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Photos from the 2013 Craft Fair. By Larry Goodreau, Four Seasons Homeowner.

Tables will go fast for the Craft Boutique

The talented residents of Four Seasons will once again display their wares at this year's Craft Boutique on Saturday, Nov. 22, from 9 am to 2 pm. From holiday decor to gifts for loved ones, there are lots of items sold to both fellow residents and the surrounding community.

If you are interested in having a table to sell your unique creations, be sure to mark your calendar for the mandatory seller's lottery and orientation meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 15 at 6 pm in the Lodge. There will be a random table drawing by

everyone wishing to be a part of this event.

Keep in mind that due to the large number of interested people, we can't guarantee that everyone will get to be a seller at the boutique. Because of the limited availability everyone will be limited to one 6 ft. table this year. The vendor fee is \$5 each which goes to pay for outside advertising as we invite the general public to attend this holiday event. Contact Barbara Miller if you have any additional questions at babsmiller00@gmail.com. ~ **Cindy Graves**



Terry Fears puts the finishing touches on the Lodge's mantle decor

Terry Fears Has Designs On Four Seasons

By Leighton McLaughlin

Terry Fears is contributing his considerable talents — and a good bit of time — to the redecorating all the floral arrangements in the Lodge, the Lobby, the Ballroom and the bathrooms. The original decorations were put in by builder K. Hovnanian Homes when the Lodge was finished, some eight years ago, and the HOA Board decided they needed to be updated.

Fears has a lifetime of professional experience in design and he's adding a twist to the decorations that will be unique to Four Seasons: each season will have its own display over the mantle in the Lobby entry.

"After all, that's what we are — Four Seasons," said Fears. Right now the summer display is up, soon to be displaced by fall. Winter and spring will follow in turn.

He used much of the original décor, disassembling, repairing and cleaning it, then adding new elements to freshen it up.

He started in the design business when he was 14, in high school in New Albany, Ind., "just across the Ohio River from Louisville, Ky," he said. He was hired as a kind of handy man by a local antique store and "started at the bottom. I washed the windows, put the manikins up and took them down, did window trimming. I stayed in retail from then on."

As an adult he worked as creative director for three different nationwide store chains: Casual Corner, Store of Knowledge

and Tommy Bahama. "Every retailer has somebody like me," he said.

The creative director is the one who decides how to best display merchandise so it will sell well. During his time with Tommy Bahama, it had the highest sales per square foot of any national chain.

"I never had the luxury of formal training," he said. He did a lot of reading in his field to get ideas about how to proceed. "I'm all self-taught. You have to be able to sell yourself and your ideas. It was a matter of being in the right place at the right time."

Since moving to Four Seasons some seven years ago he has employed his talents decorating for community events and richly decorating his own home for the Event Systems Committee's annual fundraiser, the Holiday Home Tour.

Two years ago he redid the "Holiday at the Lodge" Christmas décor to great effect and he donated the wreaths that brighten the entry gates, doors to the Lodge and the Lodge itself.

Fears and his wife of 50 years, Betty — his high school sweetheart — have four grown children, two boys and two girls, and nine grandchildren.

Four Seasons Activities Director Cindy Graves said Fears is an "amazing, talented and interesting guy... We can't thank him enough for the investment of his expertise... (he) is the master of all things beautiful."



Welcome to a new column in the Four Seasons Breeze: “The Four Paws of Four Seasons,” dedicated to our furry, four footed companions. This column will contain factual, fun and, sometimes frivolous, information about the care and well-being of our companion pets here in Four Seasons. I am looking forward to sharing my 40+ years of experience in pet care with all of our local pet owners. I would also like to feature questions and answers in this column under a heading called “Dear Tabby.” Questions can be directed to me at DearTabby1@aol.com.

Fall is in the air and the weather for walking with our furry friends is welcome. But we were not the first residents here at Four Seasons, and while we do live in a gated community, there are a few things we still must look out for on our walks.

We are all aware of our resident coyotes and bobcats. Homeowners with larger dogs are not as threatened by these wild residents and we may not even realize they are there, as they usually run away when they see a larger animal coming with humans. But, if you own a small dog, there are a few precautions you may want to take in order to make your walks safe. Carrying a walking stick or golf club is a good idea. If you encounter one of our wild neighbors, banging the stick on the ground and yelling should be sufficient to frighten them off. They have quickly learned that there’s nothing crazier than an irate senior citizen!

Making sure your dog’s collar or harness fits properly is extremely important. A frightened pet can easily pull out of a harness or collar that is too loose. Think of it as a belt; too tight and it will be uncomfortable, too loose and your pants will fall down. You should be able to fit no more than two or three fingers under the collar or harness. That is not too tight. Many people use the retractable type leads. These allow the dogs to run about fifteen feet ahead of the owner. Be aware that this offers minimal control of the pet and these leads can be

awkward to use. A safer option is a simple six foot lead that will keep your pet relatively close to you.

We also have hawks and owls. Keeping small dogs and cats indoors and supervising their outdoor potty breaks assures their safety. And, yes, rattlesnakes live here, too. Prevention is best when it comes to these desert natives, so keep an eye on your yard and look into one of the Rattlesnake Avoidance Classes that are occasionally conducted locally. This short, inexpensive class really works!

Raccoons usually will not bother a dog or cat, but they will hang around your home if you leave food outside for your pets. Skunks are local residents, too, and outdoor feeding stations will attract them as well. If your dog experiences the business side of a skunk, don’t be tempted to rinse the dog with water. All this will do is spread the foul-smelling, oily discharge around even more. Immediately go to a local pet shop and get a deodorizing product (they have many). Do not be tempted to wet the dog down. Apply the product directly all over the dog and let it sit for the recommended amount of time. This should help pull some of the stench out. You may have to reapply, but it will, ultimately, work. And just know, dogs never learn their lesson about these black and white critters and will go after the next skunk they encounter with a vengeance! ~ **Teri DiMarino**

Manager's Update

By Jeri Mupo, General Manager

EMERGENCIES? If you have see an emergency within the community such as a broken sprinkler or water running down the street, **please immediately contact the on-site management office at (951) 769-6358.** If these items are noted after Lodge hours, please contact **Euclid Management's emergency number at (909) 981-4131.** Please avoid reporting emergencies through the website or by email. Doing so could potentially delay a response. Thank you!

DOLLARS & SENSE At the Sept. 11 Board of Directors meeting, the Board approved the following expenses:

- Springdale painting project contract amended to include standard unit entry and garage doors = \$96,413
- Purchase four new benches for Lodge entry = \$1,600

GATE ACCESS The gate access stickers are now available! Homeowners will be required to exchange a transponder for the sticker and pay \$10 each. Homeowners may only have a combination of up to three transponders and/or stickers. The stickers are available at the Lodge management office.



New Home Owners:

Phil's Q & A Corner

By Phil Jaffe

Q: How does one join a committee at Four Seasons?

A: To join a committee, one must be an owner of record of a residential lot at K. Hovnanian's Four Seasons community. Information and applications are available at the front desk for the Architectural, Bistro, Communications, Events, Emergency Preparedness, Finance, Landscape, Rules & Regulations, Safety & Facilities and Social Committees.

Q: How do I contact the front gate attendant to announce guests without using a computer?

A: The easiest way is to call the gate attendant at (951) 769-4131.

For on-the-spot answers, call Nelly Alcocer, Lodge Administrative Assistant, at (951) 769-6351. You can also send new Q & A questions to the Breeze via Phil Jaffe at philjaffe872@gmail.com

Q: What is Euclid Management?

A: They are an association management company hired to provide a variety of services including the responsibility for the day-to-day management of the association, including the Lodge, landscaping, and common area amenities under the direction of our board of directors. For more information, view their website at euclidmanagement.com or call (909) 981-4131.

Q: Are guests allowed to use the association facilities if a homeowner gives them their FOB?

A: No, owners should not give guests their FOB, nor direct them to enter the Lodge unaccompanied. Guests **must** be with a resident at all times when on the Lodge premises. Residents are allowed six guests per household.



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Neighborly Notes

By Bobbie Eckel

October is another busy month — both within our community and in the city of Beaumont.

Kudos to the following Committee Chairs for giving their reports in person at the General Session of the BOD meeting on Aug. 14: Randy Balt (Communications), Jean Sandoval (Emergency Preparedness), Noel Myers (Finance) and Carol Napolski (Rules & Regulations). Committees are urged to have a representative present at the monthly meetings. Residents need to know who is on the various committees and what each committee is currently working on.



Have your items ready for the Garage Sale on Saturday, Oct. 11. Remember that the sales will not be in the Lodge parking lot this year; all goodies will be offered for sale at your home lawn or garage.

In an effort to save water in our drought stage, residents held a Dirty Car Contest and Parade last month. What a fun and creative idea!

The Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District Board recently took the following action to immediately limit urban use of water: prohibited potable water used for landscapes from runoff to gutters, etc., prohibited the use of a hose which dispenses potable water to wash a motor vehicle unless the hose is equipped with a shut-off nozzle, prohibited the water to clean driveways/sidewalks, prohibited the use of potable water in a decorative water feature unless the water is part of a recirculating system, delineated that outdoor watering be restricted to Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for addresses ending in odd numbers and Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays for addresses ending in even numbers during the months of May through October. For the months of November through April, odd addresses are limited to Monday and Friday and even addresses Tuesday and Sunday. Watering common area landscaping is prohibited between 8 am and 8 pm. Restaurants will now only serve water if the customer specifically requests it. The community landscape contractors have made adjustments to the common area irrigation system in accordance with the new regulations. The Beaumont newsletter also states that "The reduction in the water use will cause the landscape plant materials to become somewhat stressed and look less healthy. We appreciate your understanding in this matter." Please note that the community landscape maintenance contractors have made the adjustments to common irrigation systems in accordance with the new regulations.

The heaters for the Lodge swimming pool will be turned off on Oct. 31; however, the spa will remain heated year round.

Work is progressing on the Rec Center II. Current plans

indicate that the Aquatic Center will probably have a grand opening in mid-November. Walk or drive by periodically to watch for changes.

Please do not use rat poisons to eliminate pests around your homes or businesses. Considerable research has indicated that the procedure is very harmful to wildlife. The toxic food chain starts with small animals or rodents which, in their weakened states, are then eaten by larger predators — which may in turn be eaten by even larger animals. We have rabbits through mountain lions in our area. Anticoagulant rodenticides affect them all.

On Saturday, Oct. 25, the city of Beaumont sponsors a Community Clean Up and Recycle Event from 8 am until 12 noon. Beaumont residents are encouraged to bring documents for shredding, scrap metal, green waste, bulky items, bottles and cans, electronic waste and tires (but no wheels). Unacceptable items are auto batteries, paint/oil, insecticides and toxic chemicals, household hazardous waste, sharps or pharmaceuticals. If you have a bulky item and are unable to attend the cleanup day, Waste Management does provide two free large item pick-ups a year. For additional information, call the Beaumont Civic Center at (951) 769-8520.

The 2014 Greater Palm Springs LGBT Pride Festival is being held in Palm Springs on Nov. 8 and 9. A group of Four Seasons residents and your Rainbow Group would like to invite you to go and enjoy it as well. The Festival is held on both days at Sunrise Park in Palm Springs Stadium; the parade is on Sunday on E. Ramon Road along historic Palm Canyon Drive. If you are interested and would like more details, please see pspride.org for Festival information, parade route and spectator advice.



Early reminder for your calendar. Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday, Nov. 2.

Questions from Maxine: If a pig loses its voice, is it disgruntled? Why do croutons come in airtight packages? Aren't they just stale bread to begin with?



Chef's Corner

By Randy Balt

Artichoke & Almond Stuffed Chicken Breasts



This is a delicious alternative to the plain chicken breast. By using a simple stuffing of canned artichoke hearts, spinach, roasted almonds, and savory Parmesan cheese you upgrade your meal to a feast. And it's not difficult to make.

INGREDIENTS

1 can (6 oz.) artichoke hearts, rinsed and chopped
 1/2 cup chopped baby spinach
 2 Tbsp. chopped roasted almonds
 2 Tbsp. grated Parmesan
 1 tsp. grated orange zest
 3/4 tsp. kosher salt
 3/4 tsp. pepper
 4 (6 oz. each) boneless, skinless chicken breasts
 2 Tbsp. olive oil

DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 350°. Line a shallow baking pan with foil; set aside.
2. In a small bowl, combine the artichokes, spinach, almonds, Parmesan cheese, orange zest, and 1/4 teaspoon each salt and pepper.
3. Cut a 2-inch pocket in the thickest part of each chicken breast. Stuff a quarter of the artichoke mixture into each breast. Season the chicken with 1/2 teaspoon each salt and pepper.
4. Heat the oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add chicken, cooking for about 4 minutes or until golden, turning once. Transfer chicken to the prepared baking pan.
5. Bake, uncovered, for 35-40 minutes or until chicken is no longer pink (170° F). Remove toothpicks prior to serving.

Servings: 4 • Prep. Time: 15 • min. • Total Time: 60 min. • Nutritional Information: Per Serving: Cal 262, Total Fat 10.5g, Sat. Fat 2g, Cholesterol 95mg, Sodium 556mg, Total Carbs 4g, Fiber 1g



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Activities Director Corner

By Cindy Graves, Activities Director

THE HOA GARAGE SALE: The last day to sign up for participating in the Saturday, Oct. 11 Garage Sale is Monday, Oct. 6. This will give us time to purchase the individual City permits as well as create the map that will have your garage sale on it. This will be given out at the gate and the sale will be open to the public. Sign ups are at the Lodge front desk and the participation fee is \$10.

RADIO SHOW: The Performing Arts Club will be doing a Live Radio Show performance for WFSB Radio on Friday, Oct. 10 at 6 pm. This will be held in the Ballroom and you are welcome to bring your dinner or favorite beverage in to see the show. This is a free event and everyone is welcome!

CRAFT BOUTIQUE: The Craft Boutique is coming soon! If you are interested in being a seller at the Boutique, you must attend the mandatory meeting at 6 pm on Wednesday, Oct. 15 in the Ballroom. This will cover our table lottery, our orientation and our fee acceptance (\$5). Residents will have first pick at the lottery and sponsored outsiders after that. The actual Craft Boutique is on Saturday, Nov. 22 from 9 am to 2 pm.

FEAR SEASONS PRESENTS: THE HAUNTED MANSION GHOULISH GALA. There are only 130 tickets available because of the venue configuration. This is going to be super fun, spooky and entertaining! There will be magic shows, several séance shows in a freaky room, fortune telling, a live band, dancing and a delicious dinner of meat loaf of unknown origin with gravy on the side, barbecued bat wings, monster mashed potatoes, several different salads, rolls, drinks and dessert. The price for all this crazy fun is only \$25 each! The date is Saturday, Oct. 25. In theory, the last day to purchase tickets will be Saturday, Oct. 18. In reality, they will be all sold out by then.

VETERAN'S DAY is Nov. 11 and our Four Seasons Veterans are very important to us. Please meet us at 11 am by the Veterans Memorial Tree, off Four Seasons Circle going up the hill, next to the little stone fence that says "Highland Springs Trail." We will be having a little service to remember and thank those who have served our country. Refreshments and a Veteran's display will be at the Lodge immediately following. Stay tuned for more information to come.



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DID YOU KNOW?

By Bobbie Eckel

DID YOU KNOW THAT THURSDAY, OCT. 9, IS FIRE PREVENTION DAY?

Fire Prevention Week is the entire week surrounding the historic Oct. 9. The purpose of the day is to commemorate the Great Chicago Fire of 1871 which was purportedly started by Mrs. O'Leary's cow. The fire burned, uncontrolled, for 27 hours. More than 300 people were killed; 100,000 people were left homeless. Over 17,000 structures were destroyed. The Saturday in Fire Prevention Week is Fire Service Recognition Day. The Fire Marshall's Association of North America (FMANA)



led the drive to use these days to remind the populace about the fire dangers and ways to prevent fires in homes and businesses. In 2014, the fire awareness focus is on the value of smoke alarms, and the importance of checking periodically to make sure that they are in good working order.

DID YOU KNOW THAT THE SECOND MONDAY IN OCTOBER IS FREQUENTLY REFERRED TO AS DISCOVERER'S DAY?

Although we were frequently reminded in elementary school that Christopher Columbus discovered America in 1492, the truth is that Native Americans were already in residence, and Nordic explorers traveled down the Canadian coast thousands of years earlier. In-depth research into Christopher Columbus' claim of discovery also revealed that his treatment of the natives was not very humane, nor were the historians absolutely sure where Columbus actually landed. The focus has recently moved to acknowledge the fact that Columbus did prove to Europeans that the world was not flat and it did not end somewhere in the Atlantic, but the designation Discoverer's Day gives credence also to the early explorers and the natives of North America.



DID YOU KNOW THAT OCT. 9 IS ALSO LEIF ERIKSON DAY?

This day was proclaimed by a joint resolution of Congress in 1964 to recognize the first European to set foot on North American soil. Historians have records of Leif Erikson's travels although there are no maps or physical evidence of his journey. Leif Erikson sailed from his home in Greenland around 1002 A.D.



He was searching for a land which had been seen by a Norse Sea Captain, although the captain did not actually stop and explore the land. Historians believe that Erikson landed along the coast of Newfoundland, stopped as far south as Cape Cod and spent a winter in North America. During that winter Leif Erikson and his men built a house for lodging and a shed to protect the boat during the winter. Although Leif Erikson did not return again to explore North America, his brother did. Unfortunately, his brother was killed by Indians in the process.

Trader Joe's Anyone?

Attention all residents who would like to see a Trader Joe's here in Beaumont: Our City Manager, Alan Kapanicas, would be happy to welcome a Trader Joe's if they would consider building one; evidently they have been entertaining the idea. If you would like to give them a little encouragement to move here, please go to www.traderjoes.com/about/location-requests-form.asp. You are welcome to do the same thing for other stores like Costco that you might want to see here. Your email requests really do count! ~ Cindy Graves

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SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Every once in a while I think it is a good idea to review how the social events work here at Four Seasons so that our new residents know what is being offered and by whom.

First, we have the Social Committee. This committee has been approved by the board of directors and answers to them. We give a list of events we plan to put on during the year and wait for their approval. These are the paid functions here at Four Seasons and in general there are six a year. They include but are not limited to Mardi Gras, the Fashion Show, the Luau, the Hoedown, Halloween, and New Year's Eve. We usually have dinner dances but in the past we have included game shows and plays. We try to keep the cost of these events between \$20 and \$25 with the exception of New Years' Eve which is \$50 per person.

Next we have functions that the Association offers: these include things like the 4th of July, the Art Show, Veteran's Day, and other free events. These will have potluck meals involved

and are planned by Cindy Graves, our in-house Social Director. The whole community is invited and welcome to these events. It is a way to bring the community together and give us a chance to meet our neighbors.

The third and last type of event is put on by K. Hovnanian sales and is for future residents. New residents and permanent residents are also invited. These functions are also free and include things like the recent Casino Day. These events are independent of any Four Seasons functions, and are carried out and arranged by the K. Hovnanian sales personnel.

I cannot close without mention of the upcoming Halloween Party on Oct. 25. Tickets are on sale now, unless the 130 quota has been reached, and this promises to be a haunting experience. At this writing I don't know everything that is planned because the event chair people are keeping everything close to their chests so it will be a fun and surprising evening for everyone. ~ *Melody Seewooster*

FINANCE COMMITTEE



A special meeting was held on Aug. 19 at 1 pm to begin discussions of the 2015 Budgets for the Front Yard Cost Center and the Springdale Cost Center. After much discussion it was decided to table further discussion until a review of the Reserve Studies could be accomplished.

At our regular August meeting we reviewed the July Financial Statements. The following are the significant items: Net Income Year-to-Date was \$144,423 and total reserves were \$4,407,784. The

Accounts Receivable (delinquencies) was \$50,435. Our total HOA expenses for July (excluding reserve allocations) were \$240,163. This was under budget by \$22,375. The Front Yard Cost Center expenses for July 2014 were under the monthly budget by \$10,363. The Springdale Cost Center Expenses for July 2014 were under the monthly budget by \$425. There were three CD renewals reviewed and a recommendation to combine two and renew at the best prevailing rate not to exceed six months the third to be, at maturity, moved to the money market account was sent to the board. There were three vendor proposals presented and sent to the board with recommendations for approval. Previously the Finance Committee recommended the BOD paint the Springdale Stucco and wood. Subsequently, the BOD approved assuming painting responsibility for the

standard unit entry and garage doors. The Finance Committee recommended the BOD approve painting the standard unit entry and garage doors for a cost of \$12,815. This brings the total for painting of the Springdale stucco, wood, standard unit entry doors, and garage doors to a total of \$96,413. This project will start in January 2015. Reserves are adequate to fund this project. Accounts Receivable update by Wayne Staples report stated we are still in good shape with only one former owner and 14 current owners in arrears. Mike Graves, SCT Reserve Consultants, presented three reserve studies for review. After some discussion, several changes to the studies were recommended. Mr. Graves will make these changes and forward to us the final revised copies of the reports.

On Sept. 2, we held a special meeting to review the revised Reserve Studies followed by a recommendation to the board of directors to accept them as presented. After further discussion about the 2015 Cost Center Budgets the following recommendations were sent to the board: Springdale Cost Center budget of \$9,992 per month, which includes a seven percent increase in the monthly reserve contribution, be accepted. Front Yard Cost Center Budget of \$28,912 per month that includes a reduction in the monthly reserve contribution, of \$500.

Our next regularly scheduled meeting will be Oct. 28, at 1 pm in the Lodge Conference Room. All homeowners are encouraged to attend. ~ *Noel Myers*

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM (EPP)



Lecia Elzig, Government Liaison, and Janet Upchurch both from the Riverside County Chapter American Red Cross will be presenters at the next EPP meeting. Janet just returned from volunteering at the Washington fires. Plan to attend this informative presentation on Oct. 2, at 10 am, in the Lodge Ballroom. ~ *Jean Sandoval*

THE WATER TEAM

During a disaster or emergency, water supplies may be cut off or the water supply may be contaminated. If the water pipes in your home are damaged, turn off the main water valve to your home. Refer to your Residents' Emergency Hand Book for more detailed information.

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- Cracked lines may pollute the water supply to your house by allowing contaminants into the water supply.
- Water leaks can cause property damage and create an electrocution hazard. It is wise to shut off your water until you hear from authorities that it is safe for drinking.
- The effects of gravity may drain the water in your hot water heater and toilet tanks unless you trap it in your house by shutting off the main house valve.
- Do not turn off the water at the street valve in the cement box at the curb - this valve is extremely difficult to turn and requires a special tool.
- The water shutoff is usually located in the garage or where the water line enters the home. The water shutoff is located on a riser pipe and is usually a red or yellow wheel or lever. Turn wheel clockwise to shut off (see various examples of water shut-off valves).

Photos below: Water Shut off sites



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LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

The water situation at Four Seasons grabbed more than normal attention during August with the imposition of state mandated rationing. For homeowners truly interested in what we are and have been doing to reduce consumption, I suggest attending our monthly meetings where this subject leads off every meeting.

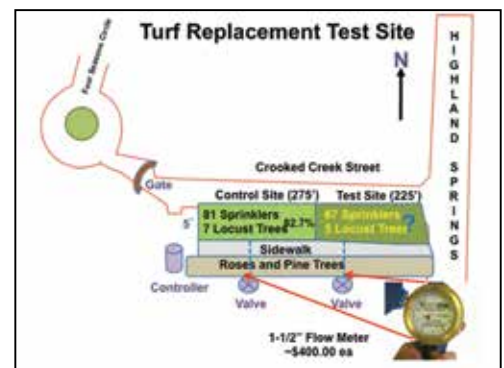
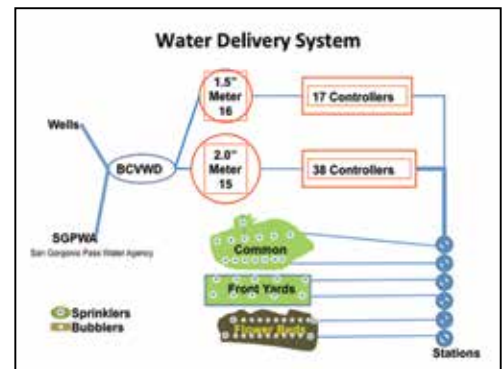
The Association currently pays for 33 water meters (16 are 2" and 17 are 1.5"). Water flows past these meters to the 4' tall metal controller boxes for distribution. The 2" lines have 2+ controllers per meter and the smaller ones have one. In total, we have 55 controllers. Controllers have varying numbers of stations depending on the area to be irrigated and type of vegetation. The station is an electric switch controlled by a clock preset to open and close a valve on the water line at specific times and for set durations. The average number of stations is 40 per controller. In order to maintain water pressure in the line only one valve per controller is open at a time. The line feeds on average 30 sprinklers. So, 55 controllers x 40 stations x 30 sprinklers = 66,000 sprinklers servicing the Association plants. During summer months many stations are activated five times daily as the clay soil will not absorb water, plant roots are shallow and the ever-varying wind blows some water away from the intended area. The watering period is usually for three minutes.

Rationing guidelines restrict irrigation to three days per week. Four hours (midnight to 8 am) and eight hours (8 pm to midnight) is the watering window. These limitations preclude completion of our watering cycle during allowable hours of a given day. The Beaumont Cherry Valley Water District (BCVWD) is aware of the constraint problem and has indicated that as long as we start the cycle at the beginning of the window, we can overrun the allowable time in order to finish.

The Landscape Committee and Ad-hoc Water Committee investigated potential alternatives to reduce water consumption. The first was replacing live turf with artificial turf in the lodge interior grounds. Cost for replacement was quoted at \$84,000 plus an annual maintenance fee of \$600. Artificial turf would be warranted for eight years. Based on an optimistic life of ten years, investment and maintenance cost would be \$90,000. Our current cost of water and maintenance is \$4,500 annually so the 10-year cost is \$45,000 — not a good investment. Next we investigated satellite monitored controllers. This system would require a local weather station (\$4,000), satellite dishes on each controller (\$1,000 each x 52), monthly hookup fee (\$12 each x 52), installation of three probes per controller to monitor soil moisture (\$100 x 3 x 52) and two laptop computers (\$500 each). Total initial cost would be \$58,872. Maintenance cost would be \$1,872 annually plus the usual upgrade costs for satellite and computer systems. Cost reductions of water consumption would not be guaranteed — only proposed — and there would be no reduction in manpower as the irrigation system would still need attention-again, a poor investment. A third option, still being evaluated, is the test on Crooked Creek of replacing turf with ground cover and converting sprinklers to drip. The strip on the south side of the street between the gate and Highland Springs Road is watered by two lines. Since this test area has homogeneous conditions for both the test and the control area, accurate measurements are possible with an adjustment for size (81 vs 67 sprinklers). Two flow meters were purchased for \$800. Initially, the eastern area was replaced with myoporium at a cost of \$1,200. Water consumption was 12 percent less for myoporium at a savings of \$12 annually. Costs for weeding/trimming versus

mowing were equal. Next, we replaced the western area turf and sprinklers with myoporium and a drip system for \$2,500. The 12-month cost savings in water is \$55 for this conversion-still a questionable investment.

One other test was to reduce overall cost of plant maintenance. Here we addressed a continuing problem along Highland Springs Road. Plants at the base of the slope alongside the sidewalk have had to be replaced each year as water from the top of the slope puddles near the sidewalk in summer leaving these plants with wet feet. Plants that can handle wet feet in summer die from frost in winter. Annual replacement cost is \$6,600. Replacing groundcover with turf cost \$12,000. A single water meter measures water consumption on Potrero Blvd and Highland Springs. This meter identifies this area as historically consuming six percent of the total water for our meters. During the last 12 months there has been no increase in this percentage, so any increase in water has been negligible and the investment paid for itself within two years. ~ **Leonard Tavernetti**



SAFETY & FACILITIES

A number of facilities issues were covered at our September meeting including paddle tennis machine storage, fountain project, poolside and court shades, installation of yield signs on roadway, Wi-Fi installation, key lock installation for eastside gate, landscape architect RFP, theater upgrades, parking lot numbering and striping, Springdale painting project, storage container for AC equipment, venting of kitchen water heater closet, Lodge and community bench replacement/repair, and solar heating application for pools.

As noted, the facilities side of the committee is numerous and ongoing. Without the continued work of Renee Watkins, Facilities Coordinator, the numerous projects listed would not get done in an orderly fashion. With guidance from Jeri Mupo, General Manager, and Eric Zarr, Assistant General Manager, these projects would not be possible. The community should

commend these often unsung Eucild Management personnel for their service.

On the safety side of the committee, there has been reported, numerous times, the firing of an automatic weapon(s) south of the property line of Four Seasons at Beaumont. The shooting area has been examined by the Beaumont Police Department. To date there have been four sites located where weapons have been heavily fired. Three of these areas are located within the County of Riverside and enforcement jurisdiction is the responsibility of the Sheriff's Office. These was one site located within the Beaumont city limits, therefore enforcement jurisdiction is the responsibility of the Beaumont Police. The shoot areas and officer safety issues have been shared between the police department and the sheriff's office.

We meet next at the Lodge on Oct. 7, at 9 am. ~ **Dennis Gray**

BISTRO COMMITTEE

In August, we welcomed our newest member, Jill Anderson.

The New Homeowner Dessert Meet and Greet was attended by about 50 new owners. Everyone had a good time.

Kitchen repairs and modifications are progressing on schedule. The door to the freezer is in the process of being fixed

due to water from the freezer to the refrigerator, which caused the door to split.

The next meeting is Tuesday, Oct. 28, at 11 am, in the Lodge Conference Room. All homeowners are invited to attend. ~ **William Taylor**



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Our thanks go out to all who attended our block captains meeting in September. It proved to be very valuable to us all and we learned a lot from each other. Our block captains do such a great job of keeping their immediate neighbors informed and are the “eyes and ears” of our community. We still have some streets that need coverage so please contact the front desk if you are interested and they will put you in touch with your nearest Neighborhood Watch Committee member.

Our meeting is Wednesday, Oct. 8 at 10 am in the Ballroom when guest speaker Richard Horner, Fire Marshall for the city of Beaumont, will speak.

We are planning a Town Hall Meeting concerning water issues with a guest speaker from Cherry Valley Water District, and further discussions on Gateway issues. Date to be confirmed, please check Lodge for flyers. ~ *Susan Wilson*



RULES & REGULATIONS

The Rules & Regulations Committee and staff from Euclid Management have devoted copious hours reviewing our Community Guidelines and we can finally see the light at the end of the tunnel. Over these past months, our board has approved proposals for guidelines to be reworded or modified for additional clarification; the change(s) have been updated on the Four Season’s website for all residents to review. The committee meets the second Tuesday of each month at 9 am and all residents are welcome. ~ *Barbara Miller*

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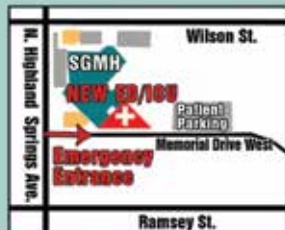
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Physical Exercise Schedule

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>
EXERCISE		
Conditioning	M/W/F	8:30a
Beginning Conditioning	M/W/F	9:30a
Water Aerobics	M/W/F	10:30a
Zumba Gold	Tues/Th	9:30a
*Yoga	M/W	6p
*Pilates	Th	8:30a
*Pilates	Sat	9a
*Kick Boxing	Sat	10:15a
<i>*Need to maintain 10 + participants or class will be canceled.</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/5:20p
Ballroom Dance Practice	Th	6p

HORSESHOES		
Horseshoes for Fun	W	8a

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

TENNIS		
Club Play Time	2nd, 3rd Th	5-9p
Tennis Meeting	3rd Tues	4p
Play Day (check www.fsbr.org for date)		8:30a

BOCCE BALL		
	Tues	8:30a
	W	6p

PADDLE TENNIS		
Paddle Ball	M/W	7p
	F/Sun	8:30a/6p
PlayDay	3rd Sat	12 noon

PICKLEBALL		
Morning	T/Th/Sat	8a
Advanced	M	5p

Class Schedule

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>
LANGUAGE		
*Beginning Spanish	Tues	6p
Instructor Jan White • Class runs through 10/28		
Second term scheduled from 2/03/15 to 4/28/15		
*Spanish 1	Tues	10a
*Spanish 2	Tues	11a
*Spanish 3	Tues	12p
Instructor Paty Bushnell • Classes Sept. - May		
<i>*No Spanish Language class during third week of each mo.</i>		

ARTS & CRAFTS		
Ceramics	W	1p
	Sat	10a
Drawing & Sketching	M	10a
	W	6p
Watercolor	Tues	6p
<i>Call for class availability: (951) 849-6987</i>		
Machine Quilting	Sun	1p

BIBLE STUDY		
Women's Bible Study	Fri	10:30a

OTHER		
TOPS Weigh in	Tues	8a

Committee Meetings

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Architectural Review	Oct. 1	9:30a
	Oct. 15	9:30a
Bistro	Oct. 28	11a
BOD Exec. Session	Oct. 9	9a
BOD General Session	Oct. 9	1p
Communications	Oct. 1	10a
Proofing	Oct. 10	10a
Emergency Prep (EPC)	Oct. 21	6p
Event Systems	Oct. 21	2p
Finance	Oct. 28	1p
Landscape	Oct. 13	8a
Rules & Regulations	Oct. 14	9a
Safety & Facilities	Oct. 7	9a
Social	Oct. 2	5p



Sneak Peek at November

3	Sandwich Day	20	Great American Smokeout Day
5	Guy Fawkes Day	22	Holiday Boutique
11	Veterans Day at the Lodge	27	Thanksgiving Day
15	America Recycles Day		

KNITTING & CROCHETING

Our group participated in the Art Show on Sept. 5 showing several of our best works. It was fun and had a nice response. We have decided on a new project for the coming year — making children's blankets for the Highway Patrol in Beaumont. The officers carry them in their cars and give them to children involved in accidents, etc. when they are in the temporary care of the officer. The blankets are a gift and theirs to keep. The CHP needs these mostly for the winter months, but they are always welcome. This will probably be an ongoing project along with any other that we decide we can manage.

As always we meet in the Craft Room every Tuesday from 10 to about 11:30 am. ~ *Dorothy Payne*



TASTE D'VINE

Evolving from the ancient holiday of Samhain, Halloween has become less about literal ghosts and ghouls and more about wine and costumes.

We are pleased to bring you an evening of interesting wines for your Halloween celebration, sans costumes, at our October meeting on Thursday, Oct. 16, 6 pm in the Lodge Ballroom. Bring an appetizer such as bread or crackers and cheese, your own favorite bottle of wine if you wish, and a glass or two for tasting and sharing. Members \$5, Guests \$8.

~ *Gracy Luna*

AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

We're looking for new members, no prior experience needed, no radio needed, no license needed! Join the folks at the Four Seasons Amateur Radio Club or just come see what we have to offer.

The day I got my amateur radio license was a sunny day one year ago. At almost 70 years of age I decided to try something new and different. I don't have any electronics or radio background. I just happened into the HAM radio field while, of all things, playing table tennis one day with Dick Van Bree, an amateur radio (HAM) guru. He invited me to stop by the radio field day and see different radios and antennae in operation. I did stop by and it all looked interesting. Some time went by before I decided to make something of it... to get a license to go on the air, to learn something new, to keep the old noggin working.

Well, Dick and some of the other folks from the Four Seasons Radio Club guided me along the way as I studied for the exam. Pete Hersey was one of the volunteer examiners and welcomed me the day I took the test in Banning. The test was 35 multiple choice questions. Everybody who took the test passed with flying

colors, including my buddy Fred Weck, now KK6HBQ.

In HAM radio they call the mentors "Elmers." No one knows where the name 'Elmer' came from for the mentors, but that's the name. Several Elmers guided me along the way as I found an inexpensive (\$90) starter radio. Dick helped me set it up and showed me how to work the radio.

I was a little nervous when I first got on the air, but then again, the Elmers were there to guide me through the first few times. Then, rather than nerves, excitement came as I heard and spoke with people over the air. Recently, I obtained an HF radio and have now made contact with folks in South Dakota, Indiana, Kansas, and heard folks from more than 23 states.

I've met dozens of new people through HAM radio and the excitement continues. Come meet with the Four Seasons Radio Club on the last Friday of each month at 10 am at the Rec. Center North, or visit our website: W6FSB.COM

There's no experience, no license, no radio needed — just come have a peek at something you may find new and exciting.

~ *Rob Gardner, KB6ROB*



Rob Gardner with his license and radio





*A panoramic of San Clemente Pier.
Photo by Del Congdon, Camera Club member*

CAMERA CLUB

We meet the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm in the Craft Room at the Lodge; thus, our October meeting will be Oct. 21. 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. Our alternative photo project is ongoing (i.e. we bring a picture of a specific genre we all agree on).

For the September meeting, the assignment was to bring a picture that the club member submitted for the Art-O-Rama held in the Lodge Ballroom on Sept. 5. Many original and creative photographs were submitted.

Last month I wrote to you that our chairperson, George Johnson, is planning to start a series of programs on the basics of digital photography. We already discussed "how a digital camera works." Following will be HDR (High Dynamic Range) photography, panoramas, point and shoot camera operation, post processing, composition, and many other topics. Stay tuned for dates and times.

Sept. 5 was the Art-O-Rama Show in the Lodge Ballroom and the Four Seasons Camera Club was well represented with their continuing loop slide show and hung photography exhibit. Also represented were other art groups here at the Four Seasons.

Hope to see you soon at our meetings. For further information, please contact Lyle Cameron at (951) 849-6987.
~ *Lyle Cameron*

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BUNCO



If you are new to Four Seasons, Bunco is great way to meet some fun ladies. This month we will be playing Oct. 10 and 24. So invite a friend or neighbor and join us. We play at 1 pm sharp. Don't forget to grab a drink at Smitty's or maybe even lunch beforehand. See you there! ~ *Suzanne Roldan & Cheryl Burke*



DOMINOES

We meet every Wednesday from 5 to 9 pm. From 5 to 7 pm, play is open to anyone who wants to play. From 7 to 9 pm, competitive play with members takes place to see who is the best of the best for the month. The winner gets to choose the entrée of his choice to be shared with members of the club. All are welcome to join our club.

Come have fun, enjoy the game, and make some new friends. For more information call Jessie at (951) 769-2035 or Reggie at (951) 769-6483. "Play or pass." ~ *Marvin A. Gaines*

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*



BRIDGE

Join us on Monday for the game of Bridge in the Lodge Card Room at 12 pm. All levels of bridge players are welcome. Bridge gives our brain some much needed exercise, and we can all use that at our age. We play party type bridge where we rotate partners after five or six hands. This enables you to meet and play with different people. Since we play round-robin style, most of us use Standard American as convention of choice. Some do try other conventions, but only if both parties agree up front. All of us play at different levels and are learning how to play the game better (practice makes us better).

Some of the previous students have learned enough that they now sit in and play. If you'd like to learn the game or have questions please call Helen at (951) 845-9312. We will be glad to help you learn the basics of the game and hope that you will join us to either learn how to play, watch, or play the game of bridge. ~ *Bill Guy*

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! ~ *Barbara Goodreau*

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*

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 welcome 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 email 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*

CHAVURAH & HAVDALAH CLUB

What a great group we have! We're comprised of many types of individuals who have an interest in sharing our love, knowledge, and interest in Jewish culture, food, entertainment, and social gatherings. Whether you have a long heritage, are married into, want to reconnect, or are curious about Judaism — the backbone of Christianity — we're the group for you.

We have no regularly scheduled meetings or happenings, but rather, center our activities around holidays and special events on the calendar. Examples of the activities we've had include a Hava Nagila Movie Night, Chanukah Dinner and Gift Exchange, Passover Get-2-gether, information meetings, Home Tour Event, Harvest Festival Fruit Exchange, etc. Our events are in English, but we interject Hebrew blessings and rituals, and celebrate Havdalah (the end of the Sabbath). We hold are meetings at the Lodge and in private Four Seasons homes.

We welcome new members, and look forward to more stimulating activities to celebrate the joy of Judaism.

If you are interested in joining our club and sharing your talents, please fill out a form (in the Lobby) and return it to the front desk. We hope to hear from you by emailing chavurah.time@aol.com. For more information, contact Toni Finer or Dr. Zee Knapp directly. ~ ***Dr. Zee Knapp***

COUNTER CULTURE CINEMA



We have twice monthly screenings of movies you may not find at your Cineplex: indie films, foreign films, documentaries, etc. Check us out!

Our first October screening on Sunday, Oct. 12 at 6 pm, is the film *Nobody Walks* (USA 2012, 83 minutes). Here is a brief description from IMDB.com: “A Silver Lake family’s relaxed dynamic is tested after they take in a young artist so she can complete her art film.”

Our second October screening on Sunday, Oct. 26 at 6 pm, is the film *The Lunchbox* (India 2013, 104 minutes, Hindi with English subtitles). Here is a brief description from IMDB.com: “A mistaken delivery in Mumbai’s famously efficient lunchbox delivery system connects a young housewife to an older man in the dusk of his life as they build a fantasy world together through notes in the lunchbox.”

All of our screenings are followed by lively discussion about the film; we'd love to have you join us. The Lodge Theatre has very limited seating, so if you're interested in our screenings, come early. We hope to see you there. 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 email Micki Rosen at michelesrosen@gmail.com. ~
Micki Rosen



HEART & SOUL LINE DANCE

OMG — can you believe how quickly we are approaching the end of 2014? Does that prove that “time does fly when you’re having fun?” I hope you have all had all the fun you can handle. Consider this — one of the best physical activities to offer protection against forms of dementia is frequent dancing. Although there is “no total protection” from this disease, dancing can help lower your risk by almost 60 percent. Of course the intensity of this activity plays a big role because it stimulates your mind. The more you do it, the lower the risk. The amount of benefit you get from dancing depends on, like most exercises, the type of dancing you’re doing, how strenuous

it is, the duration and your skill level. How many calories will you burn while dancing? That depends on the type of dancing. Here’s a range of some of the most popular varieties, based on a 150-pound person, per hour: Swing: 235 calories/hour, Ballroom: 265; Square: 280; Ballet: 300; Belly: 380; Salsa: 420+; Aerobic: 540+. Feel free to join us any Wednesday in the Lodge Ballroom from 4 to 6 pm. Remember to wear comfortable shoes. See you on the dance floor.

Info., Priscilla Robles, Heart and Soul Line Dance Instructor (951) 922-0755. ~ **Priscilla Robles**

BALLROOM DANCE CLUB

If you read books on how to play the piano and attend piano concerts, does that make you a pianist? Does reading cookbooks and watching the food channel make you a cook?

A pianist or cook will tell you that these things cannot be done simply by reading, listening, and watching. You must actively learn and practice to gain these skills. In the process you’ll play some sour notes, cook some bad food, and occasionally get discouraged. But if you stick with it, you’ll succeed.

In the same way, you can’t learn to dance by reading books and watching *Dancing with the Stars*. You must actually take lessons and practice the steps and routines. Above all, stick with it, in time you’ll discover what many others already know,

that dancing is one of the most enjoyable and rewarding things you can do.

The good news is that you can learn dancing right here in our own Ballroom with instructions by professional dance teachers. Start with the basics and little by little increase your skills. You’ll soon be able to have lots of fun dancing.

Every Monday evening we offer beginning dance from 6:30 to 7 pm. From 7 to 8 pm we improve on the basics and learn more advanced dancing.

Contacts: Puring and Gary Stifter at (951) 922-8333, or at purings@verizon.net. ~ **Willis Fagan**

LINE DANCING

The best part of living in Four Seasons is the helping hands you get when health issues arise. I want to thank Cheryl Staples, Lian Lee, and Micki Rosen for helping teach dance steps these past few weeks.

They have been instrumental in keeping the class fun and active. Of course many others stepped up to help teach steps, one on one, to beginners. Thank you all!

At our age any planned movement increases circulation, improves balance and stamina.

Did you know that dancing is a weight bearing activity which helps to increase bone density if done regularly? The dances we do are low impact and can be adjusted if you have knee or hip problems.

Line dancing has a lot of variations in movements and thus is very forgiving if you do something differently. Some people want to only learn basic dances done at all weddings and dances, others want to learn harder dances for more exercise. Everyone is welcome to work at their own level and for their

own reasons. This class is meant to be fun and gives you the opportunity to meet other residents and form new friendships.

Beginners Class starts at 3 pm Tuesdays in the Lodge Ballroom; the advanced class follows at 3:45 pm.

If you have any questions, call (951) 769-3889. ~ **Martha Franck**

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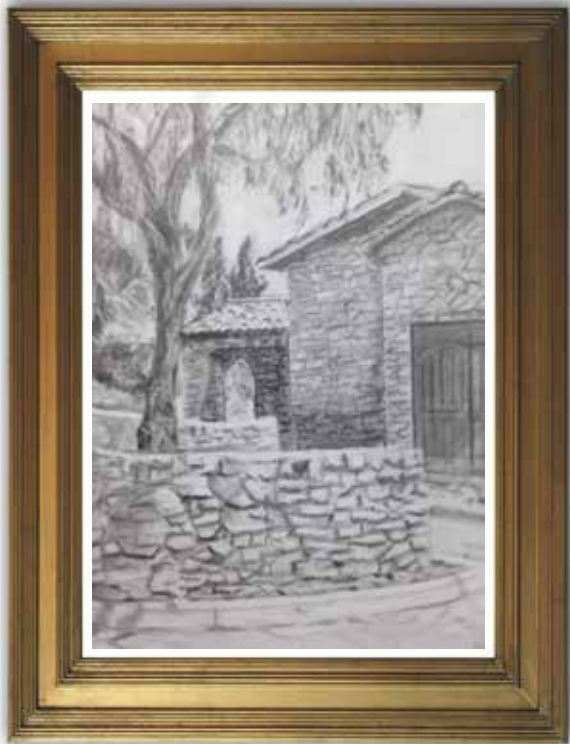
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CREATIVE DRAWING & SKETCHING CLASS

Art-O-Rama recently took place in the Lodge Ballroom. It was a wonderful display of some of the talent within our community.

The Drawing & Sketching Class had on display over 40 original drawings. You saw images from people who have not done any art since childhood to individuals with decades of experience. This class is about you, there is no competition other than yourself. You work at your pace with guidance. Now, if ever, is the time to try what's been in the back of your mind. Let the creativity out! Come join us on Monday mornings, 10 am to 12 noon or Wednesday nights, 6 to 8 pm. Classes are FREE! ~ **Rob Kelman**

CERAMIC CORNER

Classes: Saturday, 8 to 10 am. Lab: Instructor in class 10 am to 2 pm. Wednesdays, 1 to 4 pm.

We are having fun in class creating new designs on our ceramics. Come join us. You will have a great time.

If you have any questions please feel free to call Elsie Fillman, Instructor, at (661) 414-6270. ~ **Sandra Buelna**

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“BELIEVE:” WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY

September brought more new members, as we continued studying *1 Corinthians 13:5-6* (pride, rudeness, self-seeking, anger, etc.). The women consistently contribute valuable insights and experiences to this study. It is always interesting to share different versions of the Bible, as well as individual thoughts and perceptions pertinent to the subject being discussed. In late September and most of October we will be studying the Bible’s counsel on grudges, ridding our lives of evil (what constitutes evil and how to expunge it), and learning what is truth and how to rejoice in it. The November lessons will teach us the very positive messages in verse 7.

We voted to have a Christmas potluck party on Dec. 19. We

will have all the yummy fare these amazing women produce, as well as an inspirational program and lots of surprises!

If you are interested in increasing your knowledge of the Bible, its messages and guidance for our lives, and would enjoy learning with a beautiful group of women, please consider joining us every Friday morning from 10:30 to 11:30 am in the first section of the Ballroom. If you have never owned or read the Bible, please come! We are certainly not all scholars, and our group is non-denominational. We are all learning together the teachings of the Bible and its instruction to become better women. Hope to see you there! ~ *Eileen Gilbert-Antoine*



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PERFORMING ARTS CLUB

Happy October, Four Seasoners! This month, we are happy to announce that once again, we will have a free Friday night Radio Show on Oct. 10 at 6 pm in the Lodge Ballroom. Bring or buy a yummy dinner at Smitty's Bistro along with your drink of choice. There will be two shows, "The Lone Ranger" and "My Favorite Husband." We are beyond pleased by the number of people who came out to audition. You will see and hear several new faces and voices along with some of your regular favorites among the casts of the shows. We urge more of you to get involved in our performances and club activities. We have so much fun and are a great bunch of young-minded seniors.

A major "Thank You" to everyone who came out to see our "Laugh Out Loud"

show last month. It was a great turn out. We hope you enjoyed your trip back to the 60s as much as we enjoyed putting the show on. If you would like more entertainment like this, please let us know. If you have other suggestions, we are interested in hearing from you. We are currently putting our 2015 Calendar of Events together, so your ideas would be appreciated... NOW!

Sorry to say, but we don't have anything scheduled in November; however, our Holiday show is going to be fantastic. The choir started their rehearsals in the beginning of September, giving them plenty of time to practice their new songs along with some holiday standards. Barbara Wasco, Choir Master, has chosen some new challenging music that is sure

to impress you and your family. We've all been hearing how the choir has been improving with each performance, so I am extremely confident that we will sound phenomenal. If you're interested in joining the choir, regardless of the quality of your voice, please contact Barbara Wasco at bawasco@dc.rr.com. We rehearse every Monday at 3 pm. Come on, join the fun! But, I'm not finished talking about the holiday show... there's more. In addition to the angelic tones of the choir, CAST Players (Catch A Star Theatrical Players) will perform, "Uh Oh, Here Comes Christmas." (More on this, next month!). A great way to end a great year, don't you agree? ~ *Teri Meyers-Kelman*

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WRITERS' CLUB

Our meetings are scheduled for the first Tuesday of every month at 1:30 pm. This year, the first Tuesday of September was the day after Labor Day and, for this reason, the attendance was not as large as usual. It turned out, however, that the meeting was one the best ever held because of the high quality of the three presentations and of the comments and suggestions they generated.

Jean Lawrence, nee Laurin, made the first presentation: a personal travelogue about the Island of Curacao, illustrated with her own photos. By expanding this colorful view to other places in a region, it could become a successful tool to promote travel and prepare travelers to it.

The second presentation was made by John Baeyertz, an engineer by profession and now, in retirement, a writer of science fiction. His novel entitled *The Asking Price of Stars* takes place in the far future and shows great promise to captivate the interest of readers.

Last but not least came Phil Bond with the first chapter of a novel about two characters, Otto and Sarah, in a situation very close to our lives and very dear to our hearts. Phil knows the end of the plot but did not reveal it. We all want to know.

Other kinds of writings, in different genres and for different purposes, will be presented in future meetings, starting with the next one on Tuesday, Oct. 7, at 1:30 pm. ~ **Joseph Laurin**

SEASONED SOLOS

At the regular monthly meeting, plans were made for lunches at Claim Jumper and Tartans of Redlands, a movie night at the Fox Theater in Banning followed by dinner, the Scottish Festival in Oak Glen, and this year's final performance at our Amphitheater.

Plans are being made for a day at Descanso Gardens in October.

If you are interested in more information, please call either Monica at (951) 922-8805 or Mary at (951) 769-5444. We always welcome new members. ~ **Mary Castle**

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 Benoff at steve.benoff@verizon.net or (310) 413-4896. ~ **Steve Benoff**



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The Discovery Club on tour at the National Archives and Records Administration, Perris, CA.

DISCOVERY CLUB

On a nice Wednesday morning we visited the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) in Perris, about 35 miles from here. There were 14 in our group.

Randy Thompson, Acting Director, took us on a very informative and interesting tour of the facilities. He explained what was available by way of records and Internet services, and showed us the huge records storage areas.

It was an inspiration to see what is being done to preserve and protect vital records. Many documents are one-of-a-kind, so they are given special protection. We learned that for the

long term storage that NARA does, materials must be placed in folders and envelopes that are rated to be archival, not just acid-free.

You can do research at the NARA any time you want. They have a room with computers for your use, and you can access several research web sites and print out your findings, all for free.

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

ALL SEASONS RV

There is a group of Four Season 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 @ awilymz@att.net to be added to the email list. You can also attend one of our meetings the second Tuesday of the month in the Ballroom at 6 pm. Our next meeting will be Oct. 14. ~ **Rick Brower**

Fun Jeep ride on our recent RV Trip to Big Bear with Bob & Sue Cooper, Rick & Jamie Brower and Ron & Cheryl Burke.



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FOUR SEASONS SINGERS



We have been rehearsing for a month now. We've brushed up on some favorite holiday songs and are well on our way to learning some new ones for the enjoyment of all who attend the holiday shows the first weekend of December.

While we are doing this we are stimulating our sacculus, the little organ in the inner ear. This organ responds to frequencies commonly found in music and is connected to the part of the brain responsible for registering pleasure. So as soon as we start rehearsing we start finding the experience enjoyable and get a release of good old pleasure-giving endorphins. We get a sense of happiness, our mood lifted and an anti-depressant with no unpleasant side effects. We are having fun!

We meet on Mondays from 3 to 5 pm in the Ballroom. For further information, you can contact Barbara Wasco (951) 797-3466 or email bawasco@dc.rr.com. ~ **Barbara Wasco**



RAINBOW GROUP

We are continuing our informal social evenings. We hope this will allow as many of our LGBT neighbors and friends, and their friends, to get together with us. Our next social will be on Thursday, Oct. 23. Let's gather in the courtyard area outside Smitty's about 6 pm, order whatever dinner items you wish and then enjoy each other's company and conversation while having dinner on the patio. Should you wish to enjoy your own beverages, please feel free to bring whatever you desire. If you have any questions, please call/email Dale at (951) 797-0364 or dbeckes@dc.rr.com; or Barbara at (951) 845-6246; email Barbara at bamerton@alumni.ucla.edu. You may also sign up on the interest group clipboard at the Lodge. ~ **Dale Beckes**

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

It is unfortunate that bereavement groups get such a bad rap. A lot of people have approached me to ask about our group. Some of them have participated in bereavement groups before and simply want to share their experience, but many want to let me know that they think the group is a great idea, just not for them because they are "not that weak."

I find that sad. Because of a misconception about personal strength and feelings, a number of people deprive themselves of an amazing experience.

We join groups, both formal and informal, throughout our lives. As parents, we are proud when our offspring join girl scouts or boy scouts. We're happy when they play team sports, or join a choir, or play in a band or orchestra. We participate in PTA, teach Sunday school, play cards with friends. We practice yoga together. We join Weight Watchers or TOPS. And why? Because we are unhappy about something, in this case our bodies, and we want to join with people who can share our pain or discomfort, who won't be judgmental, and who can learn new ways to think and behave in order to improve our lives.

And we find that perfectly acceptable.

But substitute the word 'bereavement' for 'weight loss' and everything changes. Now we are weak instead of motivated. Now we are ashamed of our feelings instead of proud of our courage. Now we are worried about sharing family secrets instead of pleased that our experience may help others.

Think about it. And if you have experienced a loss that is causing you unhappiness, come join us. You will find like minded people who will not judge you, who will welcome you and cheer your progress. And you will help them, too. That's what can be so great about a group. It's a place where we can share of ourselves in order to grow and to watch others grow with us. Isn't that a terrific concept?

We meet in the Arts and Crafts Room at the Lodge on Mondays from 1 to 3 pm.

For more information call me at (951) 922-0934 or email lauriemlarson425@gmail.com. All contact is confidential. ~ **Laurie Larson**

TOPS

If you want to lose weight or just would like to live a healthier lifestyle, TOPS (Take off Pounds Sensibly) is a great group to help motivate you and cheer you on along on your way to your goal.

TOPS is very affordable (\$28 per year membership and \$3 per month chapter dues). If you would like to give it a try we meet in the Ballroom on Tuesday mornings with weigh-in from 8 to 8:30 am. The meeting runs from at 8:30 to 9:30 am. For more info., call Cathy Calhoun, Four Seasons resident and leader, at (951) 849-2614 or Rosalee Strong, Area Captain, at (951) 845-9313. ~ **Cheryl Burke**



BOOK CLUB

The book chosen for our meeting on Oct. 14 at 9:30 am is *Boy, Snow, Bird* written by Helen Oyeyemi. The fly leaf of the book gives us a preview: 'In the winter of 1953, Boy Novak arrives by chance in a small town in Massachusetts, looking for beauty — the opposite of the life she left behind in New York. She marries a local widower and becomes stepmother to his daughter, Snow Whitman. She then gives birth to her own baby daughter, Bird, who is dark-skinned, which exposes the Whitman family as light-skinned African Americans passing for white. In seeking an understanding that is separate from the image each presents to the world, Boy, Snow, and Bird



confront the tyranny of the mirror and ask how much power surfaces really hold.

"Dazzlingly inventive and powerfully moving, *Boy, Snow, Bird* is an astonishing and enchanting novel. With breathtaking feats of imagination Helen Oyeyemi confirms her place as one of the most original and dynamic literary voices of our time."

If you love books and are interested in good discussions of them, we welcome you to join us. The meetings are on the second Tuesday of the month at 9:30 am. For more information please call our president, Doreen Sanders, at

(951) 769-1913. ~ **Linda Lambeth**

AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURE CLUB

Labor Day marked the end of summer and back to the normal routine. We hope your summer was great, full of fun, love, and happiness with family and friends.

The Christmas Dinner Dance preparations are in full swing. We opened up for ticket reservations on Sep. 2. Tickets are \$50 per person. Parties of eight can reserve your own table. Front row tables are assigned on first come bases. We are getting great response. All tables are filling up fast. The last day to

get tickets is Nov. 13. Once we sell 125 tickets we will reach our limit. The way tickets are selling we will reach our limit before the deadline. Don't get left out. We will have live music, a five-star dinner, dancing, great prizes, 50/50 raffle, and absolutely great time. Join us Saturday, Dec. 13. We want all of our Four Seasons Beaumont residents to enjoy this exquisite holiday event. Contact Roxie Elliott (951) 769-2517 for tickets.

The Multi-Cultural Evening of

Christian & Gospel Music is also coming together. If you have a talent — singing, playing the piano, praise dancing, etc. — be a part of this event It's still time to sign up. The date is Sunday, Feb. 8, 2015. It is a free event. All of the community is welcome. It will renew your spirit and warm your soul.

If you are interested in performing please contact Cookie Bonner, (951) 769-7679. ~ **Roxie Elliott**

BEAUMONT BLOOMS

It is time to plan ahead. While we are engaged in turkey, pumpkin pie, yule logs and champagne, harbingers of spring are preparing to announce the end of winter. These little guys are sending out roots, soaking up nutrients and hiding from marauding squirrels. We call them "Crocuses." These plants are grouped with other spring bulb plants, such as daffodils for classification purposes, even though, technically, their underground tubers are considered "corms." Crocus flower colors are yellow, gold, purple, white and lavender, although bi-colored and tri-colored types also exist. Blooms pucker up at night, when cold and/or cloudy. Plants are relatively small, reaching just 3-6 inches in height. Leaves are grass-like, generally with a light stripe running up the middle. Many spring-flowering crocuses are among the earliest bloomers. Crocuses are native to the Old World and grow in planting zones 3-8, needing a winter chill to birth. Once out of the ground

full or partial sun is required. Crocus flowers get enough sun in spring under deciduous trees to grow and acquire nutrients. Plant 2 inches deep and provide 2-3 inches of spacing. The pointy part should face up. ~ **Leonard Tavernetti**



*Spring is on the way as
Crocuses emerge*



*A spray of
spring color
as Crocuses
bloom*



Above: Paco Paez and Robert Gardner
Below: Gary Campanella and Terry Miller



PADDLE TENNIS

During the summer, paddle tennis has been scheduled for early morning and early evening. With the change in weather, the schedule will change to accommodate cooler temperatures. The increase in activity and membership of our group has generated an additional day. We have added Monday.

Paddle Tennis Play Schedule: Mon. and Wed., 7 to 9 pm; Fri. and Sun., 8:30 to 10:30 am and 6 to 9 pm.

As the weather cools down our play schedule will change. Please contact Alan Chan at (951) 769-4202 for changes.

Beginning in October we will offer a play day for all players who want to improve their paddle tennis skills. Please join us every 3rd Saturday at the courts starting at noon.

We now have a ball machine for exclusive use by our group. Instructions for set up and use will be presented by Jim Cochran. To find out more please call him at (951) 765-5525.

For more information, call Alan Chan at (951) 769-4202 or Jim Cochran at (951) 769-5525. We have loaner paddles for those who'd like to try. ~ **Michael Rothberg**

PING PONG CLUB

How do you have a ping pong tournament without playing a ping pong game? Well, that is exactly what we did in August. This special tournament involved bouncing a ping pong ball on your paddle while navigating yourself around an obstacle course that was set up in the Aerobics Room. Using our ping pong dividers and a couple of chairs, Rony Tordesillas designed two very challenging courses for our contestants to go through while bouncing a ping pong ball on their paddle. The object of the tournament was to get through the obstacle course in the shortest amount of time while minimizing the number of times you dropped the bouncing ball. Your final time was determined by the stopwatch plus adding one additional second for each time you dropped the ball. There were two types of competition, a single competition, and a team relay type of competition.

Here are a couple quotes from two participants about this fun tournament.

"Ahh... the tournament was not only good exercise but a chance to be a young kid again, having fun. It's cheaper than going to the doctor," said Rony Tordesillas

"Had a wonderful time. I was having so much fun I couldn't keep my pants on. I trained very hard for this event and I really got my reward," said Richard Carrasco. (There is more truth here than fantasy. You would have had to be at the tournament to appreciate Richard's quote.)

Regardless of your ping pong experience, we welcome everyone to join us 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**



In the Individual Ball Handling Race, the winner of the Golden Paddle Award was Ben Wang. Rick Loney placed second (left) and Barry Pope was third.



In our team relay race, the winners were : Gold Medal, Richard Carrasco and Rick Loney (center); Silver Medal, Lili Wang and Rony Tordesillas (left); and Bronze Medal, Ben Wang and Barry Pope

RACQUET CLUB

We were very active (and well fed) as summer transitioned to autumn. We wrapped up August with a play day in conjunction with a hosted U.S. Open luncheon. There was a lot of fun tennis and then we chowed down on brisket, pulled pork, beans, salad, and all the fixins. Those diners who ate their vegetables were also treated to a variety of delicious, buttery cookies baked by our own Bernadette Martin, owner and chief baker of Sweetcakes418.

The Saturday play day was followed by another play day on Labor Day to get September off to a good start. Unfortunately, we didn't have another food day.

October will bring the start of a new year for the club. The annual membership meeting will be held Tuesday, Oct. 21, at 6 pm in the Lodge. During the meeting members will be able to pay their \$20 dues for the 2015 year. Committee Chair Irve Sturner will give the annual update and review of the club's activities. There will not be an election. The committee members elected last year serve for two years, and, of course, we're going to eat. Barb Miller is making the arrangements

for meat and vegetable lasagna, garlic toast, fruit salad, Caesar salad, beverages, and brownies (yum!).

A challenge ladder for Mixed Doubles is once again being set up. Seven teams will be among the initial competitors, but other teams can form up and join the challenge. Based on the recently concluded bracketed tournament, the seeded teams are: Larry Z. & Padoo P., Larry & Bernadette M., Loren D. and Lovey C., Richard C. & Barbara M., Den S. & Jocelyn G., Frank G. & Arlene M., Lyle C. & Tina S. Teams can challenge teams that are up to two positions higher on the ladder and make their own arrangements to play an Eight Game Pro Set. New teams start at the bottom rung and work their way up. Stakes are high, as each team has to bring a new can of balls and the winning team walks away with the unused new can and bragging rights. It should be fun. Irve will post and record the scores, and be the referee as needed.

Meanwhile, social tennis will continue on the second and third Thursdays, and the open-to-all play day will be on the last Saturday of the month. Info., www.fsbrc.org. ~ **Steven Hovey**

PICKLEBALL

Our membership is growing and we are enjoying meeting many new friends. Many of us are getting ready to participate in the Oldlympics held in September and October in Hemet. There are lots of fun events to try. Remember — whatever activities you do here at Four Seasons, make sure you prep your body before you get moving. This means stretching before you begin your program or game. In any sport you need flexibility to move muscles and joints. In pickleball, flexibility is especially important. Flexibility is achieved by stretching. The warm up stimulates the pickleball movements like forehand, backhand, and overhead. Add some jogging in place and moving sideways around the court to warm up the lower body. For some specific exercises and stretches, please contact me. A happy pickler is a healthy uninjured one.

Remember — play hard, play safe, and have a blast! Marty Key, (562) 331-0817, keeksmail@yahoo.com. ~ **Marty Key**



Four Seasons homeowners enjoy the sport of Pickleball - the fastest growing sport in America and many other countries.



*Photo far left:
Rick Loney
and Ray
Windhorn*

*Photo left: Joe
Avilas and
Thanh Harrah*

THE 8-BALL CLUB

In our 8-Ball Tournament, Joe Avilas proved you're never too old to play or to win. Joe went into the finals undefeated. Thanh Harrah lost one game in regular play (to Joe). She went on to defeat several opponents and made the finals to match up against Joe again.

Joe only needed one win to be the champion. In the finals, Thanh won the first game using her trademark defensive positioning, however, Joe won Game 2 making him the tournament champion.

The 9-Ball champion this month was Rick Loney. Rick went into the final match undefeated and faced Ray Windhorn (a rematch of their epic battle two months ago). Ray needed to beat Rick twice to win. Ray made the 9 ball in the first game, banking the cue ball off of the 4 ball, into the 9 ball and making the 9 ball in the corner pocket. In game 2 Rick banked the cue ball off the rail into the 5 ball, which then hit the 9 ball rolling it into the side pocket and winning the tournament.

Our tournaments are fun and exciting to play in and watch. Our experienced players are always willing to help with a shot, putting their years of experience to use in helping our less experienced players. We play/practice together at 7 pm Monday, Wednesday, and Friday evenings.

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 now on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7 pm.

Our "traveling tournaments" are the second and fourth Monday of the month. The second Monday, we travel to Hemet Solera and the fourth Monday Solera Hemet comes here.

Club Officers: Club Captain, Del Lyles, Sr. (951) 845-5114; Co-Captain, Roland Harrah, (951) 267-3793 rolandthanh@msn.com; Thanh Harrah, Captain's Assistant, (951) 267-3793 rolandthanh@msn.com. ~ **Roland Harrah**

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BILLIARDS FOR FUN

Are you a new resident in the community? Okay, maybe you don't exactly qualify as a new resident, but have you nonetheless been looking for a really fun group to join? We hereby nominate ourselves as your next fun group to try. The Billiards for Fun Group was established two years ago, with the guys patiently waiting for the women to learn the fundamentals of the game. (Eileen Gilbert will be happy to teach anyone those fundamentals at a time designated at your convenience.) Once comfortable, the women were integrated into the group, and we began the weekly challenges. Each week all members "pull peas" to determine each two-member partnership which will go forth into battle for the coveted Table #1 position. Don't freak out here! The battles are all accompanied by cheers, encouragement, lots of kidding around and laughter. After all, it's called Billiards for Fun Group. We have fun! (See the photos to the right...)

In photo No. 1, Bob Berwin's concentration is palpable, as his opponents wait breathlessly for their turn on the battle table. In photo No. 2, Willis Fagan raises his weapon for the next shot, as partner Dave Martin lends quiet moral support as his backup. In photo No. 3, Jim Stover (left) breathes a sigh of relief that his shot rolls in the pocket, as his partner and opponents cheer him on. See? It's all just a bunch of really nice people having a really great time honing their battle skills!

Our weekly fun battles take place in the Lodge Billiards Room every Tuesday afternoon from 1 to 3 pm. If you work, there is also a Saturday morning practice session from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. Whichever time slot you pick to join, be on time as pea-pulling starts on time! Come join us, hone those battle skills, and meet a great group of really wonderful people! ~ *Eileen Gilbert-Antoine*





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Bob & Lana Gundermann flank Jim Seim while bemoaning their empty fishing poles.



Lynette Simonson, David Kershaw and Susan Wilson get their bearings before starting out.

HEARTY HIKERS

According to the infallible Wikipedia, "One of the most scenic historic spots in Southern California is nestled in the heart of Apple Country in Oak Glen where the summers are cooler and the winters dusted with snow." When downsizing into Four Seasons, most of us yard-saled our snowshoes so we hiked this scenic spot in apple season. Original settlers to Oak Glen were Cahuilla and Serrano Indians. They harvested acorns for survival. The unique climate and elevation was perfect for growing large black acorns, a favorite among the locals. The evidence can still be found along the stream beds where the acorns were leached over 100 years ago. But there was no market for acorn pies so later occupants opted for a different tree crop.

Though the main crop of Oak Glen has been apples since the 1940s, it hasn't always been Oak Glen's only crop. The potato, along with many other crops, were grown in Oak Glen since the 1890s. After several farms began to sell apples individually to visitors, along with homemade apple pies, fresh apple cider and delicious apple butter from roadside stands, Oak Glen became an apple boom town overnight.

For hikers, a small pond and beaten path that is short but has a couple of steep climbs, gives a good morning workout to build an appetite for apple products. Early August gave hikers a chance to enjoy the solitude of this outdoor favorite before the

onslaught of city folks start their annual invasion.

Our group has laid out a schedule for the next 12 months to advise Mother Nature what we would like. Hopefully she will take it into consideration. We hike the second Wednesday of each month:

- Oct.: Aspen Grove... Leaf turning at 7,000'
- Nov.: Lytle Creek... Fall weather near Cajon Pass
- Dec.: Xmas lights at Four Seasons
- Jan.: Eisenhower Mountain... Hiking the San Andreas Fault
- Feb.: Joshua Tree... Early spring in the desert
- March: Indian Canyon... One of the many Palm Springs hiking trails into Cahuilla country
- April: Etiwanda Falls... Great place if we have a wet winter
- May.: Santa Rosa Plateau... Old adobe of Rancho grandee
- June: Big Morongo Basin... Bird watching at the oasis
- July: Wrightwood... Standing tall on the Pacific Crest Trail
- Aug.: Ernie Maxwell... Under the pines on Mt. San Jacinto
- Sept.: Crystal Cove... Toes in the surf & sand in the shoes

To find out where else we are hiking in 2014 call or email Lynette at (951) 377-0392 or lynette.simonson@gmail.com. ~

Leonard Tavernetti



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Howard Lyon at the Mexican border

MOTORCYCLE CLUB

One man, two wheels, three countries, six states, 12 days and 3,910 miles equals one grand adventure for this Motorcycle Club member.

On Aug. 27, I left Four Seasons and rode 429 miles to Tucson, AZ, the starting point for this year's annual Three Flags Classic ride that would go from Mexico to Canada in four days. Thursday I rode to Nogales for a "Touch the Fence Ceremony" to officially start in Mexico.

Friday morning between 3 and 6 am, 250 riders started the journey to Canada. All riders could take their own route, ride as far as they liked each day and stay where they wished each night. Each rider was required to get their "passport" stamped at each of three checkpoints — one in Torrey, UT, one in Twin Falls, ID and one in Walla Walla, WA — and then arrive at the destination hotel in Harrison Hot Springs Resort and Spa, BC, Canada by 9 pm on Monday, Sept. 1.

What a grand adventure! This was one of my "bucket list" projects and I felt very good about completing it.

Friday was a long day. I logged 650 miles in 13 hours and traveled through some gorgeous scenery including Lake Powell in AZ and UT. Things got really beautiful heading north out of Kanab, UT on US-89 and then east on UT Hwy. 12 (called the Kodachrome Highway) through Bryce Canyon and Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. There were a lot of open range cattle along the roadside in this area and one huge bull was standing in my lane just staring at me as I carefully moved into the oncoming lane to pass him.

Saturday I continued north through Utah and into Idaho

passing many beautiful places including my first time to see the Great Salt Lake. I covered hundreds of miles of farmland in this 430 mile day.

Sunday was a 380 mile day zig-zagging across the Snake River, through farmland and over mountains. I traveled through three states this day and spent the night in Washington.

I left Walla Walla at 5:30 am on Monday, Sept. 1, and headed for Canada. As I began before dawn, I was impressed at just what a particularly peaceful and beautiful morning it was. It seemed that I was the only vehicle on the road, the countryside was beautiful, the sun was rising behind me and illuminating two snowcapped peaks in front of me (I think they were Mt. Rainier and Mt. Adams). This was a motorcyclist's dream ride — quiet, solitary, peaceful and beautiful. After crossing into Canada and riding another hour I arrived at the destination hotel. Hurray! Rest and party time!

Tuesday was a lay day with only the event banquet scheduled for the evening.

Wednesday I rode from Canada to Portland, OR and spent two nights visiting my aunt. Thursday I rode down to Crescent City, CA. Friday was another beautiful ride south along the Pacific Coast and through Redwood National Park to spend the night in Rohnert Park just north of San Francisco. Sunday I rode 500 miles directly back home.

With two non-riding days on the trip I averaged 390 miles per riding day. What a great motorcycle adventure. It's nice to be home. ~ **Howard Lyon**



Bob & Sue Cooper, Rick & Jamie Brower, and Cheryl & Ron Burke enjoy a wonderful day off roading in the Big Bear mountains.

4X4 SEASONS

Our monthly trip is always the third Thursday of every month. We meet in the north parking lot of the Lodge at 8 am. We did not take a trip in August because so many members were out of town; however three of the members, including me, were camping in Big Bear with the RV group. We spent two days riding the trails. One trail took us to the homestead of William Holcomb. His daughter was the first child born in the Big Bear area. William Holcomb also was the first person to discover gold in Holcomb Valley which resulted in the gold rush of the

1860s. We also explored the John Bull Trail which we discovered is a little too extreme for our vehicles, and we had to turn back. Anyone who has a four-wheel drive vehicle is welcome. Most of the trips are on State service trails designated as four-wheel drive. We do not do extreme off-roading. If you do not own a four-wheel drive vehicle, you are more than welcome to ride along. Call Bob Cooper to make arrangements, or with club questions, at (951) 769-6352. ~ **Bob Cooper**

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~ **Bob Cooper**



HORSESHOES FOR FUN

Well the year is just slipping on by, hard to believe it's October already. Whoa Nelly, slow down! September brought us a very special BBQ social event which was planned and executed by two of our club officers and very well done and enjoyed by all 16 members and spouses. A big "thank you" goes to Gary Christie and Dee Kelch for their hard work and dedication for our club. Come and join us every Wednesday morning from 8 am until everyone cries uncle, usually around 9 or 9:15 am. Any questions, please contact Ron Erickson at (951) 846-3288, rejlerickson@sbcglobal.net or Gary Christie at (951) 910-9100, goldtoy@earthlink.net. ~ **Ron Erickson**



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My community involvement and interest in local issues and regional politics makes me keenly aware of how important **water** is to our continued sustainability and quality of life. And, while growth is important, "responsible growth" is critical to our short and long term prosperity.

Water Conservation is something we must all pay attention to and be a significant part of the solution to a very real problem.

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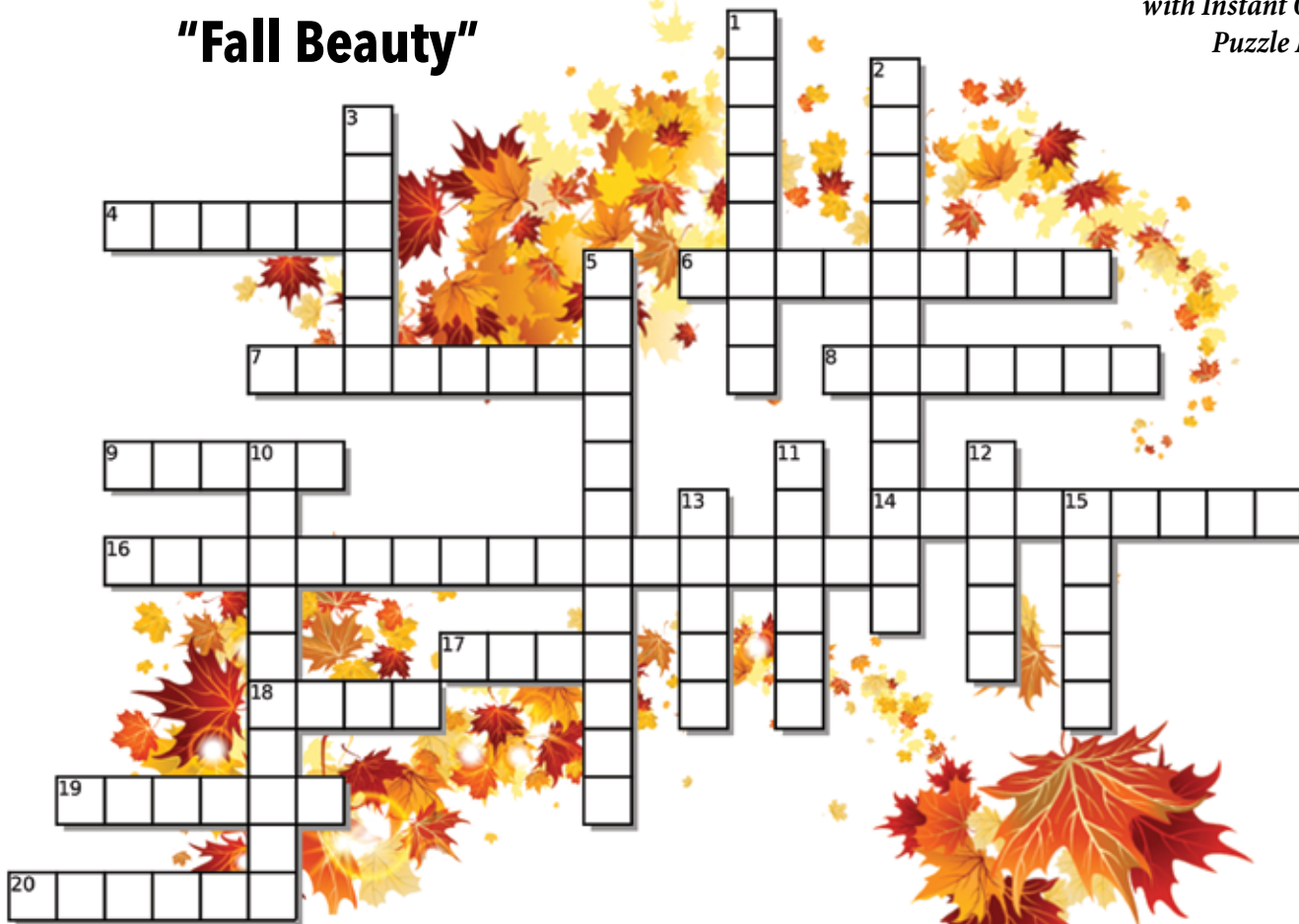
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- 9 Our community center
- 14 Walk on this if it's too hot outside
- 16 Our main drag
- 17 Let's do the Downward Facing Dog
- 18 Assistant General Manager
- 19 Wild feline
- 20 Newsletter

DOWN

- 1 Crooked Creek Landmark
- 2 Outdoor event venue
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