

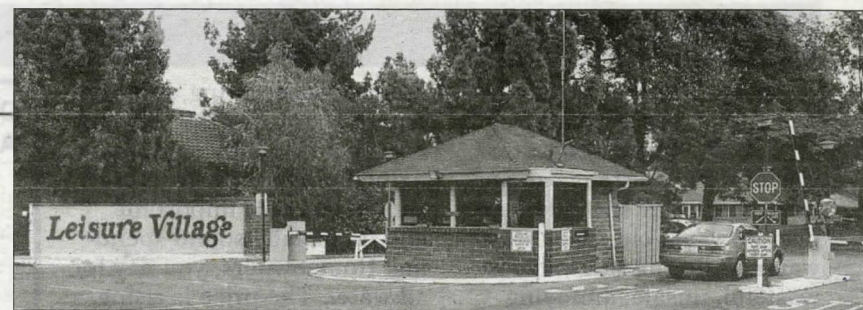
INSIDE LEISURE VILLAGE

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An Active Senior Community

Santa Rosa Road, Camarillo, California

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Facing the challenge

By Patty Ecker

As president of the Village Farmers Club, Joe Foraker opened last September's meeting intending to be informational. In fact, his words were inspirational.

"I have macular degeneration," he said. "And I am going to be away for two months to learn how to live my life to the fullest."

Joe is now back from a rigorous residential program run by Veterans Affairs in Northern California, and he is sharing what he has learned. After all, age-related macular degeneration affects 1.75 million Americans now, and that number will nearly double in the next decade, according to the National Institutes of Health. That could be a lot of our neighbors.



Joe Foraker and Toby on a stroll through the Village.

Joe's world darkened rapidly. The macular degeneration took less than a year. But the former scientist and writer remembers signals earlier than that — signals he calls "hal-

Please see **JOE** on 8

Players Guild holiday event slated for Dec. 17 in AR

By Cathy Friedman

The Players Guild's Holiday Dinner Party will be held on December 17 in the AR at 5:30 p.m. for drinks (BYOB) and appetizers.

The dinner will be catered by Country Harvest, and you have a choice of prime rib, salmon or chicken marsala. The dinner also includes a salad, dessert and wine. The music will be provided by the Rhythm Kings, so you can

dance, dance, dance all night.

The price is \$20 for members or \$23 for non-members. If you want to make arrangements for a table of 10 or 11, please submit checks to cover the full table. Of course, you can request individual tickets and arrangements will be made to put you at a table.

For tickets and information, contact Barbara Stone at 388-8867. Come and enjoy the festivities.

LVTV to air 'Words of Peace'

By Jim Kula and Nancy Drake

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series "Words of Peace" offers a message of clarity and hope. The message is simple but profound; peace is a feeling, it exists within each individual, and it can be experienced.

Prem Rawat, the distinguished speaker of the series, Please see **PEACE** on 23



The recent publication of a "newsletter" for Leisure Village residents made a reference to Inside Leisure Village as a "Ventura Star for profit publication." In fact, that is an accurate description, and thankfully, the revenue the Ventura County Star generates from the display ads they receive pays entirely for the printing costs of publishing ILV and for providing an employee to act as liaison to ILV, allowing it to remain independent of the L.V. Association and its Board of Directors. The more revenue generated, the more pages ILV is able to publish.

ILV likewise generates revenue from the resident and service ads that appear in the last pages of each issue. And this income goes directly back to our Village for various projects. Just for the period of January through September 2009, ILV has made donations for the patio outside the Billiard Room, the Lapidary shop for new equipment,

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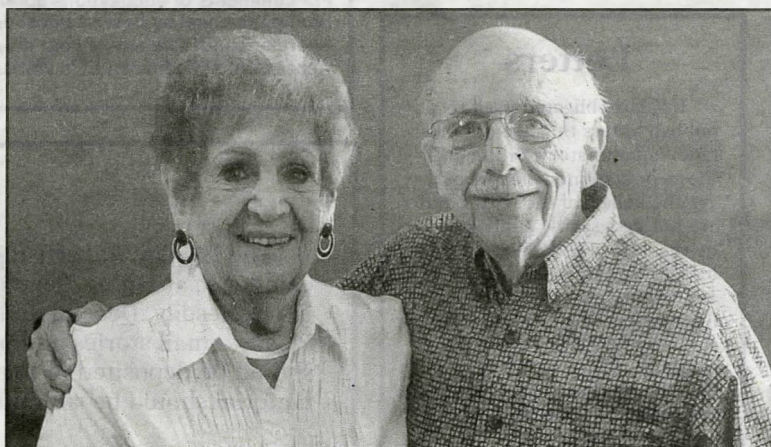
Village residents' volunteer efforts bring national praise

Leisure Village has had many descriptions, such as "Eden" and "Paradise." And the reason is obvious: It is because of the people who live here that make this "the greatest place in the world" — people who dedicate themselves to serving on the many committees and clubs in LV, and those who volunteer for so many worthy causes. People like Shirlee and Bert Stone, who live in Village 33.

Upon moving to Camarillo in 1996, the Stones became active in Muscular Dystrophy, the Red Cross Blood Bank,

the City of Hope, Alzheimer's Walk, Senior Concerns, the Orphan Foundation and many more. They were recognized for their efforts by being selected to appear on Jerry Lewis' Muscular Dystrophy Telethon to present the donations from Simi Valley and Thousand Oaks.

Shirlee and Bert continue to volunteer their time and service and were recently featured in the newsletter of the National Corporation for Community Service, from which much of this article was taken.



Village residents Shirlee and Bert Stone have been nationally recognized for their volunteer efforts.

LETTERS

Whether drinking untreated or reclaimed water waste, water waste is bad and must stop! Our sprinklers are over 30 years old. They waste water. Watering sidewalks is wasteful, unsafe, annoying and very expensive. Homeowners, untreated water or not, we are still paying for the water that is wasted.

Before the water project even began, the sprinkler system needed replacement. Now the untreated water is too dirty and powerful, breaking the sprinklers. The Village has spent \$2,220,000 so far on grass seeding. Before doing that the sprinklers should have been replaced.

Stop the seeding. Use the money to replace the sprinklers. Rather than spending

money redecorating, repaving tennis courts and RV lots and buying new hobby equipment, fixing broken infrastructure should be more important and financially sound spending. Homeowners, you pay for all water. The price is rising. The wasted water today could be tomorrow's drinking water. This is just common sense! Demand the grass project and wasteful spending stop. We need to repair the infrastructure. That costs us money. That will add value to the whole community!

— Lynne Holmes, V. 13

A number of residents lament that available book titles haven't changed in some time. Readers wish to have

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DAILY AUDIO MESSAGE BOARD: 5-MIN. READING OF PREVIOUS FRIDAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS at 6 a.m., 9 a.m., 12 Noon, 3 p.m., 6 p.m., 9 p.m., by Debra Guill

****LVTV COMING ATTRACTIONS****

Channel 25 - Basic Cable; Channel 995 - Digital
DECEMBER - 2009

DAY	DEC.	TIME	PROGRAM
Wednesday	2	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	PLAYERS GUILD: Remembering Broadway, 2009 (1 hr. 48 min.)
Friday	4	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	SHARED EXPERIENCE, Larry Sawyer, Irv Goodnick (20 min.)
Monday	7	10 A.M.	LVA OPEN BOARD MEETING - AR - Live
Tuesday	8	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	LVA OPEN BOARD MEETING - Tape
Wednesday	9	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	Waste Not 2009
Friday	11	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	LVA OPEN BOARD MEETING - Tape
Monday	14	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	"TWO HUNGARIANS GO TO THE MOVIES": Lin Grant & Bob Koster; John Mayer, Referee (40-45 min.) - Repeat
Wednesday	16	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	BOOK REVIEW: Lillian Hawthorne (Repeat) (20-30 min.) "Why Don't We Do It in Our Sleeves?" (5 min.)
Friday	18	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	WHAT WAS MY LINE? Jerry Spector & Co. (30-45 min)
Monday	21	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	Words of Peace 'One Life' (30 min.)
Wednesday	23	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	PLAYERS GUILD: These People Live Among Us 10/09 (20 min.)
Friday	25	-----	CHRISTMAS DAY - offices closed
Monday	28	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	MOVIE REVIEW (new): "Two Hungarians Go to the Movies": Lin Grant & Bob Koster; John Mayer, Referee (40-45 min.)
Wednesday	30	10 A.M. & 7 P.M.	Kill Joy (3/01) (1 hr. 33 min.)

CALLING ALL BOOK CLUB MEMBERS - Volunteer to review a new book on LVTV! Call John Mayer at 388-4642

Volunteer to assist in running Message Board, filming events, etc.

Are you interested in becoming involved in stage lighting and sound?

For comments or suggestions about programming:

Stump the panel by being a guest on "What Was My Line?"

Share or contribute any of your music CDs to LVTV:

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Call Mark Smith at 388-1243

Call Bill Foeller at 384-4447

Call Judy Siegel at 384-9620

Call Jerry Spector at 384-9039

Call Larry Forkner at 484-2095

<http://www.leisurevillage.org>

January deadlines

The Display Advertising deadline for the January 2010 issue will be Monday, December 7, at 5 p.m. Deadline for letters, club news, stories, photos and classified ads is Wednesday, December 16, at 5 p.m. Publication is scheduled for Friday, January 8. 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.

Bible study group to reconvene in January

By Carol Cannell

The Leisure Village Bible Study group will not meet for the month of

December. We will resume Tuesday, January 5.

LETTERS

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fresh choices, but our library's policy of refusing to accept donations prevents that. There wasn't room to shelve more books.

Our library needs to regularly make more shelf space available even though it's painful to give books away. We could give the older volumes to a charitable organization (Goodwill, thrift shops, etc.). A more useful method might be to measure usage by cutting and fastening graph paper onto the first blank page of each book and, after returned, have the volunteer check one box before reshelving it. Getting back unreturned volumes only insures that the same books continue to recycle. I, for one, would be delighted to see a 6-by-3-foot shelf

marked "New Titles."

— Harold Simon, V. 11

(Editor's note: The above has been edited and condensed from Mr. Simon's original letter, which far exceeded our allowable space.)

Many kudos, many thanks to Judy and Jerry Spector for the extraordinary job they did at the Pumpkin Festival. It was appreciated by many.

— Shirley Raymond, V. 17

I enjoyed Creative Corner very much.

I occasionally go to the Writers Club and recognize the talented writer's articles.

Keep up the good work, editor!

— Fran Yasney, V. 17

Flu shots available Dec. 11

By Mary Jane Porter

Your Neighbor's Care Group is presenting the annual Flu Clinic on Friday, Dec. 11, in the AR from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The doors will not open until 9 a.m.

Medicare Part B residents will not be charged if they show their Medicare card. If you belong to

a senior HMO like Secure Horizons, Scan, Kaiser, etc., you will be charged \$25. Please bring your checkbook and Medicare card with you when you come for your flu shot.

This is not the H1N1 serum; this is the regular flu serum.

AARP Driver Safety course is Jan. 21

By Claudia Roberts

The AARP Driver Safety Program is a four-hour class for Leisure Village residents offered by AARP for the benefit of licensed drivers who want to continue safe driving and be brought up to date on current California DMV rules and regulations.

Since California law requires that insurance companies give a discount to everyone who takes this class, it is to your benefit to take the class.

The next AARP Driver Safety Program will be held from 1 to 5 p.m. January 21 in the Multi-Purpose Room. The cost is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members. Members must provide their membership number on their check to receive the \$12 cost. Pre-registration and pre-payment are required.

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Abe Israel, V. 29
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Burt Jacobs, V. 34
Frank Van Der Maten, V. 34
Celia Witler, V. 31

Livingston Memorial offers services

The Livingston Memorial Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice makes home health calls for Ventura County residents.

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Did you know that ...

Ruth Fridberg, V. 34, will be going to Florida on December 11 for a reunion of survivors of The St. Louis, the ship that in 1939 carried travelers sailing to Cuba seeking to escape Nazi Germany?

— To submit an item, drop a signed note in the ILV box in the AR or e-mail to: editorilvyahoo.com.

Comparative politics class begins Jan. 12

By Mitzi Ettinger

Dr. Carolyn Dorrance will be teaching a class in "Comparative Politics" starting on Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 12, in the Garden Room. She will be comparing the political life and institutions of many foreign countries. Registration will be on Tuesday, Dec. 8, at 1 p.m. in the Garden Room. Please bring a check and your Social Security number with you. Call Mitzi Ettinger at 482-8361 for further information.

A look back

By Marilyn Holthouse
Village Historian

December 1974: The Pleasant Valley (Leisure Village) Golf Team played in a National Tournament in Ft. Myers, Fla.

December 1979: Betty Murray was the organist for the Hanukkah-Christmas Celebration.

December 1984: The New Residents Committee was renamed Meet Your Neighbor (now Welcome Committee).

December 1989: 2,357 vehicles were decalated in 1989.

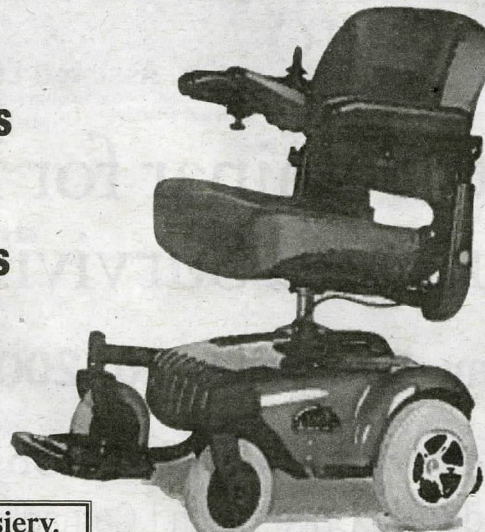
December 1994: Special assessments for earthquake damage were mailed.

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Village residents star in TV's 'The Young and the Rest of Us'

By Debra Guill

There's a new television show in town, and you can be a star!

We are looking for talent from within Leisure Village! "The Young and the Rest of Us" is a television show on Camarillo Government Channel 10 Time Warner, Channel 29 Verizon, and also on Leisure Village closed circuit Channel 25 and Channel 995. Featuring music from the 1960s through the 1980s, it is produced and directed by Larry Bell and Debra Guill.

Our pilot lip-sync show featured Leisure Village residents lip-syncing to music sung by performers from the legendary Frank Sinatra to the dynamic Millie Small. Seven brave Leisure Village people gathered to display their talents and creative costumes, lip-syncing to their cho-

sen songs as sung by the artists who made these songs famous during the pop-rock decades of the 1960s up through the 1980s. All seven performed as well as the original artists, with their mannerisms and their lip-syncing abilities a total success.

Hopefully our half-hour lip-sync variety show can become a part of the scheduled programming on the three channels. We are searching for more talented seniors who want to participate and become a local TV celeb. If you are interested in spending a few fun-filled minutes lip-syncing to your chosen song once every couple of months and seeing yourself perform on television, please call Debra Guill at 484-4204 or e-mail dbrguill@yahoo.com.

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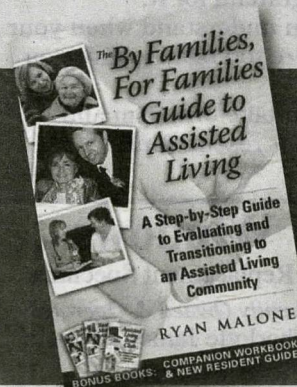
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The Wry Eye

By Joseph Benti

At the last Board Meeting I was saddened to hear
That unnamed residents feel burdened by fear.
Elsewhere, I learn, suspicious minds snort and root,
Convinced in their hearts that chicanery's afoot.
By now we know wild charges usually fizzle —
Purveyors of fear don't sell meat, just the sizzle.

A hidden message

By Bill Fox, V. 13

Health and happiness
A wish we should always know
Pleasant moments
Peace wherever we go
Year after year

Now wouldn't it be grand
Each and every one of us
Walking hand in hand

Yesterday should be the day
Ending crime and war
And all throughout the world
Rejoice forever more.

There are times when being a human is just not fair

Submitted by Mary Barkemeyer

If you can start the day without
caffeine,
If you can always be cheerful,
ignoring aches and pains,
If you can resist complaining and
boring people with your troubles,

If you can eat the same food every
day and be grateful for it,
If you can understand when your
loved ones are too busy to give you
any time,
If you can take criticism and
blame without resentment,

If you can conquer tension without
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Take action if you feel threatened

By Joseph Benti

One evening last month, a female resident was inside a supposedly safe area in the Recreation Center where she was shocked by a strange man, early middle-age, standing directly in front of her where he had no reason or right to be. Frightened and shaken, she departed as quickly as she could, intent only on reaching the comparative safety of her residence.

Without any further identification of the person or place, because that is not the point of this report, I traced her steps as she related the frightening incident. It was clear to me that what happened to her could have happened to any woman because the area in question has no obvious security other than the casual chance that somebody could have walked in or heard the

woman if she had created a disturbance.

But, that is too big a chance for any of us.

Frankly, I do not know how or if the security in the area could be enhanced without significant expense to the Village, an expense that may prove unacceptable or unavoidable.

The incident occurred on a Monday, the woman did not report it until the next day and did not inform a third party, other than family who does not live in the Village, until the following Thursday.

The Security Officer who took the report offered some consolation and casually said, according to the woman, and I paraphrase, "We will beef up security in that area." Beyond that, there was and is little more that can be done without a costly reconfiguration of our available security force.

No matter how protected or secure we may feel, and most of the time, with good reason, we are secure, we are also still part of a society, whether in or out of the Village, in which, increasingly, individual safety is threatened.

What can happen anywhere can happen here.

However, there is a caution in this story: If you encounter anything out of the ordinary, anything that feels threatening, call the Main Gate, call the Administration (start with our new Chief of Security Manny Segovia), but report any breach of security immediately!

Our best defense is an alert citizenry and an informed Administration and Security & Safety organization. However, they can only know what we tell them, and we must tell them as soon as anything happens that threatens our safety and security.

Realtors Corner: Tax credit for homebuyers has been extended

By Sharron Parker
Troop Real Estate, Inc.

Good news for consumers and the housing market: Recovery has been announced. The U.S. Senate and House of Representatives voted to extend the home-buyer tax credit, expanding the parameters to include existing homeowners and not just first-time buyers.

It is expected that the federal tax credit will be extended through April 30, 2010, with a 60-day extension if a binding contract is in place prior to the deadline. First-time buyers will continue to be eligible for a tax credit of up to \$8,000, while existing homeowners will be eligible for a reduced credit of up to \$6,500. Existing homeowners must have lived in their current residences for at least five years. Under additional provisions, taxpayers can claim the credit on purchases completed in 2010 on their 2009 income tax returns.

Nationwide, more than 1.4 million first-time homebuyers were given the opportunity to become homeowners as a result of the federal tax credit.

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lucinations."

"About four years ago when my wife Marilyn and I were driving to Kansas to visit family, I saw a car in front of me divide in two, then rejoin as one. I thought I was just tired."

Later, Joe learned those visual tricks are symptoms of the eye disease sent by the brain. Because the deteriorating retina transmits incomplete visual signals, the brain misfires, so to speak, resulting in the hallucinations.

"In the program," Joe adds, "I found my classmates (there were 33) had the same hallucinations or lost thoughts. Sometimes I am talking away and suddenly the word I wanted is gone. Now I understand that deficit."

Joe's mission in the pro-

gram was to understand and meet the challenges of macular degeneration. Each day began at 6 a.m., with classes starting right after breakfast — for example, classes in mobility, because, as Joe notes, "When you're over 70, with macular degeneration, if you aren't prepared, you can fall and break bones."

Joe also noted, "The traditional white cane gets results in the world. And so does a nine-power telescope. I wear it on my belt and I can read street or business signs."

Joe and his classmates were taught that life with serious deficits is not over; it just requires a new route. The Don't Give Up Class showed them how to do things they'd never attempted before, yet accomplished now with limited (or no) sight. Joe made an intricate wallet out of a plain piece of leather. He also mastered a scanning machine

that reads out loud whatever printed material is inserted into it. Among numerous helpful aids from Veterans Affairs, Joe has a talking calculator and a device that tells him the color of clothing it touches.

Of course, Joe Foraker's life is much different than it was. For example, he now wears sunglasses outdoors most of the time to stave off painful sun glare. Sometimes people seem annoyed when they say "Hi, Joe," and he doesn't answer quickly. It's because he can't see well enough to recognize them.

"But I have retained much of my independence," says Joe. "Despite serious deficits, you can find the resources and support programs. I want to share that with others. I wake up most mornings feeling fortunate, especially for my supportive wife."

EDITOR

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and to the October Pumpkin Festival. In 2008, ILV donated two benches along MountainView Road and made a donation for the stage curtain in the Assembly Room.

Letters from residents that are critical of person(s), BOD and/or Association policies are restricted from being published only by being profane,

inflammatory or libelous or not adhering to the policy of a limit of about 150 words. If published, a response to any criticism will always be offered to the appropriate party(s).

Finally, unlike this latest "newsletter," ILV identifies contributors of letters, articles, stories, club news, etc. by name and never endorses any candidate for the LV Board of Directors.

Blood pressure clinic is free

Your Neighbors Care Group Blood Pressure Clinic, which is free, is open to all residents of Leisure Village every first Monday of the month from 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room.

BETTER BREATHING

By Lorraine Comer

Our group will be taking the month of December to relax and enjoy some free time. Take slow, deep breaths and relax. I will be available during December if you are in need of my help. Just call!

We will be meeting Jan. 13 at 10 a.m. in the Sun Room.



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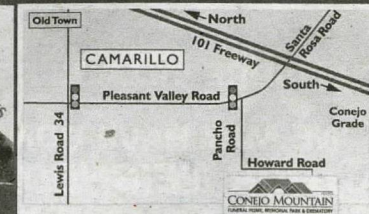
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L.V. New York Club

By Bob Prowler

Ida Zeller and Mannie Abate were unanimously elected as co-presidents of the club for 2010. Also elected were Cathy Friedman, Treasurer; Iris Shifren, Secretary; and Lucy Fiore, Corresponding Secretary.

Due to a technical glitch, the program "Make 'Em Laugh," scheduled to run at the Nov. 5 Annual Ice Cream Social meeting, was replaced by a film with a frank look at the legal problems facing comedians during the 1950s and who dared to defy laws regulating what could and could not be said on radio, television and nightclubs. Seen and heard were Mae West, the Smothers Brothers, Richard Pryor, Lenny Bruce and many others. It was a great film.

To know in advance the program that will be presented, readers should check the posters that appear in the Recreation Hall and on Channel 25 or 995 as the month's program will run

too late in "Inside Leisure Village." The program tentatively planned for Jan. 7 will be "Stuart Rose, singing your favorite songs." If the world comes to an end, this writer promises not to print that news until the day after and not before.

All residents of Leisure Village are invited to the New York Club. Yearly dues are \$7. For information please contact Membership Vice President Leatrice Posner at 388-6440 or at the door at the next show. For additional information, contact Co-Presidents Florence Skarz at 482-5001 or Ida Zeller at 484-9882.

The New York Club is currently at work on a newsletter featuring stories about New York adventures by those who have grown up or lived at some time in New York or who have had some interesting experiences as a visitor. All stories must have a connection to New York. Informative articles of general interest are welcome. A paragraph or two may bring back fond memories. Expertise is not needed. So, would-be writers, send your ar-

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Players Guild

By Cathy Friedman

The Players Guild wants to wish all a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and a happy and a healthy new year. We hope you enjoyed "Call Me Madam" and all the monthly workshops that were presented in 2009.

We are looking forward to entertaining you in 2010. Our big production will be "Squabbles." We are fortunate to have Don Pearlman to direct this play. It is a very, very funny play, and we know you will enjoy it.

See you in 2010!

Music Appreciation

By Fran Yasney

The Music Appreciation Club meets every first and third Friday morning at 10 a.m. in the MPR. On

Nov. 20, Macon Epps presented multi-composers, designed to please your ears, stimulate your imagination and satisfy your soul.

Computer Club

By Barbara Krohta

The Mac Beginners' session will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 17. There will not be a SIG (Special Interest Group) session in December. The sessions on Basic Computers and the Internet will not be held in December. Watch for an announcement about these sessions resuming in January.

Don't forget Bill Robinson's Neat Tricks classes on the second, third and fourth Mondays at 10 a.m. And remember that the Computer Club has mentors who are available to help you with your computer at our one-on-one mentoring sessions every Thursday at 3 p.m. Contact Duane Waln for Mac help and Barbara Krohta for PC assistance.

We wish you all a safe, warm and joyous holiday season!

Camera Club

By Jerry Cohen

The November competition featured Trees and Flowers as the Assigned category. First place in the division was won by Nanette Larrecq. Taking second place was Judy Spector, with Verna Cryder earning third place. The Honorable Mentions were by Bill Robinson and Jack Caldwell.

In the Open competition, Verna Cryder captured first place, with newcomer Marion Green earning second place and Jerry Cohen taking third place. Honorable Mentions were by Jack Caldwell and Hemu Kalle.

In the Creative category, the first-place winner was Judy Spector, with Arnie Borgen earning second place and Marlene Votion taking third place. Honorable Mentions were by Betty Murray and Bill Robinson. The competitions continue to be very popular, with a total of 82 entries being submitted for the November competition.

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Judging was professional Julie Calahan.

Visitors are always welcome. Please join us for the always interesting competitions held in the MPR the first Wednesday of each month and program nights on the third Wednesday of each month. Meetings start at 7 p.m. and refreshments follow.

LV Musicians

By Roy Badger

There will be no meeting in December. The Holiday Party will be on Dec. 10.

Sing-a-long Group

By Roy Badger

Sing A Long will be on Dec. 14 and 28 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the AR. Come and enjoy the fun. We have between 50 and 60 people who come and sing. Irene Olson, who plays the piano, is

always great.

Dick Guttman is back and is a great leader. Hope to see you at Sing-A-Long!

Woodshop

By Chuck Russell

The Woodshop Committee continues to make additions and improvements to the shop, equipment and operating procedures. It is important for key holders to be introduced to the changes. All present and future key holders should contact a Woodshop Committee member for a tour and to sign the updated key authorization form.

Remember too that the Woodshop Committee volunteers continue to offer free repair service for household items between 10 a.m. and noon Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. There's no charge for labor. Donations for materials and supplies are gladly accepted.

Village Painters

By Aurelie Zachary

In November, a new board was nominated for 2010: President, Lindy Stein; Vice President, Gwen Zimring; Secretary, Marge Curry; Treasurer, Ann Rogers; Publicity, Rita Linsey; Social, Barbara Baker and Virginia Carbajal; Historian, Rea Williams; Membership, Ann Rogers; Workshop, Ruth Miller; Art Show coordinator, Kelso Chandler; Phones and Sunshine, Barbara Oliver; Library, Reggie Katz.

We also discussed the workshop and classes we offer to anyone who cares to explore and develop their talent. All are welcome on Monday afternoons from 1 to 3 p.m. and Tuesday afternoons from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the Lanai Room. Classes are free, although a small donation is requested for supplies.

We viewed a tape on Fernando Botero, a famous and well-traveled

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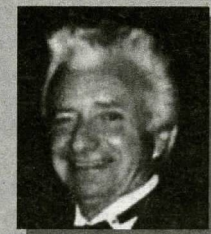
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artist and sculptor.

The Nov. 8 Art & Craft show was a great success.

L.V. Mens Golf Association

By Mannie Abbate

Monthly meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month in the MPR at 2 p.m. Pre-meeting refreshments are served at 1:30 p.m. Come early, have coffee, cookies, wine or punch and chat with the members. Get 50/50 tickets for a drawing at end of the meeting.

Here are results of the 2009 Club Championship, with two-week totals. The club champion is Norm Chapman. Congratulations, Norm!

Flight A: Low gross: Norm Chapman, 117; low net: Bill Crome, 110; 2nd low net: Jerry Johnson and Richard Parker, tie, 112.

Flight B: Low gross: Jack Kirkland, 129; low net: Richard Horn, 108; 2nd low net, Tom Appleford, 109.

Flight C: Low gross: Ernie Alex-

ander, 134; low net: John Nealy, 103; 2nd low net, Don Bouch, 111.

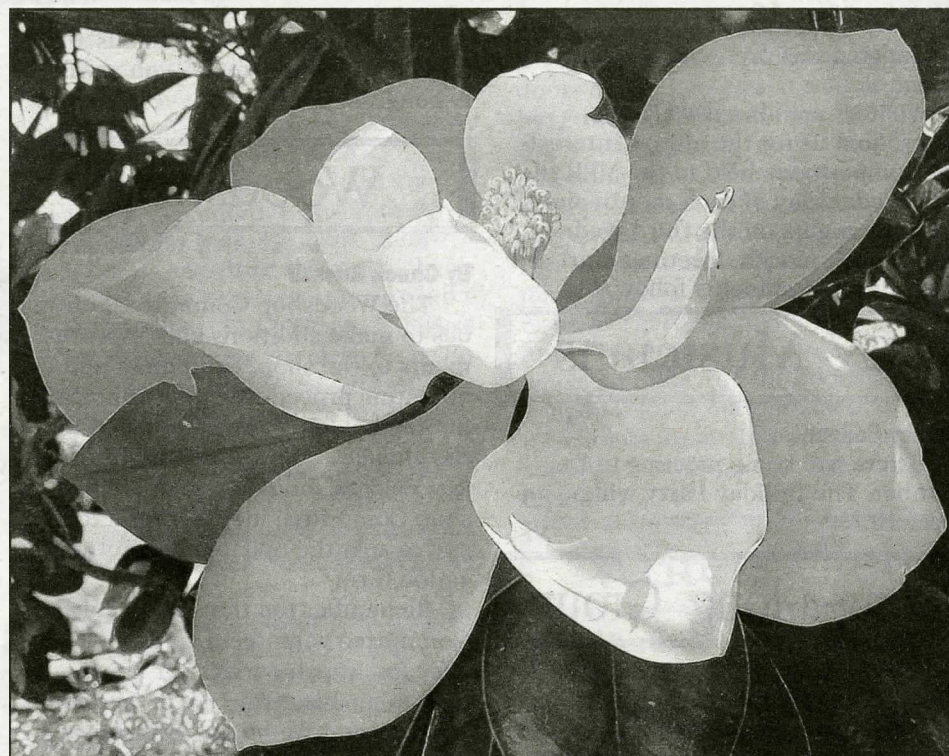
Niners: Low gross, Dale Roos, 67; low net, Ben Goldberg, 53; 2nd low net, D. Baumgardner, 56.

Good things happen if you wait long enough. Ernie Ohmstedt probably is the longest active member of the LVMGA. He has been a club member for 23 years and up until last month he never made a hole-in-one. He finally has one now. He made it on the 16th hole in our home course. Congratulations, Ernie!

On Oct. 15 we canceled the tournament at Buena Golf Course because the fairways were too wet to allow carts to ride thereon. This is only the second cancellation we have had in the last 10 years. Says a lot for the weather we are so fortunate to enjoy here in our domain.

On Nov. 5, we played at Westlake, and the last tournament outside the Village was played on Dec. 3 at Mountain View Golf Course. Watch the announcements on TV and in Ernie's e-mails. Also read the signs

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Nannette Larrecq's "Sweet Magnolia" took first place in the Assigned category of "Flowers and Trees" in the LV Camera Club's monthly competition for November.

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posted at the course for other activities.

Our president, Elliott Sklar, announced that the LVMGA is looking for someone to take over the 2nd Vice President's office on the Board of Directors. His duties will be as stated in our bylaws. Elliott said a refreshment committee will be created to assist the 2nd VP on Tuesday mornings to spread the work so one man does not have to do everything himself. We need volunteers for this committee as well.

We were shocked to hear that Larry Dool would not be able to continue as 2nd VP due to his deteriorating health problems. Unfortunately, Larry has had to relocate close to the medical facility that treats his illness. Larry has only been a member of the LVMGA for about two years but in that time he has become a beacon of goodness, making a lasting impact on our membership and the entire LV Association. Larry has shown us how to actively support our men and women

who bravely served our country and now find themselves in need of our support. He never asked for personal recognition but only wanted to help others. Although he has left Leisure Village for now, we should pray that he is able to overcome his illness and return to us again. John Thorne has stepped up to continue the collection of clothing and meal tickets that will be distributed to the veterans. Let's all make a commitment to keep this going as a tribute to our friend Larry Dool.

The year-end party season is here already. The LVMGA, together with the LVWGA and the Billiard Club, will have our Holiday Dinner Dance Party on Friday, Dec. 18, in the AR. Tickets are \$25 each. Country Harvest will serve hors d'oeuvres, and there will be a choice of prime rib, salmon or chicken, and dessert. Wine and soft drinks, coffee and tea will also be available. The Jerry Dokken band will play. Dress code is semi-formal, please. Tickets are available from all three clubs: LVMGA at the 1st tee on Tuesdays; LVWGA on Wednesdays

and The Billiard Club from Bill and Sandy or John and Kathy Wirtz.

Watch for the signs at the course and LVTV (Channel 25 or 995) for further announcements.

RV Club

By Fred Sass

The RV Club will start December with our holiday luncheon at the Sterling Hills Country Club and collecting a wrapped gift for children to be given to the Ventura Rescue Mission.

We will be installing next year's officers at the luncheon. This will be the first time I can remember that we will be installing last year's officers as this year's officers. Ron Loney will continue to be our president.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, Jan. 19, at 7:30 p.m. The next dine-out will be Feb. 2 at a new place for the club, Mama Rita's, in Newbury Park, at 360 Via Las Brisas. Our host will be Fred and Carol Sass.

Enjoy the holidays.

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L.V. Bowling League

By Marty Simons

The pins were really knocked around on Week 7 as Vivian Hurst bowled a 220, Ray Cass a 216, Bob McQuivey a 210, and Stan Feldman a 201. Side Pot winners were Stan Reshes, Leonard Belcher and Ray Cass for the men, and Vivian Hurst, Betty Herrmann and a three-way tie among Shirley McQuivey, Cathy Friedman and Joyce Belcher for the women. Hope you gals didn't spend it all in one place.

Week 8 and things stayed hot. Leonard Belcher had a 219 and a 202, and Vivian Hurst and Stan Feldman each had a 201. Side Pot winners were Ted Ryan, Leonard Belcher and Stan Feldman for the men, and Vivian Hurst, Betty Dean and Billie Stimac for the ladies.

Things calmed down in Week 9 as only Leonard Belcher had a 212. Side Pot winners were Ernie Slabotsky (nice way to celebrate his 95th birthday), Alan Singer and Leonard Belcher for the men, and Sandy Rosenthal, Sharon Hahn and Lucy Fiore for the ladies.

Week 10 had Leonard Belcher (beginning to sound familiar?) with a 224 and Jerry Schneider a 205. Side Pot winners were Leonard Belcher (hohum), Jerry Schneider and Mickey Newman for the men, and Gerry Leibowitz, Lucy Fiore and Ruthy Levine for the ladies.

Week 11 had Al Schuster with a 203. Side Pot winners were Ted Ryan, Irv Cohen and Al Schuster for

the men, with Clarice Shapiro (a 699 series with handicap), Shirley Heller and Joyce Belcher for the ladies. Had to have a Belcher in there, right?

Quote of the month: "The only man who never makes a mistake is the man who never does anything." Theodore Roosevelt.

The Mavericks

By Vera Erskine

Nov. 13 was Bowling Night at Harley's Camarillo Bowl. We had eight lanes with four on each lane. We saw a lot of high scores, splits and gutter balls. Everyone brought munchies, and we had a great time.

Just a reminder, our Holiday Party will be held on Jan. 22. By popular demand, the entertainment will be provided by "Willie & The Boys." They performed at the August Sock-Hop. Keep a lookout for posters and a date on ticket sales.

With all the LV Club festivities on our heels, there will not be a Mavericks meeting in December. No fear, our paths will cross at one of the other holiday events.

On behalf of the Mavericks Club, we wish everyone happy holidays and new year. If you have any questions about club membership or events, contact President Joe Miller at 383-0715.

Women's Club

By Eldora Barton

Get set for a charmer who is returning to entertain at the general meeting in January. Tatjana will be here to help us usher in 2010! She is

Miss Personality Plus and always has a few things to tell us in addition to a splendid performance singing and dancing. Join in the fun on Thursday, Jan. 7, at 1:30 p.m. in the AR.

Membership dues for 2010 are now being accepted. Bring your \$5 check (\$4 for men associate members) to the meeting, or send a check made payable to L.V. Women's Club to Barbara Oliver, 5132 Village 5. Please pay by mid-January in order to be on the roster and included in the Membership Handbook, which is printed shortly thereafter.

The Tuesday Workshop will be dark on December 15, 22 and 29. This creative group will be returning the following week, sewing and making craft items.

See's Candies, either boxes, certificates or suckers, are good for the holidays. For chocolates and certificates call Terri at 482-3952. For suckers call Helen at 389-1066.

Thanks to all the members who supported the club the past year by your attendance at the general meetings and at the workshop. We are now

looking forward to providing the installation of automation for the front doors in the Recreation Building lobby. Funds come from memberships, the workshop sales, See's Candy sales and donations. Other projects have been packages sent to service personnel, contact with the Boys and Girls Club to serve in their volunteer group, many pounds of non-perishable items to Food Share and helping schools fund-raise by saving Campbell's soup labels and Box Top for Education coupons. All of our outside contacts have let us know they appreciate our support. Thank you members and friends.

Writers Club

By Lois Keeler

We are picking up new members again, and we are looking forward to having a chance to greet even more. On Dec. 21 we will be holding our annual Christmas luncheon for members only. This is always a good time

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and everyone is looking forward to it.

We will be losing one of our charter members soon. Macon Epps and his wife are moving to an assisted living facility as soon as they sell their house. Macon has been very active in our community and both will be sorely missed. They are only moving to Thousand Oaks, so we hope they will keep in touch. We also hope we will be seeing many new members soon.

L.V. Exercise Group

By Millie Seidman

What if we were to meet not only Monday to Friday, but also on weekends? The new sessions are the suggestion of Don Marquardt. If you, too are interested in this change, please tell Jerry Cohen. The possibility could become reality!

Reality for the residents of the Camarillo Convalescent Home is a daily routine with very little change.

We have an opportunity on Dec. 23 to add a few wrinkles (and we have them to spare) to their routine by visiting them and bringing cookies and gift bags of shampoo and lotion. If you can bring cookies or help with distribution, please let Shiprah Maller know, and then meet in the East Parking Lot at 1:30 p.m. Dec. 23. It's a good thing to do.

Billiard Club

By Jack Quinn

Congratulations to Ray Martinez, the winner of the 9-ball tournament in the 'SA' group. Aleta Trogdon won second, and Sam Kay earned third place.

Vera Erskine took first place in the 'A' group, Bob Cryder settled for second, and Howard Koehn received third.

In the 'B' group, Allen Hongersman was the first place finisher, Janice Runnels was second, and Verna Cry-

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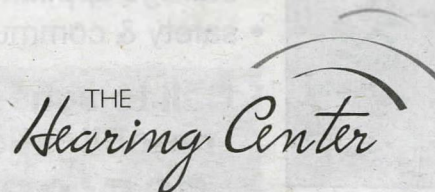
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The holiday dinner-dance is scheduled for Friday, Dec. 18. Jerry Dokken will provide the music. Dinner is a choice of salmon, beef or chicken plus salad, dessert and roll. Tickets at \$25 each are available by contacting Sandy Foeller at 384-4447.

There will not be a meeting in December. See you at the holiday dinner.

Racquet Club

By Anne Wolfson

The Racquet Club meets the second Wednesday of the month in the Multi-Purpose Room. We are a very active group of tennis, paddle tennis and table tennis players and welcome all Villagers to join us!

Our December meeting will be a pot luck on Wednesday, Dec. 9. Bring "goodies" by 5:30 p.m. and we'll eat at 6. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board at the tennis courts,

and, if you have questions, call John Peterson at 388-1230. There will be no tournaments until January, and these will be announced later.

Our guest speaker in November was Jerry Spector, who gave a most interesting talk on his escapades in the service and later his climb up the ladder in banking. He also told an interesting story of how he met and married his wife, Judy. We all enjoyed his talk.

Put Wednesday, Dec. 9, on your calendar now for a fun evening!

Single Active Seniors

By Zelda Greentree

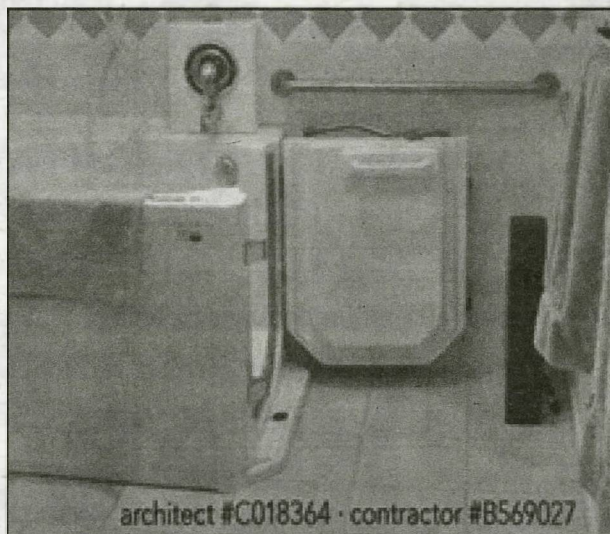
There is just enough time to make your call to Ruth at 987-5977 to make your reservation for the annual holiday party. The date is Tuesday, Dec. 8, at 5:30 p.m., and the place is the MPR. All you need to bring is a wrapped gift (about \$10) for the gift exchange

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In the LV Camera Club's monthly competition for November, Verna Cryder took first place in the Open category for "Morning Light." For other competition winners, see Pages 12 and 18.

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and either an appetizer or dessert — enough for six to eight people. All paid-up members are invited to this fabulous party. Come and join in on the fun! Don't forget to call!

Our annual election of officers and board members will be held at the party. Nominations from the floor will be taken.

On Dec. 15, in the annex, at 7 p.m., we will be showing another of our latest DVDs. Come and be surprised.

The next "News & Views" will take place on Jan. 5. Bring news articles, etc., for discussion.

Look for an announcement of our installation dinner in the coming weeks.

L.V. Women's Golf Association

By Lillian Turnbull

Congratulations to winners of our Presidents Cup Tournament, played

Nov. 4 and 11. Low Net Over the field for the 18ers was Gail Hillesheim, and Low Net Over the field for the 9ers was Lillian Turnbull. Congratulations to winners and all players.

Our regular weekly tournament was Dec. 2, followed by the Dec. 9 Holiday Luncheon/Golf Luncheon at 1 p.m.

Dec. 16 will be a regular weekly tournament, followed by the Dec. 18 Holiday Dinner Dance. Don't miss out on this spectacular event.

Dec. 23 will be Open Play, and Dec. 30 will be Open Play to accommodate the family events that we all enjoy during this holiday season.

Happy holidays to all, and may our world find a new year of peace.

Lapidary Shop

By Bill McGeehon

November was a busy month. Students' work in lapidary was on display at the Palmdale Gem & Mineral show

on Nov. 7 and 8, and their work was again on public display at the Oxnard Club show on November 21 and 22.

November also provided the time and the cooling weather for a field trip to Lonely Butte, about 25 miles southeast of Mojave on the Mojave Desert. The trip was not as well attended as we hoped, but a good time was had by all those who could and did attend. It was a very enjoyable day on the open desert and lots of jaspers, agates and cherts were collected. More field trips are being planned, so let us know if you are interested.

Bocce Ball

By Jan Tamburro

The Bocce Club held its monthly meeting on Oct. 22 in the AR. A delicious potluck dinner hosted by Alice Beumkes, with assistance from Judy Smith and Susan Kusak, was enjoyed by approximately 40 members.

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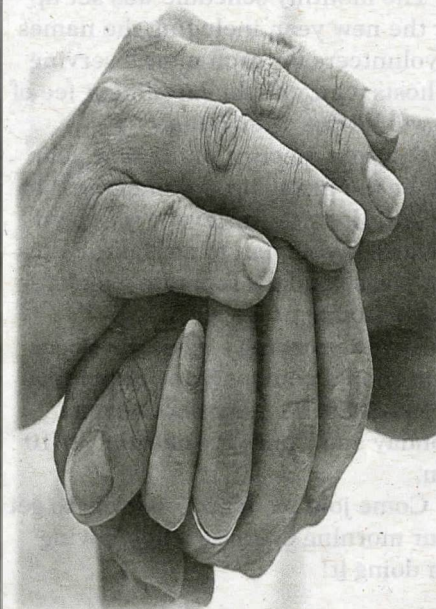
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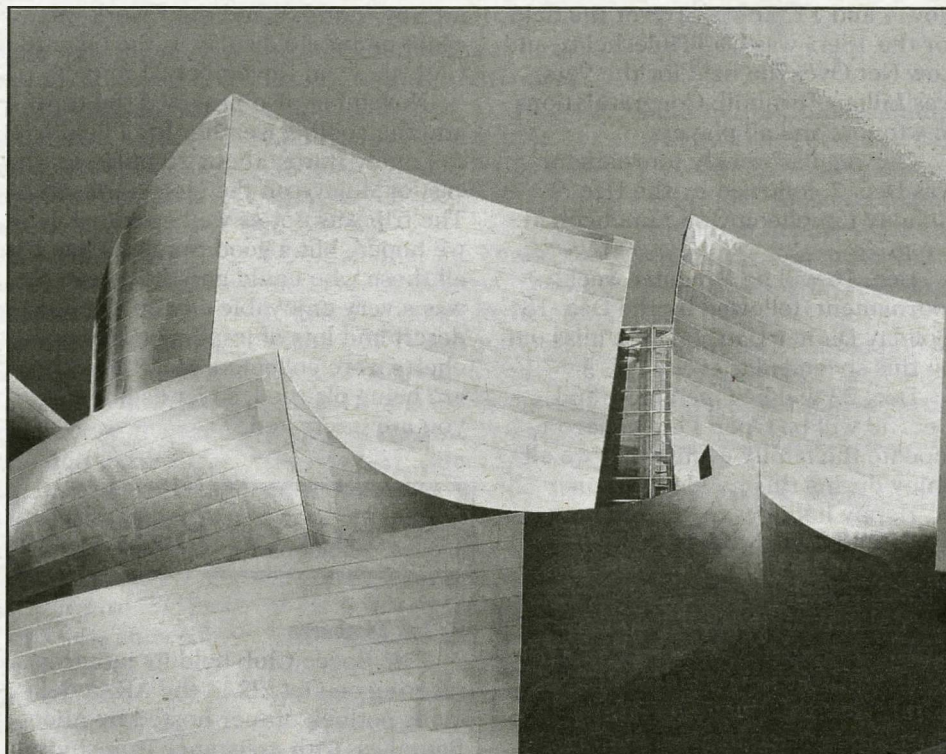
Diane Fleischer was nominated and elected President for next year. Sy Blau was elected Vice-President and Isabel Blau as Treasurer.

The monthly schedule was set up for the new year, including the names of volunteers for each month serving as hosts. Our annual enrollment fee of \$5 will be due after January 1.

Our first meeting of the new year will be the installation dinner, held in the AR. Host for this event is Evelyn Ferraro. If you plan to attend the dinner, please make a separate check for your enrollment fee.

Anyone wishing to join the Bocce Club should contact Sy or Isabel Blau at 484-8080. We play Bocce every Monday and Thursday morning at 10 a.m.

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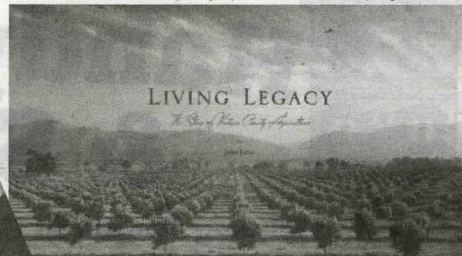
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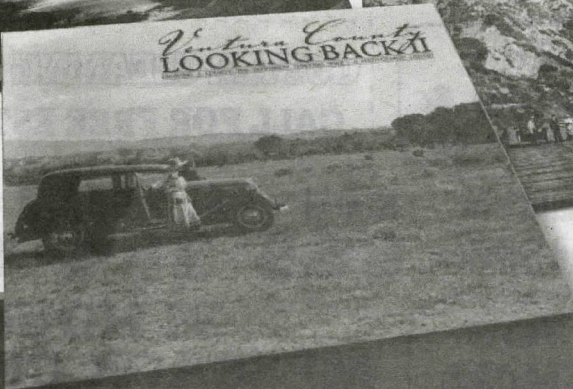
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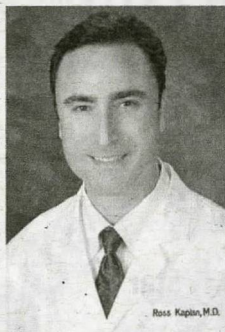
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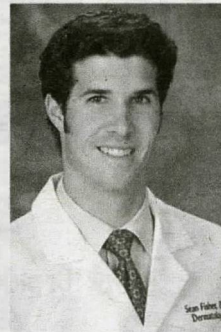
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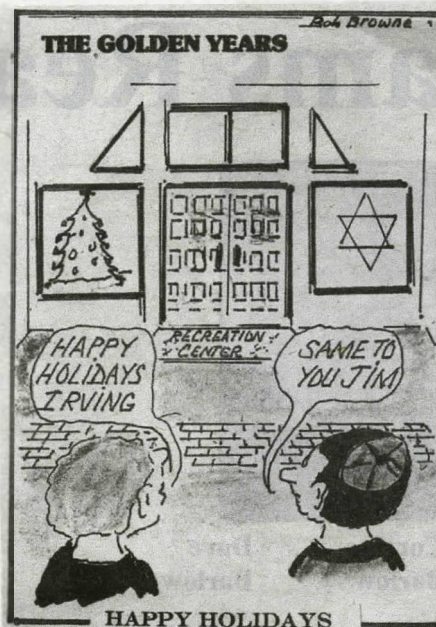
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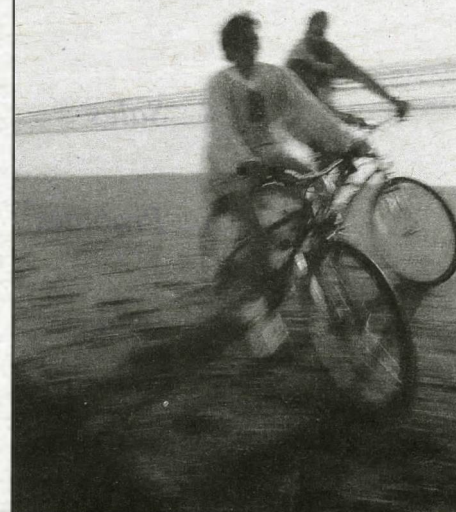
Leisure Village LVTV will be showing a half-hour presentation from the "Words of Peace" series on Dec. 21 at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.

"Words of Peace" is also broadcast weekly on Time Warner Public Access Cable Channel 25 every Tuesday at 7 p.m. For more information, you can visit wordsofpeace.org.

If you are interested in a new Leisure Village club that is forming based on the Words of Peace, you can call Keena Hatjiyannis, V. 18, at 312-6213.

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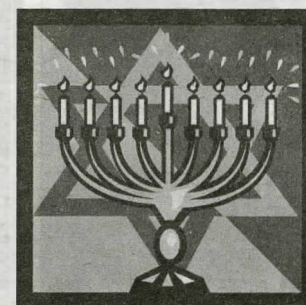
DECEMBER: A time of celebration. A time of gathering with family and friends. A time of kind deeds.

There are many happy memories associated with December. There are stories to tell and catching up to do. Many visit the mail box with skip in their step as they anticipate the wonderful updates of friends and family through holiday cards and letters. What a wonderful tradition. It seems as though hearts are softer and most are more patient. December brings out the good in most.

As we reflect on the year of 2009 our hearts are full of thankfulness. We celebrate the fact of continued business success in 2009. **THANK YOU** for your support!



Celebrate with us this month by doing a kind deed each week. This can be a note, a visit to the sick or lonely, a baked good to a friend, etc. We would love to hear what you are doing. Call Dave today and share with him your deed for the week.



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