberton

Because of the many inaccuracies contained in Joseph Benti's article in the August edition of Inside Leisure Village, I feel compelled to respond.

The headline itself is not true: Lansing, Duke fail to show up at hearing. The truth is: Lansing and Duke both showed up at the hearing. Neither took part in it because they were not notified prior to the hearing that their accuser would not be attending. Ms. Duke requested her hearing be held at a working board meeting because she has nothing to hide.

Ms. Duke explained her position to the Board before

leaving the hearing:

"1) The Board of Directors had failed to notify me that the accuser and his witness would not be in attendance.

"2) The Board also had failed to notify me that the rules for Executive Session differed from Working Board in that my accuser and his witness would not have to attend.

"3) I was not told of my accuser's name, and some things were blacked out of his statement.

"4) I was not made aware until that meeting that my name was mentioned several times in the accuser's statements against Mr. Lansing.

"Not knowing the con-

tents of my accuser's statements with respect to Mr. Lansing, and of the charges made against me in them, there was no way I could have been prepared to respond to those remarks involving me. I feel I should have had access to that information, and any and all witness statements, prior to any meeting in which I will be testifying."

Mr. Benti, a seasoned newsman, attended the hearing. If he had intended to write an impartial and unbiased article, he would have included Ms. Duke's remarks.

Also, Benti failed to report that the accuser merely signed a statement — not a formal complaint.

And the accuser did not include in his statement a declaration as to its truthfulness under penalty of perjury.

In addition, Benti reported that another employee supported the allegations against Duke. Actually, the witness said in his statement that he did not hear the conversation that took place between Ms. Duke and the accuser. Is this the corroboration Benti refers to?

Another very significant point: If there was an employee complaint, why didn't the General Manager take appropriate action and call Duke and Lansing into his office to resolve the matter with the accuser? If this incident had been han-

dled properly by the General Manager, there would have been no need to pay a lawyer anything.

Until a hearing, now set for August 15, is held and the facts are in, ILV and its staff should not pre-judge the parties or try to influence public opinion.

Does Benti feel his appointment to the new committee to oversee CC&R revisions and his appointment to the Ombudsman Committee give him the license to insult homeowners who have volunteered years of their time and energy for the betterment of Leisure Village?

(Ethel Ann Pemberton is an author and journalist.)

The other side

By Joseph Benti

Before responding to Ms. Pemberton's so-called "rebuttal" to last month's article about Ted Lansing and Donna Duke appearing before the July Working Board Meeting, I sincerely apologize to Ted and Ms. Duke for failing to catch the grossly erroneous headline attached to my story.

The incorrect headline was caused by a familiar problem: too little space combined with too little time. The space was too small for the headline I wrote, "Duke and Lansing refuse hearing." As a result, it was changed, not by me. And those who normally double-check the headlines simply had too little time to spot the error. That's it no plot, no conspiracy, no attempt to embarrass anybody.

Ms. Pemberton accuses me of not reporting Ms. Duke's defense. How could I? It was not said at the July meeting. Even Ms. Duke told me she was upset that I did not use her defense which, I repeat, was not presented until the August meeting.

The same is true of the allegations the Chair read

against both Ted and Ms. Duke. Again, because of our deadline, two weeks before you actually read this paper. I only used what was read at the meeting. And my quotes from Bob Koster came from an earlier story in which he had responded to charges that Channel 25 had edited Candidates' Night videos.

At first, I was going to answer Ms. Pemberton, one charge at a time. However, after attending the August Working Board Meeting, I decided that would not achieve much. Instead, I hope to take a broader view, to avoid getting sucked into the familiar Village vortex of charges and counter-charges that freeze so many of us into two distinct groups on some issues and divide us completely on the big issues.

One is represented mostly by the majority of the elected Board which has the legal right and responsibility to manage every aspect of our Association. That power, within legal limits, is what separates living in this Association (a corporation, of which we are all stockholders), from living outside the gates —there the controls are in the hands of

elected officials who govern and are governed differently, but whose laws and processes we must also obey.

The second major group seems to be represented by Ms. Pemberton, Ms. Duke and many who were members of the now charter-less Concerned Homeowners' Club.

Between the two groups, one detects deep-seated ani-

mosities, suspicions and bitterness often playing themselves out in elections and other controversies.

A third group of Villagers doesn't give a fig for any of it, and probably wishes the others would just get on with enjoyed life and retirement. To them, the constant bickering and controversy is both frustrating and puzzling, when, as our new editor says, we live in a

Shangri-la..

Since both Ms. Duke and Ms. Pemberton served on previous Boards, and they have strong personalities, positions and outspoken supporters on many issues, as does the majority of the current board, the Village seems always fated to play out their differences as though they are irreconcil-

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In memoriam

Howard Lemieux, V. 11 Lucille White, V. 42 Ruth Noyes, V. 23 James "Jim" Edwards, V. 31 Arnold Burlage, formerly V. 11, original LV pioneer. Elma Goldberg, V. 17 Sidney Silversher, V. 23

For memoriams, call Flo Doctrow at 389-8964.

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hank you so much for all the cards and phone calls my husband David received during his recent illness. I want to especially thank all my good friends for the rides to the hospital and doctors. You are all very special.

- Helene Haleman, V. 11

harlie and I wish to thank Leisure Village and the many-friends with whom we enjoyed so many happy times and the many times we have been supported by them when we were in

Leisure Village was truly

Ruth Sacks, V. 42

The Camarillo Health Care District, in coopera-

By Flo Doctrow

tion with the Leisure Village Education & Recreation Committee, will host a forum to discuss the importance of having an up-todate, signed and notarized Advance Health Care Directive on Tuesday, September 27, from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room.

Camarillo attorney David

Edsall will speak on the legal issues surrounding Advance Health Care Directives, including why it is important for you to select the person who will make your decisions for you, and what could happen if you do not have a directive.

Advance Health Care Directive

topic of Sept. 27 forum in MPR

Also, David Knapp, Chaplain at St. John's Pleasant Valley Hospital, will help discuss the many issues faced by families during health crises.

Mr. Edsall, a local estate planning attorney for 26 years, will help you understand your health care situation. He will help you fill out the Advance Health Care Directive at the forum and will notarize it while you wait. The form will be free of charge to the first 35 people attending the forum.

All are welcome. For additional information. please call Flo Doctrow at 389-8964.

a haven for us both, and we leave with these very fond memories. Our failing health dictates a move into Alma Via, and we are looking forward to a much less stressful life.

Charlie and Mary Pezzotti, V. 33

he family of Mary Talan wishes to thank all those who sent their condolences and who made donations to various organizations in memory of Mary

Your kindness brought a ray of sunshine to her family. Our deepest thanks.

Michael Talan,

Next 55 Alive driving course Sept. 15, 16

By Naomi Balfour

The next 55 Alive Safe Driving class will be held in the Multi-Purpose Room on September 15 and 16 from 1 to 5 p.m.

All Village residents who are licensed drivers are encouraged to take this class every three years to stay up to date on safe driving. You will also receive a discount on automobile insurance according to California law.

For those who are 70 years old or past and need to renew their drivers license soon, the course will be helpful to prepare for passing the written test required by the Department

of Motor Vehicles.

Only 30 people may take the class at one time. You must be pre-registered and pre-paid. The cost is \$10 per person.

For more information or to register, call Naomi Balfour at 987-9851 or Ruth Miller at 987-8162.

Are you worried about those senior moments? Learn more

By Lillian Mankoff

The Education and Recreation Committee has arranged for Linda Sharp, Director of Education for the Central Coast Division of the Alzheimer's Association's Ventura Office, to meet with us again on Friday, Sept. 30, from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose

She will clarify for us whether these "senior moments" are normal or indicative of a more serious problem.

Linda Sharp is extremely knowledgeable about this aspect of the aging process. She is a very interesting speaker and has attracted many Villagers to her lectures.

Register in person in the Rec. Center office or call 482-8961 to reserve your place. Watch Channel 25 for further details.

Any questions? Come and have them answered.



Where to take grandchildren

By Gerry Schulman

There are a number of places to take young grandchildren when they come to visit. The following places will give you and your grandchildren a great deal of pleasure:

 Underwood Family Farms: This is an actual farm where your grandchildren can actually pick their own vegetables and fruits. There are also a number of farm animals at the farm.

The Farm is about 10 minutes from Leisure Village. Take Santa Rosa Road about 7 miles to Moorpark Road, make a left and then after a quarter mile, make a right onto Sunset Valley Road and follow it to the farm.

ideal place for the children to learn how to husk corn. After you purchase the corn, there is a place to husk the corn. My grandchildren loved husking the

This is about a quarter mile further than Underwood Farms on Sunset Valley Road.

· Golf n' Stuff: This is an amusement park with two 18-hole miniature golf courses, bumper cars, bumper boats, go carts and a laser tag area.

The park is about 15 minutes from Leisure Village. Take the 101 north and exit at Victoria. Go north, and the park is there.

• Farmers Market: Every Saturday morning, the

• Valley Farms: This is an farmers bring their produce and flowers to Camarillo. The grandchildren have an opportunity to talk to the farmers and select their own items. It is a wonderful experience for children and adults.

> Go to Arneil Road and turn left across the freeway and turn right on Ventura Boulevard. It is about half a mile on the left. It is about 10 minutes from Leisure Village.

• Swimming: Do not forget our beautiful swimming pool. The hours for children are from noon to 1:45 p.m.

All of the above are wonderful things to do with your grandchildren. They are all nearby. Take advantage.

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able.

Now, beyond the facts, over which Ms. Pemberton and I probably could have polite and reasonable disagreement, Ms. Pemberton has targeted me, implying motives that I do not have, using clever shadings and innuendoes in a style that passes for discussion in much of our "Village polities."

When that's the context. it's hard to see one another as a good neighbor, sharing the best interests of our community. Gone is the sense that our interests are and should be mutual.

Those feelings help to motivate the hundreds of volunteers who make our community better. I like to think of myself as one of them. That's why I work on this publication and serve on three committees, two of which Ms. Pemberton dragged into this "rebuttal,", raising suspicions about what motivates my volunteering to help revise the CC&Rs.

It is a red herring, a device that forces me to reassure my fellow Villagers

that I would not, as Ms. Pemberton implies, use whatever responsibility my service incurs as, "the license to insult" anybody!

Such devices, unconscious or not, are intended to damage, to create doubt about one's character and integrity, to "influence" the opinions of Villagers just enough to sow seeds of suspicion about me and my motives

As a self-described "author/journalist," Ms. Pemberton knows exactly what effect and influence she intended with the rhetorical questions and attacks on my arguable failings in my reporting of the Lansing-Duke dispute with an employee.

But the best way to deal

with this is for me to assume that most Villagers are fair-minded and to trust their judgment and intelligence to see through to the intent of that letter.

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Relive LA's glory days on Sept. 11 By Bob Koster

Many Leisure Village residents came from the area, or at least lived in Los Angeles for awhile prior to moving to our Camarillo Paradise.

Many came during the period that Sir Winston Churchill referred to as "the late unpleasantness, second version." Many were in the armed forces, many worked in the arms factories in the vicinity.

Whatever the reason, many of us were here during the '30s, '40s, '50s and onward. I was born in Los Angeles, as was Sarah, my wife.

Our memories from the earlier years go to Los Angeles sights that appear here no longer.

Gilmore Field, where the Hollywood Stars baseball team played, is now a park.

Many of us know the grass strip down the center of Sunset Boulevard in Beverly Hills. When Sarah and I were young, that was not grass; it was a bridle path. Some folks who lived in Beverly Hills owned horses, and on a Sunday morning, one could see equestrians riding their steeds down the center of Sunset Boulevard as well as on Rodeo Drive (Wonder where that name came from?) and Canon Drive.

There were also the Helmsmen.

Early in the morning, a van from the Helms Bakery would come to our neighborhood. The driver would blow his distinctive whistle, and kids and moms would go out to buy fresh, hot bread, rolls, jelly donuts, and, my favorite, cream puffs. Somehow, there was a heating element in the back of the truck that kept these goodies warm when desired. And the drivers drove standing up!

About 15 or 20 years ago, KCET, our local public television outlet, produced a set of films, with Ralph Story narrating, recalling these "Things That Are No Longer Here." They were items and



The Helmsmen, drivers for the Helms Bakery vans, were once a common sight in the Los Angeles area.

places from Los Angeles' past. Some have been revived, such as Angels Flight, but most won't ever be seen again, like the ostrich farm and Gilmore Auditorium, where my folks took me every year to see the Ice Follies, among other amusements.

Our show will recount those wonderful days of yesteryear. This show is a real treat for those who were here to witness these things, and a source of wonder and amusement for those who were raised elsewhere and never realized what a rich culture we had here in the early years. This show will take place on Sunday, Sept. 11, at 7 p.m. in the AR.

In the mid to late 1920s, the silent film reached its apex. With spectacular directors such as Cecil B. de Mille, and masters of the subtle cocked eyebrow, like

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Ernst Lubitsch, movies had not only become a staple of American life but also were amusing audiences the world over. Film, or cinema, was a universal language. Audiences in France, Germany, South Africa and Argentina could as easily understand and appreciate a movie from anywhere. because the film was not tied to the spoken word that would need translating.

Warner Brothers changed all that with one movie: "The Jazz Singer." They also showcased the remarkable talent of one of America's greatest entertainers, Al Jolson. Truth be told, there was not much sync sound in the film -

just a few musical numbers and some improvised dialogue. But the fact that Jolson actually spoke and sang on screen electrified audiences. Soon the rush was on to make every film a sound film, and the silent era was left to history.

I have received enough requests for this historical artifact that I guess it's about time to show the movie that changed the world. This will be shown on Sunday, Oct. 9, in the AR at 7 p.m. The usual popcorn, punch and coffee will be present, as will Luciano to pop the corn and Ron to hand out hearing aids. They're two wonderful helpers who have quietly and efficiently been helping me with these screenings for a few years now.

See you at the movies!

JEWISH DANCE

By Walter Greenberg

The Jewish New Year dance will be held Saturday, Oct. 15, from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. The Wyatt Haupt Band will perform. Finger foods will be greatly appreciated. We will serve coffee, tea, punch and special refreshments. BYOB.

Donations of \$5 each will be accepted and are payable by check to LV Maccabees. Reserve your tables and seats. Let us know about special occasions.

Tickets will be sold Tuesday and Thursday from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and Wednesday from 1 to 3 p.m. starting Tuesday, Sept. 27.

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A problem with news

By Joseph Benti

The current controversy over harassment charges by a Village employee against two residents who deny everything the employee charges seems like a perfect story for traditional news coverage.

However, because Inside Leisure Village is a monthly newspaper, and because it relies on an all-volunteer staff, it simply may not be possible to report such a story fairly, accurately and responsibly.

Even though we publish only once a month, the pressures of time and space for news create for us the same problems as they do for all news media. That's often what causes regrettable errors. It also explains why all the facts are simply unknowable or unavailable at the time most stories are written and a paper is printed.

More than that, the stories are based on what people say, and when you distill most of it, you are left trying to make sense out of human behavior, with its complicated, tortured explanations often wrapped in contradictory and unfathomable motives.

Despite television's Fox News knighting itself with the slogan, "Fair and Balanced," the truth, from this reporter's nearly half a century of experience, is that in the day-to-day world, Fox News is too often unfair and unbalanced.

Still, no matter how elu-

sive and sometimes impossible it is to achieve those two goals, most professional journalists and enterprises work hard to do it.

Because of the inherent problems that face all news coverage, and their specific application to our efforts to cover those occasional "real" news stories in the Village, more often than not, this publication may find it is better for all concerned to leave some stories unreported as they are unfolding. That is probably better than risking reporting them incorrectly or in a way that harms any of the parties, most of all, the truth.

For those residents and homeowners concerned about the Village's day-to-day problems, it will take more than griping and complaining about things we don't like. As was noted during the Vietnam Era, "If you're not part of the solution, you're part of the problem."

This Village Board of Directors takes its one from "volunteer" committees. Everything percolates up. So, to change something, either take it to a committee or join one.

No amount of reporting, good or bad, can be that powerful.

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Better breathing classes will resume in October

By Lorraine Comer

All of us who attended the last Better Breathing session agreed to take off until October. We also promised to practice good breathing techniques so that we can conserve our energy to use for fun. All that said, remember we will all be together again the second Wednesday, October 12, at 10 a.m. in the Garden Room.

One more thing: If you have a question that you think I can help with, please do not hesitate to call me.

See you all in October!

Ira Hirsh: A man of many characters

Meet Ira Hirsh, also known as Horace Van Der Gelder in "Hello, Dolly!" and Colonel Purdy in "Tea House of the August Moon."

His voice and demeanor were an instant clue to why he played those two roles and why he did them so well. Ira has a way of projecting his voice that made him an instant fit for those roles.

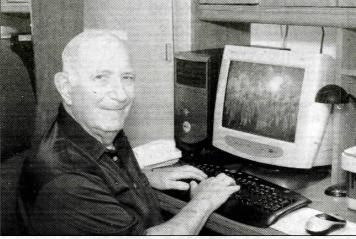
The interview with Ira was a stroll down his Memory Lane as he recounted when he decided that he would like to be in the theater and the many detours that kept him from achieving that goal until he moved to the Village four years ago.

Ira Marvin Hirsh (his wife still calls him Marvin, the name he used when she met him) was born in The Bronx. He always wanted to be on the stage. In high school he worked on the high school paper, was a photographer and studied creative writing in an effort to get closer to being a press photographer on his way to being on the stage.

He entered the clerical field upon graduation from high school and was quickly converted to bookkeeping.

In 1950, he was drafted (he had joined the National Guard in 1947). He served at Fort Wadsworth on Staten Island, guarding the river — except for a brief trip to Texas for training — in an anti-aircraft artillery unit guarding New York City from air attack during the Korean War.

He married Dorothy in 1950, and when he came out of the service, he needed a job. He thought being a draftsman had appeal and was hired by TelAutograph Company, formed in 1888 by Elijah Gray, a contemporary of Alexander Bell. The company had a process which aided companies to communicate electronically within the company. The company transferred him to Los Angeles, and he and Dorothy moved here because, in the back of his mind, he was hoping to



Ira Hirsh is well-known to many who attend Players Guild performances.

enter the stage or movies.

This job led to one in data processing, which had Ira moving all around the United States with his wife and two sons in tow. He finally settled in Leisure Village in 2001, where, at last, his desire to be on stage would be realized.

Ira's desire to become a stage performer was first realized in the Village when he tried out for a set of skits presented by the Players Guild in October, 2001. Producer Miriam Hasen encouraged him. This was followed in February 2002 when he appeared in "How the West was Won."

Ira competed in the reading for Colonel Purdy in "Tea House of the August Moon," and Director Joan Johnson chose him for the role. The accompanying picture, in which Ira displays himself wearing the Colonel Purdy uniform, exemplifies why the role fit him so well. There was a 73-page script, and he had to memorize the better part of 60 pages of dialogue.

Ira describes being in the Player's Guild as a labor of love. And at that point in the interview, he broke out into the song he sang in "Hello, Dolly!" "It takes a Woman." He spent four to five months studying the script, becoming someone else. He not only records his own words on the computer, but in falsetto he reads in the dialogue of the

other person in the skit. He stated that the last line of his dialogue was crucial, because that line served as an introduction for the other person whose dialogue followed his.

At this point in the interview, Ira's wife came in.
Although she was born in Brooklyn and he was born in the Bronx, they met at the Riverside Plaza Hotel in Manhattan, thus bringing the two boroughs together.

In their home, Dorothy's paintings, as well as her sculpting efforts, are displayed. They are beautiful. This is truly a talented couple.

As we were finishing the interview, Ira remembered that he had played the part of a tooth when he was in first grade. He still remembered his line, "Look, the first vegetables are coming."

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By Flo Budoff

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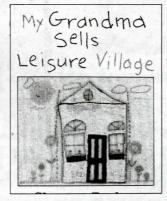


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night classes at Columbia University and obtained her master's degree.

After two years of teaching secondary school English and social studies, she took several years off to get married and have two daughters. Her husband, Ed, was an aerospace engineer and scientist, and, over the next few years, assignments took the family to locations in Pennsylvania and Massachusetts. Lillian taught at schools in these states while Ed helped send men and machines to the moon and beyond.

A moment Lillian will never forget is when she paid a return visit to a former high school teacher who reminded her that, "Life is a school, and it's always in session."

In 1961 the family moved to Los Angeles, where Ed was appointed chief scientist for Hughes Aircraft, aerospace division. Lillian continued teaching English at the secondary school level and then, lo and behold, after 20 years' teaching, she suddenly made a career change.

"I wanted to be a learner as well as a teacher all my life, and here was a great opportunity. Many seniors are either bored or boring, and I was determined not to be either of those," she states.

It was then that she began a new career in social work. Starting as a case worker for the Los Angeles Department of Social Services, she soon received a grant to go to the USC School of Social Work, where she earned her master's in social work.

It did not take Lillian long to become a supervisor with the Los Angeles Department of Social Services, and after a few years, she joined the faculty at USC, first as assistant professor and later as assistant dean.

In 1987, Lillian and Ed moved to Leisure Village. For 10 years, she was an active member of the Education & Recreation Committee, contributed articles to inside Leisure Village for a number of years, has been for 10 years and is still the Chair of the Current Issues Forum, and again, for the past 10 years, still does a monthly book review over our closed-circuit Channel 25.

Outside the Village,
Lillian developed and supervised the Ventura County
Senior Peer counseling program, coordinated a social
work program with the
USC/Ventura County
Department of Mental
Health, was a columnist for
Senior World, lectured at
California Lutheran
University and was, until
recently, on the advisory
board for California State
University, Channel Islands

Now to the third of her careers: as an author. In 1998 she authored a book titled, "Finishing Touches," which is a collection of essays she wrote for a publication a few years ago. It involves the personal view of being a senior. For example: How do I feel when they give me a senior discount when I did not even ask for it?

Two years ago, she published her second book, titled "Sisters and Brothers," telling us of the, in most cases, longest relationship we experience: that between sisters and brothers, and how truly meaningful it can be.

Her third book will be released early in 2006 and is titled, "Husbands and Wives: All These Years."

Her awards include the "Women Of Valor" from Temple Ner Ami in 2003, and she is also listed in "Who's Who in American Women" and received the Lifetime Achievement Award in Social Work from Ventura County.

Both of her daughters seem to be following in their mother's footsteps. Barbara, the eldest, is a clinical social worker and teacher at Fordham University in New York City, while Fran is an investigative journalist and author of three books.

Lillian's drive for educational excellence may well be explained by the phrase, "It's not the years in my life, but the life in my years that count."



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radar. His efforts involved the war in the Pacific and were directly related to helping the B-29s complete successful missions over Japan.

One assignment involved equipping the B-29 that photographed the original atomic bomb mission over Hiroshima. Gerry's team was responsible for rigging the cameras in the bomb bay so that, once over the target, the pilot would open the bays to allow the downward-pointing cameras to capture the complete effect of the bombing.

Like many a sailor who never to went to sea, Gerry never flew, focusing only on how to mount cameras in the air but never getting actually to use them.

In June of 1943, Gerry and Betty were married in Florida.

After the war, the couple returned to Chicago, where he was hired by a technical engineering firm in the sales department and eventually ended up writing for the advertising department, taking night courses in writing and advertising at Northwestern University, becoming, finally, the manager of the advertising department.

From there, Kling Studios hired him to run their technical writing, one of the most difficult forms of writing. Gerry's mastery of that task led to his being put in charge of writing technical manuals for other companies. One was for the General Electric engine plant in Cincinnati, which eventually led to his writing their technical manuals, including the drawings of the machinery, exploded views, etc.

Gerry moved on to one of the country's largest industrial electronic parts distributors to manage its advertising and merchandising division, where he produced an annual 600- to 700-page catalog. He stayed there until 1969.

Next, until 1976, Gerry and Betty ran their own electronic distribution business which they sold to move to the West Coast to be closer to their offspring.

His first retirement was brief, if nothing else. He returned to work for Macy's in their electronic department where he sold parts to Lockheed and other companies. The engineers from those companies would come into Gerry's department at Macy's just to see the latest toys. At the time, Gerry was Macy's oldest employee, until 1994 when they moved to Camarillo,

"to live here in Paradise."

While Gerry was giving Macy's a lesson in corporate excellence, Betty worked at one of the world's foremost weather prediction services, Ocean Routes, staying there for 18 years, providing accurate weather information services to airlines and shipping firms for international flights and traffic along the world's sea lanes.

Betty started that job at a fascinating and crucial time for meteorologists. The company would get weather reports from various ships at sea, from airplanes, from anywhere and everywhere a reporting unit was available. Then, from their scattered sources, Betty and her coworkers would piece together accurate charts to track all manner of storms, from hurricanes to monsoons and typhoons.

During Betty's tenure, weather satellites began to give meteorologists much more accurate views of storms at sea, or on land, showing exactly where any storm was at any given time, its direction and speed so that warnings to probable victims could be made with greater accuracy and warning time. In fact, finally, Ocean Routes had its own satellite.

Betty watched the maturing of meteorology from a particularly wonderful van-

Blood pressure clinic changed

Blood pressure will be taken a week later in September, on Sept. 12.,

from 6:30 to 8 p.m. The room has been changed to the Sun Room.

tage point, retiring at the same time Gerry left Macy's, moving to Camarillo to grace our Village with their talent.

Gerry started working on the paper when Lois Atz was editor, back in 1994. He stayed on, contributing to the paper and its layout until about 2001, when he left to pursue other interests. At that time, Sandy Okum was editing. When Sandy died in 2003, Gerry stepped back in and started editing again.

They first moved to California to watch their grandchildren grow up. Now they are moving back to the Sunnyvale area for a repeat performance from their 5-month-old greatgranddaughter.

Inside Leisure Village has profited from Gerry's innate fairness and wonderful sense of syntax, and we will surely miss him. The Village as a whole will miss both Betty and Gerry. Their warm humor and calm disposition were welcome attributes. They leave an indelible mark.

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Travelena returns to Village

By Jim H. Brown

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Fred recently returned from a command performance for the USO in Bosnia and entertained thousands of our troops stationed there. His ability to bring his comedy, songs and impressions delighted the troops, and he has been asked to continue, as the great Bob Hope did for so many years.

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The Hollywood Holiday Concert on November 6 will capture the true spirit of the season for everyone living in Leisure Village. It includes Fred's original music and his impressions of Hollywood stars from film, television and radio.



Fred Travelena will perform in the AR on November 6.

You'll hear Elvis, President Bush and eight other past presidents, along with Paul McCartney, Andy Williams, Wayne Newton, Robert DeNiro, Joe Pesci and many other stars.

Also, Fred reveals his special salute to American veterans and his Hollywood version of "The Twelve Days of Christmas." He'll also perform his newest single, "The Spirit of America," not to mention the special "appearance" of Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin

singing, "Silent Night."

Look for ticket information in October on Channel 25 and in the next edition of Inside Leisure Village.

Roz Feldman will again handle tickets. Call her at 383-6566 after 9 a.m. for more information. We promise a veteran crew to handle the sound and taping of this show.

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Shakespeare Club

By Sheldon Ziff

The Shakespeare Club will meet Friday, Sept. 9, at 1 p.m. in the Sun Room. We will view Act III of "Julius Caesar."

Music Appreciation

By Roger Kramer

The Music Appreciation Club will meet on Friday, Sept. 2, in the MPR at 10 a.m. Paul Treitman will , present a program of commentary, interpretation and rude interruption of Rossini's "Barber of Seville' highlights.

The Moorpark String Ensemble will perform on Sunday, Oct. 23, at 2 p.m. in the AR. The concert is free to all Villagers. Don't miss this entertaining group playing light classics and Broadway show tunes.

..V. New York Club

By Gerry Schulman

There was no meeting in August. The pienie on August 14, as usual, was a large success: Thanks to all the volunteers. They are the heart and soul of our club.

October 5 will be the anniversary party for members only.

Our travel group has planned a number of wonderful events. The travel group consists of Marilyn Williams, Irene Garry, Selma Frost and Irv Jacobs. Contact them for information on the various trips.

On September 11, there will be a memorial service in the parking lot at 11 a.m. to show respect for those who lost their lives in that great tragedy

Please remember our dues permit us to have all of the events to which you have been accustomed. If you haven't paid, please do.

To all members and especially all of those who volunteer for our events: Thank you and keep up the good work.

LV Travel

By Eugene Foxman

Your Travel Committee has a variety of trips for your enjoyment.

For September, there are trips to the Grand Canyon and the Laughlin Flamingo Hotel and Casino.

October will find us at the Oktoberfest at the Alpine Village in Torrance and at the Las Vegas Stardust Hotel and Casino. We still have space for a revisit to the King Tut exhibit and to the Laughlin Edgewater Hotel and Casino.

A very special Hawaiian Island cruise is available for October 2006.

Information regarding all these trips is waiting for you in the Travel Office. We are open from 9 to 11:45 a.m. every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. There are also bulletins posted in the Rec Center and on Channel

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This is a great way to have fun, meet people and get in shape. We have a wonderful instructor and a great group of people in the class. We meet every Wednesday in the AR from 9 to 10 a.m.

Everyone is welcome, so why not give the class a

For additional information, please contact the Temple Office

try? Hope to see you there.

Players Guild

By Stan Reshes

The next meeting of the Players Guild will present a special program that all of us in Leisure Village can relate to: "The '40s Memorable Years of America's Greatest Generation.'

The decade of the '40s encompassed the Big Band Era with jitterbug dancing and bobby-soxers swooning over the likes of Bing Crosby, Frank Sinatra and Perry Como. And then, Pearl Harbor and America's entry into World War II.

This program, produced by Gene Valentino and directed by Ginny Naspo, will document this era with the music and narration of this incredible decade.

Mark your calendar: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, September

15, in the AR. As always, refreshments will be served after the show.

Garden Club

By Naomi Balfour

The Garden Club will meet on September 15 at 9:30 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room.

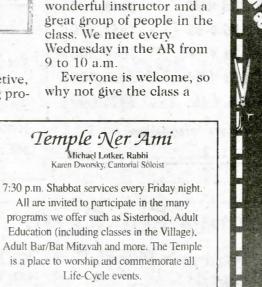
After a bit of socializing and sharing treats, Mary Jo Mitchel from Camrosa Water District will speak about beauty with ease in the Village with natural plants that use less water. This should be of interest to all, and guests are welcome.

Happy Hoofers

By Ida Zeller

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So, if you have a basic tap background, why don't you join us? You'll find us in the AR every Thursday morning from 9:30 to 10:30.

Tap dancing is a great way to exercise, burn calories and give the old brain a bit of a workout too.

Any questions, call 484-

RV Club

By Bill Gardner

Our July Dine-out was at Chester's, serving Oriental food, located on Arniel Road in Camarillo. The food was great, the service was great and every one of the 50plus members had a great time. Grace and Johnnie Beach hosted this.

Our August Dine-out was at a Mexican restaurant.

The September Dine-out will be at Jessica's Cafe in Camarillo. Jim and Carol Cooke are the hosts and have the tickets available for purchase in advance. Reservations are necessary.

Our August 16 meeting was for the planning of our Annual Picnic to be held October 8 in the barbecue area of Leisure Village. The traditional hamburgers, hot dogs, potato salad and chips and drinks will be the fare of the day. We will have a golf putting contest, horseshoes and other activities.

The next campout will be a four-day event at Valencia Travel Village. Bette and Roger Williams are the campground host, and they will plan some interesting activities for the time we are there. We are planning to have 12 to 15 rigs attending this outing.

If you would like to attend our picnic, tickets must be purchased in advance from one of our RV members. Hope you can make it or any of our meet-

ings. We meet the third Tuesday of the month in the MPR at 7:30 p.m.

Billiard Club

By Jack Quinn

It's that time again! Mark your calendar for the Billiard Club's annual Open House on Tuesday, Sept. 20. This event will be held on the patio next to the Billiard Room facing the west parking lot.

The Billiard Club welcomes all Leisure Village residents, club members and non-members to this open house for cake, champagne and other goodies.

This is a great time to meet new friends and maybe watch an exciting pool game or challenge someone to a game.

The only cost is that we ask you to have a nice time with us. Looking forward to seeing you there.

L.V. Exercise Group

By Milt Mankoff

The Leisure Village Exercise Group continues to attract many new residents to its morning program. This is a great way to make new friends while

enjoying the refreshing exercises

This program was designed by physical therapists especially for senior adults. Exercises are demonstrated by volunteer leaders. Audio tapes are available for use at home or while traveling.

A number of social activities are planned each year. The next big event is the Gala Halloween Potluck Dinner on Friday, Oct. 28, in the Assembly Room. Each table makes up its own menu, ensuring that attendees get their favorite foods without standing in line. Prizes are awarded for the most outstanding costumes and a "Member Of The Year" will be honored. Space is limited, so make reservations now with President Shiphrah Maller.

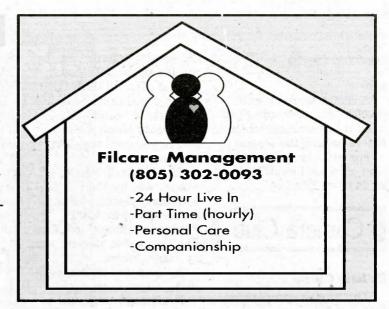
Exercises are held Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 9 a.m. at the Pool Pavilion. Annual dues are only \$4, and all residents are welcome at the Leisure Village Exercise

L.V. Bowling League

By Lucy Fiore

Our sign-up meeting went well, and we are looking forward to a great sea-

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For questions or information, contact Lloyd Snider at 445-9442.

Camera Club

By Jerry Cohen

The August competition featured "Shadows and Reflections" as the assigned category. The entry by Vic Fledge was judged the winner, with Marlene Votion earning second place and Jerry Spector taking third place. Honorable Mentions were by Florence Gilman and Jerry Cohen.

In the "Open" category,

the winning picture was by Bill Robinson, followed in second place by Judy Spector and third place was by Marlene Votion. The Honorable Mentions were by Jerry Cohen and Betty Murray.

The "Digitally Modified" winner was by Vic Fledge, with Jerry Spector earning second place and Bill Robinson taking third place. The Honorable Mention was by Jerry Cohen.

Judging was by professional Chris Zsarnay.

Everyone is welcome to attend the competitions the first Wednesday of each month and program nights on the third Wednesday of each month. Meetings start at 7:30 p.m. in the MPR, with refreshments following.

Our Camera Club made an impressive showing at the Ventura County Fair's photography exhibit. Jerry

Spector won a first-place ribbon, and Ken Hendrickson earned a second-place ribbon. Honorable Mentions were

awarded to Judy Spector, who earned three, Betty Murray with two, Jerry Spector with two, and Chris Hansen, Kenney Nelson, Don Treadwell and Jack Votion. Congratulations to

Village Painters

By Aurelie Zachary

At our August 3 meeting, we all enjoyed a pastel demonstration by Carol Merrick, an accomplished artist who displays her art in various businesses and teaches at the Senior Center in Ventura. Her technique was inspirational.

The Village Painters who

attend our Art Workshop on how to play, we'll teach you. Monday afternoons have produced some fine paintings that are displayed in the glass case in the breezeway. We also take turns displaying our artwork in the library.

Paintings in the library for the month of September are by Ruthella King and Lorraine Comer.

Bocce Ball

By Fran Cohen

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, Sept. 29, at 6 p.m. in the AR. After the business meeting, we will play bingo. Come and have a fun evening.

Don't forget: We're out on the bocce courts on Monday and Thursday mornings at 10 a.m. If you don't know

Farmers Club

By Marjorie Deniston

The next general meeting will be Friday, Sept. 2, at 2 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose

The Farmers Club Picnic was a huge success. Dorothy Procopenko, chairman for the event, wishes to thank all those who so graciously helped in so many ways. Everyone truly enjoyed good food and good fellow-

And from Garden Supervisor Ivan Bjel, a special thank you to the Patch Patrol who so kindly helped through the past months, tending gardens during

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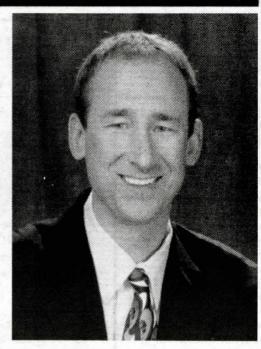
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vacations of gardeners and generally being of service in the garden. Thanks to Hank Claire, Joe Faraker, Jeffrey Cohen, Al Zelman, Joe Dishlip, Jim Cooke and Serge Procopenko, and they will continue their good work to those in the Farmers Club in months to come. When you see them, be sure to say thanks.

Save the dates:

• September 2, General Meeting, Multi-Purpose Room, 2 p.m.

• Friday, October 28, a pumpkin decorating contest will be sponsored by the Farmers Club. Jerry Spector has arranged for the event to be open to the entire Village. The pumpkins will be on display for all to see, and an opportunity will be given to vote on the best in each class, such as the funniest, the most beautiful and the most unusual. More information will be in the next edition. So artists and sculptors, join in and show off your talents.

Women's Club

By JoAnn Burens and Eldora Barton

Our October 6 meeting in the AR at 1:30 p.m. will feature a comedy barbershop quartet, Jest for Phun? This group has been Senior Quartet Champions in the Far Western District Harmony Society. It will be an afternoon in the lighter mood.

The Workshop group is found each Tuesday in the MPR from 9 to 11 a.m. making their special handcrafted items. All handmade items are for sale during these hours also. If you like doing crafts, needlepoint, knitting, etc., we welcome you to be part of this friendly group. Come visit.

A special showing of workshop creations is planned for Tuesday, Nov. 1, at a Holiday Bazaar. Gifts and decorations for all holidays will be on sale. This will be held in MPR from 10

a.m. to 2 p.m.

Writers Club

By Jack Burger

We meet every Monday in the Sun Room at 1 p.m. We regretfully cannot meet on Monday holidays.

Recently there were 16 members enjoying the group. Everyone who brought a story had time to read it and to profit from comments made by other members. Of course, there are several people who just come to be entertained by the stories, poems, lyrics, etc.

Most of us write of our own experiences. Some write newsworthy or health articles. The focus is on caring and sharing. There are no costs connected with our endeavors, and we help one another where possible.

We look forward to greeting you at the next meeting.

Solo Club

By Cleo Cooney

Solo Club members will assemble at the Red Lobster restaurant in Oxnard for our September Dine-Out. The time is 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 8. We will order from the regular menu and receive individual

checks. Call Marion Jayne at 484-5112 for reservations and let her know if you need directions. She will have maps available.

The Brown Bag business meeting will be at 12:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 16, in the Sun Room. Bring your lunch and stay after the 1 p.m. business meeting to play poker.

Veterans Club

By Martin Alfred

The Veterans Club will hold its annual picnic on September 22 at 5 p.m. in the Village picnic area. The menu will be a delicious El Pollo Loco grilled chicken dinner with all the goodies. Price is \$7 per person, in cash please. If you have not bought your ticket yet, call Marty at 389-1610 or Ben Racowsky at 445-8284 before September 19.

Our next regular meeting will be on October 27. Any questions, call Marty.

L.V. Womens Golf Association

By Roberta Dearmore

Results of the Fall Eclectic Tournament held

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18ers: (low gross) Donna Duke: (low net) Ruth Hamilton; A flight (low net) Jan Gerk; B flight (low net) Rosemary Woody.

Congratulations also to all who came in second and third for a wonderful two days of golf.

Our next tournament is the Ringer, played over a four-week period. It runs Sept. 7, 14, 21 and 28.

The next monthly meeting is September 14 at 2 p.m. in the AR. Regulation Golf will be at Victoria Lakes Golf Course in Oxnard on September 15. Cost is \$34, and tee-off is at 8:36 a.m.

The month end features a mixed tournament on September 25, with Men's Golf hosting the 19th Hole Party

Looking forward to seeing all members on the course!

Woodshop

By Martin Alfred

Our committee men continue to be busy helping

residents repair various wood items and assisting with woodworking projects. They are available Tuesday and Wednesday mornings.

We want to stress several important points to all who have keys to the woodshop:

- Residents only are permitted to use the machines.
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Single Active Seniors

By Zelda Greentree

Thank you, thank you, thank you to everyone who helped put on the best picnic ever — especially Bobbie Comer, Anne Haas and Sharon O'Connor. We also can't forget Allen Caldwell, Naomi Brill, Muriel Rosenkranz, Betty Eisenberg and Betty Calhoun. This was our 5th Annual Picnic, and it really was enjoyable to all who

came. Next year - again!

On Sept. 6, the first Tuesday of the month, we will have "News and Views." Please bring items of interest to discuss.

On Sept. 13, we will present an outstanding attorney, Sheri Kurman, who will discuss estate planning, trusts, probate, conservatorship and other subjects of concern to many of us.

"The Upside of Anger" will be shown in the Annex on Sept. 20, and card night will take place on Sept. 27.

Our best wishes for a quick recovery to board member Marion Baxter.

Watch Channel 25 and look for our posters for all of our activities and call Zelda at 389-9694 for more information.

Keyboard Club

By Bill Marvel

The Keyboard Club will present a musical program for the Village on September 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the AR. This will be a similar presentation to the one given earlier this year on February 18.

The regular meeting of the Keyboard Club will take place on Friday, Sept. 23, at 1:30 p.m. in the AR.

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Computer Club

By Bill Robinson

The Computer Club holds its regular meetings in the Assembly Room at 10 a.m. on the fourth Friday of each month. Our featured topic for the September 23 meeting will be "Updating Drivers," an important maintenance job with which all computer users should be familiar. All are welcome. Refreshments will be served Please see CLUB NEWS on 19

by Mary Barkemeyer.

Some regular features that are popular with our members include our "One-On-One" sessions held every Thursday at 3 p.m. in the Computer Room in the Annex. June Hirsh will assign a mentor to Villagers who need help with their computer problems or who have questions about computer use.

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L.V. Mens Golf Association

By Mannie Abbate

Mike Undem, Landscape Superintendent, visited us again at our August meeting. He gave us another update on the corrective work being done on the golf course. He said he would attend our meetings anytime we want him. If you are interested in this project or even if you only want to ask him about the project, you should attend our meetings on the second Tuesday of each month.

The Board has announced that we will have coffee, juice and buns at the first tee on meeting Tuesdays for the rest of this year. There will also be either a putting or chipping contest. This means that the starting time on meeting days will be 8:30 a.m. on these days, while it will be at 8 a.m. on the other Tuesdays.

Some of the information in the 2005-2006 Handbook & Roster has been changed. Rick Secia has taken over the first VP position, and Jack Kirkland has become the Greens Chairman. Larry Teitell is now in charge of the Golf Shack, and Jerry Orth has agreed to be a regular Starter on Tuesdays. This will make Carl Gregory's job a little easier.

Our next regulation tournament will be on Thursday, Sept. 7, at Buenaventura. We will play at Olivas Golf Course on Wednesday, Sept. 28.

The best way to keep up

with the various events available to club members is to watch the bulletin board at the course and to watch Channel 25.

Channel 25

By Jack Whalen

With Monday, Sept. 5, being Labor Day, our monthly Open Board Meeting will be held Tuesday, Sept. 6, at 10 a.m. with a repeat showing Friday, Sept. 9, at 10 a.m.

Monday, Sept. 12, is a long one at 10 a.m. only: "The History Of Leisure Village," running 2 hours, 18 minutes. Then on Friday, Sept. 16, we will repeat this program starting at 5 p.m. This history is worth taping not only for your information, but your children and grandchildren may well enjoy it.

On Wednesday, Sept. 14, both at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., we will feature the 55-minute Players Guild Workshop, "A Nite at the Grand Old Opry House."

Lillian Hawthorne's "Book Review" will show at both 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 19.

On Wednesday, Sept. 21, we will show "Forever Young Singers" by the Womens Club at both 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 22, will

be a special New York Club "9/11 Commemoration," and it promises to be a great tribute!

"Law Talk" is scheduled for Friday, Sept. 23, running 29 minutes, and on Monday, Sept. 26, is the 1-hour, 35minute, "Talents For Murder."

Wednesday, Sept. 28, we'll feature the LV Chorale in a 1-hour, 20.5-minute "Americana Concert."

The scheduling closes on Friday, Sept. 30, with the always popular "What Was My Line?" with Milt Mankoff & Co.

Racquet Club

By Anne Wolfson

The Racquet Club meets the second Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room. All Villagers are invited, especially paddle tennis players, tennis players and table tennis players! Dues are \$5 a year and are payable now to our membership chairman, Kay Bell.

There was no meeting on our regular second Wednesday of the month, as we had a dessert social featuring "The Boogie Woogie Bugle Girls of Company B" on August 21.

Looking forward to seeing

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Saturday Night Dance

By Milan Weiss

The Leisure Village Saturday Night Dance Party continues to "swing" along, with Villagers and guests moving to the music provided by the evening's live music group. It appears that the music group, having played in the AR several times, has "tailored" the music to most dancers' likes. And that's thanks to your many musical requests. Keep it up, friends! You're always in good company at these dances.

The schedule continues as promised: live dance music until further notice.

Here's the September dance schedule: Sept. 3,

Jerry Dokken, \$4; Sept. 10, Music by Choice, Ken & Ginny Baker, \$4; Sept. 17, Tunes R Us, \$4; Sept 24, Moore Music, Danny & Dolores Moore, \$4. All prices are per person, all dates are Saturday nights. The dances start at 7:30 p.m.

Please note that on previously published dance night schedules, Sept. 17 was planned as a Country & Western dance night. This was canceled because the scheduled music group couldn't make the commitment. Don't worry, a Country & Western night will be rescheduled just as soon as a group with boots can be found. It'll happen!

Come on out any
Saturday night you see listed in this ILV article for an evening with friends, some food and fun. And be on a "star watch" — there always seems to be a celebrity pair doing a circular journey around the dance floor. And this holds true for Steven and Nora

Hong. They do the dances as beautiful as Fred and Ginger. And Bill and Sandy Foeller — when they're out there, "Watch 'em, they're great!" These celebrities could be dancing on an MGM musical stage, and we're fortunate to see them dancing in the AR!

International Folk Dancing

By Raye Gabriel

Monday classes are from 1 to 2:30 p.m. in the AR. Valerie Daley is still delighting us in teaching new dances and reviewing ones we knew.

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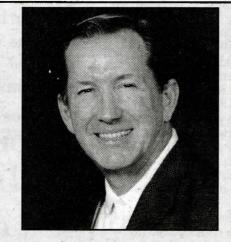
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cessor, Gerry Levenfeld. In his life before coming to the Village, and since living here, as Bob Koster's article shows, Gerry has made contributions for which he and Betty and their children and grandchildren deserve to be extremely proud.

Like so much of life in the Village, this job I am taking on is by choice, and at a pay scale that matches those enjoyed by hundreds of others, from our Board of Directors to the dozens of volunteers who make our committee system work.

Our committee system works due to the dozens of volunteers contributing their various talents. Volunteering is difficult work, with no compensation except the inner satisfaction it sometimes brings.

In fact, the committee system is the place where much that has been controversial in the life of this community can and should be resolved. The Committees often stand out as effective tools available to every resident to achieve the kind of community we want. Whether it is those issues that come up from day to day, or simply our mutual desire to protect and enhance the value of what, for the majority, is the single biggest and most important investment of their

My pledge to you is simple: Inside Leisure Village will continue to keep an eye on the facets of community life that are important to all of us. With a minimum of controversy, we will do all we can to reflect honestly and fairly what, for me, is a community of good people who are blessed to live in a uniquely designed community in a location where even the weather is exquisite, my Shangri-la.

That's not some idle expression I thought up for this column. It is true. Whenever I come home through the gates, that's the feeling I have. My hope is that what contributions we can make through our efforts, we will do nothing to diminish that feeling for all our residents and those who will follow us.

Nothing we do to produce the monthly editions of Inside Leisure Village is a one-person job. This paper is the result of the hard work and commitment of many dedicated people, from those who pick up and process our personal ads, to those who labor over every word with the objective of insuring that each issue satisfies the basic standards of

good taste, that it reflects the vast variety of interests and experiences of our residents and, always, that it presents our many images to our readers in a climate of fairness and full and free expression.

Finally, a word about controversy. While it seems to be a vital part of life here, we hope we can avoid controversy just for the sake of controversy.

There are different opinions on various issues in our Village. My pledge is to permit these different opinions to be expressed, but they should be factual and in good taste. If an important issue is one that has two valid but differing points of view, the paper will publish both views. They will appear on Page 3 of Inside Leisure Village under the heading, "One Side of The Story" and "The Other Side."

We know the saying, 'The road to hell is paved with good intentions." As I begin editing what I hope is "your" newspaper, I can only tell you my intentions. To the best of my ability, I'll do all I can to maintain and improve this important element in our communication with one another.

My pledge is to do all I can to help make my Shangri-la just that for all who live here.

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Square Dance

By Raye Gabriel

Bill Kramer is back to call Tuesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. in the AR.

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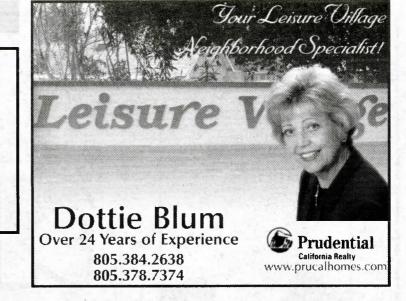
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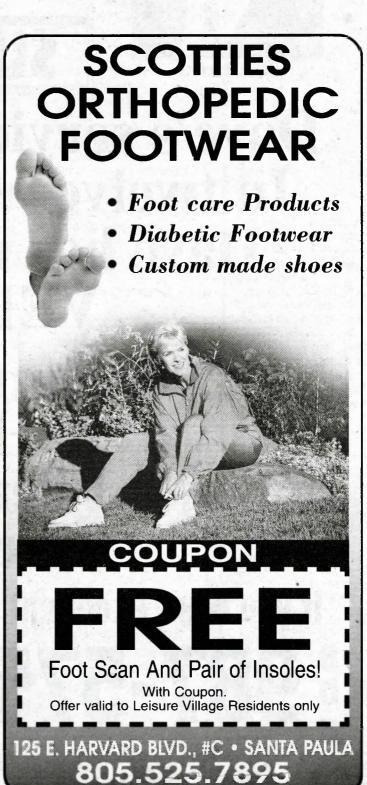
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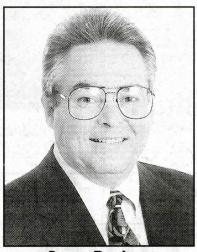
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