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DON'T WAIT GET READY **FOR THE QUAKE** **Isn't That A Gas?**

By Bob Atz

Last month your ESO discussed the need for preparations to be able to respond to circumstances surrounding an earthquake. We outlined steps we must take to prepare ourselves for surviving when we must rely on our own resources such as food, water, etc.

The recent toxic gas spill in the west end of the Simi Valley should remind us that not all emergencies are the result of Mother Nature's vagaries. So...what can we do when confronted with this situation?

First, we must be alerted to the emergency by the local authorities, in this case our Security Dept. Second, close and seal all openings, such as doors and windows. Then try to remain calm because a rapid evacuation of our Village would be virtually impossible. By keeping your avenues of communication open (Ch 12 and the radio) the nature of the emergency and the next steps to be taken will be explained.

Remember, even in the Simi Valley incident there were few injuries and thousands of people were evacuated. For now, it seems that a roll of masking tape would be handy item to add to your preparedness kit.

POOL REPAIRS UNDERWAY



Photo by Novick

New Plaster Must Cure

By Lois Atz

Renovating the LV pool will take longer than originally planned. When the pool was closed and drained in early January for an acid wash and improvements, Village management found that an acid wash would not be sufficient — that a replastering job was needed.

Rec Facilities manager, Richard Mathes, had told General Manager Bob Cullati and the Board that this possibility existed, but that need could not be determined until the pool was drained.

Pool repairs were already scheduled when the heating system failed. A new heating unit, pumps and filter system have been installed. The new heater will be much more efficient than the old one.

Pool surfaces have been sand blasted down

to the gunite, then replastered. Tile areas on the bottom and sides of the pool will be retained. Underwater wiring and lighting were checked and bulbs replaced.

New items are the installation of slip-resistant tiles on all pool steps, plus a sturdy new railing on the northwestern steps. At the meeting on Jan. 9 the Board also approved the installation of new deck lighting.

Replastering involves 20 days of "curing," so the entire project is expected to be complete about the end of February. In the meantime the spa is open as usual.

The LV pool has been open about 14 years, with only patching and small repairs. Effects of this renovation are expected to last another 10 years, according to Mathes.

Search On For New Board Members: Will You Serve?

By Corrine Milman

The Nominating Committee is now accepting applications and resumes from potential LV Board candidates to fill the three 2-year posts to be vacated. June Niles and Bill Blauer will remain on the board for another year.

Board members function as policy and decision-makers under the Articles of Incorporation, utilizing staff and employees under a chain of command. Look for further information in the Rec Center lobby and on Ch 12.

If interested, you may call any Nominating Committee member listed below:

Art Wilson, Ch, 484-8747; Jack Rogers, V.C., 482-1755; Gertrude Dorward, 484-5509; Seymour Fisher, 484-8775; Kenneth Hammond, 388-0990; Robert Karlin, 987-1180; Luella Kelwin, 987-1446; O.C. Marler, 482-0478; Corinne Milman, 484-9679; George Parker, 987-6322.

Security and Safety Is Forum Topic

By Sol Robin

The next Current Issues Forum will be held on Fri, Jan 27 in the AR at 7:30 p.m. The subject will be "Your Security and Safety Inside and Outside Leisure Village." Providing helpful information on this broad subject will be Rod Mendoza, Deputy Sheriff assigned to Camarillo Police Dept. His subjects will be Crime in the Streets, Neighborhood Watch, Consumer Fraud and Bunco Activities.

Also addressing the Forum will be Max Moses, Chief of LV Security. He will cover these subjects as they affect residents inside Leisure Village.

The cooperation of Herb Marks and Bob Atz, chairman and co-chairman of the LV Security and Safety Comm, was helpful in arranging this program.

Additional speakers will include Municipal Court Judge Charles Campbell and Florence Prushan, manager of Municipal Court System. Their topics will be "Traffic Violations and the Penalty System including the use of Traffic School."

Volunteers Honored At Coffee

Village volunteers, who help keep the wheels turning, were honored at a "Thank You Coffee" Jan. 26 in the AR. LVA sponsored the event and

furnished the refreshments. This is a semi-annual event to acknowledge volunteer dedication and the many hours of service they give.

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Editorial Policy On Letters

In ILV's first issue on March 29, 1979, the front page asked "What is its editorial policy?" and stated: "Its policy requires that all items be factual, fair and as complete as possible. Items shall be beneficial to the community with no editorializing in the news columns.

"Items which the Editorial Staff deem to be personally embarrassing, inflammatory or otherwise unsuitable will not be printed.

"Personal complaints and grievances should be resolved with the appropriate LV committee."

Page 1 of that issue also states: In answer to the question, "What is its purpose?" "Its purpose is to enhance and brighten our quality of life by broadening the news of our residents' activities, activities and actions of the Board and Committees as well as classified ads."

In ILV's following issue in April, 1979, "Letters to the Editor" is addressed as follows: ILV welcomes expressions of all viewpoints relative to LV from villagers. The letters should be constructive in nature and avoid personalities. They must include signature and phone number. They should be brief, may be edited and may not be acknowledged."

However, we have NEVER edited a letter without consulting with the writer and then have printed it according to his/her wishes. ILV was begun to serve as an uncensored information source for the Village and we hope to continue it as such.

The Letters policy for the Camarillo Daily News (which prints our paper free of charge to villagers) is more explicit but states in part: "All letters will be published except those that are potentially libelous, contain obscenities or are in exceptionally bad taste."

INSIDE LEISURE VILLAGE EDITORS have consistently held to this policy. We wish to continue to. We must ask, however, that writers be concise and to the point, inasmuch as our space is limited and we want to accommodate as well, all those other faithful contributors to our paper, and we never know until the day we make up the paper how much space will be available.

We appreciate your cooperation.

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ROMAINE LAMBERT - BETTY MURRAY
Coordinator for this month: Lois Atz

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ABOUT NEXT MONTH

Coordinator for next month will be Betty Murray. PLEASE FOLLOW GUIDELINES AND BE AS BRIEF AS YOU CAN! Deadline for Feb. 24 issue will be Feb. 6. To arrange for a photographer call coordinator at least 3 days in advance.

Letters

SMOKING

Last year the Board presented the first reading of a new rule which would prohibit smoking in the Recreation building. This was in response to the no smoking petition signed by almost everyone. Instead of completing the action with a second reading, the Chairman announced that since the City of Camarillo was debating a similar rule, we would wait and take our direction from them. But when the city passed its bill prohibiting smoking in all public buildings, the Board did not take direction from them, as promised. Instead it gave us Article 9.

Article 9 legalizes and thus encourages smoking in the most sensitive areas, such as hallway, lobby, and assembly room at all social events. People who do not smoke were better off without Article 9, which accomplishes just the opposite of what had been expected by the petitioners. Witness: the first person to congratulate the Board on a fair and just bill was the most outspoken person in the Village for so-called smokers rights. The bill would have been justified perhaps, if the smokers had collected a petition with 2800 signatures. But they only had 300.

If the Board is correct in ignoring the warnings of the medical profession, and those warnings prove to be incorrect, then the Board, in its wisdom, will have preserved the "constitutional" rights to smoke in enclosed public areas. A great accomplishment.

However, if the medical advice is correct, then the Board's action will result in more cancer, heart and lung diseases, which of course mean premature deaths in LV. Cancer plays no favorites. Everyone is a possible victim regardless of race, color or

creed; even Board members and their loved ones.

Is this really the kind of thinking that governs us? Surely one day no smoking will prevail in the Recreation building. That day may be too late for some of us.

For the Clean Air Committee,

Albert Law, V 15
Ted Endelman, V 15
Bess Davis, V 15.

TO FRANCES GOLD ILV STAFF MEMBER

Due to your convenient lapse of memory, which you yourself admitted in your column in the Dec. 23rd issue of this paper, another member of your staff had the decency and courage to apologize to me for your error.

I accepted her apology and thanked this staff member for doing so.

We are not subscribers to the Daily News and did not see that Oct. 28 issue as we were away on a trip. However, a neighbor called my attention to the Nov. 18 issue. I suggest you clean out that shoe box of yours that holds many years of material in it that residents contributed.

Morris Katz, V 11.

I read with interest the letters in our Inside Leisure Village of Dec. 23, 1988 regarding the poem, "Man In The Glass." What a waste of precious energy and valuable space!

What difference does it make who wrote the poem...as long as it was meaningful.

As Omar Khayyam wrote over 1000 year ago:

"Some sing for the glories of this world,

Some sigh for the prophet's paradise to come.

Ah! take the cash and let the credit go...."

Lotti Bauch, V 20

REBUTTAL

For two months there were articles regarding the current woodworking shop and the proposal that there is a great need for a new one. The ambitious plans for the new building at a cost to exceed \$50,000, plus the additional costs of maintenance, seems prohibitive when it is to be used exclusively for one group or club. There may be 300 card members, but I believe that the majority of them use it little to seldom.

The original shop was not that crowded. Two table saws in that area is entirely too much. In all of the rooms of the Center, plus the outdoor facilities, there are rules specifying when any person or group can use those facilities. Not everyone can descend on any given area at any time they so desire. Why doesn't the woodworking shop have such rules both for use and safety?

In regards to the financing, once again, we are told about the reserve fund account which just seems to be burning holes in some people's pockets. We recently settled a lawsuit for which funds had to be taken out of this year's budget. We may have more, who knows? Both the flood and earthquake insurances have deductibles and we hope we'll never need the reserve fund for that reason. It is further suggested we pay for it out of budget. That seems ludicrous when the center needs sprucing up, most notably the Auditorium.

The original "approximate" cost presented last June exceeded \$50,000. Now it is presented that \$2 per household for a year might pay for most of it. Why do 1836 households have to subsidize a costly new building for which they have no use? The Organ Club held fund

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Volunteer Library Committee Reports

The Library Volunteers Committee met in early January to discuss the problem of whether or not to continue the Rental Library. Only one patron had signed the petition to continue it.

The rental books will therefore be distributed by subject matter as well as by binding and placed on their respective shelves.

The glass book cases will be used to contain reference materials and large print books. Funds earned from past rental library fees will be used to buy more large print materials.

The committee also asks that readers will be more careful about returning magazines to their proper niche. The Library is most useful when it is orderly.

Emergency Phones

In case of EMERGENCY when you are at the Recreation Center, after hours, would you know how to reach SECURITY? There are four telephones in the area: just outside the WOODSHOP, in the LOBBY, at the east end of the HALL just outside of the KITCHEN door, and at the POOL. These are direct lines to Security. There is also an emergency phone in the picnic area.

Take a walk and acquaint yourself with their locations to be prepared if the need arises.

Display Cases

All Leisure Village Clubs and Groups please take notice: clubs and groups interested in using the display cases for promoting activities in 1989, please sign up for a space at the Recreation Office. First come, first served!



Photo by Stabler

LINDA FONTAINE

This smiling face (and voice) belongs to Linda Fontaine, receptionist in the Rec office. Her job includes answering many questions from residents at the office window and over the phone, scheduling room and atrium case use for LV groups, and occasional rentals of rooms. She has been employed here since August and "loves it".

New Sewing Classes Start Feb 7

Sewing classes, taught by Thelma McHenry, are being offered through Oxnard Adult Education in the LV Rec Center Sewing Rm on Tues, Feb 7.

One class will begin at 9:00 a.m. and the other at 1:00 p.m. Registration at \$1.00 for the semester will take place at the first class session on Feb. 7

New Year's Eve Party

LVA Board member Bill Blauer kicked off a wonderful evening of entertainment when he welcomed 340 residents at this year's New Year's party. After a warm greeting to those in attendance, he turned over the evening's festivities to Paul Kelwin, who was a "master" as Master of Ceremonies. During the celebration, he paid particular praise to the Planning Committee for a job well done.

Everyone danced the night away to the tunes of Jerry Katz' Professional Band, and 1989 was duly inaugurated. In addition to those who helped plan the event, 30 other volunteers gave of their time and talents in making the New Year's event the success that it was.

DO YOU REALLY NEED A HEARING AID?

The decision to wear a hearing aid is a personal one. However, many factors should be considered - your type of hearing loss, your lifestyle, and most importantly, your desire to improve your communication ability.

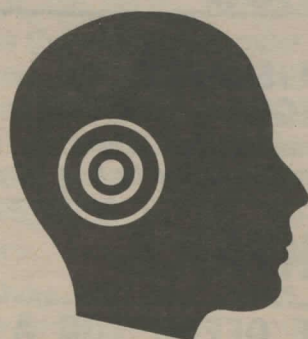
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raisers for a year, plus donations, to reach its goal. Currently the same is ongoing for a new piano. Various clubs have contributed so much to make our facilities better, and many people have given generously of their time and money to better our way of life.

May I suggest the following: if the woodshop has to have a new facility and the majority of homeowners (75% I believe is necessary) vote for it, then perhaps the Sawdusters Club could help raise these funds as have other clubs. An assessment of \$8.50 per month for the 300 card members for 12 months would bring in \$30,000; meanwhile, I am quite sure they could raise most of the additional amount needed through fund raisers and the generosity of many villagers here. That seems more fair and equitable than asking every homeowner to pay for something they may have no use for and hopefully it will help keep our fees from increasing any more rapidly.

Edith Pedersen, V 23.

REPLY TO WOODSHOP ARTICLES

The following quotations are from the Nov 18 article in ILV.

"Located next to the garden area." "New building would not interfere with any other activity." The proposed location would destroy approximately half of the existing garden area. It would prevent those homeowners who enjoy raising fresh vegetables, experimenting with new crops, and those who like to work in a healthful, peaceful atmosphere from enjoying their hobby.

"Rough cost estimate is \$50,000." This is very rough. I've heard estimates of \$200,000 is conservative.

"New building could be 24' x 60'." Present facility

for the woodshop is approximately 15' x 30'. They have jammed a second floor saw and a second 3' x 6' work table into the existing area to create a feeling of overcrowding. In addition there was much scrap wood lying on the floor and in the sink area. There would be adequate working area if the Sawdusters would create a neat working area without duplication.

"More than 300 people at this time possess keys to the existing woodworking area. 'I'm one of the 300. This year I used the woodshop once. After an hour of being alone I was joined by two other men. Not a large crowd. Per sign-up sign this facility is vacant most of the time."

Use "reserve funds from first month rent payments." This fund should be reserved for emergencies or should be returned to its rightful owner, the homeowner.

New facility would "accommodate turning a 4' x

8' piece." This size of plywood is and has been cut, not turned, in the existing facility, observed on 12/1/88.

"There would be no need for plumbing except for a sink with running water." Running water requires a drain. A drain requires a sewer line. How about the requirements for electricity? The new facility would increase our janitorial service, electric bill, security requirements, insurance, etc. Present garden requires only water, since the gardeners supply labor, seeds and fertilizer.

"Natural ventilation would be provided." This would be a step down from the air conditioning enjoyed now. During either hot or cold weather this proposed natural ventilation would be very uncomfortable.

"Total results of as many or more garden plots of the same size or

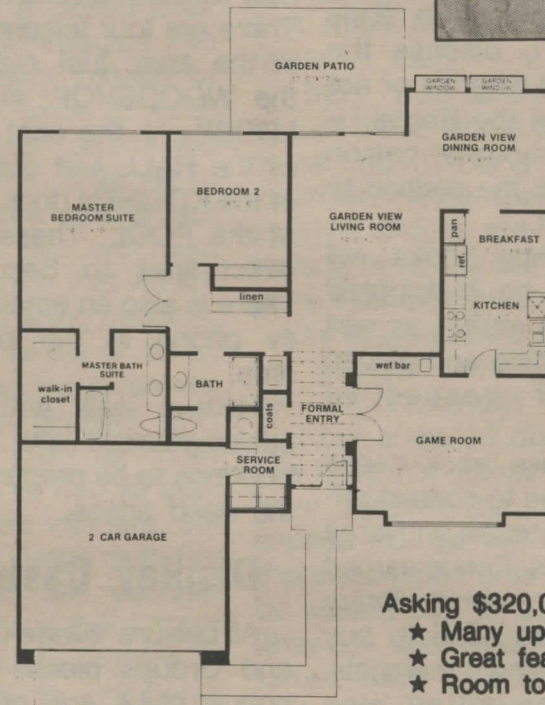
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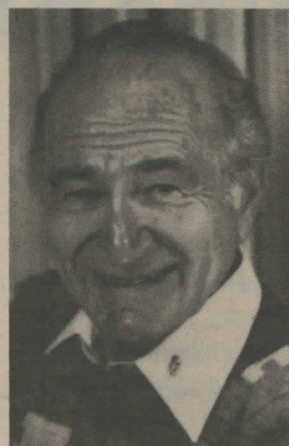


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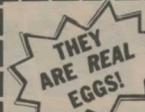
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larger than are now available." Take away half of an area and still keep the same size and quantity? A very neat trick. The present garden plot sizes are inadequate to grow winter squash, melons, etc.

"Space enough to hold teaching seminars." I've seen this accomplished in the present facilities. If this is not enough room, then the Sawdusters should reserve rooms like all the other clubs.

"Safety." The 300 key-holders are to be congratulated upon their safety record in the existing facility. It is possible that a move to a new facility would produce more accidents, not less. Has anyone of the Ad Hoc committee evaluated the fire hazard of this proposed move? I could not find a close fire hydrant, fire extinguisher nor any other fire protection to any of the existing buildings. At least one of these, the maintenance shed, contains flammables. The Sawdusters should think about putting their equipment next to this fire trap.

It is strongly recommended that our Board cancel any and all plans for a woodshop take-over of the garden area. The garden area is now in a wait-and-see-what-develops mode. Since growing vegetables is a long term project with both labor and money involved, a fast, firm commitment from the Board is mandatory.

Harold Keeler, V 37.

My sincere thanks to all you wonderful people from Leisure Village to express in many ways that you wished me a speedy recovery. This kind of attention helped me recuperate sooner and be on my feet again. Love to you all

Lenore Broude, V 22

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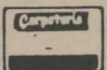
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ZUM EXPANSION

With our last phone bill we all received an insert entitled ZUM Expansion. Since it was a 3-page leaflet, written in English and Spanish, many of you may have tossed it aside. The phone company proposes - beginning next year - to eliminate our local calling area, and to initiate ZUM Zone 1 calls for which they will charge SEVEN CENTS FOR EACH FIVE MINUTES OF USE.

This would mean every single call - whether to your next door neighbor or to downtown Camarillo, EVERY CALL would be charged at 7¢ for each 5 minutes of use.

They tell us that our basic monthly rate would be lower under their proposed ZUM expansion, but that we could choose between flat rate (presumably higher than our present rates) or measured local service.

The phone company wants our opinion on these proposed changes, I for one will write and them them NO, I DO NOT WANT ZUM EXPANSION. If you want to complain (and a 2-line message or postcard will do) write to: GTE California, One GTE Place, RC 341OB, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362-3811; Attn: John Mann.

Also: I will write to the Public Utilities Commission; State office building, 107 South Broadway, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

We know there is no "free lunch" but I would like to keep our local phone calls free of charge; just paying for all our calls inside Leisure Village will add a hefty chunk to our phone bill.

Lee Edwards, V 31

Ed note: Responsibility for the facts and figures are Lee's. ILV did not check her data.

I want to thank my dear friends and neighbors, my sister-in-law, Ida Simon, and the Folk Dance group for their concern and help during my recent illness and sojourn in the hospital.

It is a great privilege to live in this caring and beautiful community. I wish everyone a healthy and happy New Year.

Ruth Sirotnik, V 37

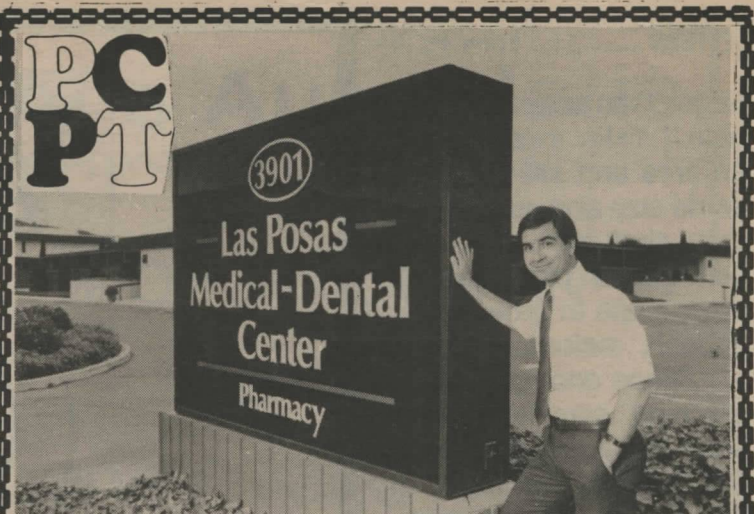
I would like to extend many thanks to my many friends and neighbors in LV for their concern during my recent illness. It was so reassuring to know that you were there thinking of me.

Alice Herter, V 15

I want to thank everyone who called and sent cards and tributes wishing me speedy recovery from my recent illness.

If all the world leaders would think along these

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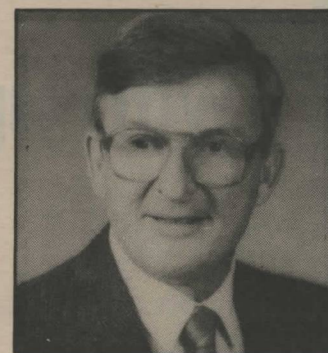
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Max & Lillian Schwartz,
V 7

I want to thank all our friends for their cards and telephone calls during my recent surgery. It sure

makes one feel good to know that you are missed.

Sylvia Rottersman, V 19

My heartfelt appreciation to our friends for their condolences on the loss of my beloved wife, Laura. She truly enjoyed the activities and services the village provided.

Sam Robbins, V 17

High 12 Club

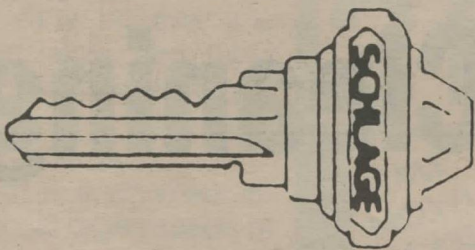
By Gabriel Barkley

Beginning this month all Medicare recipients will be covered under the new Medicare Catastrophic Insurance Bill passed by Congress last year. For those villagers who may not have heard Thomas C. Compere at a recent meeting of the Current Af-

fairs Forum, he will be the guest speaker of the High Twelve Club at its general meeting on Mon, Feb 13 at 10:00 a.m.

He will speak on the new medical benefits received under this Catastrophic Insurance Bill and how medigap supplemental insurance fits into this program. He has had 30 years of experience in the insurance industry.

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Luella Kelwin, for Security & Safety Committee.

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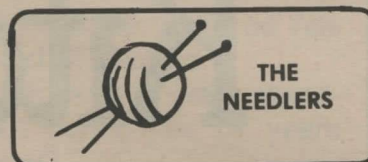
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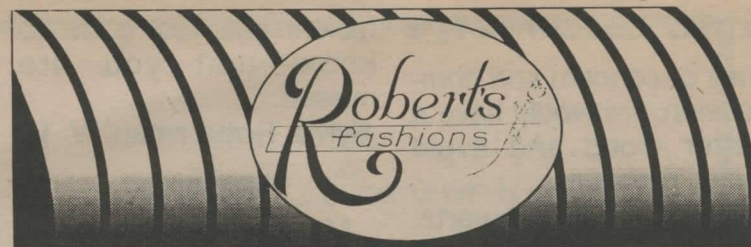
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The Leisure Village Women's Club

By Jeanne Carlson
Women's Club opened the New Year with the traditional Installation Luncheon, held Jan. 5 at the Oxnard Hilton. In spite of heavy rain, 200 members were present.

Outgoing Pres Kay La-Prell thanked her many helpers and reviewed the accomplishments of the year. Members were able to enjoy the luncheon due to the successful See's Candy Drive headed by Dorothy Fencil, Gerri Kikendall, and Mary Kay Franey. The profits paid \$6.00 toward each member's luncheon.

Kay also listed the newest donations of the club to Village betterment and community relations. These included \$200 to the Organ Club for the grand piano drive; \$3,000 for a computer for the Rec Dept; \$3,000 held in abeyance to guarantee scholarships for students at Camarillo and Rio Mesa High Schools for the year 1990; \$300 additional grant to the Children's Auxiliary (foster children); \$165 for a new flag for the Center as well as two more electric staplers for office use; and \$1,000 to be used for kitchen renovation and equipment.

The next business of the day was the installation of new officers. This was perpetrated by Jeanne Carlson, who chose the theme of "Work," since all Women's Club officers (and members) work very hard to maintain their record of service. She declared that working, not wishing, will make it so and that though work is a four-letter word, so are hope and love.

Accordingly, each new officer was presented with some common household cleaning agent. Gertie Dorward, 2nd term; Parl, has to make audible

corrections to any abuse of parliamentary regulations. She was given a bottle of "Shout" to "Shout It Out."

Mary Kay Franey, corr sec, has to bounce around quickly on many short-term assignments and was given a box of "Bounce."

Marie Tutt, rec sec, must be meticulous in her minutes because they are legal records. She was given "Spic and Span" as the quality to strive for.

Treas Kay Varley, who plays the numbers game, was given "409" as her reminder.

2nd VP, Evelyn Simonimi, has one of the biggest assignments of all, ways and means, workshop and Bazaar. Her gift was a large can of "Perform," laundry starch.

Betty Murray, 1st VP and program chm, has a great show biz background — Happy Hoofers, Variety Guild, square dancing, and LV Orchestra. Naturally she was pre-

sented with the heavy-duty scrubbing solution "Tough Act," because she will be a tough act to follow.

Carol Heyerick, new Pres, was presented with "Fantastic," because everyone knows she will deliver. She proved it by announcing that workshop would begin its year on Jan. 10.

All the new officers took the oath of office while the installer stood by brandishing a large can of "Pledge." Congratulations and thanks to all the outgoing officers and good luck and support to the new ones.

Women's Club's next meeting will be Thurs, Feb 2 (always the first Thursday), 1:30 p.m. in the AR. Trading Post at 11:30 a.m. Program will be the LV Symphonic Orchestra with Maestro Don Holmes. Bring your friends.

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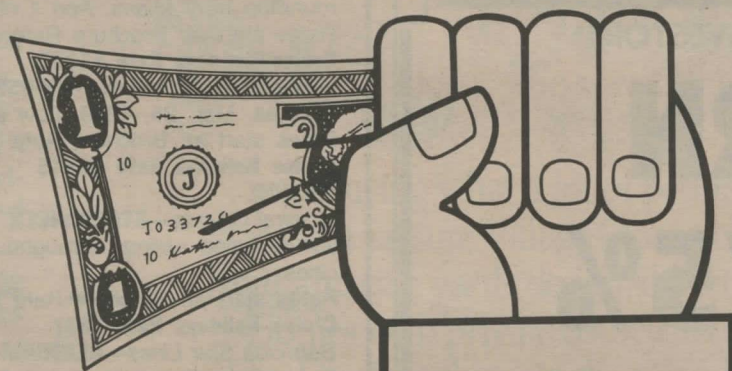
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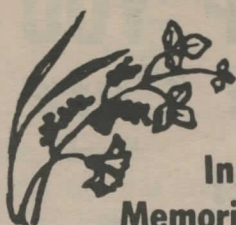
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David Mioreanu
V 33

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V 8

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Formerly of V 11

Dorothy Ruch
V 7

Esther Beckel
V 18

Coralee Lewis
V 7

Cyril D. Magill
V 23

David Mioreanu

The editors and staff of ILV are deeply saddened by the death of David Mioreanu, V 33. He was a member of our staff for several years, and took many of the pictures that have appeared on these pages throughout those years, until illness limited his activity in the Village.

When ILV photographer Bill Stabler was away or unable to fulfill photo requests, David was there, quietly and expertly filling in, sometimes at a moment's notice. We will miss him greatly and extend our sincere sympathy to Estelle.

Parting Thoughts From Kate To Harry

Do not stand at my grave and weep.
I am not there, I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow.
I am the diamonds' glint on snow.

I am the sunlight on ripened grain.
I am the gentle Autumns' rain.
When you awaken in the mornings' hush,
I am the swift uplifting rush

Of quiet birds in circled flight.
I am the soft stars that shine at night.
Do not stand at my grave and cry.
I am not there, I did not die.

Author Howard Gould
Submitted by
Harry Marks, V15

SPIRITUAL GROWTH GROUP

By June Case

The spiritual Growth Group will meet at the home of Harriet Brown, 18140 V 18, in February, each Tuesday from 9:30-11:00 a.m. Nancy Whitaker was hostess in January.

Current study, under

the direction of qualified teachers, is Harmony of the Gospels. We welcome visitors to this friendly and caring group. Bring your Bibles and wear your name tag.

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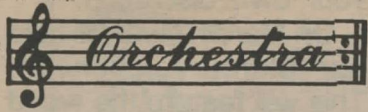
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By Don Holmes

The LV Orchestra had a rest over the holidays because both of our Thursday night rehearsals were very close to the big days and many members were busy.

However, in January we had to get down to business because we had three programs to prepare. We had another engagement at Las Colinas School; this time playing for their 1000 students.

Then St. John's Hospital asked the orchestra to play for patients in the Dialysis Center in Ventura. We will open February with a concert for the LV Women's Club and we will be playing for another Board of Director's Meeting on Monday, Feb 6, between 9:30 and 10:00 a.m.

Forum Covered Insurance Issues

By Sol Robin

The Current Issues Forum held on Jan 6 in the AR addressed the subject of "The 1988 Medicare Catastrophic Health Bill — What Are the Benefits and What's It Going to Cost You?"

Participating in the panel discussion were Joe Gaynes and Dr. Lee Strobehn, two members of the State Senior Assembly; Jan Koomen, asst. administrator of Pleasant Valley Hospital Extended Care and Dennis J. Migliazzo, insurance specialist, Advantage Program of Pleasant Valley Hospital. Over 175 people attended the Forum, which was climaxed by a lively question and answer period.



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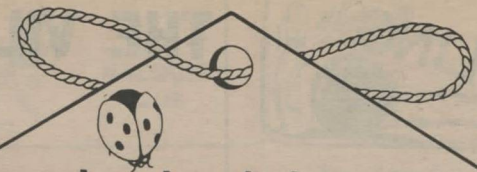
By Jack Whalen

The great Holiday graphics on Ch 12 were done by Russ Sievert and Fritz Betts.

Viewers are still talking about the two "Pot Shots" programs shown during January. These programs were taken from a book by Ashleigh Brilliant — that's correct, his last name is Brilliant. Ashleigh is a cartoonist and we urge you to watch for additional shows in February. Several viewers have asked for a repeat of the first two and Gerry Sills will schedule them again this spring.

In February we'll show the Neighbor's Care program on diabetes and pulmonary diseases.

Also in February there will be a program on changes in the tax laws as presented by the Current Issues Forum.



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By Vee Flowers

The first half of the LV Bowling League ended with team 13 capturing first place, followed closely by team 17.

It was somewhat of a family affair, what with Lorraine Kaplan being on the winning team and Allan Kaplan's team placing second. Carrying it a little further, with family competition, June Slabotsky also on the second place team, beat out hubby Ernie's team who finished third, after leading almost all season. Sure must make for some high spirited table talk with a lot of our bowlers!

Other members of the winning team were Matty Fradis, Bob Anderson and newcomer Lawrence Kelly.

The recent tournament which ran concurrently with the regular weekly bowling, produced some surprising winners and runner-ups. For the ladies, Roz Weinstein rolled a score of 590 including handicap to nose out Rose Weinberg with a 582. For the men, it was Henry Levitt edging out Norm Neuman, with scores of 599 to 577.

It is really great to see some of the lower average bowlers coming out on top for a change. Congratulations!

Max Polley bowled a terrific scratch 238 game and a 572 series making him high so far for the season in all categories except scratch series. Must be the new ball, Max.

Ellen Moore bowled another high game of 198 and a 488 scratch series. And how about Caroline DiLallo with an average of 111 bowling a 175 game, and June Slabotsky with a 507 series?

THE VILLAGERS

By Cecil Nunn



LV EXERCISE GROUP

By Shiphrah Maller

The LV Exercise group continues to amaze itself. During the recent inclement weather, the group moved into the AR and attendance was amazing. To many in our group these exercises have be-

come an obsession.

Immediately following our Feb 24 session, we will assemble in the East parking lot to carpool for our breakfast at Denny's. See Shiphrah for details and arrangements. See you all then.

Join us 8:30-9:00 a.m., M-F, at poolside.



By Cy Maller

Pres Nate Brod of the Shuffleboard Club has announced a very active agenda for 1989. On Jan 21 our annual Chinese Luncheon was held at the China Palace. The Feb 7 meeting will feature our annual potluck dinner in the MPR starting at 5:45 p.m. Each chef is urged to bring enough food for six appetizers, entrees or desserts, at

your own discretion.

On March 2 we will hold our Mercury luncheon. This will feature the world renowned Dr. Robert Fenton, master of prestidigitiation. Those of us who were fortunate to witness Dr. Fenton's performance last year are still talking about this amazing man.

The luncheon is limited to 65 people. Fee is \$3 for members and \$4.25 for non-members. Make your reservations early. Call Nate at 484-3222 or Bea at 484-0122.

Don't forget our organized play MTW at 9:30 a.m. and at 2:15 p.m.



By Jack Whalen

December's regulation golf was held at Elkins Ranch late in the month and it was cold, cold during most of the play. It's really tough holding on to those irons and scores were sky high. Jack Whalen must have somehow super-heated his clubs because he came in with a snappy 83.

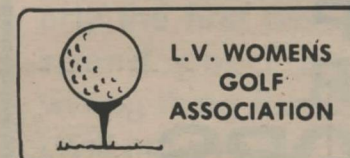
Hal Pedersen and Bob Bell tied for low gross in Flight B, while Jay Praeger took honor in

Flight C.

In the low net standings, Willis Sanders topped Flight A golfers, Dick Maitland won in B, and Jack Barber in C Flight.

Due to the holiday season there was no Mixed Couples Tournament the end of December but we will be back on schedule the last Sunday of January.

President Cecil Nunn wishes to thank all the men golfers who contributed to the retirement gift presented to Tim Orosco and also expresses delight with the nice turn-out for Tim.



By Betty Bruce

The Women's Golf Assoc board members are wishing one and all a very happy, healthy New Year. We are very lucky to live here in this lovely Village with so many wonderful, caring friends. No one is alone, because when someone has troubles there are always many there to help. There is no place to compare and we are thankful that we chose to move here.

The mixed couples golf tournament and catered luncheon is to be held Feb 14 and 15. Audrey Zhe

will be hostess. We hope to have a big turnout for this really fun event. As time goes by we learn not to get so nervous and just enjoy the great company and forget the score. Guess we are just glad to be playing this frustrating, delightful game.

Our next regulation golf will be at Elkins Ranch on Feb 16. Cost is \$21.00 (includes cart and prize money.)

The 2nd 18 holes of the Presidents Cup will be held on Feb 1. Lots of luck and good golf to all!

Wish all of you a happy Valentine's Day. Let's send cards to those we love to let them know how much we care.



CAMERA CLUB

By Dorothy Levy

This month the Camera Club held its annual installation luncheon for new officers. They are Sam Weinstein, pres; Imogene Gregory, VP; Howard Cohenour, secy and Marion Sevren, treas.

Bob and Elaine Vanderhaven presented their newest film. "Wilderness Odyssey." This was a review of some of the most beautiful areas in our country, from seashore to prairie land, to blossoming dessert, towering mountain peaks and tranquil lakes. It was accompanied with commentary by the photographers, and by music and bird song. The quality of the pictures was outstanding.

Plans are being made for the club's yearly activities: photographic competitions, learning sessions and interesting trips. Our meetings are always open to all villagers. If you want to learn more about photography or if you are interested only as an observer, we welcome you to our club.



ORGAN CLUB

By Lois Atz

"Songs from Around the World" is the musical theme of the LV Organ Club at its Fri, Jan 27 meeting in the AR. Short business session starts at 1:30 p.m., followed by members playing the organ or piano for the audience. All keyboard players in the Village are welcome to attend.

One item of business is plans for the club's annual Cabaret Night, scheduled for Fri, March 11 in the AR. Tickets will soon be available. Last year the club had to put up the "Sold Out" sign for this event.



INDOOR OUTDOOR GARDEN CLUB

By Madelyn McKean

Lynn Woodbury from Santa Barbara City College and Santa Barbara Botanical Gardens spoke to the Garden Club members on Jan. 12 about the newly popular subject, "Edible Flowers."

The sample meal which had been prepared included punch, hors d'oeuvres, salad, entree and dessert — all showing the use of edible flowers. It was displayed in a beautiful table setting decorated by Kay Avery Gregg. A few lucky members even got to taste the flowers.

Larry Stallings of Ventura Community College will speak on "The Care and Display of Orchids and Shade Plants" at the Feb 9 meeting in the MPR at 10:00 a.m., with refreshments at 9:30. All villagers are welcome.

This multi-talented horticulturalist will conduct a flower arranging course with 6 work sessions this spring in LV. Details at the meeting.

Bring your dues — \$6 per person or \$9 per couple — so that you will be on the roster and qualify for social activities in this new year.

R.V. Club



By Bill Johnson

New officers of the RV Club were introduced at the December meeting. They are Joe Scheck, pres; Clint Coddington 1st VP; Art Kaufman, 2nd VP; Don Moore, 3rd VP; Pat Stanfield, secy; and Earl Mettler, treas.

Following the meeting the group's annual Wine and Cheese party was held. The RV Club meets the third Tuesday evening of each month in the MPR.

Village Painters

By Marion Jayne

Next meeting of the Village Painters will be on Feb 4 in the MPR at 1:00 p.m. The speaker will be Phillip Lacey, whose credentials guarantee interest and information. Guests are welcome.

Village Painters contributed a check for \$50 to LVA for improvement of the AR.

The March 1 meeting will be our 10th anniversary, to which all past members are invited to join all our present members in celebration, with refreshments.

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LET'S PLAY

BINGO !

By Cy Moller

Marian Tavano, pres of the LV Bingo Games, has announced that starting in January, new Super Bingo Jackpots will be awarded! This will be in addition to the four regular jackpots that are played with \$1.50 purchase of the 3 hardboard cards. The special paper games will be played as usual.

Games are played on Wed between 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. in the AR. With the addition of the Super Bonus Jackpots, larger crowds are anticipated, so come early to get your lucky seat.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

By Mary Erbsen

"Meet Your Neighbor" coffee will be held Fri, Jan 27 at 2:00 p.m. in the GR. Speaker will be Art Wilson, VP of the LVA Board of Directors.

All villagers are invited to attend, both new and long-time residents. Refreshments are served.



L.V. RACQUET CLUB

By Dorothy Konecko

The Racquet Club is planning great events for 1989. Come to the next meeting, Mon, Feb 13 at 7:30 p.m. in the AR and new pres John Russo will tell you all about them.

Winners of the Dec 8 Paddle Tournament were Sol Miller, Roy Podors, Russ Lomask, Jack Kassel, Louise Ralph and tied were Rhoda Cagan and Guy Moshier.

The Tennis Tournament was rained out, unfortunately.

Fellow members — if the courts are wet when you approach them in the morning, please use the squeegees to dry them before playing.

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THE SAWDUSTERS CLUB

By Bernie Goldman

Woodcarving was featured at the January meeting of the Sawdusters Club. Part I of a professional videotape titled "Carving a Caricature Horse with Bud Odell" was shown.

This was followed by the "Show & Tell" portion of our meeting at which time Steve Belanger, Marty Ettinger, Irv Feldman and Bernie Goldman showed some of their carvings and described



BILLIARD CLUB

By Morley Goldberg

It's Billiard Club Tournament time! Play starts approximately Feb. 1. If you have not signed up, do it now. The sign-up schedule is on the bulletin board. See Nate Brod, Ben Garman or Al Sullivan with any questions.

Help wanted! If you have experience in public relations, fund raising, group entertainment and activities, Pres George Laufer wants you. Don't sit on your hands and waste your talents — put them to work for the Billiard Club.

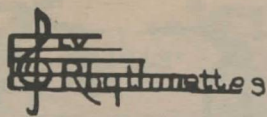
Our membership drive is now going full speed. More members means more activities and Billiard Room playing improvements. The fee is still a bargain at only \$3 per year. Where else can you get all the wine to drink and goodies to eat for only 25¢ per after-meeting social? Nowhere!

As usual, 6 lottery tickets and extra special door prizes were awarded at our last meeting. Thanks again to Sylvia Rottersman for the dinner prizes. Thanks too to Jack and Rose Bagelman for arranging our successful second annual dinner party.

various techniques and types of wood and wood finishes used.

Carl Sparks gave an interesting demonstration of his "Catapult Ball Game" and "Cedar Feet" kits which he then made available to the members and guests at his nominal cost.

The next meeting will be held on Thurs, Feb 2 at 2:00 p.m. in the MPR. Part II of the videotape "Carving a Caricature Horse with Bud Odell" will be shown. We will have another woodcarving "Show & Tell." All villagers are invited to attend the meetings.



By Margaret Hines

The Rhythmettes are practicing every Tuesday at 12:45 in the AR. Board and business meetings are on the second Tuesday every month.

The most immediate project for the group is preparation for a show in March. Regular attendance is necessary to perfect the special effects in new numbers as directed by Piff De Simone, accompanied by Selma Simon. Members must practice diligently at all sessions in order not to "flub their lines" at show-time.



THE
CERAMIC PLUS
CLUB

By Don Holmes

The December meeting of the Ceramic Plus Club was very informative, with refreshments and discussions of activities for 1989. Included in the plans are a catered luncheon in April or May; a caravan to the Santa Barbara Museum, and what to produce for the next LV Anniversary Sale.

The February meeting will be on Thursday, Feb. 23 at 10:30 a.m. in the MPR, with a demonstration in sculpting by Mike Zirkel of V 31, and the March meeting will have a showing of animal creations by club members.

The club is also considering having classes for LV residents in "Basic Clay," starting with an introduction to clay including "Everything you wanted to know about clay but didn't know where to dig it out." Clay work is fun, and clay is never wasted. If you don't like what you just did, you punch it down and start over. Of course if it cracks in the firing, well, the club has a large book full of excuses.



BOOK
REVIEW
GROUP

Book Review will meet Monday, Feb. 13 (always the 2nd Monday) at 10:00 in the GR. Book to be reviewed is "The Shell Seekers" by Rosamunde Pilcher. This is a best seller and excellent book.

Book Review has no officers, membership, or dues. Everyone is always welcome.



SOLO
CLUB

By Rosemary Sieh

The Solo Club will enjoy another potluck dinner in the AR on Feb 10. Please bring food and your own place setting. Members A-G will bring salad; H-O bring entree and P-Z dessert.

We will have installation of officers on this evening.



GEM AND
MINERAL
CLUB

By Don Holmes

The December Meeting of the Gem and Mineral Club was a very short business meeting, with an informal talk by Bill Brown on some gold jewelry work which he and May designed and constructed recently.

His talk was followed by heaps of refreshments; jugs of liquids and enough chit-chat to keep us over the long holidays. The Club is starting to plan for the next LV Anniversary Sale and for next summer's annual picnic. The next meeting will be Wed, Feb 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the MPR. This is George Washington's Birthday, and the theme of the meeting will be George Washington.

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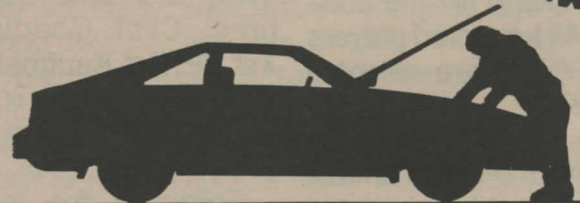
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VARIETY
GUILD

By Ethel Goldfarb

Variety Guild is off to a flying start with parts assigned and rehearsals in full swing for Guys and Dolls, the big show to be presented May 3-7. Not to be missed.

An entertaining musical program was enjoyed at the January meeting with marvelous Bill Marvel on the organ and Larry Killean on guitar.

See you at our next meeting, Feb 9 at 7:30 p.m. in the AR, with goodies and coffee. Enjoy our St. Valentine's theme of Love, Love, Love.



VILLAGE
PLAYERS

By Irwin Steinhart

The Village Players met Jan 19 in the MPR. Under the capable aegis of Ruth Smith and Edythe Fahringer the following new officers were installed: Blanche Follen, pres; John Fahringer, 1st VP; Irwin Steinhart, 2nd VP; Herb Schwartz, treas; Sylvia Altes, rec secy; and Charles Kent, cor secy.

All members anticipate a very busy and productive new year and still another successful major production in the fall.

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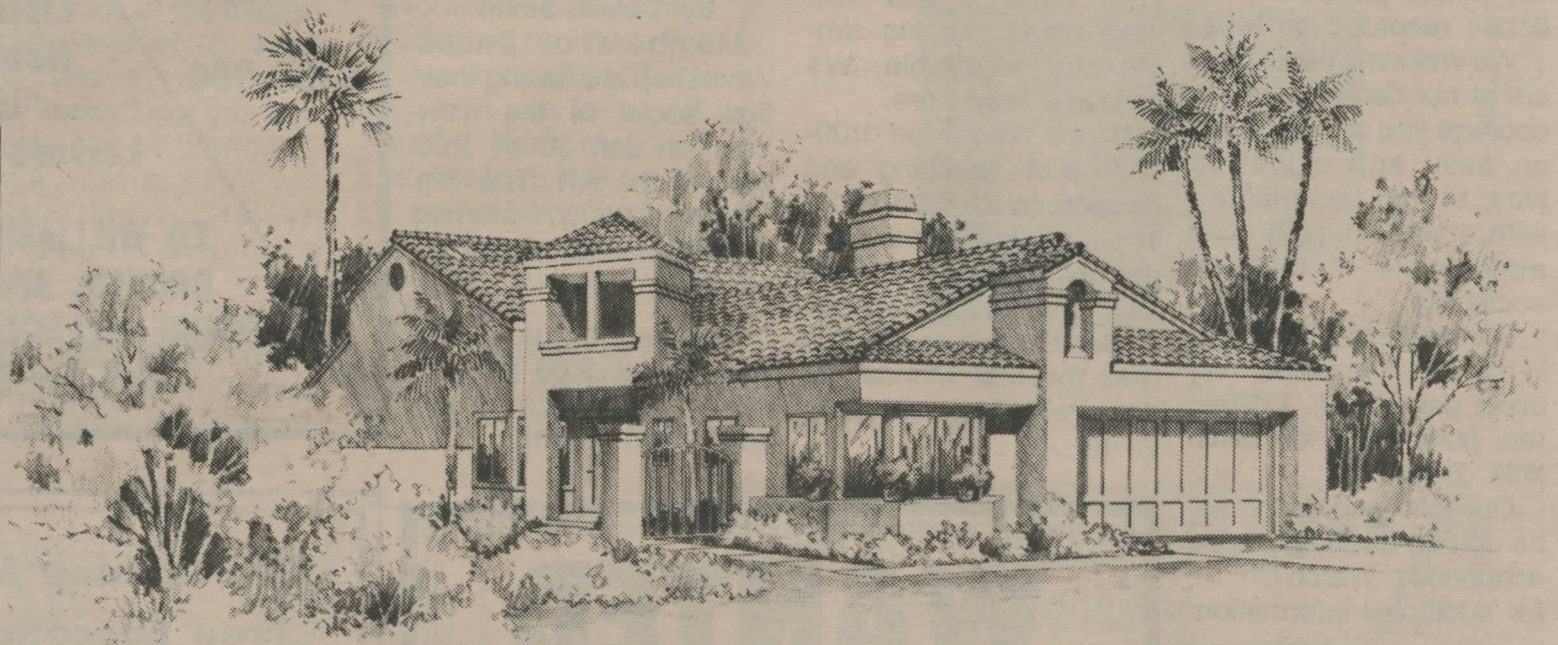
By Ethel Goldfarb

Rehearsals are in progress every Tuesday morning in preparation for a musicale to be held Feb 21 at the Gibraltar Bank. Melodies in Hebrew, Yiddish, English, Italian, Spanish, including comedic songs, will be presented.

Performance will be at 1:00 p.m. and the donation is \$1.50. Selma Lich is director and Freda Drezner is accompanist. Refreshments will be served, so come and enjoy!

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**SATURDAY
NIGHT
BALLROOM
DANCE**

By Anne Janoff

Winding up the month on Jan. 28, Frank and Alice Municino and Don and Virginia Womack will host the Saturday Night Dance. "Valentines Dance" on Feb 11 will be hosted by Max and Dora Polley and Andy and Trudy Orsan. On this evening, all you sweethearts and other romantics are invited to hold hands, while dancing "cheek to cheek" to tunes dear to our hearts played by top bands recorded on tape.

We welcome new villagers at our dances and encourage you to join us. Its an easy and enjoyable way to get acquainted with other residents in an atmosphere of pleasant sociability.

Dancing from 8-11 p.m. in the AR. Admission: fifty cents per person. Coffee, tea, punch and ice available. BYOB.

Our following dance will be on Feb 25, hosts to be announced. Watch Ch. 12 for additional information.



**HAPPY
HOOFERS**

By Vi Cohen

After many weeks of rehearsals for special programs, the Happy Hoofers are back to a normal tap dancing routine. We have to stay on our toes (literally speaking, of course) for any forthcoming event. Not only do we have to review our old dances, we are also learning new ones. We do not allow any cobwebs to clutter up our brains, or grass to grow under our feet.

We are also happy to announce our special angel, Ina Pohlman. The enthusiasm she displays for our dancing makes us try all the harder to please her and our audience.



**INTERNATIONAL
FOLK DANCE
CLUB**

By Florence Friedman

Seventh anniversary party and installation of new officers for 1989 was celebrated Jan 16 in the AR by the International Folk Dance Club.

New officers are Anne Dubin, pres; Bella Levy, VP; Esther Horovitz, treas; and Bee Rittenberg, secy.

Mary Wilson, hospitality chm, did a great job.

Our instructors bring us up to date on dances. Their patience and help have made learning simple and enjoyable. We welcome beginners.

Dance time: Mon 1:00-3:00 p.m. teaching and dancing; Wed. 9:00-10:30 a.m. review and new dances; Fri 9:00-10:30 a.m. continuous dancing.

Membership meeting is held the first Monday of each month at 2:00 p.m. in the AR.



**SWING
DISCO
JAZZ**

By Marguerite Abdell-nour

Swing Disco Jazz Dance Group will host two dances next month. Feb. 4 dance will be emceed by Ed and Reva Saeta. Henry Carfagna will emcee the Sweethearts Dance Feb. 18.

Everyone is invited to these dances. Admission is 50¢. Punch, tea and coffee provided. BYOB.

DANCE WORKSHOP

By Delma Smith

Members of Dance Workshop are having their first social of the New Year on Jan 30 at 7:00 p.m. in the AR. The film "Sweet Charity," starring Shirley MacLaine, will be shown.

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Meetings start at 7 p.m. sharp, consisting of business program, break and support group. Please come early so that you can socialize and have time to look over the announcements, literature and brochures.

SHHH is a volunteer international organization of hard of hearing people, their relatives and friends. It is a non-profit, non-sectarian educational organization devoted to the welfare and interests of those who, while not deaf, cannot hear well.

Anyone having a hearing loss or interested in the subject is welcome

TREE TRIMMING PARTY

The LVA Annual Tree Trimming Party was held in the AR on Dec 5 from 4-5 p.m. The Association bought the fresh tree and provided punch and cookies to Village participants as they worked.

The Rhythmnntes added to the festivities by performing several holiday numbers with their usual enthusiasm.



The Ceramic
Mold
Decorating
Club

By Ruth O'Neill

Ceramic Mold Decorators Club is bustling with projects for spring. There are hearts, shamrocks, bunnies and duckies all over the place. You don't have to be Grandma Moses to enjoy this hobby. Stop by the CR any Wednesday afternoon after 12:30 and see what marvels can be accomplished, sometimes with very little talent.

Ceramic salute of the month goes to one busy gal...Evelyn Durham. In addition to all her outside volunteer work she has contributed unstintingly to the club's activities, presently acting as secretary, assisting the Firing Committee, helping with social events, etc. We can always count on Evelyn.

Christmas- Chanuakkah Party

By Ada Jensen

Village 32 held its 10th annual Holiday Party in December at Ottavio's Banquet Hall. Following cocktails and a delicious dinner, guests were entertained with musical selections on the electronic keyboard by Dan Bernard and Belle Dominguez. Later Bingo was enjoyed by all, with many prizes given.

Bea Allen, founder, deserves special thanks for her continued efforts on behalf of Club 32, with Bill Geddes, treasurer. Her committee included Paul and Luella Kelwin, decorations; Faye Cox, photographer; Dave, Belle Dominguez, and Dan Bernard, entertainment.

The 53 residents and guests enjoyed a wonderful evening of fun and fellowship — setting the tone for Happy Holidays and a good year.

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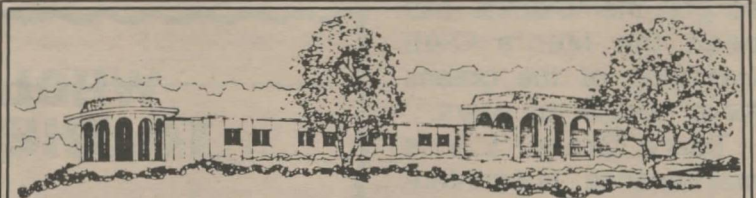
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LV Golfers Honor Veteran Greenskeeper

By Jack Whalen

A man who helped keep our 18-hole golf course in great shape year-round was recognized for his efforts in a retirement ceremony at the golf shack late in December.

Tim Orosco, all golfers agree, contributed greatly to making ours one of the finest, sporty Par-3's in Southern California.

Presidents Cecil Nunn of the Men's Golf Club and Marty Gregory of the Women's Golf Club presented Tim with contributions from a number of individuals and both expressed their thanks for his outstanding efforts during the past 14 years.

A number of gifts were also presented to Tim including a plaque made by Cecil Nunn and a number of golf caps from George Kroll. George, an avid collector of hats and assorted golf memorabilia, has been the Men's Club watchdog of the greens for a number of years.

Terry Craig, L.V.'s maintenance superintendent, said: "We will miss Tim. He's been an excellent example of what a devoted employee can do, especially if he enjoys the work and the pleasant golfing atmosphere that's so evident here."

Terry continued: "And how nice it is, on this rather cold early morning, that so many lady and men golfers would come to honor Tim."

Many villagers, even those who do not play golf, may be interested to know that Tim was born just southeast of here, the present site of Camarillo Springs Golf Course.

"As a youngster I roamed the hills and fields near here," says a smiling Tim. "There were lots of caves in the hills and often I'd find ancient Indian writings on the walls."

Tim's dad worked for



Photo by Whalen

Tom Orosco's 14 years of golf course maintenance were commended during his retirement service at the Golf Shack recently. Shown (l to r) are Marty Gregory, Women's Golf president; George Kroll, greens chairman; Tim Orosco, honoree; and Cecil Nunn, Men's Golf president.

the legendary Adolfo Camarillo for some 55 years. Mr. Camarillo, the namesake of our city, owned a giant parcel of land and Tim's dad provided hay for the cattle on the ranch.

"Where we are now," Tim remarked, "was mainly a lima bean field but there were also walnut trees and small orange groves."

Tim attended Pleasant Valley Grammar School here until his family

moved to Corona and for the last 45 years he has lived in Oxnard.

Does one event stand-out during his 14 years here?

"Oh yes," he responds, "Once, when we had but 9 holes, someone left the back gate open and a number of horses entered and roamed around. I guess they had no respect for golf because they sure messed-up the 6th green!"

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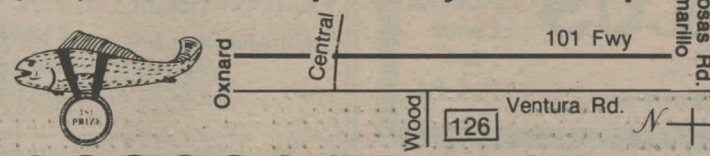
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- VILLAGE BRIEFS -

Fourteen year resident Julia Moldroski, V.1, was truly surprised Jan. 14th by a party in honor of her eightieth birthday. (The surprising thing was that about eighty people were

able to keep the secret.) The party, hosted by Julia's daughter, Dolores Smith, and grandchildren, was a delightful affair. Many more happy years, Julia!

Evelyn and Eldon Lukesh of V 17 marked their 50th wedding anniversary recently. Neighbor Kay Ward held an event in their honor for Village friends on Jan. 13. Then Evelyn and Eldon celebrated all weekend in the San Fernando Valley with

their children and grandchildren.

The Lukeshes were married in Lincoln, Nebr. on Jan. 15, 1939. They are volunteers at the Camarillo Senior Center and are active in LV Bridge and Garden Club circles.

Dr. Alan Basbaum, son-in-law of Leo and Gertrude Garten of V 20, is one of two researchers who has reported that some forms of arthritis may be nothing more than simple, easily treated nervous-system disorders.

Alan and Dr. Jon Levine of the University of California at San Francisco have been able to prevent arthritis in rats and to decrease the swelling in ar-

thritic rats through the use of drugs that block a special part of the nervous system.

Carol Basbaum, Leo and Gertrude's daughter, also has a doctorate in medical research and teaches at UCSF and is deeply involved in cystic fibrosis research. The Basbaums have two daughters; Katherine, 14 and Jesse, 9.

Air Wing Moves To Pt Mugu Base

The California Air National Guard's 146th Tactical Airlift Wing moved 10 C-130s to their new home at the Channel Islands Intl Guard Base on Dec. 3. The new base, which will cost more than \$64 million and is funded mostly by the Defense Dept., will house the cargo planes and several pilots and personnel.

The C-130s are "quiet" aircraft and will travel the same flight pattern for landings and takeoffs as the Navy's C-130s and P-3s; that pattern can go over the north side of Camarillo.

Two Air Guard planes a day will takeoff and land at the airstrip. The planes' usual destination is the

Yuma, Ariz. desert or Edwards AFB for drops. A C-130 can carry up to 70 paratroopers. The planes are used to drop retardant on brush fires and haul up to 30,000 pounds of cargo and equipment. They can be used to transport medical units throughout the US and the world.

This marks the half way point in the Air Wing's move from Van Nuys to Pt. Mugu. Construction will continue on the new 220-acre facility until about Jan 1990. Personnel at the base will number up to 350 on a daily basis, with about 1,500 military, Air Guard and civilian employees cycling through. Many of these are "weekend warriors."

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Profile: Esther Robbins, Plucky Poet

By Betty Murray

Esther Robbins, V 11, a vivacious woman whose wit and talent have entertained and comforted many people in her life, said mischievously that her only claim to fame is that Saul Bellow kissed her. Other people have also kissed her, or otherwise honored her for her deeds of compassion and charity.

In Los Angeles, Esther and husband Jerry were active in the Town and Country Chapter of City of Hope for nine years, and won numerous awards for fund raising including the "Torch of Life" which is the highest award given.

After coming to Leisure Village, Esther, along with Bob Hasen, Max Lustig, Shirley Kossack and others, sponsored El Mirasol Boys' cottage at the Ventura School. This activity involved going to the school once a month to socialize, give them parties, or a pleasant evening, and adult conversation. Esther always brought fresh doughnuts, or hot pies, donated by friendly merchants. At Christmas, the State allowed \$250 for gifts for ten boys without families. Esther, adept at "schnorring" (begging for others), made the rounds of businesses and banks and received donations, sold or traded goods not usable for the boys, and parlayed the money into a sufficient amount to purchase (at cost) full outfits of new clothing for all the boys as well as gifts for each. (See Parable of the Talents, Matthew Ch. 25). The boys gave her an engraved silver cup in appreciation.

When the LV Drama Club was organized, Esther had important roles in "Curse You, Jack Dalton," "Plaza Suite," and "Second Time Around."

She wrote her own column of humor called



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ESTHER ROBBINS

"This-N-That" for 8 years for the Pleasant Valley Villager, the sales magazine published by Leisure Technology.

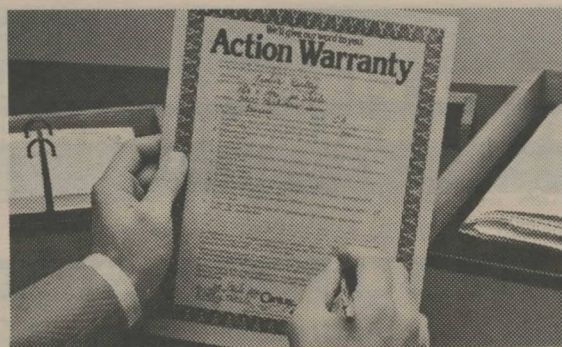
After the move to Camarillo, Esther became intrigued with street names in the city. A chance conversation with Florence Dawson Brown of Somis led her to write a history of Camarillo. Escorted some of the time by Mrs. Brown, she had a wonderful time meeting and

interviewing all the surviving family members whose names label the streets of Camarillo: Daily, Dawson, Lewis, Smith, Livingstone, Carmen, Ruiz, Gisler. The book which she completed in three months was published, using her own photos and captions, in the Pleasant Valley Villager.

Esther has given many entertainments ("An Afternoon with Esther") for

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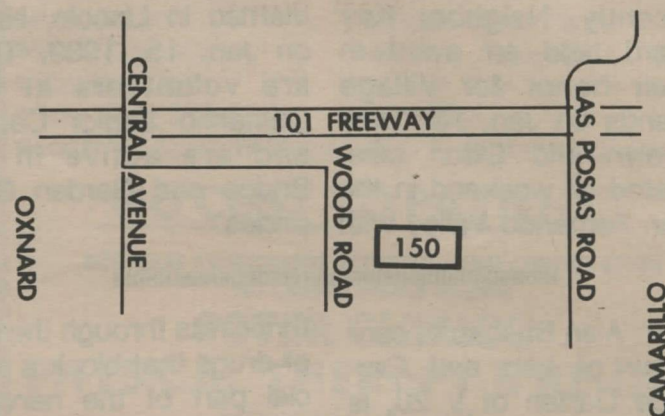


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clubs in the Village and elsewhere, using her own dramatic readings and poems. Ch 12 has recorded three such programs, as well as a Book Review wherein she read one of her original stories.

Inside Leisure Village has printed many of Esther's fine poems — always thoughtful, reflective of her own point of view. Publishing a collection of Esther Robbins' work would surely reveal a very broad content.

Esther is a native of Chicago, Illinois. She and classmate Saul Bellow, 1976 Nobel Prize winner in Literature, were voted "Most Likely to Succeed" in their high school graduating class. Esther as Class Poet, wrote and presented the Class Poem. She has written poetry since age eleven. She graduated with honors and passed college entrance exams, but because it was the depth of the Depression, she didn't have funds to attend.

Jerry and Esther met in 1934 and married in 1936. They moved to Los Angeles after WWII, and Jerry manufactured buttons for the Ladies Garment Industry.

Jerry brought home remnants of fabrics too small to be used and Esther designed dolls and dressed them with exquisite costumes. She developed "character dolls" which were sold in the children's shop at Knotts Berry Farm and a gift shop in Westwood. She made the Topsy and Eva dolls that were the centerpiece for the Marquis Award dinner for the Duncan sisters. Other Hollywood stars were also represented by her creations.

They had two sons, both well educated, both successful, both talented. Their five grandchildren already show promise of poetic, artistic and writing ability.

When the children had

The Little Tree That "Dared"

By Esther Robbins

The tree stood etched against the sky,
So small and gnarled, it caught my eye...
Like a lonely sentinel, this stunted stray
Through rock had made its stubborn way
To grow where never had grown a weed,
In a fissure that somehow had captured a seed
Dropped by a bird in its hurried flight
Or borne on a wind, displaying its might,
And there it stood, without tending or care,
Mutely declaring, "You can...if you dare..."

grown up, Esther took college courses which appealed to her: World Literature, Applied Psychology, Script writing for television.

For a while, Esther tutored children at an underprivileged school. She remembers one little black boy who had been labeled incorrigible, a non-reader. After their semester together, Esther had him write poetry. When asked what he would remember about their time together, he said, "Every time I disrupt the class, I'm taking something away from me." A discerning concept for a youngster to learn!

When Jerry became ill, had open-heart surgery, and contracted serum hepatitis which kept him house-ridden for twenty months, Esther kept herself occupied by painting. She is self-taught, but has created thoughtful and beautiful pictures around many motifs.

Jerry's health made it imperative that he retire, and the Robbins came to Leisure Village in 1977. Jerry, whose humor was irrepressible, was a self-taught drummer. He played, when his strength allowed, with a dance group and Arthur Kates' LV Orchestra. He also enjoyed shuffleboard, bocce and golf. His heart finally gave out in 1986, a few months after their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Last October, Esther returned to Chicago for the 55th year reunion of her high school class.

When her old beau Saul Bellow saw her, he hugged her and kissed her cheek. Someone resurrected the Class Poem and asked Esther to read it again. What an emotional memory!

Despite not having a "glamorous background," Esther Robbins had accomplished much that is worthwhile and beautiful. With a philosophy like her Little Tree, "You can if you dare," plenty of energy, and a helping of Chutzpah, she did it her way.

What Is "Past Their Prime"?

By Sol Robin

The subject of "aging" can be very confusing to many people, especially if we realize that the "aging" are all humans now alive — the infant in the stroller, the retired auto worker in his backyard, the five-year-old girl in kindergarten, the ballet star in mid-leap, the college student, the baby about to be born — all are aging. When we label people beyond a certain calendar age as the aging, and then immediately attach the tag "past prime" to them, we are merely trying to compress them into a group and at the same time say that all people outside that group are somehow not aging.

Prime can depend on the field of work in which one is engaged. Like so many other things, it also reflects the individual. Pablo Picasso, spending several hours each day in

his studio, and over a lifetime having constantly changed his styles, kept churning out paintings until his death in his nineties. Many critics consider Picasso's last works fully as fine as any he produced along the way.

Another painter, Georgia O'Keeffe, came into her own after moving to New Mexico in 1929 at the age of 42. Ms. O'Keeffe died recently in her nineties, and to the very end of her life was still turning out art reflecting her fascination with the beauty of the arid desert land in which she chose to live.

Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., who became "ancient" on the Supreme Court, continued to read Plato to "improve his mind" until his death at the age of 94. Associate William O. Douglas, rather along in years when he

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VILLAGE SWINGERS SQUARE DANCE CLUB

By Romaine Lambert

The Village Swingers Square Dance Club dates back to 1974 (at least according to the records, that's when Norman and Jerry Fuller joined, and they are our most faithful members in spite of the fact that Jerry can no longer dance because of a physical problem.). How about that for loyalty? Our Constitution and By-Laws were drawn up in 1980 and have served the Club well. The Club has survived, too, by having been served by many hard-working and loyal members.

Now the Swingers have a problem. Treasurer Bob and Joan Guhl have advised the Board that we are losing money. With the cooperation of Lou Dektor, former treasurer, they have searched the records and analyzed the

causes. Simply, we spend more than we make, and since our only source of income is Admissions, questions of course are raised as to what can be done.

The Board at its January meeting faced this question head-on and discussed solutions. As far as expenses go, everything has gone up including Caller's fees, and these are arranged a full year in advance. Pres Stearn appointed Max Brownstein to head a task force to alert all members to attend the general meeting. This group and the telephone committee contacted every member and the general meeting was well attended.

The only unfortunate part of the meeting was that many members in taking the floor neglected to go to the microphone, and as a result, many at either end of the AR could not hear the discussion. The gathering was lively enough that the time ex-

tended to 10:30 p.m., much later than we are supposed to stay. Ultimately, however, a vote was taken to solve part of the problem. Members may now pay their dues a month in advance — \$8.00 per person for a month (meaning when there are five Tuesdays a free dance is earned). Those who do not pay in advance will be charged \$3.00 per person per dance. This will take effect Feb. 1. Guest admissions will also be \$3.00 per person (which is really unfair to members who pay the same but must furnish refreshments in addition). Free dances on members' birthdays will be discontinued.

There was much discussion of attendance. Why has it fallen? There were many reasons offered. We are not holding up our Plus Level; we are admitting dancers who can't dance; why don't these people brush up, why were they admitted in

the first place? Why don't our members go out of the Village to other dances?

Each of us should remember that the Village Swingers is a unique Club. It is a closed club, open only to Villagers. We dance weekly instead of monthly or twice a month as do other clubs. We don't have to drive far to attend. We know our neighbors. But we must also recognize that we are retired and aging dancers. Many of us have taken several beginners classes, workshops, reviews, etc., and belonged to other clubs. We've had all that. Now we are villagers, enjoying our Village club. For those who are younger and ambitious there is the wide world to explore.

In reply to criticisms that we have taken in people who can't dance Plus. It is true. We have, through somebody's urging that the couple was ready, or were experienced, etc. We have suf-

fered through many such situations over these ten-plus years.

Now, isn't it time to be a little patient with those older people that might not be as sharp as they were, might not hear as well, might not be able to move as fast?

There was criticism, too, of those who just sit, rather than dancing. So? Individuals know their capacity. Whom are they hurting by sitting out? We have their admission fee!

Our attendance is down for several reasons — we, unfortunately, have had our share of deaths. We have had those who have become too handicapped to dance. Then there are those who must be absent due to serious illnesses and when they return need a little help and patience from us.

We have a great caller who really loves us (and sometimes that isn't easy), and members love

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married a girl in her twenties, remained as sharp as ever with his questions from the bench and his judicial opinions until a stroke forced him off the bench in his eighties. And Douglas remained physically active too. Tramping the trails and climbing mountains continued as one of his favorite past-times. His young wife said he had more energy than she.

As Maurice Chevalier neared seventy, someone asked him how it felt. Said he: "Well, considering the alternative, it feels wonderful." The list of entertainers and actors who continued to do well in their seventies and beyond is long: Fred Astaire, Ethel Barrymore, Ruth Gordon, Bob Hope, Bing Crosby, Perry Como, Jack Benny and John Wayne, to name a few.

George Burns, in his nineties and still going

strong, has insisted: "I can't die. I'm booked!"

And in the musical world, who could overlook the outstanding talent of Artur Rubinstein, Vladimir Horowitz and other gifted octogenarians. Their exquisite playing well past their seventies certainly shatters any suggestion that they belong in the "past their prime" category.

All these people made their marks early in their careers and never stopped. Well along in years, they continued to produce. They always derived intense pleasure from their work, from their contributions to the world. Marc Chagall, in his nineties, said, "Without my work, my life would be idiotic."

Here in Leisure Village we can find many residents who consider themselves still in their prime. Still creative and highly motivated; these are the

people who lead productive lives in many fields. We can be proud of the gifted painters, actors, woodworkers, ceramists and other achievers in our midst who continue to amaze us with their accomplishments.

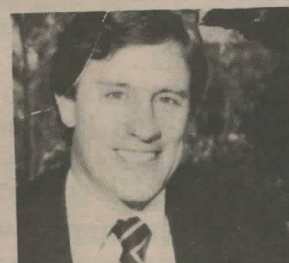
And above all, let us pause to acknowledge the inspiring service of the hundreds of volunteers among us who give of their time and effort to help make our community and beyond a better place for countless men, women and children whom we will never know.

Are we past our prime? Don't you believe it. This is our prime time and it is gratifying to realize that we still have so much to give.

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By Bernie Silverstein

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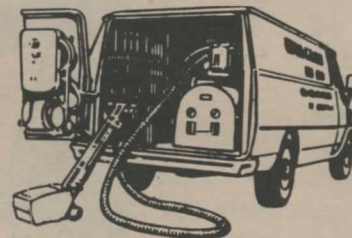
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