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GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

By Eric Zarr

"In the last few months, I have put the carrier on notice because someone said they were going to sue the Association... The Association recently renewed the insurance policy in November, and the Director's & Officer's Liability (D&O) coverage deductible went from \$10,000 to \$50,000 which is a 400 percent increase."

AGE VERIFICATION Thank you to everyone who has already submitted their updated Age Verification form. If you have not already done so, please drop them off at The Lodge as soon as possible. Again, this is something that the Association must do every two years to keep our age qualified status and be a 55+ community.

CC&R CHANGES By now you will have received a large packet of information, ballot and return envelope for the proposed CC&R changes. We have held a Town Hall and the presentation from that will be on our website, www.fourseasonsbeaumont.org. The Association is not spending \$5.2 billion dollars as the country did for the recent midterm elections, however this is a considerable expense in printing and mailing such a large packet. Please vote before the scheduled tabulation date of Dec. 17. If you have any questions, please call me or visit me at The Lodge and RCN.

LAWSUITS & INSURANCE We live in a very litigious society. One only has to watch TV for a few minutes during the day to be bombarded by advertisements by legal firms to see this in action. While people have a right and option to seek relief in court, being threatened with a lawsuit is no small matter. The Association's insurance policy is a "claims based" policy. That means that any time someone threatens to sue the Association I must inform the insurance carrier, otherwise if that person does sue in the future and the carrier was not put on notice they can deny coverage. In the last few months, I have put the carrier on notice because someone said they were going to sue the Association for poor landscaping in their yard. I had to inform the carrier when a resident said they were going to sue the Association because a fellow resident spoke rudely to them in The Lodge and that resident wanted the speaker banned from The Lodge immediately. The Association recently renewed the insurance policy in November, and the Director's & Officer's Liability (D&O) coverage deductible went from \$10,000 to \$50,000 which is a 400 percent increase. When the insurance carrier is notified, the billing starts because a folder is started and basic research begins. So every threat of a lawsuit is costly despite whether it is an idle or real threat.

CHP TOY DRIVE The CHiPs 4 Kids toy drive begins Dec. 5. Bring an unwrapped gift for boys and girls between the ages of two and 14 and place them in the decorated box in The Lodge lobby. Thank you!

FROM YOUR VOLUNTEER LIBRARIANS Hello, fellow readers. The keepers of the books are working on getting more storage/bookcases for our very generous community. We have many new residents who would like to donate and are frustrated by the request to hold off on donations. We currently have a proposal that, we hope, will go to the Board in December and receive overwhelming approval. We appreciate your patience while we continue our quest. ~ *Kerry and Sue*

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Tailoring the CC&Rs

When homeowner associations are formed, builders import rules and regulations from other HOAs to kick start a new community as it develops. They are known as Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CC&Rs). The majority of these serve the new HOA well, but some don't fit since the population, background, and technology of the new HOA differs. When the new community is well established, it is time to change some of these CC&Rs.

Our Rules and Regulations Committee has proposed, and the Board endorsed, three changes that will be sent to the homeowners for approval. Two apply to our voting procedures and one to enable long term contracts for energy. The exact wording of the proposals and current CC&Rs is being mailed to every household, and a Town Hall meeting to answer questions was held last month.

#1. To "Get out the Vote" our CC&Rs require us to "elect" ward bosses or "whips." They are called "District Delegates." Our HOA has established neighborhood districts of approximately 100+ households. These elected officials are charged with encouraging the households in their district to vote; something our Neighborhood Watch also does. If the district does not achieve a 50 percent turnout of voters, the Delegate may vote all 100+ votes to a single candidate of their choice regardless of how the households voted. This clearly is not democratic and should be eliminated along with the \$3,000 tab for electing the delegates.

#2. The current procedure for electing Board members allows each voter (household) to cast all their votes for a single candidate. This

is called "cumulative voting." If there are three or four positions to be elected, one candidate could receive all the votes from one resident. Should a small group choose to vote in this manner, the results would be skewed giving the impression that this elected Board member should carry more weight than the other two or three candidates with a smaller number of votes. The other members would elect the president and vote the interests and concerns of their broader constituency. We are accustomed to electing members to school, hospital and other public boards, recognizing that once on a board no member carries more influence because of their vote count. By eliminating cumulative voting our homeowners will be encouraged to look at all candidates and elect a full board and not an individual.

#3. To safeguard against one Board committing future Boards to long-term contracts our CC&Rs limit contracts for services and goods to one year. We annually renew these contracts. The advent of energy saving opportunities through solar and wind power require large upfront investments or long-term commitments. With long-term commitments, the savings begin immediately and help pay for the investment. For example, entering into a long-term solar power contract for heating the swimming pool at The Courts would enable the HOA to heat the pool year-round. The energy captured by the solar panels would reduce our costs for this service during summer months and make winter heating possible, making it available now as opposed to a future date. ~ *Len Tavernetti*

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Activities Director Corner

By Cindy Graves, Activities Director

The grand finale of the entire year happens this month and I'm about to tell you why. You, of course, have your golf carts decorated and have your Holiday Extravaganza tickets; so that you're ready for a great show tonight (should you be reading this on Dec. 1). Have fun, enjoy it, and then afterwards be sure to mark your calendars for the Holiday Magic Show in The Lodge Ballroom on Tuesday Dec. 11 starting at 7 pm. Everyone is welcome. It's always a very awe-inspiring and entertaining event for all ages!

Speaking of magic, one of the magical traditions we have at The Lodge is looking for the three itty-bitty ornaments in the giant Lodge tree. This year Pam Morales, the Social Committee Chairperson, donated our special ornaments in the name of Melody Seewooster who started this tradition (she has since passed). The first people to find the ornaments win a Smitty's Gift Certificate. If you find the ornaments, carefully pick them out of the tree and take them to Cindy (me) or a Lodge Attendant. Happy hunting!

If you're looking for a Holiday Dinner event this season, boy oh boy, you have tons to choose from. There is the "Let's Dance" Holiday Dinner Dance, the African American Culture Club Gala, and Taste d'Vine Club's formal Holiday Dinner. If you haven't already purchased tickets for those affairs, you've undoubtedly learned a sad lesson about buying tickets late. All of these large events are super popular. There

are however, waiting lists and most all of the groups have unexpected cancellations, so I would recommend you at least put yourself on a waiting list; you may get a surprise call.

As I mentioned last month, there are parties every day and night in December in nearly all of our facilities. Every club, group and class holds their own. It's parties everywhere you look. What a fun place to be during December.

By the way, Karaoke will be meeting on Saturday, Dec. 22 at 5:30 pm. Come ready to have fun and sing your little hearts out. Karaoke is also a great way to relieve the inevitable holiday stress that sneaks its way in this time of year.



Look for these treasures between each branch for a chance to win!

I wish all of you have a fabulous holiday season and, in spite of all of the hustle and bustle, I hope you're able to get a little time to just reflect on all of the precious things for which you are grateful. When I do my reflecting, I'll be thinking of you. You have brought so much joy and fulfillment to my life over these past 11 years and most of you have really become like family to me. Thank you for the hugs, the encouragement, and the amazing relationships. You are the gift that keeps on giving all year long. For the couple of you who are a bit nasty and grumpy, it's still okay. You are what I call, "The black velvet upon which the diamonds lie." Happy holidays and thank you for everything!





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DECKING the HALLS

**WITH TERRY FEARS,
DESIGNER EXTRAORDINAIRE**

By Cindy Graves



Most people walk into The Lodge and are awed at the beautifully decorated mantle. Who is this elusive Master of Design who magically shows up every season to change out the mantle and Lobby décor? Well, his name is Terry Fears and he's my design hero. Terry has lived in Four Seasons with his beautiful wife Betty for the last 10 years.

Terry and his bride grew up across the street from each other and married when she was 17 and he was 20. They've been a great design partnership for the last 55 years. In spite of the fact that Terry gained industry notoriety throughout his illustrious artistic career (including being Tommy Bahamas' top Visual Merchandising Designer) Betty has always been in the background with great ideas and suggestions. This is apparent when they prepare for the Holiday Home Tour. Betty's creative inspiration is sprinkled throughout their Christmas wonderland project. Besides The Lodge and The Summit holiday and seasonal décor, Terry has been instrumental in assisting the Ballroom Dance Club with many of their Dinner Dance themes as well as a million other projects including design help for the huge Carol's Kitchen Anniversary Gala at Morongo last month.

Not only is Terry incredibly talented, but he's also one of the nicest human beings I've ever met. As I mentioned, I call him my "design hero" because before Terry volunteered to help me with holiday decorating, we had Social Committee in charge of the decorations. I would help them and, like little elves, we'd start decorating toward the end of the evening and then work throughout the night on the tree, the mantle and whatever else we thought needed to be decorated. The result was always festive, but there were four or five "Chef's in the Kitchen" so the design was always a compromise of the volunteers. It was also a huge undertaking. In 2013, the Board of Directors approved a separate holiday décor budget. We realized we needed an actual designer to unify the concept and ensure that the theme would be carried throughout the facilities. Our "knight in shining armor," Terry Fears, came to our rescue and shouldered this formidable project. To our delight, he took our holiday ambiance to a whole new level. We've been so

fortunate that he's stayed with this project for the years since our initial agreement.

Terry has also been a big part of holiday tradition in this community, not only through his facility designs, but also through his popular "Holiday Home Tours." If you have never been to Terry's Holiday Home Tour, then are you in for an over-the-top, happy holiday experience. I liken it to the famous Rogers Gardens in Newport Beach or Canterbury Gardens in Escondido. If you've ever been to those places, you have some idea of the incredible decorating that you'll see at the Fears' home.

This year, the Board of Directors approved Terry's Holiday Home Tour, open to everyone, on Saturday, Dec. 15 from 11 am to 4 pm and Sunday, Dec. 16 from 3 to 7 pm. His address is 1653 Lewis Creek. Admittance is \$5 and all proceeds go to feed the homeless during the holidays through Carol's Kitchen.

So if you've enjoyed the delightful decorations in The Lodge lobby over the years, you'll be inspired and filled with the spirit of the season when you see the Fears' home. And, even better, it's all for a good cause.



WHY I LOVE MY CLUB, GROUP OR CLASS

Thank you for your submissions to the new column "Why I Love My Club, Group or Class." If you'd like to tell everyone why your club, group or class is great, send 100 words or less to FSBeditorialboard@gmail.com. Please use "Why I Love My CGC" in the subject line and include your name and phone number should clarification be needed.



My husband, Johnny, has always played pool with the fellas as long as I can remember, but it was always just a "guy thing." When the Curly Cues ladies group was formed, I wasn't really interested as I didn't know how to hold a cue stick or rack the balls, let alone know the rules or how to play. A couple of friends got me interested in the group so I started to play. It didn't take long and I absolutely fell in love with the game. We have a fabulous, fun group of ladies who play every Monday from 11 am to 1 pm. If you are new to our community or have been here a while please check us out. It doesn't matter if you have ever played or just played bar room pool, we are happy to work with you and I promise you'll have a good time. Our custom-made pink and black shirts are always a hit, too! ~ **Leta Ramirez**



Two years ago, I didn't even know what Bunco was. Now, I enjoy playing the game as often as I can. The Bunco Group is made up of fun-loving, accepting women and men who enjoy whooping it up and laughing. I love playing Bunco and all the people in the group, too. You should try joining us one of these days. The dice are waiting. ~ **Mike Corbett**



Here is why I love Four Seasons Singers: Yes, we all love to sing, but it's a whole lot more. We have a strong connection to each other through music and our lives here at Four Seasons. These friendships are treasures and sharing music is our reward. ~ **Roberta Hokuf**

Research indicates that singing increases our oxygen flow and is a good activity for seniors but that's not why I love choir. I love it because singing is so much fun! Our fearless leader, Barb Wasco, makes everyone comfortable, no matter what skill level they are in reading music. She makes everyone feel welcome. Then, at the performance I feel like a child again getting up on stage and performing beautiful music to an audience. What fun! Every December we go to The Lakes and sing for the residents there and the Memory Care Unit. They so appreciate our music. The Four Seasons Singers are a great group of people who work together to enjoy each other's talents. I always look forward to Mondays when we sing! ~ **Cheryl Ralston**

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DID YOU KNOW?

By Micki Rosen

DID YOU KNOW THAT DEC. 3 IS WALT DISNEY DAY? Walter Elias Disney was born in 1901, right at the turn of the century. He would go on to turn the entire world around, changing the face of cinema and entertainment through the introduction of his incredible cast of animated characters. Born in Chicago, Walt would move multiple times in his early life, first in 1906 to a family farm in Missouri, and again in 1911 to Kansas City where he would attend grammar school. His career as an artist and illustrator would get its start in 1919 when he returned from World War I during which he served as part of the Red Cross. It would be 1928 before Mickey Mouse came into the world, the result of a sketch Walt did while on a bus. It quickly became the centerpiece of the Disney empire, which would become one of the most important names in family entertainment in the world.



DID YOU KNOW THAT DEC. 6 IS PAWNBROKERS DAY?

The profession of pawnbroker stretches back thousands of years to the Greek and Roman empires and ancient China. The word pawn itself is derived from the Latin word “pignus” meaning pledge. It even has its own patron saint, St. Nicholas of Myra. St. Nicholas was famous for his kindness and generosity toward the poor; he became associated with pawn shops in the early 14th century, when “montes pietatius” (precursors to today’s pawn shops) were established by Franciscan friars. At that time, the goal was to be able to give low-interest loans to poor families so they could buy food; the Franciscans alone started 150 montes pietatius. Because St. Nicholas managed to help so many impoverished families during his lifetime, Pope Julius II recognized him by making him the patron saint of pawn shops. Some of the most common items that have been pawned over the centuries have been musical instruments, and many pawnbrokers later donate the unclaimed instruments to schools and other charity organizations.



DID YOU KNOW THAT DEC. 9 IS CHRISTMAS CARD DAY?

The first commercial Christmas card was created in 1843 in England by Sir Henry Cole. It showed a family raising a toast. The designs that followed showed flowers and depicted the promise of spring. Lithographers Prang and Mayer started selling their whimsical Christmas cards, often featuring children or cartoon animals, to America in 1874. By 1880, Prang and Mayer were producing a massive five million cards a year. One of the very first Christmas cards sold at auction in 2001 for 22,250 British Pounds! If you want to see a big collection of these early Christmas cards, stop by the British Museum and take a look at Queen Mary’s early 1900s collection.

DID YOU KNOW THAT DEC. 13 IS HOT COCOA DAY? The history of chocolate goes farther back than most people are aware. It was first found by European explorers in South America, where it had been enjoyed for hundreds of years prior to their arrival. The first origins of cocoa can be traced back to 500 BC, but many archaeologists believe it goes back much further. The cocoa of those days was much different than what we consume now, because sugar had not yet found its way to the Americas. Instead, the beverage was flavored with vanilla and often with chili. It would not be until it was introduced to Europe and had spent some time there as a luxury drink of the wealthy that it would be sweetened and milk chocolate invented. It took until 1828 for a powdered chocolate to be made, and in that glorious moment of culinary history, both the chocolate bar and instant hot cocoa came into existence.



DID YOU KNOW THAT DEC. 11 IS HAVE A BAGEL DAY?

The bagel originated among the Jewish population of the 1600s. Some origin stories have the first bagel coming out of Krakow, Poland where it was said to be given to women who were going through childbirth. Other tales point to a baker from Vienna developing it to celebrate the defeat of the Turks by King Jan III Sobieski of Poland in 1683, its shape supposedly meant to be reminiscent of a stirrup. What is known is that the “bajgiel” (an earlier spelling) would become a central part of the Polish and Slavic diets by the 17th century, and by the 19th century it was being sold in London. That’s also the time it found its way to New York by way of Polish Jewish immigrants, and was quickly brought under the control of the Bagel Bakers Local 338.

RESIDENT COUPLE'S LIFE OF TRIAL, TRIUMPH & BEAUTY

By Laurie Larson

"Sometimes when we move into Four Seasons, magic happens. It must be magic. How else can we explain how six people, each one an artist, discovered their talent only after they moved here?"

"Or is it the beauty we are surrounded by and immersed in? Soaring mountains, endless azure skies, huge puffy white clouds, dazzling sunrises and fiery sunsets enrich our springs and summers while slate gray skies with menacing dark clouds promising torrents of rain or a powdering of snow enhance our winters. These must touch an artist's soul.

"Or could it be the wind? Playful or fierce, welcoming or infuriating, cooling, bracing, or tempestuous, it affects us all. Does it blow ideas toward us and swirl inspiration around us?"

"Maybe it's all three. And it seems like magic.

"Of course, as we all know, what seems like magic is really a combination of many things including hard work, persistence, vision, and opportunity."

I wrote the above words several years ago as the introduction to the first of two articles in which I profiled six newly minted artists who were residents of Four Seasons Beaumont.

And here I am again introducing two more previously unknown, even to themselves, artists. This time it's a couple: Enrique and Waltraut (Wally) Enguidanos. They are fascinating, charming, educated people who personify my explanation of magic: a combination of many things including hard work, persistence, vision, and opportunity.

Both of them spent childhoods in Europe - she in Germany, he in Spain.

Both came to the United States knowing not a word of English.

Both were admitted to schools where they excelled - she to the prestigious and extremely competitive Bronx High School of Science and he to Abilene Christian College on a four-year scholarship although he spoke no English, despite the need to overcome almost unbelievable obstacles and hardships.

Both attended Pepperdine University which is where they met and eventually married.

And both have had rich lives, separately and then together for over 59 years, and both continue to immerse themselves in activities that add texture to the already fascinating tapestry of their lives.

I wish there were space in this magazine to tell their stories. You would find them as fascinating and inspiring as I do, I am sure. However, the two of them did the hard work of chronicling their lives in a published memoir that they wrote for their future generations of grandchildren, great grandchildren and on.

In the introduction to their memoir they endeavored to impress upon their now and future generations what made it possible for the two of them to overcome crushing impediments and mile high hurdles and to succeed. It sounds simple. It isn't. To quote: "The main reason

was working hard, being responsible, and making the best of every opportunity that was presented..."

Look at their artwork. The first thing that impressed me was their use of color. It's rich and vibrant, just like their lives. And to me it seems cheerful. Just like them.

When I first met Enrique, I was struck by his charm. There's just something about him... so I was not surprised to find he was considered a ladies' man. In fact, his brother Julian who had preceded him to the United States, tried to keep him from getting acquainted with Wally when they were both students at Pepperdine. Julian invited Wally, who had just been named "the best student with the highest academic record for the year 1954" at Pepperdine to Thanksgiving dinner. Enrique was also invited, but told to keep his distance from Wally, and he was seated at the opposite end of the table from her. An obviously failed, or maybe foiled, plan, as they got engaged during Enrique's last semester before graduation.

I read the Enguidanoses' memoir, and I sat and talked with both of them at their home, and I still cannot comprehend the entirety and complexity of their lives.

On the way home from a bullfight in Valencia, his mother went into premature labor. Enrique survived his premature birth in a hospital with no incubators and then a five-hour train ride to their home in the small farming community of Uriel. He was so tiny he was placed in a shoebox stuffed with cotton for bedding and holes punched for air.

That was just the beginning. There were a few good years, even a time when he and his siblings decided to baptize some newly born chicks. The good intentions failed, the chicks died, the kids were punished, and yet a burial ceremony for the poor chicks was held the next day. Enrique never went past the third grade in Spain. He was just a child during the Spanish Civil War, when most of the schools were closed.

A few years later the family fell upon hard times. The war devastated much of Spain. The three Enguidanos brothers and their friends spent their free time picking up bullets and ammunition in the empty fields. But the brothers' parents discovered this pastime and made them stay home while their friends continued to roam until two of them found a live grenade which blew up in their hands, killing them both instantly.

The rest of Enrique's time in Spain followed suit. There were promises made and promises broken. He enlisted in the Spanish Army when he was 18. There

he saw atrocities he has never forgotten. His brother Julian had left the Catholic Church where he had been studying to become a priest, and had eventually moved to America. Enrique was going to join his brother in Texas through a scholarship from Abilene Christian College. Enrique was an oboe player, and the college needed one. He was ready to emigrate until his visa was denied by the US Consul in Spain because he spoke no English, a requirement to start as a foreign student in the United States.



Waltraut's windmills



Enrique's hummingbirds

Devastated, he went to work in the rice fields in Spain.

Eventually he made his way to America with a scholarship, still speaking no English, but with the intervention of a Catholic Cardinal and Henry Cabot Lodge, at that time the US Ambassador to Spain. His oboe playing got him the scholarship and kept him touring with the school orchestra, until all the touring changed from an opportunity to a liability to his studies. Wanting to quit the oboe but not knowing how since the oboe secured his scholarship, he felt stuck until another opportunity presented itself, again through Julian: a chance to attend Pepperdine University. He took it, and was chosen to be the roommate of George Pepperdine Jr., the founder's oldest son.

Do you see what I mean? Up, down, up, down. Amazing opportunities, opportunities denied, devastation, hard work, persistence, resilience, a chance encounter, an opportunity seized and embellished.

And on it goes. He meets people who help him, and he takes their help and transforms it into yet another opportunity to enrich his life.

Enrique had a career as a hospital administrator, at which he excelled. He and Wally and their growing family lived in Los Angeles, then on Catalina Island, back to suburbs of L.A., then moved to Puerto Rico where Enrique brought back a hospital from the brink of extinction,

then they returned to California, then later moved to Chile, then back to California.

There is so much more to share. But I'm running out of space. Needless to say, Enrique had a distinguished career. Wally was his helpmate and mother of their four children. Three of their children are doctors. The fourth is a sensitive and enlightened teacher of non-typical children, children with disabilities. It was this son who encouraged his parents to be creative and sent them a box of watercolors.

And of course they seized the opportunity. They began Rob Kelman's class which they attend faithfully, two days a week.

They also water walk twice a week, Wally goes to a casino about every three months where she plays the slots while Enrique bets on the ponies.

They are in their eighties now, and retired. They are both charming. They're proud of what they have achieved. And there's one more thing: Enrique says he was often the only Latin person in a position of influence. Of this he is extremely proud. It's one more feather in a cap hugely adorned with feathers. Maybe some of them are from those baby chicks he baptized years ago in one of his first efforts to improve the lives of those around him.

They even cook!

PRIZE-WINNING PAELLA

INGREDIENTS:

(These ingredients should be used in accordance with the size of the paella pan and the number of people to be served.)

- Chicken – at least one portion per person
- Beef or Pork – depending on religious customs
- Shrimp – preferably de-veined and cleaned
- Mussels – well scrubbed and should be tightly closed
- Scallops – if available
- Lobster – if affordable
- Rice – Uncle Ben's long grain
- Olive Oil
- Garlic
- Small can of red peppers, sliced
- Can of diced tomatoes
- Lima beans
- Asparagus
- Saffron if available, or Sazon
- Salt
- Chicken Bouillon



Paella is a dish known internationally. There are many ways to prepare the dish, and it can be prepared with many different ingredients. In a paella-preparing contest, the Enguidanos paella won first prize out of 97 entrants.

DIRECTIONS:

1. Prepare the bouillon or chicken stock in a pot on top of the stove, with 2 cups of water for every cup of rice. For example, for 10 people use at least 10 pieces of chicken, one pound of beef or pork, cut into cubes, 6 cups of bouillon and 3 cups of rice.
2. Level the paella pan by using water as a guideline, and be sure that the fire can be properly controlled. After leveling water in the paella pan, toss out the water and dry the paella pan well.
3. Place the paella pan on the fire and add ½ cup of olive oil. Spread the oil well over the surface of the paella pan and when the oil is hot, add the chicken and the meat. Move the ingredients so that they brown evenly. In about five minutes, add 3-4 cloves of minced garlic. Be careful that the garlic doesn't burn. Add the can of diced tomatoes. After mixing the ingredients thoroughly for about 2 minutes, add the rice and mix thoroughly again for about 2 minutes.
4. Add the bouillon and let it come to a boil. Boil about 7-8 minutes. At this time add the saffron or sazon.
5. Add the lima beans and the seafood. Spread them all out evenly on top as if decorating a pizza.
6. After 3-5 minutes, add the sliced peppers, and finally the asparagus all in a decorative manner.
7. Bring the fire to low-medium. Taste for salt and cover the paella with aluminum foil.
8. Lower the fire flame to low. The paella should be done. The rice should be firm and loose. The rice should absorb the flavor of all the ingredients.
9. Turn off the fire and let the paella sit for 5 minutes before serving.



LAST MONTH'S JOKE



Thank you for all your entries... We're getting more and more entries every month! We love all the comments, too.

Get The Joke is a simple contest... somewhere in this issue is a "joke" ad, article or other notice. You'll know it when you see it — it will be silly, over-the-top ridiculous or just plain goofy — and hopefully it will bring a smile to your face. When you find it, simply cut out and complete the box below and return to The Lodge Front Desk before the 9th of the month. One correct entry will be chosen at random to win a \$20 gift card to Smitty's. Happy hunting!

THIS MONTH'S WINNER:
MARY JYNE KOOGLE
Go to The Lodge to collect your gift card!

YOUR COMMENTS

Hey! No more stinky stockings! I love the Breeze! ~ Claudia R.

Love the jokes. Mary Ann D.

What an ideal gift! ~ Howard S.

Great ad! Love the contact "Paul Bunion!" Do we get a discount for more feet? Joanne S.

Well, my feet are not my best feature. Besides, Babe refuses to take me. ~ James B.

Really clever and funny! Good job! Whoever thought of this is very creative. ~ Barbara D.

Get the Joke Entry Form

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Games People Play

By Steve Benoff

Games people play. Games on phones are so popular that when you go to the App Store on your iPhone, games have their own icon at the bottom of the screen. If you press the Games icon, you'll be introduced to a myriad of games. Nineteen categories in fact, including action, card, puzzle, sports, trivia, and word games.

Time for an admission. I don't play games on my phone. I play a great numbers game called KenKen that I print out from my computer. But that's it.

However, as a public service, I thought I'd explore smartphone games to see what's available. According to a trade group referred to in the *New York Times*, two-thirds of American households play video games. It seems game playing can be addictive. The World Health Organization is adding "gaming disorder" to its compendium of medical conditions. So, proceed with caution.

I've heard the word "blast" associated with the games category. There are many blast game apps. One has a 4.7 rating (out of 5) based on 493,000 reviews. It's called Toon Blast. Can't hurt to give it a try if you're looking for a way to pass the time.

Solitaire is a very popular single-player game. It's been available as a computer game for decades. In fact, I became so hooked on a Solitaire variant called Free Cell that the only way to break my habit was to delete it completely from my computer. These days you can find any number of Solitaire apps. If you're into Solitaire, give one of the apps a try. There's even a Free Cell app, which I can assure you I will never load onto my phone.

Candy Crush isn't just a game app; it's a whole category. I've seen many people passing the time in waiting rooms playing Candy Crush on their phones.

My brother-in-law is a well-educated, highly accomplished guy. Nevertheless, he finds playing Bubble Snap on his phone relaxing. You know what bubble wrap is. Bubble Snap is an app that replicates bubble wrap on your screen. Press a bubble and you hear a pop and the bubble deflates. That's it. It's about as noncompetitive a game as you can play. But it works for him; maybe it will for you.

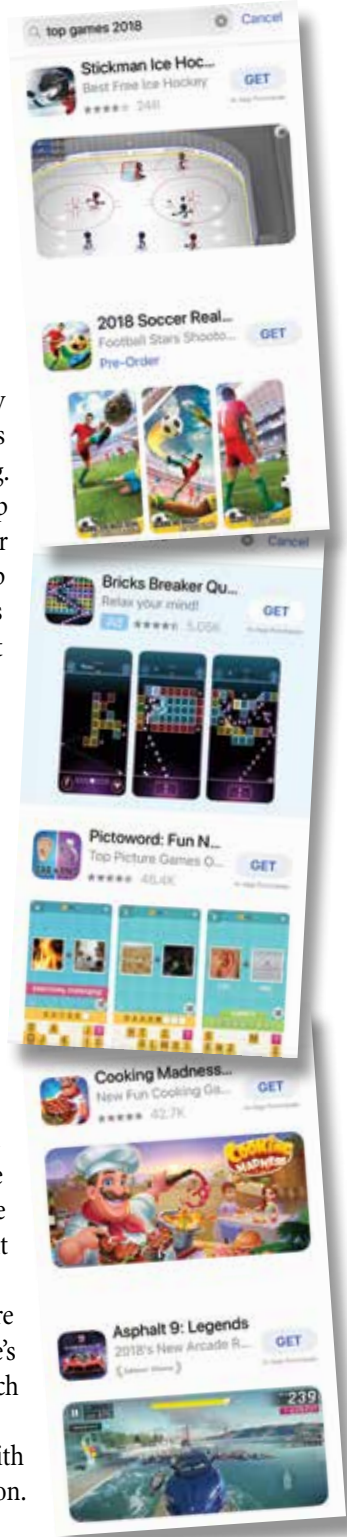
Are you into crosswords? Enter "crossword" in the search bar, and you'll be presented with any number of crossword games and variants.

Do you like number games? Enter "number" into the search bar and you'll get dozens of apps. The most popular number game is probably Sudoku, and there's a Sudoku app. I prefer KenKen to Sudoku. If I want to play it on my phone, which I don't, I can download the KenKen app.

From what I hear, Madden NFL Football is one of the most popular sports games ever. It has sold over 120 million copies. There's a Madden NFL Football app. Since this is a game you usually have to pay for, I expect you'll have to pay to play the app. But you can download it for free and see for yourself.

Fantasy football, baseball, and basketball are all the rage. If you're into fantasy sports, there's an app for you. Just enter "fantasy" in the search bar.

Do you use an app you'd like to share with others? Let me know at steve.benoff@verizon.net.



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PET OF THE MONTH:

Bailey

Hi, my name is Bailey and I'm the luckiest miniature poodle. My mom and dad adopted me from Save A Small Dog Rescue last December. My former parents weren't very nice to me and kept me crated all the time and didn't take care of my medical needs. Now I sleep in a big king size bed and let my mom and dad sleep with me! I'm well-fed and best of all my mom, Toni, takes me for walks at least twice a day. Oh boy! What freedom to "smell the roses" and the grass and meet other fur-kids. My parents take me on lots of car rides and even take me out to dinner. Since I'm deaf I use my "smell" as my navigator. I've learned to use my doggy door so I can go out to the yard when I have to "go" and come back in all by myself. I've learned so many new wonderful things and I'm having so many wonderful adventures. This month I'm going to celebrate Chanukah for the first time and I'm so excited. I wish everyone a happy holiday season. ~ **Bailey Finer**

Starting after the first of the year, we will have a pet page where residents can send high resolution photos of their pets with a caption. We will select a few to print each month. Please send your high resolution photos with captions to fourseasonsnews@yahoo.com



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Thank you for the beautiful floral arrangements in The Lodge! ~ Anonymous

*Thank you Paty Bushnell for taking time to teach the Four Seasons residents Spanish.
~ Anonymous*

Helen Hiemann fed my family for two weeks while my mom was at my home on hospice. I couldn't have done this without her. ~ Beverly D.

Thank you to the three gentlemen from Park West Landscape who stopped and helped me when I fell off my scooter. ~ Donna O.

Terry: The fall display is incredible. Thank you for sharing your magnificent talent with us here. Every time I walk through The Lodge my heart is filled with joy and splendor. ~ Connie B.

Thank you so much for letting us host The Flores-Escobar wedding here. The place is beautiful and your staff was great. ~ Bridesmaid Patricia E.

Many thanks to Micki Rosen for her many contributions to the Breeze Magazine. Very enjoyable reading and much appreciated. Sue B.

Kelly, thank you for always giving our family a laugh. Lots of love. ~ The Wheatleys

Many thanks to the hard-working, dedicated landscape maintenance crew who keep our beautiful grounds and common areas so well-groomed and attractive. ~ Susi K.

Thank you Gracy Luna! You are always very helpful to everyone. ~ Anonymous



If you have seen an act of kindness or have received one, please share with the community. Let's spread gratitude! Just go to The Lodge lobby and fill out a gratitude note and put in the box marked "The Box of Gratitude." Thank you.



Duck a l'Orange *By Irene Welker*

Christmas is around the corner. Think about serving something different like duck. This is an elegant holiday dish that is great for 2 to 4 people. It has an intense rich flavor. Yet many cooks are intimidated by the thought of cooking one. The main reason is the amount of fat in these birds. The secret to cooking a great duck is making sure the fat is well rendered. If you follow this step by step recipe, you will have a golden bird with crispy skin that will be perfect for your holiday meal. Oh, and don't forget to strain and keep the fat for later use. Duck fat can be substituted for most other fats in sauteed, braised or roasted recipes with heavenly results. Serves 4; Time about 3 ½ hours, plus defrosting if using frozen duck.



DIRECTIONS

1. If you purchase a frozen duck, make sure it is completely defrosted (defrost in refrigerator for two to three days). Remove duck from bag. Remove packet of orange sauce (if included), giblets, and neck from cavity of duck. Use for other purposes.
2. Using kitchen shears or a sharp paring knife cut off excess fat from cavity, tail area, and neck of duck. Also, cut off part of the neck flap. Pat interior and outside of duck dry with paper towels.
3. Hold a paring knife almost flat against the duck's skin make shallow pricks everywhere but the drumsticks. Be sure to include the thighs and back. Lightly score the skin of the breast in a crosshatch pattern. This will allow the fat to run off. Be careful to prick and cut the skin only. Do not cut into the meat.
4. Mix together the five spice powder, salt, pepper, and paprika. Use about a Tablespoon of the mixture to season the interior cavity. Rub the rest of the mixture over the outside, making sure to rub it into the skin on all sides of the duck.
5. Zest the orange. Combine the zest with the minced ginger and garlic. Smear this mixture all over the interior of the cavity. Cut the rest of the orange into six to eight wedges and place them in the cavity. Tie the legs together with kitchen twine. Fold the neck flap over the back and secure it with a toothpick or skewer. Place duck in a roasting pan on a rack, breast side up. Let it sit for 15 -20 minutes to absorb the flavors of the spices and allow it to come to room temperature.
6. While duck is resting: preheat the oven to 425 degrees and make the glaze. Combine all the ingredients for the glaze: orange juice, honey, brown sugar, soy sauce, ginger, anise, and orange zest in a medium saucepan over medium-high heat. Bring just to a boil. Reduce the heat and allow the mixture to simmer, stirring occasionally until it is the consistency of a medium-thick syrup. This will take 10 to 15 minutes. Remove from heat and set aside.
7. Place the duck in the preheated oven. Roast for 15 minutes. Remove the duck from the oven. Reduce the heat to 350 degrees. Carefully tilt duck to pour off any fat that has accumulated. Brush the duck all over with the glaze. Place in pan breast side down and return to oven. If the fat in the pan rises to the level of the rack, spoon excess fat from the pan ensuring the duck sits well above the fat level. Roast duck for an additional 2 to 2 1/2 hours, pouring off fat, glazing and turning every 30 minutes.. If duck starts to get too dark, cover with aluminum foil. Roast until duck registers 165 degrees. Remove duck from oven. Tent with foil and allow to rest for 15 minutes. Cut duck into serving pieces. Place on platter and drizzle with any remaining sauce. Serve with sides of your choosing.
8. Any of these sides pair well with duck: roasted sweet potatoes, mashed roasted squash, garlic mashed potatoes, roasted vegetables, sauteed green beans, green salad with tomatoes.

INGREDIENTS

For Duck

- 5 to 6 pound Long Island Duck
- 1 Tablespoon Chinese Five Spice Powder
- 1 Tablespoon fine sea salt
- 1 ½ teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 1 large orange
- 1 Tablespoon minced or finely grated fresh ginger
- 1 Tablespoon (about 3 large cloves) minced garlic

For Glaze

- 2 Cups of orange juice
- 1 Tablespoon honey
- 2 Tablespoons light brown sugar
- 2 Tablespoons reduced sodium soy sauce
- 1- 2 inch piece of ginger, thinly sliced
- 3 Star Anise
- zest of one orange

December Word Search

Find the words in the grid. Words can go horizontally, vertically and diagonally in all eight directions.



Puzzle created by Jeff Davidson.
Solution on page 66

Angel
Artificial Tree
Bauble
Blitzen
Boxing Day
Candy Canes
Carols
Charles Dickens
Chimney
Dancer
Donner

Egg Nog
Elves
Epiphany
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FACILITIES COMMITTEE

2018 has been a busy year for the Facilities Committee with a number of maintenance and improvement projects. The roofs at The Lodge, RCN and Spa buildings were in need of repair. The repair work on the roofs were started in November. Window tinting at The Courts building was completed to help with the glare and reduce energy cost. The roller shades at The Lodge and Spa buildings should be replaced by year's end. Flooring for the fitness room at The Lodge and automatic door openers for The Summit and The Courts restrooms were also approved.

It is an interesting time at Four Seasons with the build-out of the community expected later next year. The increase in residents has also impacted the wear and tear and has put increasing pressure on our facilities. We will need to continue to refine scheduling to make the best use of space at our existing facilities. Part of the community is now 13 years old and the number of items needing repair or replacement will increase as the community matures. The Facilities Committee will continue

to address issues to maintain and improve our community.

We are looking forward to the opportunities and challenges that 2019 will bring in maintaining and improving our wonderful community. As Four Seasons approaches build-out later in 2019 a number of transition projects will need to be addressed, such as cameras, gate arms and fobs for the pedestrian access at the Breckenridge gate.

We have reviewed a number of resident requests and maintenance items for next year. For example, we reviewed a shade cover for the spa at The Courts.

The Facilities Committee meets in the RCN building on the second Wednesday of the month at 10 am. We always welcome residents to join us and share their ideas or concerns.

We currently have several positions open on the Facilities Committee for anyone interested in serving our community.

We would like to wish everyone at Four Seasons a Happy New Year! ~ **Bruce Lewis**

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RULES & REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

It's hard to believe that 2018 is coming to a close. Sometimes it seems that time doesn't only fly, it does it at supersonic speeds. This has been a busy year for our committee. Let's hit the pause button for a moment and take a look back at the past year.

This year we discussed making additions to existing rules and adding new ones as our community grows. Here are some of the highlights. We tackled the issue of flagpoles so that our rules follow those of the city of Beaumont. The rules referred to height, number and type of flags allowed and placement in our yards. Since we have a new recreational facility, we needed to update our signage rules to include The Lodge, The Summit and The Courts. Also included were rules for the sauna which is located at The Courts. We considered changes to the Community Guidelines regarding our guest policy and the number of guests that will be allowed when participating in a group activity. Written proposals go to the Board of Directors for consideration and then are sent to the residents for input and approval. Residents are notified of any proposed changes to the

Community Guidelines and given an opportunity to vote on them. It is important to read any new rules and voice your opinion on them.

Our community is a very active and vibrant one. We have a variety of people with varying cultures, backgrounds and expertise. We all care about Four Seasons and want to make this the best possible place to live. There are often different points of view but striving for a consensus of opinion is important. During the monthly Rules & Regulations Committee meetings, time is given for guests to voice their ideas and opinions. Committee members are always happy to listen to the concerns of residents and often learn a great deal from them.

The members of the Rules & Regulations Committee want to wish everyone a wonderful holiday season. Please join us for the monthly meetings and consider being a part of the committee. Our meetings are on the second Tuesday of the month at 9 am in the RCN Conference Room. We would love to see you there! ~ **Margie Chadburn**, mjchadburn@aol.com

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE



FOOD IN AN EMERGENCY

In the event of a disaster or emergency it is unlikely that your food supply would be cut off for two weeks. You should consider maintaining a supply that will last that long. Purchasing special food may not be necessary. You can use the canned goods, dry mixes and other staples on your cupboard shelves. Be sure to check expiration dates and follow first-in, first-out.

Keeping a supply of comfort foods can lift morale in times of stress. Try to include foods that are high in calories and nutrition. Foods that require no refrigeration, water, special preparation or cooking are best. Individuals with special needs and allergies will need particular attention as will the elderly. Canned dietetic foods, juices and soups may be helpful for ill or elderly people.

STORAGE TIPS

- Keep food in a dry cool and dark spot.
- Open boxes carefully so that they can close tightly after using them.
- Store cookies and crackers in tightly sealed containers.
- Store sugar, dried fruits and nuts in screw top jars for protection from pests.
- Inspect foods for spoilage before use.
- Dispose of any swollen, dented or corroded cans.
- Check use by dates. Place new items in the back of the storage area and the older ones in front.

A fireplace can be used for emergency cooking indoors, a barbecue grill or camp stove can be used outdoors. Cooked food can be kept warm using candles and chafing dishes or fondue pots. Canned food

can be eaten straight out of the can. Never leave flames unattended either indoors or outdoors. Extinguish all flames before leaving the cooking area.

Healthy people can survive on half of their usual food intake. Food can be rationed safely except for children and pregnant women. Avoid eating salty foods if your water supply is limited, they will make you thirsty. Eat whole grain cereals and canned foods with high liquid content.

NUTRITION TIPS

- Eat at least one well-balanced meal each day.
- Drink at least two quarts or ½ gallon of water per day.
- Take in enough calories to enable you to do any necessary work.
- Include vitamin, mineral and protein supplements in your food supply to ensure adequate nutrition.

NOTE: This is a copy of a FEMA/Red Cross Bulletin.

We are dark for December. Look for our January meeting dates in the next *Breeze* magazine. ~ **Mike Mendoza**



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LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

Even before I joined the Landscape Committee, I was a big fan of trees. Like many of you, one of the factors that influenced my decision to relocate to Four Seasons was the beauty of the trees in this relatively new development. But, aside from the esthetic benefit, what is the value of trees in an urban or suburban landscape?

Horticultural websites list a variety of benefits associated with the presence of trees. Trees help to reduce air pollution and microfine

particulate matter, a cause of serious respiratory health risks, by trapping these particles in their leaves and bark. Most of us can appreciate that they can help to reduce wind speeds (the idea behind agricultural windbreak plantings), but they also help to mitigate noise pollution by blocking and absorbing unwanted sound waves. Trees can substantially impact a local microclimate by reducing the "heat island" effect created by hardscape building materials that accompany development in

urbanized areas. Additionally, they slow evaporation from ground level, helping to maintain soil moisture for use by other plants. By just doing their photosynthetic chemical reaction, they remove carbon dioxide from the air and exchange it for oxygen.

Trees and other plants haven't consulted climate scientists, but still serve on the front line in the battle to combat climate change. A variety of trees in an area provide resources and habitat for an equally wide variety of wildlife that depend on them for food, resources, nesting sites, and the diversity of microclimates that they provide. A well-placed tree in your yard can provide all of these benefits and can help with energy costs as well by shading your house during the heat of the day.

The city of Riverside offers free trees to homeowners each year to assist their utility company's bottom line. Of course, tree roots (though sometimes problematic to hardscapes) are very important in reducing soil erosion, and their depth helps to make trees more resistant to the stress of drought than many other plants. But, back to the original point about esthetics... the presence of trees have been shown to improve mood and reduce blood pressure for those lucky enough to enjoy a bit of urban forest in their neighborhood.

So, the next time you're out walking through Four Seasons along a trail or along a landscaped sidewalk, enjoy the multitude of benefits provided by the canopy around you. The Landscape Committee will continue its efforts to enhance your experience! ~ **Steve Stoecklein**





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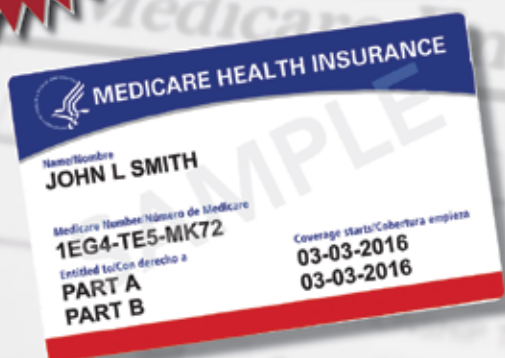
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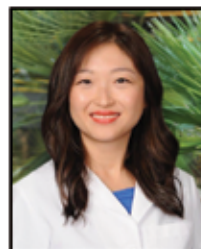
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Tuesday, 12/04/2018 at 9:00 a.m.

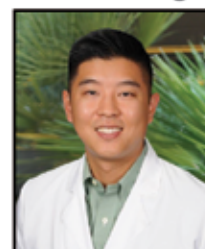
Walk In! Seminars last about one hour - there is no obligation to enroll. Call 909-792-4410 for information, to set up a private appointment or for accommodation of persons with special needs at these meetings. A salesperson will be present with information & applications. Medicare has neither reviewed nor endorsed this information. Medicare Open Enrollment is Oct 15 - Dec 7, 2018.



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SAFETY COMMITTEE



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The Safety Committee has been working diligently to ensure everyone — residents as well as visitors and workers — remains safe while driving and walking in our community.

Throughout the year, the committee has informed folks about, and encouraged adherence to, speed limits, stopping at stop signs, and pedestrian safety.

Unfortunately, the dangerous practices of speeding and running stop signs continue. To that end, we are advising you that the Beaumont Police will now be patrolling our community and giving citations for speeding and for failure to stop at stop signs.

To further enhance safety, we have identified areas where there are not clear lines of sight and will be adding additional stop signs.

Drivers need to be alert to our many pedestrians and use caution when approaching crosswalks. To those of you who enjoy walking throughout Four Seasons, please be aware of all moving vehicles, golf carts, and bicycles. When walking at night, be sure to carry a flashlight and wear reflective shoes and/or clothing.

The Safety Committee usually meets in the RCN Conference Room the first Tuesday of each month at 10 am. However, because of the January holidays, we will be meeting the second Tuesday, Jan 8. We invite everyone to come and let us know of any safety issues. ~ *Anita Worthen*

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Our New Year's Eve Party is sold out and we can't wait to get this party started! We have been diligently working on setting up an exciting calendar of events for 2019. At this time we would like to thank our Four Seasons community for their enthusiasm and participation in our events. We continue to seek out residents who are interested in working with us to put on our events. If you are interested, please come to our next meeting on Dec. 6 at 5 pm in the RCN building Conference Room. We meet on the first Thursday of every month at 5 pm. Until next month. ~ *Pamela Morales*

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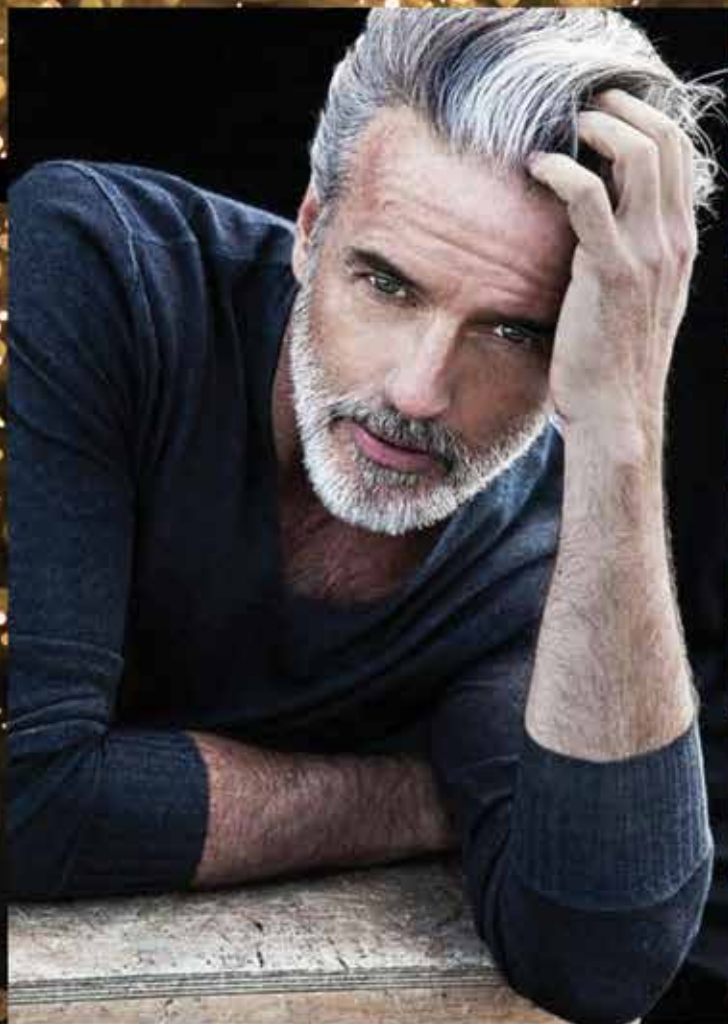
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ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

CONTRACTOR GUIDELINES This article provides some suggestions when hiring a contractor. Many homeowners at Four Seasons have had work completed by contractors. By and large most of the work has been professional and quite good. However sometimes the process has not gone smoothly. There are several contractors here at Four Seasons that do most of the work. The process could be improved upon if the homeowners would be more involved. While the "contractor base" here at Four Seasons is well-versed in most of the policies to follow when performing work. They do not always know all of the policies and could inadvertently build or do something that may not be approved. For this reason, it is imperative to verify what you as a homeowner are being told. Read the HOA guidelines for your particular project or check with the Architectural Review Committee for more information. For example, all homeowners must have two trees in their front yard. This is a city requirement and must be observed. In some cases, homeowners have wanted to remove a tree and the contractor did so without question. The tree had to be re-planted in order, to be approved.

Before you hire a contractor:

- Get written estimates and a contract from the contractor(s) you are considering.
- Be aware that automatically choosing the lowest bidder may not be to your advantage.
- How many other projects does the contractor have going on at the same time?

The contract should be clear and concise and should detail every step of the project.

Make sure it includes:

- The cost of the project.
- The contractor's name, address, phone, and license number (if required).
- An estimated start and completion date.
- The payment schedule for the contractor.
- The contractor's obligation to get all necessary permits.

Ask questions such as:

- How many projects like mine have you completed in this complex?
- Do you have locations that I can see or clients here I can speak to?

Lastly, be aware that independent contractors who are working on multiple jobs may not call you to inform you that they will not be showing up. Sometimes they show up and sometimes they don't. Often it is up to you the homeowner to call them to get things done.

This is but a small sampling of things to be aware of. Hopefully, it provides you with information that will be helpful when you decide to hire your contractor. ~ **Alex Luna**

COMMUNITY PLANNING & TRANSITION COMMITTEE

The Community Planning and Transition Committee is striving to meet objectives for the HOA takeover from K. Hovnanian which is anticipated to occur at the conclusion of 2019. The committee expects final gas company approval for the dog park anytime now, Eric is in weekly contact with them. Research continues for additional storage and amphitheater modifications.

Pat Wayne compiled the Master Plan Survey findings:

On behalf of the Board and the Community Planning and Transition Committee, we thank each of you for taking the time to complete this survey which provides valuable input on proposed improvement projects.

We are pleased to report that a record number of homeowners (563) participated in the survey offering 1044 responses (the survey allowed up to three responses per homeowner) to the questions posed therein. This degree of participation is exactly the kind of engagement desired to enable the HOA to effectively meet the needs of our lovely community.

Some of the projects identified in the survey findings have been assumed under the mantle of the Community Planning and Transition Committee while others fell within the scope of specific committees and were referred to them, accordingly. Indeed, there were some needs mentioned which were already subject to review/evaluation by the appropriate HOA committee.

You may peruse an overview of the results by visiting: www.fourseasonsbeaumont.org website drop-down menu "HOA" and scroll down to "Surveys."

Updates will be forthcoming in future articles in the *Breeze*.

Thanks again for participating!

We welcome homeowners' interest. Our meetings are at 9 am usually on the fourth Thursday of the month in the RCN conference room but no meeting will occur in December. Please come visit us.

~ **Johanna Ballard, classicalharmonies@gmail.com**

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I'll bet you've even tried one of them and the odds are pretty good that when you first tried one you wound up throwing the puzzle across the room! That's not surprising because most of them are printed on a tiny grid that doesn't offer much "room to figure."

If you are still interested in trying to learn, I can help. I have some good basic techniques that will get you started and get you hooked. We'll start an interest group so that we can all have fun solving those addictive little puzzles. For more information, call Ray Geiser at (406) 261-3759.

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Breeze Article Deadline

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All articles of 400 words or less must be submitted via email to fourseasonsnews@yahoo.com. Clubs may include up to three high-resolution photos with corresponding captions.

Of course, if there is a legitimate reason why you cannot meet that date, please notify our publisher at (909) 797-3647.

Thank you for your understanding and your compliance.

~ *Editorial Board*

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

REMEMBERING OUR TOWN. Our November Neighborhood Watch meeting included a special presentation by the San Geronio Pass Historical Society on the history of our area. The presentation was headed by a long-time city and Four Seasons resident John McLaughlin, who provided a pictorial showcasing Beaumont from its beginning up to the present, depicting the city's rich and interesting history.

With 2018 coming to an end, it's worth noting over the past year your Neighborhood Watch Committee has provided great information in the monthly meetings. In addition to the Historical Society, just this year we had speakers from Animal Control, Beaumont Police, California Highway Patrol, Mila - Beaumont's Police Dog, and the Beaumont Library. All meetings provide a wealth of community information to keep you in-the-know, as well as tips to help keep you safe.

We had a great turnout for National Night Out with more



fantastic speakers, some of whom expressed what a great Neighborhood Watch program we have at Four Seasons. If you have not made any New Year's resolutions, a good one would be to attend the regular meetings which are held the second Wednesday of the month at 10 am in The Lodge Ballroom, with quarterly block captain meetings as well. There will be no meeting in December due to the holidays, however, they will resume in the new year with the first meeting Jan. 9, 2019.

If your block does not have a block captain, or one that is inactive, or you are new to the community and you would like to help, please contact Donna Lewis, Block Captain Leader at (909) 831-9536.

Remember our motto at Four Seasons, "If you see something, say something." Contact the Beaumont Police Department at (951) 769-8500 and FirstService Residential, our community management group, at (951) 769-6358, to report anything suspicious.

Neighborhood Watch wishes everyone happy holidays and a safe new year. ~ *Kathy Craven, kathycraven@rocketmail.com*

CLASS, GAME, MEETING SCHEDULES

Below schedules may change, cancel or reschedule at any time. Check with Lodge Desk or fourseasonsbeaumont.org for updates.

Class Schedule

CLASS	DAY	TIME
Ceramics	W	1p
	Sat	9a
Clay Class	Th	1p
	2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th Sat	10a
Craft Group	Th	10a
Crafty Cardmakers	Fri	1p
Mixed Media Art	M	10a
	W	6p
Drawing & Sketching	M	10a
	W	6p
Believe! Women's Bible	F	10:30a
Women's Evening Bible		
	2 nd , 4 th Thurs	6:30p
Life Guide Bible Study	T	7p
Singing Class	Dark in December	
TOPS Weigh in	T	8a
Spanish Class	M	10a
Spanish Class	M	11a

Game Clubs

GAME	DAY	TIME
Uptown Diva Bid Whist	1st, 3rd F	2p
Bridge for Fun	W	12p
Bunco	2 nd , 4th F	1p
Canasta #1	Th	12:45p
Canasta #2	W	1p
Co-Ed Bid Whist	M	6p
Dominoes, Billiards	W, F	4p
Dominoes	W, F	5p
Hearts	T	6p
Mah Jongg for Fun	M	12:30p
Mexican Train	M	12p
Mexican Train #2	1st, 3rd, 4th M	1p
Pan	2nd & 4th M	9:30a
Phase 10 Cards	2nd M	4p
	3rd Sat	3p
Pinochle	M, W	9:30a
Poker	T, Th	9a
Rummikub	Sun	2p

Meetings

BOARD OF DIRECTORS	DAY	TIME
Executive Session	Dec. 13	9a
General Session	Dec. 13	1p
Committee Chair Mtg	Dec. 17	10a
COMMITTEES	DAY	TIME
Architectural Review	Dec. 5	8:30a
	Dec. 19	8:30a
Communications	Dec. 19	10a
Comm. Planning & Transition		
	Dark in December	
Emergency Prep (EPC)	Dark in December	
Facilities Committee	Dec. 12	10a
Finance Committee	Dark in December	
Landscape	Dec. 18	1p
Rules & Regulations	Dec. 11	9a
Safety Committee	Dec. 4	10a
Social Committee	Dec. 6	5p
OTHER	DAY	TIME
Breeze Editorial Board	Dec. 5	10a
	Dec. 10	10a

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 Private Party (Courts) 3:30p	3 Private Party (Courts) 12p Intercessory Prayer Group 9a 10:30a Curly Cues 11a NW Steering Comm 1p Bereavement 6p AACC Meeting 6:30p 8-Ball Club	4 Winter Wish Gift Deadline Knitting & Crocheting 10a Billiards for Fun 10:30a, 1p NW Steering Comm 11:30a	5 CHP 4 Kids Toy Drive Begins Water Aerobics Potluck 12p Motorcycle Club 6p 8-Ball Club 6:30p	6 Take a Hike Cues 4 Two Party SPARC Radio Party	7 Wild Bunch Billiards 12:30p Let's Dance! Party 4p Seasoned Solos 6p 8-Ball Club 6:30p	1 Birding Club Walk 8a Billiards for Fun 10:30a, 1p Holiday Show #2 7p
9 Private Party (RCN) 2p Chavurah Party 3p Private Party (Courts) 5p CC Cinema Club 6p	10 Curly Cues 10:30a Bereavement 1p 8-Ball Club 6:30p	11 Book Club 9:30a Knitting & Crocheting 10a Computer Tech Group 10:30a Billiards for Fun 10:30a, 1p Writers' Club 1:30p, 6p Life Guide Party 6p All Seasons RV Party 6p Holiday Magic Show 7p 4x4 Group 7p	12 Take a Hike 8a BOD Executive Session 9a BOD General Session 1p Taste d'Vine Steering Com 4p FRS Radio Party 5p 8-Ball Club 6:30p	13 Cues 4 Two 4p Kiwanis Party 5:30p Roadrunners RV 6p Classical Music Club 7p	14 Believe! Bible Study Party 10:30a Private Party (RCN) 12p Wild Bunch Billiards 12:30p Paddle Tennis Party 5p 8-Ball Club 6:30p	8 AACC Gala 4:30p Billiards for Fun 10:30a, 1p Rainbow Group Party 3p Private Party (Summit) 5p
16 Holiday Home Tour 3p Rainbow Club Movie 6p	17 Curly Cues 10:30a Bereavement Group 1p 8-Ball Club 6:30p	18 Knitting & Crocheting 10a Billiards for Fun 10:30a, 1p Camera Club 6:30p	19 Meet With John 2p Heart & Soul Party 4p 8-Ball Club 6:30p	20 Cues 4 Two 4p, 6p Taste d'Vine Formal 6p	21 Take A Hike Party Community Fam Radio 10a Wild Bunch Billiards 12:30p 8-Ball Club 6:30p	22 CHP Kids Toy Drive Ends Billiards for Fun 10:30a, 1p Seasoned Solos Party 3p Karaoke 5:30p
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DECEMBER 2018

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EXERCISE			PICKLEBALL		
*Conditioning	M/W/F	8:30a	Beginners	M-Sat	7a
*Beginning Conditioning	M/W/F	9:30a		T	9a
*Zumba Gold	T/Th	9:30a		Th	4p
*Yoga	W	6p	DANCE		
*Pilates	T/Th/Sat.	8:30a	*Let's Dance!		
*Kick Boxing	Sat	10:15a	Beginners	M	6p
*Pound Fitness	M	10:30a	Intermediate & Advanced	M	7p
	T	6p	Practice	Th	6p
*Pound Fitness	T	6p	Line Dance		
PADDLE TENNIS			Very Beginners	T	2p
Beginners	M	6p	Intermediate	T	3p
	T	11a	Advanced	T	3:45p
	W/F	8:30a, 6p	Heart & Soul		
	Sat	6p	Beginners	W	4p
	Sun	8:30a, 6p	Intermediate	W	5:30p
BASKETBALL			SHUFFLEBOARD		
	F	4p		M & Sat	9a

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POOL HOURS

*Water Aerobics Class	M-F	10:30a-12p
Lap Swim	M-F	6-8a
		10:30a-12p
		5:45-7p
	Sat/Sun	7-9a
		10:30a-12p
		5:45-7p
Open Swim	M/W/F	8-10:30a
		12-5:45p
		7-9p
	Sat/Sun	9-10:30a
		12-5:45p
		7-9p

HORSESHOES W 8a

BOCCE BALL T 9a
W, F 3p

THE COURTS:

Facility Hours 7 am -9 pm

POOL HOURS (DARK UNTIL EASTER 2019)

Open Swim	7a-9p
Water Volleyball	Closed for the winter season

PING PONG

All Level Ping Pong	M/ W-Sat	10a
	T	10a
Advanced Play	T	2p

TENNIS

Beginner's Class	Th	7p
	Sat.	10a
Club Play Time	2nd, 3rd Th	5p
Club Meeting	3rd T	4p
Play Day	Last Sat. of Month	8:30a

LADIES PUTTERS M 6p
F 9a

**Classes have a fee associated with them and must maintain 10+ participants or classes may be canceled.
Contact The Lodge front desk for further information*



MIXED MEDIA ARTS CLASS

This is the perspective of the artist of the month Robert Isava:

"I learned lot of confidence in my career as a computer mechanical drafter. However, during my first month of Art classes I sat at the desk with a white piece of paper and pencil staring at me, challenging me. I felt intimidated knowing that during my lifetime, all the drawings I have drawn by hand have been very basic, not worthy for display. Once I figured out the theme, I started drawing with no idea how to start. Rob gave me some guidelines as I proceeded. His guidance was working and the drawing was taking shape. I became terrified of making mistakes and I doubted myself, I couldn't draw. Every time I went to class I came back with more questions.

"Rob's suggestions always seem to work, as he recognizes each students inner talents. Finally, I finished my first drawing, with the biggest smile! I never thought I could improve my skills in such ways. I also realized that there are no mistakes when drawing or painting. It is just a different perspective. We improve with every piece we create. Today, the white piece of paper and pencil ask me, how beautiful are you going to make me today? I just smile."

~ Robert Isava

Classes are FREE and are Mondays 10 am to 12 noon and/or Wednesdays 6 to 8 pm. Any questions, call Rob Kelman at (951) 992-9156. ~ **Rob Kelman**



Work by Artist of the Month Robert Isava



The Japanese military launched a surprise attack on the US Naval base at Pearl Harbor. The attack sank or damaged over 14 naval vessels and killed over 2,300 military personnel.

"I fear all we have done is to awaken a sleeping giant and fill him with a terrible resolve. We can run wild for six months... but after that, I have no expectation for success." ~ Admiral Isoroku Yamamoto

FOUR SEASONS VETERANS

Our Veterans Club sign ups are on Wednesdays at noon in The Lodge lobby. We will take your photo and interview for inclusion in our Veterans Club website the "Honor Roll" at Four Seasons. Contact: Irve@verizon.net or (949) 422-9969. ~ **Irve Sturmer**



President Franklin D. Roosevelt: "December 7, 1941, a date which will live in infamy, the United States of America was suddenly and deliberately attacked by naval and air forces of the Empire of Japan. As commander in chief of the Army and Navy I have directed that all measures be taken for our defense. But always will our whole nation remember the character of the onslaught against us..."

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Come join us this month for two more very well-reviewed smaller films that didn't play at the local Cineplex.



TIM KALISHOF *The CAKEMAKER* SARAH ADLER
UN FILM D'OFIR RAUL GRAIZER

Our first monthly screening, on Sunday, Dec. 9 at 6 pm, is the film *The Cakemaker* (Israel/Germany 2017, 1 hr. 53 min., English subtitles). Here is a brief description from IMDb.com:

"Thomas, a young and talented German baker, is having an affair with Oren, an Israeli married man who dies in a car crash. Thomas travels to Jerusalem seeking answers. Keeping his

secret for himself, he starts working for Anat, his lover's widow, who owns a small café. Although not fully kosher and despised by the religious, his delicious cakes turn the place into a city attraction. Finding himself involved in Anat's life in a way far beyond his anticipation, Thomas will stretch his lie to a point of no return."

Our second monthly screening, on Sunday, Dec. 23 at 6 pm,

is the film *Hearts Beat Loud* (USA 2018, 1 hr. 37 min., English). Here is a brief description from IMDb.com: "In the hip Brooklyn neighborhood of Red Hook, single dad and record store owner Frank is preparing to send his hard-working daughter, Sam, off to college while being forced to close his vintage shop. Hoping to stay connected through their shared musical passions, Frank urges Sam to turn their weekly jam sessions into a father-daughter live act. After their first song becomes an internet breakout, the two embark on a journey of love, growing up and musical discovery."

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**



TASTE D'VINE



Our Taste d'Vine Wine Club would like to wish each of you a very wonderful, joyous holiday season!

2018 was an exciting year for our club. We had several great Temecula wineries come talk and share their wonderful wines. A few brave wine club members presented wines for different occasions and prices. The entertainment portion of our meetings kept us all laughing – and we even learned a few interesting tidbits! Our Temecula bus trips were fantastic – a great way to see and sample different wineries without the hassle of driving.

We will not have a "regular" meeting in December. Our annual Holiday Party will be held that third Thursday of the month.

Happy holidays — looking forward to seeing you all in 2019 — a new and exciting year, starting with Monte de Oro coming to discuss and share their wines with us.

Remember — the best wines are the ones we drink with friends!

For info contact: Terry Hall – President (714) 369-0828 or Barbara Mull – Vice President. ~ **Terry Hall**

COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY

We meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 10:30 am in the RCN building. We try to announce the current month's subject via email before the meeting so, if you are on our mailing list, watch for subject announcement.

December's meeting will discuss "The Cloud is Here – Don't Get Left Behind." Learn how much we are all using the Cloud now and how much more we can take advantage of.

January's topic will be "Two Factor Authentication" and how you can prevent unauthorized access to your accounts.

Everyone is welcome to attend the meetings and learn some valuable things about our tech devices.

We encourage discussion and suggestions for future meetings. ~ **Howard Lyon, hwlyon@yahoo.com**

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CRAFTY CARD MAKERS

All the lovely ladies who attended our November holiday card-making party

The Crafty Card Makers meet at 1 pm on Friday afternoons in the Arts & Crafts Room. We get together and make three cards and the cost is \$6 to cover materials. You only need to bring your own glue and scissors. If you haven't tried our classes, please think about joining us for a fun-filled afternoon!

So we will be sure to have enough kits, please RSVP for the classes. There will only be one class this month on Dec. 14..

If you have any questions, please email me at chorbaparadise@yahoo.com. ~ **Maryalice Chorba**

CRAFT GROUP

The Craft Group will not be meeting during the month of December. We wish everyone a wonderful holiday season and all the best in the New Year. We would love to welcome you to our first meeting of 2019, on Thursday, Jan. 3, at 10 am. ~ **Barbara Paules**

CERAMICS CORNER

Ceramics class has something for the novice crafter looking for a new hobby, or someone who has experience and wants to create their own unique design for friends and family. In addition to individual projects, we also offer class projects throughout the year to teach new techniques.

Come and join in the fun. Drop by the Arts & Crafts Room to see our monthly ceramics class schedule, and learn more about our upcoming class projects. We meet Wednesdays from 1 to 4 pm and the first Saturday of each month from 9 am to 1 pm. Please see class schedule for any exceptions.

A certified instructor and/or an experienced class team lead is available to support your crafting needs. Participation is at your own pace and frequency. For more information, contact Bob Powers at (909) 841-3293 or Elsie Fillman at (661) 414-6270. ~ **Pepsi Powers**

KNIT & CROCHET GROUP

This year has passed rather quickly and our group has completed a big project, and are discussing the next one for the coming year. No topic has been decided at this time. We welcome any new residents who want to learn to knit or crochet. We have people to teach and ample supplies to furnish any new students. We also welcome the experienced, and those who want to refresh an old hobby. Join us each Tuesday morning from 10 to 11:30 am in The Lodge Arts & Crafts Room. ~ **Dorothy Payne**

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October Dominoes Champion Vernon Bell

DOMINOES

Vernon Bell was the domino champ for the month of October winning with 21 games. It has been a little while since he was in the winner's circle. Vernon must have had his lucky charm working for him. Now he needs to work on his pool shooting skills and get rid of that crazy looking hat that he has been wearing. Congratulations to Vernon Bell.

Reminder to all domino players - in December the quarterly domino tournament for the personalized trophy will be happening again. So get ready and practice, practice, practice.

Dominoes are played every Wednesday and Friday from 5 to 9 pm in The Lodge Game Room. Come out and join us have some fun and make some new friends, all are welcome. Practice is from 5 to 6 pm on both days. Jesse Dimmer is usually available to give you help and tips on the game of dominoes if needed. For more information, call Jesse at (951) 769-2035 or Reggie at (951) 769-6483. ~ **Marvin Gaines**

TOPS

The holidays are upon us and so are the CALORIES. Gravies, sauces, warm homemade breads, enormous pies from Costco, sweet potatoes with melting marshmallows, bowls of fudge, divinity and peanut brittle, cheesy appetizers, green bean casseroles with creamy sauces, cranberry jelly, holiday cookies, eggnog and other spirits, and so much more are part of our socializing and eating during this season.

What can we do? We can throw in the towel and gain weight or we can throw down the fork and enjoy in moderation. Moderation is one key to being able to enjoy the month and not feel the pressures of guilt about overeating. We have many suggestions for living in a healthy way while not feeling deprived.

We are aiming toward a simple goal in this quarter of the year. We hope to have many members lose only five pounds. That doesn't sound like much, but the alternative is gaining pounds and then struggling to lose them in 2019. We will have a celebration and prizes for the losers.

Our meeting topics this past month included yoga and a type of easy fasting called 12-hour intermittent fasting. To find out more, join us. At TOPS we have ideas and support for better, healthier eating

habits. We meet every Tuesday morning at 8 am in the Ballroom. Call Andi Henderson at (918) 497-6491 for more information. ~ **Andi Henderson**



RAINBOW GROUP



The Four Seasons Rainbow Group is an informal opportunity for our LGBT neighbors and any other residents who are interested in meeting with us, to keep up to date, meet new members and to have a relaxing dinner together. Our purpose is connecting by social "meetin'-ya" via "face-to-face-look." We meet every month on the fourth Thursday - our next meeting will be on Thursday, Dec. 27 at 6 pm. We gather at the atrium in The Lodge, order any Smitty's food items that we want and then move to The Lodge Card Room. Feel free to bring your own adult beverage, if you desire, and appropriate glassware. Everyone is welcome. Any questions can be directed to Dale at (951) 797-0364; or go to the Facebook site and ask to join our Facebook group by searching Four Seasons Beaumont pride. ~ **Dale Beckes**



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PINOCHLE FOR FUN

Join us! Whether you are a seasoned player or new to the game, we welcome you. Pinochle is an exciting card game where you bid and bluff to name trump and take control of the game. This stimulating game is a time-honored favorite. Winning is not just the luck of the draw; it is a thinking game which teases the mind and keeps it sharp. We meet in the RCN Building - Activity Room #1 on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:30 am to noon. Our Chair is Karen Farmer. ~ **Karen Farmer**



MAH JONGG

Everybody is welcome to join us for Mah Jongg at 12:30 pm on Mondays in the Rec Center North. 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**

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 all are very welcome. 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 Linda Mendelson, at (951) 941-9100 or email Goldtoy@earthlink.net and I will answer any questions you may have. As are 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 Thursdays in the RCN Lobby from 12:45 to 4 pm. Table assignments are distributed at 12:45 pm. Each week, you may play with someone different, giving you an opportunity to meet new friends and/or visit with old friends. We supply the cards, so just bring yourself and a desire to have fun. If you don't know how to play, we are always happy to set up a teaching table — by the end of the afternoon you will have mastered the game. Come join us. ~ **Pam Morales**

BUNCO

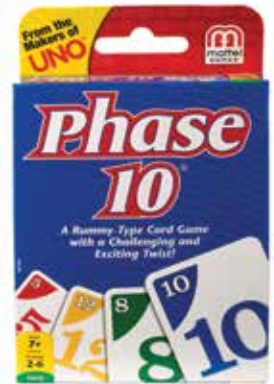
We play on the second and fourth Fridays of the month. Bunco is very easy to play and it's a great way to meet new friends. We meet in The Lodge Card Room at 1 pm sharp. Please be on time! ~ **Emma Hajdukovic**

PHASE 10

What is Phase 10? Phase 10 is a card game created in 1982 by Kenneth Johnson and sold by Mattel, which purchased the rights from Fundex Games in 2010. Phase 10 is based on a variant of rummy known as Liverpool Rummy, and is a member (along with Liverpool) of the contract rummy family.

We play every second Monday at 4 pm in The Lodge Card Room and the third Saturday at 3 pm.

We're looking for fun people who may or may not know Phase 10. It's easy to learn and we always have room. For more information, contact Cheri Howard at (951) 756-1216. ~ **Cheri Howard**



HEARTS

All are welcome. The game is played with a single card deck, no jokers, and 52 cards. We play three, four, or five at a table. No scheduling necessary. We play on Tuesdays at 6 pm in the Card Room next to the Library. A group has played here at Four Seasons for nine years. Seating is random draw, no partners, individual scores. It is easy to learn, harder to win. Players will teach. Games last approximately two hours. Lowest points win. If you have questions, call Mike Saperstein (951) 769-7909. ~ **Mike Saperstein**

RUMMIKUB

Join us Sundays from 2 to 4 pm. Please try to show up by 1:45 pm as we always welcome help setting up. Have fun with new friends and old friends. Rummikub is played at a table with tiles and a holder for each player's tiles. Players begin with 14 tiles. Initially a player "goes down" putting out a group of at least three tiles totaling 30 points. If unable to play, then you must draw one tile from the remaining Rummikub tiles. Play ends when one person uses all their tiles. Remaining players then add the total numbers of their tiles for a score. Zero is the best score.

If you like Rummy and Mah Jongg, then you would certainly like Rummikub. We play in The Lodge Card Room. We also will set up a learning table for newcomers. Hope to see you there. If you have any questions, call Mike Saperstein, (951) 769-7909. ~ **Mike Saperstein**





CO-ED BID WHIST

Hello everyone! Whether new to the game or a professional (or just think you are), there's a place for you. Bid Whist is an exciting game played with partners. Yes, the luck of the cards are important, however there's strategy involved. And at our age, keeping mind, spirit, and body as sharp as possible is essential for the next 100,000 miles. So, if you are interested in learning the game, showing us how Bostons should be played, or just want to socialize, listen to some great music while you stimulate your mind – our Co-Ed Bid Whist Group, may be just what the doctor ordered. We meet every Monday evening (except major holidays) from 6 to 8:30 pm in the RCN Building – Activity Room #3. Usually there are snacks and feel free to bring your own beverage. Howard and Jan are still the champions to take down with their three Bostons in one night. New members are welcomed. Looking forward to seeing you there. For more information, contact Roxanne Williams, (951) 797-3123 or Floyd Reid, (951) 317-3127. ~ **Floyd Reid**

BRIDGE FOR FUN

We wish all of our neighbors at Four Seasons a very happy holiday season and a great 2019! With the start of a new year many of us look for additional clubs or activities to join. Why not consider playing bridge? Lately we seem to have more interest from new homeowners in learning the game. Our group seems to be growing each month as we are now the only bridge game here at Four Seasons. We are fast approaching five tables which is 20 people enjoying the game and each other's company. Many people seem to be intimidated by the game of bridge. Our "for fun" group understands that not all players have the same level of experience and we help each other learn through the experience of playing. So come check us out. We meet in the Card Room at 12 pm on Wednesdays. For more information, call Verina Rector (951) 769-1687. ~ **Tom Halley**

UPTOWN DIVAS BID WHIST

Uptown Divas Bid Whist Group meets on the first and third Friday every month from 2 to 4 pm in the Game Room. ~ **Deborah Garner**

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PERFORMING ARTS CLUB

Tis' the season for shopping, celebrating and magic! Regardless of your religion or culture, the Performing Arts Club would like to wish you very happy holidays.

We hope you had an opportunity to attend the Holiday Show, "WWII in the South Pacific," held on Nov. 30 and Dec. 1. The Four Seasons Singers Choir were outstanding, as they sang many beautiful and difficult holiday songs. Don't they seem to get better and better? The talent in this show was amazing and reminiscent of days gone by. I'll bet you had your feet tapping to the music and singing along. Once again, John Horning, producer, hit it out of the park.

Now for the Magic. On Tuesday, Dec. 13 at 7 pm, in the Ballroom, you will have the opportunity to see five to six magicians blow your mind. They are all professionals coming to leave you awed, from cruise ships and The Magic Castle, a nearby hot spot where only the best are showcased. If you like magic, come to this special showing. As always, this performance is FREE!

Whether you're new to Four Seasons or have lived here for years, if you're thinking about joining one of our many clubs, Saturday, Jan. 26 is Club Day from 10 am to 1 pm, in the Ballroom. Each club will have a table with information about their specific activities. Of course, the Performing Arts Club will be there, with members ready to answer your questions, show you pictures/memorabilia from our past shows, and offer many reasons why you should join us for 2019's list of performances. We have opportunities for entertainers and for those preferring positions off stage. If you enjoy having fun, the Performing Arts Club definitely has loads of it.

I will fill you in on what's coming in 2019 in the next *Breeze* article. We are going to continue to bring you the best entertainment possible at no charge! What's better than that?

If you have any questions, call me at: (951) 992-9156 (home) or (602) 309-0919. ~ Teri Meyers-Kelman



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LET'S DANCE (BALLROOM DANCE)

Our Christmas Dinner Dance on Friday, Dec. 7 from 4 to 8:30 pm is our last event of the year, so we hope you have your tickets and are joining us for an evening of good fun, good food, good music and good dancing. After this event we'll take a seasonal break, with no dancing activities until Monday, Jan. 7, 2019.

If you are ready to start the New Year off by challenging your brain and exercising your body, plan to join our dance group on Monday nights... you will be glad you did! Our teachers are professionally trained dancers and instructors offering top quality instruction at a bargain price. They have endless patience and understanding. We, the students, are just ordinary folks who enjoy moving to the

sound and beat of the music. No judging or competition – we just do something that's fun together!

Reminder to singles: Our Let's Dance Group has opened the class for a single resident of Four Seasons to bring a dance partner who does not live in Four Seasons. Also, we encourage single ladies to attend our classes, as most weeks we seem to have an extra man or two.

Happy holidays to each of you and we look forward to seeing you in the Ballroom on Monday nights in 2019!

Contacts: Puring or Gary Stifter at (951) 922-8333 or at purings@verizon.net. ~ **Sue Condurachi**

LINE DANCING

Happy holidays, everyone! Join us every Tuesday in the Ballroom. Dancing is great exercise and it also relieves stress, both important at this time of the year.

We had a lot of fun at our holiday party in November. Good food, good friends, and lots of dancing. More than 100 people attended. Thanks for coming and making it a special evening.

Thank you to the committee who planned this great event. Committee members are Martha Franck, Laura Fazio, Terry Hall, Barbara Morton, Janine Rohrbacker, Joyce Tautrim, and Kathy Walborn. And a big thank you to Dave and Janine Rohrbacker for all the great music!

The Beginners' Class is led by Janine Rohrbacker, and will be finishing up a three-month course on Dec. 18. A new session will begin on Jan. 8, 2019. If you have never line danced or if it has been a while and you need a refresher, the Beginners' Class is held every Tuesday at 2 pm in the Ballroom. Janine will teach you the basic steps as well as several dances. It takes about eight weeks to master the basic steps. Please plan on regularly attending, especially the first two to three weeks of the month, to learn the basic steps. Dances will be repeated each week to make sure you are ready to move on to some new dances and steps. The classes will give you a great introduction to many of the dances we do at the Sock Hops and at Karaoke. We try to dance as often as we can!

The Intermediate Class starts at 3 pm, and is taught by Martha Franck and Janine Rohrbacker. There is less step-by-step teaching, except for new dances. A quick review of the steps will be done as needed for familiar dances.

The Advanced Class starts at 3:45 pm. New dances are introduced, but you need to know the basic steps very well, and be an experienced dancer.

Bring water and wear shoes that can slide on the wood floor.

A weekly donation of \$1 will go toward our parties and sock hops.
~ **Cindy Schwinn; cmsausten@aol.com**



Martha Franck leads the Country Line Dance class



*Chanukah Party
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Hoffman, Sandi Barletta,
Nancy Justice (Event
Chairperson), Anne Savy,
Dr. Zee Knapp & Ernie
Knapp, Chairs*

CHAVURAH (HA-VU-RAH) JEWISH SOCIAL CLUB

The Four Seasons Chavurah (Ha-vu-rah), an informal social and cultural gathering group, provides an opportunity for the community to connect to Judaism, and welcomes all interested Four Seasons residents who want to participate in Judaism's culture and celebrations. In the next months, we have planned several outstanding events.

The Chavurah Movie Night and Trivia Night are dark in December due to the Second Annual Festive Chanukah Latke Party and White Elephant Exchange Event on Dec. 9, 5:30 pm at The Summit. For the Latke Party, please bring Traditional Chanukah foods which include homemade, innovative latkes (such as zucchini, sweet potato, carrot and gluten-free--traditional jelly donuts, applesauce, sour cream), Chanukah cookies, chocolate 'gelt' coins, holiday challah, apple noodle kugel, or other favorite Chanukah recipes from grandma's kitchen in Europe, Israel, South America, Asia or other global destinations.

The White Elephant Exchange follows the latke party with new and old treasures exchanged (many times) by the enthusiastic members. Used and new items are wrapped for the exchange, and new items are not to exceed \$5 in value. A special fundraiser for the 29 Palms AS-YMCA, 'All Service YMCA (Army Base)' families is planned and everyone is invited to donate to buy Chanukah items for the children at the 29 Palms Marine Corps Base. Come for the fun, food and

exchanges, and meet new friends and neighbors. A donation of \$5 is suggested for those not participating in bringing an item for the potluck. Those not bringing a white elephant are invited to watch the exhilarating and competitive exchanges.

Everyone is invited to the January Events which include the Jewish Movie Night on the third Sunday of the month. Before each movie is a dessert potluck in the in The Lodge Card Room at 6 pm, followed by the movie at 6:45 pm. We hope you attend our next pre-movie dessert potluck followed by the movie selection in January (date to be announced). The Chavurah Trivia Nights are on the first Sunday of each month. Trivia Master Joe Barletta leads a lively game in the RNC with prizes given to the various winning teams. Join us when they start again in January.

For more details about any of our events, look for the flyer and poster in The Lodge.

For more information about these events, or to be put on our email list, please contact us at chavurah.time@aol.com, or talk to a social or cultural committee chairperson: Nancy Justice (movie night) (951) 769-5804; Richard and Tsilya Hoffman (cultural), (310) 869-8069; Dr. Zee and Ernie Knapp, (714) 423-4755, (general questions). ~ **Dr. Zee Knapp**



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“BELIEVE...” WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY

As a group we have thoroughly enjoyed the studies we have completed in 2018. Our first series was a four-week study entitled “Loving God,” wherein we learned how very dearly God loves us, is always aware of us and how He sees us. Our next series was discussing the smaller books in the Bible: Titus, Philemon, Jude in the New Testament, and the “Lesser Prophets”: Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi in the Old Testament. These are powerful books, and are called “lesser” only because they are shorter than the rest of the books in the Bible.

After studying all of those wonderful books, we began our new series entitled “Blessing Blockers.” This was a 17-week study of what blocks blessings, how to avoid them, and how to open the windows of heaven to receive the blessings God has for us. Ultimately, we learned that the only “blessing blocker” we truly have is ourselves and our choices, and where we place God in our lives.

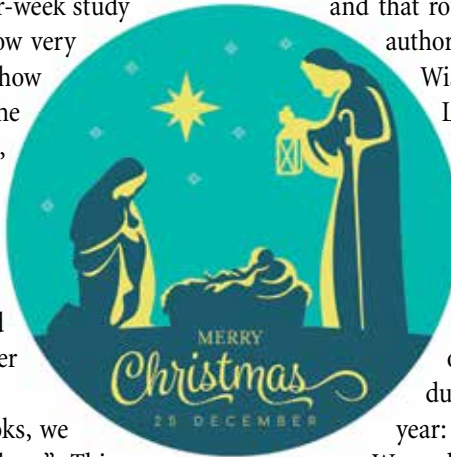
Our final series of 2018 began with the lesson on “What are the Psalms?” We learned that the Psalms are also songs; therefore, the Book of Psalms is also a hymnal. We learned the writers of the Psalms were David (73), Solomon (2), Moses (1), Heman the Ezrahite

(1), Ethan the Ezrahite (1), Asaph (11), the sons of Korah (11), and that roughly 47+ Psalms are “orphans,” or unidentified authors. We then studied the Psalms in ten categories: Wisdom, Thanksgiving, Personal Lament, National Lament, Penitential, Imprecatory, Confidence, Royal, Remembrance, and Praise.

On Dec. 14 we will have a wonderful Christmas luncheon and party in the Ballroom (no potluck this year). The theme will be “White Christmas,” with a \$10 gift exchange, and surprise entertainment. God willing, we will have our last lesson on the Psalms before the luncheon, during which we will discuss the final lesson of the year: the praise Psalms.

We are looking forward to 2019, and the beginning of our sixth year. We will begin with a series called “Changes,” followed by a study of Paul’s letters (which encompass most of the books in the New Testament).

If you are looking to join an amazing group of Godly women who come together every Friday morning at 10:30 am in the game room at The Lodge to study the Word of God, you are more than welcome to join us. This is a non-denominational study, and any version of the Bible is acceptable for study. Please come! ~ **Eileen Gilbert-Antoine**; egcellent@msn.com



WOMEN’S EVENING BIBLE STUDY

We hustle and bustle, and worry and fret, this merry time of year. Let’s take some time to enjoy a fun filled evening of making new friends and warm fellowship with other Christian women. Our Christmas event is Dec. 6 in the Game Room at 6:30 pm. Please bring a snack to share, and a “white elephant” for the gift exchange. This is something you have in your home that will make a nice gift for another woman. All ladies in Four Seasons are invited and we look

forward to seeing some new faces. The plates and plastic ware will be provided and you are asked to bring a non-alcoholic drink for yourself. In January our Bible study will be on new beginnings and serving others. We will gather together on Thursdays, 6:30 - 7:45, Jan. 10 and 24 in the Game Room.

“O Little Town Of Bethlehem, How Still We See Thee Lie...”
Merry Christmas! ~ **Mary Baer**, baerhuggy@aol.com

LIFE GUIDE BIBLE STUDY

We will be continuing our study on the Beatitudes facilitated by Jim Seim on Dec. 4. Our Christmas Potluck will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 11 at 6 pm in the RCN. Join us for a great time of celebrating our Lord's coming with tasty food and joyous carols.

We will then take a break for the holidays and resume our regular meetings on Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 7 pm in the third section of the Ballroom. We invite all residents to join us for fellowship, discussion and learning from God's Word. Contact Doc or Letha Sellars with any questions or comments at (951) 797-3302 or docletha72@gmail.com. ~ **Doc Sellars**

INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP

Christmas greetings to the intercessors, friends, and neighbors.

Christmas is the time for giving. Bring a smile to your neighbor’s face by sending a Christmas greeting card or by stopping by with some fresh baked cookies or gingerbread. This simple act of love will never be forgotten. Love never fails, and love is well-received and appreciated by the one who needs cheering up. Come on and put a little love in your heart, maybe the world will be a better place.

I leave you with lyrics to this Christmas song "God Rest Ye Merry,

Gentlemen... let nothing you dismay, Remember Christ our Savior was born on Christmas day. To save us all from Satan's power when we were gone astray. Oh, tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy, oh tidings of comfort and joy!" Merry Christmas.

Come and join us in prayer on Monday, Jan. 7, 2019, in The Lodge Game Room at 9 am. Men are welcome. ~ **Cookie Bonner**; eaglewatchwb@aol.com

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

We talk a great deal about regret, guilt, fear, and anger as well as grief in our group. We discuss staying present and not dwelling on “if-onlys” from the past, our yesterdays, nor dwelling in our fears about tomorrow.

It is a difficult accomplishment.

So when Mel Zeldin, a group member, brought his writing to share with all of us, we were touched and delighted. Once again hope was blossoming among us.

One thing we all have in common, whether we're in this bereavement session or not, is that we all have one chance to get older. From the day we're born we get older and it continues steadily through our lives. When we get into our 70s, 80s or 90s, we pack a lot of our life's experiences into our daily living. No two people have the same experiences. To most, our families or close friends are the sources of joy, self-satisfaction and enrichment. However, loss of a loved one, such as a spouse, leaves us with an emptiness, grief and sadness that may seem hard to overcome.

Last week Laurie told us that we can't control yesterday or tomorrow but we can deal with the current elements of today. There is something about tomorrow, though, that we can do to help ourselves. We can set out to make tomorrow just a little better than today. How we do that is an individual choice. But try to do something for yourself that you haven't tried before, maybe cooking a new recipe, getting a new decoration for your home that adds some beauty to it, reading a new book, something that adds some positive spark to your day. Then the tomorrow after that, do something else that adds to a positive direction in your life. The more positives we add, the more we see we can function better than the previous day. In time, we set sail on a new course for ourselves with new positives in our lives. We never forget our departed loved ones, but those close to us who we have lost would probably be our biggest rooting section for making a better and better life for ourselves.

It's our choice, but I'm determined to find

a new place for happiness in my life and that determination is a healing process for grief. So look forward, make each day better, and you will find you have space to achieve a happy life for the rest of your life. It's a goal worth the effort to attain.

If you have suffered a loss, please come join us. We meet on Mondays from 1 to 3 pm in the RCN Conference Room. You can just show up or you can call or email me first at (951) 922-0934 or lauriemlarson425@gmail.com. All contact is confidential. ~ **Laurie Larson**



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AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURAL CLUB

Meet Les Mays, Master of Ceremonies for the 2018 Christmas Gala: "Life is a mystery to be lived not a problem to be solved." ~ Les Mays

Born in Arkansas in 1946, Les is the ninth of 10 children. His parents, Bennie and Dathulia Mays, were sharecroppers until they moved to California in 1959. Les' mother wanted to become a nurse but withdrew from school to help her mom raise the younger siblings once her father passed away. After marriage, Les' mother focused on making sure her children learned to read and write. Her motto was, "Learn as much as you can, and never stop learning."

Bennie, Les' father, was uneducated and a very strict disciplinarian which motivated Les to leave home at 15. He finished high school on his own and then enlisted in the military but was sent home because he had a daughter.

Les has always loved music and dancing, and decided to figure out how to make money doing it. His dream started by holding parties at his apartment; then in 1985, he opened a nightclub in Fresno called Bogey's. "It was six years of ups and downs," said Les. Nevertheless, in 1991, he opened another club in Fresno called The Ice House. By 1994 the industry had gotten so rough Les decided to leave the business.

After closing his nightclub, Les started a mobile DJ business called Les' Disco Experience and had a radio show entitled the Les Mays Oldies Show on Power 94.3 FM. Later, he started a cabinet-making business which took him from Los Angeles to Riverside County. While working, he came across the Four Seasons community and in 2006, he decided to move to Beaumont.

Today Les has a handyman and driving service. He recalls a 90 year old man telling him at 17, "Don't ever stop moving or working..."



if you stop learning your brain starts deteriorating and if you stop moving, your body starts deteriorating." That philosophy has stuck with Les to this day. At 72, Les is still moving and working in his business.

Upcoming Events:

Christmas Gala - Dec. 8, 4:30 pm

Martin Luther King Holiday - Jan. 21, 2019

AACC Film Festival - Feb 1, 2019

"A Taste of Soul" - Feb 16, 2019

Club meetings are the first Monday of the month in The Lodge Card Room at 6 pm. For more information, contact Joyce Allen at (951) 769-4354 or Roxie Elliott at (951) 769-2517. ~ **Regina Thomas**

KIWANIS CLUB OF BEAUMONT

Dec. 13 is our Christmas meeting with a gift exchange between members. It's a fun night and will be the last meeting of the year.

At the beginning of December, we start selling place mat ads and breakfast tickets for our Annual Pancake Breakfast on Feb. 2, at the city hall. A place mat ad costs \$40 dollars which includes six tickets to the breakfast. Otherwise, tickets are \$6, and you get pancakes, eggs, sausage, orange juice and coffee.

Many members help on the Winter Wish Project from October through December. We work with the Beaumont School District to provide gifts and food to deserving families for Christmas. Last year, over 200 families and 650 kids were served. This project has been going on for 29 years. Beaumont Kiwanis also donates money and will select a family and purchase gifts and food for the family. On Nov. 1 the tags were delivered to The Lodge. Two days later more tags were needed because the response was so great. Thank you for supporting the program.



If other clubs in our community would like to help a deserving family, please call Pam Dopf at the Beaumont Chamber of Commerce at (951) 845-9541, ext. 103.

We are always looking for new members. The more members we have, the more service we can do in the community. Our focus is helping the children of the world and the community of Beaumont.

The Beaumont Kiwanis Club meets in The Lodge Conference Room, the second and fourth Thursday of the month. The meeting starts at 6:30 pm. Many of the members come early and order at the Bistro and eat prior to the meeting. You do not need to be a resident of Four Seasons to be a Kiwanis member.

For further information, call Buzz Dopf at (909) 208-0880. Hope to see you there! ~ **Buzz Dopf**

This photograph of a lone cypress tree on the 17-Mile Drive near Pebble Beach was taken by camera-club member Bill Christelman during a recent trip.



CAMERA CLUB

We meet the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm in the RCN Main Lobby Room; thus, our December meeting will be Dec. 18.

In our October meeting we critiqued members' photographs that utilized angles. There were lots of great pictures and comments.

Our November meeting had not yet been held at the time of this writing, but our genre will be lighting, both natural and artificial. Members are encouraged to bring flash attachments for their cameras. In addition, members were encouraged to bring photographs that need editing in Photoshop. Using the laptop and room monitor, we'll

do live manipulation in Adobe Photoshop.

Visitors are always welcome. We invite all photographers, regardless of skill level, to join us for our regular meetings, workshops, in-house hardware and software demonstrations, guest speakers, field trips, and more.

Thanksgiving is behind us and more holidays are in front of us so be sure to visit for tips and tricks for those holiday pictures.

We hope to see you soon. ~ *Lyle Cameron; lylecameron@verizon.net*

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TRAVEL GROUP

"Our bags are packed, we're ready to go ..." Oh, wait. Not quite yet. We won't be meeting in December so our next get together will be Jan. 19 in the Ballroom. A huge thank you for the great turnout last month. We are looking forward to growing the group and enjoying our journeys. If you are not on our email list or missed November's meeting and want to receive Travel Group updates, please contact Sharon Bond at sjbond2013@gmail.com. ~ **Sharon Bond**

FOUR SEASONS SINGERS

Depending upon when you receive your copy of the *Breeze*, you may have already heard the Holiday Show or you might be getting ready to attend it on Nov. 30, and Dec. 1. We hope you find it most enjoyable.

The Four Seasons Singers are also performing at The Lakes and The Lakes Memory Care the first full week in December. We find these experiences so rewarding as the residents of both places enjoy

our singing. We will also be holding our Annual Potluck Dinner before we take a well-earned rest during the month of January. After that we will begin rehearsals for our next show. Stay tuned!

If you would like to join us, would like to be included in my email list, or if you have questions about the Four Seasons Singers, call (951) 797-3466 or email me at bawasco@dc.rr.com. We always welcome new recruits who want to sing! ~ **Barbara Wasco**

Do you ever wonder about what goes on before a performance? Do you ever wonder who sets up the stage?

Performing Arts Club/Choir and our HOA recently split the cost of purchasing choir risers as the choir is growing in numbers. The athletic steps for step aerobics, which we had been using, were no longer meeting our needs. Sometimes we had people straddling them and the fear was they wouldn't step off at the same time and someone would go flying. Our committee did the research and came up with a set of risers that fits the bill for today and will for many more years ahead.

Recently, Jeff Davidson (who puts up the stage with his wife, Teri), Colin Taylor and Tom Wasco put together our new risers – spending hours working the kinks out from the picture instructions. They are stored in the Ballroom storage closet and will be brought out for the Holiday Show. To the right is a photo that shows their work.



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 Theater. We listen to and watch musical selections on the big screen. Each month we focus on a particular work or several selections of one composer. We also discuss current musical performances in the area. We welcome new members. Contact Steve Benoff at steve.benoff@verizon.net or (310) 413-4896. ~ **Steve Benoff**

SEASONED SOLOS

If you are single and enjoy a variety of activities, then Seasoned Solos just might be the group for you. We currently have 20-plus members.

At each meeting we discuss what is going on in the Inland Empire and plan activities for the coming month, from local lunches and dinners to excursions to presidential libraries, Redlands Bowl, Metro Link trips into LA and the beach train to San Juan Capistrano. There's not much that we won't consider doing.

We meet on the first Friday of each month in The Lodge Craft Room at 6 pm. For further information, call Joyce at (951) 850-3055. ~ **Joyce Olson**

CURLY CUES

Where does the time go? It's hard to believe the holidays are almost here. Our last quarterly tournament for 2018 was held on Oct. 22. We had a good turn out and some great competitive play. First place winners were Leta Ramirez and Teri Martin. Second place were Pat Semler and Lois LeMottee.

Our semi-annual competition with the guys in the Billiards For Fun Group was a huge success — 12 guys and 10 girls. Curly Cues have bragging rights again... YAY! We don't like to brag but we were pretty good and gave those guys a run for their money.

We're looking forward to our annual holiday party on Dec. 10 at Tukwet Golf Course.

We play Mondays from 11 am to 1 pm so come by and join the fun! Please contact Leta Ramirez at (626) 695-0798 or Pat Semler (714) 325-5280 for more information. ~ **O'Leta Ramirez**



*Leta Ramirez & Teri Martin:
1st place*



*Pat Semler & Lois LeMottee:
2nd place*



*Curly Cues tournament winners (L-R) Leta
Ramirez and Beverly Lunetta*



*BFFG top players in the tournament (L-R) Paul
Snyder and Richard Dipoma*

BILLIARDS FOR FUN

We are so grateful to our amazing leaders this past year: David Martin who managed the 11 to 1 session, and Pete Antoine who led the 1 to 3 session. You both did an amazing job, and our hats are off to each of you, as well as giving a heartfelt salute from all of the BFFG members. Thank you for your dedication, humor, consistency and all you did to make this year at BFFG so much fun. You are two great leaders.

On Oct. 29 the Curly Cues challenged BFFG to a tournament. We had 12 ladies from the Curly Cues group sign up and 14 men from BFFG. Leta Ramirez, the CC leader, assigned the men a couple of handicaps: first the BFFG guys were to bank the 8 ball, and then that handicap transitioned to the BFFG must shoot the 8 ball in the last pocket they placed a ball. Both handicaps were challenging, but everyone had a great time. Yep. The Curly Cues won the tournament! The CC team of Leta Ramirez and Beverly Lunetta came in first, with six consistent wins and no losses. The CC team of Barbara Dipoma and Barbara Morton came in second, with five wins and one loss after well-fought battles. As always the guys were kind and patient, and the top team from the BFFG consisted of Richard Dipoma and Paul Snyder. Congratulations to all the players for showing up and giving your best. Next year, this writer thinks there should be no handicaps, but I'll probably be outvoted. (sigh.)

On Nov. 13 the Billiards for Fun Group held its last in-house

tournament of 2018. Since the tournament took place after the deadline for this article, the winners will be announced in the January 2019 issue of the *Breeze*.

C'mon all you Four Seasons residents, dust off those pool cues and come join a great group of billiards players and start 2019 off right! Sign up with us. We play every Tuesday at one of two sessions, either 11 am to 1 pm or 1 to 3 pm. There are also practice sessions in the same time slots for anyone in the community who wants to practice with great players. Don't be afraid. Seriously. We have lots of fun. See you soon (we hope). ~ **Eileen Gilbert-Antoine**

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THE 8-BALL CLUB

The 8-Ball Club holds two in-house tournaments each month; an 8-Ball tournament (no surprise there) and a 9-Ball tournament. This month's 8-Ball tournament found 10 players battling it out to become this month's champion. Leo Babin played his way to the finals, beating the author in the process. Leo, having lost one game in an earlier round, was facing Robert Isava who made it to the final round undefeated. Robert was on his game and was able to defeat Leo in the first game to become this month's 8-Ball champion. Congratulations to Robert (champion) and Leo (runner up).

The 9-Ball tournament also had 10 players competing for this month's championship. When it got to the finals, Robert Isava was in the mix again. This time Robert had worked his way up from the loser bracket. Robert was facing long time 8-Ball Club member, Dewey Allen. The match turned out to be both a game of experience, skill and of strategy. With four balls left on the table, and no clear shot on the six ball, Robert placed the cue ball near the head rail at one end of the table leaving a very difficult shot for Dewey. Seeing the leave, I was liking Robert's chances. When Dewey came to the table he showed he was up to the challenge by nailing the shot, and finished out the rack to become this month's 9-Ball champion. Congratulations to Dewey; this month's 9-Ball champion; and Robert for an enjoyable game to watch.

The 8-Ball Club is open to Four Seasons residents who love the game of pool. If you're interested or want to know more about the club give Del or Larry a call.

8-Ball Club Officers: Captain Del Lyles Sr. (951) 845-5114, Co-Captain Larry Rice (951) 236-1156 ~ **Larry Rice**



9-Ball Dewey Allen (Champion) and Robert Isava (Runner up).



8-Ball Leo Babin (runner up) and Robert Isava (Champion).

WILD BUNCH BILLIARDS

The Wild Bunch 8-Ball Billiards Group is geared for those individuals who want to play competitively with those of their skill level. We started the new year with inviting the "best of the best" from Sun Lakes and Solera to play competition on Fridays, from 12:30 to 3:30 pm in our Billiards Room. It has been a great success with the skill levels ranging from Level 4 to Level 7.

The Wild Bunch consists of some of the best players in the league: Calvin Moore, Joe Spinella, Lucas Don, Bob Rector, Robert Turner, Pete Antoine, Mike Corbett, Carlos Rivera, LeRoy Wright, Rocket Spinosa, and Gracy Luna.

We will be hosting another competitive tournament between Sun

Lakes, Solera and Four Seasons at the beginning of the year. We are looking forward to some great competitive play and taking home the trophy.

If you want to play serious, competitive pool, we invite you to come by the Billiards Room and join in the stimulation of competitive play. We do not play with partners; we play one-on-one with an opponent of your skill level. We are always looking for those who want to play competitively and, who knows, you just may want to change up your game and play on the team!

And, most importantly, we have a good time. ~ **Gracy Luna**

CUES FOR TWO

What a fun way to spend a Thursday evening with your spouse. We are looking forward to our first holiday party to be held at The Summit on Dec. 6. We have some really fun games planned so come with a good sense of humor. Our last tournament for 2018 will be on Dec. 13 so members brush up your skills and get your name on that plaque for 2018.

We play from 5 to 8 pm open play and always have the Thursday night football game on for those of you that can't drag your behinds away from the TV (Robert Rector) so get your Dilly Dilly up and join us.

Contact Leta Ramirez at (626) 695-0798 or Pat Semler at (714) 325-5280 for more information. ~ **O'Leta Ramirez**



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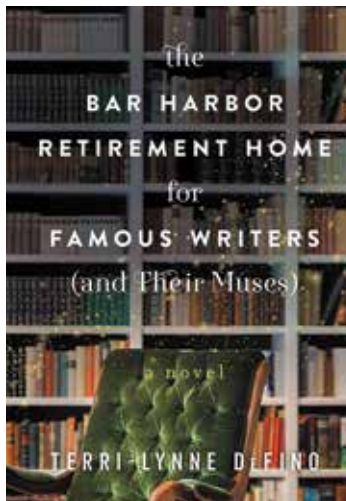
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BOOK CLUB

The Book Club selection for December is *The Bar Harbor Retirement Home for Famous Writers (And Their Muses)* by Terri Lynn DeFino. This summary is from the book jacket:

"A whimsical, moving novel about a retirement home for literary legends who spar, conjure up new stories, and almost magically change the lives of the people around them. Alfonse Carducci was a literary giant who lived his life to excess — lovers, alcohol, parties, and literary rivalries. But now he's come to the Bar Harbor Home for the Elderly to spend the remainder of his days among kindred spirits: the publishing industry's nearly gone but never forgotten greats. Only now, at the end of his life, does he comprehend the price of appeasing every desire, and the consequences of forsaking love to pursue greatness. For Alfonse has an unshakeable case of writer's block that distresses him much more than his precarious health.

"Set on the water in one of New England's most beautiful locales, the Bar Harbor Home was established specifically for elderly writers needing a place to live out their golden years — or final days — in understated luxury and surrounded by congenial literary company. A faithful staff of nurses and orderlies surround the writers, and are drawn into their orbit, as they are forced to reckon with their own



life stories. Among them is Cecibel Bringer, a young woman who knows first-hand the cost of chasing excess. A terrible accident destroyed her face and her sister in a split-second decision that Cecibel can never forgive, though she has tried to forget. Living quietly as an orderly, refusing to risk again the cost of love, Cecibel never anticipated the impact of meeting her favorite writer, Alfonse Carducci — or the effect he would have on her existence. In Cecibel, Alfonse finds a muse who returns him to the passion he thought he lost. As the words flow from him, weaving a tale taken up by the residents on the Pen,

Cecibel is reawakened to the idea of love and forgiveness.

"As the edges between story and reality blur, a world within a world is created. It's a place where the old are made young, the damaged are made whole, and anything is possible..."

Please join us in The Lodge at 9:30 am on Tuesday, Dec. 11, when we discuss this book and enjoy a little taste of New England. Everyone is welcome!

We will kick off 2019 with our January selection, *The President is Missing*, by Bill Clinton and James Patterson. If you would like more information, please call Doreen Sanders at (951) 769-1913. ~ Joanna Olsen

WRITERS' CLUB

It's an exciting time to join the Writer's Club because new people are regularly attending the meetings. New faces always energize the group and inspire others with fresh ideas, knowledge and provide encouragement to fellow writers. Attendance has grown significantly lately which has resulted in the scheduling of a second evening meeting! At the request of a few attendees who are still working, an evening meeting will be added to facilitate their interest and participation! The second meeting will occur at 6 pm on the same day as the current meeting; scheduled for the second Tuesday of the month at 1:30 pm in the Board Room.

Writer's Club members attended the Craft Fair in October at The Lodge to highlight (and sell) their published books! It's impressive

that there are many accomplished authors who live in Four Seasons. Remember that published authors began their process by writing two or three sentences in a row and therefore are not intimidating! The people who currently attend the meeting are as diverse in their writing process as the community's population! There are poets, journalists, bloggers, novelists, genealogists, historians and economists who share their angst and progress with others. All writers, regardless of the product, suffer from procrastination, writer's block, anxiety, frustration and other identified and unidentified conditions. The Craft Fair was an ingenious venue to highlight our successful writers!

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 11 at 1:30 and 6 pm in The Lodge Board Room. ~ Karla Noonan 951-902-5407

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HORSESHOE CLUB

Well, Merry Christmas everyone. I can't believe I just wrote that. Anyway, in November, we had our Fourth Quarter Tournaments, both Doubles and Singles. The winners of each will be posted next month along with pictures.


Also, in November, because of members traveling and the close proximity to Thanksgiving, we canceled our usual monthly social. However, this month we are planning a Potluck Progressive Dinner, involving four member's homes having appetizers through dessert. I'd like to recognize and thank those members now: Harry and Andrea Henderson, Rich and Jill Yanes, Gary Christie and Linda Mindelsen, and Ron and Judy Erickson. I'm so looking forward to seeing their beautiful Christmas decorated homes and enjoying the special foods of the holidays. I just love this club and all the special people involved.

We had two new individuals join our club this year and we have room for more. It's also no secret that when you join the Horseshoe Club as an individual player, you are actually signing up as a couple because of the most enjoyable social activities we enjoy throughout the year.

Health and happiness to one and all in 2019. Our club contacts are Ron Erickson, (951) 846-3288, rejlerickson@sbcglobal.net or Gary Christie, (951) 845-0520, goldtoy@earthlink.net. ~ **Ron Erickson**



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Members in Tombstone, AZ. L-R Virgil, Morgan, Susie, Ryan, Natalie, Wyatt and Doc Holliday

ALL SEASONS RV

Several members of our RV group traveled to different locations this past October including a river trip, Pismo Beach and a trip to Tombstone, Albuquerque and San Antonio. An RV trip is in the works in November to Moab with our 4 x 4 group that has proven to be a blast in the past.

We meet the second Tuesday at 6 pm in The Lodge, or you can contact Bob Cooper at (909) 684-6388 for more information.

Since this will be in the December *Breeze* we wish everyone a safe and happy holiday. ~ **Larry Z**

LADIES PUTTERS GROUP

The past few months have been very busy for the Ladies Putters Group, as they just completed another successful season.

One of the highlights of the season was an Awards Dinner on Nov. 28, at the Morongo Golf Club, at Tukwet Canyon. In addition to a wonderful dinner, the group participated in a holiday gift exchange. The ladies brought some very fun and clever presents, to be shared.

Several of the lady putters received awards for their accomplishments on the putting green. Judy Irving, LPG President, hosted this fun event and presented the awards. Judy also reminded everyone that the Ladies

Putters Group is planning lots of great activities, in the coming year, including a "Bring a Guest Putting Day" and a putting tournament outside of Four Seasons.

The ladies meet at The Courts putting green, on Mondays at 6 pm and Fridays at 9 am. You don't have to be a golfer to participate and the LPG has equipment for anyone to use. New members are always welcome. Come and join us in 2019!

We wish you all a wonderful holiday season!

For additional information, or any questions, please contact Judy Irving at (951) 922-2525. ~ **Vivian Walker**

(Right) Judy Irving and all the LPG members wish you a joyous holiday season!





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Don't chase. The further you chase pets, the more frightened they will become and the more difficult it will be for them to find their way home using their sharpest tool, a sense of smell!

Upon discovering that your pet is missing, start with these three steps – in exactly this order:

Our pets don't navigate by landmarks or street names; they navigate almost exclusively by scent. Immediately go to your dirty laundry and pull out some recently-worn clothing. Place the clothing on your front porch along with any of your pet's favorite things such as a bed, toys, or a crate/kennel. For cats, it's essential to put out a used litter box along with the clothing. Also consider placing dirty clothing in the back yard. Stinky laundry leverages your pet's most acute sense by creating a "scent beacon." Monitor the beacon frequently.

Open the gate to your back yard (after securing any other pets you might have). This will give your pet access to a safe and familiar place if they find their way back.

Call (951) 295-2709 to report your pet missing. Tails & Trails will provide additional guidance and will network your pet via social

media. We will activate our volunteers to explore the community while you wait at home for your pet. It is important for you to stay home. You and your scent are the most compelling lure for your pet to find "home."

There are additional steps a pet owner must take in the event of a lost pet. Tails & Trails will provide information to owners about these measures when you contact us. However, following these few steps immediately upon noticing your pet is absent will improve the chances of a successful recovery.

Meetings: Tails & Trails is building its leadership team. Come join us at 4 pm on Dec. 4 in RCN Board Room to learn more. There will be no general membership meeting in December. For more information, call (951) 295-7209. ~ **Martha Baumgarten**



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TENNIS CLUB



The November mid-term elections are now nearly a month in the past. It doesn't seem though that the red and the blue folks are any closer to crossing the proverbial aisle to work together. But we have been able to cross the aisle (aka Highland Springs Avenue) and bring Banning and Beaumont together by holding a joint Sun Lakes and Four Seasons tennis event. This time, the Four Seasons Tennis Club members traveled east to the Sun Lakes tennis center, where we had three rounds of matches, followed by a no-host BBQ with hamburgers, turkey burgers, and hot dogs.

For the most part, the doubles matches were played by teams comprised of players from each club, which helped make sure that Sun Lakes didn't just beat the daylights out of us, because that night we had to turn the clocks back an hour. If we just kept turning the clocks back, would we actually get younger?

The week before the joint event, we had our regular monthly Play Day, with a nice turnout of players, including Tim, Liz, Robin, two Stans, Howard L., Hilario, Chuck, Bernadette C., Irve, Peter, Darrell, and me. In support of the battle against breast cancer all matches used pink tennis balls, the purchase of which contributed to cancer research. It was a nice thing to do. Thank you, Chuck.

Free lessons and practice are held at 6 pm on Thursday evenings and at 10 am Saturdays that are not Play Days or other planned Club events. Play Days are open to all residents of Four Seasons Beaumont on the last Saturday of the month starting at 8:30 am. There are no prerequisites; all ability levels are welcome. ~ Steven Hovey, sahovey47@hotmail.com



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PICKLEBALL

The month of October was significant for our Four Seasons Pickleballers, that's because we now have 100 people on our official information roster. We use the roster to inform our players of upcoming events and tournaments. Speaking of tournaments, our annual Four Seasons pickleball tournament will be held on Dec. 1, if you have questions about the event you can speak to Nancy Barnaby, LynnRae Dupree or Jesse Aceves. Also, mark your calendar for Dec.

15, that is the date for our holiday pickleball luncheon at The Lodge, hope to see you there! Please remember to keep saving those empty cans and plastic bottles for the monthly recycling program, it really helps to defray the cost of our special activities. Until next month, "Dink responsibly and keep out of the kitchen." ~ **Rick von Kleist**, (909) 395-6192

PING PONG

We are so fortunate to have the Multipurpose Room in The Courts as our venue for table tennis. Our builder K. Hovnanian was careful to build this beautiful room to meet table tennis requirements. There are high ceilings, plenty of natural light, a sitting area, wood floor, and room for three standing quality tables. Our newest member Bob Rubenstein recently relocated back to So Cal from Tucson. Being an avid fan and excellent player of table tennis, Bob researched numerous 55+ communities, with the table tennis facility being given top priority. It didn't take long when Bob saw our room to decide Four Seasons Beaumont was his choice. We're pleased this is where he now lives, and we can say "Welcome home, Bob."

Come and enjoy this room with us, and play the great game of table tennis. ~ **Don Fant**, dlilfant@yahoo.com



Bob Rubenstein, one of our newest residents and table tennis players

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Members line up their 4x4s at Angelus Oaks



4X4 SEASONS

Led by Four Seasons own off-road expert Bob Cooper, eight off-roaders left Four Seasons on Oct. 18 to Hwy 330 north of Highland. Heading east on a smooth and dusty trail, the group eventually hit Hwy 38 at Angelus Oaks. After a leisurely lunch everyone took their time coming home. We're looking forward to next month's trip to Moab, Utah.

Come and join us if you own a 4x4 or would like to ride along with one of our members. We meet the second Tuesday of each month in the Craft Room at 7 pm to plan the upcoming run on the third Thursday. Any questions can be answered by Rick Brower at (951) 255-7119 or Don Fant at (951) 381-1972. ~ **Don Fant**



Far left: Tina Soeten, Jill Yanes, Jane Jacobson and Bobbi Bennett enjoying a treat on Balboa Island

Left: Lunch at Avila's El Ranchito in Huntington Beach...always a favorite. Clockwise from left: Susie Savaglio, Jill Yanes, Tina Soeten, George Soeten, Rich Yanes and Larry Savaglio

ROADRUNNER RVERS

The Roadrunner RVers are looking forward to several trips already in the planning stages, so please join us the second Thursday of the month at 6 pm at The Lodge for our monthly meeting and get more information about our trips. We currently have excursions planned for Long Beach, Bishop and the gold country. This month's photos are from our excursions to the Colorado River and Huntington Beach. Any questions, please call Jane Jacobson at (951) 797-3563. ~ **Susan Savaglio**



Left: Tanya Guy was kind enough to take us on her jet ski... Ann Williams thoroughly enjoyed the ride

PADDLE TENNIS

Happy holidays! Colder weather is on the way, but you can put on those sweaters, sweat shirts and long pants and come down to our beautiful paddle tennis courts and get some good play.

The courts are open the same times as The Lodge, but if you want to play with the scheduled players, the play times are:

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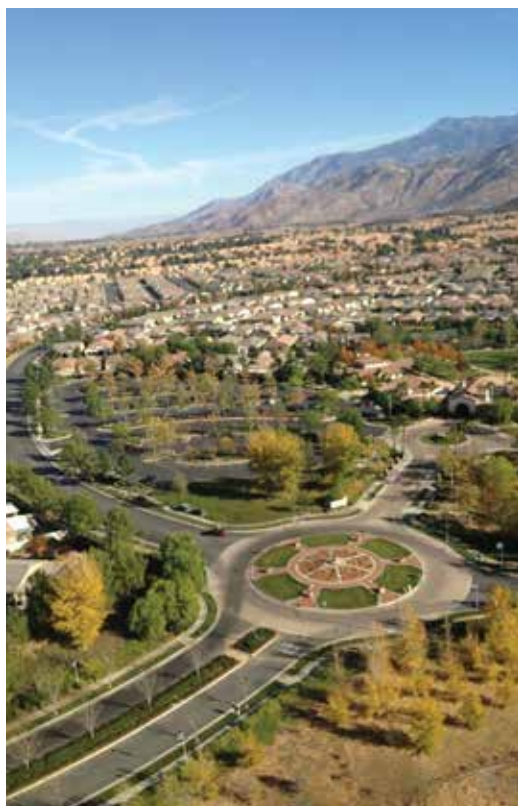
Friday: 8 am and 2 pm

Saturday: 2 pm

Sunday: 8 am and 2 pm

For those of you who work who usually can't play until late afternoon at 6 pm or so and are interested in later play, call Ali at (909) 210-9359 to arrange game play.

Hope to see you on the courts! ~
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Richard Carrasco with seven pound catfish from a local lake



Dennis Boozer with a couple of nice catfish from a local lake

FISHING CLUB

Wow! Where did the year go to? We are now in December and guess what? The trout season has now started. Time to change gears and go after rainbows.

I don't know about you guys and gals, but I had a great summer fishing for catfish and ocean fish. I caught a couple of mako sharks that were about five feet long. I let them both go because they would have eaten up our boat if I had tried to keep them. The catfish I caught were from our local lakes and brought in from fish farms. I can't start to tell you how good they tasted.

They say a man is rich if he has a few good friends. I must be wealthy because I have about 15 or more good fishing buddies. My truck will hold five people and I try to fill it up every time I go fishing. My wife loves to eat trout so no doubt she will be pushing me to go

fishing as much as possible.

Remember in January you have to renew your fishing license. If you go to Fisherman's Retreat in Beaumont you do not need a fishing license. The game warden is always out at our public fishing places and will check you for your license.

In my next fishing article I will inform you on how to catch rainbow trout. Believe it or not you can catch more fish if you know the secret of how to fish for rainbows. Remember the first secret is to know where the fish are. You can not catch them if they are not there.

I want to say to everyone Merry Christmas and remember if you get fishing gear for Christmas by all means use it. Also make sure and invite a friend to go out and test your new fishing equipment. ~

Richard Carrasco

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TAKE A HIKE CLUB

Recently we went to Whitewater Preserve. Our destination was Whitewater Canyon, Red Dome, a four-mile round trip hike. The hike was an easy-moderate hike and elevation gain. We arrived at the Whitewater Ranger Station and hiked to the Pacific Crest Trail. We hiked north on the PCT one and a half miles to this small red rock hill in the canyon bottom and continued past Red Dome to reach the West Fork.

Whitewater Preserve is 2,851 acres surrounded by the Bureau of Land Management's San Geronio Wilderness, and includes the

year-round Whitewater River. The canyon has a robust population of bighorn sheep, deer and bear, and is an important wildlife corridor between the San Bernardino and San Jacinto Mountains.

Following our hike, we drove to Ruby's for a delicious lunch. The Take a Hike Group meets the second Wednesday of each month at the north end of The Lodge parking lot at 8 am for directions and carpool. ~ **Paulette Sigriz**

MOTORCYCLE CLUB

Every Thursday the Four Seasons Motorcycle Club departs at 9 am from The Lodge for our weekly ride and this is that perfect time of year when our weekly destination choices seem endless. The winter cold sometimes limits us to the desert. When the summer temps get too hot for a long ride, we might just head up to Oak Glen or Idyllwild for breakfast and then head back home before the heat sets in. (Any rider will tell you that even a short ride is better than no ride). However, early to mid-fall is a whole other story.

October and November make for that special time when we can ride to just about anywhere. We usually set out on a 150 mile to 200 mile ride. During these mild weather months, destinations like Big Bear, Joshua Tree, Julian, Borrego Springs and San Clemente are all viable options. We also take advantage of the mild weather by setting out on more ambitious multi-day rides. In October we went on a two-day ride to Jacumba. If you have never heard of it, Jacumba is a small town on the Mexican border, about 80 miles east of San Diego. This was our second annual ride to Jacumba and is proving to be one of our favorites for a quick two day get away. Our route to Jacumba is

through desert terrain via Anza-Borrego. The following day we head home over the Cleveland National Forest resulting in two glorious days of riding.

And speaking of multi-day rides, several of our members just got back from a four-day ride to Laughlin. We will have more to report on this ride next month. By the way, member Bill Steele headed out to Laughlin on his Harley Davidson Softail Low Rider but ended up coming home on a beautiful new Harley Davidson Trike Freewheeler. More on that next month as well. For now, congratulations on the new ride Bill!

Looking ahead, details are being finalized for an April multi-day ride to Tucson. Also, a multi-day ride is in the works for next September that will take us up the coast to San Francisco, then east over the Sierras.

And welcome to our newest member, Tim Mixon. Tim joined the club in October and is wasting no time becoming a regular on our Thursday rides on his Harley Davidson Ultra Glide. Welcome aboard Tim! ~ **Jim Ayala**

*Far right:
Heading out on
another joyous
Thursday ride*

*Right: On the
border at Jacumba*



BIRDING CLUB

We welcome beginning and experienced birders to start or hone bird identification skills. Our main activity is a monthly bird walk along Four Seasons' nature trails, which follow native riparian woodlands. We keep a list of all species observed (now 82) and take field trips to nearby birding hot spots.

In winter, the Eastern Municipal Water District conducts monthly bird walks at its San Jacinto Valley Regional Water Reclamation Facility, a multi-purpose constructed wetlands. These "sewage ponds," as birders refer to them, are awesome places to bird and the San Jacinto facility is no exception.

On Oct. 27, about 10 club members joined 60 or so participants for the first bird walk of the season and saw 40 species highlighted by Peregrine Falcon, White-tailed Kite, White-faced Ibis, and hundreds of ducks! The leaders, including our own Craig Hughes, provided free coffee, doughnuts, and water bottles before the one-mile bird walk.

Our Nov. 3 bird walk produced 24 species, just one shy of the 25 species in April 2018. Highlights included at least 10 Mountain Chickadees, FS's second record for California Scrub Jay (June 2018 Bird of the Month), good views of the rarely-seen red crown of the diminutive Ruby-crowned Kinglet, and the first Red-shouldered Hawks since June 2017 (our Bird of the Month).

We meet on the first Saturday of the month at 8 am at the Trail A trailhead (The Lodge parking lot). Email steve.h.edelman@gmail.com for current schedule and other information.

~ **Steve Edelman**



The Nov. 3 bird walk. Photo by Jenny Cole, FSBC



The leaders of the October wetlands bird walk, L-R: Antonio Corona, Joyce Schwartz, and our own Craig Hughes of the FSBC. Uncredited photo from EMWD website



Bird of the Month

Red-shouldered Hawks are medium-sized hawks with dark-and-white checkered wings and warm reddish barring on the breast. The tail is black with narrow white bands. Red-shouldered Hawks are resident in western California and adjacent Oregon and Baja and in the eastern third of the US, where they migrate slightly. Birds in the Northeast tend to be brownish overall, whereas Florida birds are very pale and those in California are very richly colored with a rusty head.

Red-shouldered Hawks are forest raptors. In the East, they live in bottomland hardwood stands and upland deciduous-conifer forests. In the West, they live in riparian and oak woodlands, such as the woodlands along Potrero Creek. Both parents build or refurbish their stick nests in a main crotch of a large tree. Red-shouldered Hawks hunt from perches below the forest canopy, sitting silently until they sight their prey below. Then they descend swiftly, gliding and snatching a small mammal, lizard, snake, or amphibian.

Red-shouldered Hawks are uncommon at Four Seasons and are always spotted along or near Potrero Creek. ~ **Steve Edelman**

Adult Red-shouldered Hawk. Photo by FSBC member Dave Kettering during our Oak Glen Field trip in October

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The word "bocce" comes from an Italian word which is plural, meaning "to bowl." The small white ball, the pallino, is thrown first to start game. Rules are very simple. Get your ball as close to the pallino as possible in order to score a point. If more balls of same color

get closer, these additionally score points.

Much like pool, bocce requires players to take turns. This makes it an ideal game for socializing in between turns. Often cheers, or laughter can be heard. No one has an edge in bocce ball unless of course they have played for years.

We generally play games to 12 points. Two games are played and take approximately 1-1/2 hours. First court winners stay and are challenged on second game by winners from the second court. We mix and match so no team is expert, and we change numbers on a

team so no one is left out.

The game of bocce ball requires no specific skills or previous experience. You will get a little exercise and enjoy a beautiful view and breezes at The Summit all while having a great time with a great group of people. If you are interested in learning the game, please join us at The Summit.

If you have questions, contact one of the following: Mike Saperstein: (951) 769-7909; Larry Anderson: (951) 846-3123; Jeannine Baker: (951) 797-0833. ~ **Mike Saperstein**

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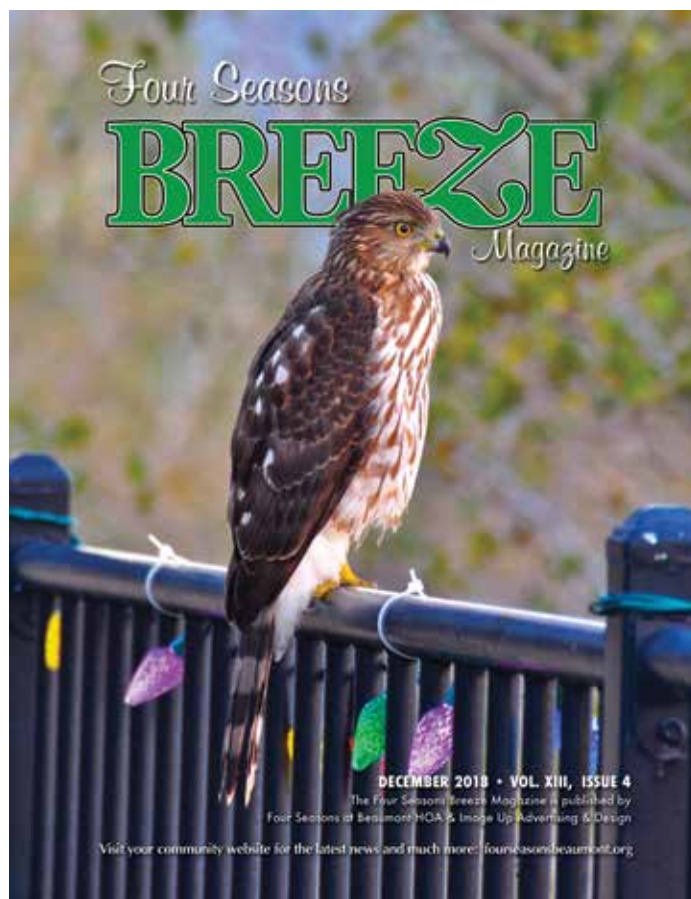
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