



# K. Hovnanian's Four Seasons Sentinel

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## THE LODGE AT BEAUMONT

Thanksgiving Holiday Hours; Wednesday the Lodge closes at 3 p.m. On Thanksgiving Day, the Lodge is closed all day. On the Friday after Thanksgiving the Lodge opens at 9 a.m. and closes at 9 p.m.

LODGE PHONE NUMBER: (951) 769-6358

\* Don't forget to turn your clocks back on Sunday, Nov. 7 for the end of Daylight Savings time.

## The Laurels Paseo Landscape Rehabilitation A Job Well Done

By Phyllis Beede, Landscape Chairperson  
and Patty Jordan, Event Organizer

On Oct. 16, a cold, foggy morning, a group of determined people met at the gazebo area in the Laurels Paseo project. The weather was not comfortable but the spirits of the group were high.

This was the day that celebrated the end of the 16-month project: the Laurels Paseo Landscape Rehabilitation. The festivities began at 9:30. Sixty plus residents attended and enjoyed the beautiful new landscaping, refreshments in the decorated gazebo and a lot of neighborly camaraderie.

Prior to the ribbon cutting ceremony, Landscape Chairperson Phyllis Beede thanked those involved in bringing the project to fruition, including the Landscape Committee, the HOA Board, Euclid Management and O'Connell Landscaping.

Sheree Harris, assistant general manager from Euclid Management, who did all of the necessary administrative work for the project, and Guillermo Martinez, O'Connell Landscape foreman for our community, who oversaw the landscaping project itself, shared the honor of cutting the ribbon with large garden shears.

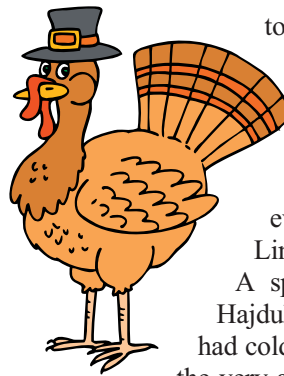
At the end of the event, with bright sunshine making a good day even more perfect, names were drawn in a free raffle for several smaller door prizes and a beautiful garden-related gift basket, that included some spring bulbs, a watering can, two brass solar lights, gardening gloves, and a number of other surprises. A very special thank you goes to Diane Imsande, masseuse extraordinaire, from our salon, who donated a half hour massage

The November Board of Directors' meeting will take place on Wednesday, Nov. 10., due to Veteran's Day on Nov. 11.

Executive Session - 8 a.m. and General Session - 1 p.m.

## Happy Thanksgiving

November 2010



to ease the aches of a strenuous day in the garden. The lucky winner of the Garden basket was resident Amparo Sanchez.

Event organizer Patty Jordan gave a big thank you to those who helped with setting up and taking down before and after the event: Harris, Penny McDonell, Martinez, Linda Ramsey, Fred Weck, and Anita Worthen.

A special thank you went to neighbor Ema Hajdukovic who, when she realized that we only had cold cider on a chilly morning, made coffee for the very appreciative crowd. Thank you also to Len Tavernetti for taking photos to document the event.

In May of 2009, the Landscape Committee, noting the poor condition of the Paseo, recognized that the ongoing problems with maintaining this area were exacerbated by a poor design and an equally poor installation. The result was that some areas were excessively dry and some areas were overly wet. The rock "dry stream bed" was installed without a geo-textile fabric between the ground and the rocks, so weeds were growing in great profusion up through the rocks. In

Please see Paseo on page 21



From left: Phyllis Beede, Guillermo Martinez, Sheree Harris, and Fred Weck, cut the ribbon opening the spiffed up Laurels Paseo.



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**Saturday, March 19, 2011**  
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Mighty Echoes  
will be  
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very own  
Jacque Sneddon



**Tickets for this ESC benefit concert  
will go on sale February 16th.**

**\$25 each (theater seating)**

**There will be one show only.**

**This event will be SOLD OUT!**



## Taste d'Vine Wine Club

Thanksgiving and Dessert Wines

Our next meeting is:  
Thursday,  
6:00 p.m.



We meet in the Ballroom.

Please remember to bring two (2) glasses & an appetizer.

Monthly Member Dues: \$5 for members and \$8 for guests.  
For more information and to inquire about

Membership, contact Anita Worthen  
(951) 769-9858



# Karaoke Night

Performing Arts "Karaoke Night" in the Ballroom.  
Come out & join the fun! If you love to sing or even  
just to enjoy great company this is the night for YOU!  
Just drive on over to the Lodge, order a delicious meal  
from SMITTY'S or bring your own picnic, and enjoy the  
amazing atmosphere all around.

**Saturday,  
November 6, 2010**

**5:00pm-8:30pm**





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Blow dry & style...\$24  
Shampoo & Set...\$24

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Spa Pedicure & Manicure...\$40  
Spa Pedicure...\$25





# Winter Wish Program

Make this holiday season a Special one for a Beaumont School Child who needs help.

How it works:

- Select a "Wish Tag" and sign for the tag,
- Buy the gift
- Return the gift wrapped and with the tag attached **no later than December 8, 2010** to the Lodge front desk.

**\*Winter Wish tags will be available November 8, 2010 at the Lodge.**



# Bingo Buzz! 2010

**November:**

November 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Wednesday	Starting @ 5pm
November 17 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	Starting @ 5pm

**December:**

December 1 <sup>st</sup>	Wednesday	Starting @ 5pm
December 15 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	Starting @ 5pm

## BINGO ANNOUNCEMENTS

*\*Doors will close at the start of the Early Game.*

*\*Wednesday Nights, doors open at 5 p.m.*


- Early-Bird Game starts at 5:50 p.m.
- Regular Games start at 6:00 p.m.

## Four Seasons Bistro

*Get all your Bingo Snacks & Beverages at the Bistro.*

# Everyone Is Invited

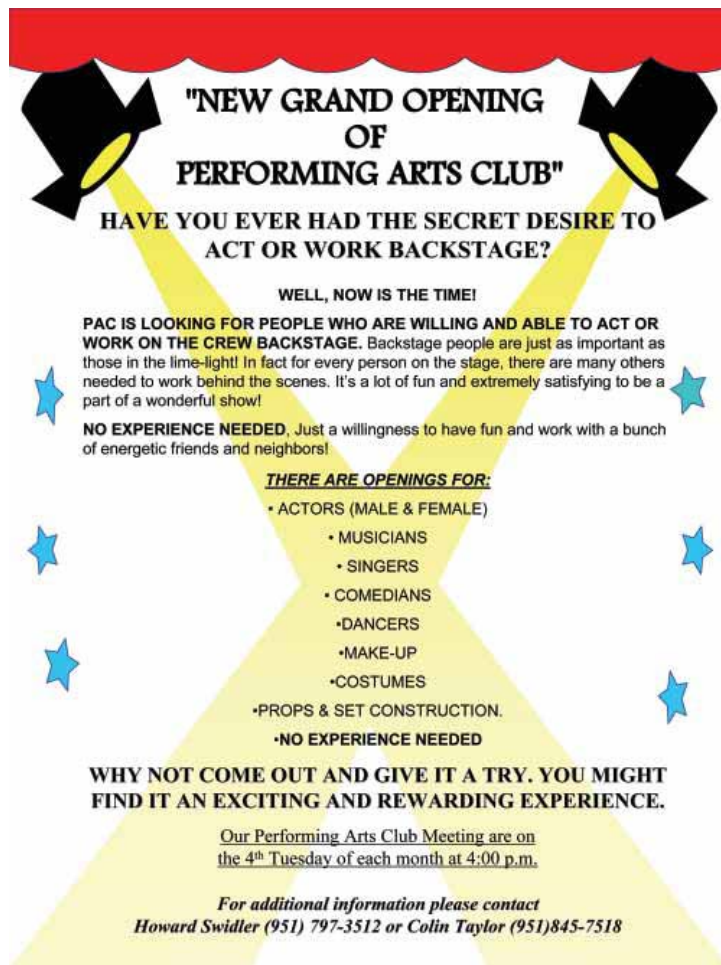
## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING



**Friday, November 12, 2010**  
**At 10:00 a.m.**

Guest speaker Loren DuChesne will be updating on perimeter security, status of gate improvements & any other facility inquiries.

For more information contact Anita Worthen at: 951-769-9858

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- DANCERS
- MAKE-UP
- COSTUMES
- PROPS & SET CONSTRUCTION.
- NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED

**WHY NOT COME OUT AND GIVE IT A TRY. YOU MIGHT FIND IT AN EXCITING AND REWARDING EXPERIENCE.**

Our Performing Arts Club Meeting are on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month at 4:00 p.m.

*For additional information please contact Howard Swidler (951) 797-3512 or Colin Taylor (951)845-7518*

## SMITTY'S HOLIDAY FEAST TO GO...

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\*Pick up by 11/24/10

\* Limited number of feast available



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**\*LAST DAY TO ORDER 11/17/10\***





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

## PRO-FIT SCHEDULE~NOVEMBER 2010

Monday	Conditioning	8:30 am	Aerobics Room
Monday	Beginners Conditioning	9:30 am	Aerobics Room
Wednesday	Conditioning	8:30 am	Aerobics Room
Wednesday	Beginners Conditioning	9:30am	Aerobics Room
Thursday	Pilates	8:30 am	Aerobics Room
Thursday	ZUMBA Gold	9:30am	Aerobics room
Friday	Conditioning	8:30 am	Aerobics Room
Friday	Beginners Conditioning	9:30 am	Aerobics Room
Saturday	Ballet Workout	8:30 am	Aerobics Room
Saturday	Gentle Yoga	9:30 am	Aerobics Room

Pricing:  
\$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

\*All classes are subject to change due to lack of class attendance. A minimum of 10 students is needed to continue any of the above classes.

Tuesdays- All AM & PM Classes cancelled till 2011.

**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!

**Beginners Conditioning:** Introduction to a light weighted workout done to music, designed for the individual working out for the first time or returning to exercise.

**Gentle Yoga:** Gentle Yoga encourages the mind-body connection and helps to develop focus, balance, strength and flexibility. A non-competitive environment allows each individual to move at a comfortable pace.

**Mat Pilates:** A total body workout that restores muscular balance to the core muscles of the lower back and abdominals. Enjoy the benefit of strengthening and stretching the body.

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

## Holiday Extravaganza!! Saturday, December 4th, 2010

- 10:00 am The Annual Holiday Craft Fair:**  
\*Crafters, if you're interested in selling any of your arts & crafts, be sure to sign-up at the Lodge front desk for Table space. Sign up sheet will be available November 2nd.
- 10:00 am "Nosey Neighbor Holiday Home Tour"**  
\* \$10.00 per ticket to the Event Systems Committee  
\* This is a great opportunity to see the best decorated homes (inside & out) in the community!
- 5:00 pm "Four Seasons Golf Cart Parade"**  
\* Tis' the season to show off your creative golf cart decorating skills, Sign-up at the Lodge front desk to show your holiday spirit.  
\* This event will take place in front of the Lodge.
- 5:45 pm "Sing-a-long & Tree Lighting Ceremony"**  
\* Warm up those voices and let's sing!!
- 6:30 pm The Grand Finale Performing Arts Club "Holiday Show"**  
\* If you missed it last year, you don't want to miss it this year It was quite a show!!

Smitty will also be offering a holiday meal special throughout the day!!

\*This is a day you won't want to miss!!!



## Veterans' Day November 11, 2010

### FOUR SEASONS HOME TOWN HEROES

Please join us for an inspiring evening  
commemorating our own Four Seasons  
Hometown Heroes.

**4 p.m.**

Military Displays of our  
own Veterans (open  
house style).

**6:30 p.m.**

A special Veteran's Day  
program ending with a  
dessert buffet.

**All are welcome and families are  
encouraged to come.  
This is cost free evening.**

# K. Hovnanian's Four Seasons At Beaumont Committees

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## Landscape Committee

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The Board of Directors for the K. Hovnanian's  
Four Seasons at Beaumont Community  
Association met on Thursday, October 9, 2010  
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 10, 2010  
At 1 p.m. in the Lodge Ballroom.

**Executive Session – 8 a.m.**

**General Session – 1 p.m.**

## Contact Information

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Cindy Graves, Activities Director  
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Krystal Orellana, Lodge Attendant  
Nelly Alcocer, Lodge Attendant  
McAdam Webb, Lodge Attendant

### LOCAL PHONE NUMBERS

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**Fire: 845-3718**

**Hospital: 845-1121**

**Dial-A-Ride: 769-8532**

**Chamber of Commerce: 845-9541**

**Beaumont City Hall: 769-8520**

550 E. 6th Street

**Animal Control: 922-3301**

### Board of Directors

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Loren DuChesne, Director  
Jake Rodriguez, Director

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## Manager's Update

By Lisa Lynn, General Manager

At the Open Session Board meeting held on Thursday, Oct. 14, the Board of Directors approved committee recommendations including the Landscape proposal to have a landscape architect provide a redesign of the Springdale areas, the Safety and Facilities proposal to have a plumber locate the exterior sewer lines for the Lodge to allow adding water pipes to the Ballroom, and the Social Committee proposal to sponsor the Winter Wish program at the Lodge which provides gifts for children in the Beaumont area during the holidays.

The Board approved the HOA budget and year-end disclosures which will be sent out to members in November, approved an accounting firm bid to prepare the 2010 taxes and annual audit review, approved a bid to paint wrought iron fences and red curbs, approved the turnover by builder K. Hovnanian of the gates and gatehouses to the HOA which included the

acceptance of the gate maintenance contract, approved a proposal to repair the spike strips at the gate exits, a proposal for repairs to the fitness equipment, a plumbing bid for water heater annual maintenance, and a plumbing proposal to make modifications to the Bistro dishwasher. Overall, 30 action items were requested of Management by the Board of Directors.

Management reported to the Board the completion of items including replacing the yellow lighting in the Ballroom with white, completion of the annual inspection of the common areas, the completion of the Laurels Paseo refurbishment, the renewal of the insurance policies on the common areas, the receipt of two donated wheelchairs for facility use and the completion of cleaning the paver blocks in front of the Lodge.

Management reported to the Board that 15 violation letters had been sent out during August. Of those, four were for landscape or lot maintenance, nine were for trash containers, one was for pet nuisance and one for a hose violation. The Board of Directors suspended facility privileges for eight members for delinquent dues, bringing the total for suspended privileges to 34 current members. There were 47 accounts with balances over 90 days past due.

The Board approved the September 2010 meeting minutes and the August 2010 Financials.

Remember to visit the website and enter your guests on the GateWorks program so they can receive access from the gate attendants. Residents can log on to the Association's website at [www.fourseasonsatbeaumont.com](http://www.fourseasonsatbeaumont.com) and click on the link under the Welcome tab for GateWorks. Log on using the new resident tutorial information. Your user name will be your phone number as entered at the gate directory, and the password is your home address. Contact the gatehouse at (951) 769-4131 if you need additional assistance.

As the Board has approved the wrought iron fence paint proposal, residents living in the Phase A area who have wrought

iron fencing need to prepare. The paint contractors require any plant material that is growing on or up against the wrought iron fencing to be pulled at least 12 inches away. Residents may also want to have tarps to place over any item near the fencing that may get overspray. Residents will be notified in advance of the

schedule for their fence painting and will need to allow access into their backyard for the paint contractor to perform the painting.

The Phase A area includes the Laurel Paseo, Laurels backing up to the Springdales, Springdale area, Landmarks,

Arbors and Heritages along the creek area (Dewey Creek and Canary Creek) and the Lodge grounds. Phase B areas will be bid out in the spring of 2011.

As a reminder, several of the access control measures have been put in to place at the gates. The transponder reader is now located closer to the gate and vehicles must pull up to the gate to activate it and open the gate. Once this process is working smoothly, the gate arms will be put back into use. The gates are

now maintained by the Association and any damage to the gates or access control items will be an expense to the Association.

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. November will be an exception, as the next scheduled Open Session is Wednesday, Nov. 10 due to the Veterans Day event being held in the Ballroom on the Nov. 11.

## Architectural Review Committee

By Willis Fagan, Chairperson

The Architectural Review Committee makes every effort to review each application promptly, but since the committee does not necessarily meet every week, it might take a couple of weeks to process some applications.

The committee has 30 days from receipt of a valid submission within which to respond to the homeowner. This does not obligate the ARC to approve within that time, but a response must be made one way or another. Happily, most submissions are approved.

It should be noted, however, that the ARC does not issue verbal approvals. A homeowner's project might actually be approved at an ARC meeting, but the homeowner must wait for the written letter of approval prior to starting work.

Regardless of how anxious a homeowner is, or how much pressure there is from a contractor or supplier, work must not start until the homeowner gets the approval letter. In plain words, trenching, underground pipes or conduits, forming, earth work, planting, and/or delivery of supplies and materials must not take place until the approval letter is received.

This is more of a precaution to protect the homeowner than it is an arbitrary restriction. Often ARC places conditions on the work. Those conditions are spelled out in the letter of approval,

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and can affect the proposed work, and also affect the scope, means and methods of the contractor's obligations to the homeowner.

If the contractor starts work without knowing and conforming to the conditions, some of that work might be wasted, and the homeowner must then pay extra to make it right. Also, by starting work too soon it is possible that the homeowner inadvertently violates the regulations of the HOA and the guidelines of the ARC. We are trying to avoid these negative situations and make improvements as easy as possible for homeowners.

## **Bistro Committee**

**By William Taylor, Chairperson**

Homeowners, your Bistro is offering some specials for Thanksgiving: 1) Smitty's Holiday Feast to Go, a complete turkey dinner. Last day to order: Nov. 17 2) Mrs. Smitty's Pies, Pumpkin, Apple, Pecan and Chocolate Mousse. Last day to order: Nov. 17. The Bistro telephone number is (951) 769-0717.

The Bistro Committee met Tuesday, Oct. 5. We discussed the "New Homeowner Dessert and Orientation" that took place Oct. 12. The Committee also welcomed our newest member, Ann Williams, to the Committee.

The next meeting of the Bistro Committee is Tuesday, Nov. 2 at 11 a.m. in the Lodge Conference Room. All homeowners are invited to attend

## **Finance Committee**

**By Bob Melville, Chairperson**

The Finance Committee held two meetings in September and one meeting in early October. At the first meeting, Sept. 21, the financial statements for August were reviewed and reflected a healthy fiscal position.

The net income for the month was \$13,344 and total reserves increased to \$1,885,790. The front yard expenses for August were over the monthly budget by \$1,306, but under the YTD budget by \$32,354. The accounts receivable (delinquencies) were \$139,226. Our total HOA expenses through August (excluding reserve allocations) were \$1,079,046; this was under budget by \$198,341. With respect to investments, the committee recommended that the HOA reinvest four CDs maturing in November and add to them as necessary to purchase one \$100,000 CD, one \$200,000 CD and one \$25,000 at the best prevailing rates and duration (2-3 years).

The committee reviewed proposals from four accounting firms and recommended one to do the annual review of the HOA financial records and the 2010 taxes. A proposal for landscape architectural services for the Springdales was then addressed, but due to questions regarding the anticipated total cost of the Springdale landscape upgrade and specifics regarding cost details, subsequent special meetings regarding this activity were held.

Special proposal item meetings were held on Sept. 29 and Oct. 5. In summary, the proposals are to conduct site review and design, site observation and accomplish those services over three phases: Phase One - New sidewalks and plantings where required, Phase Two - Tree placement on streets and lanes, and Phase Three - Shrub replacement and enhancement in selected common areas. After discussions with Phyllis Beede and Fred Weck of the Landscape Committee, the Finance Committee agreed with their proposed vendor as outlined to the Board of Directors, but recommended that the Board consider a "not to exceed" funding authorization for the Springdale Landscape Architectural Services.

The following items were also addressed by the Finance Committee at the Oct. 5 meeting: 1. Iron Fence and Red Curb Painting - The Committee looked at four proposals and made its vendor recommendation which included a full primer option; it also recommended that the package receive a review by and concurrence of the Safety and Facilities Committee. 2. Front Yard Maintenance - In light of the fact that builder K. Hovnanian's contribution to the front yard maintenance cost will end in May, 2011, the Finance Committee is doing an analysis of the front yard expected cost and assessment situation for both 2010 and 2011.

Note: The Finance Committee still has one opening and applicants are encouraged to obtain an application at the Lodge Reception Desk.

We meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 1 p.m. and HOA members are always welcome.

## **Event Systems Committee**

**By Teri DiMarino-Davidson**

Crispness is in the air and as we prepare for the change of seasons, many of us also change our home décor.

The Event Systems Committee is busy with change also as they prepare for the installation of a new permanent sound system in the Lodge Ballroom. It will take several months to complete this massive task but the effort will be well worth it.

This is one of the many steps being taken to give our Ballroom a more professional feel. Professional stage lighting and acoustical improvements are also on the drawing board. All these additions are being brought to us through the generous contributions of residents who are inspired by the arts and want to see us all get the most out of our Lodge.

Our list of generous contributors can be seen on the new "ESC Premium Patron" board at the entrance to the Ballroom. If you would like to be listed as one of our patrons, please pick up a flyer at the front desk. We are also still looking for a few "techies" to help with set-up and operation of our new equipment. If you are interested in donating some time, please contact Roland Harrah at (951) 845-1734.

The Event Systems Committee is cranking into fundraising as we launch our 2010 Holiday Home Tour scheduled for Dec. 4 and 5. While we had to cancel the event last year, this year we are planning on following through with as many volunteer homes as we can. Participating homes do not necessarily have to be decorated for the holidays, but we are inviting anybody with particularly unique customization of their homes to participate. Residents are always receptive to new ideas and seeing how we have customized our homes. This event will be held in cooperation with the sales office so we can give prospective new neighbors a good idea of what can be done with our homes as the models lack the "lived in" feel that our homes have.

Now for the big announcement! The Mighty Echoes, the a cappella, doo wop quartet, is coming back to Four Seasons on March 19 next year! If you saw them last time, we are sure you will want to come back. If you were "among the missing" last year we are sure you are regretting it and will be joining us on that evening. Tickets will be going on sale after the beginning of the year for this concert-seating event, so mark your calendars!

From all of us on the Event Systems Committee, have a happy, healthy and safe Thanksgiving.



## Landscape Committee

By Phyllis Beede, Chairperson

Oct. 16 was the Open House ceremony for the Laurels Paseo. I'm sure that those of you who attended saw a wonderful change in the area and had a good time celebrating its new look.

Many residents were not aware of this park, located between Lewis Creek and Clark Creek, so those of you who missed the "Open Paseo" event, treat yourselves now with a walk along its meandering path.

Based on input from a resident's past experience, the committee is re-evaluating the Pistacia Chinensis as a lawn tree replacement. Community information is always valued.

The Sycamore trees along Four Seasons Circle have been limbed up and the straps removed from most of them. With the lower limbs removed, the visibility at the Green Creek intersection is considerably improved. The supports have been left at the trees in case they are needed during the winds. The support removal will be re-evaluated in January.

There have been a number of water main breaks during September and October. These are thought to be the result of the extremely high water pressure in the pipes during the time before pressure regulators were installed. Over time, high pressure can cause hair line cracks at the unions in the pipes. The regulators are now in but older damage is still showing up.

Our water management group continues to put in hours gathering information that will ultimately enable Four Seasons to know where its water is being used and if there is a better, more efficient way to use it. As water rates increase sharply, the goal is to have a system in place that uses water so efficiently we see little or no increase in our water bills.

There may be a place for you on the Landscape Committee if you have an interest in maintaining the beauty of our community, have ideas on how to accomplish this, and have a willingness to work on and lead projects. Diversity in background is good -- different backgrounds can provide different views toward the solution to a problem. The main constant that we are looking for is the willingness to participate. Submit an application to bring your diversity to the table.

Meetings are held the third Monday of the month at 9:15 a.m. Please join us to learn what this committee is all about.

## Safety and Facilities Committee

By Jerry Thompson, Chairperson

Our community safety improvements will give us a greater margin of driver and pedestrian safety provided we all respect the changes. The following is a reminder of what these improvements are and what they will do for us.

- 1 Speed humps and bumps at Potrero and Crooked Creek Gates help stop tailgating through gates and collisions between vehicles approaching gates at the same time.
- 2 New camera and repositioned existing cameras will record vehicles entering and leaving gate areas, both day and night travel.
- 3 Re-location of transponder and re-activation of gate arms will help to restrict motorists passing through the gates to one vehicle at a time.
- 4 Installation of GateWorks software will allow residents to

manage their own visitors and allow the guards to enforce your instructions. Printed passes to identify visitors will also help direct them to your residence.

- 5 The speed displaying sign on the downgrade of Four Seasons Circle will remind drivers of their speed as they approach the intersection of Green Creek Trail.
- 6 Traffic circle signs remind drivers that vehicles in traffic circles have the right-of-way.
- 7 Temporary police patrols inside our community will issue written warnings of moving violations to remind us to drive responsibly.
- 8 Our very active Neighborhood Watch program is helping to make us all aware of our surroundings and to keep a watchful eye for suspicious activities in our neighborhoods.

We are very fortunate to have a beautiful and active community. Because we are active adults, we use our facilities to the maximum. This activity causes wear and tear and the need for constant repair and maintenance. As your committee to watch over our facilities, we want to remind you to help us do our job. Please visit one of our regular Safety and Facilities meetings, held the third Tuesday of each month. We start at 9 a.m. and welcome all visitors.

To help your Safety and Facilities committee function more efficiently we would like to invite a resident to assist us by taking the minutes of each meeting. This position would be a non-voting position with great exposure to the activities of the committee. If you are interested, please contact Jerry Thompson at (951) 572-5394 or e-mail: [jerrythompson2@verizon.net](mailto:jerrythompson2@verizon.net).

## Rules and Regulations Committee

By Louise Lyon, Chairperson

The Rules and Regulations Committee's first order of business for the past year has been the CC&R amendment! By the time you read this article the Inspector of Elections should have counted the votes. Look for the results!

We have had a wonderful turnout and (again) I want to thank everyone who helped with this project. Most of all I want to thank the homeowners for voting. This is our community and you have helped with the process to build it to be the best K. Hovnanian Four Seasons! Thank you.

We are still working on having all vehicles registered in the community. Please pick up your stickers at the front desk, if you have not done so already.

The committee is still working on language for the Code of Conduct for committee members and homeowner Board of Directors. We are also fine tuning "Qualifications for Board of Directors" and should have this completed by year-end.

Randy Balt attended our September meeting as the newly appointed chairperson of the ad hoc committee for yard/garage sales in Four Seasons. The committee's goal is to have community yard/garage sales twice a year with the outside public able to attend. We will keep you posted on this item.

Thank you to all who voted on the CC&R amendment. Results will be published soon!

The Rules and Regulations Committee meetings are the third Thursday of every month at 9 a.m. in the Lodge Conference Room. Guests are welcome.

## Social Committee News

I can't give a report on the Halloween party since it hadn't happened when this article was written, but I will tell all in the December issue.

Plans are well underway for our New Year's Eve party. The theme this year is Winter Wonderland and, if it is anything like previous years, the party will be a huge success.

The band for this event is The Global Affair, a husband and wife team who play the music you like to hear. Anyone who attended the Hoedown has heard them. The reports I have received since that party have been very positive.

The New Year's Eve Gala will be a sit-down dinner and the menu is a tossed green salad with 2 types of dressing, and your choice of entree: Pork Tenderloin, Chicken Cordon Bleu or a veggie selection. Corn, baked potato with all the trimmings, rolls with butter, and desserts complete the menu. Please remember there will only be eight per table due to the formal setting.

The ticket cost is \$50. Tickets will go on sale around Nov. 10.  
-- Melody Seewoster

## Winter Wish Project: A Community Effort

By Melody Seewoster

It was December 1990. The Beaumont Soroptimists were closing their last meeting until after the first of the year. Then came the distress call.

A club member, a principal in a Beaumont School, said that children in her school were in need of clothing and other necessities, including blankets for warmth since the families were living in their cars. What to do? The meeting was over. Half the members had left.

Local Attorney Linda Murphy, then a Beaumont Soroptimist and also a Beaumont Chamber Director, rallied to the challenge. In the next few days she had drafted volunteers, enlisted the support of the Beaumont Chamber, solicited money, and contacted the families to determine what items were needed most. With the aid of the volunteers, she shopped, then turned her law office into one awesome gift-wrapping party! Before Christmas 13 families had received needed help and enjoyed a happier holiday.

Naturally the project did not go unnoticed. Other schools in the Beaumont Unified School District reported that they, too, had families who need assistance. So the project enlarged to include families from all the Beaumont Schools. It became an on-going project, an all volunteer community wide, gift-giving project, known as Winter Wish.

After a number of years the project headquarters moved to the Beaumont Chamber of Commerce. Other changes followed as the project grew.

All Beaumont Service clubs, many fraternal and social groups, churches, businesses and individuals joined in support of the project by donating money, volunteering time and effort to help with the details, buying "wishes," even "adopting" families. Gifts were not delivered; instead the parents came for the gifts at a Distribution Center. A community food drive provided a welcome addition at pick-up time. A governing committee was formed, 23 volunteers representing service clubs, the chamber and school district, and met throughout the year to plan each year's Winter Wish.

The basic principles are much the same as they were in 1990. If a teacher in the Beaumont Unified School District thinks a family

may need assistance, he/she suggests the name to the Winter Wish Committee. Volunteers contact the parents.

If the parent agrees that they need assistance, the volunteer finds out a clothing need and small non-clothing gift for each child in the home, school-age and younger. These "wishes" are written on tags, which are made available for interested people to buy a "wish" and return it to the Beaumont Chamber office. Volunteers with donated money shop for the "wishes" not selected, thus assuring that each child receives two gifts. Family gifts, such as blankets, are often given.

Well readers, that's about it. The 21st Winter Wish project will soon be in full swing. Four Seasons Beaumont will participate with a Christmas trees, with tags, in place in the Lodge about mid-November.

Make yourself feel good this holiday season by giving a gift to some deserving child or family.

For more information call the Beaumont Chamber office at (951) 845-9541 ext 103.

## Neighborhood Watch Program

By Jerry Whitfield

Four Season's Neighborhood Watch is very excited and supportive of the HOA Board of Directors' efforts to make our community safe. The Beaumont Police Department's traffic patrol and enforcement program, which should begin sometime in October, will improve traffic safety as well as being a deterrent to criminal activity. Good work, HOA Board.

The Four Season's Neighborhood Watch program participated in the Club Fair held on Oct. 2. Numerous residents stopped by our table and thanked us for our efforts in making our community safe. Thank you, neighbors, for your continuing support of the Neighborhood Watch program.

The Sept. 10 Neighborhood Watch meeting was advertised as "Informative, Interesting and Dramatic" and it was all that. The meeting featured a "crime in progress" training exercise that allowed the attendees to witness a crime, then to describe the event and the two suspects.

Hopefully, this training exercise will help those residents who attended the meeting, to remain as "calm and aware" as possible during a crime and then be able to give accurate information and descriptions to law enforcement to aid in the capture and prosecution of criminals.

I would like to thank Beaumont Police officers Joshua Galbraith and Ryan Brieda for their participation in the exercise -- and for staying and participating in a question and answer session.

Neighborhood Watch at Four Seasons still needs Block Captains, so if anyone is interested, please contact Jerry Whitfield at (951) 845-0680.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEEDS WHO? WE NEED YOU!

## Gardening Tip

As the weather cools and the days shorten, reset your irrigation controller to water less frequently. However, don't change the number of minutes the system waters each time. This will encourage deep root growth resulting in healthier plants on less water. -- Landscape Committee



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## 8-Ball Club

Del Lyles and the 8-Ball Club would like to invite all Four Seasons residents to join us. We have a great bunch of team members and are always looking for new players.

If you are experienced or just a beginner, come and shoot some pool. Practice is Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., but you can usually find someone in the Billiards Room any evening.

If you have any questions, just stop in or give us a call: President Del Lyles, (951) 845-5114; Vice President, Roland Harrah, (951) 845-1734; Secretary, Dot Hurst, (951) 769-5850. See you in the Billiards Room. -- **Dot Hurst**



## Ballroom Dance Club

By Willis Fagan

The Ballroom Dance Club is in full swing – no pun intended. We have been learning the Fox Trot, and have concluded the first sessions of Rumba. Our instructors have just added the Cha Cha to our list of dances and we continue to practice all the dances we're learning.

This month we're featuring a Q&A session, as follows:

**Q.** Can only club members take lessons? **A.** Club membership is not required. You can just visit and observe, or take one lesson to try it out. Or you can take several lessons, or, if you like it, continue with lessons indefinitely. It's entirely up to you.

**Q.** Are you required to dance with other partners? **A.** No. You can dance exclusively with your own partner, or you can dance with others if you want.

**Q.** What dances are being taught? **A.** It is said that variety is the spice of life, thus we do many types and styles of dances. Whether the music is slow and romantic, or a show tune, or a Latin beat or a Big Band number, or from the 50s and 60s, or a Waltz, we are learning to get up and dance, and that, in the end, is what it's all about.

**Q.** How good a dancer are you expected to be? **A.** You can learn just enough to get by on a dance floor in most situations, (weddings, parties, etc.), or you can develop higher level skills. You get out of it what you put into it, so the more lessons and practice you have the better you become.... at any dance.

**Q.** Is there any practical benefit from taking dance lessons? **A.** There are two distinct benefits: One is the improvement of your coordination, body tone and control, and mental alertness. The other is the great enjoyment of dancing.

In conclusion, recently two of our Ballroom Dance Club couples, Loren and Pam DuChesne, and Gary and Puring Stifter, went on travel trips. Here's what they had to say: When ballroom dance tunes were played, not many people danced. We had to overcome our reluctance to dance in front of everyone, but we gave it a try. To our great surprise and satisfaction, people commented on how good we were.

We discovered that most people don't know even basic dance steps or routines, and although we were mindful of our limitations we did far better than they. It was very encouraging, and showed us that our dance lessons and practices here at Four Seasons really paid off.



This could be you. Join us for lessons Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$10 per person for an hour and a half of lessons by professional dance instructors. Then be sure to practice what we're being taught – almost every Thursday evening at 6 p.m.

## Amphitheater Society

By Penny McDonell

Sunday at The Amphitheater's Grand Finale was held on Oct. 19 with Dr. Jack Poster's Big Band Sounds performing, along with lead singer Lola Rossi.

The event was a huge success with the largest turnout of our two years and everyone really enjoyed getting into the swing of the evening. Thanks for all your loyalty and support, without which we wouldn't have such fine evenings of entertainment.

Speaking of which, as most of you know, we have no actual budget to rely on for compensating our wonderful "non-resident" entertainers. We totally depend on your generosity which has been amazing. We decided to sell water and ice cream in order to establish a bit more of a monetary base to work with, along with the collecting of recyclable bottles and cans to turn in for refunds. It has helped, and now we want to try taking it a step further than just at the Amphitheater.

If you normally throw your plastic bottles and cans away, we will be willing to take them off your hands - if you will save them for us. Collect in a large plastic bag, no need to separate the cans from the bottles - we will do that - call us with your address, then put the bag on your porch and one of our committee members will be by to pick it up no later than the next day.

A request for a wheelchair went out, to help residents who have some difficulty making the trek to the Amphitheater a bit easier. It was answered two-fold! Don't we live in a fantastic community! So a big "Thank you" goes out to Jeane Stompul and another to Madelyn and Charles Meyer for their gracious donations.

The participation in our survey was wonderful and I will go into that more next month.

If anyone is interested in participating or just wants to attend our meetings, the next one is scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 3, at 10:30 a.m. in the Lodge. The meeting room is yet to be determined.

Please call Penny McDonell, chair, (951) 849-5535 or Carol Napolski, co-chair (951) 849-9552 for recycling pick up.

## Asian Club

The Asian Club is taking a vacation break during November and December. Meetings will resume in the New Year. Please watch the Sentinel for start-up dates in 2011. -- **Tom Yee**



## African American Cultural Club

During the last meeting of the AACC, there was much discussion about future club activities. Also, the holiday plans were finalized and will be announced at a later date.

Ryta Jones attended the American Association of Retired Persons conference that held in Florida and she distributed useful information that benefits the senior population. Next year the conference will be held in the Los Angeles area.

The members who attended the Herbie Hancock concert at

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the Hollywood Bowl had an enjoyable evening. The music and all the entertainers gave a magnificent performance. Other members attended a jazz concert in Idyllwild and had a great time also.

For more information or questions regarding the African American Cultural Club, please contact Betty Ann James, Chair (951) 572-5538 or Joyce Allen, Co-Chair (951) 769-4354. The next meeting will be held on Monday, Nov. 1, in the Card Room at the Lodge at 6:00 p.m. -- **Mabelene Dimmer**

## Book Club

By Nancy Morgan

Our meeting in September was great with discussions on two very different books, *The White Queen* and *Earth Abides*.

The *White Queen* was written by Philippa Gregory who writes historical fiction. The Club read her well-known book, *The Other Boleyn Girl*, in 2008. *The White Queen* tells the story of Elizabeth Woodville, a woman of extraordinary beauty and ambition, who secretly marries Edward, the newly crowned boy-king of England. The novel has several themes; loyalty and greed are two which run throughout the book.

Elizabeth spent her life defending her right to the throne at King Edward's side. Throughout the story we see Elizabeth's loyalty as a daughter, devotion as a sister, and love for her husband and children. She was ambitious and undoubtedly made some questionable moral choices, but she also had a tenacious love for her family. Elizabeth's two sons were imprisoned in the Tower of London and were never seen again. There is much speculation as to what actually happened to them, but the fate of Edward and Richard is still a mystery to historians.

*Earth Abides*, written by George R. Stewart, became an instant classic upon publication in 1949. It is usually classified as a "post apocalypse" novel. The title *Earth Abides* comes from Ecclesiastes 1:4 "men go and come, but earth abides."

When a plague of unprecedented virulence sweeps the globe, the human race is all but wiped out. Only a few shattered survivors remain. One such survivor, Isherwood "Ish" Williams, is an intellectual loner who embraces the grim duty of bearing witness to what may be humanity's final days. Ish is not actually a leader; he is a thinker, but not a doer. There were not people around with a lot of skills. For example, no mechanics and no one who could teach farming so they could grow crops for food. Ish started a school at one point, but eventually closed it when only one student learned to read.

After Ish meets Em, a wise and courageous woman, he begins to have hope. Together they face many challenges as they sow the seeds of a new beginning.

Thanks to Bobbie Eckel and Zelyne Rudolph for doing such excellent jobs of leading our discussions. October reads are *Presumed Innocent* and *The Help*. Our November selections are *Heaven's Witness* and *Friday's Child*. See you then!

## Bridge Club

Attention all Bridge Lovers! Now that all of our summer vacations are over, Bridge will be back in full swing. We play every Monday at noon. I look forward to seeing you there. -- **Carl Carson**



## Bunco

If you are bored at home and have a couple of hours to spare, come join us for some fun. We normally meet the second and fourth Friday of the month. The next Bunco session will be Friday, Nov. 12, in the Card Room at the Lodge at 1 p.m. Bring a friend or a new neighbor.

We will not be meeting on Friday, Nov. 26, because of the Thanksgiving holiday.

See You At Bunco! -- **Anni Smith and Suzanne Roldan**



## 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 the Bistro staff is quite 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, (951) 769-2774**

## "Get Around To It" - Crafters

Martha Melendez is preparing for all "Four Seasons." She got the idea for her "Victorian Houses" from a friend of a friend.

Each house is made from a brick and is decorated for spring, summer, fall or winter. Martha's husband, Greg, cuts and assembles the wood chimney, roof and porch. Martha paints and adds all the beautiful details to the houses. The chimney holds long stem matches for a fireplace, or the house can be used as a doorstop. Our little group of crafters appreciates Martha's talent for details.



Martha Melendez

Come join us on Thursday night, Nov. 4, in the Craft Room any time after 5:30 p.m. We will look forward to meeting you and helping support your talents.

If you have questions, please call Paulette Sims (909) 849-0555 or Pat Dawson (909) 720-1514. - **Pat Dawson**

## Free Computer Classes

Please sign up at the front desk in the Stop Look & Sign Up book. Each class is limited to only nine students and a class will be scheduled when the enrollment reaches nine. Each class is three weeks long and meets each Monday and Wednesday from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. You will be notified the week before a class is to begin.

Classes are scheduled in the following order based on enrollment numbers: Basic Skills, Windows XP, and then Internet. The current students have priority for the next class unless it's a Basic Skill Course; then only new students will be enrolled. Priority is based on homeowner's sign up date.

**Basic Skills** - This is a class designed for a beginner and those who need review of basic computer skills. The class includes mouse and keyboard practice, creating Microsoft Word documents





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and Microsoft Excel spreadsheets.

**Windows XP** - This class will allow you to become skilled at customizing your Windows system and desktop. You will learn to create shortcuts for the items you often use. You will gain knowledge using WordPad, Paint, and other basic programs included with every Windows computer. Basic Skills 103 or equivalent experience is necessary.

**Internet** - Learn how to search and find material of interest to you on the World Wide Web. Find out about newsgroups and how to read the ones you select. Discover how to send and receive e-mail, send pictures via e-mail, mailing list and conventions for joining and leaving them. Internet Explorer will be demonstrated and used. Basic Skills or previous computer experience is recommended. -- **Bill Rusche, Instructor**

## Discovery Club

**Willis Fagan, Club Captain**

"Aunt Sadie has already done our family tree."

"My cousin back East has gathered all our family information."

"I got a coat of arms so I know where my family came from."

Statements like these are often heard. A well-intentioned family member will put together bits of information, add a few photographs, fill in some standard forms or make a basic chart, and call it a family tree.

Maybe it really is a good family tree – and maybe not. But you'll never know if it's complete and accurate if you don't get your own copy and check it out for yourself. Whether you're verifying an existing family tree or making your own from scratch, help is at hand.

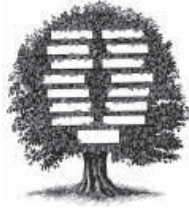
The Discovery Club will be focusing primarily on doing Family Trees, (Genealogy). Over the course of several meetings we'll discuss the following: What you need to know. Getting started. Research options. Talking with your family. Finding the old timers. Separating fact from fiction. Affects of world history. Using the Internet. Organizing your data. Photographs. Clippings & obituaries. Publishing your tree. Communicating with others. Using Family Tree programs. Journaling & story telling. DNA research. Primary and secondary sources. Tidbits and trivia.

We can learn a lot from those who have already worked on and prepared their own family trees. We can also help those who are getting started, or who are stuck somewhere in the process. Often a small detail or a different approach is what it takes. And it's always encouraging to know how others resolved something, or how they got around that seemingly immovable brick wall.

Every family tree has roots, a trunk, limbs, branches and twigs, but each tree will have its own special shape when finished. That's the fun of it. And when the tree is done, that's the reward of it as well.

But remember this: If you do not already have a family tree, or are unsure of the family tree you have, now is the time to get started. If you don't do it, who will?

Whether you're an expert or a novice, if you're interested in this subject please contact the club captain (preferably by email). Depending on your response, a meeting will be scheduled and you



will be notified of its time and place. For more information, call me at (951) 769-4482, or email [wefbev@verizon.net](mailto:wefbev@verizon.net).

## Four Seasons at Beaumont Golf Club

The Four Seasons at Beaumont Golf Club began October by playing golf at Yucaipa Golf Course, with a very good lunch at the Sizzler immediately thereafter. Everyone had a good time; Bob Melville had the lowest score and the biggest smile on his face.



Our next event was scheduled for Monday, Oct. 11. We had a starting time of 9:30 a.m. at Diamond Valley Golf Course in Hemet. We again carpooled, played golf, had fun on the course (of course), and had a great lunch together. All in all, it was a very nice day.

Our traveling SCGA affiliated Club, the Southern California Players Club (SCPC), is now in the process of renewing current memberships and signing up new members for 2011. With this Club (for 2011), you will establish and maintain your own personal SCGA-authorized handicap, which may be maintained at the SCGA Website on the Internet; or, you may post each of your golf scores at the course where you have played after each round. If you are interested in becoming a member of the SCPC, please contact Ed McBratney at [em91765@yahoo.com](mailto:em91765@yahoo.com) (e-mail), or at (951) 572-5447. Note: If you choose to contact me by e-mail, please put "Golf Club Sign-up" in the 'Subject:' field. -- **Ed McBratney, Four Seasons at Beaumont Golf Club.**

## Karaoke

**By Zelyne Rudolph**

Karaoke was a lot of fun for about 80 people this month. We have some really talented and interesting singers and entertainers.

The songs ran the gamut between show tunes and country, and everyone was appreciative of all who had the nerve to participate. We keep repeating that it is about entertainment, not how well you sing. The audience appreciates how much energy, creativity and enjoyment you put into it.



**Jerry Matthews**

Sometimes we have audiences and singers from outside Four Seasons and we have our regular singers from Four Seasons.

Mary Lou Keating can be depended upon to try interesting numbers. Nancy Horenburg sang selections from the musical "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," Linda TerBest gave us her best through 50's and 60's ballads.

Linda Wright dedicated her song to her sister who is a cancer survivor, "The Wind Beneath My Wings." Sonya Braswell is always enjoyable with her renditions of artists Patsy Cline and Tracy Chapman. John Noonan and Cindy Graves sang a duet, "You Don't Send Me Flowers." Andrew Jongsma wrote special lyrics including John Horning and this writer in the words to one of his Frank Sinatra songs. Jerry Matthews ended the evening with an audience involved, "My Ding-a-Ling."

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## Committees, Clubs, Groups & Special Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> 12:30p Bridge 5 MNFP* 6 AACC* 7 8-Ball Club	<b>2</b> 10a Knit & Crochet Poker <b>11</b> 6p <b>Bistro Com Mtg</b> Hearts	<b>3</b> <b>10a ARC Mtg</b> Open Art Studio 10:30 Amphitheater Mtg 1p Canasta #2 5 Bingo 7 8-Ball Club	<b>4</b> 10a Poker 11:30 Pan 1:15p Canasta #1 <b>5</b> 5:30 <b>Social Com Mtg</b> Crafters	<b>5</b> 10a Open Art Studio 6p Seasoned Solos 7 8-Ball Club All Private Party in the Evening Game Room	<b>6</b> 10a Painting Class 1p Poker 5 Karaoke
<b>7</b> 2a Daylight Savings ends. Turn your clocks back! All Private Party in the Card Day Room	<b>8</b> 12:30p Bridge 5 MNFP* 6 AACC* 7 8-Ball Club	<b>9</b> 10a Knit & Crochet Poker <b>2p</b> 6 <b>Event Sys Com Mtg</b> PAC Rehearsal Hearts All Seasons RV'rs 7 Life Guide Bible Study	<b>10</b> <b>8a BOD EX Session</b> <b>10</b> <b>Newsletter Com Mtg</b> Open Art Studio <b>1p BOD General Session</b> Canasta #2 7 8-Ball Club	<b>11</b> 10a Poker 11:30 Pan 1:15p Canasta #1 Crafters 4 Veteran's Day Open House 6 Veteran's Day Program	<b>12</b> 10a Neighborhood Watch Mtg Open Art Studio 1p Bunco 7 8-Ball Club	<b>13</b> 10a Painting Class 5p Magic Night in Bistro 6:30 Magic Night in Theater 7:30 Magic Night in Theater
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# November 2010



## Physical Exercise/Activities

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# Clubs & Activities

## Knitting and Crocheting

Our group participated in the "Club Fair" at the Lodge on Oct. 2. There were six of us who attended and displayed items that we have made.



We exhibited a number of different items, so that we could show the various tasks and degree of difficulty we may try in both knitting and crocheting. We had a nice response from those that stopped by and asked questions, and even several ladies who seemed interested in joining us.

Hopefully we will have some new members before long. It was a fun day. -- **Dorothy Payne**

## Life Guide Bible Study Club



The Life Guide Bible Study Club in November will finish our study of the love chapter in the Bible, 1 Corinthians 13.

We're in a series called "*A Life Built on Love.*" As we enjoy these years of our lives here at Four Seasons, what should be the main focus of our lives? What is most important to us? What is our aim in life?

The Bible says in 1 Corinthians, "*Make love your greatest aim.*" Why, of all the things God could have said to build your life on, why love? That is what we will be looking at as we continue to study one of the greatest statements about love in all of literature. Come and join us. Everyone is welcome.

The Life Guide Bible Study Club meets in the Ballroom of the Lodge on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 8 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. 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 (951)572-5329. -- **Don Cummings**

## Line Dancing

Line dancing isn't just for country songs. You can line dance to a Cha-Cha, a waltz and many songs with a four count beat.

This month there will be no line dancing on Veteran's Day, Nov. 11, and, of course, no class on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 25.

There is an interest list forming for a once a month Saturday class taught by an outside instructor beginning in the first part of 2011. Please stop by the desk and sign up for further information as it becomes available.

Meanwhile, please join us for free lessons, laughs and exercise in the Ballroom every Thursday at 4 p.m. It is a good way to meet others in our community. Remember, none of us were born line dancing. We all had to learn -- one step at a time. You can too! - **Martha Franck, Eileen Gilbert, and Zelyne Rudolph**



## Painting Classes

Painting classes are held every Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon in the Craft Room. The classes are intended for artists at all levels from beginners to advanced.



We are going to begin spending more time (about four weeks) on each painting so that you will be able to complete a fully developed work of art suitable for hanging in your home or presenting as a gift.

The classes are taught by award winning local artist, Ian Kirkpatrick. Although most of the current students are painting with oils, you can also paint with acrylics if you wish. Acrylics have the advantage of drying faster and are therefore less "messy."

If you've been itching to exercise your creativity, or just have a lot of fun, this is your chance. If you have any questions, call John Horning at (323) 253-3854. -- **John Horning**

## Four Seasons RV Club

Our September visit to Pismo Coast Village Resort was great. We enjoyed the cool, overcast mornings and sunny afternoons. Members had fun eating together, sitting by the wonderful bonfire every night, eating out, and visiting Hearst Castle, Cambria and Avila Beach.



As I write this some of our members are enjoying Emerald Cove at Parker, Ariz. More on this next month.

On Nov.1 to 5 the Club is going to Huntington Beach. Jane and Tim Jacobson are wagonmasters and several fun activities are planned.

Our meetings are the second Tuesday of the month at 6 p. m. in the Arts and Crafts room at the Lodge. -- **Nancy Morgan**

## Old School Dance Club

By Willa Harris, Club Co-captain

Dance crazes? What's the meaning of "dance crazes?" It's when someone invents a dance and everyone follows along with the steps in a line or with a partner or just by yourself while dancing to the beat of the music..



The dances of the 1960's were a fun and unique experience. You had to be there to understand. Just talk to any Baby Boomer who was an adolescent during the 60's and they will tell you how much fun it was and how fortunate they were to grow up in that era.

I grew up in San Francisco, and I remember the first dance craze. It was called "The Madison". It's still around and has even been used in a musical play known as "Hair Spray."

Our Four Seasons residents recently had a blast learning a dance craze known as The Bus Stop. This was led by club Co-captain Priscilla Robles. Thanks, Priscilla, for a job well done.

I would also like to thank Sam and Sherri Barton for dancing to James Brown's "Superbad Time." They really worked it out.

Thanks, also to Bettye Myers for doing The Mashed Potato by Dee Dee Sharp. She was extra special with her footwork. Thanks to JoAnne Haberman and Alexandria Vanhoosen for dancing to rock'n roll tunes and more. You go girls!

Thanks to Joyce Allen who danced very well on several occasions and did not miss a beat, to Doris Johnson who also got up and danced on our steppin' dance craze with a tune known as "Stop in the Name of Love," and Pete Antoine who really knows how to do the Old School Dances very well.

Remember I will always support and give you a high standard for just coming out to support me. Until we meet the next time,



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## Racquet Club

Mickey and Howard Nelson, Howard Lyon and I were at the Four Seasons Club Fair on Oct. 2. It was a terrific "meet and greet" event with many of our members stopping by to say hello.

We also spoke with several couples who had been yellow-ballers at one time in their lives and now were interested in our programs for beginning and re-learning skills. Others admired the many mementos and trophies the Nelsons had won with their play in the Super Senior championships spanning many years. They had some great stories to tell, as well!

We are really in the fast lane with our Webmaster Irve Sturner and the Four Seasons Tennis Club website at [www.integratedgraphics.net/BeaumontTennis.html](http://www.integratedgraphics.net/BeaumontTennis.html). Lots of tennis news, photos (some very new and fresh images provided by Jim Cochran), tips by our Developmental Coach, Cheryl Smith, as well as her drill schedule, even a monthly trivia question!

The first trivia quiz was won by Padoo Peralta who can now eat on a freebie at Smitty's Bistro---compliments of a gift certificate. Watch for these tennis questions each and every month and you too could be the next winner---maybe spanking new tennis balls or a senior movie for two at the Fox Banning theater.

So who's going to be your date? Probably sit in the back row, smooching and knocking back the popcorn. We know this Four Seasons crowd!

Thanks again for the fabulous support you provided us in 2010. Membership has steadily grown and we are now north of 50 members! Hope you had a chance to join or renew for 2011 at our Membership/Play day on Oct. 23. If not, just contact any Committee member and slap down \$20 for more tennis drills, play days, lunches and Grand Slam events next year. -- **Ken Elliott**

## Seasoned Sassies

The Seasoned Sassies (our Red Hat Society chapter) meets the second Wednesday of each month at various locales.

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

## Seasoned Solos

Our trip to Lake Arrowhead was postponed from September to this month so we could enjoy Oktoberfest as well as tea at Teresa Casanova's mountain home.

We also planned an early dinner on Oct. 15 at Marla's Restaurant.

Our November plans include a trip to Oak Glen for the Apple Festival with lunch included. No other trips were planned due to Thanksgiving this month.

In December we are planning a trip to Victoria Gardens in Rancho Cucamonga to view the Christmas lights and decorations. They are quite lovely and are reminiscent of an old time town square. We will meet at the Lodge at 9:30 a.m. and carpool from there.

We are also going to Sun Lakes for dinner to enjoy their decorations as well on Dec. 10. -- **Toby Davis**



## Walkie Talkies

The Walkie Talkies' hike for November will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 9. We will be hiking in the Barton Flats area, going toward Jenks Lake. There should be wonderful fall colors with a moderate 2-3 mile hike and only a 500' elevation gain. We hope the weather holds.

If necessary, our alternate destination would be Joshua Tree and Keyes Ranch plus Barker Dam -- a most interesting, historical place, about three miles total walking. Lynette will send emails the week before. We really appreciate hearing from those who plan to join us.

Whatever our final destination, we will have lunch at a very nice mountain cafe. -- **Lynette Simonson**



## Taste d'Vine



The next Wine Club Meeting will be Thursday, Nov. 18, at 6 p.m. in the Lodge Ballroom.



The Holidays are coming. It is the beginning of rounds of wonderful dishes to be sampled and great opportunities for food and wine pairings. Try something new. You will be amazed at what is offered to compliment your appetizers from various bubbles, whites, and reds through the meal ending with dessert wines.

Menus of cool fall weather include comfort foods which pair well with a nice glass or two of wine. Most satisfying! Those lucky enough to have a fireplace or a DVD of one, can relax with a glass of sherry or port.

But let us get to the star of the month -- Thanksgiving celebration dinners and wines. There are wonderful sparklings, red and white, to start your party. If you prefer still wines, try a unoaked chardonnay, a rose', and certainly pour your favorites.

Taste d'Vine encourages sampling different wines and expanding your palate. However, it all comes to what you like and if you have favorites, this is the time to enjoy. The experience along with the food and friends make wines most enjoyable.

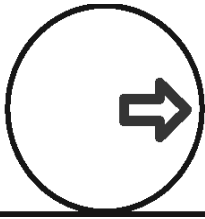
So as we start this Holiday Season, happy times to you. This month we will feature wines that complement the Gobble, Vegetarian and Dessert Menus. We will also have after-dinner and dessert wines.

Come join us on the third Thursday, Nov. 18, 6 p.m. in the Ballroom as we celebrate this year's Beaujolais Nouveau, and the beginning of the Holiday Season. Bring a tasty dish, and two glasses if you want to share. Members \$5, guests \$8. -- **Anita Worthen**



Wine Clubbers sample the wares at Cougar Winery during a tour on Oct. 7.

# Four Season's Community Info



## Four Seasons Spotlight

### Bingo Committee Created

By Leighton McLaughlin

The newly formed Bingo Committee is in business and plans to hold games twice a month on Wednesdays in the Lodge Ballroom.

The committee replaces the old Bingo Club, and is an official arm of the Four Seasons HOA Board. Sandy Dwyer is committee chairperson; JuDee Wood, treasurer; Sonya Tamplin, secretary; and Jamie Brower, Rick Brower, Vicki Howard, and Bev McLaughlin members. Jacque Sneddon is liaison to the Board.

Dwyer said the committee needs volunteers to help run the games. If enough workers can be found, the number of games in each month could be increased. "It takes about ten people to do it right," she said, "and the players get restless if it takes too long to get going."

The Four Seasons bingo games have so far raised nearly \$6,000 for local charities. Just under \$1,500 apiece is being given through the Elks Club of Beaumont to support the Beaumont Police and Fire Departments, Carol's Kitchen, which provides meals for the needy, and the Cherry Valley Parks and Recreation Department's program for needy children.

Dwyer said the bingo operation became an official committee because of the amount of money involved. The needed insurance and the purchase and maintenance of equipment became more than a club could handle.

Dwyer said the city has a rule that requires 25 percent of gross income must go to charity from bingo games that bring in over \$5,000 a month. With only two games a month, she does not expect Four Seasons to reach that goal, unless the needed volunteers can be found and the number of games increased.



Sandy Dwyer, Bingo Committee Chair

The first, early-bird game will start at 5:50 p.m., with the November games on Nov. 3 and Nov. 17 and the December games on the Dec. 1 and 15. After the first of the year the games will be regularly on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month.

Dwyer said players must buy regular, six-card sheets for the night to be eligible for the special games, which typically have larger jackpots, and that card and 50/50 ticket sales will end promptly at 5:45 p.m.

Committee member Rick Brower is looking into the possibility of enhancing the bingo board with new equipment that will cause the last number called to flash and show the configuration of the game being played: an "X," a picture frame or a diagonal, for example.

Bingo is the second committee Dwyer has chaired. For a time she ran the Bistro Committee and helped proprietor Bryan "Smitty" Smith get the Bistro underway in the early days of Four Seasons.

Leadership roles come naturally to her. In high school she lettered in four sports, archery, swimming, tennis and softball while serving as treasurer of the student council – about every activity open to girls back then. While her kids were growing up, she was a Brownie and Girl Scout leader and treasurer of the Placentia Little League. She was also on the PTAs of her children's schools, on a host of civic organizations and was Woman of the Year for the charitable sorority Beta Sigma Phi six times.

She hopes to see more Four Seasons residents show up for the bingo games. Right now, the majority of players are from outside the community. "The games are for the residents – but state law requires they be open to outsiders, too. We want more of our people to participate and enjoy," she said.

### Activities Director Corner

By Cindy Graves

November is here and with it one of my favorite events, Veterans' Day. I love my country and am so appreciative of all of those who served in the military protecting the way of life for which I am so grateful.

I would like to invite all of you to come and join me on Thursday, Nov. 11 for an opportunity to remember and honor those who served. The event will begin at 4 p.m. with a military memorabilia "open house". At 6 p.m. there will be a "Hometown Heroes" Program which includes a documentary of several of our own Four Seasons veterans along with patriotic music performed by the Four Seasons Singers and a dessert reception at the conclusion of the evening. Feel free to bring your family and grandkids, so that they can be reminded of how great it is to be an American in

this great country! There is no cost to attend.

Saturday, Dec. 4 is the Holiday Extravaganza at the Lodge. You won't want to miss that! If you are a crafter or an artist who would like to have a table or two at the Holiday Craft Fair (at no charge), you can sign up to reserve yours -- starting Nov. 3 at the Lodge desk. We are requesting that a little plate of holiday nibbles be offered at your table for a more festive holiday shopping experience.

Make plans to join us for the rest of the fun day; the Holiday Home Tours (\$5 wristbands available at the Lodge on the day of the event), the Golf Cart Parade, the cheerful lighting of the Christmas Tree Ceremony and then the Performing Arts Club Holiday Show ending with holiday goodies!

See the flyer on page seven for the specific times of each event. I can't wait to see you there!

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving and a happy and manageable holiday preparation month!



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## Paseo, Continued from page 1

spite of efforts to keep up with appearances, the result was a look of sad neglect.

Through a collaboration of the Landscape Committee, O'Connell Landscaping, Euclid Management and support of the Board, a plan was created to correct problem areas and work was begun.

The first task was correcting those areas of drainage that could be corrected without needing bulldozers to create a clean slate. Drains were dug under sidewalks, runoff was rerouted, sprinklers relocated, and plant material evaluated for re-location. After the drainage was corrected, came the addition of tons of river rock to increase the continuity of design and help the drainage, and then came plant replacement and finally mulching. The process was a long, slow one with O'Connell's Regional Manager, Christian Burk, going the extra step in making this a success. On-site supervision of the day to day work by Martinez, the exacting eye of Euclid Management's Harris and the continued follow-up of the Landscape Committee have brought about the beautiful results you see when you walk the Paseo today.

Four Seasons residents are encouraged to explore the Laurels Paseo "new look." Enter the Paseo from Lewis Creek, Piper Creek or Salt Creek and enjoy a walk through one of the little known spots of beauty in the community. You will see for yourself why the completion merited such a celebration.



## Stretching and Ageing

By Zelyne Rudolph

Stretching feels good and comes naturally to all of us. No matter the age, if you stay sitting in a position for a period of time, you stretch unconsciously and it relieves the tension.

Younger people are naturally more flexible than older people. Why? Ageing muscle connective tissues have a natural tendency to shorten and lose elasticity, which results in muscle tightness and stiffness.

Even though females tend to be more flexible than males, as you age both gender muscles tighten and you find a loss of range of motion in the joints. Active lifestyles are threatened and even hinder day-to-day, normal motions. Tasks that used to be simple, such as getting dressed or reaching for a can off the top shelf, now become difficult. A regular stretching program can help lengthen your muscles and make daily living activities easier.

Everyone can learn to stretch, regardless of age or flexibility. Stretching should be a part of your daily routine, whether you exercise or not. There are simple stretches you can do while watching TV, on the computer, or getting ready for bed.

One may say, "Okay, that sounds good, but is it really important to me as I age?" One of the greatest benefits of stretching is that you could prevent injuries before injury occurs because supple joints will move more. The more supple your muscles and tendons are, the better they can handle the ordeals of sport and exercise, and the less likely that they will become injured.

Post-exercise stretching can also aid in recovery, decrease muscle soreness, and ensure that your muscles and tendons are strong. Stretching doesn't have to take a lot of time and energy, but stretching can end up giving you huge results!

To summarize these thoughts, here are just a few of the benefits you can expect from a regular stretching program: improved posture, mental relaxation, reduced muscle stress, improved muscular coordination, delayed onset of muscle fatigue, increased flexibility in the joints, increased circulation of the blood to various parts of the body which leads to increased energy levels, improved performances in daily life, sports or other physical activity, and added variety, enjoyment and satisfaction to your exercise program.

Now that fall has come, your muscles need to continue to stay warm (whether from exercising or from a warmer environment). Your muscles will be more flexible when they are warm. Consequently, you will need to increase your muscle temperature and decrease muscular resistance, which boosts your range of motion.

Active people tend to be more flexible than inactive people. Four Seasons Fitness Center has machines just for stretching. This writer can attest to using these machines before exercise class when muscle discomfort is felt. Our exercise company, Pro-Fit, has a number of ways to maintain stretching and sound muscles and tendons. Check the calendar for times and days of conditioning, Pilates, yoga and ballet.

## Neighborhood Notes

By Bobbie Eckel

Daylight Saving Time comes to an end on Sunday, Nov. 7. Be sure to set your clocks back one hour and enjoy that extra bit of time to sleep before the day's activities.

I know that this is an early notice -- but it is worth announcing now: Mark your calendars for Mar. 19, 2011, for a very special performance in our Ballroom. The Mighty Echoes will be back at Four Seasons. Watch for more information in coming Sentinels.

Residents, we have many beautifully decorated and landscaped homes in our community. Please consider giving neighbors and newcomers a chance to see what can be done with various models by showing your house on the home tour. Pick up an application at the Lodge desk.

A suggestion for residents driving down the Four Seasons Circle toward Green Creek Trail: Use a lower gear instead of Drive. Let the compression of second gear or lower (if necessary) keep the car within the speed limits. This will also save wear and tear on brakes!

Homeowners are encouraged to attend the General Session of the Board of Directors meetings each month. The Open Session will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 10, in November in order to accommodate the Veterans' Day presentation in the Ballroom on Nov. 11. Normally the Open Sessions are held on the second Thursday of each month.

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## Garage Sale Program

By Randy Balt, Chairperson  
ad hoc Garage/Yard Sale Committee



The Four Seasons HOA is developing a program to hold community-wide garage sales twice a year.

An ad hoc Garage Sale Committee has been created to review current rules, evaluate options, seek community input, and then design a homeowner friendly program that would make it easy

for all residences to participate if they desire. Once developed, the hope is our residents will find the program a helpful, safe way to get rid of their extra or unwanted “stuff.”

By the time you read this, there will be a survey posted on the Four Seasons Beaumont website [www.fourseasonsatbeaumont.com/newsletter.php](http://www.fourseasonsatbeaumont.com/newsletter.php) seeking homeowner input on the program.

Once residents have had time to make suggestions, the ad hoc committee will make a final proposal to the Board of Directors.

Currently each homeowner is permitted two, two-day periods per year for garage sales, with additional rules governing hours of sale and the placing of signs. This information is published on page 25 of our Community Guidelines. Under the current rules garage sales can be held within Four Seasons 365 days a year, with the continuous security and traffic problems that crowds of outsiders and their autos can cause.

The rule revision presently under consideration by the Rules and Regulations Committee would modify the guidelines to allow only two, single-day community-wide garage sales each year. It is expected that the arrangement would attract the largest number of buyers yet limit traffic and security concerns to those two days. The HOA would support each event with advertising and other arrangements to facilitate customer entry and traffic flow within the community on two specific Saturdays per year, such as the 3rd Saturday in April and the 3rd Saturday in October. The hours for sale would be from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

In addition, special arrangements could be made with a charity organization, such as Disabled American Veterans or Goodwill Industries to pick up left-over items between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. that same day. This would be a further benefit for the individual homeowner who would like to donate leftover items instead of returning them to storage.

A permanent “Garage/Yard Sale Subcommittee” would also be established, reporting directly to the Rules and Regulations Committee, to oversee the program and to be responsible for organizing security and advertising. This committee would make special arrangements with the City of Beaumont to obtain the city-issued permit that is required for all garage sales.

We ask all interested parties to complete the Garage Sale survey located on the website, or to drop off comments at the Lodge desk marked “Attention Garage Sale Committee.”

## Dance Instructions Especially for Beginners

Learn to dance in time for New Year’s Eve, or a wedding or party or a cruise. If you’ve wanted to learn some simple, easy dance steps, there’ll never be a better or more convenient opportunity.

Professional dance instructors will explain and teach each step, one at a time, from the beginning, and make it as easy and enjoyable for you as possible.

This is not line dancing or ballroom dancing or any other specialty dancing, and this is not a club you must join. You can relax and learn just enough to get out on the dance floor and have some fun.

Lessons will be held in our Ballroom for half an hour each Monday evening, between 6 and 6:30 p.m., for four weeks only, from Nov. 8 through Nov. 29. The cost is a very reasonable \$5 per lesson.

No reservations are required – just show up at 6 p.m. (sharp), and you’ll be included. Or you may contact Tanya Thornton, (951) 769-0322, or [tluff@yahoo.com](mailto:tluff@yahoo.com). for more information.

Think of it: Dance lessons right here at home, by professional instructors, for only \$5. How can you go wrong? Don’t wait any longer – take advantage of this special offer and learn some easy, basic steps and moves to enjoy dancing. -- **Charlotte Diehl**

## Time to Check Your Smoke Alarms

The weekend of Nov. 6 and 7, we will all be setting our clocks to end Daylight Saving Time. Remember to turn your clock back one hour.

The time change is a good reminder to check your smoke alarms. According to the National Fire Protection Association, more than 66 percent of home fire deaths that occurred between 2003 and 2006 were in homes without a working smoke alarm.

A working smoke alarm significantly increases your chances of surviving a deadly home fire.

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Smoke alarms are powered by either a battery or are hardwired into your home’s electrical system. Hardwired smoke alarms are usually equipped with a backup battery. If your smoke alarm is powered by battery, the battery needs to be replaced annually unless it is a long-life battery (check the owner’s manual). All batteries should be maintained and replaced in accordance with manufacturer’s guidance.

Choose an annual date, such as the time change, when you will remember to maintain your smoke alarm in tip top condition.





Check the manufacturer's expiration date on the label, replace the batteries if needed, and clean dust away from the slots so that smoke can enter freely. All smoke alarms, hard-wired and battery powered, should be replaced every ten years. These simple steps will help ensure that you and your family will have the best chance of surviving if fire should strike.

USFA has a fire safety campaign called "Install. Inspect. Protect" which provides information about home smoke alarms and fire sprinklers. Please visit the campaign Web site at [www.usfa.dhs.gov/campaigns/smokealarms/](http://www.usfa.dhs.gov/campaigns/smokealarms/).-- United States Fire Administration Press Release, courtesy of **John McLaughlin**

### More Gardening Tips

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**Chef's Corner**  
By Randy Balt

## Creamed Onions

Creamed onions are another holiday favorite of mine. First introduced to me by my mother-in-law, Jan Kruger, in 1974, this dish has remained a popular accompaniment to our families' Thanksgiving turkey dinners ever since. I hope you try it this holiday season. Good luck and good cooking.

### Ingredients

4 10 oz. bags of pearl onions

Bread or Cracker Crumbs

### White Sauce Ingredients

¼ cup + 2 Tbs butter

¼ cup + 2 Tbs flour

4 cups milk

1 ½ tsp salt

½ tsp white pepper

2 dashes of Tabasco

2 dashes of Worcestershire

### Directions for White Sauce

1. Melt butter over medium heat. Whisk in flour to create a roux (thickening agent).
  2. Gradually whisk in milk, one cup at a time. Sprinkle in other ingredients.
  3. Continually whisk until it thickens, but not too thick. (Not pancake batter, but a creamy white sauce.)
- Combining Directions
1. Place onions in a pasta pan with removable insert and cover with cold water. Bring to a boil, then immediately pour water off.
  2. Repeat process, but let them boil until al dente (about 2 minutes).
  3. Pour off and rinse with cold water. Cool for 10-15 minutes, minimum.
  4. Cut off rooted end and remove outer layer by popping out the inner onion between fingers and thumb.
  5. Place onions in a 9 x 13 pan, cover with white sauce, and top with bread or cracker crumbs.
  6. Bake at 400° for 30 minutes.

Note: Don't make white sauce too thick. Do not over-cook onions, remember al dente. Entire process may be done the day before. It may take longer to bake if it is not at room temperature before baking.

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