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THE LODGE AT BEAUMONT

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Luau at the Lodge

By Melody Seewoster

What a grand time everyone had at the Luau. The decoration, the food, the Hawaiian dancers and the band were all outstanding. A special thanks to Bev and Willis Fagan for their wonderful ideas on the decorations. Bev made all the paper flowers and Willis came up with the wall murals.

This evening could not have taken place without our wonderful Social Committee members: Verlette Brummell, Martha Franck, Mary Primack, Anita Worthen, Bev Fagan and Johnetta Driscoll. Thank you all.

Daniel Ryan and his wife did a great job with the photos and the ones I have seen are great. I hope everyone has had a chance to go online to see them. Daniel also donated a \$250 portrait to be taken of the winner, and his sister, who lives in Hawaii, sent along a wonderful gift basket of Hawaiian products. Daniel's parents live here at Four Seasons. They are Linda and William Cairncross, so tell them hello when you see them at the Lodge.

As with any event there are always a few bends in the road, so I would like to take a minute to clarify some questions and comments.

First you always get dinner with the price of your tickets. For those of you who didn't know that, I'm sorry for the misunderstanding.

Also when we have a buffet it is not "all you can eat". Everyone gets to go through the line only once. Since some were confused about that and went through the line more than once, it meant some people didn't get what they paid for. We, as a committee are working on a plan so this doesn't happen again.

Another thing is some people didn't get to buy tickets and so couldn't attend. We have to give the total number of guests to the caterer one week before the event so they can place their food orders with their distributors. That means you must buy your tickets before the deadline. I know sometimes things come up we don't expect, but this is out of our hands. We do have a waiting list for all events so if you have bought a ticket and can't use it, let the office know and they may be able to re-sell it. However, if there is no one on the waiting list we won't be able to help you out.

Please see page 9



The Hawaiian Dancers



Del Lyles & Hula Girl Ryan



Lee Harris, Melody Seewoster, Mary Loquet, Cheryl Staples & Wayne Staples

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September 16 th	Wednesday	Starting @ 5pm
September 23 rd	Wednesday	Starting @ 5pm

October:

October 4 th	Sunday	Starting @ 1pm
October 14 th	Wednesday	Starting @ 5pm
October 21 st	Wednesday	Starting @ 5pm

November:

November 4 th	Wednesday	Starting @ 5pm
November 15 th	Sunday	Starting @ 1pm
November 18 th	Wednesday	Starting @ 5pm



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***First meeting will be held Tuesday September
22nd @ 6:30 pm.**

Contact Willis Fagan to discover more information
on the club.

Southern California Edison Town Hall Meeting Thursday, September 10th, 2009 6:00pm Lodge Ballroom

**Representatives from SCE will be giving
a presentation regarding the El Casco Project.**

El Casco Project

Customer demand for electricity in the northwest Riverside County area will soon exceed the capacity of SCE's local and regional electric system. To address this growing demand and improve the reliability of the electric system, SCE is constructing the El Casco System Project, which consists of a new substation and the upgrade of an existing electric line.

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September is a bridge month that joins summer into fall. It is still hot but starting to cool off. The three wines that will be featured this month Pinot Gris, White Zinfandel & Red Zinfandel, work well with both summer dishes, and those that might be a little heavier.

Our next meeting is:

*Thursday, September 17th,
at 6:00pm. We meet in the ballroom.*

*Bring a glass & a dish.
We love to share, meet new friends,
learn and most of all have fun.*

*For more information contact :
Anita Worthen @ (951) 769-9858*

"Sunday at the Amphitheater"

Sunday, September 20th, 2009

ONLY ONE SHOW TIME: 6:30 PM-8:00 PM

NO TICKETS REQUIRED

IT IS FIRST COME, FIRST SEATED.

Bring a back rest or stadium seat for ledge seating.

Come enjoy a wonderful summer evening of free entertainment!

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A lounge chair is nice to have.

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Tennis Garage Sale

September 12th, 2009
12:30pm, In Game Room

Tennis will be available to put on grips

•Used Tennis Equipment & paraphernalia-visors, hats, grips, etc.



US OPEN
A USTA EVENT

**Tennis Club is sponsoring a
U.S. Open Play Day
September 12th, 2009**

Schedule goes as follows:

- 8:30am-9:30am Tennis Clinic**
- 9:30am-11:00am Open Play**
- 11:00am Lunch & Social**

***Lunch Special by Smitty's**

For more information contact Howard Lyon



We are having a
"Hallowe'en Spook-tacular Party"

You will not want to miss...
Wear your favorite costume even if it doesn't fit!

Saturday October 31st, 2009
5pm-8:30pm
Lodge Ballroom

There will be Music, a heavy hors d'oeuvres buffet, a costume contest & some witches brew. . . Now all we need is you.. .

Ticket price: \$16.00 per person

Tickets go on Sale September 15th!

Purchase your tickets at the Lodge front desk. There will be no admittance without a ticket. Deadline for all ticket sales is Friday 10/24/2009. BYOB.
No one under the age of 21 will be allowed.

Gather your ghouls, goblins, ghosts & friends to join you at your table, Remember no more than 8 at a table at this event.



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- 3. Glazed Salmon**
with choice of garlic mashed potatoes or sweet potato fries & green beans. . . **\$9.00**
- 4. Oriental Crispy Chicken Salad**
with sweet & sour dressing!! GOOD!!!!. . **\$8.00**
- 5. New York Steak**
with jumbo shrimp, dinner salad & garlic toast. . . **\$10.00**
- 6. Crispy Chicken Cobb Salad \$8.00**

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Tuesday-Friday	8 am-7pm
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Sunday	8 am-4 pm

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



PRO-FIT SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 2009

Monday	Conditioning	8:30 am	Aerobics Room
Monday	H2O Fitness	9:00 am	Pool
Tuesday	Step & Burn	8:30 am	Aerobics Room
Tuesday	Zumba Gold	5:45pm	Aerobics Room
Wednesday	Conditioning	8:30am	Aerobics Room
Wednesday	H2O Fitness	9:00 am	Pool
Friday	Conditioning	8:30 am	Aerobics Room
Friday	H2O Fitness	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
\$5.00 – Class



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. Offered during the months of Apr. – Nov.

Zumba Gold: This fun, easy, safe and effective workout is done to the rhythms of the cha - cha, mambo, meringue, salsa and more. It's great for the body and soul!

Step & Burn Combination of cardio and conditioning utilizing the step and segments of light weight conditioning

**For more information contact Program Coordinator,
Carmen Lopez @ (951) 892-5141.**

Manager's Update

By Lisa Lynn, General Manager

At the Open Session Board meeting held on Thursday, August 13, Kevin Metcalfe, Jade Katsuda and Brent Maxwell announced their resignation from the Board and nominated new K. Hovnanian members, Steve Chaparro, Chris Courtney and Jake Rodriguez, who were then appointed by the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors approved several committee recommendations; including a request from the ARC to have a representative from the Association of Synthetic Grass Installers present information regarding artificial grass standards, a request from the Bistro Committee to send out a survey to the members of the community regarding a beer and wine license for the Bistro operator, a proposal from the Safety and Facilities Committee to move the transponder reader and directory box at the gates to a more convenient and usable location, and the budgets from the Social Committee for the Halloween and New Years Eve events.

The Board also approved bids and proposals to purchase (from the reserve fund) replacement pool heaters and a recumbent bike for the fitness center, an update to the reserve study, the annual inspection report, replacement of the theater projector bulb, other repairs for the fitness center equipment, and the cost to move the transponder reader at the gates. In addition, the Board approved the charter for the Events System Committee which will oversee the set up of audio/visual equipment for events. The Board accepted a donation of audio/visual components from a private party and the Performing Arts Club.

Overall, 50 new action items were requested of Management by the Board of Directors. Management updated the Board regarding the scheduled Southern California Edison presentation regarding the El Casco project which will be held on Thursday, September 10, at 6 p.m. in the Ballroom. All residents are invited to attend.

The Board approved the July 2009 meeting minutes and the June 2009 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, September 10.

WHY DO SOME THINGS TAKE SO LONG???

As with many things in life, there is a process or procedure that must be followed to implement certain items or ideas. For instance, the Association is governed by a set of documents that all members agree to abide by as part of their membership in the Association, and as such there are civil code procedures that must be adhered to for the enforcement, adoption and processes the Board of Directors put into practice.

As their fiduciary responsibility the Board of Directors review, discuss and research many matters on the Association's behalf. Some of these issues require legal counsel or recommendations from professional sources. In some cases, the Board will request member input and/or recommendations from committees. Additionally, the Board may request management to obtain bids, research an issue or contact vendors for more information.

Since the Board of Directors deal with many issues, sometimes these issues must be prioritized into items of most importance taking precedence over those with little impact or relevance to the Association. The Board of Directors meets monthly to resolve the business matters of the Association; however, many factors determine the outcome for a resolution. Although Management carries out the directives of the Board, if an issue arises in between board meetings,

there can be delays for approval or resolution. It is the intent of the Board of Directors to expedite the process as expediently as possible. Your consideration and patience during this process is appreciated.

Bistro Committee

In October we will be sending out a survey via our web page and the Sentinel newsletter for your vote on whether we continue to try to obtain a beer and wine license. Your vote is very important so please let your voice be heard! -- Sandy Dwyer

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee Meeting was held as scheduled on July 21, 2009 and the Committee reviewed the financial statements for June.

Net income for the month was \$17,957 and Total Reserves increased to \$1,241,245. The Front Yard expenses for June were under the revised monthly budget by \$3,540. The Accounts Receivable (delinquencies) went up slightly to \$80,664. Our total HOA expenses (year to date) were \$16,339 under our revised budget through June.

The Finance Committee recommended that the Board of Directors reinvest money from a \$40,000 CD expiring on Sept. 2; specifically the Committee recommended that up to \$10,000 be added to it (from our Money Market Reserves). The Committee also recommended that the \$90,000 CD maturing on Sept. 10 be reinvested through Comerica (not with Merrill Lynch) after adding \$10,000 to it from our Money Market Reserves. The additional amounts should gain the best available rates for 9 month CDs. The June Financial Reports were then recommended for approval by the Board of Directors.

The Finance Committee reviewed the results of the 4th of July event (\$3.47 was returned to the General Fund), the Father's Day Event (\$90.89 was returned to the General Fund) and the St. Cakes Mystery Dinner (\$217.99 was returned to the General Fund).

Proposals for the following items were then reviewed: 1) Repair of Fitness Equipment, 2) Annual Inspection of the Common Areas, 3) Reserve Study Update, and 4) Pool/Spa Maintenance. The Committee selected a recommended vendor for each task (with a significant warranty adjustment in one case) and requested that Euclid Management take those forward for Board approval.

Three Finance Committee applicants were interviewed, two were selected and will serve on the Committee for a trial period of three months.

Guest homeowners are always welcome to attend our Finance Committee Meetings which take place on the third Tuesday of each month at 1 p.m.

-- Bob Melville, Chairperson

Safety and Facilities Committee

At the last meeting, the Committee discussed the lighting at the corner of Green Creek Trail and Four Seasons Circle with Jim Love, owner of Beaumont Electric who installed the lighting within the community for the Builder. He reviewed the lighting for this area and recommends we increase the wattage. Since the lighting and hardscape still belongs to the Builder, we will follow up with KHov's representatives.

We are also in the process of reviewing the solar heating for the pool and will have further recommendations for the Board very soon.

We recommend that all residents store their personal entry code for the gates in you cell phone speed dial for easy access.

We thank Beverly McLaughlin and Rob Mackay for their past service on the Safety Committee.

The next meeting is on the third Tuesday at 9:00am in the Lodge conference room. All are welcome. -- Richard Urie

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Last thing for now: If you are not coming with a group of eight you may find some people you don't know at your table. This is unavoidable since we only have so much room, so many tables and a limited budget to work with. To reserve a table you need the names and payment for all eight. Remember for the more formal, served dinners, there will only be eight people per table.

Our next event is the Halloween party on Oct. 31, so start making your plans now and buy your tickets early as I am sure this will be another sell-out event. Costumes are optional, but we hope most of you will join the fun and wear one. -- Melody Seewoster

Rules and Regulations Committee

The Rules and Regs committee held its monthly meeting on Thursday, July 16. Long-time member Vivian Samuel resigned. The Committee needs two new members; there was discussion about qualifications the Committee would be looking for in new members.

The Architectural Review Committee completed its first draft of its guidelines rewrite. Rules and Regs received the rewrite and made several suggestions. On July 21 and 23 meetings were held with the ARC chair Willis Fagan who also met with the Landscape Committee concerning items of common interest. A lot of information was exchanged. The Rules and Regulations committee will wait for a second draft.

There was discussion about changes to Form 2019, Facility Rental Guidelines. We received a cost analysis from Euclid Management for actual time/cost for setup/take down/cleaning. A cost matrix was set up using the Euclid numbers for the Ballroom user fee.

We went over fees for the Conference Room and Craft Room and it was suggested to make the Card Room available for use. The Committee decided to change the wording from "rental" to "facility user fee." Louise Lyon met with Bob Melville, Chairperson of the Finance Committee, to discuss possible changes to Form 2019 and what some of the financial ramifications would be. Once the changes are completed the Rules and Regulations Committee will meet with the Finance Committee before submitting them to the Board of Directors.

Parking decals will be ready for distribution by mid-July and can be picked up at the front desk. Also available at the front desk are guidelines for renters.

Committee member Len Tavernetti noticed that the signs in the pool area contain incorrect information. Len will follow up on the pool signs and has met with a liaison in the Safety committee. More to follow on new pool signs.

The Rules and Regulations Committee meetings are held on the third Thursday of every month at 9 a.m. in the Lodge Conference Room. Guests are welcome. -- Louise Lyon, Chairperson

Landscape Committee

The Landscape Committee held its regularly scheduled meeting on July 20.

Ed Whalen was introduced as a new member of the Landscape Committee who begins his 90-day introductory period. The Landscape Committee now has the full complement of seven members allowed by its charter.

Two residents brought landscape maintenance issues to the Committee. One resident on Quiet Creek voiced a concern related to the frequency and quality of trimming shrubs and groundcover at

his residence, and another resident mentioned a concern related to irrigation of plants at the entrance to the Laurel Paseo area. Both issues were addressed by O'Connell Landscaping shortly thereafter. A third resident mentioned a concern which was a builder issue; it was forwarded to the builder and corrected within a week.

O'Connell reported at the meeting that 26 additional workers were brought out to Four Seasons in June and July to address shrub trimming needs, weeding, and tree pruning requirements. The O'Connell representative at the meeting mentioned the ongoing problems with repairing irrigation line leaks caused by high water pressure in our systems. O'Connell will study our system toward a goal of making corrective measures to the water pressure problems.

Brad Alms Landscaping, whose contract addresses much of the area in and around the Lodge, mentioned that he applied brown spot fungicide to the turf areas that fall within his scope of work. He also mentioned that the ducks loitering around the pond in front of the Lodge are continuing to create dirty pond water and unwanted residue on the bottom of the pond. The resultant increase in pond cleaning activities mean extra unnecessary costs for the HOA. Residents are encouraged to not feed the ducks and instead, to allow the ducks to mature and naturally migrate to other geographical areas away from our community.

The Landscape Committee, in a separate meeting, met to review the Architectural Review Committee's copy of the draft Guidelines and Standards, and forwarded the subsequent review comments back to the ARC.

The Landscape Committee is planning on hosting a special 'trail walk' on a Saturday morning in the latter part of September lead by a special expert on trails that will explain many of the unique features of our trails, including plant life, that make our trails so interesting. There will be more information to follow on this topic.

The next meeting of the Landscape Committee will be Monday, September 21, at 9 am at the Lodge. -- Fred Weck, Chairman

Architectural Review Committee

What do "Common Property," "Common Area" and "Association Property" mean? These are all descriptions of the same thing:

Any and all areas or facilities that are NOT directly owned by homeowners and that are available for use by all homeowners, such as streets and their adjacent sidewalks and landscaping, alleys, walking paths and their adjacent landscaping, greenbelts, gardens and lawns, the Lodge and all its facilities, the pool and its surrounding areas, sports courts, patios, the amphitheater, water features, and parking lots.

The Architectural Guidelines are more restrictive and definitive for yards visible from any of these commons areas. In most cases, only a front yard is visible. But two yards might be visible if a house is on a corner lot, or on a lot fronting a street and an alley, or fronting a street and a green belt or pathway. Three yards might be visible when a house fronts on two streets or alleys and a green belt or pathway.

Sometimes side and/or rear yards are surrounded by a solid, full height wall, which makes them not visible from a common area.

In any case, when visible from any common area, homeowners are required to maintain their yards in a neat, clean and aesthetically pleasing manner. This includes keeping living plants alive, removing weeds, pruning trees or other large vegetation, and not using the yard as an outdoor storage area.

HOA News

If you have any question about what yards should look like, just go for a walk around some of our beautiful common areas and take note of what you see. You may maintain your yard without ARC review, but before you start any new work you should obtain ARC approval.

The ARC meets at 10 a.m. on Wednesdays, except on Board meeting weeks when it meets at 10 a.m. on Thursday. Submittals for ARC review must be received at the Lodge desk no later than noon on any Monday to be considered during that same week. -- Willis Fagan, ARC Chairman

Event Systems Committee

By Roland Harrah

Newton's first law, The Law of Inertia, roughly translated is; Objects in motion tend to stay in motion, Objects at rest tend to stay at rest.

This certainly applies to the new Event Systems Committee, which is not at rest!

The rapid fire committee events to introduce the new Portable Sound System were:

August 18	Sneak peak (for Club and Committee Chairpersons).
August 21	Resident's Unveiling, Demonstration and Dedication
August 23	Sunday in the Amphitheater, first actual use
August 29	Karaoke Night using the new system!

We have been given a vote of confidence to proceed with our plan and your committee has been very busy preparing the introduction of the equipment that is the first phase of a multiple phase project to improve this community's ability to hear, see and understand during meetings, shows, skits, plays and performances of all types.

We have a very nice ballroom, but we will make it a functional and effective venue, with your help and contribution. We own this facility, we deserve the right to make it better than it is and the best that it can be. We will make you proud of your facility and every event will be stunning. The next phases are for the Ballroom.

Phase two will be to provide new speakers and a sound control board to improve the audio ambiance of the Ballroom.

Phase three will bring theatrical lighting; some permanently built in place and a follow spotlight to track the performers as they move around. (Some portable lighting will be added to the portable Audio/Video equipment of the first phase for mobile applications).

The **fourth phase** will be to purchase our own portable stage (platform is the proper term). Did you know that each time we have had a stage, we have had to rent it? Each time we rent, we don't know what we will get until it arrives. This money can be put toward the purchase, not rental.

Events and rehearsals have had to circle around and wait until the stage arrives so it can be decorated and outfitted with lights and cables to make it usable. We need to have our own that we can control, move around, break into sections for use at multiple places for multiple events. This will pay for itself in just a few uses.

How can YOU help?

Persons who would like to contribute to the planned improved system are urged to write a check to the Four Seasons HOA and note on the check it is for the "audio visual fund" 100% of your donation will go to the project.

Neighborly Notes

By Bobbie Eckel

Special alert for walkers: A resident has notified Euclid Management that a bobcat was spotted near the Lodge in the early morning hours. Many homeowners avoid the heat by exercising themselves and their pets at dawn or late in the evening. If you walk your dogs early in the morning or at night, please be alert.

Time again to sign up for softball! The Valley-wide Senior Softball League is looking for new members; interested players must be 55 or better and be ready to have some fun on the field. All levels of play are included. Winter and summer seasons are scheduled; the cost is only \$30 -- and you play at least 40 games each season. Game days are Tuesdays and Thursdays; practice days are Wednesdays and Fridays from 7:30 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. Modified ASA rules are utilized. The League plays at Valley Wide Recreation Center in San Jacinto. Please call (951) 927-4509 to sign up or obtain additional information.

The Beaumont Home Depot is offering free Sprinkler System Clinics on Saturdays at 2 p.m. They will be addressing repairing sprinkler heads, valves and wiring, retrofitting your system for trouble spots, water conservation techniques, and designing and installing drip irrigation systems. Interested residents are asked to pre-register with the Home Depot Customer Service Desk, (951) 769-0301, to reserve placement in a clinic.

A concerned resident anxious, like all of us, to reduce costs and live in a more environmentally conscious manner, has suggested you not use the automatic doors for physically-challenged residents unless you have to. The special doors stay open longer than the regular doors and allow the escape of air-conditioned or heated air and increase the chance of flying insects entering the Lodge.

Another suggestion for residents with pets: Do not throw the "old" drinking water down the drain when you freshen it for your pet. Save the water in a pail or watering can in the extra bathroom; it can be used for watering your interior or exterior plants.

A special Breast Cancer Awareness event is being presented at the Banning Community Center from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, September 27. Chef Jovanna Cruz and Chef KK, both from the Palm Springs area, will demonstrate healthy cooking (with tasting of all foods prepared) plus an amazing presentation of Jonna's Body, Please Hold, a witty, delightful play. Tickets are \$18 each; credit cards are accepted for advance sales. To inquire about available seating, please call the Banning Cultural Alliance at (951) 922-4911.



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K. Hovnanian's Four Seasons At Beaumont Committees

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John Papazian, ARC Consultant
Wayne Staples, Board Liaison

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Event Systems Committee

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Jeffery Davidson Teri DiMarino-Davidson

Colin Taylor Willis Fagan
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Finance Committee

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The Board of Directors for the K. Hovnanian's Four Seasons at Beaumont Community Association met on Thursday, August 13, 2009 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 September 10, 2009 At 1 p.m. in the Lodge Ballroom.

Executive Session – 8 a.m.

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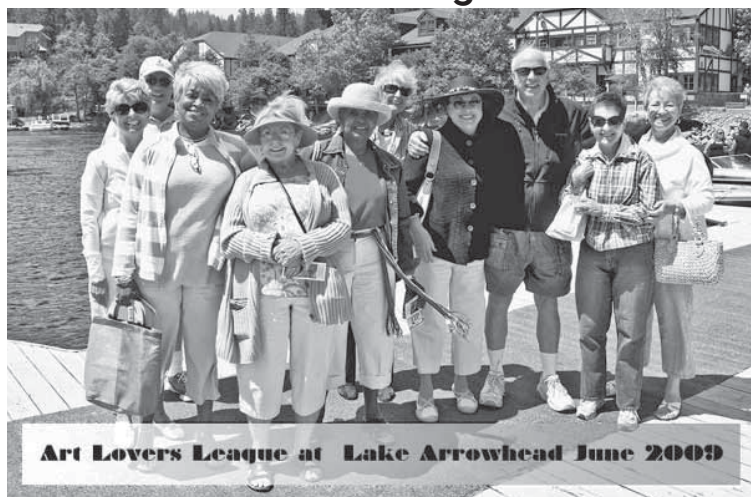
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Art Lovers League



The Art Lovers League went to the Palm Springs Art Museum in July where members enjoyed a tour of the art glass collection. Our docent was a local glass artist. We were quite impressed and want to return in September when a different and larger exhibit will be displayed.

For the fall and winter we have lots of ideas including the Kimberly Crest Mansion, Rancho Mirage Art Affaire, our annual holiday lights trip to the Mission Inn, Sawdust Winter Fantasy, Indian Wells Arts Festival, Disney Concert Hall, and lots of others. At our Sept. 2 meeting, we will be deciding on definite dates and destinations.

If you are interested, please join us on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Lodge Library. Any questions, call Abby at 849-6987. -- Abby Cameron

Book Club

By Eileen Gilbert

Although paired at random and written by different authors, Four Seasons Book Club July book selections were startlingly similar in both location and theme.

Out Stealing Horses by Per Petterson, a *New York Times* Ten Best selection, was set in eastern Norway. The story begins with an ending, when 67-year-old Trond settles into a rustic cabin in an isolated area to live the rest of his life in quiet deliberation. A meeting with his only neighbor, however, forces him to reflect on the fateful summer of his 15th year he spent with his father, also in a remote cabin. What began as a joy ride when Trond and his friend Jon went “out stealing horses,” ended in tragedy that affected both of them the rest of their lives. The thematic story lines are friendships and familial relationships and the individual processing of a traumatic experience. The Book Club discussion brought out the fact that “out stealing horses” was also a code for the resistance movement at the time. Since Trond’s father was active in the resistance, it explained why he left his family to live in a remote cabin, and also after the death of his wife, why Trond chose to live remotely as well.

Our second read, *Astrid and Veronika*, by Linda Olsson, begins as Veronika (pronounced Ver-o-nee-ka) rents a house in

mid-winter on the remote outskirts of a Swedish village to come to terms with a recent tragedy and to write a novel. Her arrival is silently observed by Astrid, an older, reclusive neighbor. The story evolves into a loving friendship between the 30-something Veronika and the late-seventies Astrid, as they both reveal to one another their loves and losses, and as a result form a sweet bond of friendship. Linda Ramsey, our discussion leader, asked pertinent and thoughtful questions to elicit an excellent discussion, yet it was unanimously agreed that the story line left the reader with a sense of vague, unanswered situations. The consensus, however, was that age doesn’t matter when forming a friendship, and that often friends come into our lives to either help us heal, help them heal, or both.

We also discussed the restructure of the Book Club. Beginning in January, each member will now select a book for the club to read (we read two per month) and also lead the discussion the month their chosen book is read during the year. In addition, each Book Club member is asked to bring two questions to the meeting and the discussion leader is only required to read each question, which hopefully will result in a less structured and more informal, comfortable discussion. Jeannine Lutz graciously volunteered to serve as Secretary to the Book Club, and has already begun formulating the 2010 reading matrix from the books members have already chosen.

Our August books, *The Road* by Cormac McCarthy and *Lottery* by Patricia Wood are thematically different, as well as opposite in location and time periods. If you are interested in reading a profoundly moving book about a father and son who walk “the road” through ravaged and burned futuristic America, an unflinching meditation on the worst and best that we are capable of (ultimate destruction yet desperate tenacity and tenderness), *The Road* is excellently written and promises to elicit an interesting discussion. *Lottery*, however, is a sweet story about a boy who is a “bit slow,” whose eccentric yet loving Gram taught him two things: how to be a good person, and how to win the lottery ~ he wins \$12 million. If you love to read, and want to stretch your reading genre, come join us at Book Club. We meet the last Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. in the Ballroom, or the next day, Wednesday, at 7 p.m. in the Library for those of you who are unable to attend in the morning. Please consider joining a fun group of men and women with one common interest: love of the written word. Contact Eileen Gilbert at 922-6829 if you have questions or comments.

Bunco Group

Our Bunco group is growing and we are welcoming many new homeowners. Come join us on the second and fourth Fridays of the month for a laugh-filled, fun time.

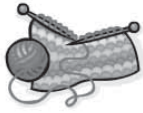
Bunco takes no experience or prior knowledge. Just show up and throw the dice while you form new friendships and renew old ones. We start at 1 p.m. in the Card Room at the Lodge and are finished around 3 p.m., just in time to head out to dinner. Everyone is welcome. Call Martha Franck (951) 769-3889 for more information. -- Martha Franck



Clubs & Activities

Knitting and Crocheting Group

We took another lunch trip in July to the Bread Bowl Bistro in Hemet. It is a relatively new restaurant and all items are served in bread bowls. It was a lot of fun and the food was very good. A good time was had by all.



We have about completed enough baby blankets and afghans for the holidays. Now everyone is working mostly on individual and personal items. I am working on a granny square shawl with my leftover yarns, and a couple of winter scarves. Others are on sweaters and afghans.

The Knitting and Crocheting Group meets every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. in the Craft Room of the Lodge. Come join us!
-- Dorothy Payne

Performing Arts

By Zelyne Rudolph

The Performing Arts Club (PAC) is looking for ideas to improve its service to Four Seasons Beaumont.

We need to discuss different ways that Performing Arts Club will continue.

We need people to look for talent and make decisions on these talents. Perhaps, we need separate people for separate types of talent; drama, skits, singing, musical instruments/orchestra.

We need people who are interested in seeing that Performing Arts Club will prosper. When we prosper, everyone prospers.

Up to now the PAC has had several goals:

- Work in partnership with the Bistro Committee to stabilize Smitty's which, in turn, stabilizes our community.
- Be a part of the community to help renovate the Ballroom.
- Help the magicians in their Magic Night at the Bistro.
- Determine if Karaoke could be successful? The answer is yes.
- Put on successful variety shows

There are a lot of different events we can put on and the organization needs to grow and how does it grow? How do we do that? By increasing the number of people who provide input. We need more members.

Line Dancing

By Zelyne Rudolph

I am happy to report that we have additional teachers and that line dancing is flourishing. These additional teachers are also bringing more dances to learn. Thank you, Martha Franck, Eileen Gilbert and Peter Antoine. Without you, we can't grow. All beginners come to 4 pm classes each Thursday.

When you learn a dance, it is time for you to come at 5 p.m. because that is the most fun. At the 5 p.m. class, we experiment with different music and tempos and get a real sweat going. See you on Thursdays.



Racquet Club

The hot weather has arrived and many of our residents are out on the courts enjoying the



heat. We finally have our new umbrellas, and there is a bit of shade to offer. Everyone should think about bringing along their swim suits to the tennis workout and popping into the pool after playing. That would be cool and refreshing.

As you may have heard, I am no longer a 'full-time' resident in the community. But, I am making every effort to continue to offer programs to all who are interested and accommodate private lessons when requested. The schedule will continue as follows: non-beginner's drill on Tuesday evenings at 6 p.m., Beginners group on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. and I am available for private lessons on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons and some Friday mornings.

We are all looking forward to the US Open party on Saturday, Sept. 12. We will have a clinic at 8:30 a.m. followed by open play and a lunch catered by Smitty's.

We are anxious to see how our first "Tennis Garage Sale" turns out. Anyone in the community with tennis equipment of any kind is welcome to bring it to the gathering. After our lunch, we will set out all of the equipment and offer it for sale to anyone interested. We think this is a great opportunity for all of the grandparents to pick up a good racket or wrist bands or balls, etc. for gifts for the kids or for themselves! I will personally have around 6 to 12 rackets for everyone to choose from. I will also be available to re-grip or apply overgrip to any rackets that might need these things.

If you intend to bring items, be sure to have them labeled with a price tag and name and phone number of the seller. This could be a great opportunity for collecting antiques also !!

Club members, start thinking about anyone you may want to elect to the tennis board of directors for a two-year term.

Look forward to seeing everyone out on the courts!! -- Cheryl Smith, USPTA Developmental Coach (949) -929-5443

Seasoned Solos

Our trip to San Clemente was enjoyed by all.

We had an unexpected experience on our train ride there. We were mooned as we passed the Laguna Nigel station. Imagine our surprise – It seems there was some sort of protest going on.

We walked up the hill, enjoyed lunch at a Mexican restaurant, and did a little shopping afterwards. Some of the ladies went back right after lunch and strolled on the pier. It was a beautiful day, not too hot, for this event.

We went to the "Uptown Girls Hot Flash Bash" in Redlands on, July 17, to enjoy a limo ride, free champagne and goodies at some of the local boutiques. This was an event planned by the Redlands merchants and was free to all. It was truly a fun experience.

August 19 we enjoyed a spa day at Glen Ivy Spa in Corona. We had a great time and left feeling positively relaxed and wonderful.

On August 24 we took a trip to Lake Arrowhead for lunch, a boat tour of the lake and some shopping at the outlet mall.

We are planning a trip to Catalina Island Sept. 13. We will carpool to the Metrolink station and board the train to San Juan Capistrano, take a bus to Dana Point Harbor, and then the boat

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6 1 p.m. Bingo 	7 Labor Day Reduced hours 9a.m. - 6 p.m	8 8:30a.m. Aerobics 10 a.m.: -Knit/ Crochet Club -Poker 10:30 a.m. Asian Club 2 p.m. Event Systems Committee 5:45 Zumba Gold 6 .p.m. Tennis Drills: non-beginner - Hearts -Rv'ers 7 p.m. 8-Ball Club
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to Catalina where we will take a bus tour of the island and enjoy lunch.

On Sept. 24 we will enjoy a scenic train ride to Santa Barbara. Again, we will take the Metrolink to Union Station where we will connect with Amtrak for the trip to Santa Barbara.

For additional information, or to join us on our adventures, please call Mary Castle at (951) 769-5444. -- Toby Davis

Seasoned Sassies

The Seasoned Sassies (our Red Hat Society chapter) enjoyed a lovely day in Palm Springs with a ride on the Palm Springs Tram and lunch at the top on August 12.

Our next event is lunch and some good conversation at the Lodge on Sept. 9.

For more information about this fun group call Melody at (951) 769-2774. -- Melody Seewoster

Shall We Dance Club

As promised, the definition of "Dance Dummy": A person or persons who, while the instructor is teaching the class, help the ones who are having a difficult time learning the steps. The Dummies guide and stay with them, so this enables the remaining class to advance. This also is a great help to the instructor.

Our Dance Dummies, who are a huge part of our dance family (and we love them dearly), are Jim and Carol Oedeker. They, in no time at all, have the dancers who are having difficulty caught up with everyone. Where would we be without Jim and Carol?

Carol is a purchasing manager for the Redlands School District and the mother of two sons, and helps run the family Alpaca ranch in Oak Glen.

The alpaca are bred and sold. The females are pregnant for twelve months. The average baby weighs 15 to 20 pounds and is about two feet tall at birth.

If you are interested in stopping by their ranch or shop, you can call (909) 790-0774.

For information about the Dance Club, contact JoAnne (951) 849-8877. -- JoAnne Haberman

Taste D'Vine Wine Club

The September meeting will be held Thursday, Sept. 17, at 6 p.m. in the Ballroom

The featured wines are Pinot Gris, White Zinfandel and Red Zinfandel

September is a bridge month that joins summer into fall. It is still hot but starting to cool off -- just a bit. We are still cooking light, grilling -- however, now we starting to think about fall dishes to go with football, tailgating and indoor activities.

The three wines we will feature this month will work well with both summer dishes and those that are a little heavier or just sipping and talking.

Pinot Gris, a white wine, is light and refreshing, a good drink with salads and lighter foods.

Next is California's triumph "The Zinfandels ". The White Zinfandel is sweeter, fruity and a good sipper. A perfect drink to pair with about anything The Red Zinfandel can be light and fruity to heavy, bold, intense and hearty and robust. They are great for barbeque, grilling, Brats, tailgating in your RV or just sipping. . There are so many Red Zinfandel choices. It all depends on the winemaker's style, where the grapes were grown and other factors that we will discuss.

We invite you to come and join us. Bring your glass and a dish, and your fee.

Remember we will supply the wine for tasting; however, if you have some special wine you want to share with the group, please feel free to bring it. We love to share, meet new friends, learn, and most of all have fun. -- Anita Worthen

Walkie Talkies

On July 28, the Walkie Talkies revisited the Barton Flats area in the San Bernardino Mountains near Big Bear. Ten hikers headed up the South Fork Trail to the Horse Meadow area. Eight hikers continued on to Poop Out Hill.

Even though it was somewhat hot and less shady, the extra effort to Poop Out Hill was well worth it. The smell of the pine tree forest was rewarding to all and especially those who grew up in such areas. Please visit the Four Seasons at Beaumont website for some pictures.

After the hike, the group stopped at the Oaks restaurant in Angelus Oaks, on highway 38 for a well deserved lunch.

The next hike is scheduled for Sept. 9, in the Idyllwild area. The actual trail has not yet been selected. E-mail updates will be sent to the listed hikers. Meet us at 8 a.m. at the Lodge parking lot. We will be car pooling. Bring water and a snack. For any other information, please contact Fred Hofer at: fred.hofer@verizon.net. See you there. -- Fred Hofer

Life Guide Bible Study

On Tuesday evening, September 22, THE LIFE GUIDE BIBLE STUDY club will start its fall program and begin a new series on the secret of building healthy relationships using the "Fruit of the Spirit" as our guide.

We will look at each of the fruits mentioned in Galatians 5:22 to see how we can better build these qualities in our lives. The key text is: "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such there is no law" Galatians 5:22 (NIV). All are welcome!

The Club meets in the Ballroom of the Lodge on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 8:30 p.m. This club provides an opportunity for us to meet people in the Four Seasons community, and also a chance to encourage and strengthen one another in our walk of faith. By the way, 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



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8-Ball Club

Hello, Four Seasons Residents: As we close out summer, our kids go home to get our grandkids back in school, we come home from far away adventures and move into fall, we say, "OH! Life is Good. It has been a great couple of months for the 8-Ball Club."

In June, Vince Palmer was our in-house tournament winner and July Dewey Allen took top honors again. We had three tournaments with Solera Hemet one was great the other two, well, we all had a good time. We only had one tournament with Solera Beaumont, but the trophy stayed home at Four Seasons.

We would like to invite everyone at Four Seasons to come out, join our club, have some fun and meet some of the best bunch of friends you can have. By the way, welcome back Larry Chase. You were missed.

The 8-Ball Club practices Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 7 to 9 p.m., but you can find someone in the Billiard Room almost any evening. If you have any questions or just want to know about pool or the 8-Ball Club, our President, Del Lyles, (951) 845 5114, VP, Dewey Allen, (951) 769 4354 or Sec/Treas, Dot Hurst, (951) 797 3068 are only a phone call away.

See you in the Billiard Room!! -- Dot Hurst

Canasta Club

Don't forget the Canasta Club every Thursday from 1:15 to 4 p.m. in the Card Room at the Lodge.

It is really handy having our club at the Lodge since Smitty's is really good about serving us drinks and sweets while we are playing. If you're new to the game, never fear as we will always have a learning table to get you started. We are growing every week and everyone is welcome. -- Melody Seewoster

WOOPS!

The front-page article on the Senior Olympic resident winners in the August Sentinel was incorrectly credited to Cindy Graves. The real writer was Zelyne Rudolph. Our apologies to Zelyne for the mix-up.

Sunday in the Amphitheater

Come join us on Sunday, Sept. 20, for Four Seasons at Beaumont's Amphitheater Sing-A-Long festivity. Karla Noonan will lead the audience in song and entertain them with her playful antics. With the number of people who attend the Amphitheater events, a sing-a-long is a perfect form of entertainment, as everybody sounds good when singing with a crowd outdoors!

Take time to enjoy the company of your friends and neighbors in this secluded area of the Lodge grounds just beyond the Rose Garden, next to the tennis courts.

Show time is from 6:30 to 8 p.m. There is no charge for this event and you are invited to bring your own picnic snack, as well as beverage of your choice (in a shatterproof container please) and a blanket, folding chair or pillow for comfortable seating. -- Teri DiMarino



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Four Season's Community Info



Fitness Corner

Winter Bowling Leagues Begin

By Zelyne Rudolph

Well, Four Seasons, September marks the time for winter bowling leagues to begin. Last year, we boasted eleven Four Seasons residents in the Las Vegas, Here We Come League at Canyon Lanes.

We look forward to another successful season. One of our premier bowlers is Rob Gardner who won more than \$500 at the sweeps in Las Vegas this past May. (Thus writer, she said modestly, also won \$150 with a 206 game plus a 56 pin handicap for a 260 score.)

Rob began bowling in 2007 and entered his first league in September, 2007. This September will mark his third year in the league.

Rob loves the sport. "Bowlers are generally a nice crowd of folks. Being a beginner only a short time ago has allowed me to learn a lot of new things that I now want to try to perfect."

"Bowling theory is important to me. This game goes a lot deeper than many people realize," he said, "such as why the ball hooks, why you want it to hook, control of your ball and understanding of the lanes as they vary in the reaction they give the ball at different times."

He said his goals in bowling "are first, to enjoy myself. On a serious note, I simply want to improve in my understanding of the game, accuracy when rolling the ball and raising my average game score."

He said, "I improved my bowling by getting advice from long-time bowlers and paying attention to the advice. The more I have been able to instill the subtle changes that those bowlers have brought to my attention, the better my bowling has become. Of course, to improve one needs to practice, practice, practice. I only wish I had gotten into this sport sooner."

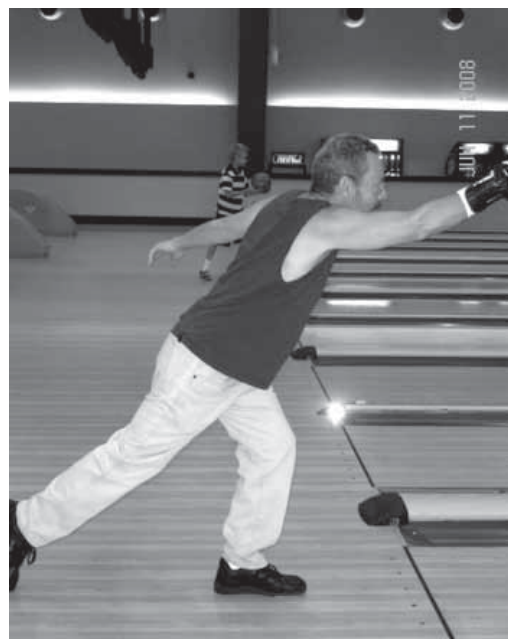
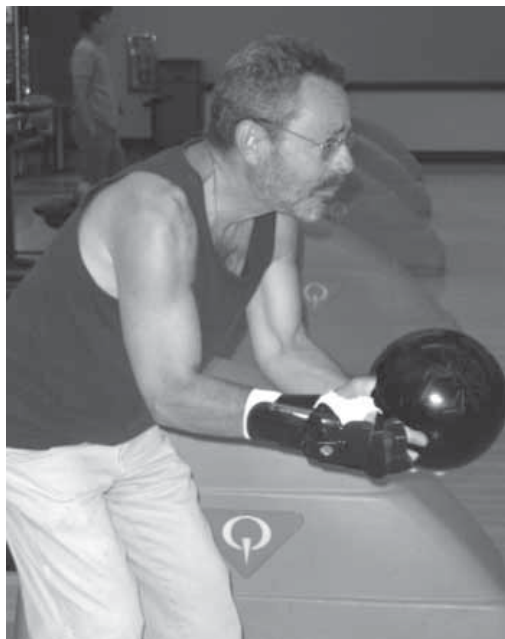
Bowling, like most sports, is an acquired skill in that a person must develop through practice. Bowlers find there are two skills they must attain: accuracy and ball power.

Sometimes accuracy is damaged because of too much power. Depending on the lane conditions, it may be necessary to slow the ball down.

Winter leagues are about 36 weeks in length with weeks off for holidays, which give teams time to set their averages and use the averages to win games.

The more games you win, the more prize money you get back at the end of season. ABC Bowl is offering \$.99 games through the fall according to the manager, Christine, 23750 Ales-

sandro Blvd., Suite K, Moreno Valley, CA 92553, telephone (951) 656-9088, fax: (951) 656-7227, alternate (626) 625-0905, info@abcmovalbowl.cominfo@abcmovalbowl.com. Otherwise, Canyon Lanes, 49750 Seminole Avenue, Cabazon, CA 92230, (951) 572-6120, offers \$2 games for league players to practice. If you are not in a league, it is \$2.50 a game.



Rob Gardener aims his shot and -- fires

Words to Inspire and Convince...

By Bobbie Eckel

The editorial staff of the American Heritage Dictionaries have done it again. In 2008, they published the booklet *100 Words to Make You Sound Great*.

This publication, the eighth in their best-selling 100 Words series, spotlights words that people who "want to be taken seriously ought to know and be able to put to good use."

Noting that it is only by words that problems get analyzed, new ideas are publicized and refined, the past is described, the present is detailed and the future is imagined, the editors present a delightful list of the 100 words a communicator needs to know and use to be effective. Accompanying each word is an illustration from famous speeches, acclaimed histories, award-winning books or revealing letters from well-known people.

It is difficult to cull the most interesting from the one hundred selections; I offer the following only because they seemed to have emotional overtones of sound or definition. They fall trippingly from the tongue...

The word **allay** (a-lay) means to pacify, to calm or set to rest. It comes originally from Middle English and Old English meaning to "lay down". We "allay" the fears of our children when they awaken with nightmares. The editors of the book use a letter from John Adams to Abigail Adams in October, 1775, where he writes "Surely, if I were with you, it would be my Study to allay your Grievs, to mitigate your Pains and to divert your

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melancholy Thoughts.” The original spelling and capitals were typical of the times.

The verb **assuage** (a-swayj) is defined as making something that is painful or burdensome less intense. The use of the word connotes the speaker's awareness of the difficulty while trying to ease the severity of the pain. The illustrative selection given is from Thomas Frank in *What's the Matter with Kansas?* Frank notes that the conservative backlash in politics is a crusade in which material interests are suspended in favor of grievances which are important, but incapable of being assuaged.

Another interesting verb is **beguile** (bi-gile). It actually has two meanings: to delude or deceive and to distract or divert. We can beguile ourselves into believing that spending hours obtaining a suntan is good for our skin. Abraham Lincoln, in November 1864, wrote a letter to a mother who had lost five sons on the field of battle. He comments that “I feel how weak and fruitless must be any words of mine which should attempt to beguile you from the grief of a loss so overwhelming.”

The adjective **concomitant** (kun-kom-I-tant) means to happen or exist concurrently. The authors present a delightful excerpt from Gretel Enrich, *The Solace of Open Spaces*, where she talks about things happening suddenly in Wyoming involving weather and people. “... But good-naturedness is concomitant with severity. Friendliness is a tradition. Strangers passing on the road wave hello. A common sight is two pick-ups stopped side by side far out on a range, on a dirt track winding through the sage. The drivers will share a cigarette, uncap their thermos bottles, and pass a battered cup, steaming with coffee, between windows.”

Included in the 100 important words is the noun **ken**, meaning perception or understanding. Pronounced just as it looks, the

word offers a different way of saying “my experience” or “our comprehension”. The authors offer an example from a letter George Washington wrote to Governor Morris on July 28, 1791, “The present moment seems pregnant with great events; but, as you observe, it is beyond the ken of mortal foresight to determine what will be the result of those changes which are either making or contemplated in the general system of Europe.”

A final example from *100 Words to Make You Sound Great* is the verb **palliate** (pal-e-ate). The editors list three slightly differing definitions: 1) to mitigate or make less severe, 2) to relieve the symptoms of a disorder or 3) to make an offense seem less serious. One selection used to illustrate the meaning of the verb was from Ernest Hemingway's Nobel Prize acceptance speech in 1954. Hemingway said, “Writing at its best, is a lonely life. Organizations for writers palliate the writer's loneliness but I doubt if they improve his writing. He grows in public stature as he sheds his loneliness and often his work deteriorates. For he does his work alone and if he is a good enough writer he must face eternity, or the lack of it, each day.”

A more upbeat example of palliate is offered by James M. McPherson in *Battle Cry of Freedom: The Civil War Era*. He wrote “(Stonewall) Jackson constantly sucked lemons to palliate his dyspepsia and refused to season his food with pepper because (he said) it made his left leg ache.”

There are ninety-four more gems in the collection. Time, space and my editor prevent my giving more examples.

Joseph Pickett, the Executive Editor for the 100 Words series, writes in the preface that he hopes “...that readers will take up these words in their own efforts to be convincing as they engage in the noisy conversation we call the free exchange of ideas, because ... words really do make a difference.”

Activities Director Corner

By Cindy Graves

Lotsa Lodge Events Upcoming

The summer is over and it's time to catch your breath a bit from the vacation time and the rapid fire Lodge events.

A couple things to look for this month are The Discovery Club's first meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 22 at 6:30 p.m. This club sounds really interesting (see the flyer in the beginning of the newsletter). I have always had a fascination with family history and I know many other folks share that curiosity. This club will be just the place to discover how to find the deep, dark secrets and fun facts lurking in your own family tree.

Don't forget “Sundays at the Amphitheater” on Sept. 20, at 6:30 p.m., the U.S. Open and tennis garage sale on Saturday, Sept. 12, and the Southern California Edison presentation on Sept. 10 at 6 p.m.

The next big party coming up is Halloween, on Saturday Oct. 31. Tickets go on sale starting Sept. 15, and if I were you, I wouldn't procrastinate on this one. This will be a blast and will most likely be sold out early. Don't say I didn't tell you.

I want to send out a big “shutter bug” thank you, to Grace

and Ron Goodrich who so generously offered their time in August teaching a wonderful class on digital cameras! The student response was fantastic and soo many people commented on how valuable the tips and tricks that they learned were. Thanks again you awesome community investors!

Football fanatics your time has come! Bill and Tanya Guy will be heading up that always spirited and ever friendly gathering of Monday Night Footballers! Bring a potluck dish to share and your favorite beverage to the Bistro starting Monday, Sept. 14 at 5 p.m.

September is the month that I join with many of the clubs and committees to start our brainstorming for the event schedule for 2010. I'm already getting excited for the great time we're going to have next year! This community is growing up and with that growth come lots of great people interested in participating and pooling their ideas for terrific times. I can't wait to tell you all about what's in store after the final planning!

Have a spectacular September and I'll see ya around the Lodge!

Finance Chairman Really Knows His Stuff

By Leighton McLaughlin

You might say Bob Melville spent most of his life getting ready to be chairman of the Four Seasons Finance Committee.

He didn't plan it that way – it just sort of happened.

Melville has a degree in marketing from San Diego State and spent his working life in finance-oriented jobs like program management, business development, program planning, marketing management and international agreement negotiations for such industrial titans as the Convair Division of General Dynamics, Litton Industries, Hughes Aircraft Company and Xerox Corporation. After he retired – in 2000 – he continued his preparation by becoming familiar with home owners associations by being elected vice president of an HOA in Lake Arrowhead for two years and then president for six more years. He also completed graduate studies in the economics of national security at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.

And for good measure he had a post-retirement job managing 50 rental resort properties near Lake Arrowhead for three years.

With all that experience he has looked over Four Seasons' finances and – despite having plenty yet to do – finds, "It's a healthy situation that we're in." He expects financial reserves to grow for the next several years, before increased maintenance and operating costs start to mount. "Until then we can keep putting money in the pot."

As for policing the association's money, he has experience with that too. For two years he was administrator of the California Highway Patrol Senior Volunteer Program in the Lake Arrowhead area. The members help the Highway Patrol control traffic, support conduct DUI stops, write parking warning tickets, perform office tasks and the like. "It's pure volunteer. You don't get paid for it. You wear a uniform, but you have to pay for it," said Melville.

He was born in Chicago and later moved Berkeley, a western suburb. While in high school he was sports editor of the student newspaper, an outfielder on the baseball team, in the Civics Club and a member of the National Honor Society.

When he entered college, his outside activities were limited because he had to work his way through as a grocery store clerk. He began college at the University of Illinois Chicago campus.

Then, one Christmas vacation, he and his parents visited his mother's sisters and nieces in the San Diego area and they decided to move to California. Melville transferred to San Diego State, then a modest-sized college of 6,000 students, now a huge university of over 33,000.

"It's a great, great school. It had a reputation as a party school later, but I was working and didn't have time for that," he said. "Besides when I was there, there were a lot of veterans – most of the guys I hung out with – and they were all business.



Bob Melville adds things up

They were there for an education."

After college he went to work for Convair in San Diego then moved to the LA area to work for Litton.

Melville has five grown children, two sons, Scott and Dennis, three daughters, Lori, Kim and Diane. He and his wife Betty celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary on Aug. 31.

He said budgeting for Four Seasons is a lot like what he did during his career. "I was a program manager had to set goals, evaluate performance, had to negotiate. But we're not yet doing all of that. We will be doing more when the builder is no longer involved. The process is not totally in our hands. The budget has to be reviewed and approved by the California Department of Real Estate and that can take months."

This situation will continue until K. Hovnanian Builders relinquish their four seats on the HOA Board when the community is built out. So far close to 800 homes have been occupied and the final count is expected to be over 1,800. With the slowdown in building due to the bad economy, that leaves a long way to go – longer than was anticipated when many residents moved in.

"There are going to be additional money pressures in the future," he said.

In our brand new facility, maintenance costs are low, but that will change as the community ages. "In seven, eight years, maintenance goes up," he said

In addition to that, two new recreational facilities are planned with tennis courts, a fitness center and an enclosed swimming pool, which will increase operating costs. By that time however, there will be more residents to support them.

Also, a subsidy by K. Hovnanian to help pay for landscape maintenance will end at the end of next year. "What will happen then is up in the air," he said.

He said his committee is always looking for money saving ideas. Right now they are working with the Landscape Committee on ways to save water by buying drought-resistant ground cover and other plants and with the Facilities and Safety Committee on the possibility of using solar heat for the pool and spa. "We want to invest now to save money in the long run," he said.

A friend, Four Seasons resident Helen Shoemate, told Melville and his wife about the community and they took a look, liked it and bought. They were attracted by the climate ("But it gets colder then I thought."), the spaciousness and one-story floor plans of the homes (their Lake Arrowhead home was on four levels), the activities available and the closeness to stores, doctors and other services.

"The activities are wonderful," he said. "No place does a better job of that." He cited the Bistro, the shows, the Theater, the tennis courts, the Billiard Room, the clubs, crafts and Computer Room. "Not everybody takes advantage, but it's there." Always concerned with finances he said. "There are some costs, but a lot of it is self-funded, thank God."

"If you're going to look for a senior community, I don't think you're going to find one any better than this one."

You Tried, Noah. You Really Tried!

By Bobbie Eckel

A very special "Thank You" to Noah Webster for what he tried to do in 1806. If his efforts had been successful, we would have had a spelling system that was basically phonetic in nature -- much easier to learn and to use as any student trying to learn English as a foreign language can testify

The standardization of English spelling is often attributed to the invention of printing. Before William Caxton introduced printing in England in 1475, language was predominantly oral. Only monks and scholars were concerned with writing. The common folk did not write or read much; they had no need to worry about spelling.

With the beginning of printing, however, larger number of people learned to read and write and the need for standardized spelling became obvious. Early dictionary makers did what they could; they copied from the writings of the elite.

The first English dictionary, *A Table Alphabeticall*, written in 1603 or 1604 by an English schoolteacher, Robert Cawdrey, contained a little more than 2,000 words, most of them copied from Latin translations. The only surviving copy of this early dictionary now resides in the Bodleian Library in Oxford.

Gentlemen of letters in England bemoaned the fact that for the next 150 years their dictionary was laughingly called a "wordbook" by the Dutch and Germans.

Finally, in 1775, Samuel Johnson published *A Dictionary of the English Language*. This first "modern" dictionary contained textual references for most words and was arranged alphabetically rather than by topic as were the earlier tomes.

In the British Empire, Dr. Johnson's Dictionary remained the English-language standard until the Oxford University Press became involved in producing their dictionary. *The Oxford English Dictionary* (affectionately called the OED) began publishing small installments (called fascicles) in 1884.

Almost fifty years later, in 1928, the OED was finally released as a complete set -- totaling twelve volumes. The staff immediately began working on the second edition. Revisions and updates were included every three months. The OED had become the most comprehensive and complete dictionary in the English world. (Interestingly enough, the second edition was published in 1989. A third edition is now being compiled.)

Meanwhile, across the pond, the American lexicographer and journalist, Noah Webster, having eschewed law for teaching, became concerned with the lack of adequate books for teaching English. In 1783 - 1785, he published *A Grammatical Institute of the English Language*, a three-part text consisting of a spelling book, a grammar and a reader.

Webster used a developmental approach to teaching reading and spelling. Beginning with the alphabet and moving through simple sounds, common words to the more complex presentation of ideas, Webster's books became the cornerstone of education in the new land.

Living on the miniscule royalty from his books, Webster began to work on a dictionary. His goal was to simplify the spelling and understanding of American words, to move away from the language corruption demanded by British aristocracy and let the people of the country control the language.

Noah Webster's first dictionary was published in 1806; in 1828 he published the first edition of *An American Dictionary of the English Language*, a two-volume set. The dictionary contained 12,000 words and a multitude of definitions that had not appeared in earlier dictionaries.

Noah Webster added words that were distinctly American, such as "skunk" and "squash". He changed the spelling of many words to eliminate the effect of English spelling -- using "theater", instead of "theatre" and "color" rather than the British "colour", and "wagon" in place of "waggon".

Webster believed fervently in simplifying spelling to reflect the sounds of the word. He tried to popularize "thum" instead of "thumb", "hed" rather than "head", and other variations. Unfortunately, despite his best efforts, the American public rejected his spelling reforms, sticking doggedly to the older spelling renditions.

Noah Webster's dictionary did have a lasting effect on English usage in this country. Not the effect he had hoped for in the realm of spelling, but he did try!

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Greek Style Mahi-Mahi

I found this recipe in the June edition of Gourmet Magazine. I tried it along with a toasted orzo with saffron and fennel dish to provide the complete Greek style dinner. The Mahi-mahi came out great. It has a large, moist, and pleasantly firm flake. Topping it with briny feta, herbs, and lemon slices evokes the warm shores of Greece. I will definitely make it again. As for the toasted orzo dish, well let me just say that its recipe will no longer be used in my house.

Yield: Makes 4 servings

Active Time: 15 min

Total Time: 30 min

INGREDIENTS

- 3 medium tomatoes (about 3/4 pound total), each cut into 8 wedges
- 2 Tbsp plus 2 teaspoons extra-virgin olive oil, divided
- 1 Tbsp red-wine vinegar
- 4 (6-ounces) pieces mahi-mahi fillet (1 1/2 inches thick) with skin
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1/4 cup crumbled feta
- 3 Tbsp chopped mint
- 2 Tbsp chopped dill
- 1 tsp fresh lemon juice
- 8 very thin lemon slices

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Preheat broiler.
2. Toss tomatoes with 2 tablespoons oil, vinegar, and 1/2 teaspoon salt.
3. Line a broiler pan or small 4-sided sheet pan with foil or parchment paper and lightly oil foil. Put fish, skin sides down, on pan and season with 1/4 teaspoon each of salt and pepper.
4. Whisk together mayonnaise, feta, herbs, and lemon juice and spread over top of fish. Put 2 lemon slices (slightly overlapping) on center of each fillet. Drizzle lemon slices with remaining 2 teaspoons oil.
5. Broil fish 8 inches from heat until just cooked through, 14 to 16 minutes. If topping browns before fish is cooked, cover loosely with foil. Serve fish with tomatoes.



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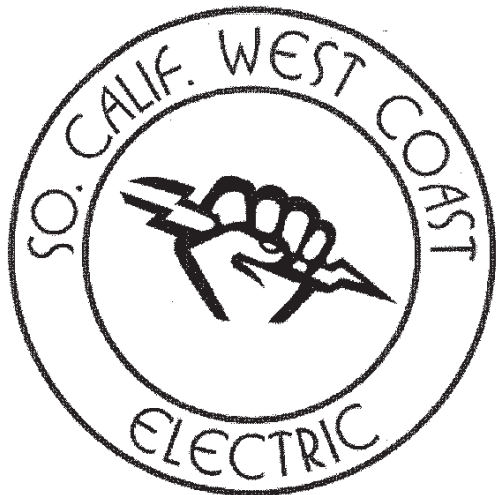
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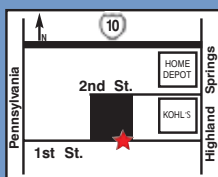
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