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PERSPECTIVES

By Janey Rifkin

Age-old beloved custom lost to the pandemic

It's a sign of decency, friendship and respect, a simple handshake, but denoting so much more than just a greeting. The untimely death of that friendly gesture has been lost during the preceding months of havoc and fear of the coronavirus COVID-19, and left this country's citizens in a constant state of polite physical distancing, for safety sake. Unfortunately, shaking hands is considered to be one of the known ways of transmitting the infectious disease from one person to another.

The handshake is more than a ritual. It sends a message of com-



The 'outdated' handshake.

munity and unity to all citizens. The gesture also bids a farewell, whether in a diplomatic setting

or a casual social encounter. It is an egalitarian, good faith message when hands are joined.

The handshake has been known throughout the ages; in fact, it dates back to the 5th century in Greece. Well suited to the annals of history, it was a symbol of solidarity during the civil-rights movement. Politically, it carried an aura of respect; or conversely, animosity if the handshake was omitted. Noted in the history books is the time President Theodore Roosevelt once shook more than 8,510 hands at a White House reception, a long-standing Guinness world record for a head of state.

Some may recall a semi-slang
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HISTORIC REFLECTION

By Max Copenhagen

2020 Reflection: Camarillo moving forward during turbulent times

What a year! I saw some surprising new things in the Village - golf carts going past my window at the 5th Tee, political signs before the election, and, of course, all the Covid restrictions that certainly have been the big mind boggling endless upset in our lives this year.

I learned how to bake bread. I noticed more than ever so many people out and about, walking and riding bicycles. Although we rarely go out to eat, we ordered a lot of take-out meals to help local restaurants struggling to survive. Unfortunately, Souplantation, SmashBurger and Pizza Rev have closed.

Here are some important things that happened this year.

Elections for the City Council are no longer "at large," but are by geographic area. Two of the five new districts had elections. Tony Trembley will continue to

represent the Leisure Village area. Other districts will have elections in 2022. **The City also has a new communication tool, "Engage Camarillo."** Financial and other information is more visible than ever with this online "Open City Hall" concept. With the Notify Me page, you can have specific kinds of information sent directly to your inbox. See www.cityofcamarillo.org

Construction began on the North Pleasant Valley Groundwater Desalter near Somis. The facility uses a reverse osmosis process to remove 11 million tons of salt from 4,500 acre-feet of groundwater per year, yielding about 3,800 acre-feet of drinking water, doubling the City's local potable water supply. The brine will be discharged to the ocean through an existing pipeline. The facility reduces demand on the State Water Project from 70 to 25



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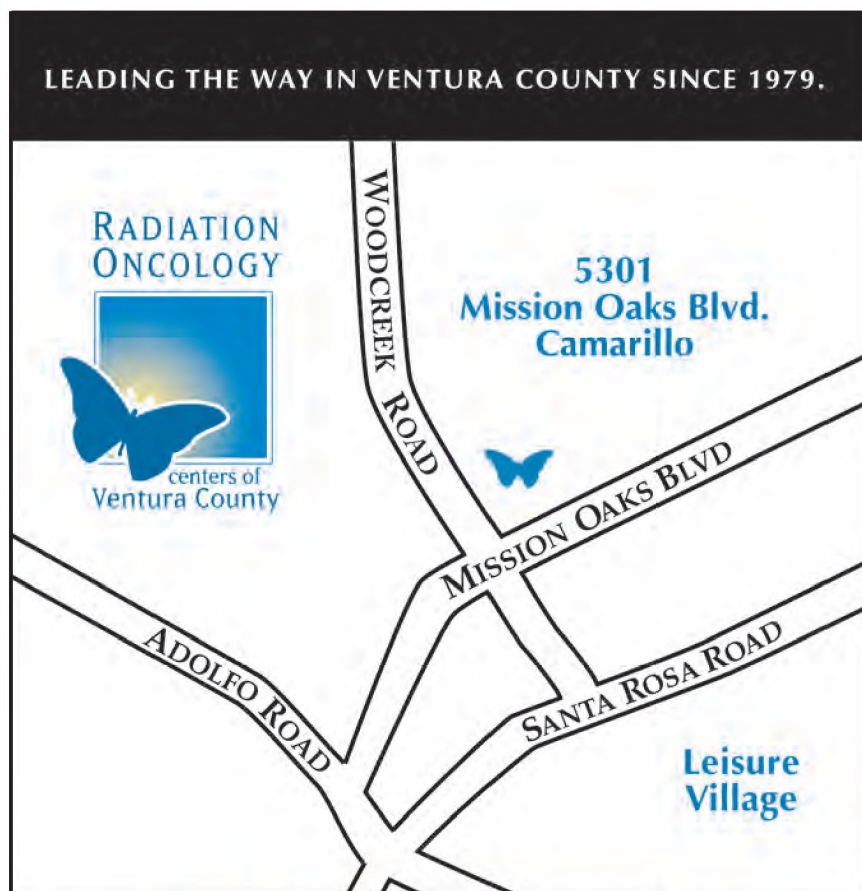
St. John's Pleasant Valley Hospital.

percent of the City's water supply. Although Leisure Village gets its water from Camrosa, the new desalter will conserve resources and benefit the entire watershed. The project will be completed in 2021.

St. John's Pleasant Valley Hospital was rebuilt to modern earthquake standards. The beautiful

new three-story Mission Style facility has 50 private patient rooms and new technologies including the first cardiac catheterization lab in Camarillo. With three new advanced surgical operating suites, a 12-bay preoperative and post-anesthesia care unit, a new lobby, a

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Wow, that was quite a year. 2020 was in so many ways a nadir, a paradigm shift, a re-thinking of our priorities and a critical view of life going forward. The elections showed not a deeply divided country, as the populist saying goes, but a virtual even split of strongly held philosophies on the ways government interacts with our daily lives. This showed up from the national level right down to the micro-local level.

Meanwhile, here in Leisure Village the true spirit of community has survived the chaotic year and even thrived. Residents stepped up to help and assist neighbors, gave of their time and resources to provide for the needs of their fellow Villagers. We at ILV have championed those efforts through 2020 and will continue to do so going forward.

We wrote about the efforts of Lin Grant and her leadership of a Women's Club tradition that honors our Village Veterans. This group of LV women looked beyond the inability to present their annual Veterans Thank You Event. They looked for an alternative that would work in the current environment. Lin sent me a nice text letting me know the effect this had on the individuals who were honored. I found it a profound wrap-up to 2020. see below:

A woman said it was the first time in years that her husband wanted dinner at the table instead of in front of the TV. He put on a clean shirt and wore the medal. Another man said this was better than all the donuts, coffee and songs of prior years. One lady said her husband called their son to bring over the grandsons to show them that America was proud of his service. The tears were coming so fast I could barely speak. I wish my dad still lived in LV.

So do I, Lin...so do I.

— Jon Niemann

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VILLAGER PROFILE By Patty Ecker

Gwen's Greetings – Hallmark of Sharing

She has a talent for making something routine – maybe even a nuisance – into something enjoyed and valued. When Villager Gwen DeSantis established a trading post of sorts on her porch, she had no idea that it would develop into a busy spot so quickly. Her porch is the hub of a greeting card (and more) exchange, where people can choose from dozens of cards – holiday, birthday, anniversary, get-well, sympathy, thank you, and more – or calendars and note pads, which are there for the taking. “When we started this, I had a few little bins out there,” she laughs. “Fairly soon, it became clear that we needed more and bigger containers as the word spread.”

Gwen's greetings exchange is only a few months old. Like many of us, she was cleaning out drawers to keep busy during this sheltered time and found cards and calendars sent as “a thank you” for charity donations. As Co-Chair of LV's Library Committee, she was familiar with a space in the library where residents left greeting cards to share. “And they were always picked up. It was a popular spot.” So not to be stopped by COVID, she and her husband made their own socially distant and safe exchange outside their front door. It was an instant hit.

Word travels fast in Leisure Village. “People drop by every day...to pick out something and sometimes to drop off things for the exchange. I am surprised how quickly it caught on,” Gwen says. “I think sending greetings or sharing things gives people a sense of normalcy in this abnormal time.”



Photo by BUD BRADLEY

Villager Gwen DeSantis has created a friendly trading post with these “sharing” boxes on her front porch – a safe and socially distant one, too.

This is not just a holiday pop-up. Gwen and her husband Ben intend to continue their front porch exchange until the LV Library is open once again. Oh, and speaking of numbers, Gwen doesn't want to forget to mention hers. She lives and gives to others at 37203 Village 37.

NEWS BITES By Patty Ecker

Tax Preparation Assistance Cancelled in Leisure Village in 2021

LV residents will not have the assistance of trained tax preparers in 2021 due to health and safety concerns related to COVID-19. For the first time in a decade, the program, with the convenience and confidence that came with the AARP trained volunteers, has been cancelled.

Villager Merle Ruiz, who took over as Site Coordinator last year, said, “It is devastating. Think of

all the people we have worked with. But there is just no viable means of safely handling and reviewing returns – for Villagers and for the preparation team.”

The decision came after much discussion, Merle said. It was a very popular service. In Pre-Pandemic years, more than 200 residents took advantage of the tax help in the months prior to April 15. Villager Lois

O'Connor, who has been an AARP volunteer for nine years, points out that each tax preparer must take classes, take an ethics test, and a tax prep exam every year.

The status of the other 2 AARP sites in Camarillo – the Camarillo Senior Center and the Camarillo Health Center – as well as other sites in Ventura County – remains unknown.

COVID-19 testing to be available in the Village

WHAT: Ventura County COVID-19 Mobile Testing Unit
WHEN: Friday, December 18
WHERE: East Parking Lot

This will be a no charge, self administered test. There will be

instruction and guidance at site.

Reservations are required. Requests for time slots will be accepted starting Saturday Dec 12 by emailing carol.edandrec@gmail.com or by phone starting Monday, Dec. 14 by calling 805-208-2722. This

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ABOUT REAL ESTATE

By Sharron Parker

■ Real Estate Market Overview going into 2021

As the economy recovers from this year’s health crisis, the housing market is playing a leading role in the turnaround. It’s safe to say that what we call “home” is taking on a new meaning, causing many of us to consider buying or selling sooner rather than later. Many seniors especially are deciding to move closer to their families. Housing, therefore, has thrived in an otherwise down year.

In 2019, there were 135 homes sold in Leisure Village. So far in 2020, 108 homes have sold with 22 more in escrow. Last year there were 1046 homes sold in Camarillo. This year 926 have sold with another 176 in escrow. Despite the shut down in March and April, home sales in our area have certainly caught up.

Today’s high buyer-demand combined with low housing-inventory means we’re seeing

home prices appreciate at an above-average pace. This demand is being driven by those who want to take advantage of historically low mortgage rates. According to Freddie Mac, “The record low mortgage rate environment is providing tangible support to the economy at a critical time, as housing continues to propel growth.”

These factors are driving a positive impact on the overall economy. According to the National Association of Realtors, the real estate industry provided \$3.7 billion dollars of economic impact to the country last year. To break it down, in 2019, the average newly constructed home contributed just over \$88,000 per build to local economies. Across the country, real estate clearly makes a significant impact

In addition, last week, the Bureau of Economic Analysis

announced the U.S. Gross Domestic Product increased at an annual rate of 33.1% in the 3rd quarter of this year, after decreasing by 31.4% in the second quarter. There’s no doubt the growing economy is being fueled in part by the soaring housing market. Experts forecast this housing growth to carry into 2021, continuing to make a big impact on the economy next year as well.

The American Dream of homeownership has continued to thrive in the midst of this year’s economic downturn and “home” has taken on a new meaning for many of us during this time. Best of all, the housing market is making a significant impact as the economy recovers.

If you’ve been thinking of selling your home, please reach out to your local real estate agent to find out more about the value of your home.

2020 reflection

From PAGE 1—

redesigned café, and a new gift shop, the 71,000 square foot expansion enhances the hospital’s ability to provide the excellent health care services we have come to expect and deserve.

The Census was completed in October. The goal was to get an accurate count and protect our Federal funding and Congressional representation. The County did very well and is in the top 95th percentile in the nation for an accurate count. The self-response rate in Camarillo was 83%, compared to 67% nationwide. Results are expected in April 2021. Hopefully, it will mean improved Federal funding for senior and other programs in years to come.

And . . . turf was finally installed on the nearby high school field. It looks really good as it has been growing steadily without football players on it. I am looking forward to going to a game next year.



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Handshake

From PAGE 1—

phrase “Give me five” which prevailed back in the era of the 80’s. Today, an alternative salutation, that of touching elbows, replaces the hand-in-hand gesture; and is among the masking and distancing safety measures we practice daily.

Being mindful of the times to which we must adapt, infectious disease expert Dr. Anthony Fauci said, “People would be healthier if the custom of shaking hands died forever.”

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NEWS BITES

Thank You, Leisure Village Veterans

The COVID pandemic did not stop Villagers from honoring our veterans on their day, November 11. When it became clear that the traditional Veterans Day gathering was not possible this year, a battalion from the Women’s Club took the celebration to the men and women who served in the military and now live in Leisure Village. Club members delivered

a specially designed medallion and card in person to 210 veterans. The recognition and the gifts, designed by Club member Pam Almeida, brought smiles, sometimes tears, and the opportunity to share the memories of those who served.

Photo by JON NIEMANN

Lin Grant and Sharron Parker delivering a warm greeting and a special commemorative medal to Village veterans.



Next phase of LV’s Paint Project approved

A new look is coming to the homes in four more Villages now that the Board of Directors has approved the second phase of the Leisure Village Paint Project. Villages 24, 39, 40, and 44 are scheduled for repainting of the stucco and the trim on a total of 102 buildings – 89 duplexes, 5 triplexes, 7 fourplexes, and 2 free-

standing houses. Letters have gone out to residents informing them of the project details.

Residents will have a limited voice in color choices in this phase. The revised paint palette includes eight stucco colors and more than a dozen trim shades. Samples of those colors are painted on the

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A PINCH OF SALT

By Larry Swartz

Endings & beginnings

A long time ago when I was filming cooking shows for LVTv, one of the very first shows I did was how to make many meals by just really cooking one night. We roasted a chicken. I want to reprise that now as many of us are going to be at home for the holidays. This recipe, if you take your time and do it right, will seem like a restaurant prepared meal. You could have the thigh & wing one night, leg and wing the next, even freeze the breast and have it days later in a nice Chicken salad, chop up the thigh meat and use it in a stir fry.



One note of special care: I'm sure you know but it's worth repeating. Whenever I am working with raw chicken, I am especially careful not to taint any other food. So I'm washing my hands regularly. That is why I recommend discarding the veggies that you stuffed the chicken with before cooking. Wait until the chicken is partially cooked to add the veggies you are going to serve with it.

Ingredients

- 1 4-5pound whole chicken at room temperature
- Kosher salt and freshly ground pepper
- 2 carrots cut into 2-inch lengths
- 1 red onion quartered
- 4 small Yukon gold or red potatoes
- 1 head of garlic cut in half
- 2 lemons quartered
- 4 tablespoons unsalted butter softened
- 1 bunch of fresh thyme sprigs (4-4" stems of fresh rosemary)

Instructions

Preheat oven to 425° - rack in the lower third

Remove giblets/neck and pat dry inside and out. Generously season the inside of the cavity with salt and pepper. Gently work your fingers under the skin and rub half of the butter mixture on the chicken breasts and the rest over the outside of the chicken. Season with more salt and pepper.

Stuff the chicken with 1/2 head of garlic, 1/2 of the onion, a few carrots, 1/2 lemon and thyme sprigs. Truss the legs with cooking twine and tuck the wings under the bird. (Discard these veggies & lemon after cooking.)

Roast the chicken for 45 minutes. Baste with the pan juices and rotate the chicken in the oven. Add balance of veggies, cook for another 45 minutes, or when an instant-read thermometer inserted into the inner thigh registers 155° and the juices are running clear. Check veggies in pan for doneness and finish off on stove top if required.

Transfer to a cutting board, tent with foil. Remove the vegetables from inside the bird and discard. Wait 10 -15 minutes to cool before carving.

If you want more drippings, add 1 cup chicken broth, or wine to the bottom of the pan before you roast the chicken. Enjoy with a nice buttery/oaky Chardonnay or a very light Pinot Noir.

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We want to thank everyone in the Village who answered the call to help the Somis Pantry. Their generous donations of food and endless supplies of needed paper and plastic bags are so appreciated. We would be remiss if we did not acknowledge Villagers Marilyn and Irwin Rudy for their help.
Loretta & Stan Reshes - Village 30

Yesterday a member of The Women's Club left an envelope at our front door. Inside was a medallion to thank me for my service. I served in WWII, Korea and Vietnam. I have heard "thank you for your service" many times but this medal blew me away. I want to publicly thank the Women of the club for their thoughtfulness. It hangs on the wall with my medals and citations in a prominent place where I will always be reminded of their kind expression of gratitude. I know I can speak for all of the veterans of the Village voicing my deep appreciation. The Women's Club is renowned for the many things they do for the Village. Thank you Ladies for your service.
Don Treadwell - Village 44

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By Don & Barbara Senior

“Come quickly, I am tasting the stars”... Dom Perignon

Let’s raise a glass of bubbly to the end of a long year and celebrate the coming of 2021. Don and I always choose California sparkling wine. Schramsberg is our favorite for special occasions. We met founders Jack and Jaime Davies at a weekly wine class led by noted wine enthusiast, Robert Balzer. Jack and Jamie’s story was compelling and the sparkling wines we sampled were exquisite, we were hooked.

In 1965, the Davies’ discovered a run-down winery near Calistoga in the Napa Valley. The historic Schramsberg property was a well-known 19th century wine estate, long abandoned. It had everything the Davies needed to produce a world-class sparkling wine, including two miles of caves dug into the mountainside by Chinese workers in 1870. They got right to work, and later that year, the 1965 Blanc de Blanc was laid down to

age in those caves. It was the first commercial use of Chardonnay in American sparkling wine. In 1972, it was used for President Nixon’s historic “Toast to Peace” with China’s Premier Zhou Enlai. Schramsberg sparkling wines have been served at auspicious White House functions ever since.

There are two primary types of Schramsberg sparkling wine: Blanc de Blanc, from chardonnay, and Blanc de Noir, from pinot noir. They make a few other styles as well. Schramsberg uses the méthode traditionnelle process, meaning the secondary fermentation takes place in the same bottle in which the wine is sold. Grapes are fermented to make still base wine that is then bottled with a tiny bit of sugar and yeast and capped like a beer bottle to trap the sparkle. It is then laid down



File Photo

Schramsberg Vineyard Caves

to age in caves. The bottles are turned on a regularly scheduled routine. This is called racking and riddling. The Schramsberg family still accomplished this by hand. After up to eight years, a final process called disgorgement removes aging sediment, replaces the cap with a cork and wire closure and voila!...a truly fine California sparkling wine

has been created.

When we toured the Schramsberg wine caves, imagination had us transported over the ocean to Tattinger or Moet that we previously visited in the Champagne regions of France. The caves naturally keep humidity high with low temperature as a constant; an important contribution to the

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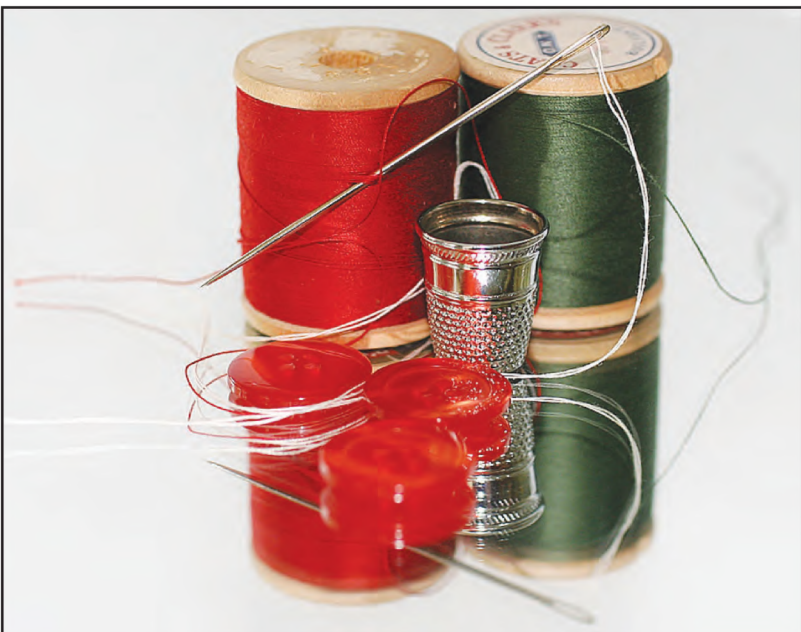
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Paint project

From PAGE 6—

west wall of the Rec Center. The residents of each building can exercise one veto of a stucco color per building. In multiple units – like a triplex – the choice will be by majority rule. They will be able to

which the stucco color for each house was made by the painting professionals. After that phase was completed, an LV resident survey sent a message that Villagers wanted a voice in color choices, and the Board added the veto option.

The official startup information is not complete as of ILV's press



Photo by BUD BRADLEY

The color choices for the second phase of LV's Paint Project can be seen on the west wall of the Recreation Center.

choose one of two assigned trim colors or a third off-white option per stucco color.

That represents a change from the previous repainting project in

deadline. The professional paint colorists will review resident input. Landscaping work must be done around some of the houses before repainting can begin.

Word on wine

From PAGE 11—

final product. Thousands of dusty bottles are stacked to the ceiling on each side of the tunnel, aging in perfect conditions. You can still see and feel the individual pick marks from the 1870 cave diggers on the walls. Lit by dim light bulbs, the tunnels seem to go on forever into a maze through the mountain. The tour of Schramsberg is notable for its homage to California wine making and California wine history as well as a great example of the rich tradition of sparkling wines.

Schramsberg sparkling wines are in mid-tier \$30-\$40 price range. When compared to renowned French champagnes, they're a bargain and they certainly stand up to the finest sparkling wines the world has to offer. Give some a try, you definitely deserve it to wrap up a most unusual year! Cheers for a sparkling holiday season and a Happy 2021.

LV PHOTO CLUB

By Chuck Morrow

The judge for the November Photo Club competition was long-time judge, Dan Holmes. His professional works can be viewed at www.danholmesphoto.com. The Assigned Category theme for November was Vintage/Old and the winner was Gregg Gillmar with "Drives Like New." The winner in the Open Category was Don Treadwell with "A Stitch in Time." The winner in the Mobile Category was Bob Pinchak with "Pins and Needles." The Creative Category winner was Ron Matson with "Alien Abduction." Visit the Photo Club's SmugMug photo site to see these and all of the other talented photographers entries at <https://leisurevillage.smugmug.com/>. The December theme for the Assigned Category will be "Trees."

Each month photos submit-

ted for all categories are posted at <https://leisurevillage.smugmug.com/2020>. Take a look and join the Photo Club.

Questions: Contact Ken Lauchner at 805-491-2432 or ken.lauchner@roadrunner.com.

RACQUET CLUB

By Arnie Kremer

Hello out there in the Twilight Zone. Sadly, the Racquet Club still has no activities, tournaments, etc. to discuss. However, the tennis and paddle tennis/pickleball courts remain open for members to set up their own matches, which we often do. Members are doing an excellent job of making sure we all follow LV COVID-19 Safety guidelines. This includes wearing masks while playing and waiting to play, observance of 6 foot minimum social

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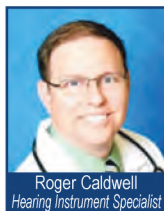
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Racquet club

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distancing, liberal use of disinfectant (which the club supplies), and observing non-gathering rules while waiting for an open court. We have reminder signs of rules on gates to all courts.

Stay safe and healthy. Stay vigilant, Stay strong. Stay mighty.

VILLAGE ARTS

By Patti Crichton

Happy Holidays to all of our Village art members and to all the residents and families of Leisure Village. We will not be celebrating the holidays with a December luncheon get-together this year. Enjoy the season and stay safe.

WOMEN'S GOLF

By Patti Crichton

Season's Greetings to all our Women's Golf members. It is great to see many of you coming out to play golf on Wednesday Mornings. Some of our group

entertained the Village with an impromptu Halloween parade complete with decorated golf carts and bikes—socially distanced of course. Maybe we will be surprised with a festive December holiday parade?

Our club will not be celebrating with our customary December luncheon this year. Here is wishing you and all villagers the best of the season!

ACTIVE SENIORS

By Lee Edwards

This month I had a call from Charlotte Romero. She and her late husband moved into Village 9 in 1974. Not only were they the original owners of their house, they were in fact among the first 100 residents of Leisure Village. They were called "Pioneers." After her husband died she moved to Village 17, where she still lives today.

I can still remember the Romeros out on the dance floor. They were beautiful dancers. I hope to hear from more "Old Timers." My number is 805-484-3289. Stay Safe!

CLUB NEWS

MENS GOLF

By Joseph Benti

It is ten dollars annual dues time **FOR ALL MEMBERS:** Deposit your check in the green “tournament box” in the center display window at the Club House (not at the shack window). Include your name, address, email and phone number as you want them to be listed for the coming year in the Club Handbook and Directory.

On January 1st, Jim Muchie officially becomes President, Nick Schellong 1st V.P., Gerry Sarno, 2nd V.P., Harvey Harris, Secretary and Max Chopra, Treasurer. This year’s Club Championship was a nail-biting, cliff-hanging struggle to the end. After the regularly scheduled round, there was a three-way tie: Howard Sontsegard; Gerry Sarno and Jack Bozajian all had 58s. After a mid-November playoff match, when the last putt fell on



Photos by JOSEPH BENTI

Howard Sontsegard, V24, a relatively new stick in town (formerly a long-time resident of Thousand Oaks) is the LVMGA Club Champion for 2020-21 after winning a three-way playoff.

18, Howard Sontsegard emerged with a 55 gross, a one stroke edge, thus becoming Club Champion for 2020-21. As Walt Wilson so aptly put it, “Congratulations to Howard for winning the 2020 Club Championship and to the others for giving him a difficult journey!”

Finally, the ball lifter on the 9th hole is the first of 18 that will be installed—they are simple to



operate—using your putter, lift the black circle and your ball will be removed from the hole.

WORKSHOP FOR WRITERS

By Pat Lagerstrom

As we approach the end of the year, the virus still rages. What gives? Reports of a vaccine able to ward off the invader are exciting, yes, but months off. We have to be patient a while longer. Ugh. It will be difficult over the holidays, but we can do it. We have the strength and the patience to turn back this

invasion. We also have the ability to come up with new ideas for the holidays. So cinch up your seat belt, and look forward to 2021.

Meanwhile, our writers have been entertaining us with their poems and stories on-line. Allen wrote In Rem, a poem whose dream touches the heart. Eric wrote a charming history of The Pocket Knife. That little item has been around since 500 B.C. Frank introduced us to Howard and the worth of down-home smarts. But that was all on-line where we will remain until the all-clear. WFW Writers—don’t hoard your pieces; submit them for comment straight away. Thank you.

We patiently await our return to the recreation center on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 2pm. The center can’t open fast enough. For information please call Mark Sconce 805-586-4485 or Frank Seiden 805-437-6242.



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Cat enclosure built in the Leisure Village Woodshop.

WOODSHOP

By Bud Bradley

This month's photo is also from the archives. We went back to 2017 for this one. This was crafted by our woodshop artisans for a villager who did not want the litter box in the house. Happy cats and happier Villager.

The woodshop is open, although on a limited basis. Hours of operation: 9:00 AM until 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday only. The Annex is not yet available. We are not able to perform repairs for Villagers at this time. Notifications will be sent out when this rule changes.

Pirate, our new Woodshop Manager, has managed to obtain the replacement for the air compressor which died — not from the pandemic, but from non-use, so clean up is a little easier.

If you are around the shop, most any morning, come by and meet "Pirate." There are sign-up sheets posted on the door and current key holders will be able to sign up for as much as a 2 hour shift. Rules of operation are posted there also. One can sign up for as little as a half hour shift, but no more than 2 hours per day.

We are planning on holding the annual woodshop yard sale as soon as COVID 19 restrictions are lifted. We will let you know when it will be rescheduled, and when we are accepting used tools and equipment that may be taking up room in your garage or storage area. Call

Bob Sears (559) 977-7481. Leave a message and when we can arrange a pick up of donations. You can also email Bob: Bobs425@gmail.com or Bud: Hipbud2@gmail.com. Thank you for your support and understanding.

Stay well by following the guidelines set by the Health Department and be patient. This too shall pass.

AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

By Jonathan Fox

The LV ham radio group is still going and quite active with both emergency communications within the county and also long range shortwave contacts with distant countries. Every Tuesday evening at 7:15, each of our members who are part of the Ventura County Auxiliary Communications group makes a radio contact with the Emergency Coordinator for Camarillo to check their radio signal.

On Saturday, Oct 17th, our group participated in the "Great California Shakeout." This event had each of us send a simulated earthquake report to the US Geological Survey via digital radio transmission. They were quite happy with the results.

On the shortwave side of our activities, we added the following confirmed contacts to our list:

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Amateur radio

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South Orkney Islands near Antarctica, Bolivia in South America, Fiji Islands in the South Pacific, the island of Jersey between England and France, and Mauritania on the west coast of Africa. The farthest distance in this group of contacts was South Orkney Islands at 7,744 miles from our ham shack in Leisure Village.

Our next meeting will be held on Zoom, Wednesday, December 9th at 2:00pm. If you would like to attend, just drop an email to Jonathan Fox at KT6LA@yahoo.com.

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By Jennifer Stein

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If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer @ 805 204-8324.

GRAPES R US WINE CLUB

By Barbara Senior

Grapes R Us, the Leisure Village wine club is all about wine; Tasting, enjoying, learning and discussing. We have been meeting virtually through Zoom, have a themed tasting and have been able to stay in touch with the club members and share a little wine, conversation and spirited discussion. Our November tasting was of a Mendocino County Gewurztraminer and a GSM (Grenache, Syrah, Mourvedre) from the Central Coast winery, Hahn Family. These wines were chosen because they pair so well with the traditional American Holiday Turkey Dinner and are stellar aperitif wines for your holiday gatherings.

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This 2020 holiday season is a historical one, so here are some ideas to fill this uniquely memorable season with fun memories!



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ENJOY THE NUTCRACKER BALLET FROM YOUR CAR! The Ventura County Ballet is presenting The Nutcracker on Saturday, December 12th. Live Stage Shows are at 5:00pm and 8:00pm. Go to our website for a link to the event.



ENJOY A LIVE PERFORMANCE of SANTA SAVES CHRISTMAS from the comfort & safety of your own vehicle. It includes snowy surprises, holiday sing-along songs, and more! Saturday, December 19th shows are at 4:30 & 7:30. Go to our website for a link to the event page with ticket sales.

AND FOR SOME AT-HOME FUN, CONSIDER THESE IDEAS:

DECORATE, DECORATE, DECORATE! MAKE YOUR HOME & YARD YOUR PERSONAL WONDERLAND! You’ll likely be spending more time inside your home this holiday season than any other previous year. So...kick your decorating up to the highest level possible and make it your own personal wonderland! Pay attention to the spaces you spend the most time in, and to the walls you look at the most. Make those areas uniquely festive to be in and look at. Don’t forget your backyard! If ever there was a year to make your backyard space a festive place to hang out, 2020 is it!

Encourage family members and friends to go all out decorating as well. Then, you can gather virtually for Facetime or Zoom and enjoy virtual tours of each person’s home and backyard to enjoy each other’s decorations.

VIRTUAL GIFT OPENING PARTY Draw names among family members or a group of friends to match people up for gift giving. Schedule a time to gather virtually to open presents. Create an order for opening ahead of time so everyone knows when it will be their turn (alphabetical, by age, or maybe have one person draw names as you go).

VIRTUAL UGLY SWEATER CONTEST Pick a date & time for family and friends to show off their ugly holiday sweaters. Create various prize criteria so you can give several awards. Choose award winners by a pre-determined judge, or let contestants vote virtually for each category.

VIRTUAL GINGERBREAD HOUSE CONTEST Make up your own rules and build gingerbread houses together virtually. Everyone can see each other as they build. There are kits available in stores and online, so it would be easy to order and ship to those invited to participate. See how creative your loved ones can be!

Go to our ‘Barlows Got Your Back’ section of our website for links to the events listed above, and for even more “uniquely 2020” holiday ideas!



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