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An Active Senior Community

Santa Rosa Road, Camarillo, Californi

January 2, 2015

Photo courtesy Phyllis Jacobson

This photo of Phyllis Jacobson was taken around 1960, when she skated for the San Francisco Bay Bombers.

Village has its own Roller Derby queen

By Patty Ecker

What we see today is a lively, friendly Villager who plays ping pong frequently, is on a bowling team, enjoys her grandchildren and parties with friends — all fairly standard for a healthy and contented woman.

What we can't see, but what has defined Phyllis Jacobson for most of her life, is a career that began in 1954 that was rugged, dangerous, athletic and thrilling.

Back then, she was known as Phyllis "Matzo Ball" Wittenberg, a member of the Brooklyn Red Devils and the San Francisco Bay Bombers, a Roller Derby team that drew thousands

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2015-16 budget will be explained on Jan. 8

Will Association fees go up in the next fiscal year? What will landscaping cost the Village in 2015? Answers to these and other questions regarding the proposed 2015-2016 budget for LV's Homeowners Association will be the subject of an open budget presentation meeting on Thursday, Jan. 8, at 7 p.m. in the AR.

Presenting a line-by-line explanation of the proposal will be Ted Lansing, LV's treasurer and Board member. The suggested budget is a compilation of costs and income from all departments and revenue sources.

Lansing smiles as he reports that the PowerPoint presentation will explain

every line item "up, down and sideways. So if anyone has a question, this will be the time to ask," he says. The "budget book," the raw material for the meeting, contains more than 300 pages.

"That includes the details to back up the budget entries," he adds, estimating that the explanation will last about an hour, and questions from the audience will be welcomed.

The budget meeting is open to all Village residents; it also will be broadcast live by LVTV and then replayed several times during the month. A final vote by the Board of Directors on the 2015-16 budget will occur during the regular Board meeting on Monday, Feb. 2, at 10 a.m. in the AR.

Good Samaritans can now be paid for driving seniors

Seniors who rely on neighbors, friends or family to drive them to doctors' appointments or shopping or meetings can now pay those good Samaritans for those trips, thanks to federal funding available for older adults in Ventura County.

The Mileage Reimbursement Program (MRP) seeks to provide seniors with an additional transportation option for everyday trips within the county and for out-of-county medical trips. Through this new program, a senior can apply to receive 35 cents a mile to reimburse the helpful driver — up to a total of 100 miles a month within the county and 300 miles outside the county. The payment covers a wide range of travel anywhere in Ventura County, ranging from a medical appointment to a trip to the movies.

The goal is to make it easy for seniors to get around the county without relying on public transportation. The

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The ILV staff wishes everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year!



Photos by Jerry Spector Ebenezer Scrooge entertains at the Tree Trim party. Page 12.



Camarillo Springs evacuee Helen Boswell leaves the shelter at LV. **Page 13.**

y husband of 68 years and I attended the Booster Club's Veterans Day party in the AR on Nov. 9. It was an outstanding and wonderful program.

My husband was in the Army Signal Corps attached to the Army Air Force and served on Guam in World War II. The video program was exceptionally well done and brought back memories. All the veterans were included in the video program.

— Esther & Bernard Bleicher, V. 44

AARP Smart Driver schedule

By Paul Herman

The AARP Smart Driver Class schedule for the start of 2015 is:

- Initial (8-hour) Class: Jan. 21 and 23, April 15 and 17. Classes start at 1 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room (MPR).
- The Refresher (5-hour) Class: March 12, June 11.

Classes start at 12:30 p.m. in the MPR.

The cost is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members. Make your checks out to AARP and write your AARP number on the memo line of your check. Preregistration is required. Contact Paul Herman at 444-6420 to register.

Letters

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LVTV PROGRAM SCHEDULE JANUARY 2015 Channel 1390

LVTV Committee Email: lvtvcommittee@gmail.com



DAY	NOV.	TIME	PROGRAM *Note: OTR = Old Time Radio
	All Month	Viva the Village!	Host, John Baillie – Mon-Wed-Fri-Sat-Sun *9:15 am; 3:15 pm; 7:15 pm See Message Board for listing.
			*On Sat. Larry's cooking show will follow the 9:15 am show
	All Month	Villagers On The Town	Host, John Baillie - Mon-Wed-Fri-Sat-Sun 8:30 am; 12:30 pm; 4:30 pm
U 37% D	Month	FYI Times	Host, John Baillie – Sat and Sun – 2:00 pm; 6:00 pm
Daily		Calendar Diva	Debra Guill & John Baillie – 8:00 am; 2:00; 5:00; 7:00 pm
Thu	1	10 & 8 *OTR 7	Thursday Showcase - See LVTV Message Board for Shows
Fri	2	10 am & 8 pm	LVA 101 – Ted Lansing – Assessments - 12-2014
Mon	5	10 am & 8 pm	LVA OPEN BOARD MEETING - LIVE
Tue	6	10 am & 8 pm	LVA OPEN BOARD MEETING - TAPED
Wed	7	10 am & 8 pm	Cooking with Larry Swartz – From Soup To Nuts - 2013 (18 min)
Thu	8	10 & 8 *OTR 7	Thursday Showcase - See LVTV Message Board for Shows
Fri	9	10 am & 8 pm	LVA OPEN BOARD MEETING - TAPED
Mon	12	10 am & 8 pm	What Was My Line? Pat McGregor, Lenora Schreiber, Al Sarnelle - (41 min
Tue	13	10 am & 8 pm	Women's Club – Linda Fern Fay – 2008 (52 min)
Wed	14	10 am & 8 pm	Booster Club Presents: Village Idle - 2009 (101 min)
Thu	15	10 & 8 *OTR 7	Thursday Showcase - See LVTV Message Board for Shows
Fri	16	10 am & 8 pm	LV Programs - The Most Honorable Son: Ben Kuroki Story
Mon	19	10 am & 8 pm	Players Guild - Annie & Friends 2014 (38 min)
Tue	20	10 am & 8 pm	LV Musicians - Winter Classics 2012
Wed	21	10 am & 8 pm	What's Happening-Bingo, Self-Awareness, Exercise Board, Seasons (34 min
Thu	22	10 & 8 *OTR 7	Thursday Showcase - See LVTV Message Board for Shows
Fri	23	10 am & 8 pm	What Was My Line? Marlene Daly, Bob Kaplan, Sam Arouesty - (56 min)
Mon	26	10 am & 8 pm	Current Movie Review with Lin Grant and Larry Swartz
Tue	27	10 am & 8 pm	Welcome Comm., Bocce Club, New York Club, Billiards Club – (37 min)
Wed	28	10 am & 8 pm	Players Guild - Buster & Friends - 2012 (45 min)
Thu	29	10 & 8 *OTR 7	Thursday Showcase - See LVTV Message Board for Shows
Fri.	30	10 am & 8 pm	LV Pet Fair & Parade - 2014 (28 min)

Contact: Chairman Bill Foeller at 384-4447 or for New Programming call Bob O'Connor at 437-6798. LVTV Committee meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at 9:30 AM in the MPR.

DAILY AUDIO ON MESSAGE BOARD: 9:00 AM, 11:30 PM, 3:00 PM, 6:00 PM, Narrated by Debra Guill. *OLD-TIME RADIO AUDIO PROGRAM: Thurs.7:00 PM, featuring Jack Benny, Bob Hope, Burns & Allen, etc.

February deadlines

Deadline for letters, club news, stories, photos and classified ads for the February 2015 issue is Thursday, January 22, at 5 p.m. The Display Advertising deadline will be Friday, January 23, at 5 p.m. Publication is scheduled for Friday, February 6. Please e-mail stories and photos to editorilv@yahoo.com. Typed copy, double-spaced, should be deposited in the ILV box in the Recreation Center hallway. Handwritten material should be submitted early to allow for typing.

Theater Beat

Camarillo Community Theatre: "Moonlight and Magnolias," Jan. 23 through Feb. 22. 330 Skyway Dr., Camarillo, 388-5716.

Conejo Players Theatre: "Brighton Beach Memoirs," Jan. 9-31. 351 S. Moorpark Road, Thousand Oaks, 495-3715.

Elite Theatre Company: "6th Annual One-Act Festival." Jan. 9 through Feb. 1. 31 Victoria Blvd., Oxnard. 483-5118.

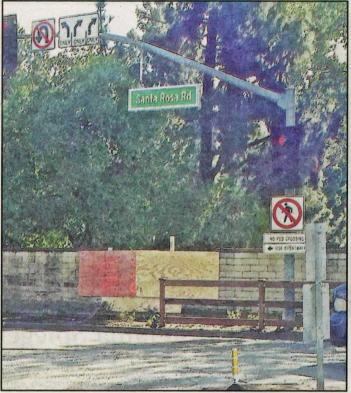
High Street Arts Center: Dark January.

Rubicon Theater: "The Last Five Years," Jan. 21 through Feb. 15, 1006 E. Main St., Ventura, 667-2900.

Simi Valley Cultural Art Center: "Hairspray," Jan. 10 through Feb. 15. 3050 E. Los Angeles Ave., Simi Valley, 583-7900.

Santa Paula Theater Center: Dark January.

Ojai ACT: "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" Jan. 30 through Feb. 22. 113 S. Montgomery St., Ojai, 640-8797.



A car took out part of a stone wall and wooden fence.

Car crashes into wall bordering Village

By Joseph Benti

Shortly before 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11, an unexpected visitor crashed through the stone wall that borders the intersection of Santa Rosa and Woodcreek roads behind Villages 5 and 7.

According to Village Security's Incident Report, a car driven by an unidentified woman failed to negotiate the

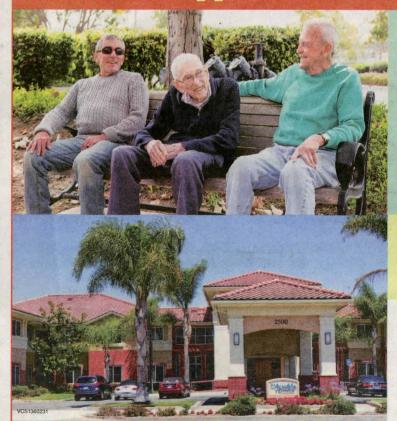
Plowing through a brand new wooden fence installed by Verizon only days before, the vehicle ripped through the Village's perimeter on Santa Rosa, taking out approximately 10 feet of the block wall before coming to rest near the bottom of the hill inside the Village.

The woman was removed from the wreckage by Ventura County fire and emergency personnel and taken to Los Robles Medical Center. The extent of her injuries and the various and obvious questions raised by the accident could not be verified at the time of this writing.

LV General Manager Bob Scheaffer says, "Because of the liability issues that have to be resolved, it is possible the damaged wall may not be replaced until early February."

He estimates it will cost between \$3,500 and \$5,000, Photo by Joseph Benti which will, most likely, be recovered through insurance.

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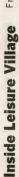


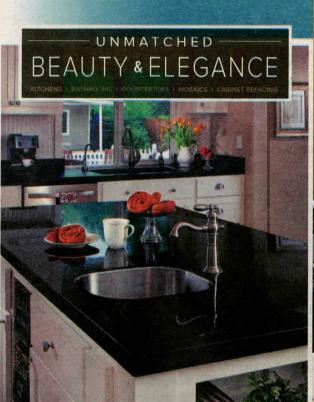




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To submit a memoriam call Loretta Reshes at 388-7116

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

deep "thank you" for all of your prayers, support and many cards in the passing of our beautiful mother, Piff. She was one of the Village Pioneers and a major volunteer in making the Village what it is today. She will be missed

> - Kathy & John Wirtz, Frank & Geri DeSimone and Karen Raso

hank you to all who sent wonderful cards during my surgery and recovery. They sure helped my morale to know so many of you were thinking of me. The flowers, plants, cards, fruits and great food also were on the bright side. Mostly, thank you again for caring. I'm feeling really good.

- Joan Rines, V. 30

hank you to all who sent me "get well" wishes and prayers. They worked. I wish you all a healthy, Happy New Year.

- Libby Pierce, V. 44

AT THE BOX OFFICE

Box Office hours are 9 to 11 a.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. The Box Office is located in the Rec Center lobby.

Currently on sale:

- Women's Club Cookbooks, \$10.
- Pet Club Calendars (Pet Parade photos), \$10.
- Mavericks Winter Ball, Jan. 23, \$20.

• New York Club Sandy Hackett Show, Feb. 5, \$10.

Club dues we collect:

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- LV Musicians, \$5
- · Pet Club, \$5
- · Players Guild, \$7
- Showtyme, \$10
- RV Club, \$5



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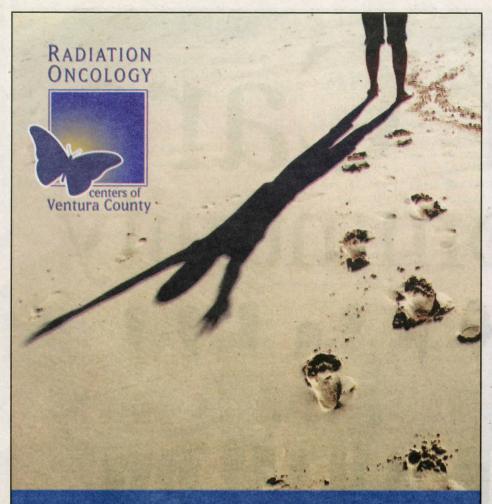
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TRAVEL CORNER

Day at the Races, casino trip, San Francisco on tap for 2015

By Glenna Dunning

We hope that Santa was very good to you and brought you at least one calendar that you can use to note all the dates of our upcoming trips throughout 2015! Does one of your New Year resolutions include taking more outings around Southern California? If so, you're in luck because the Travel Committee already has some wonderful trips planned for you. Check out the following:

• A day at the Santa Anita Racetrack in Arcadia. Jan. 29.

• Getty Villa Museum in Malibu; this museum is a replica of the Villa dei Papiri, a seaside residence at Herculaneum in Italy that was buried by the same Vesuvius eruption that buried nearby Pompeii. The Getty Villa contains Greek, Etruscan and Roman art. Feb. 5.

• Primm Casino, Feb. 24-26.

• Exploring Santa Barbara; this outing will include lunch at the Santa Barbara Culinary Institute and a tour of the city on a private, open-air trolley. March 3.

• Disney Concert Hall in Los Angeles, featuring a performance by the London Symphony. March 25.

• A wonderful four-day trip to San Francisco. April 12-15.

For email notification of trips, please sign up at the Travel Office. Your Travel Committee continues to offer Leisure Village residents an interesting variety of trips.

We are here to serve you, so please visit us on a regular basis to check out the current listing of trips!

Hours for the Travel Committee window in the Recreation Center are Tuesday through Thursday, from 9 to 11:45 a.m.

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Love of skating led to career as a professional roller skater

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of fans in person in a sport that attracted millions on television.

"I was the only Jewish girl on the team; that's how I got the nickname," she laughs.

Phyllis was very athletic as a child, but there were no real sports for girls in those post-war years. When her widowed mother moved the family to LA, Phyllis, then 15, answered an ad for a Roller Derby training program. Dozens of girls tried out; two made it. Phyllis was one of them. But her mother said she couldn't skate on TV until she graduated from high school. So she trained until her 1954 commencement at Fairfax High, and from then on, it was "game on."

"All I ever wanted to do was skate," she declares. And



Photo by Bud Bradley

Phyllis Jacobson reflects on her career in the roller derby.

skate she did: Round and round the elevated track to build endurance, at speeds up to 30 mph. During practice, the coaches would fling folded chairs into her path to perfect her ability to jump out of the

way and keep skating. Her skates had wooden wheels with well-oiled ball bearings inside. The girls practiced leg lifts endlessly so they could skate fast, turn, jump and "whip" a teammate ahead of

the pack.

As rigorous as it was. Phyllis calls it "heaven." The teams developed an affinity, like a family, she says.

"There was no racism, no prejudice. We were tough and competitive, but also warm and close. We lived together, traveled all over the world. got paid well (\$50 a week), were treated like celebrities, and we made friendships that have lasted a lifetime," she explains.

Before Phyllis moved to Leisure Village last year, she lived in a community in Riverside County where four of her skating "sisters" lived nearby. More than 100 Roller Derby alumni attend reunions every year.

The memories are thrilling and funny. Her mother came

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her eves for the entire game and never came back. Phyllis' team skated in Japan in a sold-out stadium of 80,000 fans. The teams flew to Korea in a C-24 cargo plane. Phyllis got hurt once in her career — a dislocated shoulder that landed her in the hospital for one day. The next day, she was on the track.

Marriage and four children ended her career. But when her husband died when Phyllis was 34, her Roller Derby ethos kicked in: "You get down, you get up, and keep going," she says. She learned the art business and owned a gallery for many years. Now she's retired. But she talks to or visits Roller Derby friends at least monthly.

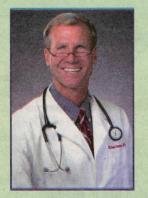
She smiles, "We always say 'I love you' when we part. That will never change."

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By Arlo Amerikaner

I am Arlo Amerikaner, part Schnauzer, part Yorkie - call me a "Schnorkie." I live in Village 17. I love it here. It's so quiet, except for when I bark. I bark at the mail truck, the UPS truck, the gardeners and everything and anyone that goes by. This is my way of protecting the Village from unwanted intruders. My guardians repeatedly tell me that the UPS truck is not a military tank; however, I believe any vehicle that is painted the color of steak is clearing asking for trouble.

When not barking or sleeping, I have taken up writing. My subject today is the holidays. Guess what? They're over! I loved walking by the lights and trees. (OK, I have to admit the moving reindeer freaked me out.)

According to LV Rules & Regulations (Article 19.25 on Page 128 of your Leisure Village Directory) all holiday decorations and lights must be removed no later than Jan. 13. So, it's time to bring down the bling!

What about those naked Christmas



A DOG'S LIFE

Arlo says: Take down those lights!

trees? Harrison Trash makes two pickups: on Saturday, Jan. 3, and on Friday, Jan. 9. Please put your tree out on the curb on those dates. (I promise to try not to relieve myself on the branches when I pass by, but sometimes that pine smells too darn delicious...).

Happy New Year from Arlo Amerikaner!

My driveway may be longer than most, but I still pick up my Star every day.

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CONTINUATIONS

Drivers can now be reimbursed

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MRP program is rider-centered, not driver-centered. Seniors can learn about the details and apply for the reimbursement plan at a "How to Participate" Workshop in Leisure Village on Wednesday, Jan. 14, at 2 p.m. in the MPR. Staff from Mobility Management Partners, which administers the program, will be here to explain the details and take applications.

MRP is based on an honor system. The person being driven applies for the reimbursement, and the money comesback to that senior, who is expected to pass it along to the driver.

Reimbursements began in Oxnard and Simi Valley in December.

"Leisure Village is exactly our audience. We're eager to get the program rolling here," said Nicole Cavalino of Mobility Management. "It broadens the travel possibilities, is convenient and personal, and strengthens friendships with the drivers."

The qualifications are simple: Riders must be at least 65 and live in Ventura

Camarillo surveys seniors about services

By Paul Herman

The Camarillo Counsel on Aging (CCOA) is participating with the Ventura County Area Agency on Aging (VCAAA) in a community survey of seniors to collect data on the current services provided to seniors and to identify future needs.

The results of this countywide survey will be broken down by ZIP code, allowing them to analyze the data specific to the

Camarillo area. They will use the analysis to strategize along with our local partners (e.g. City Council, Camarillo Health Care District, Pleasant Valley Recreation and Parks District) on meeting the needs of our community.

Seniors will be able to complete the survey online by Jan. 15. The online survey address is: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ **VCAAACommunitySurvey**



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When: Tuesdays, 3 to 4 p.m.

Where: AR Cost: Free

Instructor: Sharon O'Conner Info: Sharon O'Conner, 910-9428

Beginner's Conversational Hebrew

When: Tuesdays, noon to 1 p.m.

Where: Sewing Room Instructor: Ben Racowsky

Cost: Free

Info: Ben Racowsky, 445-8284

Reading Hebrew

When: Tuesdays, 1 to 2 p.m. Where: Sewing Room Instructor: Ben Racowsky

Cost: Free

Info: Ben Racowsky, 445-8284

Aerobics

When: Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays,

11 a.m. to noon Where: Clubhouse Instructor: Diane Cost: Free

Info: Diane Knopf, 482-8666

Better Breathing

When: Tuesday, Jan. 20, 1:30 p.m.

Where: Garden Room

Instructor: Lorraine Comer

Cost: Free

Info: Lorraine, 383-7423

Tap Class

When: Mondays, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Where: AR Stage Instructor: Linda Cost \$3 per class

Info: Sue-Ellen Colp, 312-1991

Strength Training

When: Tuesdays, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Where: AR

Instructor: Sue-Ellen Cost \$30 for 10 classes

Info: Sue-Ellen Colp, 312-1991

Music and Motion

When: Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays,

9 to 10 a.m. Where: AR

Instructor: Renee Cost: \$5 per class

Info: Barbara Yago 388-0419

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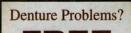
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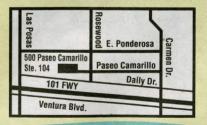
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By Zelda Greentree

Congratulations to Lee Edwards, our fearless leader, for keeping SAS going for the past few years. We all appreciate her! Thank you, Lee.

Our next "Dinner Out" will be on the second Tuesday in 2015, Jan. 13, at 5 p.m., at Ottavio's Italian Restaurant. Lee will be waiting for your call at 484-3289. Remember to call for your reservation. See you there.

Saturday Nite Dance Party

By Andrea I. Moran

Happy New Year, everyone. The holidays are past and we need to shed a few extra pounds. What better way than to dance? Our Saturday Nite Dance Party is just the ticket: 2.5

hours of pleasurable dancing with a live professional music group.

What a wonderful dinner the volunteers were treated to for their help in putting on the weekly dances. Please contact Marge Moran if you wish to be part of the dance party.

Our schedule has a great line up with four dances this month: Jan. 3, no dance; Jan. 10, Time Machine (they were lots of fun last time); Jan. 17, Tropic Starr; Jan. 24, Dick Parent; and Jan. 31, Rhythm Kings.

Please come and join us for a great evening of dancing or just listening to music with friends. See you there.

Wii Bowling

By Muriel Bannatz

Congratulations to all the winners of the first Handicap Tournament in November. Results are posted in the Wii Room (Ventura Room). It was such a success we are having another one Jan. 20, 21 and 22 during our regular bowling schedule. The entry

fee is \$1. Deadline for entering the competition is Jan. 13.

We are also collecting \$5 dues for 2015. You may pay when you bowl. New members are always welcome and may contact Joan Levy at 482-6871 or Lois O'Connor at 844-2763. Please check with Ann Zuliani regarding your scheduled time to bowl.

Amateur Radio Club

By Jonathan Fox

Our holiday meeting in December had an election of officers for 2015 and a raffle for prizes. The officers for the coming year are: president, Jonathan Fox; vice president, Darrell Bevan; treasurer, Ted Lansing; secretary, Sheldon Hayutin.

Plans for the 2015 meetings were discussed, along with some trips to various technical facilities related to amateur radio. Various improvements to the Emergency Operations Center have been done, and more are

planned for the coming year.

Next month's meeting would normally fall on New Year's Day. Consequently, our meeting will be held the following day, on Jan. 2, at 2 p.m. in the MPR. Join us as we discuss the activities for the New Year.

If you are curious about becoming a member of the club, please join us at one of our meetings. You do not have to be a licensed amateur radio operator to join. We will provide help in getting your license, and it's now easier than ever since Morse code is no longer required. Meetings are held the first Thursday of the month in the MPR at 2 p.m. For more information contact Jonathan Fox at 805-377-3697 or KJ6LV@yahoo.com.

Men's Golf

By Rob Sollett

The club is seeking someone to take over the Tuesday Tournament scheduling. Think of the advantage

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Photos by Jerry Spector
Above, Dick Guttman in his
Christmas socks emcees LV's annual
Tree Trim party in the AR on Dec.
2. At right, Village residents Lois
Cunningham and Michelle Shanks
take part in the festivities. More than
150 Villagers joined them.





Photo by Bud Bradley

Betty Herrmann of Village 40 went all out this holiday season.

Oh what a season 'twas!

By Dick Guttman

Santa Claus, warm cookies, fresh popcorn, yummy chili, holiday songs, a tap-dancing chorus line and a visit by Ebenezer Scrooge ushered in the start of the holiday season in Leisure Village. LV's annual Tree Trim party hosted more than 150 Villagers who joined the fun in the AR on Dec. 2.

Partygoers munched freshly baked cookies served by General Manager Bob Scheaffer, enjoyed chili prepared by an enthusiastic kitchen crew and were invited to help decorate LV's 10-foot tree. The event included a sing-along of seasonal songs with Karen Raso at the grand piano, and

some attendees took photos with Santa Claus, aka Jeff McElderry, who annually swaps his brightly colored Hawaiian shirt and shorts for a red suit and boots.

During the afternoon, stage, radio and film actor Keith Hurt, whose wife, Mary Hurt, is LV's assistant general manager, entertained the audience with his convincing portrayal of Ebenezer Scrooge from Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol."

Many thanks to Shelly Runge, Danel Stites and the Rec Center staff for hosting and organizing this fun event.

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Seated, Patricia O'Conner and Judy Spector, and standing, Robert O'Connor, Winnona Rocha and Joyce Baker string popcorn during the Tree Trim party in the AR.



Photos by Jerry Spector

The American Red Cross establishes itself in the AR.

Helping hands: LV becomes evacuation center during slides

The evacuation order was mandatory as the rain pounded Camarillo Springs on Friday, Dec. 12. Residents had to leave; the mountainside behind their homes was too precarious. It was 2 a.m. Firefighters, Roadrunner buses, and paramedic units rolled in to provide transportation out of the danger zone and into Leisure Village.

The Red Cross and Village volunteers were ready for the evacuees with welcome shelter. The AR was set up with cots, blankets, warm drinks, food and trained Red Cross volunteers to register and evaluate the wellness of the men and women forced to leave their homes.

At the peak of evacuation, 45 Camarillo Springs residents were brought to safety in the Rec Center. Our EPO (Emergency Preparedness Organization) volunteers were alerted to their arrival.

Terry and Paul Doebler described the torrential rain as "an avalanche roaring down the hill, knocking over the 8,000 pound K-rails set up for protection," said Terry. "But at the last moment, the 12-foot flow of rocks and mud diverted away from our house. I think all we have is water in our garage."

A Roadrunner van whisked them out of the danger zone.

Everything was ready for them and their neighbors because the Red Cross had contacted Leisure Village's general manager, Bob Scheaffer, well in advance. Jason Karpf, a Red Cross manager, said that his organization had been working since the last storm in anticipation of another deluge.

"We started knocking on doors alerting residents at Thanksgiving," he said.

Many evacuees quietly sat around the television set in the AR watching live coverage of the effects of the storm on their neighborhood. Evelyn Stevens said her home was not damaged when authorities picked her up. She was anxious to get back because she had to leave her cat in the house.

EPO volunteers passed out coffee in the AR. Breakfast was available in the Garden Room.

As the morning progressed, family and friends arrived to take the evacuees to homes in areas not devastated by the storm.

Millie Freesdorff was happy to see her son arrive.

"I didn't sleep at all; the flashing lights around our homes never stopped," she said as he helped her to his car.

By 3 p.m., the shelter was empty, and Red Cross workers packed up.

Sharon Loney, EPO Committee chair, was in the AR shelter at dawn. She noted that Leisure Village has 100 cots, blankets and emergency meals in case of emergency. And she said, "If there was an emergency here, I'm pretty sure that Camarillo Springs would shelter us."



Sharon Loney, center, talks with Stacey and Bill Leach as their dog, Morgan, waits quietly.



Jason Karpf, a Red Cross manager, talks to Camarillo Springs evacuees in the AR.



Water, food and other supplies were made available for the Camarillo Springs evacuees. Breakfast was served in the Garden Room.



Cots were set up in the AR for longterm stays if necessary. At the peak of evacuation, 45 Camarillo Springs residents were brought to LV.

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LV Pet Club

By Susan Amerikaner

The Pet Club Holiday Dinner on Dec. 15 was a howling success. In addition to delicious food, games and prizes, LV resident Hank Koval, a former television writer and producer, provided a delightful presentation of pet-themed holiday stories. Koval also read one his own compositions: a wonderful "pet parody" of the classic "Night Before Christmas."

We now have 90 members, but the more the merrier. We meet on the second Monday of the month. Come to our next meeting on Monday, Jan. 12, at 7 p.m. in the MPR and help us plan what's in store for LV animal lovers in 2015. No pets allowed at the meetings, but we do have refreshments!

Writers Club

By Harvey S. Brosler

The Writers Club meets every Monday at 1 p.m. in the MPR. On Dec. 8, the club held its Annual Party. The guest speaker was bestselling author Margaret Brownley. The elections for calendar year 2015 were held. The results were: President Harvey Brosler; First Vice President Larry Kalisher; and Second Vice President Larry Brown.

The suggested topic for Jan. 5 is "Will 2015 Be A Good Year?" For Jan. 12 it's "If I Wanted To Be Famous, What Would It Be For?" For Jan. 19 it's "My Hobby," and for Jan. 26 it is "The Most Interesting Person I Met." Contact: Harvey S. Brosler at 465-0006 or at hsbros@roadrunner.com.

Camera Club

By Jackie Fishman

President Marlene Votion reviewed all of what was accomplished and occurred this past year, under her presidency. The list was long, and mighty, to save the club with her leadership and hard work.

President Marlene handed the meeting over to our new incoming president, Ken Lauchner and the bringing-in of the new board followed, with Rebecca Paniagua as treasurer and Jackie Fishman as secretary.

President Ken continued presiding over club business, after which he introduced Greg Cooper as the judge for this month's competition.

And the winners are:

- Assigned Category of Reflections in Glass: first place, Sharon Forkner; second place, Doug Demers; third place, Larry Forkner; honorable mention, Jackie Fishman; honorable mention, Jean Kohut.
- Open Category: first place, Frank DeSimone; second place, Jean Kohut; third place, Don Treadwell; honorable mention, Lorraine Friedman; honorable mention, Verna Cryder.
- Creative Category: first place, Jean Kohut; second place, Frank DeSimone; third place, Marlene Votion; honorable mention, John Kingsley; honorable mention, Lorraine Friedman.

Congratulations to all of our winners!

Village Arts

By Gwen Zimring.

Our workshop and classes are held Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. Membership is \$7 yearly.

On Nov. 2, we held our annual Art Show, displaying the wonderful talents of our Village residents. Thank you to all the clubs and individuals that participated in this event, especially to the Stoners, Jewelry and Ceramic Clubs for helping with the refreshments. And thanks to Maxine Mennen, Patti Crichton, David Keifer and their volunteers.

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Nov. 5 was a regular meeting and Sarah Tuttle demonstrated the ancient art of the Mandala. Her talent and enthusiasm inspired us all, and many of our members are already painting beautiful Mandalas.

Dec. 3, on our regular meeting day, we celebrated our annual holiday luncheon at Marie Callender's. Every member received a beautiful mug, and many shared in the Secret Santa Exchange. Thanks to all the members who helped make this day a memorable one.

Our president, Pat McGregor, will be retiring this year. Thank you, Pat, for your two years of service and a job well done! Pat's last official duty for 2014 was to install the new board members.

The new board members are: David Keifer, president; Patti Crichton; vice president, Marge Currie, secretary; and Aurelie Zachary, treasurer. Lindie Stein swore in the new board.

Last but not least, special thanks

to Aurelie Zachary for her years of teaching the Tuesday classes and to Fred Vadja for teaching the Friday classes.

LV Woodshop

By Chuck Russell

The Woodshop is one of many recreation facilities in Leisure Village. More than 70 key holders utilized the shop in 2014. The members volunteer their expertise and time to repair items for residents and do projects for the Village. More than 350 projects were done in 2014.

Most, but not all, of the repairs are wood-related, so Leisure Village residents are welcome to bring any broken item for repair to the Woodshop in the Rec Center Tuesday and Wednesday mornings between 10 a.m. and noon. There is no guarantee that all damaged items can be fixed, only that the volunteers will try to restore them to the best of their ability. There is no charge for this

service. Donations are accepted for materials and supplies.

The use of the woodshop is available to Leisure Village residents with woodworking experience, provided that they can demonstrate the ability to operate the power equipment safely. Residents with questions or those interested in having key access to the shop should contact Chuck Russell at 805-383-3043 for an appointment to be checked out on the equipment.

Bowling League

By Bob Cohen

In a holiday-shortened reporting period of only two days, there were only a few 200-plus games. Sharon Luberacki (202), Bob Christy (210), Danny Coleman (216), Art Matter (267) and Bob McQuivey (202) each had one game.

Side pot winners for week 13 were Vi Guzman, Gail Singer and Wilma Hutson for the ladies and John Albany Bill Kirkpatrick and Don Christy for the men.

Side pot winners for week 14 were Bobbi Shmerling, Sandy Rosenthal and Leslie Fox for the ladies and Art Matter, Fred Diehl and Danny Coleman for the men.

The first half is almost over and we will be starting the second half in January — a great time for new people to join the league. For more information, contact Bob at 419-4682.

LV RV Club

By Darryl Sobelman

The Leisure Village RV Club (LVRVC) held its annual Holiday Luncheon at Mission Oaks Café on Tuesday, Dec. 16. Forty members of the club attended, which is a sell-out crowd!

At the luncheon, our newly elected officers for 2015 were installed. They are: President Jack Miller,

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Vice President Ron Loney, Secretary Linda Gordon and Treasurer Julie Kinoslev

Past President Mary Beil was thanked for all her hard work this past year in reviving the club and dealing with the RV Lot issues. Thank vou Mary!

As mentioned in last month's LVRV Club article, campouts have already been scheduled for January, February, March and April of 2015. January the club is going to Pomona for the Grand National Roadster Show Jan. 23-25 at the Fairplex. Feb. 20 to 23 will find us at Camp Comfort in Ojai. The campout to Camp Comfort is sold out! March will find us heading up the coast to Monterey; dates and campéround to be determined. April is the So Cal Good Sam Club Samboree at Golden Village Palms in Hemet: dates are April 16-18.

For more information on these campouts and other information about the Leisure Village RV Club. contact President Jack Miller at 2337796, or attend one of our meetings. which are held the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the MPR.

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The Booster Club

By Lin Grant

The success of the Booster Club is measured in fundraising and goodwill. In 2014, the club fared well in both areas. Over the last few years, tens of thousands of dollars have been donated back to the Village. Planning for 2015 events will take place at our next meeting, the third Monday in January at 7 p.m. in the MPR. If your club or committee needs financial support, please let us help vou raise the money. Also, Walk of Celebration bricks will again be sold, beginning in February. We look forward to a few more Village Feud game shows with surveys taken from our own residents. We need new members and we hope you'll join us Help us make 2015 our best vear ever.

LV New York Club

By Frank Seiden

The New York Club presents a double whammy in February, First is our regular meeting on Feb. 5 at. 7:30 p.m., which will be a good time to enroll for 2015 membership at \$10 per member. Entertainment will be the Tweedle Dee Divas, vocalists presenting lively songs.

A special event will be on Sunday, Feb. 5, at 3 p.m. in the AR, when we shall offer the outstanding Sandy Hackett Family Show, Sandy and his vocalist wife. Lisa Dawn Miller, will have you laughing at unique humor and swaying to lively rhythms. Sandy, being Buddy Hackett's son, brings his own brand of humor sprinkled with his father's and anecdotes about his father. Tickets for the Sandy Hackett show are \$10 for everyone (a change from \$12 for non-members) and are available at the LV Box Office in the

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Players Guild

By Joyce Belcher

Hope everyone had a happy. holiday. On Jan. 15 we will start our year with a very special show. After a short meeting we will present a musical vignette of one of the longest running off-Broadway shows, "I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change." It's directed by Diane Carroll, and Joyce Schifanelli is the musical director. It is a hysterical and sometimes poignant show about relationships that everyone can relate to. Please don't miss this show. Of course, refreshments always follow. Oh, and don't forget membership dues are due in January — only \$10 for 2015. For

info call Joyce Belcher at 445-9500.

LV Women's Golf

By Patti Crichton

December has flown by. We celebrated the season on Dec. 10 with our annual holiday luncheon and gift exchange.

The weather has been rainy and wet, which has meant less golf, but green fairways. We feel fortunate to be able to play on such a lovely golf course. Thank you to Mike Undem and his crew for all of their diligence in maintaining the course.

Our first scheduled tournament is Wednesday, Jan. 7, at 8:30 a.m. Jan. 14 is morning golf and meeting at 2 p.m. in the MPR. Jan. 21 is regular golf, and Jan. 28 is a Special Tournament.

Please remember to mark your calendars for the Chili Bowl mixed tournament and luncheon on Sunday, Jan. 25, hosted by the women.

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Happy New Year!

Women's Club

By Chitose Chun

The Women's Club starts the year with a visit from the "Royals." Queen Elizabeth I ruled during the Golden Age of English history and remains one of the most admired monarchs of all times. She will appear on stage as portrayed by Val Rains. Val has extraordinary talent and expertise, not just researching facts and history but delving into the personality and allowing us to get to know Queen Elizabeth as a woman.

Do not miss this great performance and bring your friends to the AR on Jan. 8 at 1:30 p.m. Many of you will remember Val Rains from the Eleanor Roosevelt show. Everyone is invited.

For more information, contact Shearon Millar, president, at 603-2773.

Showtyme

By Joyce Schifanelli

On Friday, Dec. 12, more than 400 people were in attendance in the AR for Showtyme's "Holiday Surprise" show. Of course, no one but Producer/Director Paul Schifanelli and Associate Producer Jennifer Stein and a very few (need to know) people were privy to the theme of the show: special recognition of Phil Kamens and his wife Libby, for serving more than a decade as producer of Showtyme's monthly shows.

Santa Claus, our very own Jeffrey McElderry, and two full grown elves, Michael Stein and Chuck Kiskaden, delivered Phil's favorite vocalist, Bonnie Bowden, whom Phil first introduced to the Leisure Village stage several years ago. Bonnie was



Photo by Jerry Spector

From left, Paul S. Schifanelli, Kelli Kay, Bonnie Bowden and Paul Schifanelli pay tribute to Libby Kamens and Philip Kamens, seated.

joined by vocalists Kelli Kay and Rick Jarrett and guitarist Paul S. Schifanelli. The show featured an eclectic mix of holiday, popular and classical music. During the show, Phil held Bonnie's hand and said, "This is the best surprise I've ever had."

In Other Words

By Frank Seiden

The club is a creative writing workshop meeting the second and

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Billiards Club

By Patrick Price

Attention members: It's time to renew your membership for 2015. You can drop your check for \$7 in the box on the Billiards Club bulletin board. Member information should also be entered or updated at this time to make our new directory accurate. Membership cards are near the check box and can also be deposited there. Or, see any Billiards Club board member about any of this.

Congratulations to new Billiards Club president, Chuck Kiskaden.

There is a 14-1 tournament scheduled in February. Sign-up sheets will be in the billiards room in mid-January. Stay tuned for more information.

The next meeting is Tuesday, Jan. 27, at 7:30 p.m. Snack donations are always welcome at the "after meeting" in the Garden Room. Come join our popular Thursday night challenge. Be there about 6 p.m. to sign up.

Also, there is the fun LCR game in the Lanai Room for those not playing pool.

Racquet Club

By Leslie Fox

The Dec. 17 meeting was indeed a special one, with a special guest: Lane's mother, Ernie Petersen (V. 6) joining us. The tribute to Lane was a pictorial review of his life, begining with Ernie holding Lane as a toddler, continuing through his childhood, his

teen marriage to our Marg, all the way to being grandparents, and of course many pictures of Lane's times on the paddle court. At the conclusion, President Diane Carroll read a beautiful and fitting poem in Lane's honor. This was truly wonderful, and we know Lane enjoyed it too!

During the meeting, plans for our second annual New Year's Eve potluck were decided. Paddle tennis for those wanting to play will begin at 2:30 p.m., followed by the potluck at 5:30 p.m. in the Santa Rosa Room. A sign-up sheet for attendance and the dish you wish to bring is posted on the bulletin board.

Trish announced that the paddle tennis league will begin the week of Jan. 5 and run until Feb. 28, with rescheduling for any rainy days (and we do hope there are some).

The schedule for play remains the

- Round Robin begins at 3 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday.
- · Easy play Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday 8 to 9 a.m.
- · Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday from 9 to 11 a.m., and Friday

On the lighter side

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- 1. You can't count your hair.
- 2. You can't wash your eyes with soap.
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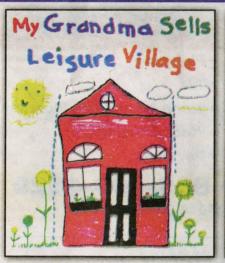
- Submitted by Bill Crome, V. 6

nights at 3 p.m. is open to all.

- · Advanced players are late afternoon on Saturday and Sunday.
- · Pickle Ball has regularly scheduled times on Monday and Wednesday from 9 to 11 a.m.

This leaves all of us with a lot of open hours for both pickle ball and paddle tennis, so if you are so inclined, call your fellow players and have fun!

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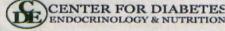
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