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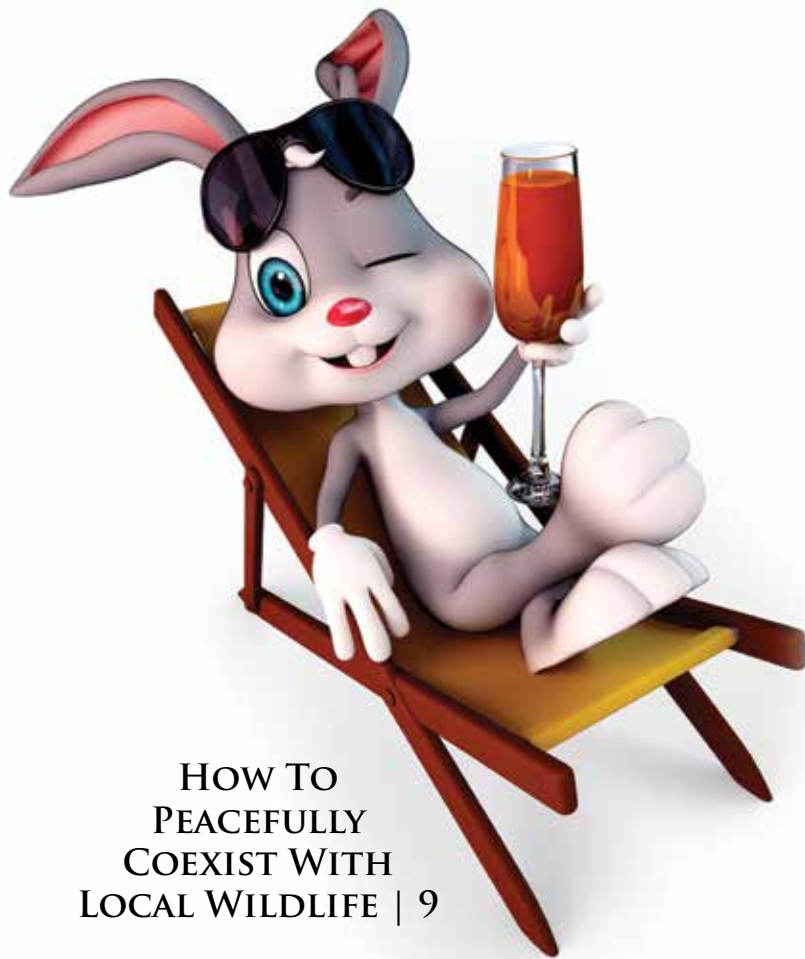


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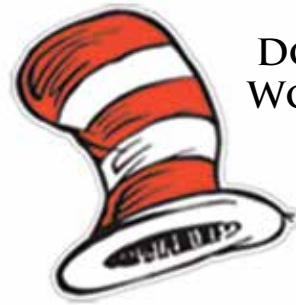
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HOA Board Elections, New Dates

By Leighton McLaughlin

New dates have been set for the District Delegate elections.

Once elected the delegates cast the votes that elect the HOA Board members.

The first delegate election – for districts with at least 50 percent of homeowners voting – will be held March 4. The second election - with a reduced quorum of 25 percent – will be held March 11. The candidates and their districts are:

- **Arbors 1 – Diana Cook & Niles Sundstrom**
- **Arbor 2 – Noel Myers, Pete Paladino, & Lynette Simonson**
- **Colonnade 1 – Barbara Morgan**
- **Heritage 1 – Lynn Gerlach & Tanya Guy**
- **Heritage 2 – Doug Smith & Tina Soeten**
- **Keystone 1 – Judith Erickson**
- **Landmark 1 – Loren Stassart & JoAnne Terrell**
- **Landmark 2 – Dale Beckes & Don Fant**
- **Laurel 1 – Martha Franck & Judith Rusche**
- **Laurel 2 – Brian Anderson and Howard Lyon**
- **Monarch 1 – Del Lyles Sr, & Dennis Mallon**
- **Monarch 2 – No Candidates applied**
- **Springdale 1 – Betty Ann James, Bill Raphael & Patricia Warman**

The delegates act much like members of the Electoral College in U.S. presidential elections – with a big difference. Delegates from districts that fail to have a majority of households casting ballots in the Board election can vote the districts' total voting power as they see fit. It is important to select delegates carefully because of the real possibility one or two of them could decide an election.

Ballots were mailed in February. Each household has one vote. The candidate with the most votes becomes the delegate and the second place vote getter becomes alternate. The HOA Board appoints delegates in any district that has no applicants or that fails to meet the reduced quorum. The alternate acts only in the absence of the delegate.

Homeowners may cast their ballots in person the day of the elections, but they are encouraged to mail them in earlier so it can be determined if a quorum has been reached.

Once the delegates are selected, the Board election will begin. Applications to run for the Board must be submitted by March 9. Ballots will then be mailed to homeowners. There will be a Meet the Candidates night for the Board on March 26. The ballots will be counted at a Delegate's Meeting on April 22 and the delegates will cast them at the HOA Annual Meeting on April 24.

As in the delegate election, homeowners are permitted to turn in their ballots at the Delegate Meeting, but are encouraged to mail them in earlier.

Two of the three homeowner seats on the HOA Board are at stake: President Jacque Sneddon and Treasurer Wayne Staples' terms are expiring. Both have announced they plan to run for re-election. Vice-President Loren DuChesne has another year of tenure.

The new schedule is:

- **March 4: First District Delegate election.**
- **March 11: Reduced quorum delegate election.**
- **March 9: Deadline to apply to run for the Board. Ballots mailed.**
- **April 22: Ballots counted at Delegate Meeting.**
- **April 24: Annual Meeting, delegates elect Board members.**

DISTRICT AREA BY STREET NAME

ARBORS DISTRICT 1	LAUREL DISTRICT 1
BIG BEND	CLARK CREEK
CANARY CREEK	LEWIS CREEK
KINGS CANYON	PIPER CREEK
SLIPPERY ROCK CREEK	POTTER CREEK
TABOR CREEK	SALT CREEK
TIJERAS CREEK	SLIPPERY ROCK CREEK
ARBORS DISTRICT 2	LAUREL DISTRICT 2
ROCK MOUNTAIN PARK	GLACIER PARK
SHINING ROCK	YELLOWSTONE PARK
HERITAGE DISTRICT 1	MONARCH DISTRICT 1 South of Quiet Creek
BLACKBERRY CREEK	FOUR SEASONS CIRCLE (PHASE A & B)
CRANE CREEK	LEWIS CREEK
DEWEY CREEK	QUIET CREEK
GRANITE CREEK	SLIPPERY ROCK CREEK
KETTLE CREEK	WHITE SANDS
OWL CREEK	MONARCH DISTRICT 2 North of Quiet Creek
SLIPPERY ROCK CREEK	CASCADE CREEK
TROUT RUN	FERN CREEK
TURTLE CREEK	PAINT CREEK
HERITAGE DISTRICT 2	QUIET CREEK
BLOOMINGTON PARK	THISTLE CREEK
BRIDLE TRAIL	SPRINGDALE DISTRICT 1
CALVERT PARK	BEAVER CREEK
ENCHANTED PARK	SLIPPERY ROCK CREEK
GREEN CREEK TRAIL	COLONNADE DISTRICT 1
PIPE SPRINGS	ARCHES PARK
SPANOS PARK	BLOWING ROCK
LANDMARK DISTRICT 1	BOX SPRINGS TRAIL
BARTRAM TRAIL	BROADRIVER TRAIL
BRUSH CREEK	KEYSTONE DISTRICT 1
CHIMNEY ROCK	ENCHANTED PARK
DEWEY CREEK	IRVINE PARK
GREEN CREEK TRAIL	IRVINE PARK NORTH
SLIPPERY ROCK CREEK	PETERS CANYON PARK
WHISPER CREEK	PROSPECT PARK
LANDMARK DISTRICT 2	SANTIAGO OAKS PARK
BOISE ROCK	TINKERS CREEK PARK
BULOW CREEK PARK	MEDALLION LOTS WILL BE INCLUDED WITH KEYSTONE DISTRICT:
GOODRICH ROCK	BUCK SPRINGS
MESA VERDE PARK	PIERCE MILL
PLYMOUTH ROCK	
TABLE ROCK	

FOUR SEASONS SPOTLIGHT

THE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

By Leighton McLaughlin

The Communications Committee communicates in a big way — it is responsible for the *Four Seasons Breeze Magazine* and website.

The committee meets twice a month, once for general administrative purposes — including planning for the next month's *Breeze* edition — and once about a week later to edit that month's edition.

The committee receives stories from residents about club, group and committee activities — and about any other topics of general interest to the community. Committee members also write some articles. The committee has final say about what material is accepted, with an eye to good taste, importance to the community, the amount of space in the *Breeze*, libel laws and laws regarding privacy.

Both the *Breeze* and the website hope to promote Four Seasons, to inform its residents of matters of interest and importance to them and occasionally to entertain them.

Among the standing features that appear every month are:

- **General Managers' Update**, in which General Manager Lisa Lynn updates the community about Board actions and activity of the management company
- **Activity Director Corner**, where Activity Director Cindy Graves tells us about the doings within the community, those just past and soon upcoming.
- **Neighborhood Notes**, where committee member Bobbie Eckel talks about events in the community and outside Four Seasons' gates that are of interest to residents.
- **Chef's Corner**, in which Committee Chairman Randy Balt reveals to all the secrets of his culinary artistry.
- **Four Seasons Spotlight**, that picks some aspect of Four Seasons, its residents, employees, activities or interests for a closer look.
- **Activities Calendar**, a listing of all scheduled events for the month. It is placed in the middle of the magazine so it can be easily removed and taped to the refrigerator.
- **Contact Information**, which lists the phone numbers of the Potrero gate and the Euclid Management Company office, among others, and the names of Euclid employees, the members of the HOA Committees, and much more.

Also, every committee, club and group in Four Seasons is invited to submit an article every month outlining its activities and informing its members of events. Articles and photos must be submitted by noon on

the 9th of the month before publication.

And the *Breeze* is a real bargain for Four Seasons. It costs nothing. It is designed and printed by Image Up Advertising & Design, owned by Courtney Taylor. Image Up sells ads and receives the income from them, then produces and mails the *Breeze* at no cost to the HOA.

The website, at fourseasonsbeaumont.com, is another goldmine of information about our community.

It has a home page with news that broke too late for inclusion in the *Breeze* and current and back issues of the *Breeze*. It also has a compilation of all our governing documents — the CC&Rs, the Bylaws, Community Guidelines, Committee Charters and the like, the forms to fill out for the Architectural Review Committee or to run for office or to change your address, verify your age or request use of a Lodge facility.

You can find the movie schedule on the website, a picture album of recent events, or the "Who You Gonna Call" directory with numbers to call if among other things, your street light burns out, the neighbor's dog barks too loud or a water main breaks.

The Homeowner Directory — with the latest additions and deletions — is also on the site.

A Communications Subcommittee just finished work refining the website, making it more user friendly and easier to navigate. It's a great place to find updates in the Activities Calendar and other late news.

The members of the committee are Chairman Randy Balt, Editor Leighton McLaughlin and members Bobbie Eckel, Phil Jaffe, Patty Jordan and Melody Seewoster. Board President Jacque Sneddon is Board liaison and Activities Director Graves is the Euclid Management representative to the committee.



Patty Jordan, Cindy Graves, Courtney Taylor, Bobbie Eckel, Jacque Sneddon, Randy Balt, Melody Seewoster, Leighton McLaughlin and Phil Jaffe

COMMUNITY WEBSITE

Four Seasons at Beaumont has a fresh new website with several exciting features. The front page will have beautiful pictures that will include local scenes. A new addition of the website is the current local weather feature on the front page.

There will also be boxes, with a click of the finger, to find the weekly movie schedule and the weekly menu from Smitty's Bistro.

In addition there will be a Site Search to help find all of the features and stories contained inside the website. If they choose, the new site also offers an opportunity for all clubs and committees to have their own page of information about their organization.

A copy of the *Breeze*, as well as a link to the interactive magazine, will also be included in the website. Check it out and you

will be pleased with all you can learn about your community. Cindy Graves along with Dick Van Bree, Patty Jordan and Phil Jaffe have been working for several months to make the new Four Seasons website more usable. If you need help logging onto the website at fourseasonsatbeaumont.com, contact the Lodge front desk. ~ Phil Jaffe



Village Center 2 Progress

Plans for Four Seasons' Village Center 2 has been approved by the Beaumont Planning Commission.

The recreation center is planned to have an indoor pool which will allow year-round swimming. The center will be a 7,730-square-foot building on a 2.7-acre lot containing the pool, a covered patio, fitness center, locker room, and a multi-purpose room with a kitchenette.

Outside the building there will be a 12-foot spa, a dining and barbecue area, two bocce ball courts and green space including a Yoga garden with Zen fountain – all accented with attractive plantings.

The new center is to be built on Four Seasons Circle next to the traffic circle at Mesa Verde Park – a location with views of both

Mount San Geronio and Mount San Jacinto.

The pool will be a three-lane wide, 25-yard long pool designed primarily for lap swimming. The Rules and Regulations Committee is preparing a questionnaire to be sent to residents to determine how they would like the pool to be used.

The pool area will have 16-foot ceiling and “clearstory” glass windows. The whole building will have lots of windows to take advantage of the views.

There will parking spaces for 39 cars – two of them reserved for clean air vehicles and two for handicapped drivers.

Plans are for the facility to open before the end of the year. A third and final center, farther southeast on Four Seasons Circle, is planned for 2018. ~ **Leighton McLaughlin**

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Manager's Update

By Lisa Lynn, General Manager

At the February Open Session Board meeting, the Board of Directors approved the following committee recommendations:

- Landscape request to remove 15 Eucalyptus trees along the Four Seasons Circle and install 5 Chinese Elms (\$1,925)
- Landscape request for plant and irrigation improvements on the Tinkers Creek Park slope (\$1,950)
- Landscape request for plant and rock improvements on the Springdale slope (\$12,040)
- Safety/Facilities proposal to purchase a new podium with audio capabilities (\$1,200)
- Social Committee 2014 event calendar
- Social Committee request for advance funds for the Spring Tea and Fashion Show (\$300)

The Board of Directors reviewed and acted upon the following business matters:

- December 2013 unaudited Financial statement – reviewed
- Ratified members to the 2014 Inspectors of Election
- Approved the purchase of three coffee urns (\$225)
- Approved the 2014 Lodge Holiday Hours
- Approved waiving the facility use fee for the Beaumont Chamber of Commerce - State of the City
- Approved the purchase of a banner for the Neighborhood Watch (\$45)

- Approved the purchase of cards for the game room (\$319)
- Approved the vendor bid for asphalt repairs (\$1,250)
- Approved the purchase of neoprene hand weights for the aerobics room (\$480)
- Approved the vendor bid to install self contained air fresheners in the facility restrooms (\$250)
- Approved the vendor bid for a revised proposal for two rail vinyl fencing (Total \$7,285)
- Approved the Chavurah & Havdalah Group and the Women's Bid Whist Group

Management reported to the Board the completion of the following items:

- Bistro kitchen water heater closet repairs
- Bistro kitchen floor drains hydro jetted
- Tennis courts resurfaced
- Cottonwood tree removal along Highland Springs Trail
- Lodge parking lot plant replacement

Management reported that 18 violation letters were sent out during November

- 17 for maintenance
- One for hoses

The Board of Directors suspended facility privileges for one member for delinquent dues, bringing the total for suspended privileges to 10 current members. There were 20 accounts with balances over 90 days past due.

The Board meeting is held on the second Thursday of the month, with the Executive Session at 9 am in the Lodge Conference room and the Open Session at 1 pm in the Lodge Ballroom.

FAREWELL TO FOUR SEASONS

Eight and a half years ago I started my position for the K. Hovnanian's Four Seasons at Beaumont. Many of the members who have lived in the community from the start up remember meeting me in the garage of the Laurel's model where I was set up to meet and greet with new and potential residents. As the on-site General Manager I have enjoyed serving the members of the community and being part of the growth of the community. We have seen many changes together; however, it is now time for me to continue my career journey and I will be leaving the Four Seasons at the end of February. I want to thank the many residents who I have worked with on committees, for events, for projects and just stopped to chat with here in the Lodge, for your kindness and participation. Most importantly, I wish to thank Jacque, Loren and Wayne for their support and dedication to the community as your Board members. You have all made it a joy and a privilege to be part of this community! I leave you in the very capable hands of Jeri Mupo who has been with Euclid Management Company for the past 20 years. Take good care of the Four Seasons Community Jeri!

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Neighborly Notes

By Bobbie Eckel

Remember that Daylight Saving Time begins at 2 am on Sunday, March 9. Turn your clocks ahead an hour. Don't forget the clocks in your car and your watches, too.

It is also time to clean out the closets and garages. With the HOA Yard Sale just around the corner and the advent of spring, we need to free up some space in our homes. The date for the HOA Garage/Lodge Sale is April 26. Have your "ex-treasures" ready for someone else to buy and love. (Sorry, but it doesn't include ex-spouses!)

The City of Beaumont has included a brochure in your Sewer and Refuse bill reminding the community that we share space with a variety of wildlife. Bobcats, coyotes, rabbits and many other small creatures were here before the housing boom started.

They are still here, albeit in a slightly smaller habitat. We need to co-exist with them.

Tips from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife include: Do not leave pet food outside. Do not feed any wildlife, even the smaller animals because they can attract larger, less desirable animals to your property. Close your garbage cans. If you do encounter a potentially dangerous animal, yell at it, make a whistle or horn noise, spray it with a water hose or throw tennis balls at it. (Isn't it amazing how useful tennis balls are? They can not only hang down from your garage ceiling to let you know the car is in far enough, they can also be put on the bottoms of walkers to lessen the impact on the cement. Now you can use them also as weapons of defense!)

On the fourth Thursday of every month, from 10 to 11 am,

Beaumont City offers a discussion to teach residents about their cars. Information on repair issues, buying a new car or any automotive issue will be provided by Robert Snyder, California Department of Consumer Affairs, Bureau of Automotive Repair. No appointment is needed. Bring your questions.

The deadline for applying to run for one of the two Board of Directors seats available is March 9. District Delegates have been selected for each of the Four Seasons 13 districts. Ballots should be mailed to homeowners in late March. Watch for the Meet the Candidates night date so that you can hear and ask questions of the Board candidates. Ballots will be counted at a Delegates' Meeting on April 15. Be active in your community.

Return your vote so that you can be counted!

If you have not taken a drive or walk along Four Seasons Boulevard past the roundabout, it would be interesting to add that to your schedule. Not only is the second Lodge lot getting ready for forms, but there are several other huge lots which are being graded and sectioned off for homes. Look

for the distinctive orange plastic fences and marvel at how many new neighbors we are going to have. The housing market seems to be improving more than we are aware of.

Fun thoughts from my George Carlinisms list: Daylight saving time — why are they saving it and where do they keep it? Why is it that night falls but day breaks? Why is the time of day with the slowest traffic called rush hour?



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By Randy Balt

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1 tsp. whole coriander seeds
1 tsp. whole yellow mustard seeds
½ tsp. freshly grated nutmeg, or to taste
6 cups milk
4 oz. American cheese, small cubes or grated
8 oz. Tallegio cheese, small cubes, divided
Kosher salt
1½ pounds pasta, cooked, preferably shell shapes


This is one of the best Mac 'n Cheese recipes I have ever tasted.

The Tallegio cheese provides a creamy tang and the flavors rounded out with subtle hints of spice from the coriander, mustard and nutmeg. It was adapted from Executive Chef Carolynn Spence of Chateau Marmont, in West Hollywood and originally published last year in the L.A. Times.

DIRECTIONS

1. Heat the oven to 400 degrees.
2. In a large, heavy-bottomed saucepan, melt the butter over medium heat. Add the onion and garlic, and cook to soften, 5 minutes.
3. Stir in the flour to form the roux. Continue cooking, stirring constantly, until the roux goes from a light white color to a blond golden color, about five minutes. Add the bay leaf, peppercorns, coriander seeds, yellow mustard seeds and the nutmeg, and cook, stirring, for two minutes to distribute the flavors.
4. Whisk in the milk a little at a time. Increase the heat and bring to a simmer, stirring constantly. Reduce the heat to low and cook for 30 minutes to cook out the flour flavor, stirring occasionally to make sure the flour doesn't sink to the bottom of the pan and burn.
5. Remove the pan from heat and strain into a new pot, discarding the spices. Add the American and half of the Tallegio cheeses, stirring until the cheese is melted and incorporated. Taste the sauce, adding 1 1/2 teaspoons salt, or to taste.
6. Add the pasta and the remaining Tallegio cheese, stirring to coat the pasta completely. The mixture at this point will seem a bit wet but will thicken as it bakes.
7. Pour the mixture into a 13-by-9-inch or similar large baking dish and bake until the mixture is thickened and bubbly, about 20 minutes. The mac 'n cheese should have a nice crust on top. If not, place it under the broiler to darken a little.
8. Remove from heat and cool slightly before serving.

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Activities Director Corner

By *Cindy Graves*, Activities Director

March will be a colorful month starting with the Social Committee Mardi Gras on Saturday, March 8. Be prepared to dance in a float procession, (Louisiana style) enjoy a traditional Mardi Gras dinner complete with Andouille sausage, Creole chicken, red beans, rice, Caribbean veggies, cole slaw, bread and butter and yummy sweet potato pie with whipped cream... live music entertainment, king's cake and umbrellas will make the night complete! Come and enjoy yourself doing something new if you've never been to a Mardi Gras before! Tickets are on sale now at the Lodge desk for only \$20.

Next comes an amazing Fire Arms Enthusiasts Banquet! This is their first one and includes a shoot-em-up good time with a Ballroom shooting range and ammo provided. You don't want to miss this one! If you get warmed up "packing heat" and would like to connect with other folks who enjoy "having a blast," then call Steve Meier for more details... the banquet is scheduled for Friday, March 14 at 5 pm. Steve will give you the participation details (909) 528-3342 or e-mail at: sm45para@gmail.com

Karaoke will be canceled this month due to other Ballroom uses, but, will be back on its regular schedule on Saturday, April 12 at 5:30 pm. There will however, be a wonderful Magic Night show that will take place in the Movie Theater, on Saturday, March 22 at 6:30 pm and 7:30 pm. Come down to the Lodge to sign up for your preferred showing. The reservation clipboard will be out on Monday, March 17.

The last event that is going on in the month of March is the PAC/Social Committee Dinner Theater on Friday, March 28 and 29 at 6:30 pm. This is going to be a real hoot with a delicious dinner. They even wrote me into the play (for a minute or so) so cross your fingers that I can keep a straight face while saying my lines! We have a lot of talent in this neighborhood and it's awesome to see a resident playwright at work as well as talented actors and actresses!

By the way, I have a personal request pertaining to our Lodge shows; if anyone is a sound man/woman or knows a good one, please come and visit me at the office or send them my way! We need techie help and are actively on a search.

Speaking of Shows: Breaking news! Starting on Monday, March 3, our new Movie Theater show times will be at 11 am and 3 pm. Mark it down so you don't miss anything.

Finally, I would like to add my little two cents regarding the new website: I'm sure you noticed the nice article by Phil Jaffee on the Communication Committee, letting you know about the new website we have (at this writing, still under construction). I want to reiterate Phil's message that there is an opportunity for all of you clubs, classes, and groups to submit to me a new page of information and even a picture of your current participants and latest club info as well as an "About Us" feature. I would prefer a digital file, e-mailed to me if possible. If your Four Seasons entity has its own website we'd love to include that on our website as well (upon BOD approval). Give me a buzz or e-mail me and we can talk about it! We're going to have such a cool and happening website! Thanks for helping.

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Do You Know About Dr. Seuss?

By Bobbie Eckel

I thought I had read every book he wrote — I started delving into his biographies and discovered that there was so much more to Theodor Geisel than simply delightful creatures and wonderful verse. The more I learned about this fantastic writer, the more fascinated I was with his works.

Those of us who were rearing children in the 60s and 70s probably know most of Dr. Seuss's books by heart — not by intent, just by repetition!

Did you know that his early choice of a career was in medicine? Theodor Geisel, better known to the world as Dr. Seuss, did not start out to be a writer of children's verse. He intended to follow the desire of his father and become a doctor. As luck and proclivity would have it, though, he wound up in advertising and writing. (For his efforts, Geisel was later awarded two Academy awards, two Emmy awards, a Peabody award and the Pulitzer Prize.)

Theodor, or "Ted" as he preferred, was born on March 2, 1904, and grew up in Springfield, Massachusetts, a town with a large German immigrant population. He spoke German at home and English at school. His mother, Henrietta Seuss Geisel, used rhymes from her German childhood to lull her children to sleep at night.

Ted and his sister, Marnie, enjoyed playing with both languages. Ted's love of rhymes and strange sounding words as well as his artistic inclinations were encouraged, in spite of the despair of one of his school's art teachers.

Did you know why he started using the name Seuss? When Ted left Springfield to attend Dartmouth College, he became editor-in-chief of the *Jack-O-Lantern*, Dartmouth's humor magazine. His tenure as editor was short-lived, however, when he and his friends were caught hosting a drinking party — which was against Prohibition laws and school policy. Ted, however, continued to contribute to the *Jack-O-Lantern*, but his works were simply signed "Seuss," his mother's and his own middle name.

Ted went on to Oxford University in England after graduation from Dartmouth. He soon discovered, however, that he was bored with academics and left Oxford to tour Europe.

Did you know that he became involved with cartoons because he needed to earn a living and writers were not much in demand? When he returned to the United States, Ted started his career as a writer /cartoonist. He published some pieces in the *Saturday Evening Post* but his bread-and-butter wages were paid by his advertising campaigns for Standard Oil

and his cartoon campaigns for Flit, a pesticide, which featured a weary knight forever fighting insects with the phrase, "Quick Henry, the Flit!"

With the approach of World War II, Geisel drew political cartoons for *PM* magazine, a liberal political publication. Although he was too old for the draft, he served with Frank Capra's Signal Corps making training movies. It was in this milieu that he was introduced to the art of animation and made a series of training films featuring a cartoon character trainee called Private Snafu. (Interestingly enough, P. D. Eastman and Munroe Leaf were also involved in the animated training films. All three men are now well-known authors of children's books.)

Ted's first break into children's literature came through his illustrations. His first book, *And to Think That I Saw It on Mulberry Street*, was rejected 27 times before Vanguard Press finally agreed to publish it in 1937.

Do you know why he wrote *The Cat in the Hat*? The defining book of Ted's career, *The Cat in the Hat*, was the product of a unique joint venture between Houghton Mifflin (Vanguard Press) and Random House. For this book, Ted was asked to write a children's primer using only 225 new reader vocabulary words. This was a fascinating project for Ted because he felt that children should want to read for fun — not just to learn the morals taught in the "Dick and Jane" texts of the day. He wanted children to use their imagination and enjoy playing with words in wonderful, wacky ways. With the success of *The Cat in the Hat*, Dr. Seuss became a legend in children's literature. Although his later life was not always a happy one, thanks to his friends and medical professionals attempting to stop his smoking habit, Theodor Geisel's contributions to children and children's books is historic.

Do you know the following facts about Dr. Seuss? He never had children — and tended to be uncomfortable around them. He was not a "practical" man, leaving schedules and deadlines to his wives. He was emotionally scarred by the discrimination against German-Americans during World War II. He disliked public appearances and always attempted to avoid them. Dr. Seuss enjoyed pranks — signing his books occasionally Theo LeSeig — which is Geisel spelled backward. He adamantly refused to quit smoking — although it was the ultimate source of his demise.

Did you know that his books contain strong social beliefs? Although his books were seemingly aimed at children, the themes involved were frequently very adult. Ted Geisel

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wrote of the futility of the arms race in *The Butter Battle Book*. He encouraged children to enjoy reading and pictures in his fight against illiteracy. Many of his books focused on the greed of his imaginary creatures — and the consequences of such feelings. He railed against prejudice in *Yertle the Turtle* and *Other Stories* and *Horton Hears a Who*. Once you understand Ted Geisel's philosophical positions, you can easily find them spotlighted in his books for children.

Do you know why the Dr. Seuss books are so popular with children of all ages? If you are not familiar with his

stories and cartoons, you need to browse through the children's sections of the public library. Find *Green Eggs and Ham*. Enjoy *Horton Hears a Who*. Read *The Grinch Who Stole Christmas*. Many of his books have been made into videos. You will understand why children are fascinated by the verse and the characters.

On this March 2, for all the children — and the grandparents, parents, teachers and friends who read to them — all of whom have enjoyed his words and illustrations over the years — a heartfelt, "Thank you!" and "Happy Birthday!"

Event Systems

The Home Tours are always fun and have become an anticipated bi-annual event here at Four Seasons. Our Outdoor Living Home & Garden Tour is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, May 17. If you feel your home, garden or yard are above and beyond the norm and you would like to share this with your Four Seasons neighbors, please contact tour director Teri DiMarino-Davidson at k9styler@aol.com or (951) 769-4345.

All year long the Event Systems Committee is busy working behind the scenes repairing audio/visual equipment, setting up the stage for shows or working with the sound equipment. Next time you attend a meeting or event take a look around and see what has gone into making it a more enjoyable experience. All this was done with the help of resident volunteers. The volunteers doing this work would love to add a few new members to the team so if you are interested in lending a hand, please contact Roland Harrah at rolandthanh@msn.com. We would love to add you to our roster of volunteers! ~ **Teri DiMarino-Davidson**



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Social Committee

Hope you have your tickets for the Mardi Gras since this is one of our more colorful events. Also we hope to see you at the Mystery dinner show on either March 28 or 29. These promise to be two very entertaining evenings. We are working with PAC to bring you an evening of mystery featuring performances from our own residents. Who knows, maybe a star will be born.

We have nothing planned for April but are busy with plans

for the May 31 Fashion Show and Tea. Please watch the April Breeze for more information such as time, cost, and date tickets go on sale, etc. This is one event that does sell out so once you know the date be sure to get your tickets early. We would hate to have you disappointed by not getting a seat at this most popular event. ~ **Melody Seewoster**

Architectural Review Committee

Welcome to the many new homeowners. For both new and existing homeowners, just a reminder any exterior modification, revision or improvement to your property may need approval from the Architectural Review Committee (ARC). When in doubt speak to Fabiana at the HOA Lodge office. Applications for improvement submittal to ARC are also

available at the Lodge office. Applications must be submitted prior to noon Monday, preceding the meeting for consideration that week.

The committee meets on March 5 and 19 at 9:30 am.

You are welcome to attend one of our meetings to see how the process works. ~ **Ron Burke**

Safety & Facilities

One of the issues covered in the February meeting was the ongoing preventive maintenance needed in our community. The facilities, such as the Lodge and surrounding grounds, are nine years old. Preventive maintenance is always the least costly and most effective form of maintenance. It also ensures that the association's assets are always

maintained at the optimum level of condition for the benefit of all residents and the preservation of their investment in the community.

Preventive maintenance is the art of preserving buildings, equipment and physical grounds through a cyclical process of regular inspections and key tasks. Euclid Management has

maintained a high level of inspections and reports to us and the Board of Directors.

Preventive maintenance can and does enlist each resident to aid in the care of our facilities. If you see problems report them.

Our next meeting is in the Lodge on March 4 at 9 am. ~ **Dennis Gray**

Bistro Committee

At our January meeting, we welcomed our newest committee member, Ann Blair. We now have a full committee of seven.

The Bistro was closed for three days in January so repairs to the hot water heater closet could be made. A new ice machine has been purchased and will be installed soon. Other kitchen repairs are progressing on schedule. We discussed the New Year's Eve dinner. Everything went well. The next Meet and Greet for new homeowners is scheduled for March 12. The next meeting is March 25, at 11 am in the Lodge Conference Room. All homeowners are invited to attend. ~ **William Taylor**

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Emergency Preparedness Program



Each month a different EPP team will focus on emergency preparation. The team leader will give some safety tips in a *Breeze* article and at our monthly meeting.

We look forward to having you join our General Meeting each month on the first Thursday at 10:30 am in the Lodge Ballroom. Please feel free to contact us with any questions. ~ Anita Worthen

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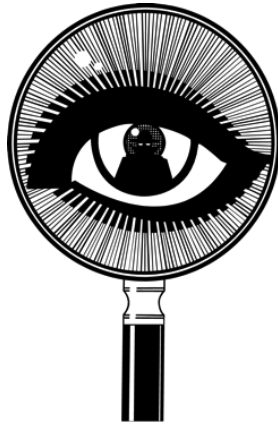
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Finance Committee

At our January meeting, we reviewed the Financial Statements for December 2013 which reflected the following significant items: Net Income Year-to-Date was \$231,029 and total reserves were \$3,998,953. The Accounts Receivable (delinquencies) was \$67,631. Our total HOA expenses for December (excluding reserve allocations) were \$171,765. This was under budget by \$51,356. There were five CD renewals to be reviewed. The Front Yard Cost Center expenses for December 2013 were under the monthly budget by \$5,305. Year-to-

date expenses for the Front Yard Cost Center were over budget by \$13,229. The Front Yard Cost Center for the year 2013, excluding the special assessment, had a loss of \$266. The Springdale Cost Center Expenses for December 2013 were over budget by \$3,746. Year-to-date Expenses for the Springdale Cost Center were over budget by \$2,308. The Springdale Cost Center for the year 2013 had a loss of \$2,309. There were six vendor proposals presented for approval. Wayne Staples reported on the past due accounts. Current owners were 14 and former

owners three. Wage garnishments, payment plans and small claims court actions are ongoing against the 14 current homeowners on the December delinquency list, a very small part of the 1,100+ homeowners in the community. The former homeowner category has shown the most improvement since June of last year with only three accounts still on the list, all of whom are current with their payment plans. Our next meeting will be March 25, at 1 pm in the Lodge Conference Room. All homeowners are encouraged to attend. ~ **Noel Myers**

Landscape Committee

Forty days and forty nights of winter drought (biblical duration) ended with a teasing sprinkle on the last day of January followed by a real rain on Groundhog Day.

Since Pauxatauny Phil saw his shadow and predicts six more weeks of winter, what does that portend for Four Seasons? My Koi have come out of winter hibernation so these locals predict winter is over. Our confused plant life will not know whether to hibernate or bloom. I'm sure the weeds will quickly figure out what to do.

Still another of our trees bordering Four Seasons Circle made the ultimate sacrifice and jumped in front of a speeding car — the third one to make the leap. Our landscapers have opened up a hot line for these plants to counsel them on other avenues of making their point.

Marking of our trails at 100 yard intervals has begun. Trails A and B and parallel Potrero Creek and Trail C runs from Trail B near the east end of Green Creek Trail up the hill to Goodrich Rock. All three trails will have markers at both ends along with the distance markers. Trail D is yet to be built and Trail E (Edison Easement) will be marked at a later date.

March Madness at Four Seasons is not about hoops but weeds. Overnight, like Jack's infamous beans, they sprout and shoot up all over the community getting a head start on other plant life. Our contractors weed planter areas once a week and in the interval a large crop of these undesirables can flourish. Homeowners can assist by pulling weeds in their yards between contractor service.

The Landscape Committee has openings for interested volunteers. Plant knowledge is not required as we have landscape professionals. What is needed is the desire to walk around the community and report on the status of plant life and any unusual growth. ~ **Leonard Tavernetti**





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Thanks to Joe Ligor for coming to open a discussion on scams for us at our February meeting. We appreciated his knowledge and learned a lot. More thanks to Jan and Ray Thorsky for their Storage of Home Emergency Supplies in a trash can demonstration; for Jim Bushnell, all his hard work on our logo; Marion Loney and her niece Bree for their valuable input to help us.

We do live in a gated community, therefore, we need to be diligent about closing and locking our windows and doors. Our community is a low light community therefore outdoor lighting is limited. If you think you need outdoor lighting, consider motion sensors. If you are concerned about your current locks on your doors, please contact the Beaumont Police Department for further information. Our next meeting on April 9 at 10 am in the Ballroom will feature a guest speaker from the Beaumont Police to discuss these topics with you and any concerns you

have regarding personal security.

Just a reminder that the EPP Expo is coming up on April 5 and we encourage as many of you as possible to attend. It will run from 10 am to 2 pm and will definitely be an enlightening experience to all. You will learn a lot about what our community is doing to be prepared and how you can be prepared both at home and right here in your community.

Remember we are always looking for volunteer block captains as we continue to grow in our beautiful community. If you are interested please do not hesitate to contact me at (951) 845-5192.

"If you see something say something..." if you have any concerns call the Beaumont Police at (951) 769-8500, Euclid Management at the front desk, Anita Worthen or myself as we continue to watch out for each other. ~ **Susan Wilson**

Rules & Regulations

We meet the second Tuesday of each month at 9 am. All residents are welcome to observe the meeting or request to be placed on the agenda, as time is allowed each meeting for residents to voice concerns regarding our Community Guidelines. Wording for our indoor pool survey has been finalized and each resident will have an opportunity to select pool activities they would like to see made available in our new fitness pool. ~ **Barbara Miller**



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CHOCOLATE BINGO, Thursday, March 13 @ 2 pm – Are you a chocoholic? Join us for this innovative spin on the Bingo game! Refreshments, prizes* and of course, chocolate for everyone! Come and have a little fun with us!

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 Play Rehearsal 2p	3 Pan #2 11:30a Bridge Canasta #3 Bereavement Group Mah Jongg for Fun AACC 8-Ball Club	4 Poker 9:45a Knitting & Crocheting District Delegates Billiards for Fun Writers Club Hearts	5 Hearty Hikers 8a Pinochle 9a Amphitheater Production Canasta #2 "The Anniversary" Reh. Dominos Motorcycle Club Women Celebrating America 8-Ball Club	6 Poker 9:45a EPP Pan Actors & Directors Club Canasta #1	7 Pinochle 9a Open Art Studio Firearm Enthusiasts Dominos Seasoned Solos 8-Ball Club	8 Poker 9:45a Chavurah Fellowship Group 6p Social Club Mardi Gras 5p
9 Daylight Saving Time Begins Filing Deadline to run for HOA Board Play Rehearsal 2p Counter Culture Cinema 6p	10 Bridge 12p Canasta #3 Bereavement Group Mah Jongg for Fun 8-Ball Club	11 Book Club 9:30a Poker 9:45a Knitting & Crocheting Reconvened Dist. Del. Billiards for Fun All Seasons RVers Hearts 4x4 Seasons Group	12 Hearty Hikers 8a Pinochle Canasta #2 "The Anniversary" Reh. Dominos New Owners Meet & Greet 6:15p Toastmasters 8-Ball Club	13 Poker 9:45a Pan Canasta #1 Classical Music Club	14 Pinochle 9a Open Art Studio Bunco Dominos Firearms Enthusiasts Banquet & Competition Chavurah Fellowship Group 5:30p 8-Ball Club	15 Private Party in Ballroom Poker 9:45a Racquet Club Event 11a
16 Play Rehearsal 2p Rainbow Group 5p	17 Pan #2 11:30a Bridge Bereavement Group Canasta #3 Mah Jongg for Fun 8-Ball Club	18 Poker 9:45a Knitting & Crocheting Billiards for Fun Hearts Camera Club	19 Hearty Hikers 8a Pinochle Canasta #2 "The Anniversary" Reh. Dominos 8-Ball Club	20 Poker 9:45a Pan Canasta #1 Taste d'Vine	21 Pinochle 9a Open Art Studio Private Party in Ballroom Dominos 8-Ball Club	22 Magic Night 6:30p & 7:30p
23 Play Rehearsal 2p Counter Culture Cinema 6p	24 Bridge 12p Canasta #3 Bereavement Group Mah Jongg for Fun Rehearsal in Ballroom 8-Ball Club	25 Poker 9:45a Knitting & Crocheting Billiards for Fun Rehearsal in Ballroom PAC Hearts	26 Hearty Hikers 8a Pinochle Canasta #2 "The Anniversary" Reh. Dominos Meet the BOD Candidates Toastmasters 8-Ball Club	27 Poker 9:45a Pan Canasta #1 Rehearsal in Ballroom	28 Pinochle 9a Radio Club Open Art Studio Bunco Dominos Dinner Theater Event I 8-Ball Club	29 Chavurah Fellowship Group 6p Dinner Theater Event 2 6:30p
30	31 Pan #2 11:30a Bridge Canasta #3 Bereavement Group Mah Jongg for Fun 8-Ball Club	12p 1p 1p 2p 7p	12p 1p 1p 2p 7p	12p 1p 1p 2p 7p	12p 1p 1p 2p 7p	Lodge Hours: Daily, 7 am - 9 pm

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Physical Exercise Schedule

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>
EXERCISE		
Conditioning	M/W/F	8:30a
Beginning Conditioning	M/W/F	9:30a
Zumba Gold	Tues/Th	9:30a
Tai Chi	Tues	6p
**PiYo	M	6:30p
*Pilates	Th	8:30a
*Pilates	Sat	9a
*Kick Boxing	Sat	10:15a
<i>*Need to maintain 10 + participants or class will be canceled.</i>		
<i>**No PiYo class March 24.</i>		

DANCE		
Dance for Beginners	M	6:30p
Intermediate Dancing	M	7p
Advanced Dancing	M	7:30p
Beginning Line Dance	Tues	3p
Advanced Line Dance	Tues	3:45p
Heart and Soul Line Dance	W	4p/5:20
Ballroom Dance Practice	Th	6p
Old School Dance Club	1st Fri	6p

HORSESHOES		
Horseshoes for Fun	W	9:30a

PING PONG		
All Level Ping Pong	M/Sat	10:30a
Beg. & Int. Ping Pong	W	10:30a
Advanced Ping Pong	Th	11a

TENNIS		
Tennis Meeting	3rd Tues	4p
Play Day (check www.fsbrc.org for date)		8:30a

BOCCE BALL		
	Tues	9:30a
	W	3p

PADDLE TENNIS		
Paddle Ball	W/F/Sun	2p
	F/Sun	8:30a
PlayDay	3rd Sat	12 noon

PICKLEBALL		
Morning	T/Th/Sat	10a
Advanced	M	5p



Sneak Peek at May

April 4	National Walk to Work Day	April 11	Ballroom Trivia Night	April 25	PAC/PG 55 Show
April 5	EPP Expo	April 12	Karaoke	April 26	HOA Garage Sale
April 7	World Health Day	April 19	National Garlic Day		

Class Schedule

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>
LANGUAGE		
Beginning Spanish	Tues	6p
Spanish 2	Tues	10a
Spanish 3	Tues	11:30a
<i>(Note: No Spanish classes on the 3rd week of the month.)</i>		
ARTS & CRAFTS		
Ceramics	W	1p
	Sat	10a
Drawing & Sketching	M	10a
	W	6p
Watercolor	Tues	6p
Machine Quilting	Sun	1p
BIBLE STUDY		
Life Guide Bible Study	Tues	7p
Spanish Bible Class	Tues	7p
Women's Bible Study	Fri	10:30a
OTHER		
Bridge Class	M	11a
TOPS Weigh in	Tues	8a

Committee Meetings

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Safety & Facilities	March 4	9a
ARC	March 5	9:30a
	March 19	9:30a
Communications	March 5	10a
Proofing	March 10	10a
EPC	March 18	9a
Social	March 6	5p
Landscape	March 10	9a
Rules & Regulations	March 11	9a
BOD Exec. Session	March 13	9a
BOD General Session	March 13	1p
ESC	March 18	2p
Bistro	March 25	11a
Finance	March 25	1p

Knitting & Crocheting

We are ready to start this year's project for the Beaumont Senior Center, but have a long time to prepare. Come join us. ~ **Dorothy Payne**



“Believe:” Women’s Bible Study

What an amazing six weeks we have had launching the new Four Seasons Bible Study “Believe...” by discussing the subject of Faith. In our first lesson discussion we differentiated between belief, trust and faith, how they are integrally related, and that faith is the essential basis for spiritual growth. Lesson two we discussed the faith exhibited by Peter, Naaman, the woman with an issue of blood and then Thomas’s doubting. The next two lessons we studied Hebrews 11, which is a culmination of the definition of faith and the living examples therein, as well as citing scripture concerning faith in God’s Word. Our final lesson on faith we discussed how faith is strengthened by the “building blocks” of faith. Also from those building blocks, we discerned that those blocks are really our faith-strengthening “to-do” list. Many of the women shared their personal experiences through faith. It was a very uplifting and tender sharing time for all of us.

Taking the subject of faith with us, we are now embarking on the subject of love — God’s love for us, our love of God, our love for each other (family, friends, peers, etc.) and loving those that are difficult to love. We are so looking forward to these discussions and the examples, insights and comfort we share with one another.

Ladies, if you are interested in having an uplifting hour with other amazing and beautiful women here at Four Seasons, please consider joining our study of the Word with us every Friday morning from 10:30 to 11:30 am in the first section of the Ballroom. It’s a non-denominational study, and all women are welcome. Hope to see you there! ~ **Eileen Gilbert-Antoine**.

Machine Quilting

Come on down to the Craft Room on Sundays, at 1 pm, for a fun-filled day. If you want a kit, please let me know. Future projects we will be doing are aprons, place mats, spring time table runners, 4th of July runners and so much more. We will also be doing a Quilts of Valor, which will be a team effort. Can’t wait for that project. Any questions, please call me. Kathy Spallino, (760) 217-8684. ~ **Kathy Spallino**

Rainbow Group



Please feel free to visit our social group and meet your gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender neighbors. Enjoy our fellowship and good company. We have good conversations and celebrate the local LGBT community. We’re also participating in social activities with the Four Seasons Palm Springs Rainbow Group. The group will meet on Sunday, March 16 at 5 pm in the Lodge Conference Room. It’s always the 3rd Sunday of the month. Please bring a dish of your choice for a potluck. We’ll also celebrate March birthdays and anniversaries. Friends are welcome. If you are interested, contact Dale at (951) 797-0364 or dbeckes@dc.rr.com; or Barbara at (951) 845-6246 or bamerton@alumni.ucla.edu. You may also sign up on the interest group clipboard at the Lodge. ~ **Barbara Kwiatkowska**

The Chavurah & Havdalah Club

March is the month we celebrate Purim.

Come to a “movie date” on Friday, March 14 in our Lodge Movie Theater. We will be showing “Yentl” starring Barbra Streisand. The showing will begin at 5:30 pm.

After the show we will snack on bagels, cream cheese, lox and hamantaschen (Haman’s ears). In addition, it’s a club member’s (surprise) 71st birthday so we’ll indulge in birthday cake! Please RSVP to Toni at (951) 769-0351. Seating is limited and we need a count so we know how much food to purchase. Thank you. ~ **Toni Finer**



Women Celebrating America

Our Wednesday, March 5, 7 pm meeting will cover the National Women’s History Project March 2014 Theme “Celebrating Women of Character, Courage & Commitment.” We started our group in March 2013 with the National Women’s History Project theme “Women Inspiring Innovation Through Imagination.” Our discussions are very enlightening and show there is much for us to share and discover about women in America. Check us out. ~ **Lynette Simonson**

Creative Drawing & Sketching Class

Classes are Mondays, 10 am to 12 pm and/or Wednesdays, 6 to 8 pm. Just stop by. ~ **Rob Kelman**



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Life Guide Bible Study

In March we begin a seven-part series on the Ten Commandments, “Laws That Liberate,” led by Jim Seim, one of the members of our Bible Study.

We will study the laws given by Moses, investigating their meaning in our personal lives, and in our culture today. Are they still relevant, or are they out of date? In our first session we will try to answer this question by looking at the Ten Commandments as a whole.

In the following weeks we will consider them on a more individual basis. This will include such topics as: Honor God as God; The Day of Rest; Respect Authority; Protect and Honor Life; Tell the Truth; Simplicity and Contentment. Come and join us as we explore this significant subject and its meaning for our everyday life. Everybody is welcome!

Our Bible Study meets on Tuesday evenings in the Lodge Ballroom from 7 to 8 pm. The club provides an opportunity for us to meet others 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, and everyone is welcome. For more information, call Don Cummings at (951) 572-5329. ~ **Don Cummings**

Camera Club

We meet the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm in the Craft Room at the Lodge. Our March meeting will be March 18. Visitors are always welcome.

We invite all photographers, regardless of skill level, to join us for our regular meetings and field trips. Members are always eager to help and teach. We discuss photography, photo software, hardware, and related subjects of interest.

On a voluntary basis, members offer their photographs for critique which is a great learning experience for all. Remember, this is purely “voluntary.” Our alternative photo project is ongoing (i.e. we bring a picture of a specific genre we all agree on). For the February meeting, since we discussed slide shows in our January meeting, our assignment was to bring a DVD of a slide show, any subject, two to three minutes in length using the outline handout given to us at the January meeting plus the extremely interesting presentation given by our chairperson, George Johnson.

After his talk, we then adjourned to the theater for the video portion of the presentation. Wow, these meetings just get better and better! Again, please remember, the assignments for the meetings are purely “voluntary.” That’s the great thing about our club. If you desire, you don’t have to volunteer any pictures (or DVD in the case of the February assignment) just sit back and learn from the discussions and critiques. In our March meeting, George Johnson will lead a discussion on composition of photographs. You know, all of the “rules” and then when it perfectly acceptable to “forget” about them.

As I reported to you in last month’s Breeze, we had a great field trip on Jan. 17. Please see the photo below from that trip. Also, several more are planned. Under consideration are Living Desert (Feb./March) and Huntington Library and Gardens (April/May). All suggestions are welcome.

Hope to see you at one of our meetings soon.

Info., Lyle Cameron, (951) 849-6987. ~ **Lyle Cameron**



Sunnyland photo excursion

Bunco

The month of March we will be playing Bunco on the 14th and the 28th. If you have never played come on out and give it a try. It is very easy and we have a lot of fun getting to know one another. So if you are new to Four Seasons and want to meet some new friends join us. We meet in the Card Room at 1 pm sharp. Bring a friend or neighbor and don't forget to get a drink at Smitty's or maybe even lunch beforehand. See you there. ~ **Suzanne Roldan & Cheryl Burke**



Pan

We are looking for players, substitute players and people who are interested in learning the game. I am happy to teach anyone who wishes to learn the game, either individually or in a small group, your home or mine. Pan is a card game, much on the order of gin in some respects, and played with up to eight people at a table. It is played by both men and women, so men are very welcomed as well as women. The game can be played in the day, evening, in a room in the Lodge or in private homes. If you are interested, please call me, Linda Mendelson, at (951) 941-9100 or e-mail me at Goldtoy@earthlink.net and I will answer any questions you may have. As all card games, it is played with both skill and luck. ~ **Linda Mendelson**

TOPS

It is March already and you still could be trying to get off those extra pounds you put on at the end of last year. If that is the case we have a great group here at Four Seasons that is here to help you. TOPS (take off pounds sensibly) is right here and is a very affordable (\$28 per year membership, \$3 chapter dues per month).

Come and join us and see what TOPS is all about. We meet in the ballroom each Tuesday with weigh-in starting at 8 am and the meeting at 8:30 am. We would love to meet you and remember you have nothing to lose but weight.

For more information please contact Cathy Calhoun, Four Seasons resident and Leader at (951) 849-2614 or Rosalee Strong, TOPS Area Captain at (951) 844-9313. ~ **Cheryl Burke**



Canasta #1

Join us for an afternoon of friendship and fun while playing a game of Hand and Foot Canasta. We meet in the Card Room every Thursday afternoon, 1:15 to 4 pm. Each week you may play with someone different, giving you an opportunity to meet other Four Seasons residents and old friends who enjoy an afternoon of "cool" cards. Plus, the Bistro is just down the hall if you would like a snack or a cold drink. We supply the cards so all you have to bring is your body and the desire to have a little fun. If you don't know how to play we are always happy to set up a teaching table and by the time the afternoon is over you will have mastered the game. All you have to do is show up and leave the rest to us. ~ **Melody Seewoster**

Mah Jongg

Everybody is welcome to join us for fun Mondays at 1 pm in the Bistro. Beginners as well as seasoned players can join the fun. We usually have several tables of three, four or five players and someone is always available to teach or assist those who are new to the game or those who haven't played in many years. A current Mah Jongg card is required but you can borrow or copy one until you are sure you want to invest the \$8 in it. You do not have to own a Mah Jongg set to join the fun, so come on out! ~ **Yvette Thomas**

Pinochle

Pinochle is an exciting card game where you bid and bluff to name trump and take control of the game. This game is played with a double deck of special cards of ace through 10 against other aficionados, to tease your mind, and keep you sharp. Come join the game on Wednesday and Fridays from 9 am to 12 pm in the Card Room. Newbies and oldies are welcome for fun and socializing. Info., George Soeten, (951) 797-0254. ~ **George Soeten**

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African American Culture Club

February was Black History Month. We presented a Black History Program. Everyone who attended felt the program was very inspiring and informative. Crosswords Church, "Praise Team Singers, and Trinity church singers, lithe Voices of Truth," had everyone standing on their feet. They were awesome. Our members performed a skit, and introduced us to influential people who contributed to our rich history. They left us with a deeper appreciation and understanding of our heritage. The singers uplifted and renewed our souls. If you could not be there, you missed a wonderful afternoon. You owe it to yourself to make it a priority to be at the 2015 Black History program it will be even better. If that's possible.

A report on our "Steppin in Black and White," a dress-up affair late in February, will be in next month's *Breeze*.

As always, we encourage you to become a part of our group. It is really growing and on the move. We are striving to become viable to you and our community in not only entertainment, but informative on issues that affect us as well.

Our next meeting is the first Monday, March 3, at 6 pm, in the Card Room. If you would like to be a part of a group on the move, come and join us. You can contact Betty Ann James (951) 572-5538 or Joyce Allen (951) 769-4354 for more information. ~ **Roxie Elliott**

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Bridge

We welcomed two new members, Phil Irving and Vallie Ek. We are always looking for new members. We play party type Bridge and this enables everyone to meet and play with people different levels of skill. We will be glad to teach anyone who would like to learn the game or improve there skill with classes or just watch. Please contact us. We play each Monday, see schedule in the *Breeze*.



The purpose of learning is growth and minds unlike our bodies can continue to grow as long as we live. If any questions contact Helen Shoemate or myself. ~ **Bill Guy**

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Ballroom Dance Club

Our first Valentine's Day Dance sold out by Feb. 7. We'll report on this event in the next *Breeze*.



Some Dance Clubbers at a recent Thursday night practice

Our next event will be the Spring Fling, on Saturday, May 17, which will feature the band Skyline Xpress, and we'll have catered heavy hors d'oeuvres, beverages and dancing fun. Everyone is welcome.



Bob Jernejcic

This month we're pleased to feature Bob Jernejcic. Bob moved here to be closer to his adult children and their families, and because he liked our Four Seasons community. He said, "I danced when I was young. When I moved here I wanted to meet people. I like music and dancing, so I started attending the Ballroom and Social Dance Club, and I'm happy I did."

Now Bob enjoys not only dancing here with us in our Ballroom, but going out dancing at Hemet West, Sierra Dawn, Loma Linda Senior Center and Sun Lakes. Way to go, Bob! ~ **Willis Fagan**

Line Dancing

A lot of new homeowners have joined line dancing this year and are surprised at how much exercise it is and how tired they are at the end of class.

Dancing involves learning something new which challenges your body and your mind, both of which are good for us as we age. Learning new ways to move and new footwork takes a lot of effort, both mentally and physically. It is also a lot of fun and you get to meet new friends.

The beginning class starts at 3 pm every Tuesday and is forty 45 minutes. We concentrate on the basic steps and dances, including the electric slide. The advanced class begins at 3:45 pm. We are always learning new dances, but, when are brains get tired, we take the time to dance to old favorites. I have had inquiries about square dancing, which I do not teach, but I know someone who has taught for years. I will put a sign-up sheet at the Lodge to see if there is enough interest to look into this further. Any questions? Call (951) 769-3889. ~ **Martha Franck, Club Captain**



Heart & Soul Line Dance

Welcome to all our new dancers. For those of you who missed our workshop last month, all I can say is we had a great time (as usual). We missed you. Hope you will join us next time.

Line dancing may bring to mind images of cowboys and barnyard square dances, but there is far more to it than that. It is a great workout for both the mind and the body and it can also help improve memory skills. Line dancing requires us to remember dance steps and combinations, so we are exercising our memories every time we step on the dance floor. For older adults, this popular form of dancing can help improve memory because it engages us in an activity that forces us to use our memory. As line dancers we benefit from all of these perks while enjoying a fun activity.

Class schedule: Wednesdays, 4 to 5:20 pm for beginners and 5:20 to 6 pm for intermediate. If you have any questions, please call Priscilla at (951) 922-0755. ~ **Priscilla Robles**

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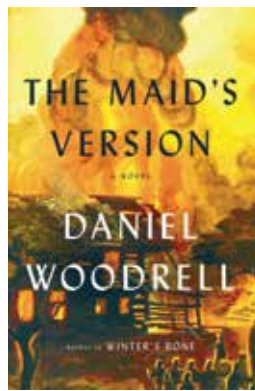
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Book Club

The Maid's Version is a story that penetrates small town secrets and the punishments they inflict on anyone who exposes them. Daniel Woodrell's ninth novel recounts the tragic tale of a fiery 1929 explosion at the Arbor Dance Hall in the small town of West Table, Missouri.

Alma DeGeer Dunahew works as the maid for a prominent citizen in West Table. Her scandalous but beloved younger sister is one of the 42 killed in the explosion at the local dance hall. Who is to blame? Mobsters from St. Louis? Embittered local gypsies? The preacher who railed against the loose morals of the waltzing couples? Or could it really have been a colossal accident?


Alma thinks she knows the answer and that its roots lie in a dangerous love affair. Her dogged pursuit of justice makes her an outcast and causes a long-standing rift with her own



son. By telling her story to her grandson, Alek, she finally gains some solace and peace. But as the title suggests, her story is only her version. As Alek's narration unfolds, we see that in a small town there are no real secrets, merely facts that people agree not to speak.

If you are interested, you are welcome to join us in the Lodge on March 11 at 9:30 am for our discussion of *The Maid's Version*.

For more information, please call Doreen Sanders at (951) 769-1913. ~Peggy Dashed



The Pass Area Cultural Alliance invites you to a world-class comedy night on Fri., April 4, 7 pm at the Banning Woman's Center featuring professional comedians who have performed all over the country. Space is limited. RSVP to 951-922-4911



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Performing Arts Club



Having just completed our first event of the year, the well received Radio Show produced by Tom Shelly, we are now in the midst of brisk ticket sales for "The Anniversary" Dinner show.

Hurry up and get yours... your neighbors and friends will be talking about this and you don't want to be left out.

We truly appreciate your support and attendance at our shows, and we are currently planning more events for 2014 than we have produced in any other year. As a result, we have openings for many volunteer positions and are asking for your help.

Have you ever wanted to be in show business, without really trying? This is your chance. Whether you are shy or outgoing, we have many opportunities for, including, but not limited to: technicians running the light and sound for performances; apprentices being directed for behind the scenes work; videographer willing to tape our upcoming events. For our 55+ show (fifty-five plus, not x-rated, but unsuitable for children) we need singers, comedians, joke tellers, ventriloquists, clowns, stilt walkers, dancers, and we are open to other talented or non-talented folks doing whatever else your skills might be. Be brave and suggest funny, silly and even suggestive music, songs, or skits. We are always looking for new actors to perform in our future Radio Shows. What's nice is that you read your lines and don't have to memorize them. Future performances will need Country, Western, Americana and Soul appeal.

Now, saving the best for last, we would love to hear from any very outgoing, fun loving women, talent isn't necessary, for a new project we are working on.

If you are interested in helping us out, joining the Performing Arts Club, wanting to offer your talents, or even leaving suggestions for us, please fill out the form on the clipboard located across from the Pool Room or ask the Front Desk for a form.

We look forward to entertaining you during our Murder Mystery Dinner Theater. Have a wonderful March. ~ **Teri Meyers-Kelman**



Four Season Singers

It's been said that music heals the heart but it also promotes healthy aging. Studies of choruses have found an improved quality of life among older choir members. Another study has concluded that older adults who sang in a chorus for one year had fewer falls, fewer doctor visits and less loneliness than those in a control group. Singing allows people to use their bodies and minds while creating something beautiful. (Studies conducted by Julene K. Johnson at the University of CA, San Francisco; Georgetown University and studies in Finland.)

We'll be back in April to start rehearsals for the Fourth of July event. Those of you who have been thinking about it, please come to our first rehearsal. Time and date of our first rehearsal to be in the next issue of *The Breeze*. Or, you can contact Barbara Wasco (951) 797-3466 or email at bawasco@dc.rr.com. ~ **Barbara Wasco**

Classical Music Club

We are classical music lovers with an interest in sharing our love, knowledge, and interest in classical music. We meet on the second Thursday of each month at 7 pm in the Conference Room. There we discuss current music performances. Most of the time is devoted to exploring a selection for the month. We welcome new members. Contact Steve Benhoff at steve.benhoff@verizon.net or (310) 413-4896. ~ **Steve Benhoff**



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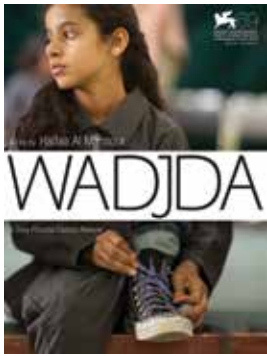
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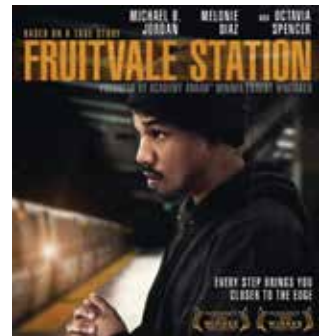
Our first March screening, on Sunday, March 9, at 6 pm, is the film “Fruitville Station” (USA 2013, 85 minutes). Here is a brief description from IMDB.com: “This is the true story of Oscar, a 22-year-old Bay Area resident who wakes up on the morning of December 31, 2008 and feels something in the air. Not sure what it is, he takes it as a sign to get a

head start on his resolutions: being a better son to his mother, whose birthday falls on New Year’s Eve, being a better partner to his girlfriend, who he hasn’t been completely honest with as of late, and being a better father to T, their beautiful four year old daughter. He starts out well, but as the day goes on, he realizes that change is not going to come easy. He crosses paths with friends, family, and strangers, each exchange showing us that there is much more to Oscar than meets the eye. But it would be his final encounter of the day, with police officers at the Fruitvale BART station that would shake the Bay Area to its very core, and cause the entire nation to be witnesses to the story of Oscar Grant.”

Our second March screening, Sunday, March 23, at 6 pm, is

the film “Wadjda” (Saudi Arabia/Germany 2012, 98 minutes, English subtitles). Here is a brief description from IMDB.com: “Wadjda is a 10-year-old girl living in a suburb of Riyadh, the capital of Saudi Arabia. Although she lives in a conservative world, Wadjda is fun loving, entrepreneurial and always pushing the boundaries of what she can get away with. After a fight with her friend Abdullah, a neighborhood boy she shouldn’t be playing with, Wadjda sees a beautiful green bicycle for sale. She wants the bicycle desperately so that she can beat Abdullah in a race. But Wadjda’s mother won’t allow it, fearing repercussions from a society that sees bicycles as dangerous to a girl’s virtue. So Wadjda decides to try and raise the money herself.”

The Lodge Theatre has very limited seating, so if you’re interested in our screenings, come early. We hope to see you there! Coming in April: “Inequality for All” and “Kill Your Darlings.” Please note that all films announced are subject to availability. If you have any questions about the Counter Culture Cinema Club or want to recommend a film, please e-mail Micki Rosen at michelesrosen@gmail.com. ~ **Micki Rosen**



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Amateur Radio Club



There are many reasons why it is a good idea to learn how to program and use the FRS radios we have in the Four Seasons Communications group.

The first and foremost would be for emergency reasons: earthquakes, floods, fires, any emergency in your home and you are alone, or away from your home.

If there is an earthquake, for example, we have EPP groups that would be in your neighborhood, trying to help with any casualties. Hopefully, you would belong to one of these many groups. Come to either the Neighborhood Watch meetings, or our monthly EPP meetings for more information on the different groups; volunteers are needed.

A main reason it would be good to know how to use the radios (in case of emergencies), is that cell phones and land lines could NOT be working. So these radios may be our only means of quick communication. Quickness and safety would be the key here. The fact that they allow immediate access to local hospitals and first responder service organizations, i.e., those that can provide all types of assistance regardless of the

situation. In addition, these radios communicate very well with our ham radio operators to expand the coverage area allowing for communication even in very remotest of areas.

There are other reasons, such as just good old fashioned fun. Taking them on trips with you for example. Perhaps you're traveling with a group, and you reach an area where there is no cell phone reception. Wouldn't it be great to be able to all connect up via radio, so no one gets lost?

Because our group consists of all volunteers with a desire and goals to help the community, being part of this group means you are actually giving back to the community while receiving a benefit as well. One of the main benefits that you receive is what is most important during an emergency, the fact that you have the ability to take care of yourself, and your family first, and then, be in a position to help others.

Please consider being a part of our group, as we can always use more volunteer members. It is an opportunity to have fun while you're learning something new.

Our website is W6FSB.com, meetings are held in the ballroom on the last Friday of the month at 10 am. ~ **Judie Kaczorowski**

Writers' Club

At our February meeting, Arlene Swinson Malkin and Laurie Larson presented a few pages of their writings and opened them for discussion by the members of the club. Arlene's interest is in writing for children in preschool through fifth grade. In her book *Adventures with Grandma and Grandpa* she shared with these children the beauty and wonder of the forest and, with humor, conveyed to them the importance of the family. She showed also to the grandparents the major role they can play in their education. Laurie wrote an essay about grief for the loss of dear ones, as she felt it in others as a psychotherapist and, more acutely, in her personal life. Under the title *A Journey through Grief*, she described her route from crushing grief to acceptance and peace. First there was shock, followed by feelings of anger and guilt. She realized how beneficial was every assistance she could get toward generating some positive self-talk. Love never died but, at the end of her journey, life appeared again to be worth living. Visitors are welcome to attend any of the meetings at 1:30 pm on the first Tuesday of every month. ~ **Joseph Laurin**



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Discovery Club

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Understanding and translating English language dialects can be challenging.

But imagine the confusion when millions of people from many different countries immigrated to our country in times past. Not only were there hundreds of languages, but thousands of dialects as well.

When it came to writing things down, our forebears did the best they could. It never occurred to them that we, hundreds of years later, would be trying to figure it all out. They were just doing their

job, recording strange sounding words according to their English language sensibilities.

It is therefore prudent that we allow for errors, especially regarding misspelled words and names, when we do research. We need to verify everything, and take nothing for granted.

Info., Willis Fagan, Club Captain, (951) 769-4482, wefbev@verizon.net. ~ **Willis Fagan**

Spanish Bible Class

To our potential students of the Spanish Bible class, there is a main theme that will develop during future classes. The main theme is "What Does the Bible really TEACH?"

And very interesting and important questions will be answered like: What's the truth about God? Why do we grow old and eventually die? Why does God allow all the suffering which gets worse everyday? How will Armageddon affect us? These questions and many more will be answered by the

scriptures we will study.

Do you have any questions that you want the Bible to answer for you? Then join us every Tuesday at 7 pm. For more information you can call me at (951) 769-4238. Ask for Tim Lovato. ~ **Timoteo Lovato**

Bereavement Group

The Bereavement Group has resumed and as before, the healing process has begun. What amazing gifts human beings can be to each other.

Participants come to the group hesitant, tentative, unsure of themselves and the group itself. They are concerned that there may be something wrong with them because they can't "get over it" and they still cry "too much." And they worry that they are weak for coming to a bereavement group.

But almost immediately, when they began to listen to the others, they realize that they are not broken or weak or "too sad." They are just a person with a wrenching loss who is doing what human beings are meant to do: grieve.

And as they listen and talk the healing journey begins. They are not surprised by the tears, but often marvel at how soon laughter begins. And the bonds between all of us grow and flourish.

If you have a loss in your life that is causing you unhappiness or worry, come join us. Your loss does not have to be a death. Divorce, retirement, or leaving a beloved home can trigger great sadness and disorientation.

The Bereavement Group meets on Mondays from 1 to 3 pm in the Crafts Room at the Lodge. We make the room private to increase comfort and intimacy. We welcome you.

You may reach me at (951) 922-0934 or e-mail lauriemlarson425@gmail.com. ~ **Laurie Larson**

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Actors and Directors Club

The new Actors and Directors Club is well on its way to capture the vision and purpose of its formation. In January we discussed that vision in depth, and the members contributed their ideas to the eventual performances. The members also had a chance to be either actor or director, as they pulled slips of paper from a bowl at random. Once the two directors were identified, those directors were assigned three to four actors each, which then became a "production team." Each production team was issued a scenario, and both teams had 15 minutes to come up with an ad lib of the scenario. One of the teams became the guests at a birthday party of nine-year-olds, and an argument ensued as to which party participant would take

the first swing at the piñata. This team certainly had a blast! The second team was at a formal

dinner party for their husband's boss, and one of the ladies got spinach stuck in her front tooth.

Of course, the other women at the table had to try and tell her without letting the men know or embarrass the spinach-toothed woman. After lots

of laughter, both teams did an amazing job at the ad lib, and the directors were very effective in assigning parts and directing overall performance.

In February, we discussed in depth the subjects of costuming and props. Several suggestions were made as to how to determine proper dress for authenticity, and how to effectively put a costume together on a budget and yet achieve accuracy. We discussed where to find props, i.e. a corded rotary phone, etc. The members in attendance had some great ideas and will be integral idea masters for future performances. Then each of the members in attendance drew a scenario from a bowl, had five minutes to devise a self-script, and then deliver the skit. Zelyne Rudolph, Kathy Roach and Gill Boucher did an amazing job with their one-person skits! Congrats to all three!

If you are interested in furthering your potential performance skills, come join the Actors and Directors Club! We have plenty of discussion, lots of fun, and an abundance of enthusiasm. Our March meeting will be held on March 6, at 1 pm in the first section of the Ballroom. Don't be stage-shy — we're a long way from a stage production. So come out and join the fun! ~

Eileen Gilbert-Antoine





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Garden Club

A “rose by any other name” is not a primrose. A flowering plant of the genus *Primula*, one of 28 genera of the family *Primulaceae* includes more than 500 species usually found in the Northern Hemisphere in cool or mountainous regions. These plants are low-growing, usually perennial herbs; a few are biennials. Most species grow 10–20 inches tall. Many species are cultivated for their attractive, five-petaled flowers, which may be red, pink, purple, blue, white, or yellow. Other plants in the primrose family include cyclamens and pimpernels. The evening primrose (family *Onagraceae*) is not a true primrose.

The leaves are often heavily wrinkled, with an irregularly crenate to dentate margin, and a usually short leaf stem. The delicately scented blooms are borne singly on short slender



stems and typically pale yellow, though white or pink are often seen in nature. The flowers are actinomorphic (can be divided into three or more identical sectors which are related to each other by rotation about the center of the flower) with a superior ovary which later forms small black seeds.

The primrose is one of the earliest spring flowers in much of Europe. “Primrose” is ultimately from Old French *Primerose* or medieval Latin *prima rosa*, meaning “first rose,” though it is not closely related to the rose family. The primrose is a common and favored wildflower of England often been celebrated in poetry. A common yellow species (*P. veris*) is called cowslip in England. A popular primrose indigenous to North America is the American cowslip, often called shooting star. ~ *Leonard Tavernetti*

Seasoned Solos

Our monthly planning meeting is in the Lodge Craft Room at 6 pm on the first Friday of each month. So far, the outings we have planned for March are the Bluegrass Festival in Temecula on Saturday, March 15. The Grammy nominated “James King Band” will be the headliner. We will leave the Lodge at 10 am and carpool to Temecula. On March 21, we will go to the Wild Animal Park in Escondido. The park admission fee is \$46 and Monica will order our tickets online so we won’t have to stand in line. If you would like to go, please get your money to Monica as soon as possible so she can order your ticket.

At our March planning meeting we will add to this list of outings so if you are new to Four Seasons or live “solo” please join us and make suggestions of things that would interest you.

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Racquet Club

February was not just the month for Valentine's Day, where "love" means something, rather than on the tennis court where it means nothing.

The Four Seasons Beaumont Racquet Club (FSBRC) was invited by the tennis aficionados at neighboring Sun Lakes for a day of friendly, but competitive tennis and a hosted lunch on Feb. 8. Our club sent a worthy contingent of men and women players to compete in mixed, women's, and men's doubles. At the end of the day, Sun Lakes players had prevailed in many of the matches, but all participants had a fun time and got to meet lots of new tennis friends. FSBRC looks forward to the opportunity to reciprocate, though doing so with just our two courts, will be a challenge.

Speaking of our courts, we are all very impressed with and appreciative of the newly resurfaced courts. The colors are bright and the lines are sharp. That has

not, however, vastly improved some of our line calls!

While the day at Sun Lakes was certainly a highlight, our other activities have continued. The Mixed Doubles play has continued on the second and third Thursday night of the month. During February, the regular rotating of playing partners has continued. In March, the "mixed-up" Mixed Doubles will continue on the second Thursday of the month. When we get to the third Thursday in March, the mixed doubles partners will be assigned and the team will stay together for the following few months. So, in March and subsequent months, it will be "mixed-up" Mixed Doubles on the second Thursday and "teamed-up" Mixed Doubles on the third Thursdays. We'll see how that works out and adjust as necessary.

The monthly Play Days continue to be held on the last Saturday of each month.

All Four Seasons Beaumont residents are welcome to come and play beginning at 8:30 am. It's not just for the club members, so come on out for some safe fun and good exercise. On the tennis courts we have had some service breaks, but no bone breaks. So for those for whom some other sports have resulted in a few injured limbs, leading to comments such as "No way in hell," when asked if she will return to that other court game, we think you'll enjoy coming out for a tennis Play Day.

Please visit our club website www.fsbr.org. ~ **Steve Hovey**



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We are all still having lots of fun and laughs, making new friends and building memories. Great to be out in the crisp air getting our heart rates up and keeping our bodies moving. Remember, bodies that sit get sore and stiff. We all need to get off the sofas and chairs and get active. Pickleball is often described as “the fastest growing sport in North America.” Along with the growth of pickleball is the players’ growing attachment to the sport; it’s not uncommon to hear players describe the sport as “addicting.”

Yes — we have had some injuries on the court. These are usually caused by swinging incorrectly, not bending from the knees only the waist, running forward, running backward, and coming to the game with body injuries already in place. If people haven’t played a sport in years, if they have been a couch potato, if they haven’t exercised since their hair was its original color, they are accidents waiting to happen. ‘Use it or lose it’ is an important mantra after 50. So, get out there and start stretching and strength training and then come join us. Remember we play Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday. Open play is 9 am. For more information, please contact Marty Key at (562) 331-0817 or e-mail keeksmail@yahoo.com. ~ **Marty Key**



Friends having fun on the courts

Ping Pong Club

Ping pong is a fun game and fun is what we have here at beautiful Four Seasons as we play on a recreational level. Occasionally, however, some of our players like to take the game to the next level where it is still fun but becomes much more competitive and serious in nature. There is no better venue to do just that than the annual Palm Desert International Sports Festival and Senior Games. This year, for the table tennis competition, it was held over two days, Feb. 6 and 7.

This tournament, because of its status and because of the coveted medals it offers, draws top players from all over California and even a few from out of state. The players it drew from our own Four Seasons Ping Pong Club were Gilbert Apodaca, Don Fant, Rick Jimenez, Barry Pope, Suchart Sudhamma, and Niles Sundstrom. It was also great to have two other players on our club, Rony Tordesillas and Bob Smith, come out and lend us moral support with their cheering.

Doubles competition was held on day one. Gilbert Apodaca

teamed up with Bill Souder of Solera, while Don Fant teamed up with Dennis Sauer of Sun Lakes. Both of these strong teams advanced all the way to the final. The final proved to be a very exciting game with Gilbert and Bill winning three games to two over Don and Dennis. Suchart Sudhamma and Rick Jimenez, playing in a younger age bracket, won the Bronze medal in their doubles competition.

Singles competition was held on day two. Although our guys played very well and earned honorable mention accolades, they were over powered by much higher rated players in the battle for medals.

You don’t have to be tournament level player to enjoy ping pong. Just come out and join in the fun Monday through Friday at 10:30 am and Saturday at 11 am. Please contact Niles Sundstrom at (951) 572-5119 or Alan Chan at (951) 769-4202 if you have any questions or need more information about your Four Seasons’ Ping Pong Group. ~ **Niles Sundstrom**



Photo far left: Dennis Sauer, Gilbert Apodaca, Bill Souder, and Don Fant

Photo left: Suchart Sudhamma and Rick Jimenez

The 8-Ball Club

TIP OF THE MONTH: We all know by now that defensive play is part of the game. A tool to use that is also defensive in nature is the Safety Shot. Simply stated a Safety is a situation where you may be able to sink one ball but not a second. This is good strategy to call a safety if you realize that the opposing team wouldn't have a shot either. By doing this, once you make your shot you relinquish the next shot to the opposition. They are forced to take their turn during which they might foul (giving you cue ball in hand) or break out the balls so your partner in their turn might have a better chance to run the balls and win the game. This Safety Shot is described more completely in the BCA Rulebook (The Billiards Congress of America), which is the set of rules our 8-Ball Club plays by.

Speaking of BCA Rules, there is a new book published which we have ordered a copy of for our reference. If any rules change that affects the way we play, we will try to illustrate them in coming articles.

Our latest tournament results: For our monthly 8-Ball Tournament, Kenny Payne and Ray Windhorn battled their way to the final round. Ray was undefeated in regular play so Kenny coming up from the Losers Bracket with one loss had to beat Ray twice. Game one of the final resulted on a close game wherein Kenny pulled off the win. The final game also went in Kenny's favor making him the monthly champion.

Ray Windhorn was involved in the 9-Ball monthly finals as well, wow. Ray went into the semi-final match of the winner's bracket playing against Dewey Allen but Ray lost this round this being his first loss of the match dropped him to the loser's bracket but winning that game propelled him into the finals against Dewey. Alas for Ray, he was eliminated by yet

another loss to Dewey. Dewey Allen became the Monthly 9-Ball Champion with the win.

All in all though, Ray Windhorn had a great month playing in both in-house tournament final matches! Congratulations to Ray!

We practice together at 7 pm on first and third Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Monthly 8-Ball Club Meetings are on the first Wednesday of the month at 7 pm.

The In-house 8-Ball tournament is on the second Wednesday at 7 pm. In-house 9-Ball tournament is on the third Saturday of the month at 1 pm.

Our "traveling tournaments" are the second and fourth Mondays of the month. The second Monday, we travel to Hemet Solera and the fourth Monday Solera Hemet comes here. Check the message board in the Billiards Room for any changes of dates or locations.

Club Officer: Club Captain, Del Lyles, Sr. (951) 845-5114; Co-Captain, Roland Harrah (951) 845-1734, rolandthanh@msn.com; Thanh Harrah, Captain's Assistant (951) 845-1734, rolandthanh@msn.com. ~ **Roland Harrah**



Kenny Payne and Ray Windhorn



Ray Windhorn and Dewey Allen

Horseshoes for Fun

Don't keep that rusty talent hidden, come on out and join us. It's a great way to make new friends and get a little exercise in the process. Our group has eleven members on our roster. We meet at the Horseshoe Pits every Wednesday at 9:30 am and play until we get tired or approximately 10:30 am, whichever comes first. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Ron Erickson at (951) 846-3288, rejlerickson@sbcglobal.net or Gary Christie at (951) 941-9100, goldtoy@earthlink.net. ~ **Ron Erickson**



JoAnne Martin sizing up her throw



Carolyn Parry getting ready to take her shot

Bocce Ball

Our first tournament will be held March 11 at 9:30 am. We already have six four-person teams signed up. If you would like to participate and are not on a team, please contact Judy Erickson at (951) 846-3288 to be placed on a team. We will be having pizza at Smitty's afterward. Our club meeting is the third Wednesday at 2:30 pm. Weather permitting, the meeting will be held at the courts. For those of you who have never played, please join us. Skill is not a prerequisite, and it is a lot of fun. If you have questions please contact Bob Cooper at (951) 769-6352 or Mike Saperstein at (951) 769-7909. ~ **Bob Cooper**

Billiards for Fun

Wow! We are 35 members strong! You're probably wondering how we fit 35 members in the four-table Billiards Room. Yeah. As it turns out, not all members come to play every single week. On Feb. 4, however, we did fill all tables, as 16 people came to play. It was a pretty raucous group, with lots of laughter, kidding, encouragement and high fives. Everyone had a wonderful time. There are never any losers — everyone in our group is a winner! By nature, most men are extremely, utterly and fiercely competitive (including the men in the Billiards for Fun Group). However, kudos to each and every one of them: they are always very patient and kind in partnering with the ladies of the group, giving them pointers and mini-lessons with respect and concern, and the ladies are improving every week. Thanks, guys! Don't get me wrong, there are serious moments. (See top photo.) You can bet, however, that there will be high fives or handshakes for whichever partnership moves on to the next table. Two of our most serious players (see bottom photo), although always out for the win, also contribute to the laughter and fun. Mike Saperstein, has instituted an informal practice for the group on Saturdays for anyone who wants to practice in order to be in top form for Tuesday play. If you're looking for a good time while sharpening your game, look for Mike in the Billiards Room every Saturday from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm.

Many thanks to each member — you have made the group what it has become. If any of you in our reading audience are interested in joining a really great group please come by the Billiards Room any Tuesday from 1 to 3 pm and check out the fun. We're looking to make the 100 member mark! If you need further information, please contact Eileen Gilbert-Antoine at (951) 922-6829 or egcellent@msn.com. ~ **Eileen Gilbert-Antoine**



Below: Pete Antoine and Mike Olsen

Above: Ron Erickson contemplates his next shot, as partner Mike Saperstein and opponents Dee Kelch and Lee Harris await his decision with anxious anticipation



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Hearty Hikers

A handful of Hearty Hikers strolled up Mt. Roubideaux on a balmy January day. While the ever present winds were blowing through Beaumont, on the mountain the air was calm and hikers were in shorts and T-shirts. The paved paths were filled with baby strollers and hill toppers lugging empty water bottles due to the 80-degree temperatures. The wind of the previous days had cleared the skies in the Inland Empire and the views from all sides of the mountain captured the attention of many climbers. The "No Lunch Bunch" hiked up Pipes Canyon at the end of the month. Breaking with tradition, they did enjoy a nice lunch afterwards. To find out where else we are hiking in 2014 call or e-mail Lynette. ~ **Leonard Tavernetti**



David Kershaw, Ruth Tavernetti, Bill Struwe and Richard Brown



(Above) Charlie Leger, David Kershaw, Jerome Liebenberg and Bill Struwe on the trail

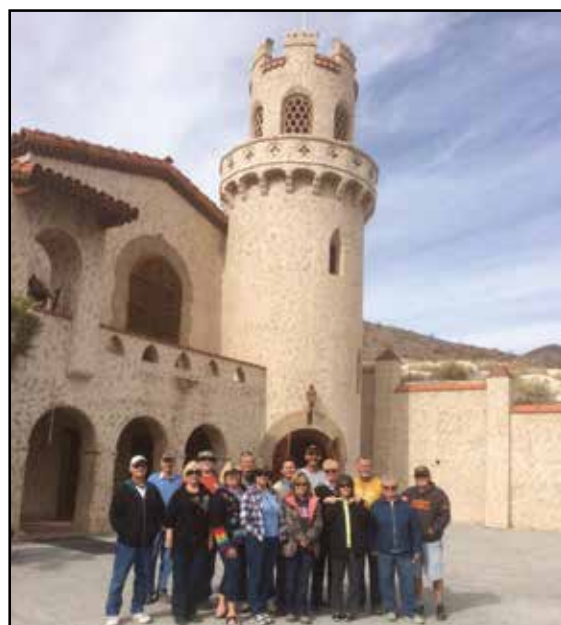


(Left) David, Richard, Bill and Ruth pause to overlook the western side of the mountain

All Seasons RV Club

We are a group of residents who participate in RV trips. In the past we have traveled to many fun and interesting places. If you would like further information on future trips, you can contact Ann Williams at awilymz@att.net to be added to the e-mail list. You can also attend one of our meetings the second Tuesday of the month in the Ballroom at 6 pm. ~ **Rick Brower**

RV Club at Scotty's Castle in Death Valley



Golfing for Fun

The Distinguished Duffers have continued to meet and play Friday mornings at local courses. Larry Zimmerman has taken over coordinating the weekly locations and tee times for the group. He has done an excellent job of this and seeks out a greater variety of locations for the group to play at. Larry is the person you need to contact (hopefully by Wednesday) of the week the event is scheduled should you wish to participate.

Larry has taken over for me as I have not been able to join recently the "Duffers" due to some orthopedic problems. As it is March, the weather should be starting to warm up and benefit those of us with arthritic joint problems. Contact Larry Zimmerman at zzman1028@yahoo.com or (909) 553-2798. Feel free to call me at (951) 797-3563. ~ **Tim Jacobson**

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Paddle Tennis

The Winter 2013 Four Seasons Paddle Tennis Doubles Tournament in January was one of the most exciting matches ever. All of the eight teams were very closely balanced and the matches were all very close. We were very lucky weather-wise; there were just a few clouds. The weather did get noticeably colder during the final match but that didn't discourage anyone from staying to the end.

The rules: The first team in a match to win five games wins the match. All of the match scores were either 5-3 or 5-2. This was a double-elimination so a team that loses two matches is out. There were some seasoned teams like Terry Miller/Gary Campanella and Alan Chan/Niles Sundstrom as well as some newbies like Mike Flowers/Dan Anguiano and Garret Warman/Rick Loney. The other teams were: Phil Harris/Bill Russell; Richard Carusco/Paco Paez; Michael Rothberg/Robert Norwood; Robert Garder/Raul Bautista. There were a couple of upsets including some newbies beating some well established players. Some of the players can only practice once a week while others take advantage of the full paddle tennis schedule. In several matches practice time didn't matter which lead to some upsets.

The finals pitted the teams of Terry Miller/Gary Campanella

against Richard Carusco/Paco Paez. Throughout the tournament, Terry and Gary never lost a match! Congratulations Terry and Gary.

Court times: Official - Wed./Fri./Sun. - 2 to 4 pm; Unofficial - Fri./Sun. - 8:30 to 10:30 am.

For more information, call Alan Chan at (951) 769-4202 or Jim Cochran at (951) 769-5525. ~ **Michael Rothberg**



Terry Miller



Gary Campanella, Richard Carusco and Paco Paez

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Firearm Enthusiasts

March 14, has been set for the 'Year-End' Banquet in the Ballroom to celebrate this past year. It's a potluck so bring a main dish/salad or dessert to serve six to eight people. CHP Officer Mendez has been booked to present a talk about proper handling, storage and transporting of firearms here in California, also to answer any related questions. Fun and games will be in another section of the Ballroom — we'll have some friendly 'shooting' competition involving 'pistol' and 'rifle'. Don't bring any of your guns, I'll bring the 'weapons and the ammo,' plenty for all who want to compete for the prizes.

Information will be available about home safety storage devices and containers, California Handgun Safety Certificate Study Guide (state required testing prior to purchasing a handgun) and nearby public places to shoot, indoor and outdoor ranges, firearms training locations and fees.

All firearm owners and their friends are welcome! Please RSVP and let me know if the date and/or time is unworkable for you. We want everyone to attend. Contact Steve Meier at sm45para@gmail.com or (909) 528-3342.

Interested in an outing? Just contact the membership listing for others who may also want to go or contact me and I'll spread the word to all. The closest indoor range (Beaumont Indoor Range) is less than three miles from the Potrero Gate located

on 4th Street west of Veile St. and they do carry ammo for range use only (call ahead for availability). The outdoor range that I frequent is the High Desert Rod And Gun Club Range (HDRGC) located about 35 miles away on the Hwy. 62 in Morongo Valley (no ammo availability). Their website with directions is hhdrgc.com.

Extra copies of the year-end party notice scheduled for March 14, are at the Lodge sign-up area. Get out there and enjoy the sport. ~ **Steve Meier**



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Motorcycle Club

Bob Howard took a solo ride through Joshua Tree National Park last month. We also had one group ride to Palm Desert for lunch and another group lunch ride to San Juan Capistrano.

Many of us are still recovering from the holidays so the riding has slowed down a bit.

At the end of March we will embark on a five night trip to Lone Pine, Las Vegas, Prescott and then two nights in Phoenix to attend a big motorcycle show.

We are a pretty laid back group. If you ride come to one of our meetings on the first Wednesday of the month at 6 pm in the Ballroom.
~ Howard Lyon



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Several members have been traveling and off roading in Parker, Quartzsite, Glamus and Death Valley. We all had a good time and have many stories to share at the next meeting. See you then. ~ Ann Williams



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