



# Inside Leisure Village

VOLUME 1 Number 5

PLEASANT VALLEY, CAMARILLO, CALIFORNIA

July 26, 1979



Photo by Sandy Okum

The Rhythmettes entertain at the Fourth of July picnic.



Photo by Sandy Okum

Villagers enjoying picnic entertainment.

## Las Vegas is Huge Success

Leisure Village's sixth annual Las Vegas Night whipped up a lot of exciting activity among the many Villagers who attended. Tables were manned by residents who had taken courses in dealing and operating the various games of chance, play money being dispensed to the lucky winners. A new system had been evolved to avoid the possibility of pooling winnings, so that problem was eliminated.

Frank Tavano did best. He parlayed his initial \$500 to over \$70,000. We're sorry that it wasn't really Vegas, Frank.

But it was not enough to have won the money. According to the amounts won, names were then entered into several drawings. Winners in each group were allowed to choose individual prizes. The trip to Las Vegas went to Dave and

Hannah Hurwitz.  
Congratulations!

Our Recreation Director, John Dodd, deserves much credit for organizing the entertainment and prizes.

The many worth-while prizes donated by Ladi-Bug Fashions, Camarillo Stationers, Ponderosa Stationers, Sam's Deli, Ventura Printing, House Paper, Lambert Tours, Dasso Distributing, Green Meadow Nursery, Cork and Bottle Liquors, Sizzler Steak House and Depot Restaurant, helped to make this a night of exciting fun. Even the Bingo players had a go at the dough!

Many new faces were in evidence, having their first fling at the fast and furious action. Best part of all - you didn't have to gas up to drive to your Casino - how very convenient!

By Lucille Matson

Enthusiasm made up for the lack of fireworks at the July 4th picnic. Gay hats and colorful umbrellas dotted the grounds as people enjoyed the breezy, sunny afternoon. Nick De Simone and Walt Whitaker very ably presided over the barbecue grill.

The L.V. Rhythmettes, under the direction of Edith Ferrer, entertained with songs, dances and spirited marches as they paraded around the picnic tables, to the hand clapping of the spectators.

To the soft accompaniment of "America the Beautiful," Millicent Hofmann put into words that which we all felt:

"Two hundred and three years ago today the Declaration of Independence was signed and a new country was born. Since then, the Fourth of July has been celebrated as the birthday of that country, our own United

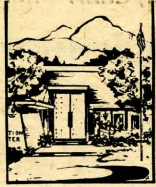
States of America.

"Our citizens, wherever they are - at home or abroad - display the stars and stripes - symbol of our priceless heritage.

"Across the land, from New York, in whose harbor the Statue of Liberty proclaims our credo of Freedom, to the Golden Gate of San Francisco, the Pearl of the Pacific - and in the distant outposts of Hawaii and Alaska - Americans gather at picnics, watch fireworks, listen to patriotic speeches and sing anthems of praise for the land they love - the greatest, the safest country in all the world. We are gathered here today to join in that celebration."

As we all sang "Side By Side," we realized how very grateful we should feel to have the privilege of celebrating, in our own way, the birthday of our land.





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## • O P I N I O N • Who Edits the Editor?

Recently a resident expressed serious disagreement with an early editorial to the editor. She declined an offer to rebut the editorial in the "Letters" column or to write a guest editorial.

Her criticisms cannot be answered here since she preferred not to put them in writing, but she did ask a very perceptive question which well merits a reply here: "Who edits the editor?"

First a definition of an editorial: "The opinion of the editor, editors or publisher." This seems like a wide open license for the editor to broadcast his own pet views and peeves. But it is not a license to be taken lightly. Before exposing our thoughts to criticism or ridicule, the policy of ILV is that statements of fact be rigorously verified, and, more important, opinions must be carefully reviewed to express only views sincerely believed to be in the best interest of LV residents.

And now to the question. The editorial receives its first "editing" from the Editorial Staff. The important editing, however, must be done by you yourselves. Your letters on our editorials, pro and con, provide the best editing. An editorial writer out of touch with residents will be quickly replaced.

This is an appropriate point at which to urge all residents to submit letters expressing their opinions - remember, this is YOUR newspaper.

### Hotline

Hotline is a creative listening service providing referral information on a wide variety of services available in the County in addition to helping people in crisis. It operates 365 days a year from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. each evening.

According to a Hotline spokesman, its most frequently sought service is the "friendly ear" the callers receive.

There is an ongoing need for trained volunteer listeners. Ed Smith suggests that anyone interested who can spend two evenings a month on the Hotline after attending regular training sessions, write for an application to Hotline Pleasant Valley, P.O. Box 458, Camarillo, Calif. 93010. The Hotline phone number is 482-1976. If you have any questions about Hotline, you may call this number between 6 p.m. and 11 p.m.

### Appreciation

From Florence Weintraub

In the short time Milton and I have lived in Leisure Village, we have found so much love

and concern from the "Villagers." It would take several pages to write of all the kindness shown during Milton's illness and after my loss.

I want to thank all my good friends and neighbors for their expressions of consolation and affection in so many beautiful ways. Thank you for your visits, food, cards and charity donations in Milton's name. And thank you most of all for your friendship and love.

### Smog Alert for LV

By Sandy Okum

L.V. will be alerted by the Ventura County Smog Board, by daily telephone, if there is a first stage smog alert in our area. Our Board is studying the possibility of raising a colored flag on our Recreation Center flagpole to make our residents aware if this condition exists.

For those who have chronic respiratory or heart disease, this will mean curtailing your activities and remaining indoors. Up to now, you read about the smog in the next day's paper. Watch our paper or the Voice for more detail.

## Readers Critique Their Newspaper

A fair number of you answered our questionnaire concerning your views on ILV which was printed in our last issue. We are overwhelmed by the favorable comments of your responses. Some of the things that became evident were:

All of you but one indicated your preference for us to continue the large size print which we now use. That person said to use smaller print "if necessary"!

Two-thirds of you said that the long board meetings were of interest to you. One-third thought they were too long. We ourselves would like to shorten them but find this difficult. We will keep trying.

A surprising number of you mentioned your appreciation of the ads, stating that they were helpful because of your newness to Camarillo, and your unfamiliarity with the shops here.

There were scattered suggestions about subjects for our profiles. Our plans are projected two or three months ahead, but we'll get there. One person wanted short stories. We regret that lack of space

makes this impossible.

In answer to those who wanted a blocked-off area giving times and dates of coming events, we feel that this is already adequately covered in the Voice of the Village, and would be an unnecessary duplication of service. Some of you made various other single suggestions, some positive, some negative, which we shall consider if and when they may become possible.

Lastly, there were several of you who had ideas or opinions about solving problems or improving conditions in the Village. We regret that none of these was signed, so that we were unable to contact you in order to include your comments under "Letters to the Editor." If you would like to resubmit these opinions in a letter which we may be able to print, please do so, remembering to limit each letter to one subject, please.

The editors wish to thank all of you who took the trouble to respond to the questionnaire. We have been "feeling our way" and need your encouragement.

### Inside Leisure Village Meeting

All staff and interested persons are urged to attend a planning meeting on Wednesday, August 1, at 7:30 in the Ceramics Room.

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## Leisure Villagers Volunter Generously to Support the Ventura School

By Dorothy Daniels

The Leisure Village Women's Club, a social and philanthropic organization which contributes generously to several causes, as well as to many projects in Leisure Village, also cares. Ventura School, located in Camarillo, is on their list of philanthropies. Not only has the LVWC taken Ventura School under its wing, several residents in the village, of both sexes, have found time to give a part of themselves to the inmates of the school.

Ventura School is really a prison for girls and boys ranging in age from 14 to 22. These inmates are wards of the state. The staff refers to them as students since attending class is compulsory. They are prisoners, for they have committed a crime and are being punished for it. In the process, it is hoped that the student will be rehabilitated. However, that is possible only if the student is properly motivated.

While it is a penal facility, the first of its kind in the

country, it is also a rehabilitation center. There is an accredited high school, plus two years of college for students who have the qualifications for advanced education. However, there is as much emphasis placed on lifetime skills as there is on education.

It is not a maximum security institution and has a campus, a swimming pool and a gymnasium. The students are encouraged to form teams and to participate in sports such as baseball, football, basketball and volleyball and are awarded trophies, learning the spirit of competition, cooperation and good sportsmanship.

There are twelve cottages, with a capacity population of 500. They are staffed by competent and dedicated people, including treatment team supervisors (Ph.D.'s), 2 psychologists and 2 psychiatrists. Also, there are a medical doctor, a hospital with X-ray, treatment rooms and private rooms for the ill. Each cottage has a youth counselor,



Bonnie Gardarian and student

Photo by Daniels

social worker and treatment team.

Many students enter the school with no knowledge of the basics. They are taught by qualified teachers and many leave the institution with paperbacks tucked under their

arms, thrilled they have mastered the art of reading.

Besides the regular staff, there is a volunteer system headed by Mrs. Jeanne Wolgemuth. In this system, are

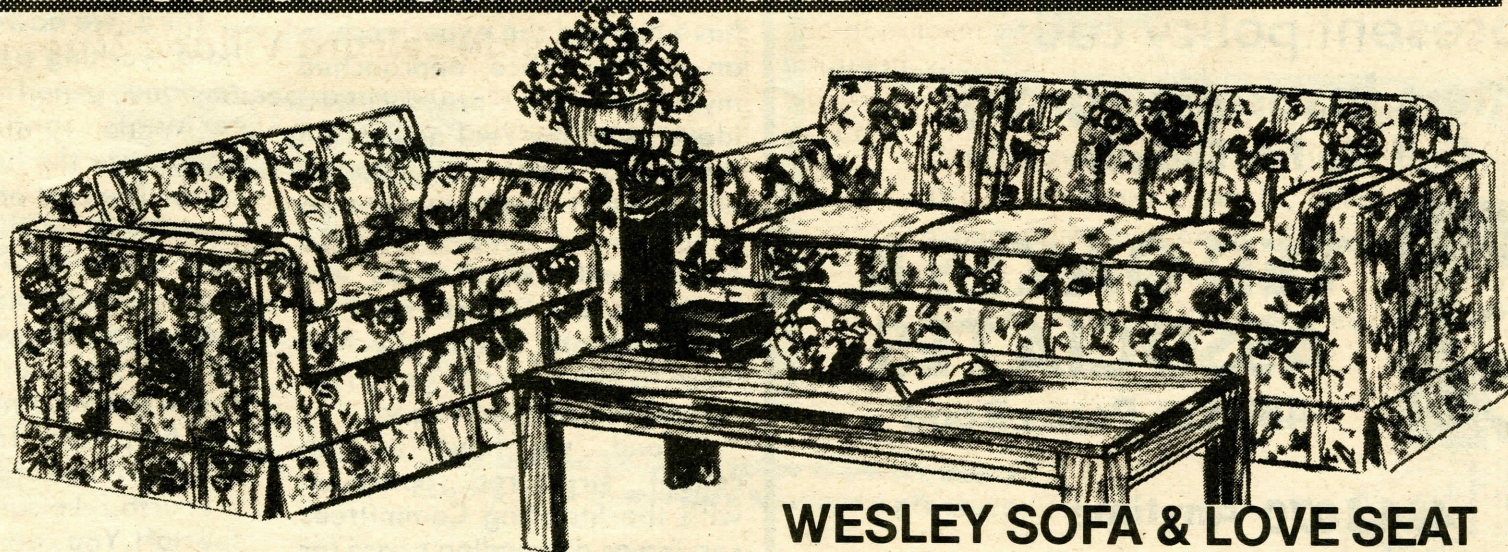
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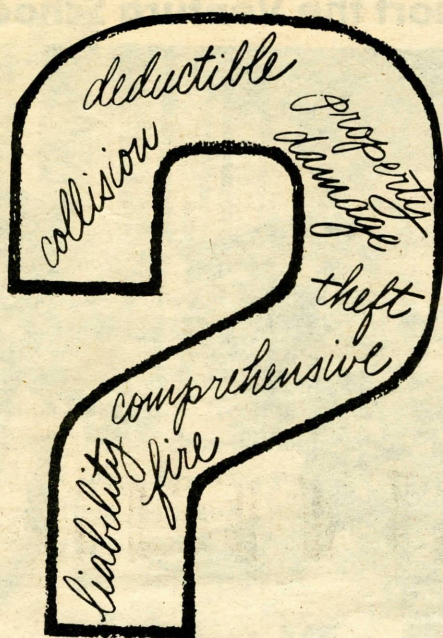
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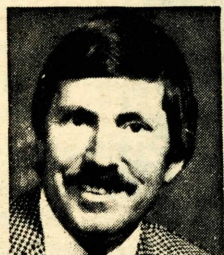


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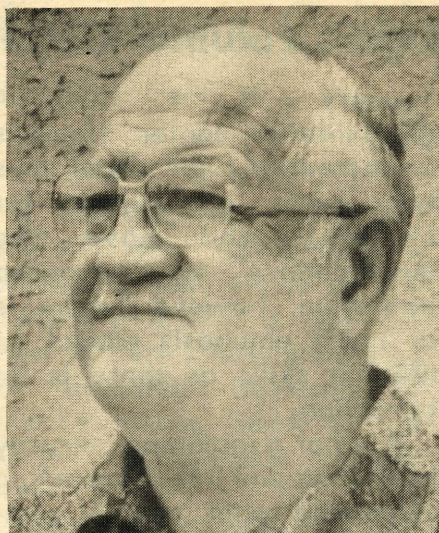
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## Joe Gaynes

Joe Gaynes, who just finished his term as a member of our Board of Directors, did not choose to run for re-election for personal reasons. He will remain active as a member of the Public Service committee, and continue his work with the Camarillo Council on Aging. We asked him to give us his thoughts as a Board Member.

We quote:

Having just completed a short term on the Board of Directors, I have been asked to reflect back on that experience to provide some insight for those seriously concerned about the successful operation of our community.

First, having served in many capacities prior to my election to the Board, I, as many who have not had the experience in an elective office, approached my role with preconceived ideas as to my real actions on the Board. There is no need to elaborate at length, that you go through a very rapid educational exercise, as you begin to see issues as they affect the total community. You learn to listen and to get a real respect for your colleagues.

Second, we have an excellent structured operation with the Standing Committees serving as a sounding board for our community's problems and needs. We should, as residents, use these committees wisely and respectfully. A new function was added this year with the Committee Chairmen meeting with the Board once a month in an advisory capacity. The successful operation of these committees will be achieved

## Neighbors' News

By Zita Wayne

Everyone has a little news to give and my little giving may be a song. I was very fortunate to have a nice write-up by The Daily News, as a matter of fact, two. So here's hoping, in the very near future, my friends may have the opportunity to hear them.

Had a card from the Rothermels, they have been away down South for the last three weeks and will do some more traveling before they return some time in August. Both are feeling fine.

Irene Laumann will spend a few days in Malibu, some good friends and neighbors have invited her to visit. It will be like returning home.

Natalie Hoffman, the dear soul whom I see very often, has had her cast removed and she is so pleased to be able to bend her knee. She is in such good spirits.

Lois Kissinger is back from her trip. She was away five weeks.

Not forgetting my close neighbor, Florence Loeb, returned from Mexico, all set to go back to work.

only through the leadership and dedication exercised by the members individually and collectively.

Third, we have a fine staff of hard working people who will respond generously if we as residents understand and appreciate the heavy load they carry. The cost of operating our community would be a great deal higher if it were not for the unselfish efforts of a great many volunteers who work throughout our community. These are your neighbors - you can help too! Try it, and you will find it rewarding!

Fourth, Leisure Village is special! You can keep it that in so many ways. We are blessed to have been able to move into this new way of life. We must do our part every day to keep this Village clean, orderly, pleasant, and cooperative.

Thank you for the opportunity you gave me to serve.

Respectfully,  
Joe Gaynes



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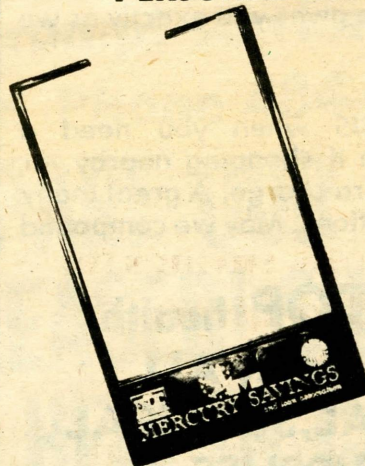
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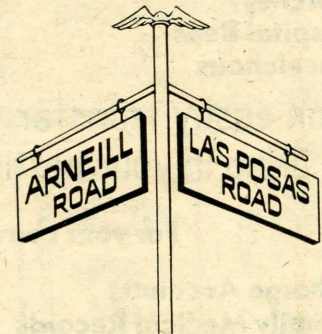
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Charles Ward, host of the evening with wife Dorothea, made a brief resume of the accomplishments of the active committees who have developed the popular entertainment which attracted an average of 160 persons to each during the past year.

Three couples, the Ben Drasins, the Charles Wards, and the Mike Fazios, started the dances with three tapes. There are now thirty different tapes representing every popular type of dance music. Eleven committees provide the organization and do the work involved in putting on the dances. The Music Selection Committee consists of 15 members, for example, so that the tapes are truly

representative of broad musical preferences. Between collectors Ed Abdelnour and Vince Alongi, more than 10,000 records are available for selecting music for the tapes, and other Villagers have collections which are also used.

The nominal fee of 50¢ per person has generated enough income so that after refreshments and clean-up fee have been paid, equipment with a retail value of \$3500 has been purchased for the dances: cassettes, recorders, amplifiers, sound equipment. Money is turned over to the Recreation Department where it is recorded and audited.

The Executive Committee for the dances presently consists of the Drasins, the Wards, Elmer and Elise Eymann, and Marie Kramer. Special thanks are due the Kay Murrys for serving as refreshment coordinators.

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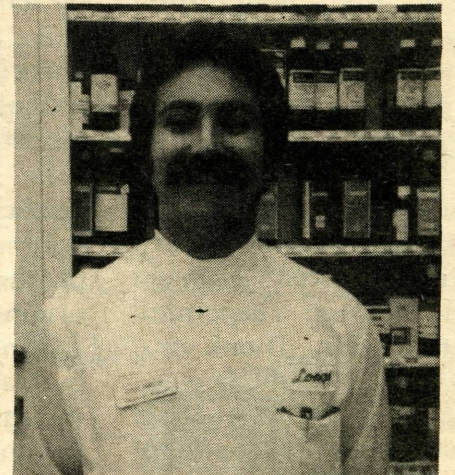
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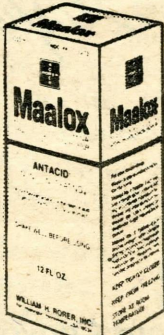
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## Report of LV Board of Directors

The Leisure Village Association, Inc. Board of Directors held its first meeting of the new fiscal year on July 9, 1979. Karl Joehnck, President, presided. New Board members elected at the annual meeting on June 27 were sworn in: Donaldine Weed, Henry Malkin and Martin Beckel, to serve two-year terms. Mr. Joehnck who had previously announced his intention to retire, formally presented his resignation which was accepted. Ronald Barlow, who had received the fourth highest number of votes at the election was appointed to fill Joehnck's unexpired term. Barlow was sworn in to complete the new board which then elected Tom O'Brien president. O'Brien responded to the action with, "Thank you, I think."

The new President paid tribute to the exceptional dedication and work of both Joehnck and Joe Gaynes (whose term had expired), and presented each with a special badge. Joehnck stated that he would wear his with honor and both men left the podium. Business continued with the naming of officers of the Board: Henry Malkin, 1st Vice President; Donaldine Weed, 2nd Vice President; Martin Beckel, Treasurer; and Ronald Barlow, Secretary. Brief reports

were made by some committee chairmen for the prior year. Marty Beckel stated that work is being done in connection with safeguards to both workers and equipment in woodshop and lapidary. Hours for woodworking will be confined to the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. to insure that residents will not be disturbed by noise. Henry Malkin announced that Building and Grounds committee members will be assisting the Architectural committee in processing permits involving landscaping.

In making his report on Public Service, Tony Manzella lightened the serious business of the board by reading his original poem dedicated to Karl Joehnck (having been coerced by his wife into expressing his thoughts in writing). Unfortunately, Tony did not have quite enough time to finish, so his effort remains with other unfinished masterpieces. Karl, nevertheless, we are sure, got the message, which echoed the sentiments of the village.

Ardith Chism who has served as chairman for Information to New Villagers expressed her appreciation to her hard-working committee, and revealed that her own work had been a most rewarding personal experience.

Bill Rassmussen, Architectural Committee, announced that new guidelines for construction soon will be

available. He asked that villagers be sure to use the

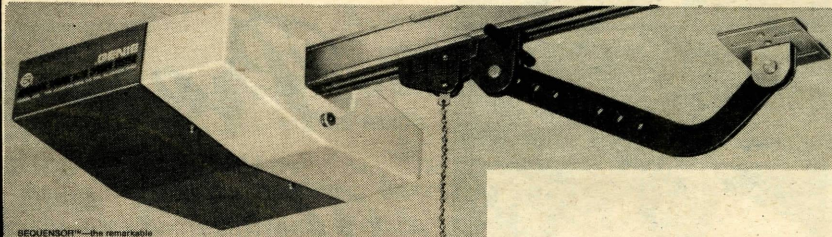
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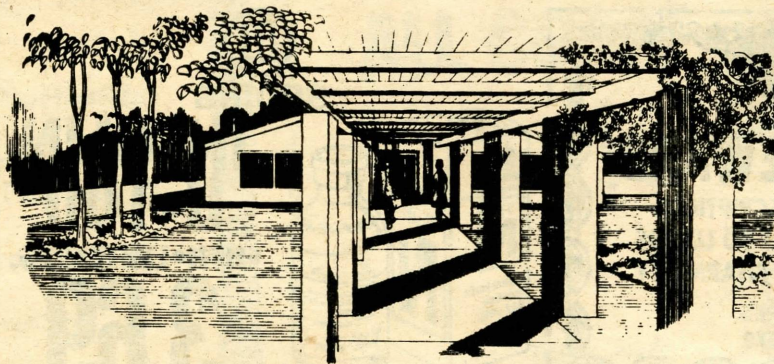
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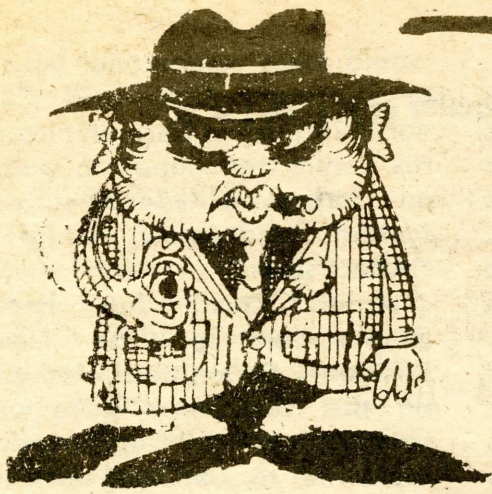
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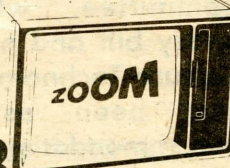


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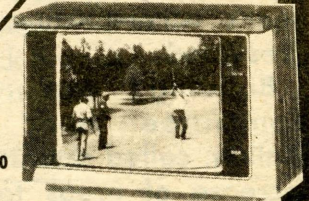


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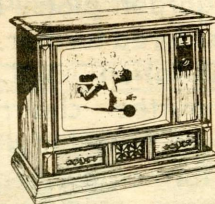
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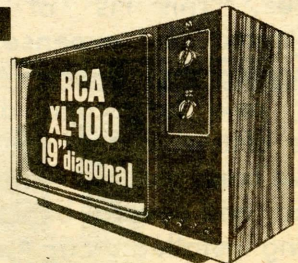
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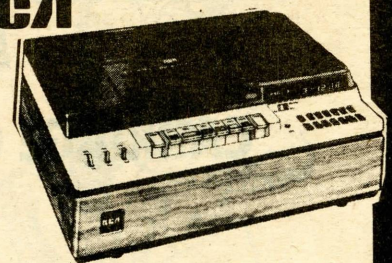
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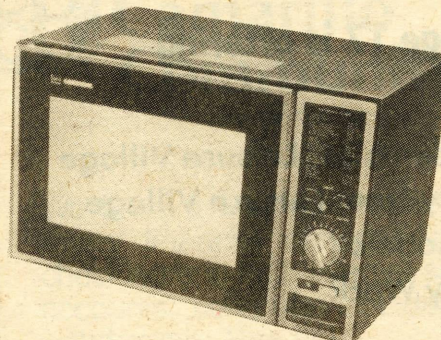


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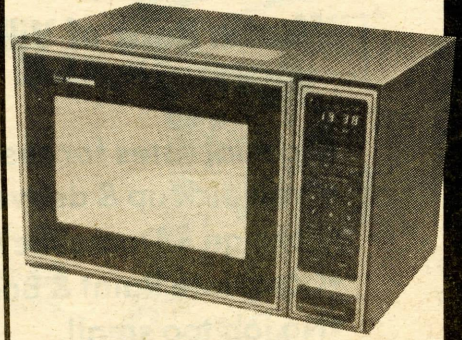
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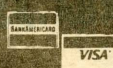
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# Town Hall Meeting

The sixth annual Town Hall Meeting of Leisure Village was held June 27 in the Assembly Room. Bernice Jenkins gave the invocation. Helen Steinhart, nominating committee chairperson, introduced the ballot counters. George Taylor, Association lawyer, explained the voting procedure.

After the election, the annual reports regarding the year's accomplishments were presented.

Building and Grounds Committee head, Esther Malkin, called attention to the increase of areas to be serviced, from 67 acres to 128 acres. This is of course reflected in expenses. She reported that Walter Weed is our new landscape director. She also said that new trees have been planted in the picnic area, and several benches are being installed along Mountain View Drive. Also, gardening equipment is being numbered

to help in identification.

The Finance Committee chairman, Eric Lindman, reported that monthly fees had been re-examined and a very small increase had been levied. Most important has been the establishment of a 5% reserve fund for replacement and repairs. This is expected to cover one-half the cost of replacing roofs when that becomes necessary. A sub-committee, which reviews every bill and negotiates with Leisure Technology about fees, has been established. A recommendation was made that a small fee be established for the use of R.V. parking, and for garden plots. This is being considered further.

Education and Recreation Committee chairman, Marty Beckel, reported that his group has formed a sub-committee to handle short travel trip arrangements. There are plans for additional showers in the men's room and at least one

outside at the swimming pool. His group has found volunteers to help the life guards, has arranged for classes from Oxnard College, and has arranged for our liquor license. They have also established safety rules for the wood-working and lapidary shops.

Public Service Committee chairman, Tony Manzella, reported that due to the efforts of his group, 96 Villagers have received rebates for overcharges by Southern California Electric. The committee has also been responsible for getting a re-evaluation of property tax assessments on some Village homes. Tony said that three of our Villagers are on a committee to help organize paramedics for greater Camarillo. His group is working to help push the Camarillo Council to speed up an east-west street connection to the city. They are working to get extended telephone service for many of us, as well.

The Security Committee's report was given by Elmer Eymann. He said that the new bus schedule for Thursdays

would meet commercial buses to Thousand Oaks and Oxnard/Ventura in Carmen Plaza. His committee hopes to have an improved identification system and new bumper stickers soon.

Ardith Chism has been chairwoman for the New Residents' Committee. Workers on this committee have attempted to call upon new residents to explain security and government within the Village, and to help in any other way possible. Ardith reported that 376 new homes have been visited this year.

Architectural Committee chairman, Bill Rasmussen, explained the necessity of interviewing all new contractors, to be sure that they understand our rules. There are about 44 requests a month, he stated.

Karl Joehnck spoke next. He reported that there are approximately 1,600 homes occupied at this time, which makes our population somewhere near 2,900

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## L.V. Artists Plan August Show

By Teofil Kamola

Leisure Village Artists and China Painters will display their work in the third Fine Arts Exhibit to be given in Leisure Village, Friday and Saturday, August 10th and 11th, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. in the Assembly Room. Because of the large number of exhibits in the previous presentations, crafts and photography are not being included in this show.

Artists who desire to show their work should register in the Recreation Office. Up to five pieces will be accepted from each person. As only a limited number of easels will be on hand, artists are asked to bring their own if possible. The exhibits must be taken home overnight and brought back

Saturday morning, as security is not available.

The Painters Group which meets monthly, forms the nucleus of people providing exhibits. A number of lifelong professional artists who live in Leisure Village as well as talented amateurs have prepared displays. Students in the Oxnard College art classes are also invited to enter their paintings.

Residents who saw the last two shows by our gifted neighbors look forward to an impressive sight as our Assembly Room is transformed into a gallery of truly dynamic artistic accomplishment.

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## Report

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correct forms when submitting applications. He also requested that those who had made submissions be patient. The Committee expects to process requests in 30 days or less.

The President thanked all those who have served on Committees.

It was announced that the new bus schedule for Thursdays for Carmen Plaza to connect with public transportation to Thousand Oaks and Ventura will go into effect July 12. Villagers were urged to avoid peak hours so that they could be assured of seating.

The request for transportation to Thousand Oaks on Friday nights for those of the Jewish faith to attend Temple services will be studied. There has been no change in the Saturday and Sunday church schedule.

Decision has been reached to install concrete tee pads on all 18 holes of the golf course.

Oxnard College classes will be resumed in the fall but the number of classes will be cut to free facilities for other village activities. The classes will be monitored and those which do not have sufficient attendance will be dropped. No one will be permitted to repeat a class if there is a waiting list. Registration will take place toward the end of August, in the village, and will not be publicized outside the village.

New fees for replacement of water heaters after the five-year warranty has expired are now in effect as follows: if heater is located in garage, \$18; if under a counter, \$48; in cabinet, \$54. This charge is for labor, which is customary in such circumstances. If equipment is out of warranty homeowner must pay for labor and tank; when on warranty, for labor only. There is still no charge for routine repairs.

Elmer Eymann, Chairman of Security and Safety, stated that his committee has submitted to staff for study a report regarding the implementation of safety rules in woodshop, ceramics, pool, etc.

Stan Berman, Administrator, announced the date of the next annual meeting, June 5, 1980, at 10:00 a.m. He further reported that dead tree

replacements are being made in Villages 23 and 25, and that all lawns will be fertilized this week. He requested that homeowners not fertilize their own lawns as the special fertilizer to be used by landscape maintenance is intended to drive the roots down. Weed control then will take place in 3 or 4 weeks. Mr. Berman also answered questions that had been held over from the Town Hall meeting: there will be no property tax levied on patios . . . homeowners do not own the patio area but have been granted an easement for use . . . individuals cannot expect workmen to care for specific areas but must remain on the schedule set for the entire village . . . repair home problems are on a 15-day work schedule unless the request involves water heater, stove, etc., which have special priority.

President O'Brien stated that he has informed Leisure Tech President that the Association will not accept new Villages 29 through 38 until unsatisfactory conditions are remedied. The blacktop, for instance, is in very bad condition.

The meeting was opened for comments from the audience.

Harry Jacobson is still concerned about flood control in Village 5 but was assured by Berman that problem is being taken care of. A new Villager wants his L.A. Times delivered earlier but was told that delivery must be after 5:30 so others will not be disturbed. Oscar Kane requested a correction in the previous board minutes which reported that he was opposed to the Oxnard classes. He is not opposed to classes but objects to the College not paying for use of our facilities. O'Brien said that the School District will not pay for space.

A complaint was registered regarding the messy state of the ceramics room and people not turning out lights in the public rooms. A Villager wanted to verify that a replacement of a water heater under warranty resulted in the new warranty being good only for the original five-year period.

(See Report pg. C-24)



## Profile -- Marie Klein

By Betty Murray

She steadfastly maintains that she has done nothing outstanding, but there is something about her that makes people flock around her, like moths to a light - she makes one feel that she cares, and the informal "group therapy sessions" at the corner of the pool are evidence that her brand of caring is appreciated here at Leisure Village.

Pool Director Marie Klein has been at L.V. since 1974. It is reported that when she is teaching her voice can be heard from Village 15 to Village 6. "Kick!" and "Take a breath!" and "Atta girl!" are shouted at her students, followed by an infectious laugh when the task is accomplished and the non-swimmer begins to swim.

Marie's entire life has been devoted to aquatics; her specialty has been teaching babies, the physically handicapped, and those with special problems - and fear. She began when she was 15, in

Alameda, Northern California, teaching in summer camps, swimming schools, and in private pools. She took special training, and worked in hospitals with the handicapped. She has touched thousands of children and adults in her career.

During WWII, her husband Raymond Klein, a professional musician, was stationed with an army band unit in Florida. Marie calls it fighting "The Battle of Coral Gables." During the daytime, Marie drove an army bus, and at night, she played piano in night clubs. Marie had no formal music training, but learned to play "by ear" with such skill that she could entertain professionally.

After the war, she traveled for seven years with Raymond, who played lead trombone in the bands of Stan Kenton, Les Brown, and other groups. Coming to Southern California, Raymond worked with 20th Century Fox and Marie began teaching swimming again in the San Fernando Valley.

Now living in Thousand

Oaks, Marie and Raymond are raising 11-year-old Douglas "Skupper," their adopted son, who is also Marie's natural grandson, given up at birth by a daughter. Douglas had some physical disabilities which have been overcome, and he is now a bright, outgoing boy with a striking resemblance to Marie, and with the same big voice as Marie.

Three years ago, Raymond became disabled with heart problems, so he remains at home.

Marie has had her own problems - both cancer surgery and heart surgery - but she has not lost her drive to help people. Her most fervent prayer now is that she can remain strong to see Skupper reach age 18. Her greatest personal pleasure is tap dancing - she recently performed a solo tap dance in a dance recital, receiving a standing ovation from the audience.

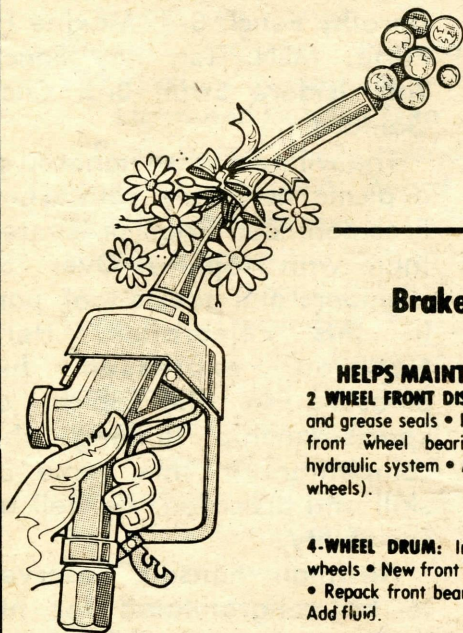
Marie's success comes from her own convictions that deep fear blocks a person's rational



Marie Klein

thinking - especially in the water. She works to release the fear, to build confidence and skill to the best of each person's physical ability. Enjoyment of water comes when the student can relax.

Many residents of Leisure Village, whether swimmers or not, have learned to enjoy our outstanding pool because of Marie Klein's influence, and for her extraordinary patience and skill, we offer another standing (swimming) ovation.



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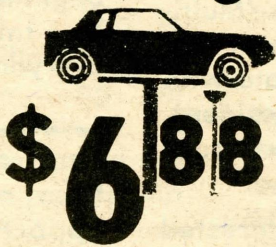
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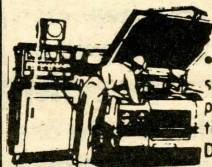
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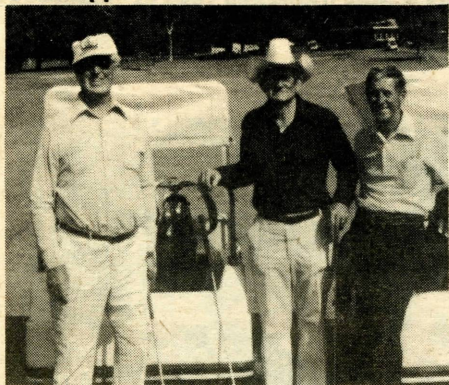


Photo by Teo Kamola  
Long Golf tournament players left to right;  
Tom McMahon, Bill Skilman, John Kirby.

## Men's Long Golf

By Teofil Kamola

The July tournament was held July 11th at the Westlake Golf Course. Eighty brave participants endured sizzling temperatures and scorching, merciless sun, which caused some painful sunburns.

Since the golf course could not provide enough carts for all competitors, some unfortunate ones had to walk the entire course (approximately three and a half hours). Who could blame them that their spirits were low? After long, strenuous hours a cool lobby was waiting to refresh the weary golfers who then delighted in cold drinks and noticeably revived.

The tournament director Walt Whitaker kept his usual cool throughout and the play proceeded very smoothly.

While the tournament is played individually, partners were chosen by a lottery system. The scores of the two players were added at the end of the tournament, their handicaps deducted and the winners computed.

In Flight "A" (0 - 27 handicap) the winners are: Low Gross - Hal Sieling; 1st Place - Harold Sieling and Cecil Thomson; 2nd Place - D. Dance and G. Huddleston.

In Flight "B" (28 - 40 handicap) the winners are: Low Gross - John Herman; 1st Place - A. Duhagon and D. Kenyon tied with J. Herman and K. Orton.

Next month's long golf tournament will be held at Camarillo Springs on August 16th.

## Women's Golf- Winners

On June 26, the gala luncheon installation for new officers was held at the prestigious Las Posas Country Club. They were installed by Elaine Sopko.

The highlight of the enjoyable afternoon was the awarding of sparkling crystal prizes to the winners of four major tournaments for 1978-79.

Match play winners - "A" flight: 1st, Juanita Vanderbush; 2nd, Dorothy Caster. "B" flight: 1st, Gert Gessick; 2nd, Bonnie Coffin. "C" flight: 1st, Zo Simmons; 2nd, Margaret McDonald. 9-hole: 1st, Blanche Lindman; 2nd, Jean Meyer.

Medal Play winners - "A" flight: 1st, Chris East; 2nd, Nikki Goodman; 3rd, Dorothy Caster. "B" flight: 1st, Katie Anderson; 2nd, Virginia Moon; 3rd, Jane Gifford. "C" flight: 1st, Della Gageby; 2nd, Maria Myer; 3rd, Em Norwig. 9-hole: 1st, Vicki Scheck; 2nd, Iris Simmonds; 3rd, Nancy Alongi.

Championship - Low Gross: 1st place and Club Champion, Nikki Goodman; 2nd, Dorothy Caster; 3rd, Chris East. Low Net: 1st, Bonnie Coffin; 2nd, Esther Bucciere; 3rd, Rae Sohr. 9-hole - Low Gross: Blanche Lindman; 2nd, Lil Heimowitz. Low Net: Iris Simmonds; 2nd, Donnie Weigel.

President's Cup - "A" flight: 1st, Edie Sena; 2nd, Nita Parentice; 3rd, Shirley Johnston. "B" flight: 1st, Winnie Moffitt; 2nd, Millie Pederson; 3rd, Corky Milman. "C" flight: 1st, Maria Myers; 2nd, Ethel Duncan; 3rd, Esther Buccieri. 9-hole: 1st, Rose Fleiner; 2nd, Evelyn Jamerino; 3rd, Nancy Alongi. Most improved golfer: Em Norwig.

Holes-in-one - Nov. 15, 1978 - Hole No. 9: Lola Boccigalupi; Nov. 24, 1978 - Hole No. 2: Elaine Sopko; Jan. 17, 1979 - Hole No. 5: Virginia Moon; March 3, 1979 - Hole No. 5: Christie East; April 6, 1979 - Hole No. 6: Rose Telfer; April 11, 1979 - Hole No. 7: Wilma Tooker.

The 19th Hole Party will be held on July 29, 25¢, payable at the door.

Membership fees are now due. Amount is \$5.00. Make checks payable to "Leisure Village Women's Golf Association" and place in Women's Golf Box.

## Shuffleboard

By Pat Jackler

To celebrate the completion of the new overhead lights which will brighten the Shuffleboard Courts for "after sun-down" play, a Barbecue Dinner will be held Thursday, August 9, 1979, at 5:00 p.m. at the Picnic Grounds.

The club paid \$2,175.00 for these lights. Come and enjoy the play, any night.

Tickets for the barbecue are \$3.00 for which you will be served food and coffee, lemonade or wine.

Beginners lessons are given every Monday at 9:15 a.m. (for phone numbers, please consult the LV Directory). Tickets may be purchased from the following members:

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Village 3 - Claire Sortome - 3207

Village 4 - Howard Bell - 4217

Village 5 - Anna McGuire - 5172

Village 6 - Betty Moore - 6203

Village 7 - Eunice Gutermann - 7402

Village 8 - Fern Franklin - 8119

Village 11 - Dorothy Fuller - 11220 and Vi Haley - 11107

Village 13 - Orpha Hughes - 13319

Village 15 - Shirley Ganapol - 15133 and Lydia Loesch - 15205

Village 16 - Donnie Wiegel - 16207

Villages 17, 18, 19 - Shirley Johnston - 17124

Villages 20, 22, 23 - Mollie Silversher - 23115

Villages 24, 25 - Jan Dempsey - 25330 and Betty Walker - 25113

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The next monthly meeting (notice new time) will be held Tuesday, August 7, 1979, at 7:30 p.m. in the MPR (Multi-Purpose Room) at which the new officers will officiate with Orpha Hughes as president. Refreshments will be served.

## Bowling

Residents who are interested in joining our Bowling League are invited to participate in practice bowling every Friday at 1:00 p.m. at the Wagon Wheel Bowling Alley in Ox-



Photo by Teo Kamola  
The winners - Ray Fencil, Iris Simmonds

## Bocce

By Teofil Kamola

Bocce Yearly Singles Tournament for Men and Women was held on July 9th, 10th and 11th, under the direction of Herb Newman. The Bocce Club's roster names about 320 members, and although some 100 registered this year to participate in the event, only 24 were brave enough to endure the scorching sun and long hours required to finish the tournament.

The results were: WOMEN: 1st, Iris Simmonds; 2nd, Dorothy Fencil; 3rd, Maxine La Porte. MEN: 1st, Ray Fencil; 2nd, Isidore Strul; 3rd, Cecil Ganfard.

The winners were honored at a picnic held July 18th when President Bob Price presented them with trophies. Over 150 members and guests took part in this celebration. Herb Newman expressed his pleasure in the spirit of sportsmanship among the competitors in this game of skill and precision, as well as sociability.

Newman, himself, deserves to be congratulated for his dedication to a job well done.

Lessons are given every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. for beginners and those who want to improve their game. Everyone welcome.

nard, a 12 - 15 minute drive from our village. This is an opportunity to establish handicaps for newcomers in the forthcoming tournaments which will start in September. For more information call Ernest Nika, 482-2626.



## Hi-Twelve Activities

The new Director of Education and Recreation, Mr. John Dodds, was the speaker at the High Twelve Club morning meeting on May 21. The theme of his talk was The Whole Man and it was well received by his audience. John pointed out seven salient points of living that were of especial interest to our members. On June 18th our speaker was John A. Rush, Mayor of Camarillo. His knowledge of city and county functions was interesting and reflected the twenty years that he has been involved in community service in this area. The Question and Answer period went on so long that we finally had to close it down . . . for lunch!

### Navy Presentation

One of the most interesting programs of the year was enjoyed by Leisure Village men on July 16th when Commander O'Neal of Pt. Mugu presented films, slides, and a running commentary on the planes and missiles used in research and development at Pt. Mugu. Commander O'Neal is a veteran of many years of concentrated study in air defense and was involved in 150 missions in Vietnam.

### Lightened Holiday Tree

Plans were made, pending approval by LVA Board of Directors, to present to Leisure Village a perpetual lighted tree to be used during the holiday season in December. Trees in the past have been fresh evergreens and fire laws did not permit them to be lighted. The proposed tree and all decorations will be fire proof and it is planned to store it during the year for re-use.

### American Flag Source

LVA Board approved the sale, at cost, of American flags to all Villagers wishing to have them. It was found that these flags are difficult to find in stores and many Villagers have never flown our flag on holidays for that reason. A random survey showed about 35% of the Village homes will buy a flag. Further announcements will be made in the Voice and at the various Village clubs which will give names and phone numbers of people who will take orders.

## Book Review Group

This is a group, men and women of the whole Village, that like books, read books, want to hear about books and some here and there who will review them for us all. It's an entirely volunteer group that meets every other month (unless popular demand urges us to have it every month?), in the Women's Club Room, the third Monday of alternate months, at 10:00 a.m.

Up to this last meeting, we have had reviews from our own members, sometimes one book in depth, other times three more brief accounts. "Palo Verde," "Carl Sandburg - Yes," "The Fifth Establishment," "Chesapeake," Alfred Einstein's Centennial celebration, "A Woman of Independent Means," are among the list of those we've heard about. This last meeting July 16th, we were most fortunate in having Nancy Cole, Camarillo city librarian, examining David Halberstam's "Powers That Be." Since several members of the group had read this book the discussion of the different points was most interesting. Mrs. Cole will return to us next year.

In September there will be a review by Clara Smith, in conjunction with other Russian exhibits, of "Catherine of Russia," with background and amplification. In November, Janine Blymer will describe an exceptional trip to Alaska (into the Arctic Circle, with additional references). There will be more about these reviews in the next "Inside." If you want to know more about us, call Rose Maas, 482-1796.

## Solo Club

Regular monthly meeting of the Solo Club on Friday, July 13th. Final plans were made for a catered beef dinner to be held August 17 at 6 p.m. in the assembly room. There will be a variety of entertainment. All Solos whether they formally belong to the group or not are cordially invited. Tickets will be \$4.25 and will be sold by Elizabeth Ragsdale, V 34, 987-1080; Edith Zinn, V 7, 484-3844; Virginia Preece, V 15, 482-7371; Lillian Anderson, V 3, 482-2531. Cut-off date is August 10.

## Village Players

By Lori Kaye

Rehearsals have started and we're looking forward to another successful and exciting play to be performed in our Assembly Room on November 9th and 10th. Mark your calendars now, for you surely don't want to miss seeing "Second Time Around."

The cast for this play are Eve Freeman, Larry Sawyer, Ruth Hart, Isabel Hamerman, Irwin Steinhart, Dave Tribich, Ruth Smith, Phil Aaronson, Ginny Cordell, Ruth Siegal, Herman Taylor, and Morrie Altes. The play is directed by Ailsa Muldoon and Jack Zoller.

## Racquet Club

A Racquet Club party has been planned for members only on Friday, October 26, 1979, at 6:30 p.m. in the Assembly Room. The plans include food, a movie, music and dancing.

Henry Malkin resigned as Vice President to devote full time as a Director in the Association. Art Rossner was appointed to fill the position until elections are held later in the year.

Activities on the courts have increased in the last month. The best time to get on a court with a minimum of waiting is the afternoon or early evening. We are still hopeful that a couple of paddle tennis courts will be added to eliminate the overcrowding.

## Folk Dance

The International Folk Dance class meets every second and fourth Monday of the month in the Assembly Room, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. The cost is \$1.00 per person.

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For information call Mae Sheff, 482-5621, or Miriam Cooper, 484-8752.

## Village Chorale

The Village Chorale completed its first year by announcing new officers: President, Joan Woodenschek; 1st V.P., Ann Cappello; 2nd V.P., Miram Hasen; Recording Secretary, Amy Puro; Corresponding Secretary, Toby Berger; Treasurer, Eva Sugg. A party commemorating the anniversary and the Chorale Concert was held for members and mates on July 20th.

The most ambitious program of the year was the exciting Chorale Concert given on June 8th under the direction of our own Villager Lois Bello, for Oxnard College credit.

Plans will be announced for future musical events by President Joan. Director Bob Riggs, a teacher at Channel Islands High School and a church choir director, is a most capable person who worked with the Chorale in the past. He is now introducing some music theory during the Wednesday evening rehearsals.

Membership is open to all who wish to sing. Male voices will be particularly welcome to complement the dedicated men already in the group, and to achieve a good balance in harmony. Dues are 50¢ each week, which pay the Director and purchase music and supplies.

Singing with the Village Chorale can be a happy experience. New residents are encouraged to consider membership as a chance to get acquainted with other musically inclined neighbors.

## Bridge Results

By Paul M. Wudke

June 14th: 1st prize, Henry Helbush; 2nd prize, Helen Stevenson; 3rd prize, Dottie Zukerman.

June 21st: 1st prize, Janet Spero; 2nd prize, Emil Farkas; 3rd prize, Paul Wudke.

June 28th: 1st prize, Hank Ringer; 2nd prize, Henry Helbush; 3rd prize, William Snyder.

July 5th: 1st prize, Isadore Zindler; 2nd prize, Helen Stevenson; 3rd prize, Walter Hall.

July 12th: 1st prize, Emil Farkas; 2nd prize, Henry Helbush; 3rd prize, Hank Kraus.



# Of Special Interest to Catholic Villagers

By Romaine Lambert

Two years ago Y.N.C.G. received a call from a villager whose husband had just died in a Los Angeles hospital. The caller wanted information about a local mortuary and the Catholic Church. We gave her the information, and wondered if there was a need for pallbearers. The distraught wife and daughter had not even thought about pallbearers and asked us for help. I, too, was new in the village so called upon Paul Wudke who immediately went to work and made arrangements. The Wudkes and I attended the Rosary for the deceased and were saddened to see that we were the only ones in attendance except for the family.

This incident made us realize that there are many of us away from family and friends, and some of us very much alone. Since it is a tradition among Catholics to recite the Rosary the evening before burial, Paul felt that some arrangement should be made to notify parishioners should a death occur, so that villagers would have the opportunity to take part if they wish to offer their condolences.

A one-time notice in the Voice of the Village explaining such a program resulted in a "telephone tree" which has grown from a half-dozen participants to nearly a hundred households.

The first family that we were able to help in a small way was most appreciative. We later learned that the widow herself had been ill and was not acquainted with her neighbors. Nor was she a Catholic, so she felt doubly helpless. Fortunately we have not had to resort to the telephone too often, but when we have, the bereaved families have expressed their thanks.

The Village has grown since then, and no doubt there are new villagers who might wish to participate. If you are one of them, or if you are an old villager who is not yet on our list, we invite you to call us. There is no obligation to respond at any time unless you wish. If you would like to be one of our "captains" who helps to make calls, please let us know. Let us know, too, if you need transportation or if you can furnish transportation.

Call: Paul Wudke - 482-3472 - or Romaine Lambert - 484-5805.

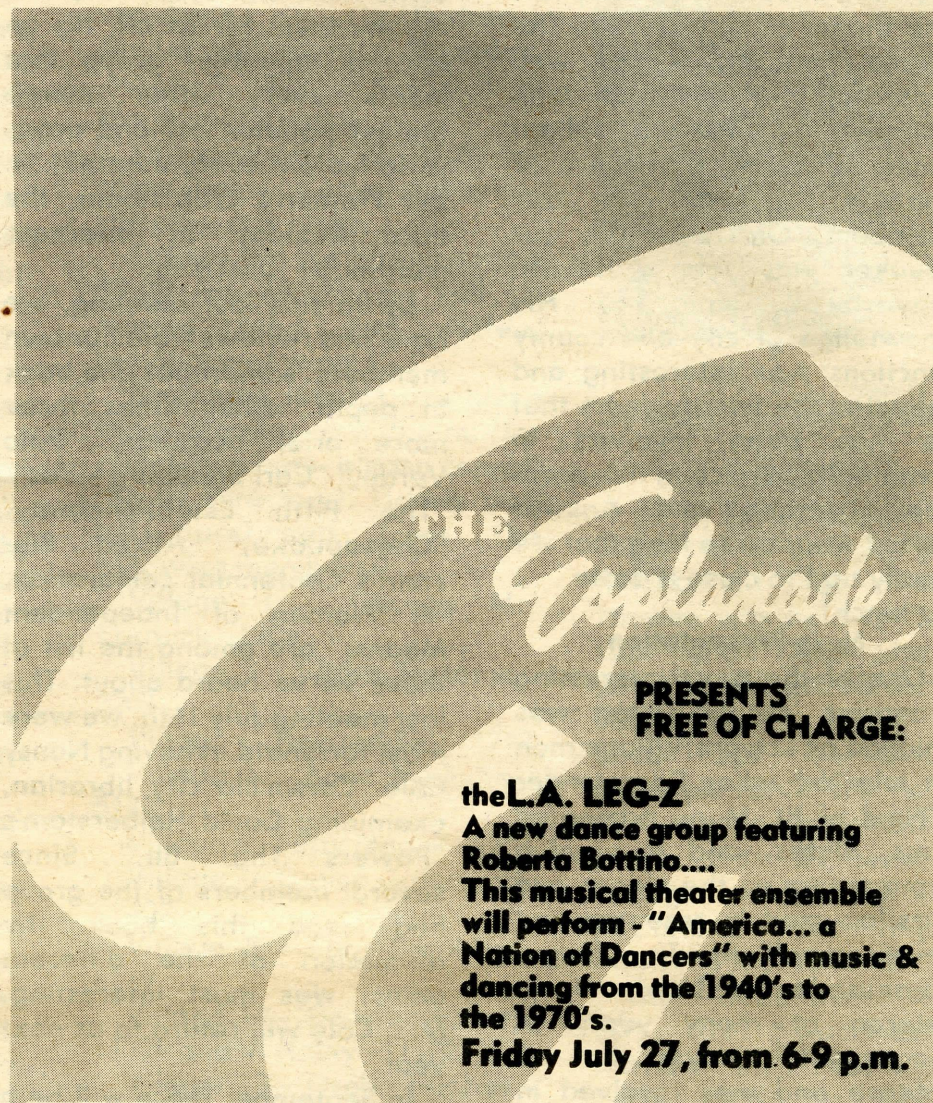
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Lillian Sheaffer

Village 11  
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I sit here in despair

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## Public Service Committee Meets

By Sandy Okum

P.S.C. met July 11th. Under a new procedure to improve the Committee functions, Board Member, Ron Barlow, opened the meeting. He explained the function and limitations of the Committee and stressed the importance of Committees to our community government.

He introduced the new members: Morris Altes, Aaron Gaines, Joe Gayes, Bill Geddes, John Lauten, Jesse Levy, Tony Manzella, Sandy Okum and Fred Preston.

Tony Manzella was quickly elected to his previous post as Chairman of the Committee and John Lauten as Vice Chairman.

John Lauten reported on a public hearing held on the 101 Freeway widening thru Camarillo. He asked that the bridges over the creek be raised when the freeway is rebuilt, to prevent flooding in L.V., in case of a "100 year flood condition." Our house pads are at the exact level of the freeway now. If the bridge obstructs the flow of water, we could have water in our homes. A study will be made and if found to be an obstruction, it will be rebuilt.

The present north lane thru the eucalyptus trees will be abandoned. The south lane will become the new north lane and a new south lane will be built. Fifty of the trees will have to be destroyed to do this. City Council has mixed feelings on accepting the tree areas road because of liability involved. Another public hearing will be held August 23rd at 7:30 p.m., at the City Hall.

Two letters written by John Lauten, were approved to be sent to (1) the Dept. of Transportation on the freeway bridge flood possibility, and (2) to the Public Utilities Commission in pursuing a demand for lower telephone calling rates to outlying areas.

Sandy Okum made our administrator, Stan Berman, aware that L.V. could be notified if a 1st stage smog alert is to take place on any given day. A plan will be worked out to notify the residents.

On the connecting road from Santa Rosa Valley to downtown

Camarillo, Adolfo Road is no longer considered the number one choice. Further study is being made. \$140,000 is now available for this cause.

Evelyn Bennett, who did an outstanding job as secretary of the Committee, resigned and was praised for her work. The function will now be on a rotation basis.

John Lauten was elected Chairman for the public utilities sub-committee, Sandy Okum for the health sub-committee. Jess Levy will check our City Council, Aaron Gaines, our County Board of Supervisors, and Bill Geddes, the crossover road program. Other members will assist these Chairmen.

So that our residents are aware of what the Public Service Committee does - below is the official statement on its functions from our Board of Directors: QUOTE - "The P.S. Committee is responsible for maintaining an awareness of governmental action that affects the Village as a whole, paying particular attention to matters that have a direct effect on property taxes or the local environment; also for appraising the effect of actual or proposed changes in rates or level of services provided the Association and Village by public utilities."

### Town

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residents. In all, 2170 homes are projected, with a total of about 3,900 residents. He compared CC&R to a city council, with the same problems of financing and administration. This year we have changed our system to one of zero budgeting. We now have a \$38,000 surplus. Our reserve is invested in T-bonds which pay over 9%. We also have a \$5,600 capital improvement fund, which will grow. We now have a budget of 1.8 million dollars.

Karl also reported that the problem drains in Villages 5, 7, 16 and 18 are now clear, and that the Pardee Company is on formal notice with the city holding a bond to guarantee his responsibility for insuring that his construction will not further jeopardize our drains.

The problem of the TV tower (See Town pg C-24)

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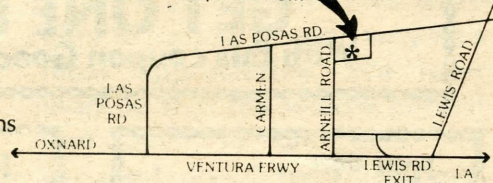




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## World Travelers Club

The last monthly meeting of World Travelers Club was held on July 12th in our Assembly Room. Approximately 225 members and guests attended. Since the club was established last May, it grew to 335 paid-up members and this is an indication how interested Leisure Village residents are in world travel. It must be mentioned that everyone who works for the club does so voluntarily. This makes it possible to arrange tours and trips at the lowest possible prices.

After a short business meeting, Vice President Helen Behrman presented a program planned for next year: A fulfilled train trip through Mexico to Yucatan with visits to the historic Mayan Temples. Then an Amtrak trip to Vancouver which provides new and different travel experiences. Furthermore a Caribbean Cruise and one or more trips to Europe are also considered. In case somebody is interested in a German tour with a visit to the famous Passion Play in Oberammergau, a small Bavarian mountain village, they should give notice soon, because tickets are selling fast. This play is staged only every 10 years by the villagers to keep a solemn promise of their forefathers. Back in 1633 the village lost almost all of its population due to the black plague. In desperation the parish fathers promised to stage the Passion of Christ every 10 years if they would be spared the horrors of the plague. The story goes, that the epidemic stopped at once. It will be next year the 37th time that Oberammergau will stage the Passion of Christ. People from all over the world will travel to Oberammergau to see this unique event.

The first tour the club planned will be a trip to Hawaii in October. For information please call Hank Raiton, 482-7089. During the meeting a film was shown about the beauty of the islands, courtesy of United Airlines. It left the audience assured that Hawaii is truly a paradise.

There are two one-week tours to Mazatlan, Mexico, in November. The response to these trips is great. Hal Con-

visar, 482-9797, will give information on request. The next meeting will be held August 9th. Very interesting slides from mainland China will be shown by Irvin and Jo Fisher, taken on a recent trip. Everybody is invited.

## Windows I've Seen Along the Village Walk

By Lillian Wallace

It's been my ambition to  
 Study decorating and design  
 To really be creative-and  
 Do something that was mine.

Now I've moved to the  
 village -  
 Huge pictures on the wall-  
 Tried hard to be artistic  
 But with no success at all.

Then came the revelation  
 As I walked my dog one day-  
 I noticed many windows  
 draped  
 In very much the way-

I had done mine-in bed  
 sheets  
 Some striped, some slighty  
 torn-  
 Some sagging in the middle,  
 Clorox\_\_stained, a little worn-

So, there went all my effort-  
 At originality, and design-  
 For these were curtained  
 windows  
 Very much the same as mine.

So I'm not a decorator-  
 Yet I'm up there with the best

Which proves my sheeted  
 windows  
 Can complete with all the  
 rest.

## WORDS

By Rose Drell

More words have disappeared  
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By Millicent Hofmann

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Sunday excursions-  
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And my childish trepidations  
Held in rein. Adventure  
stired,  
I listened to his every word  
And, speechless, eyes with  
wonder filled.  
As Papa led me on the way  
To where exciting pleasures  
lay.

We mounted steps of  
awesome height,  
Where sometimes he, to my  
delight  
Would carry me a little spell  
So we could quickly reach  
the "El"  
Which brought us, with a  
mighty roar  
To what that Sunday had in  
store  
The sights, the smells, the  
foreign places-  
The taste of foods-the  
glance at faces  
Fascinating, sad or gay  
Rushing by, as we made way  
Past pickle barrels, where  
garlic reeked  
And glass-eye herrings  
from salt vats peeked-  
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Salamis suspended from a  
rack  
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surprise-  
By new or second-hand  
merchandise -  
Clothing stores, where  
salesmen waited  
To pull in prospects, slowly  
Sometimes samples blew in  
the breeze.  
Doing a faceless, weird strip  
tease.  
The hawk of the peddlers  
echoes still -  
And the fragrant smells my  
nostrils fill.  
The warmth of the hand that  
led me on  
Bequeathing the mem'ries of  
days long gone -  
When a Papa on his day of  
rest  
Led a little girl on a Sunday  
quest.  
Yes- I'll remember,  
As long as I live,



Photo by Betty Murray

Isabelle and Mario Larrinaga

## Larrinagas Married 60 Years

Villagers Mario and Isabelle Larrinaga celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in July. Mario was working with Universal Studios and Isabelle had just completed a tour with a ballet company as they set the date for their marriage - July 22, 1919, in a small apartment behind the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles.

The Larrinagas' two children, Gene of San Diego and Norma McElmurry of Santa Barbara, and Isabelle's sister Peggy Stevens of Camarillo Springs planned the anniversary reception for the couple. Old time friends as well as family, and three members of the original wedding party, were invited to honor the celebrants, in the Men's Club Room of the Recreation Center.

Mario Larrinaga has been an artist all of his life. His most famous works are the special effects created for the original "King Kong" movie and the paintings for the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World - the originals now in the possession of Lowell Thomas. After 35 years in Hollywood, he and Isabelle "retired" to Taos, New Mexico, where he opened a studio and gallery, and painted the pictures created in his own mind - instead of following the dictates of a studio art director's imagination. A "Larrinaga" painting is prized in many art circles. He has continued to paint since moving to Leisure Village 2½ years ago.

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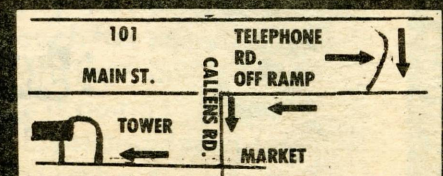
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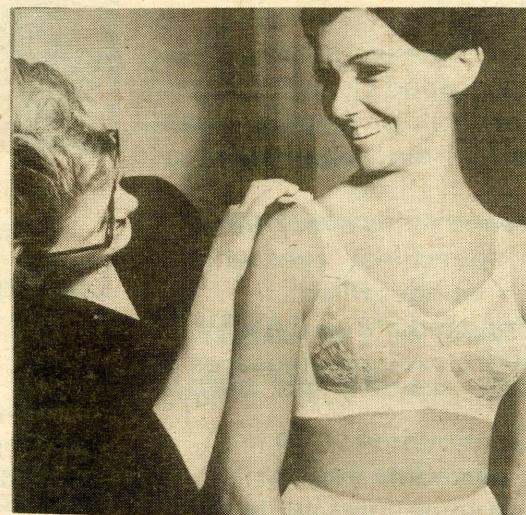
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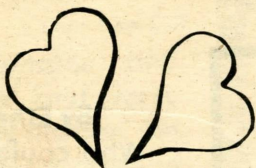
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## ALL HART



By Ruth Hart

Received a lovely note in my mail from one of our villagers - whom I have not met yet - saying how much she enjoyed our paper "Inside Leisure Village," and hoped the Daily News would keep up its supplement as she gets more from it than any other source. Taking the time to write - well, just proves again how great our community is - all these people gathered here in one place and their first concern is giving happiness to others and in turn finding it ourselves.

The Rhythmettes held their Installation Luncheon at the Hitching Post - enjoyed food and fun together, ended on a joyous note with all singing our theme song - Beyond the Blue Horizon - and surprising our Edith F. by knowing all the words.

Welcome home to Ben and Rose Robbins, Village 25, back from Israel and Copenhagen, etc., almost didn't make it back due to the grounding of the DC-

10s - but Rose says it was all worth it - had a fabulous time.

Woody and I don't get much exercise biking around the village. Too busy stopping and chatting with friends - but what's an extra lb. or two. Met Rudy Eis, Village 11 - he and his Ruthie just back from a 4-week trip to Germany, Berlin, etc. Quite an experience for them - seeing their country again - maybe a little painful - especially for Ruthie - but many sweet memories, too - imagine cruising down the Rhine again - life does seem to come in full circles - doesn't it?

Louis and Hannah Spring, Village 7, off on a cruise again - Senior Citizens - ha? Louis is in his 90s and Hannah, her 80s. I am lucky to make it to Ventura some days. I did have a lovely visit with my nearly 14 (she says) year old granddaughter from San Francisco - can't figure out yet who had trouble keeping up with whom.

Our own Harry Holcombe, Village 15, is not only a great

actor but such a romanticist. With all our peace and quiet here in the village - he and his sweet Betty took off for a short vacation - a cabin on a lake - no phones - no newspapers, fishing - boating, etc., now that's getting away from it all - happy to hear he is feeling so well these days, he can rough it for awhile.

Anniversaries Plus - this past month - Happy Happy to: Warren and Eva Sugg - Village 28 - 40th; Vince and Alice Girous - Village 25 - 39th; Betty and Frank Mainwaring - Village 5 - 31st; Kate and Lou Shapiro - Village 19 - 50th; daughters Bobbie and Gloria gave a big party at Sportsman Lodge for all their friends and relatives.

Mario Larrinaga is mending nicely from a fall - but maybe could be persuaded to show us his art at our forthcoming show - anyhow, a special congratulations to both - till next time, remember, HAPPINESS is found along the way - not at the end of the road.

## The Rhythmette

By Vi Kastner

A Rhythmette is a gal  
Who's well past her teens,  
Even though you'll see her  
In T-shirts and in jeans.

You'll see her out tap-  
dancing

Or doing the old soft shoe -

But playing, singing, or  
dancing,

She's performing just for you!

She may be a Grandma,  
But at disco, she's no slouch.

Maybe when practice is over  
She'll collapse upon the couch,

But she's up and going the  
next time

Acting like a ham,

And I can tell you frankly  
She'll do the best she can!

She's out there selling tickets  
If it's hot or it is cold,

But she won't quit, until that  
sign says

"Sorry! They're all sold!"

She'll try the hootchy kootchy  
Even though her muscles ache,

Has sore feet, and is afraid  
Her back is going to break.

She's loyal and dedicated  
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## On My Own

**By Ethel Ellenbogen**

Who could be phoning us in Madrid in the middle of the night? I heard my husband say, "All right, if the business is that urgent, I'll take the next plane back." We had been traveling independently for a month and he wanted me to complete our itinerary as planned and to enjoy the balance of the trip while he settled matters at home. It sounded so easy, two more days in Madrid, eight in Portugal, and then the flight to Los Angeles.

After he left, I felt utter panic. Always there had been his arm to give me assurance and security and steer me everywhere. Suddenly that arm was gone. It was early morning and my first impulse was to remain in bed. It felt safer that way. That first day was most difficult. A walk through the surrounding neighborhood and an early dinner in the sanctuary of my hotel was all I could manage.

Next day I timidly asked at the desk for information regarding the Rastro - the

Sunday Flea Market. I took a bus, walked a little and found myself in a new, exciting world of hundreds of people pushing, bargaining, shouting their wares among mountains of clothes, antiques and paintings. Above the din echoed the constant cry, "Come here, cheap, cheap." Flamenco music blared, American hippies squatted on the ground offering jewelry for sale. I entered into the spirit of the noise and excitement and bargained along with the others. The mass of humanity, added to the heat of the day, and the noise rising to fever pitch made me decide to leave.

It was a lonely feeling arriving back at the hotel and facing the rest of Sunday with nothing to do. I saw a brochure in the lobby, and immediately signed up for a "Bullfight and Flamenco Show Tour." That would get me through the day and evening. On the bus I sat next to a young American student who was rather ap

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## Own

prehensive about attending his first bullfight. Trying to allay his anxiety, I suggested that he concentrate on the music and pageantry, the poetry of movement of the toreadors, the sense of excitement and thrill which the Spaniards feel, and to view the whole spectacle as one would a ballet. During the performance he became pale a few times, averted his eyes when the scene was gory, but came away from the experience having learned a great deal about a foreign "sport."

The Flamenco show was a colorful production with young girls' shoes hammering out the staccato rhythm on the hardwood floor. The castanets rang out in a continuous roll adding a fascinating dimension to the beat. It had been a pleasant day after all.

This pattern of my meeting new people continued in Portugal. On a city tour one sits in a double decker bus with earphones, and dials the language desired. The charm of Lisbon unfolded in its avenues

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and statues, fountains and squares. Steamers and ferry boats filled the busy harbor. On the pier many women dressed in peasant blouses and long, colorful skirts balanced their wares on their heads and did a lively business.

Each day a new tour brought something exciting. Where else can one take a ferry to an island for six cents, sit at a cafe and eat delicious huge sardines just barbecued in front of you, along with large boiled potatoes, salad, crusty rolls and port wine - all for \$2.00?

Having gained much more self confidence by now, I took trips to the countryside including the famous Casino with its magnificent gardens at Estoril, palaces, a walled city, a fishing village called Nazare where the women were swathed in black from head to toe and squatted on the sand, perched there like blackbirds not moving all day. However, all of this would have left an emptiness within me if I

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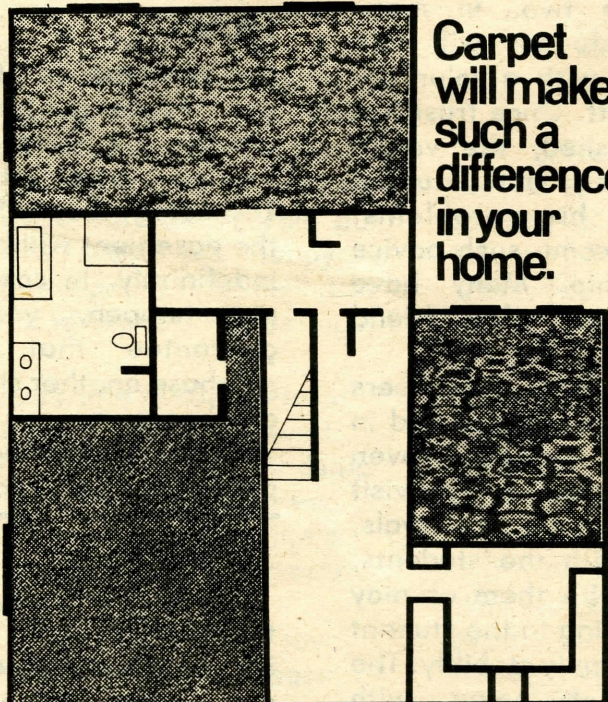
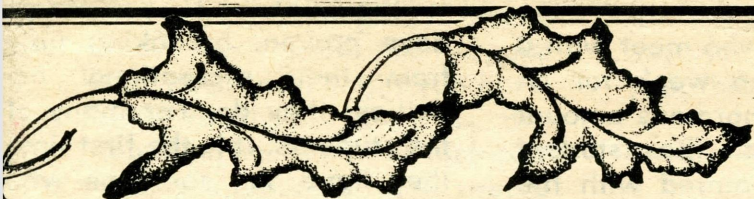
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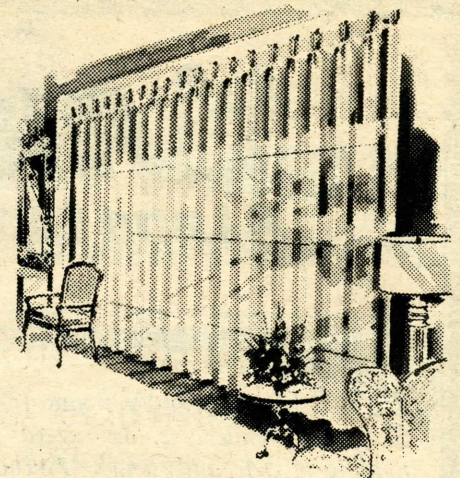
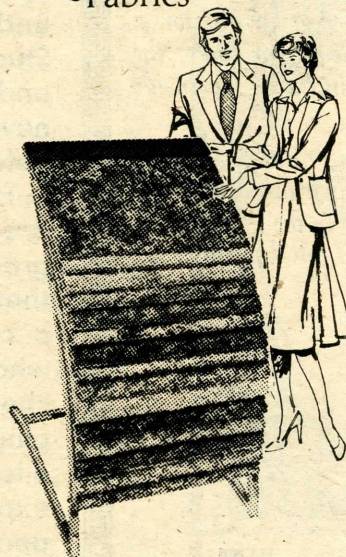
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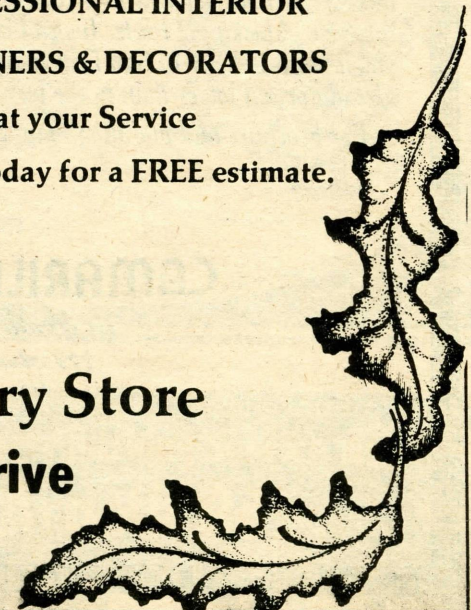
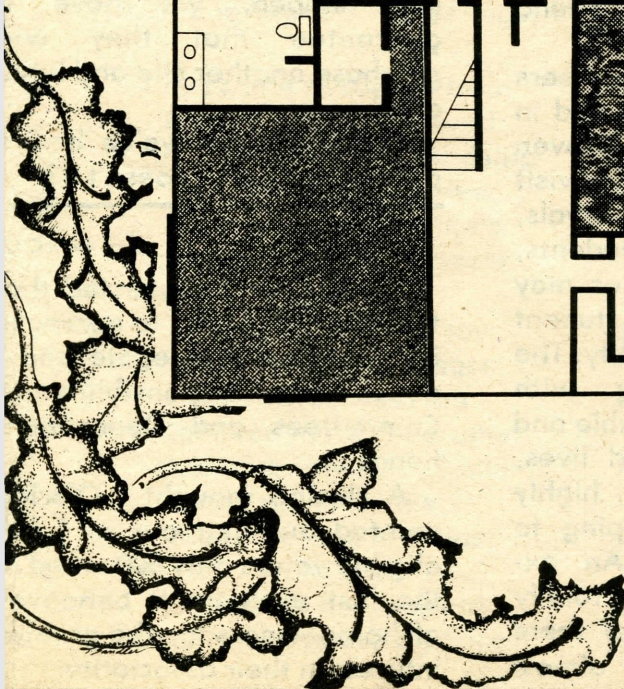
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## Volunteer

three categories. First, the Ventura Volunteer Visitor (3V). It consists of a one-to-one relationship between a volunteer and a single student who has no one come to visit. Next, there are the Community Volunteers, such as the Kiwanis Club which visits a boys' cottage; or a group of ladies sponsored by a church or social club which visits a girls' cottage. Finally, the Activity volunteers who teach such skills as horticulture, flower arrangements and car care. Joe Romero, of Village 9, conducts such a class. Even more activities of this type are needed. There is also the Citizens Advisory Committee, which has liaison to various communities in the county. It meets once a month to formulate ways of getting publicity for the school to facilitate the raising of funds. Campaigns are conducted to obtain money to purchase gifts for students who would otherwise get nothing for Christmas or Hanukkah, since the State allots no money for the holidays.

Volunteers who meet with a student once a week for an hour, do an enormous amount of good. As the student becomes acquainted with the volunteer, trust is established between the two. In many cases, the student will talk more openly with a volunteer than with staff. Once trust has been established, the volunteer can help the student understand his problems. Students welcome such advice and friendship. Many have never had an adult friend before.

The Community Volunteers are of vital importance and in great need. It has been proven that married couples who visit a cottage at stated intervals, who "rap" with the students, shoot pool with them or play ping-pong, bring to the student a feeling of family stability. The experience of being with people who are compatible and happy in their married lives, has proven to be a highly successful way of helping to motivate a student. An experience with normal family life is something few of them have ever known. In almost

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every instance, the lack of a close family relationship was responsible for the trouble they are in. There is a special need for this in the boys' cottages. In this category, the adult male gives a special steadiness to the student.

For anyone interested in either the 3V, Activity, or the family visits, there is an orientation course by which anyone can familiarize himself with the functions of the institution.

One has to become a part of it to realize how greatly he contributes to the lives of these young people. The ratio of rehabilitation of the students who leave is a record-breaking 60%. Mrs. Wolgemuth attributes that accomplishment, in large part, to the volunteers who have given of themselves and their time so generously.

Leisure Village residents who are a part of the Volunteer program, have found a most rewarding relationship with the student to whom they have been assigned. The motto of the Ventura School Volunteers is "WE CARE." L.V. Volunteers have proven, by taking time from their recreational activities, they do. For many of the students, it is the first time they have had someone who took an interest in them.

## Town

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has also been resolved for this year. Prudential has agreed to provide an extension for 5 years, and if Leisure Technology buys the property the easement will be extended indefinitely. In case this does not happen, we have a guarantee that they will purchase another site and build another tower.

It sounds like we've had a pretty good year, doesn't it?

## Report

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Sandy Okum suggested that the Board, in order to decrease its work-load, delegate some duties and responsibility to Committees and Department heads.

A closing thought - O'Brien pointed out that out of 1,600 eligible voters only 600 voted in the last election. It behooves all homeowners to take greater interest in their association.





Photo by Daniels

Max Lustig and student, Tom Piper. Tom is one of the students that Max has befriended since living in Leisure Village.

## Ventura School Boys

### Thank Max Lustig

Max Lustig shares these letters which he received last Christmas from boys that he had befriended at Ventura School. How proud you must be, Max!

"Dear Max,

As you read this letter I want you to look at the gift I'm giving you. Now I know this may be the most unusual gift you have ever received, but it is the meaning behind it that makes it something special. You see, a butterfly is one of the most beautiful things of nature. Among people, the most beautiful thing is compassion and concern for others. That, you gave to me. Words cannot express the gratitude I feel for the time and effort you put forth to make me happy. I wrote this poem to go with this gift and to express my feelings.

You came to see me from  
the first month I arrived,  
You gave me your freindship  
and helped me survive.  
You made me feel like a  
person and that I'll never

forget,

And I can honestly say  
there's not a time I regret.

I've always had fun  
whenever you were around.  
there was always a smile  
and never a frown.

Max, my time is almost  
at its end,

But that's not as great  
As knowing you're my friend.

Todd."

And a second letter:

"Dear Max,

HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS

When I look back over the past six months I see a person who has taken time to spend time with me. There have been hard times and good times and if I had to spend the time with anyone I'm glad I spent it with you. Thank you, Max,

Your friend Tom."

Walt

Whitaker

### Honored

A buffet type dinner was served on Thursday, July 19th at Bill & Gussie Lancaster's house; it's purpose was to say thank you to Walt Whitaker for all the work he has done on Long Golf. In attendance were seven couples to represent the 135 men golfers who signed a card and contributed money for a garage door opener Walt has wanted a long time.

It was quite a surprise, for Walt was speechless and glassy eyed for some time. He honestly did not know this even was in the making.

One thing for sure, he wants to say "THANKS" to all those who took part and contributed to this event.

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couldn't have shared it with someone.

One learns, therefore, to sense the loneliness of another, and there is a drawing together of people who have the same need. This reaching out for companionship resulted in a banding together of several of us during that period. We had met in our hotel lobby, on a sightseeing jaunt and at the airline office. Soon we were touring together, delighted to be able to share our experiences.

There were four that last evening who took a taxi to a typical Portuguese restaurant-night club that featured the famous Fado singing. It is usually performed by a middle-aged woman wearing a black shawl around her head and shoulders, who chants sad love ballads, softly accompanied by violinists.

As the evening progressed, the music became livelier and we ordered our dinner and famous port wine, toasted to our memories of this place and

to each other. It was a delightful farewell to Portugal.

It is surprising how a traveler in a foreign country can mature enough to dig in and make his or her own way in an organized fashion, enjoy every phase of life there, meet tourists and foreigners alike, learn the money and even the language to some extent, use every form of transportation, sample new foods and wines, and learn so much about the history and culture of that part of the world.

Moral of story to Solos:

To go alone can be done,  
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It takes not long for one to see  
Rhymemaking isn't poetry.

Canine-ia?

By Peter Brink

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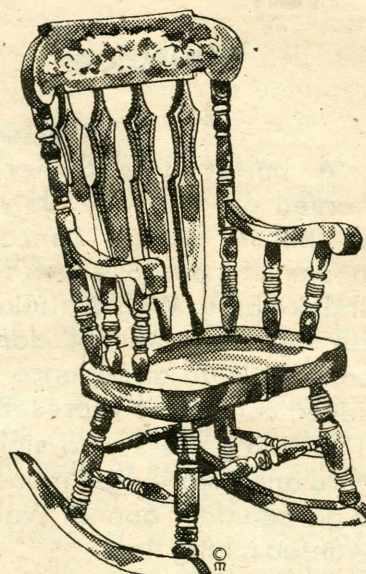
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Welcome opportunity

To leave generously then

What is theirs to fellow men.

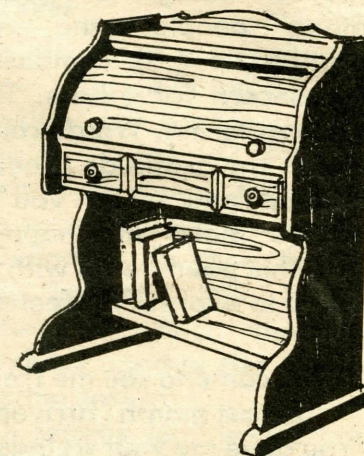
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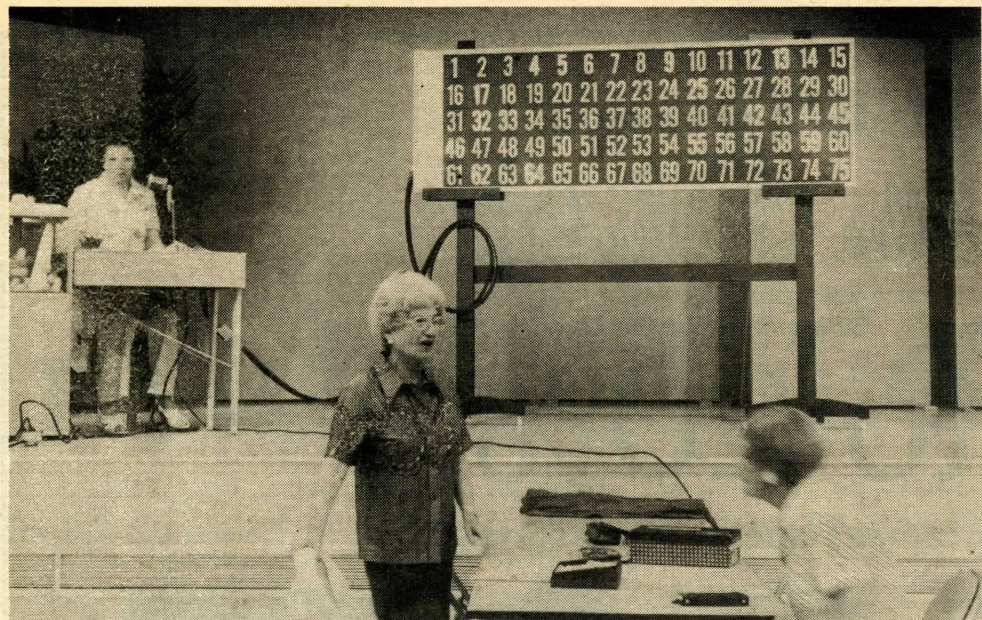


## Ode to Bridge

By Josh Fallick

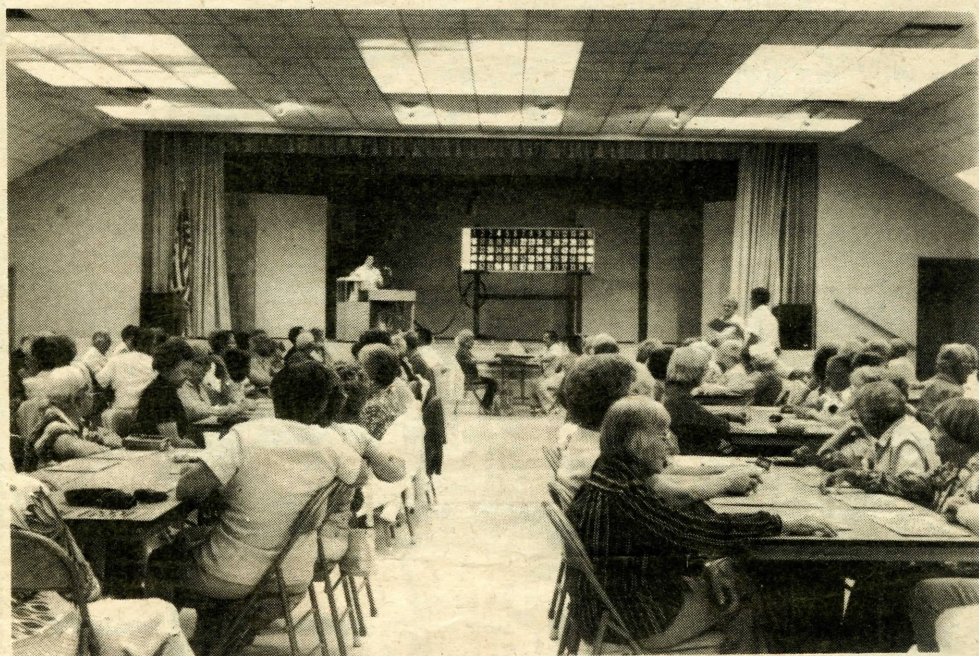
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Or perhaps NO TRUMP for three.  
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Aye! There's the rub!



Marion Tavano stands in front of the new bingo equipment she was instrumental in acquiring for the weekly games. Florence Di Biase, seated on the stage, calls the numbers for the growing number of players.

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Eager players lean forward to catch the numbers called by Florence Di Biase.

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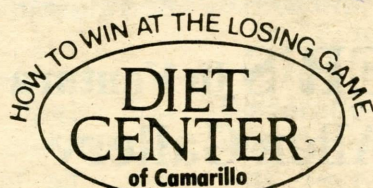
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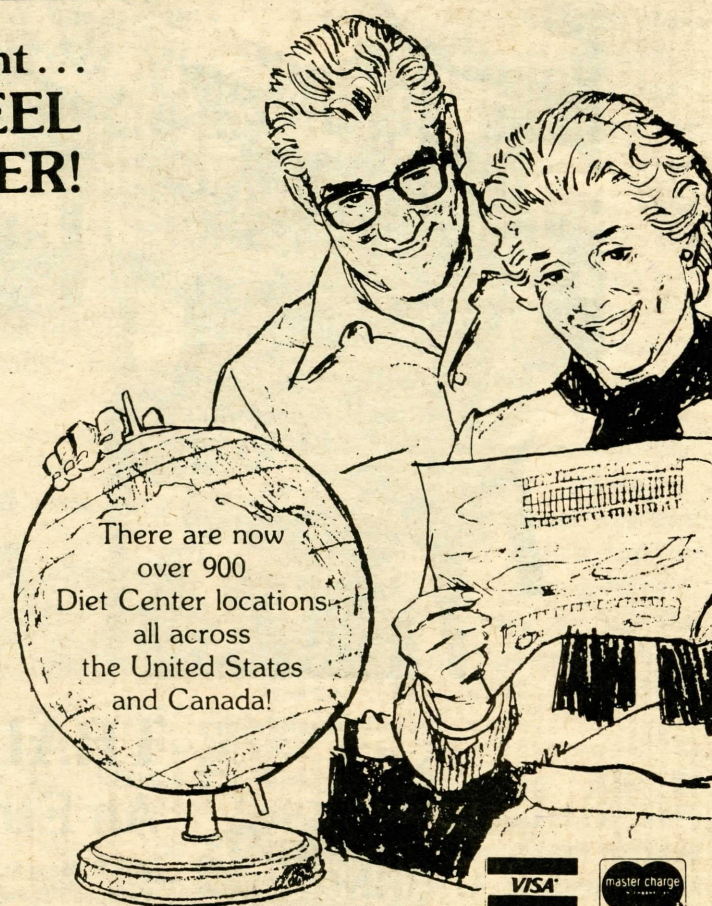
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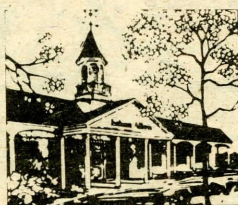
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