

# INSIDE LEISURE VILLAGE

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## *Season's Greetings And A Happy New Year To All!!*

### Current Issues Forum:

#### **Camarillo Mayor-Elect & Two Officials Here For Question-Answer Session In Late January**

**By Jack Whalen**

"Where is Camarillo heading in 1998?" is the topic of discussion as LV's Current Issues Forum holds its first program for the new year late in January. The following City officials will be present.

Mayor Charlotte Craven, a City Council member since 1986, will be heading the five-member Council for the third time. Each year one Council member is selected for the mayoralty. She is a popular figure in Leisure Village, both on stage and occasionally in the audience. She's Vice Chair of the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board, a long time board Member of the Ventura Regional Sanitation District, is deeply involved in many community activities, and has been a resi-

dent in Camarillo since 1975.

City Councilman William Liebmann recently completed his first year as a Council Member and has served the City for six years on the Planning Commission. He was elected on a platform that pledged to preserve and protect agricultural resources and fought the proposal to convert over 300 acres of farmland in order to build 1,500 homes. He is an attorney and has lived and worked in Camarillo since 1979.

Tony Boden has been Director of Planning and Community Development for the City of Camarillo for the past 25 years.

This program will be held in the AR on Thursday, January 29 at 7:30 p.m. Each

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### New Science Class Set For January

Dr. Sigmund Jaffe, V. 14, will offer a course entitled "What Makes the World Go Around? — Energy." It is the fifth in a series of science classes.

However, no previous background will be required to enjoy this one.

The course will include definitions and examples of forms of energy such as light, heat, electricity, mechanical, chemical, and nuclear. The production and applications of these forms of energy and the problems they create for the world will be discussed.

An attempt will be made to present actual and prospective measures to alleviate or prevent the harmful effects of energy use such as the consequences of air pollution, global warming, acid rain, ozone depletion, hazardous radia-



**Sig Jaffe**

tion etc.

Classes will begin on Wednesday, January 7 at 10:00 a.m. to noon in the Village Room. They will continue on consecutive Wednesdays, concluding on February 4.

Please sign up in the Recreation Office to join the class and enjoy gourmet food for thought.

### **Board Seeks Bids To Replace TV System**

As a result of the defeat of the proposed contract with GTE-Media Ventures to construct a new cable TV system in the Village, the Board of Directors has decided to issue a Request For Proposal to invite contractors to design and install a cable TV system for the Village.

**Flash! The Players Guild announces two special performances of "Fiddler on the Roof" will come to LV. The Comedy Tonight Players will be here Sunday, Feb. 1 at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Tickets at \$5.00 go on sale after Jan. 1.**

### **New Year's Eve Tickets Sell In Recreation Office**

Tickets are going fast for the Village New Year's Eve Dance. Tickets are \$7 each and are limited to two per household. Please pay by checks only in the Rec office.

Festivities will start at 8 p.m. in the gaily decorated AR. Light refreshments will be served. BYOB.

Dance music will be furnished by the Rhythm Kings, a favorite group who plays many of the "oldies." So ring out the old, ring in the new, with Village friends.

### **LV Active Singles Plan New Group**

**By Fayrose Gordon**

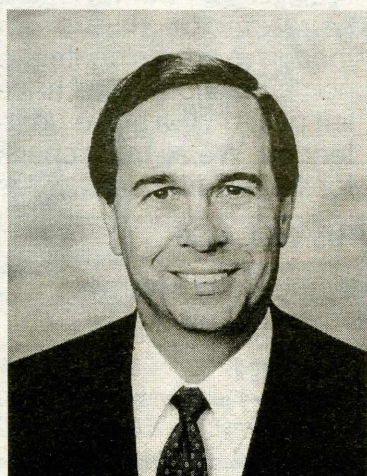
Calling all new singles and those already active in LV to get together on December 23 in the Sun Rm. from 10 a.m. to noon.

Aim of the group is to find friends to participate in dancing, dining, golf, tennis, holiday celebrations and all that LV offers, enjoying the fun life right here at home.

For more information call Carol Sweeney at 987-7047 or Fayrose Gordon at 388-0194.



**Charlotte Craven**



**William Liebmann**

**Marriott Plans Progress To City Council**  
The proposed senior care facility next to R-N market was approved by the City Planning Commission:  
Next it goes to the City Council for consideration.



# INSIDE LEISURE VILLAGE

## • OPINION •

### There's More To Village Security Than Meets The Eye

Most residents name the Security which is available here as a strong reason for choosing to live in Leisure Village. However, there is a lot about the duties of our security officers which is little known by most villagers.

Recently an overcautious Board of Directors discontinued the practice of sharing all security reports with members of the Safety and Security Committee. The Board cited "privacy" as their rationale. Residents are now further removed from knowing what the Security Department must cope with, often on a daily basis.

First off, there is a "Do Not Admit" list at the Front Gate. A few residents have requested this protection, usually from relatives. The Security Department is their only shield against possible elder abuse — physical, emotional, and/or financial.

Why did the Security Department push so hard to get bullet resistant glass installed at the Main Gate? Perhaps it was because of the young man, perceived as being high on drugs, who was denied entrance to the Village. He started waving a gun and shouting threats. The Camarillo Police were called immediately, but with a 5 to 10 minute response time, one gun can do a lot of damage, especially to a human body.

A postal person stopped at the gate before leaving the Village one day to report that mail and newspapers were accumulating at a residence. A Security officer was dispatched to check it out. (It's called a "wellness check" when a concerned neighbor reports to Security upon not seeing someone for several days. However, no neighbor had reported this one, sadly.) Security called the Fire Department, which is authorized to break into a house in an emergency.

They found that the man, who lived alone, had died of natural causes. Security personnel then had to notify the Coroner and whomever was listed on the man's Emergency Notification form.

Our Security personnel are charged with more responsibilities and have to handle more situations under pressure than most residents realize. Our Security people are a select, trained group. Why don't more villagers trust them with the decision of when to use pepper spray and plastic handcuffs?

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### ABOUT NEXT MONTH

Coordinator for the next month will be Lois Atz. Please follow guidelines and be as brief as you can. Deadline for the January 30 issue will be Monday, January 12, 1998 at 5:00 p.m. To arrange for a photographer, call coordinator at least 3 days in advance. Do not call photographer.

### Letters

*ILV has obligated itself to publish letters to the editors that are not profane, inflammatory, or libelous. Views or statements expressed are the beliefs of the writer and are not necessarily supported by the staff of ILV. Letters must include signature, address, and telephone number. Please limit letters to 250 words. We reserve the right to edit and/or condense. Place in ILV box or give to Coordinator of the month, as listed on page 2.*

### Protest

I join the many homeowners who strongly disagree with our Board's recent decision to arm our Security personnel with pepper spray and handcuffs.

Both outsiders and Villagers are potential targets. Spraying villagers is simply not acceptable. Originally the plan was only to spray outsiders, but this became ludicrous. Would Security first ask the confronted "Are you a resident?"

There is a high probability that the victim of spraying will sue us. Our "deep pockets" will surely tempt lawyers, and our exposure will greatly exceed any insurance that we have. We are at risk for thousands of dollars of special assessment per home!

It will be very difficult for our personnel, in real time, to exercise judgment and to properly observe the published "precautions" to be taken before spraying. Should we fire any of our people for "misuse" of these instructions, we surely face a wrongful termination lawsuit.

The history of "confrontations"

does not justify any sudden need for either protective or aggressive arming. In fact, it is well documented that arming provokes and increases the probability of confrontation and aggression. Note that our personnel is fully insured and protected by Workmen's Compensation in the unlikely event of an injury.

Such confrontations should not and do not have to happen. In a hostile situation our personnel should be instructed to back off and to call Camarillo police. Arming our personnel is a step in the wrong direction. Our Village should not become an armed camp with a police force; we should rely on trained and experienced outside police. Max Moses is doing a fine job as Security Chief; he need not become Chief of Police.

Edward I. Hawthorne,  
V.42

### Need Smoke Alarms

I am disturbed that our recreation building has no smoke alarms. It is a non-smoking building, but there are other causes of fire and smoke damage besides cigarettes:

1. We have a kitchen with flammable equipment.
2. We have a multi-purpose room which also has a kitchen.
3. We have the Channel 12 room which has many electrical components.
4. Our AR has a T.V. storage room, stage lights, etc.

I think we should be considering other causes of fire. All our homes must have smoke alarms, although most residents are non-smoking. We all have left pots on the stove unattended. We all must check for frayed electrical wires

caused by use and sometimes by animals chewing them. We can have motors burn out in the furnace and air conditioning units. A careless smoker could throw a cigarette into combustible material.

From personal experience, I had a TV set which was not turned on but which caught fire. Are all electrical wires grounded?

A resident was taken to the hospital and a pot was left on the stove. This caused the pot to burn and the house was full of smoke the next day. Her smoke alarm had dead batteries.

Smoke alarms cost around \$9 to \$15. I would feel safer if our expensive building was equipped with them. I'm sure someone would hear the loud noise they make when activated and send help before much damage was done.

Zo Simmons, V.15

My family and I wish to thank all of my neighbors and friends for their condolences and expressions of support in the loss of Max (Mac), my dear husband, father and grandfather.

Vi Cohen, V.28

We are overwhelmed by the calls, cards, prayers and support during Ralph's convalescence from surgery and subsequent pneumonia. There is no way we can thank each of you individually but be assured that we are deeply grateful. We love you all from the bottom of our heart!

The Kremnitzers, V.42

### New Channels

Now that the vote of the residents regarding the GTE TV issue has been tabulated and discussed at the December 1 Open Board Meeting, it is hoped that those people sincerely interested in getting additional TV programming can come together in a common cause. That common cause should be that all of the people who have voted

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**LETTERS.....from pg 2**  
for GTE and a **large share** of the people who voted against GTE need to cooperate in an effort to convince the Board of Directors (BOD) that we want additional programming. We need to encourage the Board to at least look at the alternative.

There has been much discussion as to whether we can have an LVA-owned system that **has been up-graded** and what the up-grade would **cost**. Many numbers have been tossed around as factual. While I believe that most of the discussion has been wrong, it is time for the BOD to take the time to evaluate the various claims and act upon them.

During my time as Chairperson of the TADS committee, we calculated what it would cost to bring the LVA system up to the **capability** of having 76 channels of programming. That cost was approximately \$200,000. Some of the work was more critical than other, consequently, the BOD chose to invest only

\$25,000 at that time. Additionally, only one channel was added.

Recently (November 1997), our contractor was asked what the cost would be to up-grade the system. He has reported to me that he can and is willing to do the remaining work for \$150,000.

The only remaining effort needed is to find a way (possibly a survey) for LV residents to show the BOD which channels are wanted. We can add as many or as few new channels as LV wants.

I urge all of the people, with this common cause, to join forces and support the BOD in making a decision to provide the programming suited for the LVA demographics.

Jim Mason V.3

We have had the misfortune during the past six months of having to call security emergency on four different occasions because my wife had fallen.

The purpose of this letter is to personally compliment and thank the Security Department for the service we have received from them. The rapid response, the professionalism in handling the situation and their compassion for our problems merits the highest praise.

Although we do not even know the names of the officers who responded to our calls, they have our heartfelt thanks for their assistance.

There are many good reasons for living in Leisure Village but this has to be Number One.

Jimmy and Bess Wolf, V.42

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## Daughter Of Bellantes Directs Hospice

The Camarillo Hospice is accepting contributions for its 12th annual Tree of Life drive which continues through January 9. Donations of \$15 or more will be represented by a light on the Tree of Life in Constitution Park on Carmen Drive next to the City Hall. Donations are made in memory of deceased relatives and friends as well as in honor of those living.

Edith Santangelo spends 30 hours a week as Executive Director of Camarillo Hospice. She is the daughter of Ann and Charles Bellante, Village 24. Edith started as a Hospice volunteer about 12 years ago and received an MA in Counseling in 1988.

Camarillo Hospice provides emotional, psychological and spiritual needs for people who are facing a terminal illness and for their families.

The non-profit group gets about 40% of its budget monies from donations

## Memoriam

Ann L. Felts,  
V.6

Ann Sachs,  
V.33

Jean Lindenauer,  
V.26

Pearle C. Johnson,  
V.5

Floyd E. Case,  
V.11

and the rest from United Way and miscellaneous grants. Call 389-5898 for more information.

Edith Santangelo started at Camarillo Hospice as a volunteer, then joined the board of directors, becoming vice president, president, and then executive director.



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## Interfaith Service Draws Crowd

By Betty Murray

From the opening hymn "Come, come ye faithful people. Come" to "Let There Be Peace On Earth," the Leisure Village congregation radiated friendship, harmony, and gratitude for blessings received at the Interfaith Thanksgiving service on Wednesday, No-

vember 26.

Reverend Lee Truman, V.42, retired Methodist minister, gave the sermon and capably included other speakers in delivering his message.

Filling the program with appropriate words and songs were Charles Babcock, Irving Dubin,

Rabbi Gerald Hanig, Jean Aird, Paul Kelwin, Elaine Shainhouse, Gene Hawkins, the L.V. Belles of Harmony under Lois Bello's leadership, Ruth Truman, and Father Liam Kidney.

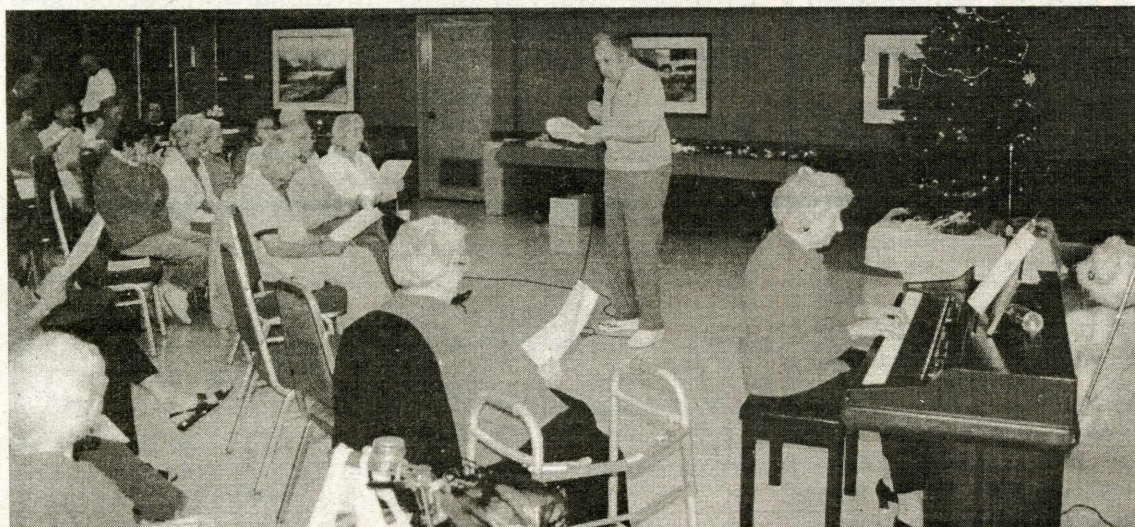
Selma Lich, pianist, and Frances Singer, violinist, played an effective musical prelude before the service.

This is the Village's 22nd Annual Interfaith service.



Photos by Vic Fledge

Belles of Harmony Sing at Interfaith Service



Jules Nayfack, with Ethel Belanger at the piano, leads holiday songs at Tree Trim party Dec 3 in AR.

## Thanksgiving Dinner

About 100 LV residents enjoyed a Thanksgiving dinner, starting at 1 p.m. November 27 in the AR. Caterers brought dishes for a complete feast to each table. Food was passed family style as one person at each table carved the turkey. Leftovers were distributed to take home.

Joe Kremer baked fresh rolls for the dinner. Coffee, punch and water were available. Bright table decorations added a festive touch to the tables. Many thanks go to Susan Rockwell, Recreation Center Manager, and her husband Phil, who were there to help serve and to direct the caterers. It was a job well done.

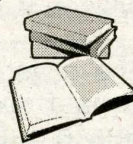
## 55 Alive Classes Set For January

By Naomi Balfour

The next 55 Alive Classes will be taught on January 15 and 16 at 1:00 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose room. This class is for licensed drivers in the Village to make everyone aware of safer driving.

All who take the class will receive a discount on their automobile insurance for three years. Check with your insurance company for the exact amount. It does vary.

Because of the limited number allowed in each class, you must be pre-registered and pre-paid. The cost is \$8.00. For more information and registration call Naomi Balfour 987-9851 or Zo Simmons 484-5205.



## Library

By Eileen Cohen

The Library Committee is happy to see several LARGE PRINT books are back in circulation in the LV Library. Thank you for checking your shelves and returning them.

Some categories were

switched to different shelves and the shelf labels will be updated. One important step was overlooked: please RETURN the large print books to the locked shelf or to the Rec Center office. Check outs are also made through the Rec office.

Suggestions are welcomed, particularly which types of books you would like to find here.

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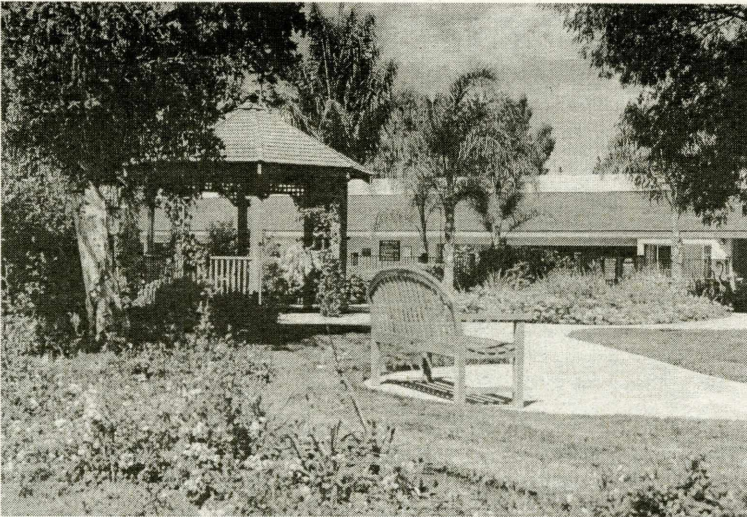
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Shown is a view of the Gazebo Garden, with the Recreation Center beyond, to the North.

### Gazebo Garden Debt Paid Off In 3 Years

Development of a Village area from a barren, unusable spot into a lovely Gazebo Garden was accomplished in December three years ago. Spearheading the effort, including design, planting and a great deal of the fund raising, was Lucy Gerhardt, V 29.

The Village Beautification Fund, under the aus-

pices of the Garden Club, collected donations, both "in memory of" and "in honor of" The goal of over \$53,000 was reached in December. Presentation of the final check to LVA will be made at the January 5 Open Board meeting by Lucy.

She is already thinking of new projects to make the Village more attractive.



### MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

By Mildred Cherin

The Meet Your Neighbor Group meets in the Garden Room the last Friday of the month.

In the absence of Hildi Taylor, Susan Rockwell, Recreation Facility Manager, led the November meeting. Susan introduced 10 newcomers with 35 in attendance. Susan spoke about the various activities listed in the *Village Voice*.

Susan introduced Milt Mankoff, chairman of the Recreation and Education Committee, who spoke about how the Village functions. They will offer a class about Energy and a class conducted by the Braille Institute soon.

Susan introduced Jim Moore, Lt. of Security, who spoke about the various services that Security pro-

vides.

Susan introduced Art Kaufman, president of Channel 12 Committee. Art told the audience that his crew will help us with our VCR's. All we have to do is call Channel 12, 388-1243.

Susan introduced Max Heller, chairman of the Computer Club, which now has a membership of 115. The club meets the first Friday of every month.

Lillian Mankoff spoke about the Exercise Group which meets 5 days a week from 8:30-9:00 a.m. in the Pavilion area.

Milt Mankoff spoke about the Camera Club which meets the first and third Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the Village Room.

There will be no December meeting of the Meet Your Neighbor Group because of the holidays. Next meeting should be on January 30 in the Garden Room.

### CAT Provides Bus Service To Village

Today's seniors lead active lives, and Camarillo Area Transit (CAT) is there to keep you moving.

CAT's fixed-route bus line links LV with many of Camarillo's most popular destinations, including Mission Oaks Plaza, Pleasant Valley Hospital, Central Plaza, and the Community Center. This service operates Monday-Friday starting in LV at 8:20 a.m. and operating until 4:30 p.m. Best of all, residents can ride FREE just by showing their Village identity badge.

The popular Dial-A-Ride provides safe and convenient travel to any destination within the city. Beginning in January, the cost to use the Dial-a-Ride service will be \$1.50 per trip for seniors and persons with disabilities.

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## Once Upon A Memory: My Treasure

By May B. Conklin, V.16

In 1928, when I was twelve years old, Pa and we four kids lived in an old farmhouse in Iron Mountain, Michigan, with a housekeeper and her daughter. Across the road lived an elderly Finnish couple, and I often went there, and on occasion did little chores for her. One day she gave me a necklace and I was especially pleased and proud of it as it was my only possession.

We kids had recently left an orphanage after five years with just the clothes on our backs, with nary a memento of those years, or the years before that.

Soon after, our housekeeper left us, and we moved in with Grandma Burby. Pa's cousin Art Burby and his wife Emma and their family lived downstairs. I was wearing my necklace the day I got there and Aunt Emma noticed it and inquired about it. Evidently she thought it was

too nice for a kid to play with, and said she would keep it for me.

Years passed, World War II broke out and I eventually moved to California. After the war, Aunt Emma lived with her daughter Rita and family in California near an Air Force base where her daughter's husband was stationed. My husband Bob and I visited them and on seeing my aunt again I had to wonder about my necklace, but didn't mention it.

With the passing of time,



my aunt Emma died and years later her daughter and family moved back to Michigan and settled in the old home place. On each visit back to that old home, thoughts of my necklace were uppermost on my mind. On a visit in 1992, I finally asked Rita if by any chance she had come across a necklace in her mother's possessions that could be mine, and told her the story, as she was too young to know about it. In 1993, on my next visit, she set a box in front of me and asked, "Is this your necklace, May?" I couldn't hold back the tears as I looked at an old, old box, and lying on yellowed paper was my necklace, more beautiful than I remembered it.

I looked and looked at it, and cried and cried, and couldn't believe my good fortune. It was September 16, 1993, my 77th birthday, and sixty-five years later. It was a very emotional time for me and I left that house drained, but thrilled beyond words.

Today I realize that it was



Photo by Vic Fledge

**Jim Gembala, LV general manager, checks out the bullet resistant glass recently installed at the Front Gatehouse. The Security Department has long asked for this protection. See Editorial on page 2 of this issue.**

well that aunt Emma took the necklace from me, as it may not have survived all my moves over the years. I look back on her with fondness as she was good to Pa and us kids. I'll be forever grateful to her daughter Rita for giving it back to me.

My garnet necklace is my most prized possession and I want my daughter Pat to treasure it as I do, and in turn, my granddaughter Elena. Dear Mrs. Peltoma never knew how happy she made one young girl or how much happier she made one old girl.

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## Greeting Cards Become Bookmarks

By Louise Waln

Your used birthday, valentine, Hanukkah, Christmas and other gift cards may become bookmarks if left in the Leisure Village Library or on Louise Waln's doorstep at 28204 Village 28. Louise appreciates the cards and the yarn scraps left for her to make the bookmarks. Help yourself to a bookmark in the library.

LOOKING AT  
CHANNEL 12



By Donald Hamilton

Channel 12 has a new feature on page 80: A weather report for the previous day showing high and low temperatures, sky condition (clear, scattered, broken, overcast, fog, etc.) maximum wind speed and direction, rain fall in the previous 24 hours (from 4:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.), and the

## Gabby Is Retiring

By Vic Fledge

A long time employee, Gavino Garcia, better known as Gabby, will be leaving the Village on December 31. He worked for Leisure Tech., developers, from 1971 to 1977 and for LVA from 1985 to 1997.

His job was driving a truck, picking up and delivering material for the work crews, and helping out at repairs and maintenance of the buildings.

In retirement Gabby is looking forward to traveling and to spending more time

with his wife Esther at their at Thousand Oaks home. He also wants to make more frequent visits to his four children, seven grandchildren and five great grandchildren living in Texas and other states.

When asked about the most memorable event during his long years of service, Gabby spoke about the time when he helped to pull out and save an elderly accident victim from the Village swimming pool.

Best wishes to him for a long, healthy and pleasant retirement.

total rainfall for the season (October through September).

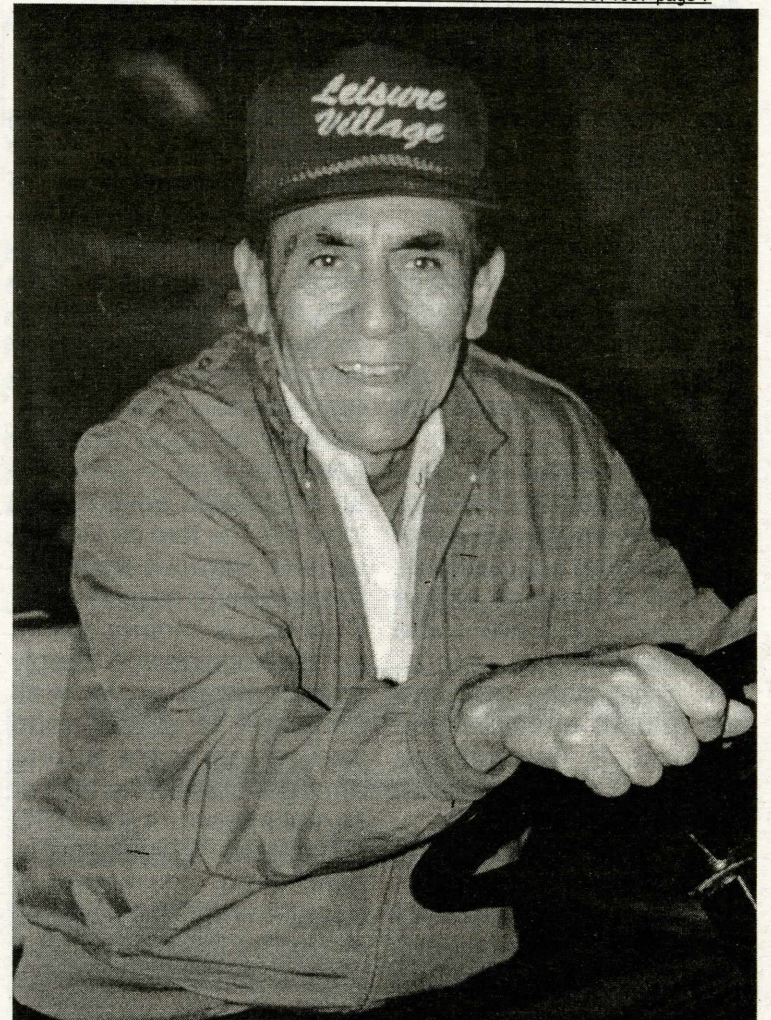
All of this information is collected within the Village. Keep in mind that conditions can vary from one end of the Village to the other, and it will not necessarily match what is found in the newspaper.

The information on Channel 12 will be accurate

to a plus or minus of 1°F temperature, 5% for wind, 2% for rain. If wind chill is shown, it is accurate to 4%.

Sky conditions are explained as follows: Scattered, clouds cover less than half the sky; Broken, more than half the sky is covered; Overcast, no sky visible through clouds.

Meteorologist is Donald Hamilton, V.20.



Gavino Garcia

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## El Nino And More

**By Duane Waln, Chair,  
Emergency Services  
Committee**

Winter conditions now a certainty, and El Nino is being considered a grown-up "El Hombre." Planning ahead is not only de rigueur, it's plain common sense.

The Emergency Services Committee has appointed a special sub-committee to offer suggestions, but until it is ready with a full report, here are some obvious pointers:

1. Have patio roof and rain gutters checked and cleaned. If Association crews are delayed, make other arrangements.

2. Check caulking and glazing of room additions. Windblown rains could cause substantial water damage, especially in older installations.

3. Patio umbrellas and other lightweight patio equipment should be secured. In recent, mild windy conditions, friends found their umbrella on their roof.

4. Check roof for dangerously overhanging tree limbs. Submit a green form to correct the problem (at Association expense).

In non-El Nino concerns

the question arose as to how to attach "white flags" during an emergency of Disaster Preparedness Exercise to the new articulated garage doors. The new doors do not have convenient handles! Roy Hergenroeder, Deputy Coordinator of Section A, suggested using a drapery hook which easily slips into an articulated section and to which the flag can be attached. Remove hook **before** opening garage door. Duct tape is another option.

The Nutrition and Supply sub-committee is well equipped to supply food and refreshment during emergencies to the 200 or so volunteers of the ESO (Emergency Services Organization), but storing sufficient emergency supplies of food and water is still the responsibility of each villager.

Finally, keep thinking of the "Buddy System" as the first line of defense in a time of danger. Pre-arrange with a neighbor or friend for mutual well being in the event of disaster. Then attach "white flags" indicating you're O.K. so that Village Coordinators can conserve their efforts for the needy!

LOOKING AT  
CHANNEL 12



**By Jack Whalen**

In recent issues of *Inside Leisure Village* several dedicated and talented LV residents have been featured who make it so worthwhile to watch Channel 12 at 5:00 p.m. on Monday afternoons. Larry Sawyer entertains us with his "Shared Experiences" on the first Monday each month, while Lillian Hawthorne gives us food for thought with her excellent book reviews on the third Monday.

In this issue Lee Edwards' Movie Reviews are featured which air on the second Monday every month. For many years Lee has been reporting on Monday afternoons, starting with the "Shopping in the Leisure Village Mall" where she reads the bulletin board ads over the air. Who knows how many pieces of furniture and bric-a-brac changed hands as a result of her valiant efforts?

Several years ago she decided that as long as she and Jim were avid movie goers and saw two or three features every month, why not use her 5:00 p.m. time slot to talk about the movies they had seen during the prior month? Thus the "Movie Review" was born, and now Gerry Sills tapes her each month, usually a day or two prior to, or even the same morning that the show airs at 5 p.m. Gerry maintains one fringe benefit of his taping efforts is that he can save the cost of the movie ticket, since Lee covers the plot of each movie so thoroughly, no need to see the film all over again. Lee says the reason she goes into such details and even reveals the end-

ing of the movie, is that many residents tell her they can no longer go to the movies themselves and her review gives them the feeling of "been there, done that."

For those who do want to see the film she reviews, Lee warns before she comes to the ending, to put TV's on "mute," so as not to spoil the suspense. At the end of each review she tells the rating Jim gave to the feature: 10 being the best, 1 the worst. Friends and listeners don't always agree with these ratings. For comments concerning any of the films she features, call and tell her. She promises to report comments on the air the following month.

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It had to happen. The Board finally tabled tables.  
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Medical Question: Why do people scratch themselves?  
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Answer: because they alone know where it itches.  
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Overheard in the Gazebos Garden:

"Did you hear the latest? A lunatic is loose in Leisure Village!"

"What committee is he on?"  
\*\*\*\*\*

LV retirement age: That time in your life when you'd do anything to feel better except giving up what's making you feel worse.  
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Artemus Kluge, a retired Washington D.C. administrator under President Nixon, will speak on the art of paper shredding on a date to be announced.  
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LV Discussion Groups have become so popular

that I'm starting a Discussion Group to discuss Discussion Groups.  
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In Montana, paleontologists have discovered the fossil remains of dinosaurs resembling the modern pig. They've named the dig Jurassic Pork.  
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The 1997 Tiddly Winks Tournament has been postponed pending a rule change. One member has been caught playing with loaded Tiddlies.  
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The Ed and Rec Committee is deciding if a villager may use the pool if he (or she) brings along a rubber duck.  
\*\*\*\*\*

Grandpa/Grandma speak: Yesterday:

Grandpa: "How's the shawl comin', Martha?"  
Grandma: "Slow. Knit and purl, knit and purl."

Today:  
Grandma: "Our CPU is only 486 with 16 BP!"

Grandpa: "Could be the floppy!"

Grandma: "My floppy's high density. Maybe the DTR needs upgrading..."



By Shirley Law

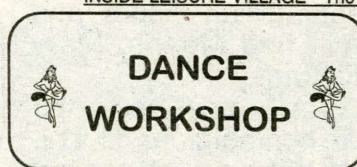
The Happy Hoofers will continue to take weekly dance lessons at the "Just Dancin'" studios on Tuesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. through 1998. Practice continues on Monday and Thursday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the AR.

Now is a good time to join the Hoofers, if you have some background in tap, as the group is starting a new routine and it takes 6-8 months to complete. If interested, call Helen Gold, 987-2494.

The trip to Palm Springs December 5-6 was a huge success and everyone had a wonderful time. Seeing the dancers at the Palm Springs Follies, ages 55-84, reminded us of ourselves and our determination to keep dancing even as we get older.

Our sincere condolences to our dear friend and dancer, Vi Cohen, on the loss of her husband, Max, this past month.

We wish all Happy Holidays and a wonderful and healthy New Year.



By Ann Kushner

Line Dancers are invited to join Dance Workshop every Tuesday at 3:00 p.m. in the AR. Line Dance is for fun, exercise and fellowship.

A holiday party will be held on Tuesday, December 23 at 3:00 p.m. in the AR. All members are invited.

Instructors are Rhoda Smithkin and Tom Endo.



By Joyce Turner

Dancers always enjoy the holiday season. Dancing to records of the Big Band Era begins at 7:30 p.m. in the AR on December 20. Excellent refreshments are served.

The dance board wishes all a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Remember, the first anniversary for Dance Fever Night is January 3.

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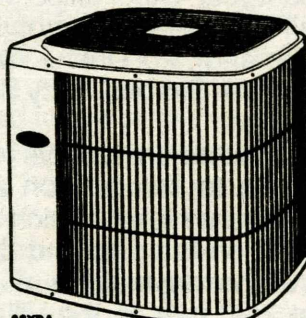
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### By Eileen Cohen

The December 4 meeting of the Women's Club began with the annual collection of non-perishable food items for the Village Food Distribution Program.

New officers for 1998 were installed and the members look forward to a great new year. The officers are: President, Genevieve Leventhal; 1st V.P. Program, Gertie Dorward; 2nd V.P. Workshop, Maxine Himstreet; Treasurer, Wanda Earney; Recording Secy, Doris Kadish; Corresponding Secy, Felice Perkins and Parliamentarian, Dorothy Fencil.

Chairs of the Standing Committees are: Historians, Arlene Beller and Barbara Humphrey; Hospitality, Alice Hinig and Velma Hughes; Membership, Marion Sanders; Publicity, Eileen Cohen; Refresh-

ments, Lillian Pisors, and Ways and Means, Mary Kay Franey.

As in the past, end of the year contributions to Leisure Village and several approved Ventura County charitable organizations were announced.

A variety of handcrafted items suitable for unique gifts were available at the annual Holiday Boutique before the meeting. The Workshop continues its long tradition of sociable Tuesday morning working meetings.

The Women's Club looks forward to continuing the traditional Bazaar in January with the usual assortment of interesting, useful and attractive small items. As previously announced, furniture and used clothing will no longer be sold.

The audience enjoyed the musical selections presented by the talented LV group, *Belles of Harmony*, directed by Lois Bello.

Lillian Pisors and her able committee provided tasty refreshments.

video feed such as video tapes (any subject) or broadcast video such as movies, prize fights or golf tournaments. Estimated cost is \$7,000.

The second important Board action was to approve the purchase of 250 new stacking chairs for the AR. These will be identical or similar to the high-back, upholstered interlocking chairs now in use and would bring the total chair count to approximately 600.

That number, incidentally, is considered the absolute minimum number of tickets to be sold in order to engage desirable big-name performers. Also, many of the chairs are now in constant deployment in various card and meeting rooms and will require gathering for sold-out shows.

All villagers are invited to attend future Showtyme Club meetings in the MPR at 2:00 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month.



### AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

### By Paul Kelwin

During one of the recent power outages in Camarillo that lasted several hours, the LV Amateur Radio Club tested its back-up system when AC electrical power is off. Eddie Vasquez (KC6UQO) installed solar panels that use daylight (regardless of sunshine) to charge two 12 volt batteries. They could carry our transmitting and receiving communications requirements for approximately 20 hours. Beyond that, we have a gasoline powered generator to recharge the batteries.

Thanks to the LV Board, we're getting the generator located so that its power can be sent to the batteries and yet the fumes and noise must not be near enough to interfere with our operation. Also, not so far that there will be a significant voltage drop in the transmission line to the batteries. So, LVers, you'll be able to communicate to relatives in distant parts of

the USA or the world. Ask me for a paper that tells how that can be done.

We'll meet for our monthly breakfast at the Marriott Courtyard tomorrow, Saturday December 20. Any interested in amateur radio, meet us there at 8:30 a.m.

Dana Street (KA6IUT) showed us a unique dipole antenna he made of just foil (soft) drink cans mounted one atop another. The circumference made for a larger receiving and or transmitting area. The cans can endorse 8 different companies.

We also elected the Radio Club officers for 1998. They are: Marge May (KB6HAG) president; Eddie Vasquez (KC6UQO), V.P.; Paul Kelwin (KC6UEF) secy, and publicity with Benson Smithkin as alternate and George Stutsky (WB601N) as treasurer. So, '98, here we come and we're "on radio watch" for come what may.

Our next meeting will be the first Tuesday of 1998, Jan. 6 in the Sun Room at 10:00 a.m. Holiday Greetings To All.

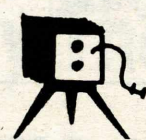


### INDOOR OUTDOOR GARDEN CLUB

### By Georgia Schneider

The Leisure Village Garden Club installed a new slate of officers at the Holiday Luncheon on December 11. Co-chairpersons, are Lucille White and Georgia Griswold; 1st V.P.s: Claire Sortomme and Rosemary Sustman; 2nd V.P. Louise Herbert; Secty Eileen Cohen; and Treas Hazel Sheridan.

The January 8 meeting will feature a program from the Ponderosa Flower and Gift Shop. The annual dues for membership in the Garden Club and signups for the Bridge Marathon are due at this meeting. The refreshment table opens at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting convenes at 10:00 a.m. in the MPR.



### CAMERA CLUB

### By Jerry Cohen

The Camera Club's annual Potluck party held on December 17 was enjoyed by all, and proved our talented photographers are also gifted chefs.

Nominations and elections for 1998 were held as well. Slated for president is Sam Weinstein, taking over for Milt Mankoff, who was an outstanding leader the past year. Other officers are all returnees (by popular demand): v.p. Duane Waln, treas Al Simons, secy Sam Brown.

Visitors are always welcome to competition and program nights, which are held on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the Village Rm.

### CERAMIC MOLD DECORATORS CLUB

### By Pepper Heimowitz

The Ceramic Mold Decorators participated in the November Annual Arts and Crafts Show. The show was well received and the club gained several new members, as visitors stopped to admire the display table.

The members are still going full steam in working to complete holiday gifts.

Evelyn Boehm, who toured China with her family, spoke of her trip at the October meeting.

The Ceramic Mold Decorators Club's members wish all friends in Leisure Village a healthy, happy delightful, happy 1998.

Next meeting is Wednesday, January 7, at 12:30 p.m. in the Ceramic Rm. Visitors are always welcome at the workshops, held every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Ceramic Rm.



### NEEDLEWORK ETC.

### By Celia Gordon

The Needle Works Etc. group meets every Friday from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the Village Room.

Projects include knitting, crocheting and needlepoint. Instruction is available. Come in and look over the large selection of pattern books.

Call Celia at 484-3441 for more information.



### GEM AND MINERAL CLUB

### By Don Holmes

The Gem and Mineral Club had its Annual Party early in December, with the exchange of delightful gifts. Because of the holidays, the next meeting will be on January 22, the fourth Thursday, as usual. Have Happy Holidays!

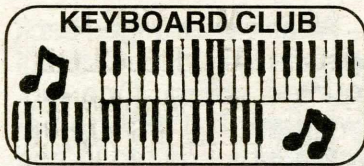


### By C.R. Elrick

Two items of welcome news highlighted the November 19th meeting of the young Showtyme Club. President Jerry Banchik was pleased to announce that the L.V. Board of Directors had approved two purchases designed to increase and improve seating in the AR.

The first was the Board's okay to research and buy a large-screen projection TV system offering vivid, close up images of on-stage performers. Mounted high up in the front, left-hand corner of the AR, this 9-foot by 12-foot screen will easily be seen from rear-most rows of the room. Moreover, the system will be fully compatible with Village video cameras and can be used for large-scale viewing of any

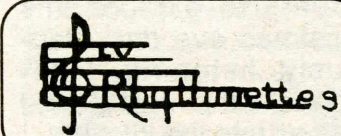




### By Joyce Turner

The incoming Keyboard Club officers are looking forward to another year of enjoyable musical entertainment. The Board promises to schedule more special music in 1998.

The next meeting of the club will be Friday, January 16 at 1:00 p.m. in the AR.



### By Jeanette Ventura

The Rhythmette Club members have enjoyed another year of happy music. We are especially delighted to have the musical talents of Lily Baker, our pianist, and Piff De Simone, our musical director. Every member, talented in her own way, enjoys the opportunity to create a happy mood on many occasions.

There is always good fellowship and excellent refreshments at the meetings.

Jules Nayfack, president, announces that on Friday evening, January 23, there will be a special evening concert. The Camarillo High School's Swing Kids, the Jazz Band, plus a special added attraction will perform here. Note the date: Friday, January 23, AR.

Enjoy a healthy, safe and happy holiday season.

The December 16 holiday party was one of those happy get-togethers with music, singing and dancing. A variety of desserts and beverages were available, thanks to Bess Davis and Claire Endelman, Social Persons.

We all wish to extend our good wishes for a Happy Holiday Season and a Prosperous New Year to everyone.

New members are welcome to come and join the Rhythmettes on Tuesdays in the AR at 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. in 1998.

and see a tape of the Holiday program. All new and prospective members are asked to come to this first get-together and become acquainted with a great group of singers. All voices are needed, especially altos and tenors.

Please come to join the Chorale and enjoy yourselves. For more information call Sally at 482-2554.



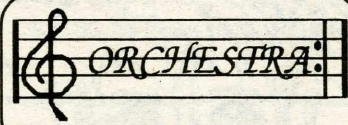
### Liedeleers

#### By Selma Lich

In November the Liedeleers singing group expressed its deep gratitude for the gifts of life, of friendship and of music; and in December the members celebrated another year of musical togetherness by lifting their voices in song at a dessert sing-a-long attended by a small group of relatives and friends. The entertainment was provided exclusively by the Liedeleers, reveling in old and new favorites to the delight of all present.

The group is looking forward with anticipation to more years of incomparable Leisure Village living enhanced by the pleasure of making music together.

The Liedeleers meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 10:00 a.m. in the Lanai Room. All villagers are welcome to attend. Do drop in to visit and/or to sing. Although the group does not presume to resemble the Roger Wagner Chorale, it has, one might say, "its own integrity." For information please call Selma at 484-8129.



#### By Don Holmes

The LV Orchestra is "resting." Those who have been on stage professionally know what that means--unemployed. The group has lost a few key players recently, but hopes that new villagers will join. All instrumentalists are welcome. Call Don Holmes at 482-4979 for information.

Happy  
New  
Year!!



Photo by Vic Fledge

### Dorothy Prager and June Dance

#### DUPLICATE BRIDGE



#### Tournament Winners

##### By Lou Dektor

The 22nd annual Duplicate Bridge Tournament was held November 10 in the A.R.

Refreshments were served and prizes were distributed to the winners and other placing pairs listed below.

The overall winners were partners Dorothy Praeger and June Dance. Taking 2nd were Jeanne Brown and Helen Tangren. Judy Holtzman and Herb Marks 3rd, and tied for 4th were Ray Andres and Mimi Sachs, and Martha Nunn and Ruth Acker.

Other placing pairs in the 24 table event were Ruth

Smith and Midge Dektor, Sam Wiegert and Phil Duff, Ina Finkel and Moe Glickman, Katherine Bell and Barbara Holoter, Reva Shpiner and Hy Mazer, Dorothy and Walter Zukerman, Ralph Hubbard and Jerry Johnson, Clara Ballew and Elsie Nielsen, Mitzi and Marty Ettinger, Sharon and Al Green, Tobie and Paul Treitman, Dick Griswold and Marietta Pluim, Betty and Jack Ansell, Faye Solursh and Ruth Bernstein, and Faye and Lou Saunders.

The five duplicate games held weekly in the G.R. are open to all villagers and their guests.

Playing times are Mondays at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.; Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.; Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. and Fridays at 7:00 p.m. Come early to sign up.

substantial donation to the Leisure Village Association for upgrading the stage lighting in the AR. This will benefit all Village functions using the stage.

The January Workshop program will be a "don't miss" performance by Jack Silver as Will Rogers. We still remember his outstanding portrayal of Clarence Darrow earlier this year. What a wonderful way to start our new program year!

To all our members and family — a very happy and healthy New Year. This is the final column for this reporter. Meet our new Vice-President for Publicity, Anne Wolfson, next month.

### THE SAWDUSTERS CLUB

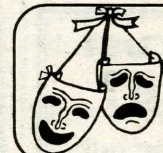


#### By Martin Alfred

The Sawdusters have concluded a year where they heard many interesting speakers at meetings. As in years past, we constructed various wood items for the Women's Club

Bazaar. Thanks go to Pres. Paul Schallheim for his work in guiding the club and to the many others who helped in the projects.

The group is always eager to hear new ideas and to help anyone interested in woodworking, so come the third Thursday of the month at 2:30 p.m. to the Lanai Room.



### PLAYERS GUILD

#### By Irv Goodnick

You could almost smell the mozzarella in the air as the curtain opened at the Players Guild Workshop of November 20. The program, produced by Miriam Hasen, featured all new performers in an Italian songfest titled "The Soul of Italy." The great mix of folk songs, ballads and glorious opera had the audience singing along at the finale. Bravissimo!

The Players Guild membership voted to make a



## ONCE UPON A MEMORY

Oh, No! Not Christmas Again .....

By Ruth Truman, V. 42

With the children in bed and the clock striking eleven, I folded up my good intentions and wearily climbed the stairs. One more time I had tried to wait up for my clergy husband and failed. Some times it was church meetings, sometimes emergency calls, and tonight it was the live creche scene.

The year before the idea had begun. Our church stood on a prominent corner, with lots of lawn space. Someone nailed together a manger just like the ones you buy in the store to put under your Christmas tree -- only life size -- and the teenagers in the congregation took turns being Mary, Joseph, the wise astronomers, and humble shepherds. Music from a hidden speaker set the familiar carols into the minds of the townspeople who stopped to observe and stayed to watch the ancient drama.

That was last year. Nice and simple. This year nothing would satisfy my husband but animals. Real. Live. Things like camels and sheep, donkeys, all obstinate creatures of the animal kingdom.

Joyously Lee had announced at mid-week that a small animal preserve was going to loan him the

camels, provided they were well supervised so they wouldn't be shocked by passing traffic and curious pedestrians. "What about the insurance?" was my naive question. "No problem. I've already got that handled."

Seeing the excitement of our emerging teenagers, I took a cue from Mary and "hid all these things" in my heart -- things like mental visions of a child getting too close and being nipped by camel teeth, or a ram deciding to do just that to some unsuspecting person....

Tonight it had all come together -- and blown apart just as fast. When I drove by the church to show our children the display, the wind was whipping hay in all directions. Teenagers were scurrying to tie things down. And there stood the animals, munching on whatever happened to blow by. Except for the donkey, which was still being encouraged to move from its place on the parking lot.

Now it was eleven o'clock and my husband still wasn't home. Oh well, he had to take the camels back each night, so we would talk in the morning. With these thoughts I turned out the light and sank gratefully into the familiar groove on my side of

the bed. Blessed sleep!

Earthquake? My body came to total alert. Nothing I was hearing made sense. Then the window rattled. I turned to see Lee's familiar form in bed beside me. A loud thud. The window rattled again. What was going on? It wasn't an earthquake because nothing else was moving. Not wanting to waken my exhausted spouse, I took the flashlight from the night table and cautiously tip-toed down the stairs. Thud! Whatever it was, it was banging against the patio sliding doors.

Walking noiselessly across the room, I suddenly switched on the flashlight and found myself in a double stare with the biggest ram I had ever seen (which wasn't many)! Turning on the patio light I was immobilized with disbelief. Munching on the grass, the bushes, the geraniums, all those lovely California winter plants, was a flock of sheep. A small flock, but a flock. At that stunning moment the ram took aim for the glass door again.

As it trembled I flew up the stairs. "Lee! Wake up!" I shook him furiously! "You've gone too far this time! Those stupid animals

are eating everything in sight and any minute one will be raiding the kitchen! Get up and do something!"

"They're just sheep, Ruth. They won't hurt anything," was his groggy answer. But when his eyes focused he understood the look on my face and pushed his weary body out of bed. "What do you want me to do?"

"Well, at least you can tie them up so we'll have a yard left in the morning -- and when morning comes you can jolly well take them someplace else! We'll be lucky if the neighbors don't call the Neighborhood Association by breakfast." (Keeping sheep in the backyard was definitely a no-no in our association!)

I watched from the relative safety of the kitchen while Lee tied the animals to the only available poles -- the ones holding up the patio cover, the new patio cover the men of the church had built just the past summer.

"Will it hold?"

"Of course. These poles are set in concrete."

It wasn't the concrete I was worried about. It was the upper part where the nails were used. How would they stand the strain?

Wearily we trudged back upstairs to bed. Lee slept. I counted sheep. One tug. Two tugs. Ten tugs. In between tugs I drifted in and out of consciousness. Finally I slept again.

The morning sun woke me: a beautiful Christmas-eve day. Then I remembered. Had I just fallen asleep, or had the tugs stopped? If they had stopped, what did that mean? I peeked out the bedroom window. The patio roof was still there. Everyone else was asleep so I pulled on my robe and slippers to explore this Christmas eve day. Cautiously, listening, I descended the stairs and stepped into the kitchen.

There were the sheep waiting patiently -- for someone to rescue them. Somehow they had managed to wind their tethers around and around the poles until they could no longer move. Three clumps of sheep. In my backyard. On the day before Christmas. It was almost funny. In fact, it was quite hysterical.

But I never told Lee that. You see, he had this habit of wanting it to be bigger and better -- next year. I See MEMORY.....Pg 13

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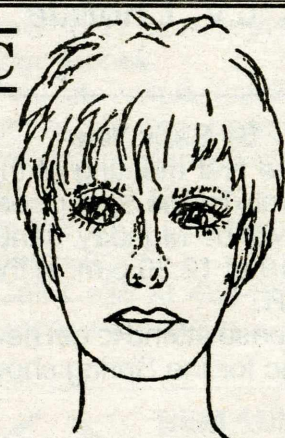
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## BOWLING



### By Vee Flowers

As of the 10th week, Team 11 of the Leisure Village Bowling League is in first place, but Team 16 is right behind by one game. Of course as is well known, one week can change things around.

There have been some great scores lately by the ladies as well as the men. How about Ann Bellante who has an average of 113

coming through with a big 183 game and a 480 series. Meriam Laird had a 184 game and a 513 series. Irene Garry's high game was 188 and a 520 series. Lucy Fiore who really has been going great, came up with a 486 and Ginny Cordell had a nice 484 series and yours truly finally woke up and rolled a respectable 473.

The men had a big 213, 249 and a 582 series by Herb Roberts, Norm Page a 213 and a 532, Chet DiLallo 222 and a 235 for a nice 543 series.



## LV EXERCISE GROUP

### By Lillian Mankoff

Seasonal changes are taken in their stride by the persevering members of the Leisure Village Exercise Group. Come rain or shine, on Monday through Friday, they are committed to good health and a morning fix of fun and friendship.

Members are also dedicated to serving the surrounding community. December 11 was the day the Exercise Group presented residents of the Camarillo Convalescent Hospital with cookies and holiday gift bags filled with toiletries collected by the members. Irene Denoyer made 42 of the drawstring gift bags and donated many large-print Readers Digests. Other members also contributed time and talent for this annual event.

January 16 is the date the group honors a mystery member who has made important contributions to programs and activities. Details of the testimonial dinner will be announced in the near future.

Join Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. at the Pool Pavilion to promote good health and happiness in the New Year.



## L.V. RACQUET CLUB

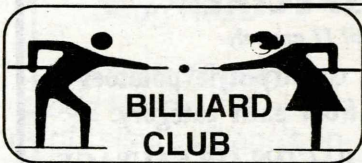
### By Ida Kubica

At the November meeting Bob Hasen presented the roster of Officers for the 1998 Racquet Club board: Pres. Si Ross, V.P. Irv. Goldman, Treas. Sylvia Phillips, and Secy. Louise Houser. The installation occurred at the December meeting. Betty Kumler will be publicity person. All the rest of the staff will be retained.

Betty Kumler, Ida Kubica's successor and like-minded in philosophy, was the Mystery Guest for November. She believes in doing things that give her satisfaction: Practicing stewardship, the art of caring for people, is a priority. She does that through Hospice. Iowa was her birthplace, born into a family of teachers. Life for Betty was a series of new experi-

ences in many different places, teacher being just one. She has a Masters degree in Music Education, played the tuba, was choir singer, secretary, and painter of porcelain, winning many awards, one in Italy. She was a military wife for many years. California captured her interest back in 1957, and she has lived here ever since. She met Bob and they married in 1969, living in a geodesic dome house for 10 years. Leisure Villager became their home in 1978. They are both very active in sports and clubs.

The next meeting of the Racquet Club will be January 14 in the MPR at 7:30 p.m. Come to meet the new board and to wish them well. I have enjoyed being Publicity person and learned many things in the process. I wish to thank everyone who helped me in that regard, and hope you will do the same for Betty, as well as the rest of the board and staff.



## BILLIARD CLUB

### By Phyl and Sid Yablun

The Billiard Club Christmas party on December 7 was truly a memorable night. Everyone was decked out in holiday finery and a good time was had by all.

Installed as Pres. was Ernie Ohmstedt; 1st V.P. Edith Dowsing; 2nd V.P., Gus Honick; Secretary, Ed

Donahue; Treas., Charlie Kent.

What a wonderful slate of officers. The group can look forward to a fantastic year ahead.

Oops, forgot to mention something most important: the co-ordinators of the tourna-fest were Larry Trindle and Kenny Spangler. Thanks, guys, for a job well done.

Please do not forget to pay dues by December 31 so that names of all members will be included in the Blue Book.

creche scene, a spectacular star if there ever was one. And all I could think was he had sure better figure out where to keep it when it wasn't in use. Sheep were hard enough to explain to my neighbors, but a flying saucer? Never!

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knew it would be just a few weeks until he would say to the youth director, "Next Christmas, why don't we..." Probably he'd negotiate with NASA to have a satellite hover over the live

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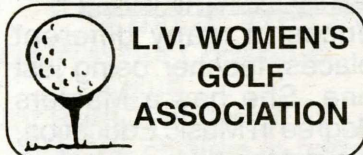


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## L.V. WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

### Marty Gregory

As the holiday season approaches the Women's Golf Association sends best wishes to everyone for a happy and healthy New Year!

Results of the President's Cup completed November 5 were: Low Net over the Field Marty Gregory with a 109. 18ers Flight A: 1st Low Net Iolene Beach 113, 2nd Mary Giesler 115, 3rd was a tie between Ginny Cordell and Donna Duke 117. Flight B: 1st Low Net Adeline Littenberg 110, 2nd Rosemary Hanson 111, 3rd Nettie Baum 118. 9ers Flight A: 1st Low Net Marge Kelly 53, 2nd Shirley Heller 55, 3rd Helen McGinnis 56. Flight B: 1st Low Net Betty Bruce 54, 2nd Marion

Sanders 57, 3rd Edith Vanicek 60.

Regulation Golf played Thursday, November 20 at Olivas Park was a team effort, which produced a tie for first place between the teams of Carole Vaught, Barbara Wentz, Corky Milman, Pat Holly, and the team of Donna Duke, Irene Cunningham, Evelyn Lacy, and Betty Bruce, both with a total of 128 strokes. Next month Regulation Golf will be played January 15 at Buenaventure Golf Course; cut-off date is December 27.

Bridge chairperson Fran Mead reminds everyone play on Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m. in the Garden Room continues through the months of December, January and February.

Low Nets for the Month: 18ers was Adeline Littenberg with 74-22=52. 9ers was a tie between Maria Meyers and Marge Kelly both with 37-8=29F.



## L.V. MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

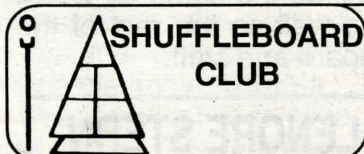
### By Dick Hof

Regulation golf at Elkins Ranch on November 20 brought up a tie for low gross in A Flight at 96 between 4 players, and Mannie Abbate won by matching cards. Don Laird came in with a 73 for first low net. B Flight, Al Sullivan took low gross with 103, and Chuck Elrick and Tony Gregg tied for first low net with 72. Joe Sheridan shot a 107 to take low gross in C Flight, with Bruce Calkins first low net 72.

Super Senior tournament (75 years and up) and Super Super Senior (80 and up) is scheduled for February 3. Eligible contestants can enter both tournaments if they wish. Both will be played concurrently.

A reminder: River Ridge now requires "soft spikes" or rubber soled shoes—no metal spikes.

Another reminder, that in January and February the first starting time in L.V. will be 8:30 a.m. instead of 8:00.

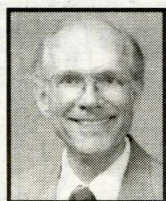


### By Virginia Shine

The Shuffleboard Club held its annual holiday dinner on December 9. A delicious dinner of stuffed chicken breast, rice and salad was enjoyed by all.

Installation of officers for the coming year was held. The new officers are Lucy Fiore pres; Eleanor Kramer, v.p.; Carol Woodmansee, secy; Will Schreiber, treas and Maggie Bragg, membership chairman.

The Shuffleboard Club meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the MPR.



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## WATER AEROBICS

### By Marie Hergenroeder

There will be no class of Water Aerobics on December 24.

Happy Chanukah and Merry Christmas.

The group reconvenes in the pool on Friday, December 26 at 11:00 p.m.

## Spiritual Growth Group By Dorothy Holcomb

The Spiritual Growth Group will meet each Tuesday in January at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Dorothy Holcomb, 16136 V.16

The group is growing. A new year will soon start.

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**Doug Ross 1941**

**Canadian Lacrosse Hall Of Fame Honors Super Athlete Doug Ross**

**By Jack Whalen**

Doug Ross, V.17, easily one of Leisure Village's finest athletes, was recently inducted into the Canadian Lacrosse Hall Of Fame as a "Veteran Player" during impressive ceremonies in Vancouver B.C.

Accompanying Doug to the banquet and induction ceremonies earlier this month was his daughter, Gail Deschamps, from nearby Santa Rosa Valley.

Doug started playing lacrosse at age 16 in the Vancouver area and moved upward through stages ac-

cording to his age. He was in the country play-offs in both 1941 and 1942, suffering from a split kidney in one wild game.

In 1943 his team won the coveted Mana Cup, equivalent to our Super Bowl. Protective equipment was not very good in those days and he suffered knee injuries in both lacrosse and soccer.

Following corrective surgery, he entered the Canadian military early in 1943 and became an instructor in lacrosse, soccer and baseball.

In years following the war, he and his wife Kit, now deceased, often played lacrosse in the evenings, following work.

The following dance will be on January 10. All are invited to attend this first dance of the 1998 schedule for an evening of dancing fun and special intermission entertainment by Susan Rockwell and her country-western dance friends.

A variety of popular tunes recorded on tape by top bands will be provided for the dancing pleasure of all. Admission is only fifty cents per person, 8-10:30 p.m. in the A.R. Coffee, tea, punch and ice available. BYOB.

The members of the group wish all a very enjoyable holiday time and Happy New Year, and look forward to seeing all dancing enthusiasts at the Saturday Night Ballroom Dances throughout the year ahead.

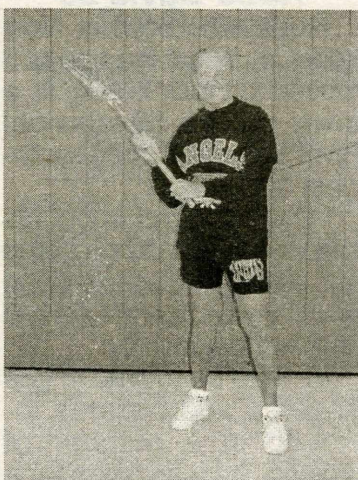


Photo by Vic Fledge

**Doug Ross 1997**

"It was light until 10 p.m. in the summer months" he reports, "and dear Kit was a talented player."

They moved to the U.S. in 1951 and came to LV in 1978. Both continued their athletic activities and were big winners in the local Senior Olympics. His events were running, bike riding, tennis and softball while Kit took awards in both running and bike riding. They won many gold and silver awards often besting seniors 10 to 15 years younger.

**INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCE CLUB**

**By Marilyn Goodman**

The general meeting of the International Folk Dance Club was held December 3 in the A.R. at 10:30 a.m.

Discussion centered on election of officers for the coming year, installation of these officers, and the anniversary party to be held in January.

Dance time for beginners is on Monday, 12:30 to 1 p.m. and 1-2:30 p.m. for regular teaching. Dancing is on Wednesday, 9-10:30 a.m. and Friday 9 to 10:30 a.m. for advanced dancers. All dancing takes place in the A.R.

Beginners are welcome and encouraged to join. Our instructors are always ready and willing to keep the learning process simple.



**VILLAGE SWINGERS SQUARE DANCE CLUB**

**By George Nolte**

The Village Swingers' Square Dance Club was dark the first Tuesday of November due to Election Day. The General Membership Meeting was held on the second Tuesday.

The third Tuesday was

our annual "Turkey Trot." A turkey raffled off and the winner had the honor of donating the entrée for the Club's Thanksgiving Dinner. The proceeds were used to supply the balance of the dinner.

The last meeting of the month was "Vintage Night".

The Swingers dance every Tuesday evening, from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m., in the A.R. Refreshments are served.

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**SATURDAY NIGHT BALLROOM DANCE**

**By Anne Janoff**

Santa and his helpers arrived early this year to help the Saturday Night Ballroom Dance Committee set up its gala Christmas Dance preparations.

The dance was held on December 13 and proved to be a very festive evening. The seasonal decor, special refreshments, and dancers in their party attire was a colorful forecast for the approaching holiday.

Villagers who may not have other plans are urged to attend the "before New Year's" dance on Saturday, December 27. The relaxing dance music and sociability will be an enjoyable change of pace.

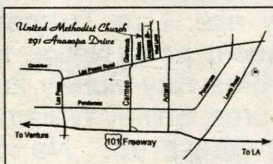
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## ILV Salutes Residents Over 90

By Jack Whalen

It is amazing how many villagers who are 90 and over show a great zest for living. Most are alert, are interested in local and world events, and seem to be truly happy with the Leisure Village life-style.



**ELIZABETH  
RAGSDALE, 93**

Elizabeth spent her young life in North Carolina, and in 1924, she married Horace Ragsdale who worked as a timekeeper for a large construction company.

In 1927, they moved to New York City to taste city life, and later to Ridgewood, New Jersey, which was their home for many years.

The Ragsdales had a cottage on Lake Hoptong and would often spend summers there. One afternoon, two young men walked by the house and the Ragsdale's daughter Barbara was dared by her older sister to whistle at them.

"I was only 11," says Barbara "but I took the challenge and whistled. And at that tender age, I found the man I'd eventually marry, Ernie Ohmstedt."

Ernie of Village 8, one can deduce, is Elizabeth's son-in-law.

With retirement at hand,

Elizabeth and Horace moved to Northridge. The Century Plaza Hotel was being constructed in 1962, and Horace came out of retirement to work for his old company.

Horace died in 1968, and Ernie's parents were talked into moving from Florida to L.V., and soon after, Elizabeth moved here from Northridge.

She has been a Village 34 resident since 1979, enjoys excellent health, and loves the Leisure Village lifestyle

**R.V.  
CLUB**



By Kay Murray

The newly elected officers of the Recreational Vehicle Club were installed at the December meeting. They are: Lee Truman, president; Louis Netza, 1st vice-pres; Kay Murray, 2nd vice-pres; Shirley Williams, 3rd vice-pres; Nancy Jacobs and Mary Barkemeyer, secretaries; Gerry Stone and John

## Rube Davis 90

Rube was born in New York City but at the age of 3 moved to Rock Island, Ill, a town on the Mississippi River some 200 miles southwest of Chicago.

When quizzed about his childhood, two things stand out: selling newspapers and figuring ways to enter the ball park without money.

In 1929 he moved to Los Angeles and became involved in a number of projects such as sales for a paper company and doing credit reporting.

Then real estate interested him and for some 35 years he served as a realtor in the West Los Angeles-Hollywood area.

Moving to LV in 1982 he quickly became involved in many projects and his volunteer activities continue to this day.

Perhaps the one he is most proud of is SEASONS (Senior Experts and Speakers on Numerous Subjects). Heading this program for many years, Rube has recruited dozens of LV sebuirs as speakers for Oxnard, Ventura, Thousand Oaks and other areas, to speak before student classes on subjects of their expertise. And Rube's always looking for more volunteers.

LV's Current Issues Forum is close to Rube's heart as well as "A World Of Difference" (The Anti-Defamation League).

We all know the question/answer: "Whom can we find to do this task?" The answer: "Look for a busy man." And that's Rube Davis.

Keckler, treasurers.

The new board has already started planning programs, outings, R.V. lot improvements, and entertainment for the coming year.

Art Thomson, in charge of travel, has scheduled a campout for February 18 and 19 at the Date Festival in Indio, California. Members interested in joining, call Art at 482-3374.

The next R.V. Club meeting will be Tuesday, January 20, 1998, 7:30 p.m. in the MPR. Visitors are always welcome.



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**JACK DUNCAN, 91** Photo by Vic Fledge

Jack is a native of Idaho but spent most of his young life in Pullman, Washington. From early days in high school he had his eyes on the prettiest girl in school and the day after graduating he and Alma married.

They recently celebrated their 69<sup>th</sup> Anniversary which should put them at the top or close to it, for all married villagers.

Later they moved to Dal-

las, Oregon, for several years and then it was on to Burbank, where Jack worked for Lockheed for 28 years.

They are veteran villagers having lived in Village 4 for 22 years. We are happy to report that both are in good health. They are the proud parents of one daughter who calls Los Angeles her home.

## Pet Owners, Beware Of Coyotes!

By Sandy Okum

Spanky, a visiting toy poodle at Sandy Okum and Nancy Kastor's home in Village 7, was killed by a coyote on Monday, November 24. At 6:30 p.m., as had been done many other times, Spanky and our resident dog Princess were placed in the patio which is enclosed by a 3 foot wooden fence. When we returned home at midnight, Princess the 32 lb. cocker spaniel greeted us, but there was no Spanky, 7 lbs.

We searched the area and then called Security to be on the lookout. The next morning, Security called to say they found the remains of a dog in a sand trap on the golf course near Village 4, and a collar with Spanky's Ohio license and rabbies tag.

A coyote scaled the fence, grabbed Sandy in spite of the larger dog's barking and carrying-on, and carried him several blocks to the golf course. Neighbors heard Princess barking.

Spanky was the constant companion of Nancy's mother, Rose Tilden, age 91. He will be sorely missed. The rabbit population is down so the coyotes are now going for pets. Beware.



## THE CERAMIC PLUS CLUB

By Don Holmes

The Ceramic Plus Club, as predicted in November, participated in both the Art Show and the Art Sale, both in the AR, and both successful. All clubs noticed a falling-off of attendance at the Art Show and Sale. There is something in the wind, possibly the coming of El Nino. Have a Happy Holiday season.

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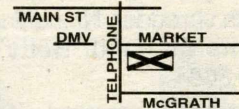
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**SOLO  
CLUB**

By June Few

Another year, and the Solo Club's first outing will be lunch at Marie Callender's, 185 Daily Drive, Camarillo, on January 8 at 1:00 p.m. A special menu will be available. \$7.50 each includes tax and tip, beverage, and pie. What a great start for the New Year. Phone Cleo, 482-8395, for reservations by January 6.

The next bag lunch/business meeting will be on January 16 at 12:30 p.m. in the Garden Room.



**LV  
ROUND  
DANCE**

By Georgia Schneider

The L. V. Round Dance Club meets every Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to noon in the AR.

Bill Burrier has been the cuer and instructor on the first and third Sundays of each month. However, he is moving out of State in mid-December. Another cuer will be invited to visit the club.

The annual holiday brunch for members is set for December 21 at the Sizzler. The next two dates for instruction are January 4 and 18.

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speaker will be allotted 10 minutes, which leaves almost one hour for questions concerning such subjects as commercial aviation, home development projects, proposed commercial buildings and continued green-belt plans.

Moderator for the event will be Jack Whalen.



**December 24**  
**First day of Hanukkah**



### ILV Services 'n Stuff

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**CAREGIVER**. Friendly, dependable, caring. Light housekeep, cook, shop & more. Excl. L.V. refs. Rose 672-8771.

**CNA-CHHA** live in/out. FT/PT. Exp. Alzheimer's. Good refs. Reliable, trustworthy. Natalie 339-8878.

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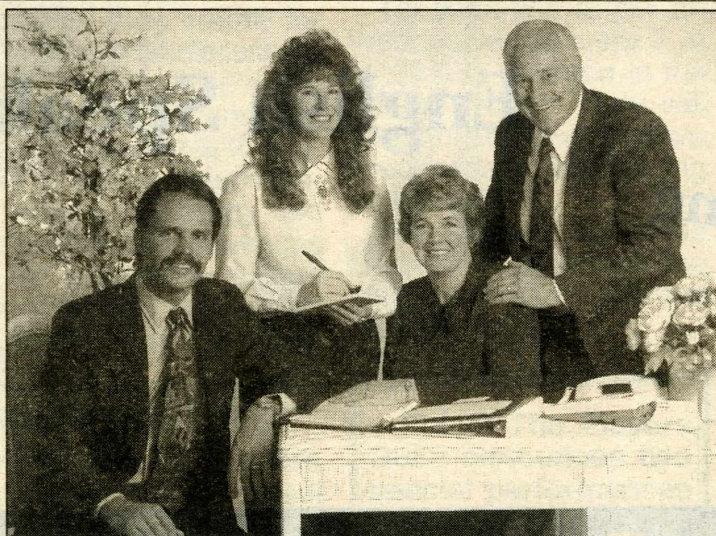
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