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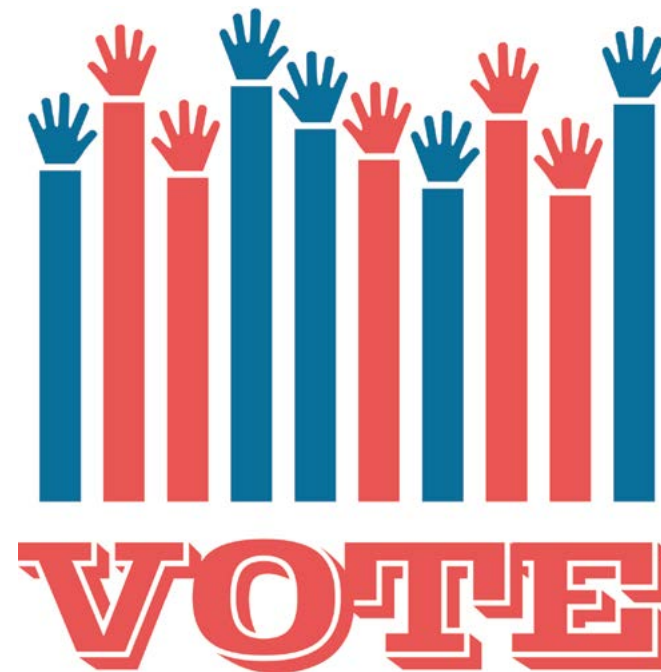
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MANAGER’S REPORT

By Jeri Mupo, General Manager

STAY IN TOUCH: I am sure you have checked out the community
website. It is updated regularly with breaking news, current events, forms,
meeting minutes, and much more. Just in case you missed it here is the
address - www.fourseasonsatbeaumont.com.

Did you know that the Association also maintains a Facebook Page? It
is also updated with fliers and other items of interest and can be found at
www.facebook.com/fourseasonsatbeaumont. We are posting reminders
and pictures of our awesome events. Stop on by and “Like” us today!

COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS: Each May the Board of Directors
appoints the committee members for 2015-2016. If you are interested
in serving on one of the committees, please complete a Committee
Candidate Form and return it to the Lodge or Management office. The
forms are available at Lodge and Management Office, or the community
website.

INFORMATION UPDATE: Please remember to provide the
management office with your current information. We have had several
occasions where we have tried to contact a homeowner and the telephone
number is out of service or vehicle information is no longer valid for
parking decals/transponders. We appreciate your assistance with this
request.

RECREATION CENTER 3 WORKOUT ROOM: We anticipate
that Recreation Center 3 will be open early 2017 and will include a workout
room. K. Hovnanian has requested that we contact the community and
ask what type of equipment they would use most. Please submit your
recommendations to the Lodge or Management Office. You may also
email your recommendations to Jeri Mupo at jeri.mupo@fsresidential.
com.

PHASE A ASPHALT UPDATE: A site review of the Phase A streets
was conducted after the seal coat was applied in October and a list of areas
that require repair has been created. However, if you noticed areas around
your home that look like they require repair, please let us know so we may
add it to the list. The vendor has been contacted and is trying to schedule
the repair work around the weather. Thank you for your assistance.

DON’T FORGET TO VOTE: Ballots for the HOA Board election
will begin to be counted on April 6 at 12 pm in the RCN Conference Room.
HOMEOWNER SUGGESTIONS:

- Lodge*
- When you open up the exercise room, please turn ON the fan.
Otherwise, by the end of the day the room will smell like the
inside of a well-used sock. *Staff has been notified.*
 - Provide a new music source for the gym. Material being used is
not consistent volume. Some songs blast and can’t hear the TV on
headset. *In progress.*
 - Make sustained effort to collect, shred, and/or pick up
tumbleweeds as this is by far the worst year for them in six years.
We have had wind before but not an invasion of tumbleweeds.
Have up to 25+ in backyard. *Brad Alms Landscaping is retrieving
the tumbleweeds as time permits.*
 - We need the gate by the pool near the parking lot to be opened via
our fobs. We should not have to go through the Lodge for access
to the pool, fitness center, or salon. People are coming into our
Lodge dripping wet from the pool. Also if you are a handicapped
person, you would be able to get to the pool or salon with easy
access. Please let’s keep our Lodge beautiful. *Homeowners are
requested to access the facility through the Lodge at this time.*

- Is it possible to have the shuffleboard courts re-striped and
painted? Lights too? *This recommendation will be considered
with the exterior grounds renovation.*
- Tai-chi classes? *Please speak with Cindy about putting together an
interest list.*
- (Custodian) Felipe (Morales) should be employee of the month.
Everyone agrees!
- A little nightlife would be nice. A jazz trio or more piano nights.
Something that goes a little later than 8 pm please. *If any resident
has entertainment recommendations please see Cindy Graves,
Activities Director.*
- Replace shower soap in women’s shower. It smells like skunk.
Completed.
- Why is there no entrance to RCN building from back? Fob would
be easy to use and the back parking lot would be utilized. It is
inconvenient to park and walk when it is easy to make this
accessible by fob. *Homeowners are requested to access the facility
through the Lodge at this time.*
- Please restore the fir tree in the roundabout at Mesa Verde Park
in its natural shape. It used to have a beautiful shape and I loved
seeing it as I drove to and from my home on Blowing Rock. Now I
cringe every time I see it. I don’t understand how anyone can find
that off-center stick at the top attractive. It’s like having our heads
sit on a shoulder instead of our necks. *Submitted to the Landscape
Committee.*
- Consideration should be given to making the parking area at the
Lodge one way. People come from both directions and space is
tight. Flow would be better and much safer. *Submitted to Safety
and Facilities Committee for consideration.*

Summit

- Change out the bark to rocks around the Jacuzzi at the Summit.
The bark, especially on windy days is going into the Jacuzzi and
could clog the equipment. *Submitted to the Landscape Committee.*
- Put a 4-foot wooden or brick wall on the east and north sides
of the Jacuzzi at the Summit to keep the bark and leaves from
blowing into the water. The wall would make it more comfortable
for residents to use the Jacuzzi. *Submitted to the Safety and
Facilities Committee.*
- Summit hours match Lodge hours year round. *This suggestion
will be considered when the budget supports additional staff time.*
- Set of the three fitness machines like the big gym at the Lodge;
where each machine has a small TV hooked to it and earphones
are required. That way, no one can get the remote from the desk
attendant, come into the room and change the channel and crank
up the volume to rude levels. *In progress.*
- Can you put a little bench out in front of the Summit doors so
people could sit and enjoy the view. *In progress.*
- More chairs and tables. *In progress.*

DOLLARS & SENSE: At the March Board of Directors meeting,
the Board approved the following expenses:
• Spa building water shutoff valve installation: \$1,600
• Lodge parking lot ground cover replacement: \$6,580
• Summit shower door privacy repair: \$680
• Umbrella stand purchase (seven): \$1,397
• Four Seasons Blvd. crosswalk markings/signage: \$3,500

District Delegates Elected

A slate of district delegates has been elected for the HOA Board election this month.

The delegates cast the votes that elect the Board members, much like the Electoral College in U.S. Presidential elections, but with an important difference. In districts where a majority of households fail to vote, the delegate casts the district's entire voting power as he or she sees fit. It is possible a single delegate could decide a close election.

The district delegates and their alternates are: District 1, Martha Franck and Del Lyles, Sr.; District 2, Randy Balt and Bill Guy; District 3, Betty Ann James and Donald Fant; District 4, Fred Weck and Niles Sundstrom; District 5, Cheri Howard and Marion Herron; District 6, Brian Anderson and Howard Lyon; District 7, Joyce Tautrim and Lynette Simonson; District 8, Tom Halley and Pat Hilles, and District 9, Janet Hession, and Cathy Rivera.

The alternate acts only in the absence of the delegate
You can find your district on the chart to the right.



Be sure to vote. Doing your civic duty could mean some big bucks.

The HOA Board has approved a financial incentive to encourage a large voter turnout.

Voters in the district with the highest percentage of households casting a ballot will be entered in a drawing for \$300. Their names will be entered as their votes are received.

In the district with the second highest percentage, the prize will be \$200 and voters in the third place district will compete for \$100.

Delegate Districts by Street

DISTRICT 1: 238 homes

Cascade Creek
Clark Creek
Fern Creek
1540-1596 Four Seasons Circle
Lewis Creek
Paint Creek
Piper Creek
Potter Creek
Quiet Creek
Salt Creek
Thistle Creek

DISTRICT 2: 176 homes

Blackberry Creek
Brush Creek
Canary Creek
Crane Creek
Dewey Creek
Granite Creek
Kettle Creek
Owl Creek
Tabor Creek
Tijeras Creek
Trout Run
Turtle Creek
Whisper Creek
125 Slippy Rock Creek
123 Slippy Rock Creek
121 Slippy Rock Creek

DISTRICT 3: 111 homes

131 Slippy Rock Creek
133 Slippy Rock Creek
135 Slippy Rock Creek
137 Slippy Rock Creek
Beaver Creek

DISTRICT 4: 148 homes

1471-1483 Four Seasons Circle
1523-1555 Big Bend
White Sands (odd addresses)
Bartram Trail
Bridle Trail
Chimney Rock
Green Creek Trail
Kings Canyon
Pipe Springs

DISTRICT 9: 123 homes

Arroyo
Belterra
Big Horn
Coronado
Edgebrook
Heatherwood

DISTRICT 5: 126 homes

120 Slippy Rock Creek
122 Slippy Rock Creek
124 Slippy Rock Creek
126 Slippy Rock Creek
128 Slippy Rock Creek
130 Slippy Rock Creek
132 Slippy Rock Creek
134 Slippy Rock Creek
138 Slippy Rock Creek
139 Slippy Rock Creek
140 Slippy Rock Creek
141 Slippy Rock Creek
1505-1518 Big Bend
Bloomington Park
Buck Springs
Calvert Park
Mission Trail
Spanos Park
Baxter Woods
Pierce Mill

DISTRICT 6: 194 homes

Boise Rock
Bulow Creek Park
Enchanted Park
Glacier Park
Goodrich Rock
Irvine Park
Mesa Verde Park
Plymouth Rock
Prospect Park
Table Rock
Yellow Stone Park

DISTRICT 7: 115 homes

Arches Park
Blowing Rock
Irvine Park North
Peters Canyon Park
Rock Mountain Park
Santiago Oaks Park
Shining Rock
Tinkers Creek Park

DISTRICT 8: 79 homes

Box Springs Trail
Broadriver Trail
Signal Peak
White Sands (even addresses)

Profiles of the Candidates for the Board of Directors

By Leighton McLaughlin

Five residents are running for two seats on the HOA Board.

Incumbents Jacque Sneddon and Wayne Staples are running for re-election. Claudeen Diaz, Jerry Monahan and Len Tavernetti are running for the first time.

Ballots have been mailed to residents and must be returned by noon, April 6, when vote counting will begin. The ballot count may continue the next day, April 7, but must be completed by 1pm when

the district delegates will cast their votes.

The delegates in districts with a majority of residents voting cast the district's entire voting power in proportion to the votes actually cast. In districts without a majority, the delegates cast all the votes as they see fit.

See page 6 for a list of the delegates.

Profiles of the Board candidates begin below..

CLAUDEEN DIAZ



Claudeen Diaz decided to run for the Board in an effort to make it more responsive to members of the community. "Some of the ways they spoke to members making presentations to the Board, that was rude. They need to have a more responsive attitude."

According to Claudeen, even if an answer to a question is not readily available, the Board member should say, "Let me research that, and we'll have coffee and talk about it," then go on with the meeting, not give the impression that, "you're being scolded — treated like a child."

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JERRY MONAHAN



Jerry Monahan decided to run for the Board, "because I want to give something back. Four Seasons is really a super, super place — I want to be involved in the direction it's going."

He is a retired policeman and is phasing out a private investigation firm he founded after serving as a lieutenant on the Riverside Police Department.

"Now with my business closing, I'll have time," he said.

If he is elected, he sees his job on the Board as an "input type of person," finding out what members of the community

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JACQUE SNEDDON



Board President Jacque Sneddon thinks the Board has done a good job of getting Four Seasons to where it is today — but that there is more work to be done.

"There is always something going on," she said.

Right now there are four major projects. Rec Center Three is on the way; the Lodge is being remodeled after the administrative offices moved; the trail system is about to be turned over from the builder and the Lodge grounds are being looked at for improvement.

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WAYNE STAPLES



Board Treasurer Wayne Staples is "very proud" of Four Seasons' financial condition.

"Our reserves are in excellent condition. Because they are in such great shape, a few years ago we were able to reduce the assessments by \$5," he said.

"Also our delinquencies (residents behind in assessments) are very low — at the end of February we had four accounts that I consider major delinquencies. One is \$15,000 — a house that's in foreclosure."

Of the remaining three, two are on payment plans to reduce the debt and "the other, we got a small claims judgment

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LEN TAVERNETTI



Len Tavernetti thinks term limits for HOA Board and committee members would help Four Seasons grow and prosper. He suggested a three-term limit for the Board and a system of orderly replacement of committee members without a specific time limit.

"George Washington had it right; after two terms he got on his horse and rode home," he said.

He said the current Board has successfully "taken the community from 300 homes to 1,300. We should thank them for what they have done and move on — bring in new blood, new ideas to take us to build-out and beyond."

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“It’s so important; they are representing the community; they need to be responsive, to answer the questions, need to have a positive attitude. It’s not always easy, but you have to work hard at it.”

She also said there should be term limits for Board members and Committee members. “I don’t think they should be there eight and nine years.”

“We have a lot of people in this community with a lot of expertise,” she said, but they have no opportunity to serve when there are no vacancies to be filled.

When Four Seasons first began, she said, it was hard to find people to serve on committees but now with 1,300 homes there are many capable residents and they should be given a chance.

“We may be retired, but our brains haven’t stopped.”

She added that there should not be a sudden removal of all long-term committee members, but a gradual phase-out so that knowledge and experience can be passed on.

Diaz, who has an MBA, has been on the Finance Committee for three years and said that she is going to step down after four years, “no matter what happens.”

She said Four Seasons is “in very good financial condition. The committee has seen to it that we have the needed reserves, for the future when facilities need maintenance and replacement.”

However, she would like the committee to produce a “user friendly” financial summary monthly, to let residents who have trouble with formal financial statements easily understand the community’s money matters. Also, she wants to see the formal report made to the Board by the committee chair, not the treasurer, who is a Board member.

“The Board should be there asking questions and overseeing the committee” and not making the committee report.

To improve communication, she would like to see the Board agenda moved from the wall next to the reception desk to the table under the events screen beside the movie theater. More people would see it there, she said.

But, “Part of communication is being receptive,” said. She called for periodic Town Hall meetings presided over by Board members to update residents and hear their concerns. “These would not be for decisions — that’s for Board meetings. These meetings would be just to inform and listen.” They would be particularly helpful to residents who still work and are unable to attend regular Board or committee meetings, she said.

She has a wealth of management experience for a number of companies, including as general manager for two water companies and of six departments for a municipal water district. She taught college accounting courses as well.

“I came here to play and have a good time. I’m active in the community — the wine club, line dancing and I play pool. And this is a good place to live, she said. “Other communities can’t compare to Four Seasons.”

want and putting it into effect, “within the budget — that’s a really big thing. I think when you set a budget you should live within it.”

He said his experience as a policeman was good preparation for that role. He was president of the Riverside Police Officers Association — involved in negotiating salaries, working conditions and other work place issues — and served as liaison with the Chamber of Commerce, Neighborhood Watch, the city council and other civilian groups.

In addition to his supervisory job as a police lieutenant, he has five years in the private sector as director of investigative operations for Farmers Insurance, another five running several departments for Lucas Aviation Inc., and then as the operator of his own investigations company.

Most of the firm’s work involves looking into whether or not a convicted person had a proper defense. His company would be hired by an attorney or a court looking into an appeal of the conviction. “I had five or six guys — all retired Riverside policemen — working for me.” Now he has just three cases winding down, after which he will close the firm.

Monahan applied for the Riverside police job when he was discharged as an encryption/teletype operator from the Air Force at March Air Force Base. He is a native of the Bronx in New York City and had several relatives on police forces. When he told his new wife, Frances, he wanted to be a policeman, she said fine, but not in New York — thus Riverside.

While working as a policeman he graduated from Riverside City College and California Baptist University. “Monahan, the Irish Catholic kid, at Cal Baptist,” he chuckled. “They were great to me.”

Among the issues facing the Board, “Safety is a big one, proper lighting, the streets being repaired and security in the sense people can be safe in the street. This is such a great place. I want to keep it at that level or make it even better by being accessible to the people who live here.”

He said “I have the energy and I want to do something.”

Part of having energy comes from the fact that he has lost a remarkable 238 pounds, down from 418. “When I was a policeman I was always very physical. I was member of Team 7 — a kind of early SWAT Team. I did everything to keep fit — ran eight to ten miles a day. I was never overweight. I could eat a banana split on my way to bed and lose weight that day.”

Then he was injured and retired and the activity stopped, “but not that savage appetite,” he said.

“I was so embarrassed — if I heard someone laugh, I thought they were laughing at me.”

After several failed attempts, he entered a medically supervised weight-loss program at Kaiser Permanente, had a gastric sleeve inserted, and shed all those pounds. He still attends the TOPS meetings at Four Seasons. “Now I’m comfortable,” he said.

He was complimentary of the current Board, and added that the FirstService Residential management staff does “a good job. Things are going along pretty well,” he said, “but anything can be improved.”

“I’m just glad to have the opportunity to run. Win or lose I’ll stay active.”

The early construction of Rec Center Three put a hold on the Lodge grounds project because some facilities envisioned there were included at the Rec Center and not needed at the Lodge. The builder will put four tennis courts in the Rec Center, which freed the Lodge courts for pickleball and paddleball, she said.

She feels the Board has established policies and procedures that allow the community to operate more efficiently and effectively. She said, “It’s like the duck analogy. On the surface it looks nice and smooth, but below the water it’s paddling like crazy. That’s what we want, things to work.”

She took issue with complaints about a lack of communication from the Board to residents. She said, “We have the *Breeze*, we have the suggestion box at the Lodge, comment at the Board meetings, emails to the Board, a web site, committees that can be visited, the Meet with (Board Member) Jean (Sandoval) meetings; we try to cover all the bases that we can.” General Manager Jeri Mupo’s monthly report in the *Breeze* includes a summary of Board action.

“We hold Town Hall meetings when needed.” There was one March 15 regarding the ban on gambling in common areas. “When there are things people need to know right away, we do mailings. We take surveys when we want information. Meeting minutes are on the website.”

When residents asked for more information from builder K. Hovnanian Home, a system was set up to have KHov representative Kevin Metcalfe answer questions before each Board meeting. “We even have a Facebook page.

“If all else fails, they can call us. We’re in the directory. We’re accessible,” she said. “Communication has to be two ways.”

Sneddon was one of the very first residents to move in — in October, 2005. “There were only 47 houses that had closed escrow,” and most of them were still empty. “Now there are 1,300 homes. Being involved from the get-go, I think I’ve had my fingers in nearly every aspect of the community in some way, shape or form.”

Before she first joined the Board, appointed to the Board to fill a vacancy in 2008, she was a member of the Landscape Committee, which she credits with “pushing, pushing, pushing to make sure what we got was good. Our constant conversation about how some of the planting plan was really poor and did not fit the community or the environment really pushed KHov to make sure we got the correct plant palette for our community.”

As for the Board on which she serves, she said:

“We try to be very pro-active. We try to recognize problems before they begin.”

“I feel that the appearance of our community, the stability of our community, the way we control our decisions — to be sure they are correctly made — it shows in the community today.”

“We are in amazing financial condition; we are so strong financially. Our buildings are maintained, they are beautiful. We set really high standards. Our grounds are gorgeous. We want it to be like a resort. Those are the standards we set and those are the standards we hold.”

“I am most proud to be able to be part of the community for all the years that I’ve been here. I’ve been able to contribute to the community — give back some of what it has given me.”

He would recommend a program of replacing committee members only if qualified replacements were available. He would require each committee to put the qualifications in writing. Periodically, as a resident applied to a committee he or she would first be qualified and then appointed, replacing the committee member with the longest tenure.

In addition to getting new ideas and perspectives on the Board and committees, term limits would encourage more residents to engage in the governing of the community, he said.

He also sees a problem in a lack of communication “from the Board to the people and the people to the Board — it doesn’t exist.” He would like to see a direct email to interested residents on a weekly basis: “Here’s what’s going on: the hot tub at the Summit is broken, we’ve got a new canopy over the hot tub at the Lodge — just general information stuff, what’s going on.”

If elected, he plans to write an article each month for the *Breeze* to help inform residents.

Further, he would like to see the actions at Board meetings more easily understood by displaying items under discussion on the screen in the Ballroom among other measures. He would also like to see committee recommendations brought to the Board by the committee chairs, not the Board liaisons. “I was never in a situation in civilian life or the military where the boss wanted to talk to a middle man.”

To further improve communication, he would like to see a monthly meeting of all committee chairs with the Board president so each committee will know what the others are doing.

He also proposes a new committee of residents with limited mobility to consider matters like opening the walking trails to wheelchairs and sports activities for the wheelchair bound. “We’re all over 55 and 10 years from now we’re going to be 10 years older — we need to consider these things,” he said.

“A large portion of our community is in one club or another, but we have no structure for the clubs to surface their concerns.” He said. “I think we should have two councils — each chaired by a Board member — one for inside activities and one for outside activities, to meet monthly with the club captains to hear their concerns and arbitrate disagreements between them.”

“I think we need to start thinking now about build-out,” he said, with the goal of making sure we have what we want when K. Hovnanian leaves. The community might be able to trade for some features it wants in exchange for features the builder plans to put in that are unwanted — at no increase in cost.

Even though build-out is a few years away, “We should form an ad hoc committee” to begin thinking about these matters, he said.

Tavernetti, a retired Army colonel and aerospace executive, thinks term limits would provide “bench strength” for the community in the form of former Board and committee members — “People with experience who could be called upon in a pinch, for short term projects.”

At build-out, we will need a seven-member Board, he said, and it would be a problem “to have, say, six members of the Board with no experience at that critical time.”

against.”

Payment plans are nothing new, he said. Seven or eight residents entered such plans after the Great Recession began in 2008. “And most of those came out OK,” he said. The Board wants to help residents, not get them into trouble, he said.

Staples has eight years’ experience on the Board and wrote its investment policy. “None of our investments are in instruments that can lose value – in other words, they have to be insured by the federal government in some manner.”

Presently all investments are in short-term certificates of deposit. Because they earn such low interest, Staples said he will probably recommend a somewhat longer term to increase income. The Finance Committee makes the final decision, he said.

The HOA has around \$4 million in reserves and \$2 million in “excess funds” in the operating budget. The excess is what is used for capital improvements, like the conversion of Rec Center North last year, he said.

“We’re a non-profit organization; we’re supposed to spend what we take in.” If we don’t the money is taxable, he said. That’s why it’s so important to approve the tax measure on the Board ballot, which “allows us to roll the money over to the next year,” with no tax.

He said there are three upcoming projects that he would like to see through as a Board member.

- Rec Center Three. “It looks like that’s going to be done by the end of the year. I’d like to see that finished,” he said.
- The completion of Four Seasons Circle. A bridge from Crooked Creek — at the traffic circle at the back entrance — will be constructed soon to the complete loop circling the community. “That has to be done before Phase E (the last construction phase) can be built,” he said.

- The renovations of the Lodge and Spa Buildings. “We should have plans to show to the residents by the end of this month,” he said. They will include more storage, expansion of the Bistro, the Craft Room and the Aerobics Room, among other changes.

Staples has a wide background in finance, accounting and community management. He has been the president and treasurer of one HOA and the finance chair of another. He was the controller of a \$3 billion bank and a federal bank examiner. He has served on both Four Seasons’ Finance and Architectural Review Committees.

He said Four Seasons is the only HOA in the K. Hovnanian group that has homeowners in all officers’ posts. The others have at least one appointee from K. Hovnanian to watch over things. “They must think we’re doing something right,” said Staples.

He said the change when FirstService Residential bought out Euclid Management went seamlessly. “From our point of view there was almost no change at all — and it improved the staff benefits quite a bit.”

He complimented the FirstService staff. General Manager Jeri Mupo is “fantastic,” he said, as well as the rest of the staff.

He said he had heard complaints about communication between the Board and residents, and he thinks they are over blown. He urged homeowners to contact Board members with their concerns. “We’re in the directory — but we don’t get calls.”

He said the HOA opened a Facebook page a month or so ago, “And I just checked and only 13 people have ‘friended’ that page. We have 1,300 homes or some 2,600 people – call us, we talk to people.”

In summary, he said, “I am very proud of the association and what we’ve accomplished in the eight years I’ve been on the Board.”

DID YOU KNOW?

By Micki Rosen



DID YOU KNOW THAT APRIL 5 IS DEEP DISH PIZZA DAY? Let us thank Pizzeria Uno’s Founder Ike Sewell, without whom this day wouldn’t exist. He is credited with creating the Spectacular deep dish pizza in 1943 in Chicago. This wonderfully tasty pizza, also known as Chicago-style pizza, is characterized by a superb buttery crust that can be as high as three inches tall, along with generous amounts of flavorsome sauce, toppings and cheese. If you get a chance to visit Chicago, go to Pizzeria Uno — it’s still there, and still delicious!

DID YOU KNOW THAT APRIL 10 IS GOLFER’S DAY? Some people believe that the word golf is derived from the phrase “gentlemen only, ladies forbidden.” However, very few words commonly used in English today gained their origins from acronyms. Other possibilities include the dutch word “kolf,” a kind of stick or club, and “goulf,” a scottish word meaning to strike or cuff. No matter what the origin of the word, the game we currently recognize as golf originated in Scotland somewhere in the 14th century. The earliest recorded use of the term in reference to the game was a ban enacted by King James II in 1457, who thought that young men spent too

much time golfing and not enough time practicing archery. The ban was lifted in 1502, and the first golf clubhouse was built in 1552. If the full-sized golf game is not for you, try miniature golf, which was created in 1916 when the first course was built in Pinehurst, North Carolina. Miniature golf even has its own international regulatory body, the World Minigolf Sport Federation.



DID YOU KNOW THAT APRIL 22 IS JELLY BEAN DAY? Who doesn’t love a jelly bean? Once mainly associated with Easter and Halloween, jelly beans are now an everyday treat. No one knows for sure how, when or why Jelly Bean Day began and the origins of the beans themselves are equally mysterious. They are thought to have been developed from Turkish Delight and have certainly been popular since the mid-19th century or earlier.



DID YOU KNOW THAT APRIL 26 IS PRETZEL DAY? It is generally believed that the pretzel is the oldest of all snack foods, with documented consumption of pretzels dating back as far as the seventh century, where French monks baked salted dough strips shaped like the arms of children in prayer.

DID YOU KNOW THAT APRIL 27 IS WORLD STATIONERY DAY? With all of the emails and text messages all around us these days, it may seem that the art of writing letters and cards is slowly fading into oblivion. Humans have been writing for thousands of years, since prehistory. The Dispillo tablet is thought to be the oldest written record on earth, dating back to the sixth millennium BC. After that, writing seemed to spring up in different places, being especially prominent in the Near East. At the time, the main reason for writing becoming a necessity was that information needed to be transmitted for political expansion to be able to take place. Soon, financial transactions and historical events were being documented using writing as well. The Mesopotamian writing system is thought to be the oldest writing system. Dating back to 3600 BC, it was based on the simple concept of pressing a triangular-shaped stylus into soft clay. Writing slowly evolved into what it is today. World Stationery Day was created in 2012 to help make sure the art of writing would not go extinct, as some feared it would because of all the technological advancements of our times making actual writing much less practical than other methods of communication.

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Chef's Corner

By Randy Balt

Prep: 43 min.
Cook Time: 3 min.
Total Time: 43 min.
Yield: 6-8 servings
Level: Easy

INGREDIENTS

BERRIES

1 pint blueberries*
1 pint strawberries, hulled and cut into thick slices
2 pint raspberries
1 lemon, juiced
1/4 cup sugar
1 1/2 teaspoons cornstarch
**Note: A pint of berries should fill two dry cup measures, and probably weigh about 12 ounces.*

LEMON CREAM

1 quart whipping cream
1 tablespoon sugar
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 (11-ounce) jar lemon curd
1 store bought pound cake, sliced 1/2-inch thick

A Berry Delicious Trifle

Dessert is Something To Be Trifled With

A trifle typically consists of a plain sponge or pound cake, often soaked with wine or a liqueur, and topped with layers of preserves, custard, and cream. This particular recipe makes a spectacularly delicious trifle, which is both refreshing and light. Well, light as long as you don't eat too much.

You can watch a video on how to make this dessert at:
<http://www.foodnetwork.com/recipes/tyler-florence/berry-trifle-recipe.html>



DIRECTIONS

1. Place the berries into a large bowl and sprinkle with half of the lemon juice. Lightly toss.
2. Combine the berries, sugar, cornstarch and remaining lemon juice in a saucepan over medium-high heat. Bring to a simmer and cook just until the berries begin to break down and give up their juices, about three minutes. Take the berries off the heat and let cool; the mixture should thicken up as it cools.
3. In a clean bowl, whip the cream with the sugar and the vanilla to soft peaks. Put the lemon curd into a second bowl and stir in a little of the whipped cream to loosen it. Then fold in the rest of the cream.
4. To assemble the trifle, spoon a layer of the lemon cream into a large glass bowl. Add a layer of pound cake, breaking the slices into pieces that fit. Then soak the cake with a layer of berries and their juices. Keep going to make three or four more layers, depending on the size of the bowl, finishing with a layer of lemon cream. Cover and refrigerate until ready to serve.

April Fools Word Search

Figure out what words the clues represent. Then find the words in the grid. Words can go horizontally, vertically and diagonally in all eight directions. This one is a toughie. Clues, but not easy ones! Happy April Fools!

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Puzzle created by Patty Jordan. Solution on page 53.

- April 1
- April 5 observance
- Keep your cue on the ball
- An affectionate nickname for Beaumont
- April birthstone
- April 22 observance
- Please vote in HOA board _____
- Making a dent in our drought
- Helps keep our bodies healthy
- Everyone can be a singing sensation

- Help keep our minds active
- The county where we live
- Our traffic circles
- April _____
- Bring May _____
- Home of our indoor pool
- Where we love to walk
- Our April 1 performance
- Exercise in the pool
- Water feature near crooked creek gate

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Dear Tabby

The Importance of Being Brushed

By Teri DiMarino-Davidson



Spring is just around the corner and many of us can't wait for the weather to start warming up. Our dogs and cats are thinking the same. Like us, they look forward to the scent of fresh air and budding trees. It's a time of year that we like to give our homes a good spring cleaning and our pets should be part of that. Everything benefits from a nice freshening up after being locked up in the confines of our closed up houses all winter long. And while April may still present us with some cooler weather, it's always pleasant to cuddle with a nice, clean pet.

Many of our pets naturally grow a bit thicker coat in the winter to protect them from the elements. While we usually think that it's a change in the temperatures that govern these changes, it's actually the length of the days that determines when a pet changes coat. The shortening of daylight hours in the fall triggers the growth of the winter coat while the lengthening of daylight activates the shedding of the winter coat.

Hopefully you have been keeping up with your pet's regular grooming throughout the winter months. Regular brushing keeps the coat clean and tangle free, thus enhancing the coat's natural insulating properties. While this is important for all dogs with double-type coats (Pomeranians, Shelties and, yes, even short

coated dogs like Beagles), some dogs have the type of coat that grows like our own hair. This coat is commonly found on breeds like Poodles and Bichons. These dogs need to be professionally groomed on a regular basis, but that doesn't take the place of a good brushing at home. Not only does it keep the coat tangle-free, but it also helps them look and feel their best.

Cats also need regular brushing and their springtime shedding can really wreak havoc with your furniture and clothing. Most cats are self-grooming but they tend to ingest a good amount of hair during the cleaning process, especially during the shedding season. Hairballs can be unhealthy and aggravating to the cat and messy for the owner. Keeping the coat brushed and combed will help remove the excess hair and over-the-counter hairball remedies will help lessen the possibility of hairballs.

Brushes and combs are available at pet supply stores, and should be of a type that will get completely through the coat all the way down to the skin. This separates each hair and helps keep the coat from tangling. Brushing also removes dead hair before it finds its way onto your clothing or furniture. Some pets may object to the brushing process at first, but consider it a time to bond with your pet. Make it comfortable for you and the pet. Firm but gentle brushing actions with plenty of positive reinforcement and praise will help your pet enjoy the experience.

A good brushing at least every other day will help keep your pet clean, comfortable and ready for spring!



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Activities Director Corner

By Cindy Graves, Activities Director

There are lots of great things to look forward to in April. If you received this magazine before or on the first of April I am sure I will be seeing you tonight at 6:30 pm in the Lodge at the first PAC Variety Show for this year. Last year was jammed packed and for a good reason... the laughs were rapid fire and there was no cost to attend the show. This will be another promising show and as usual with the Performing Arts Club shows, there will be no cost to attend.

April second begins our 2016 photo display trilogy in the Lodge Lobby. This spring show will be followed by two additional shows this year, showcasing the beautiful photos and terrific talent in our Camera Club. If you are already a fan of this group's art, then you'll be happy to know that the show will be in the lobby from April 2 to April 9. If this will be your first exposure, you're in for a treat! These works will have you looking at your phone camera in disappointment, but, you'll certainly be inspired to try new things, maybe you'll even want to come to the Camera Club and benefit from their expertise and enjoyment. They're always willing to share and welcome new folks coming in. Check the calendar for more info on the club times.

Talking about spring, there is nothing like a good "spring cleaning" to give you a new start on the year and to make you feel like you've freshened up the place from winter's chilly gloominess. Another added value to spring cleaning in April is that you get to sort through your no-longer-treasured household items and put them aside for your very own money making endeavor; the HOA Community Garage Sale. Yes, you too can have your very own garage sale to make millions of dollars, on April 30 from 8 am to 2 pm! Come on down to the Lodge and sign up and we'll do all the advertising for you as well as pick up your City Garage Sale Permit.

The whole Beaumont/ Banning community is invited to come in and take advantage of looking at your goodies for purchase and we always have a very good turn out. Some of our residents who participated last year were on fixed incomes and now, thanks to the



garage sale, are independently wealthy (sort of). It's a lot of fun for those that just want to treasure hunt too.

The sign ups start on April 11 and the last day to sign up is on April 25. This allows Nelly time to create the ever-challenging garage sale maps, that we pass out at the gate with all of the participating homes on it. We'll call you the day before the sale to remind you to come to the Lodge and pick up your garage sale permit. Happy spring cleaning!

If you decide to take the opportunity to do some spring cleaning, there is a good chance, you'll feel like dancing, possibly more than you ever have felt like dancing before. Well, we have just the outlet for that urge on Friday, April 29 at 5:30 pm at the Lodge. That's the night when the master of unique music genres, David Brown and his wife, host an evening of free, expressive dance. Be sure to bring clothes you can move easily in and join the "no cost" fun. You are also welcome to bring your dinners and drinks into the Ballroom too.

Once again, happy spring and may this be the beginning of great new things in your life!

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| 1 Variety Show | 2 Tennis Wimbledon Party | 30 Piano Night |
| 2 Photo Display | 4 4th of July Celebration | OCTOBER |
| 7 Annual Meeting - HOA Election | 15 Desert Boogie Dance | 7 Radio Show |
| 9 Karaoke | 17 Amphitheater Concert | 8 HOA Garage Sale |
| 23 Fashion Show | 23 Summer Fun Dance | 15 Craft Boutique |
| 29 Desert Boogie Dance | 25 Photo Display | 18 Tennis Banquet |
| 30 HOA Garage Sale | 29 Password Game | 21 Love & Marriage Show |
| MAY | 30 Karaoke | 22 Karaoke |
| 6 Piano Night | AUGUST | NOVEMBER |
| 14 Magic Show | 5 AACC Motown Show | 11 Veterans Day |
| 15 Amphitheater Concert | 13 Country Western | 12 Karaoke |
| 20 Desert Boogie Dance | 19 Desert Boogie Dance | DECEMBER |
| 21 Karaoke | 20 Karaoke | 2 & 3 Holiday Extravaganza |
| JUNE | 21 Amphitheater Concert | 9 Ballroom Dance Christmas |
| 3 Desert Boogie Dance | 26 Piano Night | 10 AACC Christmas Dance |
| 4 Karaoke | 27 Magic Show | 13 Holiday Magic Show |
| 10 Piano Night | SEPTEMBER | 15 Wine Club Holiday Formal |
| 12 or 26 Amphitheater Concert | 3 Tennis US Open Party | 23 Karaoke Kristmas |
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RULES & REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

We need a new name for the old sales office. It has been called the Sales Office, Rec Center North, the Annex, the 1528 Building and the Old Sales Office, but none of the names have stuck.

It now houses the FirstService Residential administrative offices, the Board conference room, the Computer Room, a bunch of meeting and activities rooms and the ham radio facilities for the Emergency Preparedness Committee.

The last time we asked for suggestions for a name, only one suggestion was submitted. We need more.

You can become famous as the author of a name that will live as long as Four Seasons.

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Mail in your entry or drop it off at the Lodge desk or the administrative office or email it to General Manager Jeri Mupo at jeri.mupo@fsresidential.com. ~ **Leighton McLaughlin, for the committee**

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Architectural Review Committee is responsible for reviewing and approving any exterior improvements or modifications to the homeowner's property.

All exterior improvements or modifications must adhere to the architectural guidelines. The guidelines are on the HOA website, and can also be obtained at the Lodge front desk.

Homeowners may attend an ARC meeting or contact an ARC member to address any concerns or questions they may have about the guidelines.

Meetings are scheduled for the first and third Wednesday of each month at 9 am in the Board Conference Room. Homeowners are welcome to attend. ~ **Carl Buschmann**

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

Landscape is so very much a part of our daily lives and enjoyment here at Four Seasons. I am enjoying the early morning walks with our commercial landscapers. We check out the vegetation and discuss the care and feeding to keep it in the best shape possible.

At our February meeting, there was a reminder to those who walk our paths to keep their cell phone on. There are now trail location signs in case of walker emergency. It's much more enjoyable when you are safe.

The next Landscape Committee meeting is April 11 at 8 am in the Conference Room. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Landscape Committee, turn in your application at the Lodge. Residents are welcome to attend the meetings. ~ **Lynette Simonson**

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FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee held its regular meeting on Feb. 23. The financial statements for January were presented. It was noted that the front yard and Springdale cost center budgets were not incorporated into the report and some accruals did not make it into the report either.

A recommendation was made to postpone the review until the March meeting. Jeri Mupo presented her work in reconciling actual expenditures with Bureau of Real Estate budget estimates to more accurately represent the expected 2016 spending. There were no CDs to be reviewed. Wayne Staples provided improvements to the

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The Social Committee has been challenged as we pray for and encourage our fearless leader, Melody Seewoster while she battles cancer. It's an amazing thing when someone going through such hardship decides to preoccupy themselves with party planning!

It's all to the community's benefit! The Fashion Show this year is Melody's vision and a great one it is! This year the committee has contracted with an amazing fashion company, that brings to us, the beautiful and interesting fashions of the 40s, 50s and 60s. The Emcee this year is from the company and boy is she fascinating with the historical details of the outfit and the period.

They're bringing in make-up artists and hairstylists to ensure that the models have true to the time looks. The accessories are all authentic as well as the shoes and props. It's going to be a great "cat-walk" down memory lane for some of us and an absolute delight for

investment format for future use. Wayne also gave his report on the past due accounts receivables noting that the list has shrunk to only seven current accounts. Recent activity on one account netted a small claims court judgment of \$3,643. There were six vendor proposals presented and recommendations forwarded to the Board.

Agenda items for the March meeting include review of the January (corrected) and February financial reports.

Our next regularly scheduled meeting will be April 26 at 1 pm in the Lodge Conference Room. ~ **Noel Myers**

us all! Luncheon is also included for the ticket price of \$20. Please don't delay in getting your tickets if you're interested in going. Last year we unfortunately sold out in three hours. This year the tickets go on sale on Saturday morning, April 2 at 10 am in the Lodge Lobby.

Now here's something the guys can get their heads around... and around and around... as the hula dancers flip their hips... it's the upcoming Luau on Saturday, June 18. It was such a big hit a couple of years ago with the fire dancers and hula girls and who can forget our own resident celebrity pig pall-bearers marching in with their island wear, balancing a roasted pig on their shoulders! The dinner was delicious, the music festive and the entertainment thrilling!

Tickets go on sale May 16 at 10 am for \$30 each. Make your plans to go now... you'll really enjoy it. ~ **Cindy Graves for the committee**



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE

All pet owners know that pets are very important and are considered full-fledged members of the family. When an unexpected emergency such as a fire, flood or earthquake occurs, here are some ideas from the various animal care societies that will help your pet as well as help in the follow-up rescue.

The first thing to do is make a plan. Experts suggest preparing a pet emergency supply kit, which can include a food/water container, first aid kit, leash, a collar and ID kit. It is important to make sure your pets have adequate identification on them, such as collar tags and/or a microchip with up-to-date information. It is a good idea to have your cell phone number on the pet's tag as well as a phone number of a friend or relative who lives outside the immediate area. Keeping your pets vaccinations current is equally important

in safeguarding your pet's health. Additionally, it is important to have a portable pet carrier available that is large enough for your pet to stand up in and to turn around. Taking the time to familiarize your pet with the carrier is another good idea. It is also wise to have sanitation items for your pet such as paper towels and plastic bags.

Pet owners interested in further information may want to see www.ready.gov or check with the local Humane Society and the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA).

The Emergency Preparedness Committee is sponsoring a presentation by Chris Harwood from the Beaumont Animal Control office on Thursday, April 7, at 9 am at the Lodge Ballroom. This presentation is open to all residents at Four Seasons Beaumont and will provide a good opportunity for pet owners to get any additional questions answered. ~ **Anita Worthen, EPC Member**

BISTRO COMMITTEE

At our February meeting, we discussed the kitchen repairs. One new latch handle and one replacement latch handle for the refrigerator need to be purchased and installed. Cost is \$114 each. The meat slicer Smitty reported as not working correctly just needed to be lubricated.

The cold storage unit in the Bistro dining area is noisy. Management presented three proposals for the new deli case with installation and disposal. These proposals will be forwarded to the Safety and Facilities Committee for review.

We meet the fourth Tuesday of each month at 11 am in the Lodge Conference Room. All homeowners are invited to attend. ~ **Bill Taylor**

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

We want to thank all that came to our awesome special event on the evening of March 9. It replaced our usual 10 am bi-monthly meeting and was well attended. Thanks also to Eric Zarr for all of his assistance to us in setting up this event.

Our Interim City Manager Elizabeth Gibbs gave an update on the state of the city.

Items covered were CFD's, hot topics which included: District Attorney Investigation, Union Bank subpoena, State Controller's Office, Procurement Process, RFP Process, Accounting Software, Internal Controls, Standing Financial Committee. You can type in online to the City of Beaumont, CA and go onto the Transparency Portal for



more information on these topics. The city staffing levels were addressed, CFD Reconciliation by Michael Busch and their findings will be out the first week of May. More on CFDs can be found on the City of Beaumont's website.

The Bond summary was discussed for Four Seasons pre-payments and they are working on the correct dollar amount.

There is a calendar for all city meetings listed on the City of Beaumont website for all future updates. Please feel free to attend these to know what is going on.

Please keep a watch on this column for our upcoming events. ~ Susan Wilson

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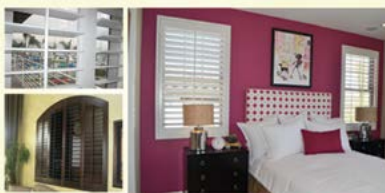


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SENIOR TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE (T-NOW) *Interest Group*

T-Now met Feb. 4 at Beaumont City Hall. It has been decided that for this year they will continue to meet there at 12 noon the first Thursday of the month. Lunch is served.

The goals for this year's T-Now are: 1. Enhance customers experience; 2. Promote ridership benefits; and 3. Enhance Riverside Transit Agency's name recognition.

T-Now covers the cities of Beaumont, Banning, Morongo, Calimesa, and Cabazon. It is a citizens' advocacy group for public transportation. Often more is accomplished in these groups than would be expected.

We are working at getting a travel training class here at Four Seasons. To travel Dial-A-Ride you only need to show proof that you are 65 years and older. You can practice getting on and off with wheel chairs, scooters, crutches and to overcome any personal problems of using public transportation with the travel training class. There is also a way of taking a class that will then entitle you to free transportation as long as you use public transportation on a regular basis.

Kaiser patients can now order their pain medication online

and pick up from a Kaiser pharmacy two days after ordering. There is a Kaiser urgent care in Redlands, but you must call for a same day appointment after 3 pm and it is available from 5 to 7 pm. Monday through Friday. and Saturdays 9 am to 12 noon.

March 3 was a T-Now Meeting. We met with some new people representing 2-11 Vet Link Trip Planner and again presented our plan for taxis for seniors at greatly reduced fares and they promised to look into it. Their concerns are senior citizens as well as vets.

Please fill out the questionnaire on senior transportation. You will find it in the lobby of Four Seasons or online. It is the only voice we all have to be part of the solution to improve transportation for seniors, reducing rates, opting for more door-to-door services for all seniors and above all providing a convenient and safe ride.

Please go online to www.surveymonkey.com/r/passtransitseniors and/or you can ask questions and request a survey via email at: seniorridersurvey@gmail.com. ~ Brenda and Richard Teeman

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CRAFT GROUP

A month has gone by and we will be starting glass painting and also continuing with card-making (photo inset).

Earth Day is this month, a perfect time to send a card that you have made from recycled material.

Example of one of our cards is pictured. Class is from noon to 3 pm on Tuesdays in the Craft Room. Join a great group of neighbors.

For more info., call Pam Kelley at (951) 769-7967. ~ **Pam Kelley**

CERAMIC CORNER

If you are looking for a new hobby, come to the ceramics class. You can create your own design or participate in a class project to create pieces for yourself, friends and family.

Drop by the Craft Room to see our monthly ceramics class schedule and learn more about our upcoming class projects.

Last month we had great turn out for our glass/frit plate project. Special thanks to Marion Herron and Elsie Fillman for class preparation, and to all for participating and making this a success.

Certified instructor and/or an experienced class team lead is available to support your crafting needs; participation is at your own pace and frequency.

Come and join in the fun, we meet twice a week in the Craft Room, on Wednesdays from 1 to 4 pm and Saturdays from 10 am to 2 pm.

See you there. Info., Bob Powers, (909) 841-3293 or Elsie Fillman, (661) 414-6270. ~ **Bob Powers**

KNITTING & CROCHETING

A recent request was made through one of our members by a gentlemen within a division of the U.S.M.C. in Camp Pendleton.

The Marines hold an annual race for the Wounded Warriors each March. They have requested a total of 200 hats for next year. The hats are to be made in the Marine Corp colors with an iron on insignia. All supplies will be furnished by them, so it will not cost any money for those who participate.

We will welcome any participation in this project from any of our residents who still knit or crochet. You can get further information by contacting the Knit and Crochet group on Tuesday mornings from 10 am to 11:30 am in the Craft Room. These hats/caps will be given out to each wounded warrior at the end of the race. We feel this is a worthy project and something to look forward to. You can also contact me at (951) 572-5436 and I can direct you on where to pick up the supplies. I hope a few of you will join us. ~ **Dorothy Payne**



Having fun at our Valentine's Dinner Dance



Dinner of chicken cordon bleu, pot roast, salads, vegetables and chocolate dessert was enjoyed by all

BALLROOM & SOCIAL DANCE

Our Valentine's dinner dance was a sell-out and we had a great time. Dinner was good, music was good and dancing was good. What more can you ask?

Well, maybe a little more. We awarded some very nice prizes, with the grand prize of the evening being certificates to the Candlelight Pavilion Dinner Theater, worth \$132 to the lucky winner.

This club is for regular folks who like to dance. Nothing fancy. No judging or competition. We just do something that's fun together. Some have never danced, so they learn from scratch. Others have some experience so they improve on their dancing skills. But everyone is welcome and everyone enjoys learning to dance.

At four week intervals we start a different dance. It could be the tango, then maybe the waltz, or the country two-step, or the rumba or swing. Whatever the dance, the more we learn the easier it gets and the more fun we have.

Our next event, the Summer Fun Dinner Dance, is already planned for Saturday evening, July 23. We'll have the Sklyline Xpress Band, and the entrée will be barbecued ribs and chicken. Tickets go on sale in June. You won't want to miss this one!

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



Our lucky Grand Prize winner received two tickets for the Candlelight Pavilion Dinner Theater

LINE DANCING

Have you thought about taking line-dancing lessons? Well, now is the time. I will have a 30 minute line dancing class for beginners only every Tuesday this month from 2:30 to 3pm in the ballroom. I will teach you the basic steps, one step at a time, and in the process you will learn at least the two most common dances played at most weddings. The classes will start promptly at 2:30 pm. Please bring water and wear shoes that will slide on a wood floor. You will probably stay for the regular beginners class that runs from 3 to 3:45 pm by the third week. This is the only time this year I will be offering this very beginners class.

Each week we dance to music we have already learned and once

a month I try to introduce a new dance for each class. The regular beginners class uses easier dances that teach new steps. The advanced class is from 3:45 to 4:30 pm and works on faster, harder dances until one is mastered and they move on to a new dance.

The classes are filled with music, exercise and laughter. We call missteps a modification. We are there to learn, meet new people and have fun.

Please join us or come watch. Maybe you will be inspired to try line-dancing.

Hope to see you in class. ~ **Martha Franck**

SEASONED SOLOS

Attention all singles! Come join us for fun and adventures. We attend concerts, plays, miniature golf, picnics, luncheons and much more. We meet to make plans on the first Friday of each month in the Craft Room. Meetings are at 6 pm. For information call Monica Sarafian at (951) 922-8805. ~ **Toby Davis**

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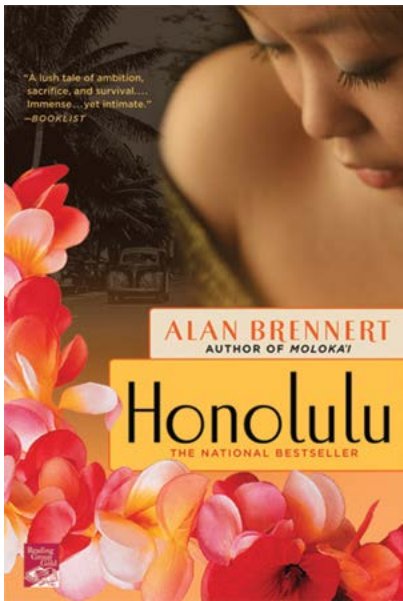
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BOOK CLUB

“In Korea in those days, newborn girls were not deemed important enough to be graced with formal names, but were instead given nicknames, which often reflected the parents’ feeling on the birth of a daughter: I knew a girl named Anger, and another called Pity. As for me, my parents named me Regret.” And so we are introduced to the main character of this month’s Book Club selection, *Honolulu* by Alan Brennert.

In the early 20th century, Jin (as Regret later renames herself) immigrates to Hawaii as a “picture bride,” believing she is going to marry a handsome, affluent man. But life does not go as she hopes and she faces challenges of abuse, poverty, employment and prejudice in a strange, new country.

Author Alan Brennert’s writing includes a mixture of interesting cultural details of the period and true historic events that provide a



by Chris Bohjalian.

For further information, please contact Doreen Sanders at (951) 769-1913. ~ **Sandra Silva**

COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY

Our March meeting was a presentation by Bob Gostischa (a contractor with AVAST) entitled “Technology from a Different Perspective.”

It started out with a rather humorous look at our lives before and after we became leashed to our technical devices.

Bob then went on to give us some hints and cautions to keep us safe in the modern technical world. He discussed identity theft, protecting our devices from security threats, obtaining free credit reports and he supplied us with the names of several free programs which can help our devices run safer and smoother.

Our regularly scheduled meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 10:30 am in the Lodge Ballroom. We try to come up with topics of interest to our active adult community and we try to publish those topics in advance so that you can attend those

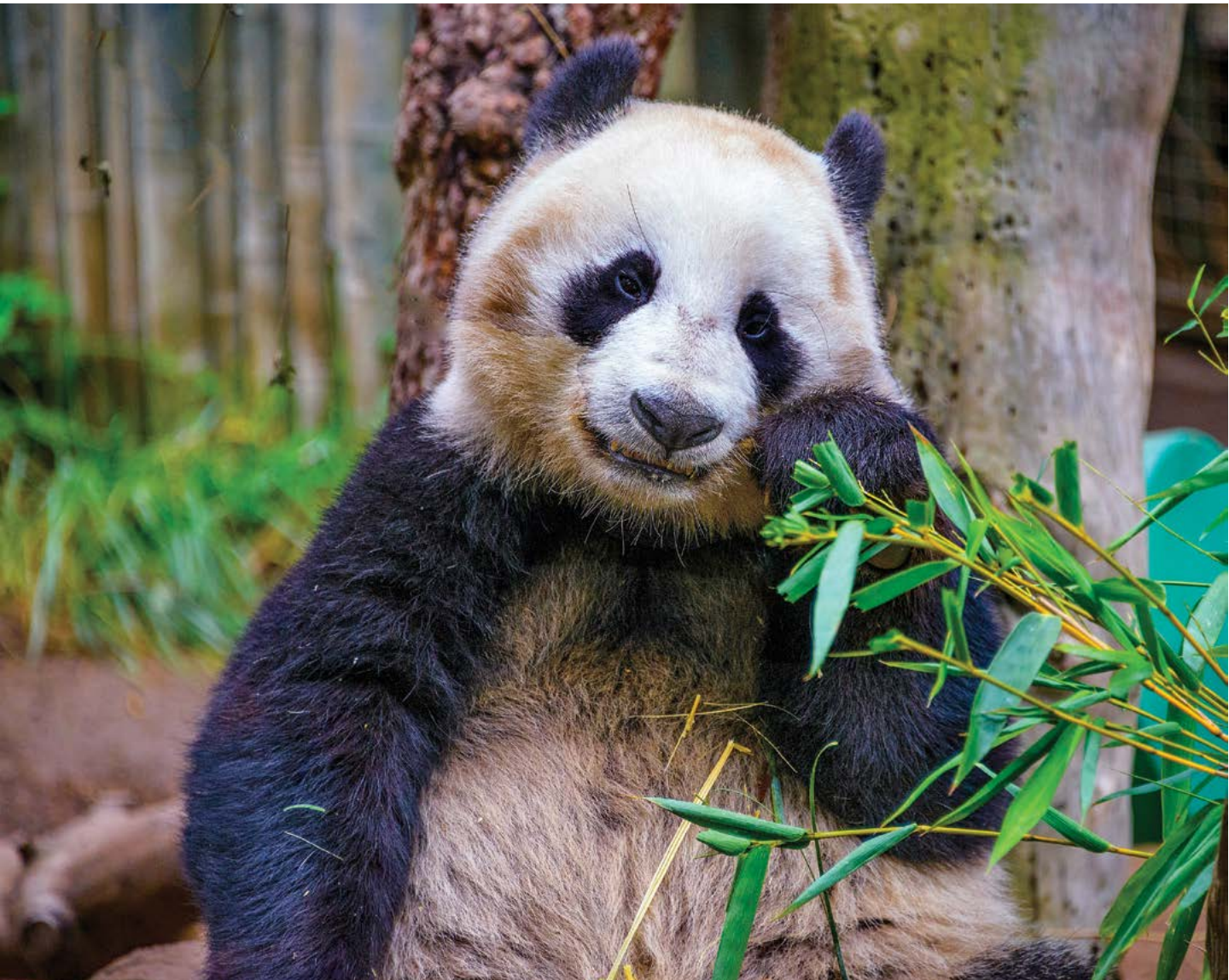
that interest you. On April 12, Eric Zarr will give a presentation on the iPad and iPhone. On May, 10 we will have a Skype presentation about social networking “What the heck are Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn?” We hope to see you there. ~**Howard Lyon**



WRITERS’ CLUB

There are many different types of writers and the stories they tell are unique and individual. The March meeting of the club was a good example. To get us in the mood to explore the different styles of writing, we had a short discussion of “curious idioms” as presented in the March edition of *The Breeze* written by Len Tavernetti. Members of the club expanded on them and included definitions for “armed to the teeth” and “cat bird seat.” Roland Harrah read a new segment of his book, *Undeniable Love*, to the group. It is a story about meeting his wife in Vietnam and their life there and over the years. His new segment is a story about his first birthday in Vietnam and the cake his mother sent him through the mail. It had been chocolate when it was mailed! John Baeyertz told us the first 40

pages of his science fiction novel had been edited. Some of the club members had reviewed and commented on the first section and the recommendations were discussed. He promised to present the next section at the April meeting. Ed Paules is writing a non-fiction book tentatively titled *Who’s Accountable*, a history of the financial crisis. His specific thesis is that human (political) error causes all economic crashes. Ed’s background and his ability to make sense out of reams of data that may result in two books instead of one being written. Ed said “if you can’t find the book you want to read – write it!” Why not join our Writers’ Club and start to write the book you want to read Don’t hesitate to call me if you have any questions at (951) 769-1520. ~ **Joseph Laurin**



Camera Club member Lyle Cameron got this great shot of a panda bear recently at the San Diego Zoo

CAMERA CLUB

We meet the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm in the Craft Room at the Lodge. The next meeting is April 19. Visitors are always welcome. We invite all photographers, regardless of skill level, to join us for our regular meetings and field trips.

For the March meeting, the assignment was night photography which could include a cityscape night scene or any other photograph taken at night. Pictures submitted by members of the club were shown on a projector against a screen. We then discussed and

conducted a constructive critique of all. We learn a lot about various techniques involving differing shutter speeds, use of tripods, and other ways to enhance our photographs.

Our camera club will be participating in a spring photo show in the lobby of the Lodge April 2 to April 9. Be sure to visit if you have the chance.

We hope to see you soon at one of our meetings. Any questions, please call me at (951) 849-6987. ~ **Lyle Cameron**

CHAVURAH JEWISH SOCIAL CLUB

We welcome residents who want to connect to Judaism, its culture, and celebrations. Members enjoy social, cultural and religious get-togethers, connect to other organizations in and around the community, engage in exciting seasonal celebrations, and attend Lodge and private home settings to taste varieties of Far Eastern and Mediterranean foods and drinks, as well as attend festive holiday Oneg Shabbat (dessert).

We plan outstanding, joyous celebrations of events around Thanksgiving, the Harvest Festival, Passover, Purim, and Hanukkah,

the Festival of Lights. Members have attended movie nights, holiday celebrations and committee meetings at private homes to plan events in Redlands and Sun Lakes, as well as meetings at our Lodge Card Room on various occasions from 6 to 8:30 pm. All are welcome.

For more information about these events, and to be put on our email lists, please contact us at: chavurah.time@aol.com, or to talk to a real person, (714) 423-4755, Dr. Zee ‘Rachel’ Knapp or Lynn Matthews at (951) 845-7990. ~ **Dr. Zee Knapp**



FOUR SEASONS SINGERS

We hope you liked our songs at the April 1 comedy show.

We'll be back rehearsing patriotic songs in May.

To join, or if you have questions about the Four Seasons Singers, call (951) 797-3466 or email me 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 Benoff at steve.benoff@verizon.net or (310) 413-4896. ~ **Steve Benoff**



RAINBOW GROUP

The Four Seasons at Beaumont Rainbow Group meets on alternate months for casual dinners. This allows our LGBT neighbors and friends to socialize, update each other on what we have been up to and discuss social issues. We have no dinner plans for April. When scheduled, we gather at Smitty's, order whatever dinner items we wish and have dinner either on the patio, weather permitting, or in the adjacent Conference Room. Should you wish to enjoy your own beverages, please feel free to bring whatever you desire. If you have any suggestions or questions, please call/email Dale at (951) 797-0364 or dale.beckes@gmail.com; or Barbara at (951) 845-6246 or amerton@alumna.ucla.edu. ~ **Dale Beckes**

TASTE D'VINE



It's time to break out and go wine exploring in the neighborhood! By neighborhood, we mean exploring right here in our own backyard with interesting wine on local store shelves. You will be amazed at what we have found, even for the most discriminate wine aficionado.

Taste d' Vine Wine Club is pleased to bring you an evening of Wines in the Hood, Part 3 featuring some of the best wine in the neighborhood. Please join us at our April meeting on the third Thursday, April 21, at 6 pm in the 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 \$10. ~ **Gracy Luna**

"BELIEVE..." WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

In two years and three months the "Believe..." Women's Bible Study roster has increased to 74 beautiful women of God.

However, since we meet on Fridays, doctor's appointments, RV trips, illness, grandchildren and weather interfere with regular attendance for some, leaving a core group of 45. As always, the women who consistently attend are growing exponentially. Many sincere thanks to all of you who make the effort to attend on a regular basis and contribute brilliantly to the discussions.

In February, the subject of the entire four week sessions was forgiveness; God's forgiveness, our forgiveness of others, and forgiveness of self. The intelligence and insight shared by this amazing group of women was truly gratifying and beautiful.

In March, we continued our "A Godly Woman Is..." series, beginning with hopeful: understanding the word hope, how we see it, and how it relates to faith. We ultimately learned that our hope is in Him, through faith. Next we discussed honesty: what being honest

truly means from an eternal perspective, what God thinks about liars, how flattery is a form of lying, honesty with self, and being truthful about God. The next two lessons discussed "A Godly Woman is Noble:" what the word noble means and how it pertains to each woman.

In April, as we continue our "A Godly Woman Is..." series, we will discuss the topics of peaceful and prepared and why The Word encourages us to be both.

If any Four Seasons women are interested in joining a beautiful group of women who love the Lord and enjoy studying His Word, please bring your Bible and come meet with us in the old card room (next to the library) from 10:30 to 11:45 am every Friday. This is a non-denominational study, and any translation of the Bible is acceptable. We will welcome you with open hearts and arms. Hope to see you there! ~ **Eileen Gilbert-Antoine**



LIFE GUIDE BIBLE STUDY

We are completing a study on how God helps us to grow and mature through our circumstances, and on Tuesday, April 5 we will begin a series entitled "Secrets of the Vine" at 7 pm in the Lodge Ballroom. Jim Seim will be our facilitator throughout this series which will help us to experience the abundant life Jesus

promised. Jim will be using scriptures along with video presentations; there will be plenty of opportunity for discussions too.

All are welcome. Please contact Doc or Letha Sellars at (951) 797-3302 or docletha72@gmail.com with any questions or comments. ~ **Doc Sellars**

CREATIVE DRAWING & SKETCHING CLASS

The perspective of the Artist of the Month Christine Vergara:

The subject of this drawing is a Tibetan country house. I chose it because of my general love of houses and because I found this architecture and design so fascinating. True to its location, this particular house is also flying a tattered Buddhist prayer flag and the Communist Chinese flag.

I have been part of Rob's drawing class for several years now and I find that I am continually learning, growing and stretching my abilities. Unfortunately, I had to stop attending classes for a couple of months. When I came back with fresh eyes, I was so impressed with how much everyone in the class had progressed and had developed their own style. Some people branched out into color work, using wax colored pencils, pastel pencils, watercolor pencils, just straight watercolor, or even ink, building on the basic skills they learned from black and white drawings.

Rob Kelman's classes are relaxing, yet stimulating and very creative. It's just the place to brush up on old skills or to explore something you've never tried before.

Come join us and start your own journey into the world of art with other encouraging artists and an insightful instructor. Classes are Mondays 10 am to 12 noon and/or Wednesdays 6 to 8 pm. If you have any questions call Rob Kelman (951) 992-9156 or cell (602) 571-0414. ~ **Rob Kelman**



Above: Work by the Artist of the Month Christine Vergara



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TOPS



We have some great news this month: one of our members, Jerry Monahan, will be receiving a special award as division winner for California at the State Recognition Days this June. Jerry has lost 55+ pounds since joining TOPS in October. This is truly a big honor for our chapter and Jerry. Congratulations!

TOPS is here at Four Seasons to help you achieve your weight loss goals. We have a great group of men and women who will make you feel comfortable and provide encouragement. We also have

programs about nutrition, motivation, health and fitness. TOPS is very affordable with a yearly membership fee of \$32 and \$3 per month chapter dues. We meet in the Ballroom on Tuesday mornings with weigh-in from 8 to 8:30 am and the meeting from 8:30 to 9:30 am. You may attend one meeting with no obligation.

For more information you may contact our chapter leader and Four Seasons resident, Cathy Calhoun at (951) 849-2614 or Rosalee Strong, TOPS Area Captain, at (951) 845-9313. ~ *Cheryl Burke*

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Every month I write about what we are discussing or doing in the Bereavement Group. The purpose is to acquaint readers with the way such a group functions, to educate about the learning we do, the path or paths we walk in order to enhance healing, and the resources available to us.

The group began three years ago in May and during this time we have adhered to a schedule of 12 weeks on and four weeks off. A few months ago that schedule changed to an ongoing format. Currently, we are not anticipating taking any breaks, other than for a holiday. This has resulted in a modification to the way the group functions.

Instead of following a somewhat prescribed format, we are ranging

into new territories. As a group, we have decided not to discuss healing from grief after death as much as we have, but to further investigate the sometimes extremely difficult and painful time spent before death, sometimes as caregivers, sometimes as patients.

Generous as always, the group participants hope that this new exploration will make our work helpful to an expanded number of people.

If you would like to join us, come to the Crafts Room in the Lodge on Mondays from 1 to 3 pm or you may call for more information to Laurie at (951) 922-0934 or to lauriemlarson425@gmail.com. ~ *Laurie Larson*

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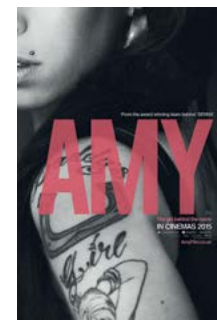
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COUNTER CULTURE CINEMA

If you ever wished there were movie theaters closer to the Four Seasons that played “smaller” films, check out our Cinema Club which screens these films twice each month.

Our first April screening, on Sunday, April 10 at 6 pm, is the film *Grandma* (USA 2015, 79 minutes, English). Here is a brief description from IMDb.com: “Lily Tomlin stars as Elle, who has just gotten through breaking up with her girlfriend when Elle’s granddaughter Sage unexpectedly shows up needing \$600 before sundown. Temporarily broke, Grandma Elle and Sage spend the day trying to get their hands on the cash as their unannounced visits to old friends and flames end up rattling skeletons and digging up secrets.”



Our second screening, on Sunday, April 24 at 6 pm, is the winner of the 2015 Academy Award for best documentary film, *Amy* (USA 2015, 128 minutes, English). Here is a brief description from IMDb.com: “(This is) the story of Amy Winehouse in her own words, featuring unseen archival footage and unheard tracks.”

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*

AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURE CLUB

Our Meet and Greet Wine and Cheese mixer was standing room only. We reached out to our new neighbors in our community and all current members.

What a stellar turn out we had even through rain, hail and wind! Fabulous turn out! A beautiful tea basket was created and given away by Dee Houston and Wanda Valentine. Thank you to the ladies who helped out with goodies and clean up.

Les Mays and his team spoke on home maintenance tips, remodeling information, plumbing, air conditioning/heating and exterior work during our meeting. We appreciate you and your team Les!

Joyce Allen presented to Betty Ann James and Warren Hurd (absence) a certificate of a job well done as outgoing President and Secretary. Thank you so much!

Johnetta Driscoll and her team successfully organized an excursion to the Pageant of the Masters in Laguna Beach upcoming date of August 10, 2016. The excursion is sold out!

Congratulations go out to Cookie Bonner, for the second annual Multicultural evening of Christian & Gospel Music. The choirs that sang, the trio that played and sang, and more, made it another successful evening. It was well-attended and enjoyed by all. Thank



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BUNCO

Hello ladies! Hope you are all doing well. This month we will be having Bunco April 8 and 22. If you have never played, come on out and give it a try. It is a great way to meet some new friends and have fun doing it. So grab a neighbor and a drink at Smitty's or maybe even some lunch beforehand. We meet in the card room at 1 pm sharp. See you there!. ~ **Cheryl Burke**

MAH JONGG

Everybody is welcome to join us for Mah Jongg at 12:30 pm on Mondays in the 1528 Building. We accept beginners and offer coaching for those who have not played in several years. A current Mah Jongg card is required but you can borrow or copy one until you get your own. 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 10 am to 1 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**

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 Thursdays, 1 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. 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 FOR FUN

Bridge for Fun meets on Wednesdays and Mondays at 12 noon. We rotate partners and tables in a party bridge format. We encourage pre-discussion of our conventions with each partner before the play. We support Carol Sternberg in our thoughts with the loss of her daughter.

Our Spring Fling party was a bright spot for our members. Thanks to Carol Oliver for hosting the party. Thanks to Lylia and Mike for providing coffee set ups each week. Verina and husband Bob have a great handle on the Wednesday bridge scoring system. Also, Bill has worked out the Monday scoring system. Everything related to scores is working and we thank the above for scheduling and scoring.

Monday info.: Bill Guy (951) 845-5627; Wednesday info.: Verina Rector (951) 769-1687 or Phil Irving (760) 447-0007; Duplicate info.: Halley (760) 898-3215. ~ **Dr. Phil**

DUPLICATE BRIDGE

We continue to move ahead, with new players attending each week. How pleased we are here at Four Seasons to accommodate such an enthusiastic group in our beautiful facility. The talented director, Barbara Rebels, has also begun a very informative class one-half hour prior to the duplicate game at noon.

If you're interested, please call Barbara at (951) 530-1523. The ACBL Sanctions Bridge meets each Friday afternoon at 12:15 pm in the RCN Building.

For further information please call Helen at (951) 845-9312. ~ **Helen Shoemate-Gurley**

BRIDGE

Planning ahead for the future seems to be an important ingredient for a successful and contented time in our golden years here at Four Seasons. Perhaps you have climbed that mountain, road that killer wave, sailed to far away places and/or chalked up 100k miles in the RV.

The learning never ceases, the socialization is always invigorating and it benefits a healthy state of mind. We are grateful for Candice in introducing new students to this great game. She has the patience and skill to be a well informed teacher.

The original Monday Bridge Club gathers at 12 noon in the RCN Building and we would like to have you join us for the pleasure we experience each afternoon. For more information, call Candice at (951) 845-0942, or Helen at (951) 845-9312. ~ **Helen Shoemate-Gurley**

PERFORMING ARTS CLUB

Spring showers you with lots of entertainment this year! Hopefully, you've received your *Breeze* early enough for me to remind you that you should be going to *Imagine! A Trip Through The 60s!* on April 1. It's a variety/comedy show filled with enough skits and talent to keep you smiling throughout the entire performance. Don't forget the throwback to the 60s, a decade we all lived through. This show will bring back memories, some even you may have long forgotten about. So grab a dinner at Smitty's or bring your own, including your drink of choice, and join us.

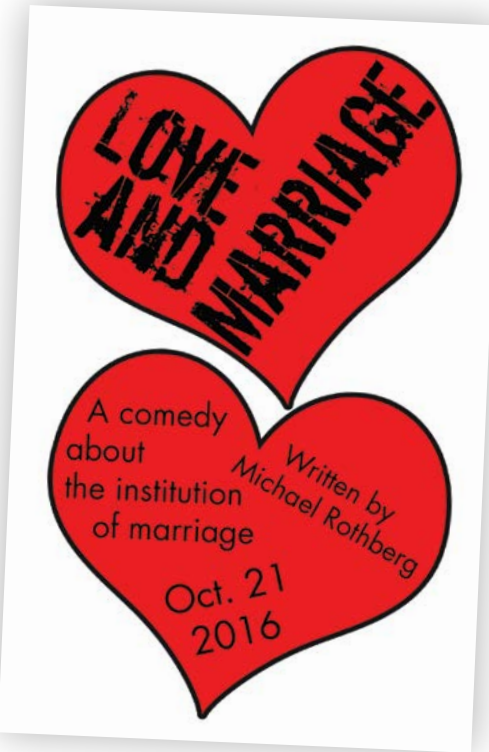
Sneak Peek: *Love and Marriage*, a comedy about the institution of marriage, was written by Michael Rothberg, a Four Seasons resident. The show will consist of several comedic one to three minute skits. Performance date is Oct. 21.

Secret: Our choir has been getting together secretly to rehearse for the past several weeks. We have never started this early for Fourth of July, so that's not it. Have you figured it out? Yes, we're singing in the variety show. Do you know what that means? The choir is going to sound incredible for July Fourth! It's always a big party atmosphere in the Ballroom with food, prizes, great singing and

national honor. It's never too early to circle the date for what's going to be a great time.

At every performance, in the back of the room, we have a contribution box. To those of you who have contributed in the past, I would like to say thank you on behalf of the club. If you have the ability to either continue or to start contributing, we truly appreciate you. We are trying to make our productions more elaborate for your viewing enjoyment with costumes, props, and backdrops. We don't charge for our shows, ever.

If you are interested in joining or being a part of the Performing Arts Club, we are always accepting new members: actors, writers, sound effects, crew, and sound crew. You don't have to attend meetings unless you want to, to be a part of this wonderful and magical group. If you have any questions, please email terimk@verizon.net or call (951) 992-9156. ~ **Teri Meyers-Kelman**







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AMATEUR RADIO CLUB



Hiram Percy Maxim was an American radio pioneer and inventor, and co-founder of the American Radio Relay League (ARRL). One of his later amateur radio call signs was W1AW. That call sign is now recognized by hams as the ARRL Headquarters station call sign.

Maxim was a brilliant fellow, having graduated MIT at the tender age of 16. He went right to work as an inventor, a family tradition.

In his later years, Maxim became a champion of the rights of amateur radio operators and was instrumental in opening shortwave and ultra-shortwave radio to amateur radio operators.

What few amateur radio operators know is that he invented the Maxim Silencer for the gun (rifle) and built one of the first electric cars as well as a gasoline powered bicycle. He also developed glider airplanes.

He did not enjoy the fame of a gun silencer, so he adopted the concept and adapted his silencer for automotive exhaust pipes. The technology was adapted to mufflers, safety valves, air compressors, blowers, and numerous other devices.

But most amateur radio operators know of Maxim through his groundbreaking work in radio transmission and the establishment of radio amateur operators and their licensing.

Due to the limited range of radios in the early 1900s, he

implemented a method of relaying messages through a cadre of radio amateurs who would stand by on a prearranged schedule throughout the country in order to forward messages to their destination.

Hence the organization of the ARRL which is still very active in promoting amateur radio and helping to define the rules of amateur radio.

To this day, the facility housing Maxim's many accomplishments is located in Newington, Connecticut and is visited by many radio folk.

Our website is W6FSB.com. Meetings are held in Rec Center North on the last Friday of the month at 10 am. ~ **Dick Van Bree, W6RVB, Vice President**



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HORSESHOE CLUB

Our First Quarter Tournament was in March over a two week period. The winners of the doubles competition was a pair of Riches. Rich Burns and Rich Yanes. Rich Burns was a winner of our last doubles competition in 2015. Then the following week, Rich Yanes continued his winning ways in the singles competition. At one point in the competition, one of Rich Carrasco's horseshoes bounced into the adjacent bushes and a long search ensued (photo below).

Our April social event with dinner at The Bistro and dessert will be at member's home Tom and Marion Herron with delicious homemade dishes. Their backyard light display is something to behold. We're looking forward to summer, warmer weather and the fun and camaraderie of this great, fun-loving group of folks. New members are always welcome, so if you are at all interested, come out and join us. We meet every Wednesday morning at 9 am at the beautiful Summit.

For information, contact Ron Erickson at (951) 846-3288, rejlerickson@sbcglobal.net or Gary Christie at (951) 845-0520, goldtoy@earthlink.net. ~ **Ron Erickson**



Horseshoes singles winner Rich Yanes



Horseshoe club members search for an errant horseshoe

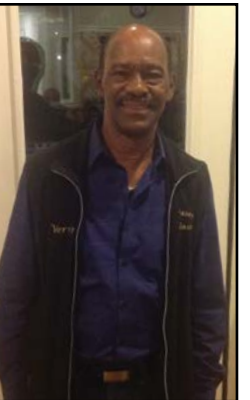
DOMINOES

In February, the domino players voted and changed the game playing time on Wednesdays. Free play on Wednesdays is from 5 to 6 pm. From 6 to 9 pm all domino games count toward the monthly championship. There are no changes on Fridays, which are now the same playing times as Wednesdays.

The domino champion for February was Vernon Bell with 19 wins. Reggie Fuqua, our president, was right on his tail with 17 wins. This is the first time Vernon won the championship. We are experiencing miracles in 2016. Way to go Vernon! Stay sharp.

Dominoes is played every Wednesday and Friday from 5 to 9 pm in the Lodge Game Room.

For more information call Jesse at (951) 769-2035 or Reggie at (951) 769-6483. Come out and play dominoes and make some new friends. ~ **Marvin A. Gaines**



February Domino champ Vernon Bell

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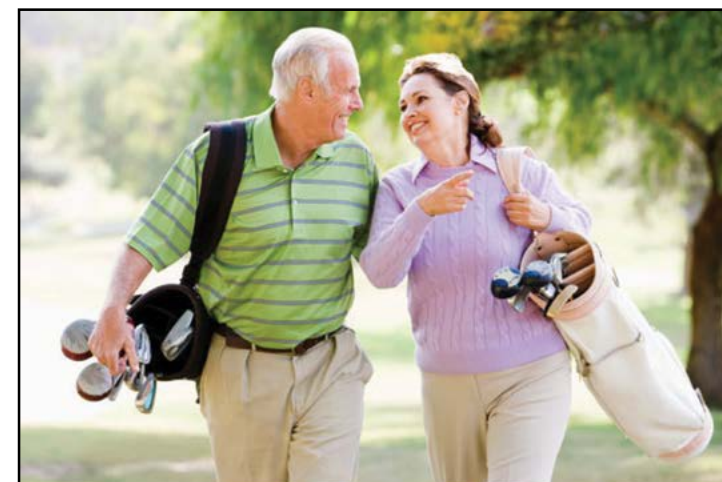
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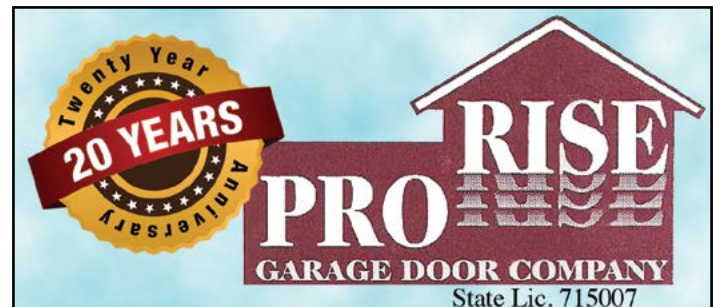
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The table tennis club at the March meeting

TABLE TENNIS

At our March meeting we had rain and hail but we also had Rob Gardner, Perry White, Barry Pope, Al Blair, Irene Pope, Neil Edelbaum, Donna Lewis, Bruce Lewis, Carolyn Hamic, Shao Carrasco, Michael Berta, Richard Carrasco, Lian Lee, Robert Norwood, Jeannie Baker, Niles Sundstrom, and Alex Castanon brave the elements and come out for some games of ping pong. Why would they do this? Because ping pong is fun, fun, fun. But don't take our word for it — join us and find out for yourself. You don't even have to wait for a raining, hailing day to do it. You can find us in the aerobics room Monday through Friday at 10:30 am and Saturday at 11 am. We would love to have you join us. 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 Sundstrum**

RACQUET CLUB

It's been quite a month for the Racquet Club. There was a lot of great tennis and also the "fifth major" with the PNB Paribas Open tennis tournament in Indian Wells.

Many club members attended events associated with the big tournament, such as the John McEnroe Charity night with current professionals and retired tennis greats playing in front of a capacity audience. Admission was free, but tickets were gobbled up online within hours. Also free were the qualifying matches for both the men and women professionals competing for spots in the main tournament. This year was notable not just for the world class players but also for the return to Indian Wells of both Serena and Venus Williams.

Back at Four Seasons, there was another well-attended play day. This was the first one since Romy Villena moved away, and while he was missed, we were fortunate to have Loren DuChesne step up and join the FSBRC Committee. Loren has apparently recovered from his service on the Board of Directors, and graciously accepted a promotion to the racquet club committee.

The highlight of the play day was not the fun and good tennis, not discounting Syed Ali making it through the whole morning as

the only player to be on the winning team for every match he played. The most special part of the day was after the tennis when everyone was invited to the Nelsons' house to help them celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary. In addition to many of the club members, the party was joined by Howard and Mickey's local friends and neighbors and family members from Missouri. The house was packed, with guests spilling over to the garage, where games of skill and talent were played. Naturally, there were special prizes, because after all these were the Nelsons. Just one drawback: Howard wasn't there to share any stories. He had done a sleep-over at Eisenhower and missed the party. More stories and prizes are sure to come though, because Howard's doing fine.

The club thanks the HOA and staff for the quick repair of the damaged net post on the east court. Whether it was one of Richard's 100 mile-an-hour serves or just a rusty weld on the post, the whole net was bent to the ground. The upside was I was finally able to hit a backhand that didn't land in the net, and I could jump over the net after the game. Please check our website at www.fsbrc.org. ~ **Steven Hovey**

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PADDLE TENNIS

In February some of the women paddle players from Four Seasons participated in a tournament at Sun Lakes. As the result of the poor turnout for the event, the ladies at Four Seasons will organize another paddle tournament in the near future with more participants. Stay tuned.

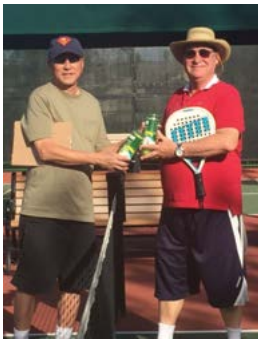
Congratulations to the winners of the paddle tennis lobbing contest: first place was Richard Carrasco who managed to get six out of 10; second place was Robert Norwood who got four out of 10; and third place was a tie between Alan Chan and Diego Santos with a score of three out of 10.

Though some days were windy in February, towards the end of the month it had died down and folks took advantage of the beautiful weather to go out and swing some paddles again. As always we invite you to come and play paddle with us!

The PTC open play times are Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays 2 to 4 pm and Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 8:30 to 10:30 am. If you have question please call Diana Ali (909) 210-9357. ~ **Hailu Kinde**



Ladies Paddle Tournament at Sun Lakes - L-R: Lovey Cook; Marilyn Sarchett; Cathy (from Sun Lakes); and Padoo Peralta



Richard Carrasco was the first place lobbing winner. He accepts the award from Alan Chen

BOCCE

Bocce ball is played at the summit courts several times a week. Scheduled times are 9 am every Tuesday and 3 pm every Wednesday. All are welcome to join. Several groups play at other times as balls are available for check-out from the attendant at the desk. No special skills or previous experience needed. A great time will be had. Laughs, moans and cheers will come naturally. If you would like to come 15 minutes early for learning or practice, or if you have any questions, contact Mike Saperstein at (951) 769-7909, Larry Anderson at (951) 845-8003, or Jeannine Baker at (951) 797-0833. ~ **Mike Saperstein**



Bocce ball players Donna Lewis, Sandy Roberts, Jeannine Baker, Richard Carrasco, Jerome Liebenberg, Helen Lindstrom, Bruce Lewis, Charlie Leger, Kimi Olsen, Bill Baker, Jean Bauer, Mike Olsen, Mike Saperstein

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PICKLEBALL

In February, several members from our pickleball family participated in the Palm Desert Senior Games held at the Palm Desert Community Center. In order to accommodate the 287 participants, the tennis courts were converted to 18 pickleball courts. This event was the largest tier two tournament in California! Mixed couple partners were Jesse Aceves with Marty Key, LynnRae Dupree with Perry White and Nancy Barnaby with Rick Von Kleist. Women's double partners were Irma Peterson with Julie Stayner, LynnRae Dupree with Janelle Von Kleist and Nancy Barnaby with Marty Key.

During this two day event, we had over 20 friends from our Four Seasons community come out and cheer us on. All of the players appreciated the cheers, cold water bottles and snacks that they were ready to hand out to us.

Although no medals were won, all of the players came home with great goody bags and suntans. We are all looking forward to future tournaments and clinics so we can "pickle" our future opponents.

For more information about the great game of pickleball, please contact Nancy Barnaby at (951) 845-0842 or rbarnaby38@verizon.net, or Irma Peterson at (951) 845-1068 or retiredtcher@gmail.com or Rick Von Kleist at (909) 981-6580 or rvonkleist@yahoo.com. ~ **Irma Peterson**

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ALL SEASONS RV

Our February trip took us to Calico where we went off roading, target shooting and touring the old ghost town of Calico. It was a little colder than we were used to but that did not hold us back from having a good time. Our March trip is set for East Shore in San Dimas. This is a new location for us and we are anxious to check it out. Come meet us at our monthly meeting in the Lodge. We meet the second Tuesday of the month at 6 pm. If you are new to RVing or an old hand at it we would love to meet you and have you join in the fun outings with a group of happy travelers. See you soon. ~ Ann Williams



The group enjoys going through the Calico Silver Mine



L-R: Bev Weber, Walt Weber, Larry Anderson, Dianne Anderson, Bill Guy and Tanya Guy

ROADRUNNER RVERS

A great time was had by our Roadrunner RVers who went to Yuma, Arizona in February. Hosted by Larry and Dianne Anderson, there was perfect weather, a trip to Mexico for shopping and lunch, and a fun Jazz festival. March 6 is our trip to Pechanga RV Resort in Temecula. Tanya Guy planned an enjoyable time for us with wine tasting, Old Town for shopping and lunch, and a trip to Lawrence Welk's for lunch buffet and "Fiddler on the Roof."

Upcoming trips are to Paso Robles in May for the annual wine festival, the High Sierras at the end of summer, San Clemente in October, and Pahrump and Death Valley in November. If you are interested in attending our monthly meetings, please call Bill Guy at (951) 845 5627, or Jane Jacobson at (951) 797 3563. We would love to meet you and introduce ourselves! ~ Jane Jacobson

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Rocket shows ultra-serious concentration as Bill Sanders looks on



Paul Snyder shows intense focus



Pete Bonofiglio lines up his next shot

BILLIARDS FOR FUN

What a delightful group of men and women make up our Billiards for Fun Group. Many thanks to all of you who attend regularly to enjoy this fun game, amidst teasing, laughter and a lot of deep, serious concentration (see the photos above).

Now that we have our perpetual plaque hung in the Billiards Room, displaying our quarterly in-house tournament winners, everyone is enthusiastic to sharpen their individual skills for the purpose of ultimately seeing their names on the plaque. Our next tournament will be held on May 3, and several of our members can

be found close to five days a week in the Billiards Room, sharpening and honing their shooting skills.

If you are interested in joining a great group of men and women who enjoy this challenging game, come by the Billiards Room and check us out! We meet every Tuesday from 11 am to 1 pm for the morning session or 1 to 3 pm for the afternoon session. On Saturdays there is an informal practice with the same time slots. We look forward to having you join our fun group of amazing pool players! ~ **Eileen Gilbert-Antoine**

CURLY CUES

The Curly Cues women's billiards group is growing as word spreads throughout Four Seasons about how much fun we have playing this challenging, entertaining, frustrating and delightful game. In late February most of the newer members had received enough instruction and were ready to be paired with a more experienced player for partnership play. As always, the respect and giggles went hand in hand with the enjoyment of the game.

On March 21 we implemented our first bi-monthly off-site lunch, and many of the members were able to come together at La Casita Restaurant for fun and good eats. As we all sleepily trudged back to the Lodge for our regular afternoon session, we agreed that we enjoyed the outing immensely and got to know each other better

(without holding a pool stick).

Every Monday from 2 to 4 pm we have our regular play, beginning with pea-pulling (numbered plastic marbles) to determine each partnership, and the partners always graciously help each other. Additionally, many of the dedicated members go to the Billiards Room several times a week for an hour or two of individual practice. Currently we have 20 players on our roster and hope to double that, enabling us to have two two-hour sessions.

If any of you amazing Four Seasons women have always wanted to learn this fun game, drop by the Billiards Room any Monday and check out the Curly Cues! Hope to see you there! ~ **Eileen Gilbert-Antoine**



The Curly Cues pose for a picture

THE 8-BALL CLUB

The 8 Ball in-house tournament started normally, but after the first round of play a member was not feeling well and dropped out. Gary Christie won his first round but felt ill; thankfully Nick Nicholson had qualified but wasn't playing. Nick stepped in as substitute for Gary and went on to win versus Mary Ann Diehl to be part of a dual championship for the first time.

Two of our lady players ended in semi-final action only suffering one loss each in a field of 12 players. Mary Ann Diehl and Jone Babin met in an epic battle to get into the finals and Mary Ann came out victorious. Dewey Allen qualified into the finals being undefeated in regular play. Mary Ann played well winning the first game, but according to the rule of double-elimination, Dewey only needed to win once to take the championship, which he did.

Congratulations to monthly champions Nick Nicholson, Gary Christie and Dewey Allen.

The club officers are Captain Del Lyles, Sr. at (951) 845-5114; Co-Captain Roland Harrah at (951) 267-3793 rolandthanh@msn.com; Thanh Harrah, Secretary/Treasurer at (951) 267-3793 rolandthanh@msn.com. ~ **Roland Harrah**

WILD BUNCH 8-BALL

The Wild Bunch has arrived! Captained by Gracy Luna and John Johnson, Four Seasons Wild Bunch is an 8-Ball billiards group designed for the more competitive pool player.

There are eight teams representing different communities in the Beaumont/Banning area, each team having six to eight players per team with various skill levels. Four Seasons Wild Bunch consists of some of the best players in the league; John Johnson, Nick Nicholson, Larry Chase, Pete Antoine, Carlos Rivera, Robert Turner, Mike Corbett and Gracy Luna. While having fun and enjoying the



Carlos Rivera lines up his shot



John Johnson demonstrates his skill



Dewey Allen lines up his shot



Nick Nicholson was a winner

game, we encourage each other to achieve a higher level of skill by competing with outstanding players on the other teams. Our ultimate goal is to win the season championship and we are well on the way.

If you want to play serious, competitive pool and have fun while doing so, we invite you to stop by when we practice on Wednesdays at noon and join in the stimulation of competitive play. Who knows, you just may want to change up your game and play on the team! ~ **Gracy Luna**



L-R: Carlos Rivera, John Johnson, Gracy Luna, Robert Turner, Pete Antoine



MOTORCYCLE CLUB

Spring is a great riding time in Southern California and we have been enjoying rides from Oak Glen to San Diego. Bob Howard participated in the Southern California Motorcycle Association's Sweethearts' ride on Valentine's Day.

Jacob and Elizabeth Waissman are new residents and riders. We welcome them to our happy group.

We are planning our spring multi-day ride to Sedona in May.

We meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 6 pm in room #1 of the RCN building. Come join us. ~ Howard Lyon

4X4 SEASONS

Our February trip was canceled because of illness, doctor's appointments, etc. We will try again in March to go to Red Canyon. If we get some rain, we may be able to see the desert in bloom.

If you are interested in learning more about this group, please join us for our meeting which is held the second Tuesday of the month at 7 pm at the Lodge. Our monthly trip is usually the third Thursday

of every month. We meet in the north parking lot of the Lodge at 8 am. 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 (most of the time). If you have any questions call Bob Cooper at (951) 769-6352 or Steve Kenyon at (951) 660-1366. ~ Bob Cooper

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The Dog Owners Group (D.O.G.) is off to a grrrrreat start and is growing larger each month. FSB office staff tells me that we are now the largest special interest group at Four Seasons Beaumont!

We had another successful meeting in February. We also signed up nine new members at the meeting. This is a brief summary of topics discussed at the meeting.

- Discussion of what it takes to maintain a successful dog exercise yard.
- DOG member Martha has created a private Facebook page for DOG members to participate.
- DOG member Linda Dixon of Linda's Rover Achievers will be conducting beginning dog obedience training every Wednesday at 10 am at Seneca Springs Park which is directly across the street from the FSB main gate.
- Creation of a survey to be submitted to DOG members to gain additional information on our members, their dogs, and their needs.
- Discussed the requirements for posting DOG



notices on the board outside the Theater and at the Summit

Check with the front desk at the Lodge for meeting location. Please invite your friends who have an interest in enriching their relationship with their dog to our meetings.

Remember all DOG members support being ambassadors of goodwill at FSB.

Remember all dogs must be on a leash while on pathways and trails Remember to always clean up after your dog and

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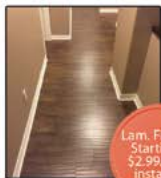


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