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Four Seasons: A Place For Everyone

By Cindy Graves

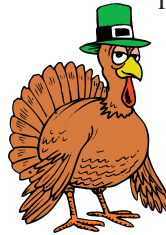
Four Seasons is a place people can feel at ease letting their hair down and expressing unsuspected aptitudes. Such was the case with Jerry (Tooth Fairy) Thompson; Laurel District One Delegate by day and creative eccentric by night.

Jerry played the “tooth fairy ballerina” in a skit in the October Variety Show. If your teeth ever fall out, staying on his good side could make you a lot of money. And, if you missed the show, you missed seeing your neighbors like they’ve never been seen before!

What an exciting month this has been with so many awesome events! There was so much going on that we are going to use the “Spotlight” section in the back of the newsletter to showcase some of our superstars from the activities that took place this month. I’m going to call it “**The Accolades Album**”. Here is a

list of some of the major activities.

The “**Mystery Dinner**” as most of you have already heard was a great success! Melody Seewoster worked herself to the bone (or should I say “thong”) which is what was painted on her costume shirt! All of our aspiring actors went above and beyond the call of duty when it came to outfit creations, decorations, improvisations and attitude.



The Racquet Club did us proud in the “**Nine Zero Games**” as you’ll read in the Racquet Club article. Great job team!!

The “**International Culture and Food Festival**” was a great way to admire and explore diverse and fascinating cultures that represent our Four Seasons residents. The food was delicious as well as unusual and gave our taste buds an epicurean trip around the world. “Thank you” to those who so generously shared their lovely artifacts and displays! The talented dance company which entertained us was lauded for their colorful costumes and incredible routines. The audience clapped so long at the show’s conclusion that they had to come back on the floor for an encore! Great fun! You would have loved it, if you didn’t get a chance to come.

“**Chemo Cap**” contributors need to take a big bow, for all the work they did to help the little cancer kids! There were many grateful recipients of all the little knit caps that were created on the October K. Hovnanian sponsored event. Thanks again for all the time and loving kindness. Thank you especially Floreynne Boyar for setting it all up and organizing it.

This has been an exciting month of events as you can see. It’s so nice to have you all around the Lodge!



Jerry (Tooth Fairy) Thompson.

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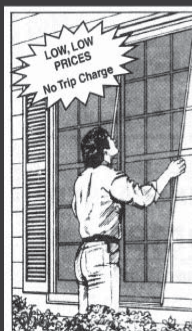


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Our next meeting will be on November 5th
at 6:30 in the library.
If you are interested in joining our group
we would love to have you.
Please come



Bingo Buzz! 2008

October

Sunday, 5th – 1:00pm Ticket Sales Start
Wednesday, 15th – 5:00pm Ticket Sales Start
Wednesday, 29th – 5:00pm Ticket Sales Start

November

Wednesday, 5th – 5:00pm Ticket Sales Start
Sunday, 9th – 1:00pm Ticket Sales Start
Wednesday, 19th – 5:00pm Ticket Sales Start

December

Wednesday, 3rd – 5:00pm Ticket Sales Start
Sunday, 7th – 1:00pm Ticket Sales Start
Wednesday, 17th – 5:00pm Ticket Sales Start

* Wednesday - Cookies

K. Hawaiian's Four Seasons at Beaumont Fitness Club Announces:



Pro-Fit Fitness Program Modified Schedule for November



Monday	Conditioning	9:00 am	Aerobics Room
Monday	H2O Fit	9:00 am	Pool
Tuesday	Step & Burn	9:00 am	Aerobics Room
Tuesday	H2O Fit (until end of 11/08)	5:30 pm	Pool
Wednesday	Conditioning	9:00 am	Aerobics Room
Wednesday	H2O Fit	9:00 am	Pool
Thursday	Gentle Yoga	9:00 am	Aerobics Room
Friday	Conditioning	9:00 am	Aerobics Room
Friday	H2O Fit	9:00 am	Pool

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\$50.00 a month - Unlimited Classes
\$40.00 a month- 16 Classes (4 per week)
\$30.00 a month - Any 12 Classes
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- * **Conditioning:** Weighted workout to music that will help improve overall strength and endurance.
- * **H2O Fit:** Water aerobic workout that helps increase muscular endurance, stamina and circulation without the land based impact.
- * **Zumba Gold:** This fun, easy, safe and effective workout is done to the rhythms of the cha-cha, mambo, merengue, salsa and more. It's great for the body and soul!
- * **Gentle Yoga:** Utilizes the benefits of Yoga done in a safe but effective setting.
- * **Step and Burn:** Combination of cardio and conditioning utilizing the step

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New Year's Eve Party!

Date: Wednesday, December 31, 2008
Time: 7:00pm-1:00am
Dress: Suggested Dress is Black and White or Silver Party-Wear
Tickets go on sale November 10th
Menu will include:

- * Choice of Chicken or Tri-Tip Entrée
- * Veggies, Roasted Potatoes, Roll & Butter
- * Coffee & Dessert
- * This is a BYOB

Entertainment will be Jerome Robinson (from The Platters)
Great show & dancing! A Sparkling Night for everyone!

VETERANS DAY

Tuesday, November 11, 2008

11am-7:30pm

Veteran's be preparing your personal war memorabilia (uniforms, pictures, weaponry, all matter of items from the battle field) biographies and heroic war tales. This year we will once again be putting together a wonderful display of our own "Hometown Heroes" to help honor those that have helped to make this country free.

***Please sign-up at the desk to reserve a display table.**

Last year people were quite moved by the wonderful residents who shared their stories and war items.

More information to come.

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Four Levels of Rules That Govern our Community

We have four sets of rules that govern the Four Seasons Beaumont Homeowners Association. They have very different levels of authority and processes for adoption and change.

At the top of the heap are the **Conditions, Covenants and Restrictions (CC&Rs)** which, by state law, must be written and approved before a builder can begin to sell homes in a restricted community – known as a “common interest development.” The CC&Rs call themselves “a general scheme for management of the community ... for the purpose of enhancing and protecting the value, desirability and attractiveness of the community.”

State law requires that the CC&Rs contain certain safeguards for home owners and have provisions describing the relationships between the HOA and the residents. In our case, the CC&Rs were put together by K. Hovnanian lawyers from earlier documents and are not specific to Four Seasons Beaumont. They were created with the expectation they would be amended over time to reflect the needs of the community.

However, amending the CC&Rs is purposely difficult. It takes a 67 percent majority vote of all home owners to change them and even then, no amendment may violate the applicable state laws.

Next come the **By-laws**, also compiled by the builder’s lawyers. They mostly deal with the processes of government within the HOA: Board elections, voting rights, meeting procedures, what officers the Association needs, arbitration procedures and similar matters. They may be changed by a majority vote of the residents and may not violate the CC&Rs.

Next are the **Community Guidelines** which may be adopted or changed by a majority vote of the HOA Board, after a 30-day period of review by the home owners. The Board is required to consider any results of the review, but not obligated to make any changes because of it. The Guidelines deal primarily with the day-to-day operation of the community: how many guests are allowed in the Lodge at a time, what hours the swimming pool is open, leash requirements for dogs and the like – many of them having to do with use of the Lodge and its facilities.

The Guidelines also contain the charters of the standing HOA committees. To make them more understandable, the Guidelines are written in more detail and less legalistic language than the CC&Rs and By-laws. The Guidelines may not violate the CC&Rs or By-laws.

There is a petition process for residents to veto any change to a Guideline. If five per cent or more of the residents petition to revoke a recently passed Guideline, the HOA is required to hold a homeowners vote on the matter.

Finally come **Board Policies**, which may be adopted or changed by a vote of the Board, with no need for review. The policies are primarily descriptions of how the Board does its business – methods for selecting committee members, the criteria for handling petty cash, how to process requests for rules changes and the like. Board policies may not violate the CC&Rs, By-laws or Community Guidelines.

Until the Four Seasons development is completely built out, under the CC&Rs the builder, K. Hovnanian Homes, has a controlling majority of four HOA Board members. Also, until build-out the CC&Rs and state law give the builder certain other voting rights and enhanced ability to modify all levels of rules at its discretion.

All community associations in California are governed by the Davis-Stirling Common Interest Development Act which spells out what provisions CC&Rs must contain and which is amended now and then by the California Legislature and interpreted by the courts. Even though Davis-Stirling – and other state statutes – have impact on our Four Seasons, they cannot be changed by the community.

The Board Policies are available for review at the front desk. All residents receive a copy of the CC&Rs, By-laws and Community Guidelines in their new owner packets. The Rules and Regulations Committee recommends that home owners take the time to familiarize themselves with those three documents to better understand how Four Seasons Beaumont works. –Leighton McLaughlin, for the Rules and Regulations Committee

Manager’s Update

By Lisa Lynn, General Manager

At the Open Session Board meeting held on Thursday, Oct. 9 the Board of Directors approved the Reserve Study presented, the renewal of the insurance policy for the Association common areas, an agreement for the fitness equipment maintenance, and a proposal for an annual inspection of the common areas.

The Board referred a proposed Facilities Committee Charter to other Committees for review. The Board approved the adoption of new rules for clubs and adopted the changes to the Committee Charters to increase the number of members and quorum requirements. These rule changes are sent out for comment with the member billing.

The Board also approved the September 2008 meeting

minutes and the August 2008 Financials. The Board meeting is held on the second Thursday of the month, with the Executive Session at 8 a.m. in the Lodge Conference room and the Open Session at 1 p.m. in the Lodge Ballroom. The next scheduled Open Session is Thursday, Nov. 13 at 1 p.m.

A meeting of homeowners called on Oct. 7 did not achieve a quorum and was adjourned to Oct. 14. The purpose of the meeting was to consider a proposal to reverse a Board decision that required members renting the Lodge to hire a security guard if alcohol is to be served. A quorum was achieved at the second meeting and a large majority voted to reverse the rule.

The Board of Directors has extended the deadline for turning in the CC&R amendment ballots. For a CC&R amendment to take place a super majority of 67 percent of the members must vote for the change. To date the Association has not received ballots of 67 percent of the residents. The Board is encouraging

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members to submit their ballot so a quorum can be achieved. If you have not yet turned in your ballot please do so.

There has been some confusion as to the reason for the requested CC&R changes. The first item enhances the requirement that at least one resident of a Four Seasons home be 55 years of age or older and makes some necessary changes to comply with recent alterations in state law. Also, the new language clarifies the limited conditions under which a person under 55 can live in the community as a qualifying resident's child or grandchild who is disabled, or as a health care provider for a resident.

The second and third items also are aimed at enhancing the Board's ability to enforce age restrictions. They deal with methods of resolving disputes and make it easier for the Board to file a lawsuit against a member who refuses to discontinue a violation of the restrictions.

The fourth item, a revision of the parking rules, is designed to make the rules more flexible and adaptable to changing conditions in the community. The present language is very restrictive, largely unenforceable, and as a part of the CC&Rs, extremely difficult to change. The new language would make most of the rules part of the Community Guidelines and allow the Board to change them by a simple majority vote to do such things as require visitor and vendors to display passes, limit parking during some hours of the day, require no parking during street cleaning and the like. Please feel free to contact me if you have additional questions and/or concerns for the proposed CC&R changes and again, please turn in your ballot if you have not already done so.

Gate Arms

By Lisa Lynn

The gate arms at the Four Seasons entrances will be in operation soon. Here is some important information to keep in mind for proper use of the system:

The gate arms function is to allow only one vehicle to enter through the gates at one time.

Vehicles with transponders must stop at the transponder reader located on the first pillar to the right of the gatehouse. Signs will be in place, requesting vehicles to wait until the vehicle in front of them has passed through the gates. Once a vehicle has passed through the gate arms, they will lower. The transponder signal must be received from the next vehicle (transponder) for the gate arms to open. Please be patient and keep in mind that this is an added security feature for the community. Guests and visitors will still be directed by the gate attendant or by using the electronic directory for access.

Attention: Applications will be taken for the upcoming District Delegate position elections in February and Board position for the election in April.

District Delegate Information

"Arbors" District One

Delegate:	Alternate Delegate:
Richard Urie 139 Tijeras Creek (951) 769-8307	Robert Allen 1548 Big Bend (951) 849-6185

"Heritage" District One

Delegate:	Alternate Delegate:
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"Heritage" District Two

Delegate:	Alternate Delegate:
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Neighborly Notes

By Bobbie Eckel

Reminder to all of us: Daylight Saving Time ends as of Sunday, Nov. 2. Remember to set your clocks back one hour!

Veterans' Day is Tuesday, Nov. 11. Let's take the opportunity to show our American spirit, our thankfulness to all those who have protected our land and our freedoms! Fly the flag!

A reminder, too, about the Waste Management collection schedule with Thanksgiving coming up: Waste Management procedure is "when a holiday falls on a weekday, collection will be delayed one day for the remainder of the week."

Residents have been asking about a "dog park," an area where our four-footed friends can socialize without having to be leashed. The city of Beaumont has listened and, on Nov. 1, will have the grand opening of the Canine Country Club at Noble Creek Park, 390 Oak Valley Parkway. There is one area for large dogs and a separate one for small dogs. The entire day is devoted to our four-footed friends. The ribbon-cutting ceremony for the dog parks is at 10 a.m., there is a "howl-0-ween" dog costume contest at 11 a.m., and a contest to select the biggest and smallest dogs at noon.

At 12:30 p.m., pet tricks will be demonstrated. Training tips will be taught. Riverside County will have dogs for adoption; vendors for animal supplies and services will have booths. There will even be activities for grandchildren! And -- the first 500 pet owners will receive gift bags! If you have any questions, please call Animal Control Officer, Elizabeth Greiner (951) 572-3901.

On a more practical note...If you have not already done so, now is the time to wrap your outside water pipes before the night time freezing temperatures arrive. Foam insulation is available at Home Depot, Lowe's and other hardware stores. If you wait until the night temperatures are below freezing, you may have to wait a few days more for the stores to restock foam insulation!

Safety Alert

The Beaumont Senior Newsletter recently issued a special alert for older residents in Riverside County. Seniors are being warned to be watchful for robbers posing as workers who try to talk their way into homes.

The robbers apparently use different guises to gain entrance to the homes. In one instance the robbers offered to give estimates for carpet cleaning; in another, they posed as nurses claiming to be sent for medical follow-up. The scammers are smooth talkers; their stories appear to be plausible.

The scam procedure is for one person to talk with the resident while the second asks to use the restroom and then takes money, jewelry or other items of value.

Even in our gated community, we occasionally have vendors who leave pamphlets on our doors and service personnel who ostensibly have called on the wrong house. Be alert to possible scam. Do not let anyone without proper identification into your house. If you suspect a problem, call Beaumont Police Dispatch at (951) 769-8500 and notify the Lodge (951) 769-6358. -- Bobbie Eckel

Architectural Review Committee

As the number of new homes has slowed, so has the number of property improvement requests. However, the Architectural Review Committee still must ensure that all external improvements conform

to the guidelines of the community. If you don't have a copy of the guidelines, they are available to each homeowner at the Lodge front desk or on the internet through Euclid Management's website at: <http://www.euclidmanagement.com>. Look for Association, in the drop-down menu choose Four Seasons Beaumont, and enter password 9904.

The homeowner must submit a Property Improvement Application Form before the work begins. The first application requires a \$100 check to accompany the application. If an addendum is submitted after eight months of the close of escrow and a building permit is required, an additional \$50 check must be submitted. Once the committee reviews the project to ensure that it will be safe and conforms to the guidelines of the community, the homeowner will receive approval and may then begin. After the project has been completed the homeowner must submit a Notice of Completion form along with photos of the completed project.

The ARC meetings are open to all Four Season residents. We meet on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in the Lodge, almost every week, depending on the number of requests. On Board meeting weeks, we meet on Thursday (instead of Wednesday) at 10 a.m. -- Herb Wachtel, Chairman

Rules and Regulations Committee

The Board of Directors asked the Rules and Regulations Committee to review Club Rules. Guests at the September meeting were concerned with paragraph 8 as it applied to the dance club. After a lengthy discussion it was decided that John McLaughlin would review paragraph 8 and write a clarification for Board approval.

Discussion was held on allowing parking on Four Seasons Drive for up to two hours. The matter was tabled as it appears that the CC&Rs need to be changed first.

The Committee discussed the upcoming vote for a CC&R change regarding the Age Restrictions, Arbitration, Litigation and Parking Rules. A third party Parliamentarian has been hired. The Association is continuing to accept ballots. As of the September meeting, the Board had not decided to open ballots yet.

Sign rules were passed and should be installed in the Guideline manual.

The Rules and Regulations Committee reviewed the "General Rules for Committees" section of the guidelines. Several areas were deemed as needing revision to bring the guidelines in agreement with the By-Laws and CC&Rs. John McLaughlin and Mack McLaughlin will get together and write recommendations for the Board's consideration.

The Committee will continue to review different sections of the Guideline book to ensure agreement with our CC&Rs and to evaluate their applicability to the community.

At the next meeting, Rules and Regulations Committee members will focus on the Delinquency Policy in the Guidelines.

The Board of Directors has requested a review of tenant guidelines. The matter was tabled pending further Board explanation.

The Committee has openings for new members but will hold off interviews until the vote to approve an increase to seven members per committee passes. There are currently two applicants.

The Rules and Regulations Committee meets on the third Thursday of each month at 9 a.m. in the Conference Room of the Lodge. -- John McLaughlin, Chairman

Irrigation Controllers

By Christian Burke of O'Connell Landscape

As the cooler days of fall approach it is important to pay attention to the watering of your backyard and planter areas. We have developed a few rules to remember when programming your irrigation clocks.

The irrigation controller or "clock" is programmed by the user to determine which days the water will be applied. Each valve or "station" is programmed for the desired length of time the sprinklers are to water in a given area. Controllers come in numerous sizes in terms of how many stations can be operated.

When adjusting the programmed time it is important to pay attention to the Field Capacity of the soil, which is defined as the maximum amount of soil moisture that can be held in the soil. An easy way to check this is to turn on a station of the controller and using a wristwatch, monitor how many minutes it takes for water to begin to run off. For example, if you were programming your rear turf area and after four minutes you noted that the water begins to run off, this would be the maximum amount of water the turf area would hold at one time.

Now once we have the number of minutes of water that the soil will accept at one time we can use Multiple Start Times in setting up the controller. This is done by using the number of minutes noted during our field capacity test and breaking the applications up to achieve the desired amount of water. We know our turf takes just four minutes of water in Beaumont, but if applied at two separate times we still can obtain the desired water time of eight minutes while reducing run off.

Remember these simple rules when programming your irrigation controllers and it will help in the big picture of water conservation while keeping our community's streets and gutters clean. For more tips on water conservation check out www.bewaterwise.com.

Landscape Committee

The Landscape Committee held its regularly scheduled meeting on Sept. 15. We lacked a quorum due to traveling of several committee members.

Nonetheless, the committee members present heard questions raised by residents related to the process for securing replacement of dead plants, how to get needed weeding accomplished, requesting action on certain irrigation issues, and concerns over contractor performance issues in selected neighborhoods within the community.

These issues were passed along to the contractor and are being monitored and followed-up by Euclid Management, the contract administrator.

During the part of the meeting where the contractor gives their updates, O'Connell Landscaping reported that they will resume their next phase of spraying for aphids throughout the Four Seasons

community. The contractor is also spraying the rosemary plants for the spittle bugs and the pyracantha plants affected by the white fly infestation. Additionally, O'Connell Landscaping reported that they are resuming selected tree trimming in parts of Four Seasons.

Brad Alms Landscaping, who has primary responsibility of landscaping around the Lodge and other selected areas, reported that his crews are cutting back on the watering as we are now entering the cooler part of the year. Likewise, residents are advised that that now is a good time of year to adjust their irrigation controllers (usually located on the wall in the garages) to reduce irrigation to lawns and plants. However, residents should watch the warm winds that can dry out plants quickly.

During the month of September, Euclid Management has dispatched 69 response letters back to residents who had

requested some form of landscape service or irrigation repair.

Now is a good time for residents who are active gardeners to plant bulbs for such spring flowers as daffodils, amaryllis, tulips and many other varieties. If residents would like some winter color in their gardens, they can plant pansies, primroses, cyclamen, and other cool weather varieties. Check with your local nursery because even though it is winter, it doesn't mean you can't have a colorful garden.

The next meeting of the Landscape Committee will be Monday, Nov. 17, at 9 a.m. at the Lodge. – Fred Weck, Chairman

Finance Committee

The September meeting had the full complement of members present. In order to bring everyone current on the financial status of the HOA, the income, delinquencies and expenses for the past four months were reviewed.

It was noted that K Hovnanian Homes is cutting back on its participation in various expenses. Also noted was the continued rise in delinquencies and falling net operating income each month.

To keep within the budget, the Finance Committee is commit-

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Your Watering Schedule



1. Use your watering schedule as a guide. Program your automatic timer according to the numbers below.
2. Watch your plants for stress increasing or decreasing watering times accordingly.
3. Skip watering days when it rains or when the soil is already wet.
4. Re-program your timer each month using your Sprinkler Schedule as a guide.
5. If you have the type of timer that allows you to adjust watering times by a percentage then you can set your timer for the highest month and adjust the percentage by using the Sprinkler Index published on our web site. This index is scientifically calculated to allow even more efficient watering schedules based on estimated water needs for the week.

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Turf												
Cool Season Grass Clay Loam Sprinkler												
Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Maximum Minutes per start time	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Start times per week*	3	4	5	7	8	10	10	10	7	6	4	4
Total minutes per week	15	20	25	35	40	50	50	50	35	30	20	20

*Start times per week may not equal days per week. Multiple start times per day may be needed to avoid runoff.

Planter												
Low Water Use Clay Loam Sprinkler												
Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Maximum Minutes per start time	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Start times per week*	2	2	3	4	5	5	6	5	4	3	2	2
Total minutes per week	10	10	15	20	25	25	30	25	20	15	10	10

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If you want more detailed information about historical weather conditions, plants soils and sprinkler systems, visit the Watergirt Web site.

HOA News

ted to making recommendations to the Board of Directors only for proposed expenses which are of a primary need.

The Reserve Study for 2009 was reviewed and forwarded to the Board of Directors for approval with recommendations.

We welcome guests to our meetings held on the fourth Tuesday of every month at 1 p.m. Candidate applications are available at the front desk for anyone interested in serving on the committee. -- Joyce Mackay, Chairperson

Bistro Committee

The Bistro Committee met Tuesday, Oct. 7, with three homeowners and General Manager, Lisa Lynn, in attendance. Discussion focused on our trip to K. Hovnanian at Hemet. There were four of the Bistro Committee members who went to Hemet and had a very informative meeting with their board president, vice resident, Bistro chairperson and secretary. We came back with some great ideas to present to our Board of Directors for their approval.

Once again, all homeowners are invited to attend our meeting on the first Tuesday of every month at 3 p.m. in the Lodge. -- Sandy Dwyer, Chairperson

Social Committee News

By Melody Seewoster

What a night! For those of you who missed it, too bad. The Mystery Dinner on Sept. 20 was without a doubt one of the best events we have ever had.

The food, as always, was good. Thanks to Smitty and his gang for providing a great meal for us. The audience, well, we couldn't have done it without you. You all entered into the spirit of the game with attitude and added the touch that made this such a success.

Most of all I want to thank all of the people who took part in this deadly affair. The time and money that you put into your parts and your costumes was beyond the call of duty. I know that several of you were really worried, but you didn't need to be. You all did a fantastic job.

I would like to thank all of you who have emailed me and have stopped to tell me what a good time you had and that you would like to see us do it again. You can count on it.

I would especially like to thank the Social Committee members, Activities Director Cindy Graves and her staff and Steve and Bob Sarchett for everything they did to make this a memorable evening. It would have been impossible without you.

Get your checkbooks ready as tickets will be going on sale for our New Years' Gala in the near future. The price is \$50 and that is the best deal in town. Just think, no real driving involved, and you will be with all of your friends and neighbors. Don't forget, if you want to reserve a table you need to have eight people and pay for them all at the same time. This will be a BYOB event and no one under 21 will be admitted.

19th annual Winter Wish Christmas tree

The 19th annual Winter Wish Christmas tree will be in the Lodge by Nov. 10.

The Winter Wish program provides clothing, blankets and other necessities to needy Beaumont families and Christmas toys for their children.



The families are identified by teachers in the Beaumont Unified School District and their names are sent to the Winter Wish Committee at the Beaumont Chamber of Commerce. Volunteers contact the parents, who must agree they need assistance. Then the volunteer determines what those needs are. Each need is turned into a "wish" that is placed on a Christmas tree for donors to select and fulfill.

Wishes not selected are filled by the volunteers with donated money. They make sure each child, -- school age or younger -- gets two Christmas gifts and that their parents receive much needed bedding, children's clothes and other necessities.

Make yourself feel good this holiday by satisfying a child's Christmas Wish.

For more information, call the Beaumont Chamber at (951) 845-9541 Ext. 103 -- Melody Seewoster

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The Board of Directors for the K. Hovnanian's Four Seasons at Beaumont Community Association met on Thursday, October 9 at, 2008 in the Lodge Ballroom. Executive Session was held at 8 a.m. and the General Session was held at 1 p.m.. The Next Board of Directors Meeting will be held on November, 2008 at 1 p.m. in the Lodge Ballroom.

Executive Session – 8 a.m.

General Session – 1 p.m.

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Clubs & Activities

8-Ball Club



Four Seasons has a very talented group of people who meet in the Billiard Room on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7 p.m. to practice and compete in their favorite game – 8-Ball! Practice is interspersed with in-house tournaments and, when possible, tournaments with other teams. All residents are encouraged to come watch at any time.

New members are always welcome. If you want to learn about billiards, want to join this active club -- or just want to visit with friends who play, come to the Billiard Room of the Lodge. If you have any questions, please call President Del (951) 845-5114, Vice President Dewey (951) 769-4354 or Dot (951) 797-3068. -- Bobbie Eckel

Art Lovers League



The Art Lovers League is planning a trip to Bergamot Station in San Diego on Nov. 15. All residents are welcome to join us.

Our next meeting will be on Nov. 5 and we will plan the details of the trip. We meet in the Lodge Library at 6:30 p.m. -- Abby Cameron

Bridge Club



The Four Seasons Bridge Club meets every Monday at noon in the Card Room at the Lodge. Whether you are a new resident or have lived in the community for a while, if you enjoy playing bridge for fun and fellowship, you are welcome to join the group. A ladies group meets for lunch and an afternoon of bridge twice a month on Wednesdays. If you are interested in playing in either of these groups, please call Helen Shoemate at 951-845-9312.

Congratulations to Archie Shoemate and Mary Townsend who bid and made a grand slam of 7 no-trump on Oct. 6. Other winners during the previous 30-day period include Jim Townsend, Helen Shoemate, Carl Carson, Joan Sewell, and Bill Guy.

Members of the Ladies Bridge Club enjoyed an afternoon of lunch and bridge on Oct. 6. We were sorry to say goodbye to Jane Valle who is leaving our group for a few months. We look forward to her return in December.

If you do not play bridge, but are interested in learning, we would like to hear from you. If enough people are interested, we will organize beginning bridge lessons. The lessons will be free to residents of the Four Seasons Beaumont community. If you are interested in taking beginning bridge lessons, please contact Mary Townsend at 951-769-1106, or e-mail her at mctown41@hotmail.com. This is a great way to keep your mind sharp, while meeting new people and making new friends. We hope to hear from you. -- Mary Townsend

Shall We Dance Club

The Shall We Dance Club would like to welcome the Line Dance Club! Zelyne Rudolph is doing a wonderful job of instructing this class. All you line dancers, you are very fortunate to be able to have someone teach who has so much experience. I have watched a few of these classes. It looks like everyone is having a great time. Welcome, Line Dancers!



Our newest Shall We Dance Club focus, The Country Two Step, is an eight-week class, so come on out. You have plenty of time to learn this fun dance.

Our professional teaches two classes for only \$8 per person. She normally would receive, as a private instructor, \$75 an hour. Don't miss out for \$8. You are welcome to just come and watch. If you have any questions, please contact JoAnne at (951) 849-8877. Thank you!

The holidays will be upon us soon, so -- from all the dance club members, may your holidays be filled with joy, laughter and family. -- JoAnne Haberman

Book Club



Fascinating questions considered by the readers of the Book Club this past month: If your three year old had just been diagnosed with leukemia and donor bone marrow matches could not be found, would you conceive an additional child just in hopes that he/she could provide the bone marrow needed? What would that child's life be like? What would be the effect on the family members' individually -- and on the family group as a whole?

Jodi Picoult's book, *My Sister's Keeper*, dealt with just those issues. Family life focused on the fight to keep the older sister alive -- while unwittingly defining two other siblings only in terms of the sick child. Picoult's insight into the feelings and needs of all three children and both parents created much discussion among the Book Club members. Most readers agreed that they would recommend the book to others, although the heartbreak of the situation and the dilemma at the surprise ending made some discussion participants unsure.

The second selection for the month, *The Scarlet Letter*, is a classic by Nathaniel Hawthorne. Many of us read the book for the first time in high school and enjoyed it from a more mature point of view this time. Set in an early New England Colony, Hawthorne presents an exploration of humanity's struggle with sin, guilt and pride. Hawthorne's wording is clearly a style from the early 1800's, but his issues remain problems in society today. Discussion topics ranged from the significance of religion in culture, rejection of community members who transgress, the use of symbolism in the letter A, to the physical pairing of natural and supernatural events. The Scarlet Letter is a universal classic precisely because it has so many layers of thought and awareness and deals with timeless themes.

Book Club selections for the next two months include *Escape* by Carolyn Jessup, *Family Tree* by Barbara Delinsky, *The Other Boleyn Girl* by Philippa Gregory, and *The Echo Maker* by Richard Powers. December will find us delving into another classic, *Pride and Prejudice*, by Jane Austen.

Special note to Book Club Members and Potential Members: save the evening of Dec. 10 for the annual holiday potluck party. The event will be held in the Lodge Ballroom from 6 to 8 p.m.; even in its planning stages, the party looks very special! Call our Book Club Chairperson, Eileen Gilbert, for more information, (951) 922-6829.

The Book Club meets on the last Tuesday of each month in the Lodge Ballroom from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. An abbreviated session is going to be held that same Tuesday evening (due to the holiday) at 7 p.m. for those who cannot attend the morning session. All residents of Four Seasons are welcome to attend! -- Bobbie Eckel

Clubs & Activities

Golf Club

The Four Seasons Golf Club at Beaumont "Club Championship" was played within the Inland Valley Open Golf Championship on Monday, Oct. 27. The selected course was Landmark at Hemet Golf Club, located at Four Seasons Hemet. There were three divisions: Men's, ages 18 to 49; Seniors, Ages 50 to 64 and 65 and up and the Ladies Division, ages 50 and up. Winners in each of the divisions received a trophy and gift certificates.

Who won what? Ask a member of our Golf Club -- or wait for published results in the December Sentinel. -- Ed McBratney, President



Knitting and Crocheting Group

We are in the last stages of completing the crocheted square lap blanket; we are joining the squares and panels. By the time this gets to print, we will have it done!



We decided to do two lap blankets, the second one in knitted squares. We almost have enough to finish it also. It is a group effort to join the squares and make the trim, but hopefully it will look good enough to donate to a charity.

A few of us attended the Chemo Cap Day, which was nice. The Knitting Nook contributed a small accessory bag to each participant, to carry hooks, measuring tapes, etc. The turnout was not very large, but there were a lot of very nice caps from other people who were not able to attend. -- Dorothy Payne

Thank You from Performing Arts Club

Four Seasons Residents:

Thank you for coming out to support the Performing Arts Club's first show! We hope you enjoyed it. It takes a lot of people to put a show together, many of whom you never see because they work behind the scenes. I would like to take this time to acknowledge and thank them:

Steve Sarchett, the prop and set designer who made the wonderful lamp post you saw in one of the skits, Cindy Graves, who stepped in and worked the lights and music, Nelly Alcocer who designed the programs for the evening. It is with the help of these people who work behind the scenes that make a show come alive. Thank you so much. I would also like to thank the performers who had very little time to prepare and did a marvelous job entertaining you.

There is no business like show business to bring people together... so, if you would like to act, sing, write poetry, play an instrument, dance, design or be a stagehand, come and join the Performing Arts Club and explore your hidden talents. We need and would love to have you.

Again, we thank you for coming out to support our show. -- Ella Reid, Chairman and Talent Coordinator

RV Club News

The All Season RVers Club welcomed newest members Chuck and Beverlee Berry at the last meeting. The Berrys' are new to RVing (having just purchased their rig) and can't wait to hit the road.



Bob and Bonnie Weisz were Wagon Masters for the trip to

Pismo Coast Village RV Resort in September. Seven members of the RV Club joined in various activities: lounging around, sight-seeing, wine tasting, nightly campfires and walking on the beach. The favorite daily activity is LEO (Let's Eat Out)! Rob and Joyce Mackay surprised everyone by stopping by on their return trip from Alaska.

In October, Rich and Jaime Brower are Wagon Masters at Havasu Landing for the month. Club Members are joining them throughout the month. There will be rides on Rick's 14-passenger boat available. Also, there will be many LEO's.

Future outings are planned for Death Valley in November, Quartzite, Ariz., in January with an additional week trip to Mexico for those interested, and San Clemente State Park in March.

All Season RVers meet on the second Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m. Contact Rob and Joyce Mackay (951) 572-5504 or email to joycemackay@hotmail.com for additional information. -- Joyce Mackay

Seasoned Solos

The October Potluck was held an hour early so we could attend the Variety Show. We had four guests and a large turnout of members. Future trips were discussed and will be decided on at a later date.

On Friday, Oct. 10, members went to Lake Arrowhead for lunch, the narrated boat tour and shopping. It was a cool, sunny day that everyone enjoyed. Topping off the day was a visit to a member's cottage where she served us tea and German chocolate cake.

The next potluck will be on Nov. 7 at 6 p.m. in the Ballroom.

Anyone interested in the group, please call Mary at (951) 769-5444 or Sharon at (951) 922-6065 for more information. -- Mary Castle

Racquet Club

By Cheryl Smith

As of this writing the winds of October have been gentle. Let's hope they stay this way!

The weather was cool for the Nine-Zero games on Oct. 11, but everything went off on schedule.

Loren DuChesne did a stellar job of recruiting players for the team and Chuck Beckman did captain's chores and decided who was playing.

Four Seasons was definitely the "new kid on the block," but a successful one, as Sun Lakes, Solera, and a team from Riverside participated. The format was in World Team Tennis style and ultimately the team who won the most games won the event.

Congratulations to our team who won with a total of 59 games, Riverside had 57, Sun Lakes 56 and Solera had 35. Each match has women's doubles, men's doubles and mixed doubles. It was a lot of tennis and our champions had a great time.

The team played its games at Sun City. Other teams played at Four Seasons and the homes of the other teams. Proceeds went to benefit Nine-Zero, a charity that warns about the dangers of drinking alcohol during pregnancy. The name stands for Nine Months- Zero Alcohol.

The Racquet Club has had a very good year. We have 40 plus members and new residents are joining as they move in. We reviewed the year at our annual meeting on Oct. 19 and everyone



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November 2008



K. Hovnanian's Four Seasons at Beaumont Activity Calendar

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Sunday

Monday

Tuesday



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*Daylight
Savings Time ends
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* 9am Conditioning Fitness
* 9am H2O Fitness
*10:30am Ping Pong
*12 pm Bridge
*5pm Beginner Tennis Clinic
* 6:30 pm Beginner Shall
We Dance Class
*7pm 8-Ball Club

4

* 9am Fitness
* 10am:
-Knit/ Crochet Club
-Poker
* **3pm Bistro Meeting**
* 5pm Men's Tennis
*5:30pm- H2O Fitness
*6pm Hearts
*7pm Life Guide

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*1pm Bingo



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*9am Fitness Classes
*10:30am Ping Pong
*12 pm Bridge
*5pm Beginners Tennis Clinic
*6:30pm Beginners Shall We
Dance Class
*7pm 8-Ball Club

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*9am Fitness
-Golf Club
*10am:-Knit/ Crochet Club
-Poker
**11am Veteran's Day
Celebration**
*5pm Men's Tennis
*5:30pm H2O Fitness
*6pm Rv'ers-Hearts
*7pm Life Guide

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*1pm Board Games in
Game Room

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*9am H2o Fitness
***9am Landscape
Committee Meeting**
*10:30am Ping Pong
*12pm Bridge
*5pm Beginners Tennis Clinic
*6:30pm Beginners Shall We
Dance
*7pm 8-Ball Club Practice

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*10am: -Knitt/Crochet Club
-Poker
***1pm Finance Meeting**
* 5pm Men's Tennis
* 5:30 H2O Fit
* 6pm Hearts
*7pm Life Guide - Book Club

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* 1pm Board Games.

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 *1pm Poker * 2pm Private Party in Ballroom
5 *9am ConditioningClass -H2O Fitness *10am ARC Meeting *10:30am Ping Pong *1pm Canasta #2 *5pm Bingo *6:30pm Art Lovers League * 7pm –8-Ball Club	6 *9am Yoga Class *10am Poker * 11:30 Pan *1pm Canasta #1 *5pm Line Dancing - Social Committee Meeting * 6:30pm Shall We Dance Practice 	7 *9am H2O Fitness Class * 10am Art Class *10:30am Ping Pong * 6pm Seasoned Solos *7pm 8-Ball Club	8 * 1pm Board Games
12 *9am Fitness Class *9am H2O Fitness *10am ARC Meeting - Newsletter Meeting *10:30am Ping Pong *1pm Canasta #2 *6pm Women's Tennis *7pm 8-Ball Club	13 * 8am BOD Exec. Session *9am Yoga *10am ARC Meeting *10am Poker *11:30am Pan * 1pm BOD General Session *1pm Canasta #1 *5pm Line Dancing * 6:30pm Shall We Dance Practice	14 *9am H2O Fitness Classes *10am Art Class - Asian Club Mtg. *10:30am Ping Pong *1pm Bunko *7pm 8-Ball Club	15 *10am Tennis Clinic * 11am Spanish Club *1pm Poker * Art Lover's League Trip
19 *9am Fitness *9am H2O Fitness *10am ARC Meeting - Newsletter Meeting *10:30am Ping Pong *1pm Canasta #2 * 5pm Bingo *7pm 8-Ball Club	20 * 9am Rules and Regs Meeting -Yoga Class *10am Poker *11:30 am Pan *1pmCanasta #1 *5pm Line Dancing *6pm Wine Club	21 *9am H2O Fitness Classes *10am Art Class *10:30am Ping Pong *7pm 8-Ball Club	22 * 11am Tennis Clinic
26 Holiday Hours at the Lodge: Lodge closes at 4pm *9am Fitness *9am H2O Fit *10:30am Ping Pong *1pm Canasta #2	27 Lodge Closed Thanksgiving 	28 Holiday Lodge Hours: opens at 9am *9am H2O Fitness Classes *10am Art Class *10:30 Ping Pong *1pm Bunko *7pm 8-Ball Practice	29 * 1pm Board Games

Clubs & Activities

enjoyed the socializing, food and prizes.

Our major accomplishment in 2008 was to propose a new club rule for the Four Seasons Guidelines to allow any club to charge dues if they wish to do so. We worked long and hard on this and were most pleased when the new rule was approved. We were able to reduce our annual dues to \$20 per person and still have many social events.

We hope to have an Aussie Open party in the spring (maybe with some “shrimp on the bar-b”).

I would like to urge anyone who is interested in tennis to join in our Monday night beginner’s group. We have a great bunch and we have loads of fun, exercise, chatter, and tennis.

As the weather turns cooler, we will likely start the groups at an earlier hour. Check your newsletter, e-mail, and the Four Seasons calendar to stay informed. The Tuesday drill will continue and the popular stroke specific clinics will also continue. For November, the stroke clinics will be on Saturday, Nov. 15, at 10 a.m., followed by a members-free clinic at 11 a.m., and a stroke clinic Saturday, Nov. 22, at 11 a.m. Our pro has included a new feature this year for Racquet Club members. Each paying member will be entitled to a one-hour free lesson whenever they would like to have it. In addition, there will be one members-free clinic a month (weather permitting). Call our pro, Cheryl, for more information at (951) 849-5155.

November Tennis Tip: Be sure to schedule a tennis game on Friday after Thanksgiving to work off that feast you will have eaten! Have a wonderful Thanksgiving everyone!

I Don’t Know What Oak Tastes Like

By Leonardo

The September meeting of Taste d’Vine was a sampling of several wines for under \$10 from a local market. The wines ranged from light whites to heavy reds giving the members an opportunity to sample some wines they might not regularly enjoy.

Teri DiMarino gave a presentation on the art or science of wine tasting. Wines are usually described with terms of smell or taste that are not common to our senses like fruit, spice, or oak. These references require samplers to imagine tastes from objects they have seen or smelled that evoke pleasant memories.

Teri first pointed out that sniffing the cork as is often popularized by debonair customers at fancy restaurants only makes the sniffer look like a wine novice. In reality corks smell like cork unless they have become contaminated. So, if the wine server hands you a cork, just examine it. Look for crystals on the cork, a sign of poor storage. If it looks good, set it aside.

Teri then described what to see, smell and taste about the wine samples. The first two wines were a Laurier Chardonnay, 2004 bottled by Bob Stashak in Sonoma County (\$5.99) and an EXP Chardonnay, 2005 bottled by R. H. Phillips Vineyard in Esparto, CA (\$7.99).. Chardonnay is the most popular white wine in America. It is white with some aged varieties having a golden hue. Flavors range from oak to fruits like apple or pear.

Next came a Fox Hollow White Zinfandel, 2005 bottled by Fox Hollow Cellars, Sonoma CA (\$2.99). The skin is peeled from the red Zinfandel grapes before processing in order to make “White Zin”. It is a pale pink sweet wine with very fruity flavors.

This was followed by a Davis Bynum Rose, 2005 bottled by Davis Bynum Winery in Healdsburg, CA (\$3.99). Rose wines were

once made by adding a small amount of red wine to a white variety. Today they are made by removing the skins from the crushing of the red grapes, leaving a pink hue to the juice. Rose, blush and White Zin wines are essentially the same. They are usually light and fruity.

After the mid-meeting break we uncorked the red wines starting with a Fat Cat Merlot, 2004 bottled by Fat Cat Cellars, Napa CA (\$5.99). Merlot is a highly popular wine that is considered not as heavy as other red wines. It is made from the Merlot grape and often blended with some heavier grapes to add balance to a wine. It is softer, fruitier, and earlier-maturing than cabernet sauvignon, yet displays many of the same aromas and flavors – black cherry, currant, cedar, and green olive – along with mint, tobacco and tea-leaf tones.

The next sampling was of a Mountain View Zinfandel, 2002 bottled by Mountain View Vintners, Morgan Hill CA (\$2.99). Red Zinfandel is an “American Classic” wine. The color of a zinfandel wine is deep red, bordering on black. Zinfandel is a spicy, peppery wine, with a hint of fruity flavor - berries or dark cherries are often the taste range.

It is difficult to imagine a California wine night without a sample from Gallo. We tried their Cabernet Sauvignon, 2003 bottled by Gallo in Sonoma County CA (\$5.99). The wine is dark red with traditional flavors of green bell peppers, mint and eucalyptus.

The last serving of the night was a Chateau Teyssier Saint-Emilion Grand Cru, 2002 from the Bordeaux area in France (\$3.99). These wines are blends from several different varietals and have the distinctive flavors of the grapes and the geography of this region.

Our October meeting is Mystery Night with all bottle labels concealed until tasted and in November we feature Unusual Label night. Hope to see you there.

Walkie Talkie Hiking Club

The next hike will be on Tuesday, Nov. 11. We will meet outside the Lodge at 7:30 a.m. Our plan is to hike Horse Meadows near Barton Flats. It is a 4 1/2 mile hike and should be fun. Bring water and a snack. We will eat at a nearby restaurant when we are finished. There will be a back up plan in case it is windy or fire danger there. Bev McLaughlin 769-3344



Life Guide Bible Study Club

The Life Guide Bible Study Club led by Don Cummings will continue its 8-week series in November on some of the basic doctrines of our Christian faith using key passages of Scripture. We keep our studies practical as we deal with the issues of everyday life. We also have wonderful fellowship together as discuss the Bible and share our Christian experiences with each other. The Bible is an invaluable source to turn to for encouragement and strength. Come and join us. All are welcome.

The Life Guide Bible Study Club meets in the ballroom of the Lodge on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Each lesson is self-contained, so you will benefit from the discussion even if you have missed previous lessons. This study time will give you an opportunity to share your faith and gain encouragement and help from others in the group. For more information, call Don Cummings at 572-5329. -- Don Cummings



Clubs & Activities

Travel News

By Melody Seewoster

There has been a lot of interest in the two cruises we have planned for next year.

The first cruise is a 19-day Panama Canal cruise with Princess Cruises leaving on April 26 from Los Angeles and returning to Los Angeles. This is the last time Princess is offering this trip so now is the time to book if you are at all interested. The prices range from \$3,141.43 for an inside cabin, \$3,641.43 for an ocean view cabin to \$3,671.43 for a balcony. These prices include fuel charges and port taxes but not insurance. Deadline for reserving this cruise is Dec. 27, with full payment due Feb. 3, 2009. A full refund is available up to 75 days before the sail date. There is also a discount for Captain Cruise members, so when making reservations make sure you tell them you have cruised with Princess before. To make reservations Call Christine at 1 (909) 307-2524 and tell her group number of TTK.

The second cruise is a 14-day Hawaiian Cruise, also on Princess Cruise Lines, leaving on Sept. 27, 2009. On this trip you will also be leaving and returning to the Port of Los Angeles. Just think, no flying! Prices are as follows: Inside cabin range from \$1,794.60 to \$1,848.60, ocean view from \$2,226.60 to \$2,523.60 and a balcony cabin is \$2,604.60. You also need to add \$48.05 per person port tax to the above prices. A 20 per cent deposit is required when booking and must be paid within 72 hours of booking. To make reservations call 1(800)774-6237, the Group number is TWF, the Voyage number is 5933 and the group name is TWF/Direct Fit Group/4 Seasons Grp. You can also reference booking # CVMRVM. Final payment is due by July 13, 2009 which is also the last day to get 100 per cent of your deposit if you need to cancel. So far we have 12 people booked for this cruise, so if you want to join the fun you had better do it soon. Most of us have also booked the early dining, but of course that is up to you. See the flyers in the Lodge or Call Melody at (951) 769-2774 for more information.

Homeowners Travel Club Trip List

By Melody Seewoster

2008 Locations

Day Trips

New trips are shown in Bold type

November 2008

Nov. 9	Guys & Dolls at the Candlelight Theater w/Lunch	\$99 per person
Nov. 12	Sherman Library & Garden and Roger's Gardens Offered by Banning Cultural Alliance. Pick up bus at 60 E. Ramsey, Banning at 8:45 AM. Make reservations by calling (951) 922-4911	\$30 per person

December 2008

Dec. 7	"Glory of Christmas," Crystal Cathedral Musical	\$87 per person
Dec. 8	Mission Inn Festival of Light	\$40 per person
Dec. 17	Newport Christmas Boat parade with dinner	\$89 per person
Dec. 28	Palm Springs Follies	\$58 per person

To make reservations for the above day trips please call Palm Springs Tours & More at (760) 329-2204 or (760) 329-2205.

Extended Trips

April 26, 2009	19-day Panama Canal Cruise			
	Inside cabin	\$3,141.43	Outside cabin	\$3,641.43
			Balcony	\$3,671.43
Sept. 27, 2009	14-day Hawaiian Cruise	\$1,545 to \$1,595 inside cabin +fuel charge and taxes		
		\$1,945 to \$2,220 outside cabin +fuel charge and taxes		
		\$2,295 balcony +fuel charge and taxes		

For more information see flyers in the Lodge or call Melody at (951) 769-2774.

Coming Soon

Nov. 21	Disneyland
Dec. 5	Gustavo Dudamel conducts the L.A. Philharmonic
Feb. 14, 2009	Phantom of the Opera
Apr. 19	Mamma Mia
May 17	Madam Butterfly

For reservations please call (760) 325-5556. Reservations must be followed by check payment within 5 business days or space is automatically resold. Payment is non-refundable for day tour cancellations received up to 5 business days prior to departure. All tours require a minimum number of persons to operate. Make checks payable to: Gadabout Tours and mail to 1801 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way, suite 100, Palm Springs, CA 92262. Attention Reservations. Pick up point is at the sun Lakes Shopping Center at Carl's Jr. You will be notified of pick up times.

Four Season's Community Info



Fitness Corner

How To Lift Your Mood and Increase your Brain Function For Free

By Zelyne Rudolph

Have you experienced physical problems that stop you from doing your regular exercise routine? Exercise not only boosts fitness, but elevates mood. When people who regularly exercise are forced to be inactive, feelings of depression and fatigue follow often after just one week.

Researchers at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Maryland took a group of 40 men and women who regularly exercised at least three times a week for 30 minutes. Half of the group was told to stop exercising. After one week, the inactive people reported more physical symptoms such as fatigue, low energy, and sleep problems: by week two, the non-exercisers complained of more irritability and sadness compared to the other half. People who were the most fit had a greater loss in fitness when they stopped exercising and experienced the worst mood changes.

"The researchers speculate that exercise helps boost mood by shifting the nervous system away from stress activation. It's also known that sedentary people are more likely to be depressed, the researchers noted in the March-April 2006 issue of Psychosomatic Medicine."

In addition to the physicality, we need to learn something new to keep our brains stimulated to work efficiently. Most scientists agree that with both the body and the brain, you use it or lose it. They really don't know how to ensure brain health, but simple approaches may help. Mentally stimulating activities form new connections between brain cells and may even help you grow new ones. Numerous studies have shown that an active social lifestyle may protect older adults against dementia. Social interaction improves your brain function and promotes a better quality of life. If you are under too much stress, it can be harder to recall things quickly, like a name. Too much stress causes the body to release a harmful hormone called cortisol, which damages brain cells related to memory.

If you experience a physical problem that stops you from doing your regular routines, try a new routine. For instance, in the past few months, I experienced physical problems which caused me to eliminate my regular routines but I found alternatives. My right arm was hurt but I found that fast walking for a few miles and line dancing were perfect alternatives.

For line dancing, I didn't have to use my arms with a partner and the dancing routines got my heart rate up. If you are a man, you don't have to be concerned with leading your partner and if you are a woman, you don't have to be concerned about following.

Line dancing has a maximum of 6 patterns which repeat. Because each dance pivots or turns, it gives the impression of complexities it really doesn't have. It is simple enough for most of us to complete. Because you know a finished dance routine, your mental stimulation is increased. Line dancing has the social interaction because as we learn, we are, in turn, teaching someone else. Finally, line dancing is a great stress reliever because it is just plain fun.

Come join us Thursdays at 5 p.m. in the Lodge Ballroom. It is

free and there are very few things in life that can improve your mood and boost your brain power for that price.

Another MisNomer Month!

By Bobbie Eckel

The Romans did it to us again! And we know they did not use up all of the mythological gods', goddesses' and emperors names on the first eight months of the year!

November, from the Latin novem, meaning "nine", was the ninth month in the Roman calendar. However, when the Julius Caesar added January and February to the beginning of the year, November's name was not changed. The same held for September (seventh), October (eighth). That gives us with three anachronisms in the Julian -- later tweaked and called the Gregorian -- calendar, so far this year (Do you also feel December sneaking up on you?)

November is one of only four months in the Gregorian calendar that has 30 days. It is also the month-long observance of Pancreatic Cancer Awareness, National Novel Writing, Alzheimer's Disease Awareness and National Homeless Youth Awareness Month.

Special days of November include Election Day, the Marine Corps Birthday Veteran's Day, The Great American Smokeout, Thanksgiving, Black Friday, Cyber Monday and the international Buy Nothing Day. A brief explanation of the last three may be necessary.

Black Friday is the shopping day immediately following Thanksgiving Thursday, a day when retailers hope they will sell enough to insure they will use black ink, instead of red ink, to record their holiday sales. Their newspaper and TV advertisements are overpowering, and major stores vie with each other to see who can open the earliest to capture the eager shoppers.

Cyber Monday is for those shoppers who were unable to find what they wanted in the stores during the weekend following Thanksgiving. They surf Cyberspace on Monday looking for more bargains, free shipping and incentives to purchase on the Internet.

Buy Nothing Day was started in Vancouver in 1992 as protest against consumerism exemplified by Black Friday and Cyber Monday. At first advocates were unable to get their information about Buy Nothing Day in the media, but now more than 65 nations are now involved in the day-long attempt to counter our tendency toward over-consumerism, obviously in hopes of changing our ways.

The month of November can be a very dreary one, particularly in northern locations -- cold, limited sunshine, fog, rain or snow. Activities are primarily inside because of the gloomy weather. Thomas Hood (1799 - 1845), an English poet, wrote "No!" a poem enjoyed by schoolchildren in the United Kingdom because it describes some of the attributes of the month -- and plays on the use of the word "no" -- an abbreviation of November. Although the verbal pictures may not all pertain to Southern California, they are frequently occurring themes for the month.

No sun -- no moon!

No morn -- no noon!

No dawn -- no dusk -- no proper time of day --

No sky -- no earthly view --

No distance looking blue --

No road -- no street -- no "t'other side this way"--

No end to any Row --

No indications where the Crescents go --

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No top to any steeple --
No recognition of familiar people --
No courtesies for showing 'em --
No knowing 'em --
No traveling at all -- no locomotion --
No inkling of the way -- no notion --
"No go" by land or ocean --
No mail -- no post --
No news from any foreign coast --
No Park -- no Ring -- no afternoon gentility --
No company -- no nobility --
No warmth, no cheerfulness, no healthful ease,
No comfortable feel in any member --
No shade, no shine, no butterflies, no bees,
No fruits, no flowers, no leaves, no birds --
November!"

A Big *Meleagris* Dinner?

By Bobbie Eckel

Thursday, Nov. 27, will find many tables laden with *Meleagris*. The method of cooking may be roasting, grilling or deep fat frying. The enjoyment of the modern *Meleagris*, known to most of us as a "turkey", is universal.

Called a "turkey" because of initial confusion with a guinea fowl (called a turkey-cock) by early European explorers, this versatile food fowl has gradually evolved from wild turkeys to a world-wide, multi-million dollar industry of domesticated turkeys. In spite of the evolutionary changes, however, the name confusion remains. Indeed the scientific name *Meleagris* is Greek for guinea-fowl. Many historians also note that the original guinea-fowls came to Europe via the country of Turkey, -- a common trade route for many items at that time.

Did you know that Benjamin Franklin wanted to make the wild turkey, instead of the Bald Eagle, the national bird of the United States? Franklin was impressed by the stateliness of the animal's walk and its colorful plumage. He is said to have described the turkey as "a bird of courage". Fortunately, he was outvoted by his peers!

Early settlers to North America found wild turkeys in the woods. They were large for game birds; our forefathers quickly discovered that the meat and eggs were a major source of protein and the feathers useful for a variety of purposes. These wild turkeys were very different from the domesticated turkey that is raised for food purposes today.

Wild turkeys weigh less than their current domestic counterparts. In fact, wild turkeys are small enough to fly. Over a short distance, the wild turkey can attain a speed of 55 mph -- and can run at 20 mph. Wild turkeys even spend their nights in low branches of trees. They forage during the day on acorns, seeds, insects and small berries.

Like peacocks, the wild male turkey uses his fancy feathers to attract a mate. The male turkey is able to puff up his body and spread his tail feathers while strutting around making "gobble gobble" sounds. (Contrary to popular belief, only the male turkey, called a "tom," can gobble; the hens make a clicking noise.)

After the hen mates, she makes a nest under a bush in a wooded area and lays as many as 18 tan and speckled eggs. The chicks (called poults) hatch in about a month. Poults are unable to fly for

the first two weeks so the hen roosts on the ground with them during this time. They stay with their mother for a full year!

Distinctive features of the turkey are the wattle: the flap of skin under the turkey's chin; the snood: the flap of skin that hangs over the turkey's beak; and the caruncle: brightly colored growths on the throat region. (A group of turkeys is called a rafter, not a flock.)

The dark feathers of the wild turkey serve as camouflage in the woods. The bare skin on the head and throat, however, changes from a gray shade to a striking shade of red or even blue, during distress or courtship. This could markedly interfere with the camouflage!

Domestic turkeys, now raised for profit on large farms, are about twice as heavy as their wild kin. They are unable to fly. Although modern domesticated turkeys are descendants of the wild turkey, breeding over the years has created varieties more conducive to wide-spread marketing. The Broad-breasted White is the turkey of choice for large farms as well as the most consumed variety. Also fairly common is the Broad-breasted Bronze, Standard Bronze, and Bourbon Red. Rare varieties include Slate, Spanish Black, Narragansett Turkey, Chocolate, Beltsville Small White and Midget White. All of which leads to the truism: A turkey by any other name is still a turkey!

Even the waste products of the turkey industry are useful. Turkey feathers, approximately two to four billion pounds each year, are ground up and used as filler for animal feed. Experimentation is ongoing to determine textile applications for turkey feather fibers. Turkey droppings are used as a fuel source in electric power plants in the United States and England.

A Thanksgiving tradition in the United States is the Presidential "pardon" for a selected turkey. The pardoned fowl is then sent to a petting zoo or a Disneyland park.

If you are interested in cooking your *Meleagris* a different way this year, you will find a wide variety of recipes on the Internet. Also on the Internet are suggestions for decorating for the table, and crafts / ideas to keep the grandchildren occupied.

Happy Thanksgiving! Don't eat too much *Meleagris*!

PAPA Announces Holiday Production

You've seen "A Christmas Carol" and you've been to "The Nutcracker". This holiday season, experience something new and refreshing. The Pass Area Performing Artists present two heartwarming stories about the magic of Christmas. The holiday show will also feature special musical guests.

"The Gift" - Five women, in turn, come into possession of an ornately carved wooden box. How the box travels from owner to owner makes this a special holiday piece.

"Silent Night" - A 30-something, self-centered Yuppie encounters a little boy on Christmas Eve and, through the child's eyes, learns what is really important in life. This play is written and directed by Banning resident and PAPA member, Annette Tringham.

Dates and Times: December 4, 5, 6, and 11, 12, 13 at 7:30 p.m.
Matinee December 7 at 4 p.m.

Tickets are just \$8. Beginning Nov. 10, you may charge your advance tickets by calling the box office, (951) 965-0112, Monday through Saturday between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Seating is limited. The productions are held at the Banning Women's Club, 175 W. Hays Street, Downtown Banning. -- Bobbie Eckel

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Activities Director Corner

By Cindy Graves

We are going to blow out this year with more events and activities than you'll know what to do with, starting with the **Veteran's Day Celebration** on Tuesday, Nov. 11, from 11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. As many of you know from last year, we had such an amazing and interesting display of wartime memorabilia, pictures, biographies and stories. It was one of the most moving events we did all year and it made an indelible mark on my heart and mind.

Resident veterans who wouldn't mind contributing to the display this year are encouraged to sign up for display space at the Lodge desk. This is a special way to observe a most precious day for Americans. Come and honor our very own "Hometown Heroes." This is a free event and refreshments will be served.

Our next event will be the **Holiday Celebration Day** on Saturday, Dec. 6, in the Lodge. We will start the day with the Holiday Craft Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Crafters, if you're interested in selling any of your arts and crafts, be sure to sign-up for table space on the clipboard at the Lodge desk.

Following the Craft Fair will be the best smelling event of the day, the **Gingerbread House Competition**. Prizes will be awarded for the "Most Unique" and the "Best of Show". Better start working on those houses now. They tend to take quite a bit of time. It will be so fun admiring all the beautiful, yummy creations! Please sign-up on the interest list to reserve your place on the judging tables. The grand finale will be the tree lighting ceremony and the dessert buffet. What a great way to start the holidays and finish the night! Singing, lights and delicious potluck desserts will send you off in the right holiday spirit!

Good News! Nov. 10, the **New Year's Eve** tickets go on sale! Only \$50 each! This year's theme is "Moonlight Serenade". This will be a black and white attire (suggested) party. Jerome Robinson (from the Platters) will be the entertainment for the night and as anyone who has every seen him perform will tell you, he is fantastic. Dinners will include Tri-tip and chicken entrée choices. Get your tickets before they're sold out!

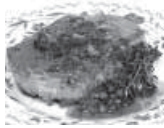
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Chef's Corner

Pork Loin Chops with Fig Sauce

By Randy Balt



In this dish, the spicy sweetness of chipotle pepper blends beautifully with figs to give a little kick to the pan gravy which is also flavored with onions, garlic, and thyme. However, you may omit the chipotle pepper if you wish. Prepare all your ingredients in advance. This goes together quickly.

Prep Time: 15 minutes

Cook Time: 20 minutes

Ingredients:

- 4 (about 8 ounces each) boneless pork top loin chops, 1-1/2 inches thick
- Kosher salt
- Fresh ground black pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon ground chipotle peppers, or to taste (see Notes)
- 1 Tablespoon olive oil
- 1 Tablespoon butter
- 1/2 cup minced onion
- 2 large cloves garlic, finely minced
- 1/2 cup red wine
- 1 cup chicken broth
- 1 teaspoon fresh thyme leaves
- 1 cup diced fresh figs

Preparation:

Place each pork loin chop between sheets of plastic wrap

and pound down to a 1-inch thickness. Season with **salt, pepper, and ground chipotle**.

Heat a large heavy skillet over medium-high heat. Add **olive oil** and swirl to coat the pan. Sear **pork loin** chops until golden brown on each side, turning only once. Remove to a platter and keep warm.

Reduce heat. Add **butter** and **onions**, sautéing for 2 minutes. Add **garlic** and sauté an additional 1 minute. Carefully pour in **red wine** and stir to deglaze the pan, scraping up browned bits. Cook 1 minute, then add **chicken broth, thyme, and figs**. Cook over medium heat about 10 minutes, stirring often and mashing the **figs** until the sauce is thickened.

Return pork loin **chops** to the pan, along with any juices that have accumulated on the platter, and coat both sides with sauce. Simmer covered for 2 minutes on each side.

Serve pork loin chops with the fig sauce.

Yield: 4 servings

Notes: Ground chipotle pepper is available in the spice aisle of most major grocery stores.

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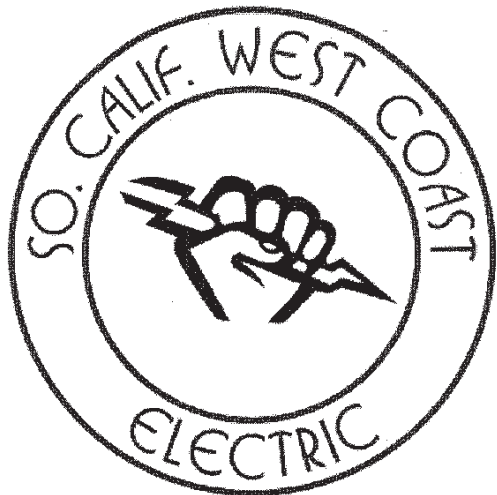
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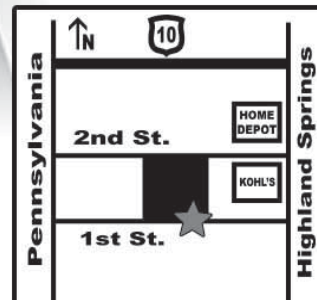
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