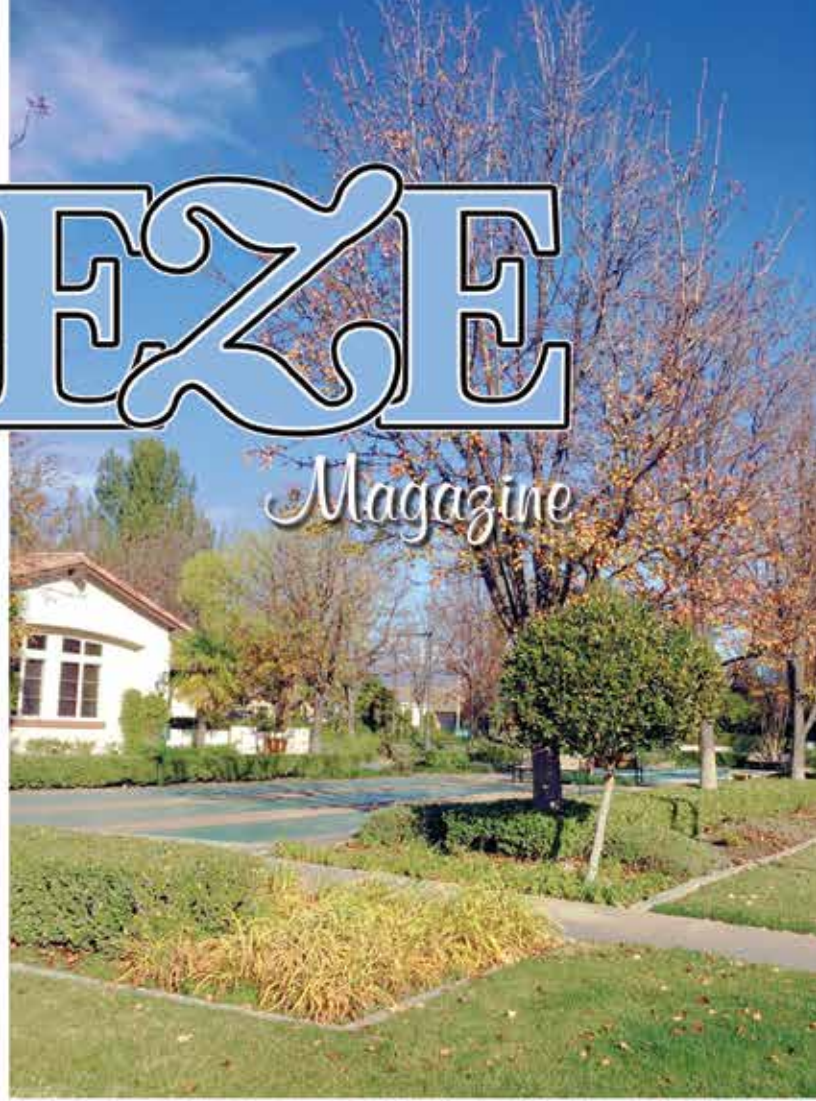


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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

By Kathy Craven, Board Vice President

Happy 2022! I hope this writing finds you all happy and healthy, and may all your wishes and resolutions come true this year.

The Board of Directors has been asked what we are doing to help Sun Lakes prevent the proposed warehouse from being built. We do, and will continue to, show support with the entire Board of Directors attending the initial meeting at Sun Lakes last October, along with many of our residents. I was invited to attend a meeting with Randy Robbins, who is heading the cause at Sun Lakes, as well as two other members of the Pass Action Group. We met with the developer and the owner of the property and were shown the proposed drawings. We asked many questions and voiced our concerns. More importantly, our Board member, Gracy Luna, is a key member on the Pass Action Group and is providing updates and information on all pertinent Banning City Council meetings and hearings. She was responsible for helping write the bylaws to become a charter organization and is working to ensure donations continue for legal fees. She was one of three designated speakers for the Pass Action Group at the planning commission meeting held Dec. 1.

The warehouse is to be constructed across from Sun Lakes' main gate on Sun Lakes Boulevard. Since Highland Springs is the city line between Beaumont and Banning, this will significantly impact Four Seasons.

Traffic is the most impacting issue on Highland Springs and Sun Lakes Boulevard. As anyone who travels outside our gates knows, there is almost always traffic congestion traversing both north and south between Sun Lakes Boulevard and Interstate 10. Traffic is only one of the concerns of the Pass Action Group; other concerns include the health impact due to diesel truck emissions, environmental impact of noise and lighting from the warehouse, environmental impact of noise on local streets, and, most importantly, the inability of the police department to enforce traffic and parking violations.

An attorney has been retained for all legal matters and is working on filing an injunction to halt the project until more studies can be done.

If you are wondering what you can do to help, there are ways to get involved. You can make a donation to the legal fund by mailing a check to Randy Robbins made payable to: Pass Action Group 5972 Indian Canyon Drive, Banning CA 92220, or you can contact Randy at randyllump@yahoo.com or call (909) 499-3570 and someone can pick it up. Please be advised the donation is NOT tax deductible. In addition to legal fees, your donation goes toward printing, website maintenance, and advertising. To stay informed with up-to-the minute status, you can also join the Facebook page by requesting admittance at Pass Area Action Group. You can also attend the City Council meetings and voice your opinion, as well as write letters. Let's all work together to see what we can accomplish.

The Board of Directors meets the second Thursday of the month at 1 pm in the Ballroom. If you have questions and would like to discuss them with the Board of Directors, you can attend the Meet the Board, a much more informal meeting which meets the third Wednesday of the month in the RCN at 1 pm.

Remember, be kind to one another. For more info, contact me at kcravenbod@yahoo.com or (714) 722-1301.



GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT *By Eric Zarr*

NEW ASSESSMENT AMOUNTS Along with the new year there is a new budget and assessments for the Association. A simple breakdown for the new dues are:

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If I paid: \$ 312.28	I will now pay: \$ 351.20
If I paid: \$ 334.21	I will now pay: \$ 360.45
If I paid: \$ 348.99	I will now pay: \$ 376.67

Please make sure to update your banking system of choice with the new amounts.

Meetings

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

	DAY	TIME
Executive Session	1/13	9a
General Session	1/13	1p
Committee Chairs	1/10	9a

SUB-BOARDS

Canine Corral Council	1/6	10a
Communications Board	1/10, 26	10a
Technical Operations Board	TBD	

See Daily Report

COMMITTEES

Architectural Review	1/5, 19	8:30a
Community Planning	1/27	9a
Emergency Prep (EPC)	1/18	11a
Facilities	1/12	9a
Finance	1/25	1p
Landscape	1/18	1p
Safety	1/4	10a
Social	1/4	1p

GATE REMINDER GPS systems still direct people to the back gates and not the main gate. Please continue to tell your guests and vendors to go to main gate to be granted entry to the community.

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS For centuries and in numerous cultures, people have made welcoming in the New Year an important celebration. In Western culture, many gather at midnight on New Year's Eve to drink a toast to the coming year. Certain Muslims in North Africa jump over lighted bonfires to purify themselves from evil. In other African communities, all fires are extinguished on the last day of the year so that new ones may be kindled on New Year's Day. In Spain, people eat a dozen grapes just before midnight symbolizing their hopes for the months ahead. The practice of making resolutions for the New Year is thought to have first caught on among the ancient Babylonians, who made promises in order to earn the favor of the gods and start the year off on the right foot.

In a way, our New Year's resolutions of today are similar to these practices. We reflect back on the past year and try to list the ways in which we pledge to make our lives better in the coming year.

Happy New Year!

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activities DIRECTOR CORNER

By Cindy Graves

I sure hope everyone had a memorable holiday and that you're ready for new beginnings in 2022. We've got a lot of exciting events for you this year so check out the annual 2022 calendar to get a better idea of what you may be interested in.

We're going to start out the year laughing our heads off with "Gail Games" Trivial Pursuit. This is an audience-participation game we'll be holding in the Ballroom on Friday, Jan. 7 at 6 pm. Bring your favorite beverages. There is no price for admittance and winners will receive prizes. Thank you, Gail, for being the best emcee ever!

On the following Friday, Jan. 14 at 7 pm, we'll be showcasing the Paul Locke Magic Show we postponed from September. Maybe this show will help us to look for magical moments this new year. It's a free event and everyone is welcome. Perhaps you'd like to have dinner at the Kopper Kettle beforehand and make it "dinner and a show." This event will be theater-style seating, so there will be no tables set up.

Jan. 15 is Karaoke in the Ballroom at 5:30 pm. This is a great time to start your new celebrity singing career (at least in our neighborhood). You are welcome to bring your favorite beverages and food to keep your strength up for your energetic performances. Everyone is welcome.

National Night Out has always been a great annual event. This year it will be off-the-charts with a giant police BBQ truck and impressive speakers giving us updates on the city. Be sure to check out the Neighborhood Watch article in this issue of the *Breeze* for more information. Tickets for this exciting event will go on sale at The Lodge front desk on Monday, Jan. 17. The actual event will be held on Thursday, Feb. 24.

Are you a resident crafter or creator? Well, if you would like to

participate as a resident vendor in our upcoming Spring Craft Boutique on Saturday, April 19, we need you to attend the mandatory orientation and table lottery on Jan. 19 at 6 pm. This is where you will draw a number to choose a table/booth. If you are unable to make it, please send a friend to draw for you. The participation fee is only \$5 per table. See you there!

On Saturday, Jan. 22, we will have one of the most-requested and best-attended events we have, the Four Seasons Clubs, Groups, Classes, and Committee Expo. This is an awesome chance to learn about what some of the clubs, groups, and class opportunities are to help you explore some new interests this year. If your club, group, or class would like to have a table in the Expo, please contact my assistant, Danya, at Danya.Lynd@fsresidential.com no later than Monday, Jan. 17.

The Four Seasons committees are also very important for you to check out. If you were unaware, the 12 committees and boards here are the backbone of the Association. These committees are comprised of incredibly generous residents who use their time, talents, and expertise to invest in the community, making it an even better place to live. Check out page 4 of the *Breeze* magazine and just take a gander at the many ways that you might want to contribute and give back, for just a season or two. Then bring your questions to the expo. The committees and boards are always looking for folks willing to help. It's a great way to bond with your neighbors over something that's important to you, and have a lot of fun in the process. I dare you to get involved! Shhhhh... don't tell. If you do end up deciding to help, we have a special thank you event and luncheon coming up, only for folks on committees and boards. I hope to see you there!

Have a great January!



Last winter at The Summit traffic circle. Photo by Robert Dalton

JANUARY 2022

- 7 GAIL GAMES – TRIVIAL PURSUIT
- 8 STEP IT UP HOLIDAY PARTY
- 11 TOPS SUMMIT EVENT
- 14 HOA MAGIC SHOW
- 15 KARAOKE
- 19 MANDATORY SPRING CRAFT FAIR
- 22 HOA C/G/C EXPO

FEBRUARY 2022

- 5 HEART & SOUL DANCE WORKSHOP
- 6 PAC "TOAST TO THE TONYS" AUDITIONS
- 10 WRITERS CLUB SPECIAL EVENT
- 12 SOCIAL COMM ROCK & ROLL SHOW
- 13 SUPER BOWL
- 18 NEWLY/OLDIE WED GAME EVENT
- 19 KARAOKE
- 20 JEWISH CULTURAL CLUB EVENT
- 24 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
- 26 COUNTRY LINE DANCE PARTY

MARCH 2022

- 4 HOA MARDI GRAS DANCE PARTY & GOLF CART PARADE
- 19 SPRING CRAFT BOUTIQUE
- 19 KARAOKE
- 25 GOLDEN ERA DANCE & TRIVIA EVENT

JUNE 2022

- 1 MOVIE NIGHT IN THE AMPHITHEATER
- 3 HOA SHOW/FLAMINGO DAY
- 4 BARN BURNER DANCE
- 11 SOCIAL COMMITTEE FASHION SHOW
- 12 AMPHITHEATER CONCERT
- 19 JEWISH CULTURE CLUB EVENT
- 24 HOPE FOR TOMORROW SHOW
- 25 HOPE FOR TOMORROW SHOW
- 26 AMPHITHEATER CONCERT

JULY 2022

- 2 HEART & SOUL WORKSHOP
- 4 HOA 4TH OF JULY & GOLF CART PARADE
- 16 KARAOKE
- 17 AMPHITHEATER CONCERT

OCTOBER 2022

- 7 LATIN BEATS & MORE DANCE
- 8 HOA GARAGE SALE
- 8 MOTOWN HEART & SOUL EVENT
- 15 FALL CRAFT BOUTIQUE
- 15 KARAOKE
- 16 JEWISH CULTURAL CLUB EVENT
- 21 GAIL GAMES – MAJORITY RULES
- 29 SOCIAL COMMITTEE SHOW
- 31 HALLOWEEN DANCE & GOLF CART PARADE

NOVEMBER 2022

- 11 VETERANS DAY CAR SHOW
- 12 COUNTRY LINE DANCE HOLIDAY PARTY
- 19 KARAOKE

APRIL 2022

- 1 HOA VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION LUNCH
- 2 BARN BURNER
- 7 WINE CLUB SPECIAL EVENT
- 8 GAIL GAMES PASSWORD
- 16 KARAOKE
- 23 SOCIAL COMMITTEE SHOW
- 30 HOA GARAGE DOOR
- 30 COUNTRY LINE DANCE PARTY

MAY 2022

- 6 TOAST TO THE TONYS SHOW
- 7 TOAST TO THE TONYS SHOW
- 13 HOA SHRED IT EVENT
- 13 MATZA BALLS VS MEATBALLS OLYMPICS
- 15 AMPHITHEATER CONCERT
- 21 TRAVEL GROUP EVENT
- 21 KARAOKE
- 23 SEASONED SOLOS EVENT
- 27 DISCO NIGHT

AUGUST 2022

- 3 MOVIE NIGHT IN THE AMPHITHEATER
- 6 SUMMER FUN DANCE
- 12 GAIL GAMES – TRIVIAL PURSUIT
- 13 AACC WHITE PARTY
- 21 AMPHITHEATER CONCERT
- 26 HOA LOGGIA BAND PARTY
- 27 COUNTRY LINE-DANCE PARTY

SEPTEMBER 2022

- 3 BARN BURNER
- 10 QUILT SHOW
- 17 KARAOKE
- 18 AMPHITHEATER CONCERT
- 24 SOCIAL COMMITTEE SHOW

DECEMBER 2022

- 2 HOLIDAY GOLF CART PARADE
- 3 HOA HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA
- 4 HOA HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA
- 6 TOPS SUMMIT HOLIDAY
- 9 LET'S DANCE HOLIDAY
- 10 PICKLEBALL D&D
- 11 STEP IT UP HOLIDAY

MORE DECEMBER 2022

- 12 SEASONED SOLOS SUMMIT
- 15 WINE CLUB HOLIDAY
- 16 AACC XMAS GALA
- 16 BIBLE STUDY XMAS
- 17 KARAOKE
- 20 COMMUNITY HANUKKAH PARTY
- 21 HEART & SOUL HOLIDAY
- 31 SOCIAL COMMITTEE NYE EVENT



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COMMISSION APPEAL BUT THE BATTLE

By Jerry Monahan, Board President, and Laurie Larson, Chair of Communications Board

There were meetings with both city officials and development company representatives. There were letters of appeal, protesters, and speakers presenting concerns about health and traffic congestion. Despite the effort of many citizens, the Banning Planning Commission voted yes to go ahead with the warehouse-retail project scheduled to be built across from the main gate of Sun Lakes. The battle is not over.

The Pass Action Group (PAG), chaired by Sun Lakes resident Randy Robbins, has made a continued effort to stop the 620,000 square-foot project located off of Highland Springs, behind Albertsons. At the time of this writing, the PAG retained a lawyer to appeal the December decision of the commission.

While Sun Lakes has taken the lead on this opposition, this warehouse will impact our residents as well with polluted air and congested traffic in and around already crowded intersections, and with it, possibly delayed response time by fire, police, and ambulance.

Four Seasons residents are encouraged to get involved. Donations for legal fees and costs can be sent by check, made out to Pass Action Group and mailed to Randy Robbins, 5972 Indian Canyon Drive, Banning 92220. A Zelle account may also be operational now. Any amount will help fight this project.

Residents can contact Robbins at randyLLump@yahoo.com with any questions about the efforts of PAG. You can also go to passactiongroup.org to join the PAG to stay current with the latest information and request to join Pass Area Action Group on Facebook. Watch this space or go to www.fourseasonsbeaumont.org for updates as well.





PROVES WAREHOUSE IS NOT OVER



Four Seasons Beaumont Board Member Gracy Luna at Banning Planning Commission hearing



The Big Idea Guy



By Elizabeth Westbrook

It would be safe to assume that we have embraced technology in the past two years more than ever. After conversing with Perry Goldstein, it reminded me of how it takes decades of work by people like him who are passionate in designing and providing consumer technology to make our lives easier.

If you have participated in Zoom, webcasting, Skype, or teleconferencing, then there was a good chance you were a benefactor of one of Perry's award-winning microphones. If you are streaming your favorite shows or movies, his work at Marshall Electronics helped adapt the technology for those practical uses.

Before Marshall, Perry worked with Panasonic Electronics where he developed and executed cutting-edge marketing programs, live events, and introduction of new products for the consumer and professional audio/video industry. Through his work, he met and worked with world-famous individuals — U.S. presidents, actors, and athletes. He worked with the electronics utilized in many films including ALL of the electronics in the movie *40 Year Old Virgin*. His first-hand knowledge of the latest electronics made him the go-to guy to many customers including his favorite customer, Gregory Peck. Perry possesses a Certified Technology Specialist (CTS) certification by the Pro Audio/Video industry trade association (AVIXA), which certifies that he has the knowledge necessary to work with commercial Pro A/V systems.

Perry's talents would continue at Marshall Electronics. You and I may have been reading one of his many specifications on "gadgets" like security systems before purchasing. Who hasn't shopped Amazon? Much of the product content that appeared on MXL mics on Amazon was penned by Perry. Back in the early days of online shopping, he also wrote much of the content for Panasonic on websites like Best Buy and other consumer electronics sites.

Currently, Perry has the title of e-commerce Industry Expert. He works for the California International Trade Center (CITC) which is operated by the California Community College system and the Small Business Development Center (SBDC), a federal agency counseling businesses on how to expand their e-commerce initiatives, locally and abroad, in at least eight different languages and in more than 20 countries, and is responsible for \$20 million in sales. Perry also blogs, writes, and presents webinars about e-commerce for CITC. His articles and blogs are translated into five different languages. His BIG ideas continue to make him an excellent technology industry analyst.

Where did he get his inspiration? Do you remember listening to music as a child and noticed the quality of sound that emitted from your stereo? Perry did. The love of music even motivated him to play the ukulele, guitar, and bass guitar.

While at Panasonic, Perry met Tammy when they were assigned to work on the company Christmas party. Tammy handled the party arrangements and Perry handled the evening program and entertainment. It's no surprise they married. Later it will prove they made a perfect team working together, planning and executing hundreds of events. They handled large-scale fundraisers, Bar Mitzvahs, weddings, and other parties. Tammy was the executive secretary to the CEO and Perry was the marketing manager. Their professional lives did not keep them from having a family — twins, a boy and a girl.

Their twins are now 22 years old. Zachary enlisted in the Air Force and is in the Logistics Division and is enrolled in college. His permanent base is Davis-Monthan in Tucson and is currently deployed to Qatar. Aria is studying to be a special needs teacher while working as an instructional assistant for the Huntington Beach Unified School District.

The whole family is very involved in the Jewish communities of Riverside and Orange counties. They volunteer for Jewish events and organizations. Perry and his band "Orange Jews" and the entire family volunteers for Friendship Circle, a non-profit organization run by the Chabad, a Jewish organization, which serves the Special Needs community.

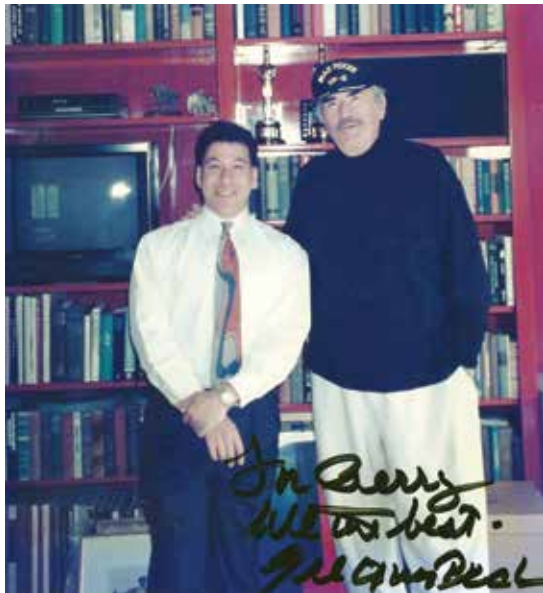
Perry and Tammy joined our community in 2019 and have found numerous clubs and activities to keep them busier. Perry's contributions to the delight of our residents should keep us guessing — what is his next BIG idea?



The Goldsteins: Perry, Zachary, Aria, and Tammy



*At the annual Richard Nixon Library Chanukah concert:
Cantor Zev Brooks, special guest speaker Ben Stein, Sable
Cantus, Rabbi Joel Berman, and Perry Goldstein*



I enjoyed the conversations with Gregory Peck



*2008 Award
for Panasonic
"Living in High
Definition"
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introducing
Panasonic's line
of HDTVs*



*2015 National Association of Music
Merchandisers "Best in Show"
award for microphone design*



*Front of house, Perry and Zachary working on the stream for the main stage
at National Association of Music Merchandisers 2015*



Four Seasons Veterans Park

DEDICATION

CEREMONY

7 JANUARY 2022 1000 Hours

The six Tababuhia “Chrysotricha” trees in the Veterans Park honoring the birth dates of our six military branches were a gift from the Taste d’Vine Wine Club at Four Seasons.



12 Dec 2019



18 Sept 1947



4 Aug 1790



11 Nov 1775



13 Oct 1775



14 June 1775

This park is dedicated to past and present Four Seasons at Beaumont residents who served their country in the Armed Forces. The brief ceremony will conclude with each member present taking a rock painted with their name to rest at the tree marking their branch of service. Rocks for members not present will be positioned by the Veterans Committee.



The A Trail in spring



The B Trail in autumn

THE JEWEL IN OUR CROWN - THE CONSERVANCY

In conversation with Len Tavernetti

By Sharon Bond

How did Four Seasons Beaumont acquire the Conservancy? In the beginning, the government created a need for Environmental Impact assessments, so the builder, K. Hovnanian, was required to set aside a portion of the property for the native flora and fauna – which we call the Conservancy. The Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority (WRCRA) established the requirements. Originally the land that is now Four Seasons wasn't within the Beaumont city limits. The city extended its limits to include our development, but the Conservancy is still covered by the WRCRA.

The builder hired a professional environmental studies group, Glenn Lucas Associates, to do a study. They assessed key features within the area to be developed and recommended which should be preserved as-is and which would be eligible for construction.

Three government agencies — the Army Corps of Engineers, the Santa Ana River Water Control Board, and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife — were determined to have interest in the property. The Conservancy would become the key attraction of the HOA to attract new homeowners and the builder convinced these agencies to allow residents to safely navigate the Conservancy in a way that would not disrupt Mother Nature.

The main feature within the Conservancy is Potrero Creek. Two trails (A & B) straddle this feature as it traverses the HOA from Potrero Boulevard to Highland Springs.

Twenty-five percent of the Conservancy was transferred from the builder to the HOA in 2013, mostly along Trail B. There are eight basins that fill with water during the rainy season and no surface water remains by late summer. Eighty-four homes have backyards bordering the Conservancy buffer zones. Buffer zones are the space between the actual Conservancy and the homes and include the trails. The maintenance of the buffer zones is the responsibility of the builder and will be transferred to the HOA when final transfer occurs at a later date.

In 2017, the HOA did a survey of resident activities within the HOA and walking the Conservancy trails was the #2 activity (walking on sidewalks was #1).

The Board continues to work with the builder's representative to resolve issues associated with close-out and acquisition of the Conservancy.

Len (as the chair of the Ad Hoc Conservancy Committee) has been invited to make a presentation at the Neighborhood Watch meeting on Jan. 12.

CONSERVANCY UPDATE

It has been one year since our builder departed Four Seasons. During this time there has been no progress on turning over the Conservancy to the HOA. The builder did maintain the A & B Trails until June 30 but they went unattended until November. They now are being raked and watered regularly. The Board plans to meet with the Inland Empire Resource Conservation District (IERDC) representative in January to begin recording and registering the "Handshake Agreements" made during the development period between the builder, IERDC, and the HOA so future caretakers will honor these agreements.

During the winter months, visitors are able to see inside the backrooms of Mother Nature's house where in the spring new life will begin for plants and animals. Please stay off the trails for two days after significant rainfall. The trails and the entrances may look dry, but there are slippery spots along the way. ~ **Len Tavernetti**, ltavernetti@hotmail.com





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INTEREST GROUPS

DISABLED RESIDENTS: This group aims to help anyone with a disability or who needs to assist someone with a disability. Our mission is to serve as a resource for residents with disabilities, serve as a resource for the larger community when requested, to further develop and expand resources, and to help each other with and share coping strategies for our various challenges. Meeting dates, times, and frequencies TBD. Sign up at The Lodge or contact Gordon (Curt) Putnam for more information at curtputnam@gmail.com.

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**Note: The HOA does not have any officially recognized political club or group. However, California law changed and now requires associations to allow political interest meetings in HOA common areas.*

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GRAPHIC ARTIST WANTED

The Community Planning Committee is seeking a homeowner volunteer with graphic design experience - a graphic artist - to contact David J. Brown. David needs assistance by someone with that skill to assist him in creating a current map of our Four Seasons community. Email david.j.brown@verizon.net or call (909) 809-0821.

ATTENTION CLUBS AND GROUPS

We want to make sure all the contact information is up to date. If there have been any changes, please fill out a Contact Update Form at The Lodge front desk and ask the attendant to email a copy to fourseasonsnews@yahoo.com. Also, don't forget the deadline for new articles is noon on the 8th of the month for the following month's issue.



Sweet Potato Soup



By Irene Welker

There is nothing better for cool winter nights than a hearty bowl of soup and a hunk of crusty bread. This recipe fits the bill. It is healthy, comforting, and filling. I adapted this recipe from one developed by Jeanine Donofrio, a vegetarian chef, cookbook author, and blogger who creates healthy, full-flavored vegetarian recipes from seasonal fruits and vegetables. Serves 4. Prep time: 15 min; Cook time 40-50 min.

Ingredients

- 2 Tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 1 medium yellow onion, chopped
- 1 teaspoon sea salt
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 3 medium sweet potatoes (about 1 ½ pounds), peeled and cut into ½ inch cubes
- 1 apple, such as Granny Smith or Fuji, peeled, cored and chopped
- 3 garlic cloves, grated
- 1 teaspoon grated ginger
- 1 teaspoon coriander
- ½ teaspoon smoked paprika
- 1 teaspoon apple cider vinegar
- 3 to 4 cups vegetable broth
- 1-14 ounce can full fat coconut milk, reserve ¼ cup for garnish
- Optional toppings: fresh cilantro, chopped pepitas, and/or red pepper flakes

Directions

1. Heat oil in a large (4-5 quart) pot over medium heat. Add the onion, salt, and several grinds of fresh pepper. Sauté, stirring occasionally until the onions are soft but not browned, about 8-10 minutes. Stir in the sweet potatoes and apple. Cook the mixture, stirring occasionally, until the sweet potatoes begin to soften, about 10-12 minutes.
2. Add the garlic, ginger, coriander, and paprika, stirring to combine. Stir in the apple cider vinegar, and 3 cups of the vegetable broth. Add the coconut milk, reserving ¼ cup for garnish. Bring the mixture to a rolling boil, then reduce to a simmer, cover and continue cooking until the potatoes are tender, about 30 minutes. Taste and add salt and pepper, if needed.
3. Remove from heat and let it sit until cool enough to handle. Pour the soup into a blender and puree until smooth. It may be necessary to work in batches. If the soup is too thick add more broth while blending. Reheat soup to serving temperature or store in the refrigerator for 2-3 days and reheated prior to serving. When hot, ladle soup into bowls. Top with a swirl of coconut milk, and your choice of toppings. Serve with crusty bread.
4. NOTE: this soup thickens as it cools so you may need to add more vegetable broth or water when reheating.



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DID YOU KNOW that the Beaumont Police Department has a non-emergency number available 24 hours a day? If you have a question or concern that doesn't require an immediate first-responder visit, call (951) 769-8500. Of course, always use 911 in an emergency!


DID YOU KNOW the Breeze has a handy clip-and-save list of contact numbers for sources within and outside of our community? See the blue column on page 4.


DID YOU KNOW new hours are now in effect at our facilities? The Lodge is open daily from 7 am to 9 pm. The Summit hours are 7 am to 7 pm daily and The Courts, 8 am to 8 pm.

DID YOU KNOW the Bistro opens at 8 am? It was incorrectly advertised as 7 am last month. Our apologies!

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If the instructions above are not sufficient, simply Google "Sudoku for beginners." There are loads of instructions from novice to expert.

Puzzles created by Jeff Davidson. Solutions on page 70

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6			3				2	4

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HARD

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2	3 AACC 6p	4 Veterans Flag Walk 8:30a 6p	5 Motorcycle Club 6p	6	7 Gail Games: Trivial Pursuit 6p	1 HAPPY NEW YEAR! All facilities closed
9 Private Party Ballroom All Day Counter Culture Cinema Club 6p JCC Trivia Night 6:30p	10 Red Hats Club 4:30p	11 Tops 8:30a Book Club 9:30a Writer's Club 1p 4x4 Club 6:30p	12 Neighborhood Watch General Session 10a	13 BOD Executive 9a BOD Meeting Open 1p Italian American Club 6p	14 Magic Show 7p	15 Travel Group 9a Garden Club 10a Karaoke 5p
16 Private Party Ballroom All Day	17	18 Veterans Group 11:30a	19 Mandatory Craft Fair Vendor Meeting 6p	20 Private Event 5p Taste d'Vine 6p	21 Club & Committee Expo 10a	22 Counter Culture Cinema Club 6p
23 Counter Culture Cinema Club 6p	24	25 Classic Film Group 6p	26	27 Rainbow Group 6p All Seasons RV Club 6:30p	28	29 Walking for Health Planning Mtg 12p
30 Private Party Summit All Day	31	<h1>JANUARY 2022</h1> <p>The activities, dates, and times on this calendar are subject to change at any time. Please check with your club or group contact for the latest information if you have any questions or concerns.</p>				

CLASS, GAME, EXERCISE SCHEDULES

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

Physical Exercise

THE LODGE

Gym	Daily	Open
Pool	Daily	Open Swim
Spa Pool	Daily	Open
Paddle Tennis	Daily	Open
Pickleball	Daily	Open
Shuffleboard	Daily	Open
Beginners Conditioning	T/Th	8:30a
Total Body Conditioning	M/W	8:30a, 9:30a
Kickboxing Cardio	Sat	9:30a
Water Aerobics	M/W/F	10a
	M/W	11a
Chair Yoga	W	5p
Yoga	W	6p
Zumba	T/Th	9:30a

THE COURTS

Gym	Daily	Open
Courts Pool	Daily	Open Swim
Spa Pool	Daily	Open
Tennis	Daily	By Reservation
Ladies Putters	M	4p
	F	9a
Ping Pong	Daily	Open
FSTTC	M-Sat.	1p
AFSTTC	T	10a
Yoga	T/Th	8:30a

THE SUMMIT

Gym	Daily	Open
Summit Pool	Daily	Open Swim - except during Water Aerobics
Water Aerobics	M/W/F	10a
	M/W	11a
Water Volleyball	T/Th	10a
Bocce Ball	Daily	Open
Horseshoes	Daily	Open

DANCE

Let's Dance! Beginning	M	6p
Let's Dance! Intermediate/Advanced	M	7p
Country Line Dance Beginning	T	2p
Country Line Intermediate/Advanced	T	3p
Heart & Soul	W	4p
International Folk	2nd/4th T	7p
Step it up Line Dance Beginning	M	12:30p
Step it up Line Dance Int/Advanced	M	1:30p
Step it up Line Dance in the Ballroom	1st/2nd/4th W	6:30p

Classes/Groups

Believe Bible Study	F	10:30a
Ceramics	W	1p
Craft Group	Th	10a
Crafty Card Makers	2nd/4th F	1p
Hand Bell Choir	Th	1:30p
Mixed Media Art	M	10a
	W	6p
Knit & Crochet	T	10a
Intercessory Prayer	1st M	9a
Quilting Enthusiast	Sun	1p
TOPS Weigh In	T	8:30

Activities

Curly Cues	M	10a
Billiards for Fun	T	10:30a
Wild Bunch Billiards	F	12:30p
Dominoes Billiards	W/F	3:30p
Bocce Ball	T/F	9a
Horseshoes	W	9a
Ladies Putters	M	4p
	F	9a
Ping Pong	Daily	1p
Advanced	T	10a
Paddle Tennis	M/W/F/Sat/Sun	5p
Shuffleboard	M	9a
	Sat	9a
Tennis Play Day	Last Sat	8a
Beginners	All Sat except last	8a

Game Clubs

GAME	DAY	TIME
Bridge for Fun	W	12p
Bunco	2nd/4th F	1p
Canasta	Th	1p
Co-Ed Bid Whist	T	6p
Contract Bridge	3rd Sat	9a
Dominoes	W/F	5p
Hearts	T	6p
Mahjong	F	10a
Mexican Train	M/W	12p
Phase 10 Cards	2nd/4th T	2p
Pinochle	M/W/F	9a
Rummikub	M	2p
Three Thirteen	1st/3rd Tues	3p
Uptown Diva Bid Whist	1st/3rd F	2p

Calendar changes? Complete a Schedule Change Request Form, found on the website or at the The Lodge front desk, by the 8th of the month to make it in the following month's calendar.

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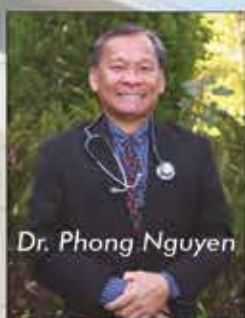
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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Neighborhood Watch is also a Community Awareness group providing information about our city. Looking back at 2021, we had many informative speakers providing education and useful information. Most meetings we have the Beaumont Police department in attendance, who always open up for a question-and-answer period. This is a great time to get to know our local law enforcement and hear what is going on in our city outside of Four Seasons. We had Todd Parton, City Manager of Beaumont, and Doug Shultz, City Manager of Banning, who informed us what is planned for both cities. We had James Bean, Director for the Cherry Valley Water District, who presented information regarding water conservation and how the city stores water, along with what to expect if we go into water conservation mode.

December's meeting was significant with a speaker who talked about scams targeted at seniors. We also learned what to look for and how to report when we see elder abuse, either neglect or financial.

Going into the new year, the Neighborhood Watch Steering Committee is working to assemble our high caliber meetings and will continue providing valuable information.

Coming in February, we have our National Night Out scheduled for Feb. 24. We will have dignitary speakers from the Beaumont city council and police department and possibly from Banning as well, CHP, and many more. This year we will provide a food truck from the Riverside Police Officers Association. Please come out and support Neighborhood Watch and the police association... it's a win/win for everyone! Stay tuned to the Daily Report for the menu and ordering procedure. We will pre-sell food with pick up the day of the event.

Neighborhood Watch meets the second Wednesday of the month at 10 am in the Ballroom.

Remember, if you see something say something. ~ **Kathy Craven**
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It's official — 2022 has arrived. I expect better things in this new year. The ability to travel, to go to a restaurant without a mask, and to go out in public and not worry about what the rules are. I am not sure these will come to be, but I can hope.

I also hope that ARC will see a couple of fresh faces join our committee. This is a terrific way to meet new people and see what great ideas your neighbors have when making changes and additions to their homes and landscapes.

I hope you enjoy the beauty and amenities found in our community.

One of the ways to ensure that we remain one of the best HOAs in the state and nation is to help ARC guide your neighbors' choices that are subject to ARC guidelines. ARC strives to offer alternatives when the guidelines conflict with homeowner desires.

All that is necessary is a few hours a month to meet the first and third Wednesdays and a few minutes to meet with your neighbors

after their projects are completed.

We are not looking for any particular skills or knowledge. Current and past members have included educators, first responders, military, salespeople, medical workers, craftsmen, realtors, insurance agents and homemakers. We have even had a few lawyers.

It does not matter what you do or did, your skills are valuable to ARC. The only requirement we have is a willingness to review every application with a desire to help the homeowner achieve their goal within the guidelines.

Come to one of our meetings and see how we work. Discover how you can give back to our community and help your neighbors while enjoying sharing your input to keep our community one of the best.

Please contact any member of ARC if you have any questions. ~
Steve Cooley, (801) 815-5302, cooleyaudit@gmail.com

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE

BOTTLED UP

The residents of Four Seasons must be prepared for a transportation nightmare in 2022. Our access to Sixth and Ramsey Streets will become difficult. You should do everything that you can to mitigate the need for emergency services.

2022 will bring changes to our ability to access Sixth and Ramsey streets north of Interstate 10. The Highland Springs off ramps on the south side of I-10 have been closed for maintenance. They may be closed again in the near future to allow for lane alterations for the proposed warehouse project across from Sun Lakes. See page 10 for more information. In 2022, the city of Beaumont plans to widen Pennsylvania Avenue and build an underpass below the Union Pacific railroad tracks. We can only hope that the work will be coordinated so that both streets will not be closed at the same time.

Response times from Cal Fire and AMR will increase. I feel everyone on the south side of the Interstate 10 should know this. Residents can help themselves by scheduling any tests or procedures

before the upcoming construction projects begin on Highland Springs and Pennsylvania Avenue.

Emergency Preparedness has always advocated for keeping the fuel tanks on your vehicle at one half or above. This may become a bigger problem as time goes on. The time it takes to leave the community and access the freeway may almost double. You may encounter lines of detoured traffic so what seemed like plenty of gas will be used up idling in stalled traffic. Keep your gas tanks full and your batteries fully charged.

Residents should schedule their medical tests and procedures sooner than later because of the looming construction projects. Please watch the local newspapers or social media for any news on the construction projects.

The EPC committee meets on the third Tuesday of the month. Our next meeting will be Jan. 18 at 10 am in the RCN Conference Room.
~ **Mike Mendoza, srmendoza@verizon.net**

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FINANCE COMMITTEE

My article last month alerted homeowners about receiving our annual December mailing from our association that included a cover letter to homeowners, the 2022 Budgets, and our most recent Reserve Study. I encouraged all of you to read this snoozingly exciting packet of financial information right before bedtime so that you would fall asleep soundly knowing that our community has a solid financial foundation and is being well taken care of. In the 2022 Budget mailer, we were notified the Association monthly assessment was increasing by \$15 to \$242 a month starting January 2022. The Front Yard Cost Center dues remain at \$70 a month for 2022 while the Springdales condominiums have monthly dues increases of \$10.37, \$11.19 or \$12.63, depending on floor plan. All dues increases were driven by higher costs for utilities, staff, labor-based service contracts (janitorial, pest control, landscape) and insurance premiums.

During the Finance Committee's regular monthly meeting held Nov. 30, the financial statement for October 2021 was reviewed and recommended for Board approval. In addition, the Committee

approved two expenditure proposals, evaluated our current cash position and reviewed the investment portfolio.

Highlights of the October financial statement are: Total Cash is \$11,025,256 including operating cash of \$2,151,725 (checking and CDs) and reserve assets of \$8,873,531. Our HOA Reserve is 106.62 percent funded. We are at a total year-to-date (YTD) net income loss of \$79,231. This deficit position was budgeted for 2021 and includes \$86,652 of planned capital expenditures that are not funded by our monthly dues. In November 2020, the Board approved the use of surplus operating funds in 2021 for capital expenses up to \$252,379 and operating expenses up to \$75,600. Currently, we are well below both of those limits and remained that way at Dec. 31, 2021.

Homeowners are welcome to attend the Finance Committee's regularly scheduled monthly meetings held on the last Tuesday of each month. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, Jan 25 at 1 pm. Please check the Daily Report for meeting location. ~ **Claudia Rozzi**, cc2682@outlook.com



Guest writer, Toby Taylor

CANINE CORRAL COUNCIL

Hi to all my fellow canines, hounds, pups, pooches, mutts, Rovers and Fidos. The weather has cooled off now and our Canine Corral is complete with playground equipment, so now we can make the most of it. I saw a few of you there a couple of mornings ago and I am sure we will be getting a lot more sign ups soon. The more the merrier for me, more dogs to chase, play with, and of course, sniff. I wonder if later we could organize a doggy Olympics, get some competition going. Please bring your humans with you, they are welcome too... if they behave themselves. *By guest writer, Toby Taylor*

Our thanks to our special guest Toby Taylor for his insightful article. Toby has been enjoying going to the Canine Corral since it opened, and can attest to the fun the dogs will have who belong to the Corral.

Please consider coming to a Canine Corral Council meeting. We meet on the first Thursday of each month, and resident input is always welcome. ~ **Sharon Bond** sjb2013@gmail.com

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FACILITIES COMMITTEE

The Facilities Committee reviewed bids for shade coverings for the pergola at the putting green. The committee tabled the proposal in an effort to rebid to cover the other pergola near the tennis courts. A request to install a flagpole at the Veterans' Park was tabled pending more input from the community. The community painting project is awaiting Board approval.

The Facilities Committee is looking for members of our community to join our committee. Please contact me or attend our monthly meetings.

The Facilities Committee meets the second Wednesday of the month at 9 am in the RCN Conference Room. ~ **Gino Domico**, Gdomico@gmail.com

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

We hope everyone had a great time at our New Year's Eve party. Everything and everyone looked beautiful. Our team is very excited about 2022 events. We will not have any events in January as we are getting ready for February's event.

Feb. 12 is *The Classics of Rock 'N' Soul*. This tribute show features music by Chuck Berry, Aretha Franklin, and Elvis Presley. Las Vegas comedian and impressionist Curtis B. will emcee this production, interweaving some of his own classic tributes to famous TV and film characters like Norton from the *The Honeymooners*, Groucho, and many others. Don't miss this great show.

Tickets go on sale on Monday, Jan. 10 at 9 am. Ticket price is \$25. The show starts at 6 pm and doors open at 5:15 pm.


Bring your favorite food and beverage. We will have dessert, coffee, and water. There will be a contest for best 50s and 60s costumes. Prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third places. We will also have four raffles and one door prize. PLEASE bring extra money for our raffles to help fundraise for our next event.

The Social Committee appreciates all of your support. Hope to see all of you there.

Finally, we welcome two new team members, Alton Gray and Glenda Timms. ~ **Loretta Ramsey**, lorettaramsey@aol.com, (714) 803-6744

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SAFETY COMMITTEE

Happy New Year, friends! The Safety Committee wants you to know we are concerned for your safety and have been working to enhance the safety of our community.

Projects in the works:

- New fence railing was installed on Trail C, along the slope leading down to the Edison easement.
- Safety walks were conducted at The Lodge, The Summit, and The Courts. Identified issues and concerns are being addressed to enhance safety at these locations.

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

We rarely are more vulnerable than when we are walking in urban areas, crossing busy streets, and negotiating traffic. We all are pedestrians from time to time, so it is important to pay attention to what is going on around us.

All ages are vulnerable

Injury statistics compiled by the National Safety Council indicate that 17 percent of all traffic deaths were pedestrians. Every age group is vulnerable, although 20 percent more pedestrian deaths involve 45 to 74 year olds.

Follow these tips to stay safe as a pedestrian:

- Whenever possible, walk on the sidewalk; if no sidewalk is available, walk facing traffic.
- Follow the rules of the road, obeying all traffic signs and signals.
- Cross streets at crosswalks.
- If no crosswalk is available and your view is blocked, move to a place where you can see oncoming traffic.

- Look left, right, and left again before crossing the street, making eye contact with drivers of oncoming vehicles to make sure they see you.

- Stay alert – avoid cell phone use and wearing earbuds.
- Avoid alcohol and drug impairment when walking.
- At night or during early morning hours, wear bright and/or reflective clothing, and use a flashlight.
- Watch for cars entering or exiting driveways or backing up in parking lots.

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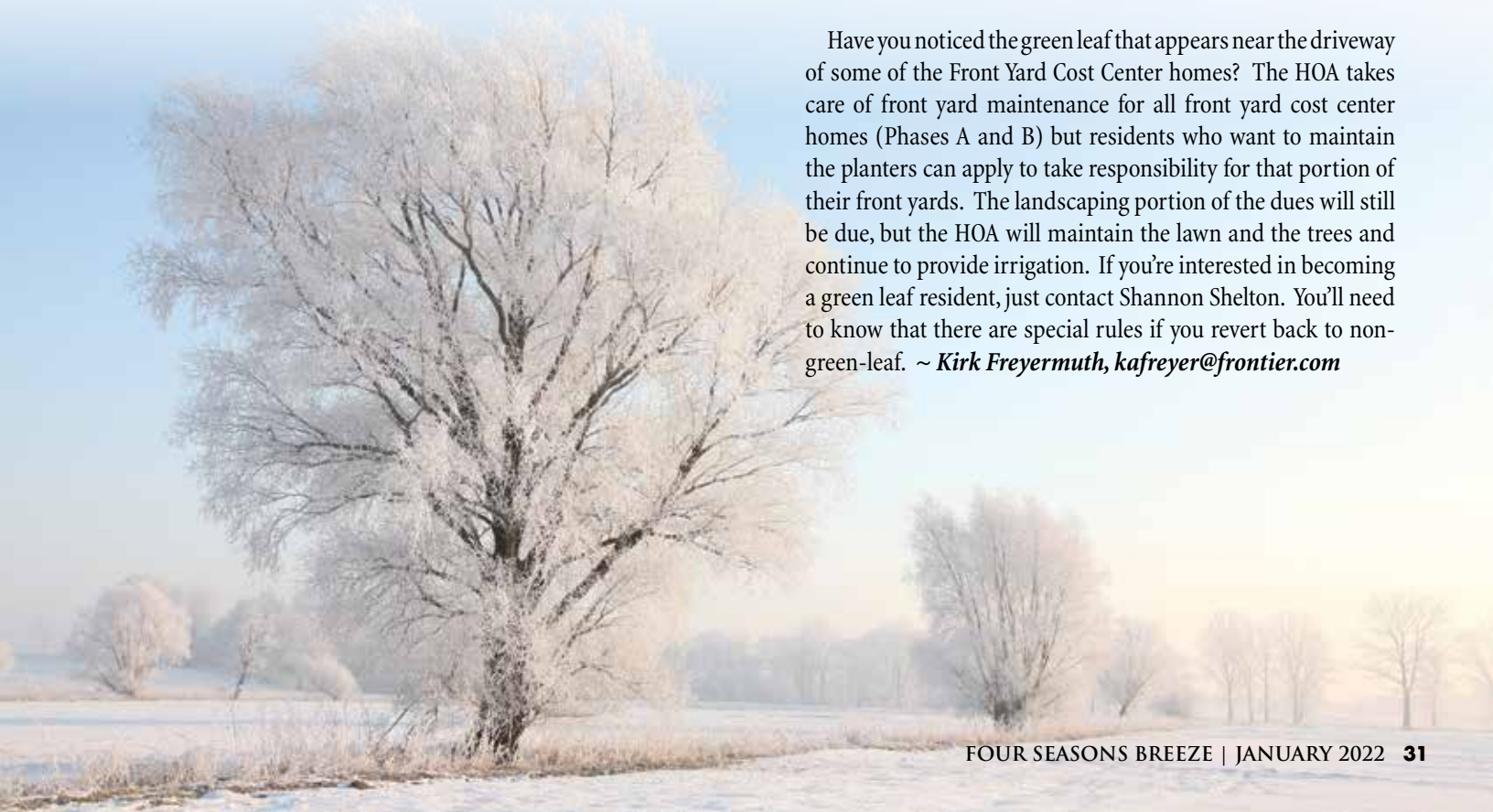
Distracted walking incidents are on the rise, and everyone with a cell phone is at risk. We are losing our focus on our surroundings and putting our safety at risk... so keep your head up and put your phone down!

The solution: Stop using cell phones while walking, and not just in crosswalks and intersections. Over half of distracted walking injuries occur in our own homes, proving we need to stay aware of our surroundings whether indoors or out.

The Safety Committee meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 10 am in The Lodge's RCN Conference Room. We encourage you to join the meeting should you have any concerns or if you would simply like an update on our ongoing safety projects. Also, please drop on by if you are interested in joining the Safety Committee. We are always looking for energetic new members. All the best. ~ **Frank Hilberg, hilbergfrank@gmail.com**

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

Have you noticed the green leaf that appears near the driveway of some of the Front Yard Cost Center homes? The HOA takes care of front yard maintenance for all front yard cost center homes (Phases A and B) but residents who want to maintain the planters can apply to take responsibility for that portion of their front yards. The landscaping portion of the dues will still be due, but the HOA will maintain the lawn and the trees and continue to provide irrigation. If you're interested in becoming a green leaf resident, just contact Shannon Shelton. You'll need to know that there are special rules if you revert back to non-green-leaf. ~ **Kirk Freyermuth, kafreyer@frontier.com**



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SUBJECT TO CHANGE PART 2

By Steve Benoff

Last month I expressed my preference for the Google Maps app when driving and navigating using my phone when not connected to Apple CarPlay. This month I'll be comparing the two when used with CarPlay.

Before I move on to CarPlay, I'd like to confess my preference for Google's presentation of traffic conditions. Google displays all the traffic it has information as either green, yellow, or red (with an occasional black for stopped traffic). Apple, on the other hand, doesn't show green – only yellow, red, and black. I'm sure it makes the assumption there is no need to show free-flowing conditions. I prefer Google's approach. It gives me reassurance to see that traffic isn't slow, but, more importantly, it shows where it has traffic information. With Apple, I don't know if traffic is OK or is it a street for which it has no information.

CarPlay demonstrates how apps change. Google used to be the clear winner; now, I'm not so sure.

Finding a destination in Google Maps is easy. Just enter the name or address of the place you want to go. If I enter Kaiser Redlands and select the result, Google supplies the address and directions. The instructions show up in whatever view I choose. I can select north is up or direction of travel. I can select satellite view (a photo from above in typical Google presentation) or not. Best of all, I can change these setting while traveling with a couple of screen presses. And, of course, I can change the scale. What I can't do is easily switch to an overview of the whole route. If I press that "Y" symbol while connected to CarPlay, half the screen is occupied with the destination I've already chosen with a Go button. If I press Go, rather than stay in overview, Google Maps switches back to a local view.

Apple Maps on CarPlay has changed dramatically. I won't go into how it used to perform, but suffice it to say Apple Maps now behaves much like Google – and that's a good thing. You can acquire a destination through your contacts or by entering it in the search feature. As much as I like the satellite view in Google, I've come to prefer Apple's more subtle way of rendering its map view. I find it much easier to discern upcoming streets. I prefer how Apple shows upcoming traffic signals and even stop signs. I like how it switches automatically between 2-D and 3-D (using the former when approaching a turn) and how in direction of travel view it doesn't constantly adjust the road ahead with every slight change of direction as Google annoyingly does. It only takes a button press or two to switch from direction of travel view to an overhead view.

But when I just want a map to show traffic, I prefer Google because it defaults to a local map rather than the large-scale map of Apple. So, when I'm using CarPlay, and I'm sure this applies pretty much to Android Auto, I set my destination in Apple Maps and use Google for more information on local conditions without setting a destination. With CarPlay, it's easy to switch between the two.

Quirks. Both apps have their issues. When I refer to an app for traffic conditions (not while in navigation mode), these conditions can change with the selected scale. If the map is set to cover many miles, it may not indicate slowdowns. But if it's set to a tighter scale,

yellow or red may well be shown. Another quirk which both apps are guilty of is not always showing the next turn. For example, if I've set Google to guide me home and I'm going south on Highland Springs, rather than showing me a right turn on Crooked Creek, it shows a straight arrow and distance to First Street. After I pass it, then Crooked Creek shows up. Apple Maps has almost the same annoyance; it just chooses to show Potrero instead of First. I've had a recent example of this quirk that could have been dangerous. The map displayed my next direction as a straight arrow to an offramp only to be followed by a right turn at the next (and close) offramp.

I find traffic info is often not accurate. — not on the big highways but on local streets. This seems especially true of Google. I can be driving on a street showing yellow or even red when the traffic is clear. It will often show an offramp or a street near a traffic light as yellow or red as if predicting such a condition when there is no traffic at all.

And in these days when every company is singing the praises of artificial intelligence, map timing estimates seem only to be based on current conditions. If I leave for LA at six in the morning, my ETA will be shown as about an hour and 45 minutes. But I know that the LA traffic by the time I get downtown will be much slower and the trip will be considerably longer. A proper application of AI would have added another 30 to 45 minutes to my trip.

If you use an app you'd like to share with others, let me know at steve.benoff@verizon.net.

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Expressing Gratitude

Thank you to Connie Bowen for answering all our questions and being so supportive. ~ Anonymous

"Thank you all" to the Board of Directors for doing such a great job. Since we moved in 11 years ago our dues have gone up, including this latest increase, by only 15 percent. That is stupendous for 11 years. ~ Gordon Shepard

We are so fortunate to have volunteers working diligently in all of our HOA committees. Their valuable time can be witnessed in all aspects of our Four Seasons community including saving our association thousands of dollars each year. I'm starting 2022 with a HUGE thank you for these awesome volunteers! ~ Anonymous

To the person who left the unsigned note, card, and two plants on my front porch: It meant a lot to me. I was having a very stressful week and your gift lifted a weight off my heart. Many thanks, Irene Welker

I am grateful for Anna Harrett. I'm a visitor here and she offered to find me a realtor to look for homes. So pleasant and kind. ~ Anonymous

Thank you to all the people in the Quilting Club who made dozens of quilts to be distributed. The quilts were presented at a recent Neighborhood Watch meeting to the Beaumont Police Department to be distributed as they find people in need. The quilters intend to continue serving the community in this way. ~ Neighborhood Watch

Thank you Carol and Johnnie Carter for your niceness. You're always supportive. ~ Anonymous

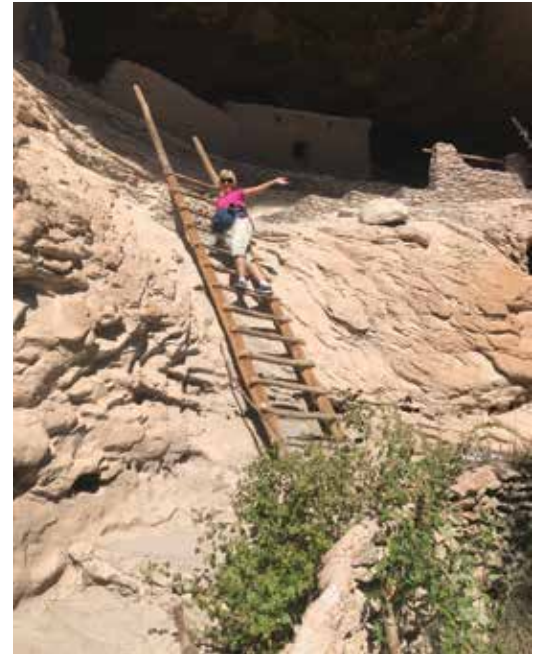
I'm grateful for my neighbors who remember me after trash day. They bring my cans in for me. Thank you to Al Gray for remembering me this holiday season as he offered to put up my Christmas lights all around my home. How blessed I am to have wonderful neighbors. ~ Wanda Valentine

If you have seen an act of kindness or have received one, please share with the community. Let's spread gratitude! Email your gratitude to fourseasonsnews@yahoo.com or, if it's open, go to The Lodge Lobby and fill out a gratitude note and put in the box marked "The Box of Gratitude." Thank you.

Oh, the Places We Go!

Ever take that “perfect” travel picture or capture your significant other having a great time exploring parts of the world outside our community gates? Well, now you have a place to share it with others.

For this “Oh, the Places We Go!” column, residents may submit high-quality digital photos to fourseasonsnews@yahoo.com. While not required, we would love to see a copy of the *Breeze* in your escapades. It will be fun to see how far and to what exotic places the magazine travels. Please be sure to include information to explain your photos, especially the who, what, when, and where.



Trip from October, 2021:

Left: Perry White at Boothill Graveyard, Tombstone, Ariz.

Right: Sally White at Gila Cliff Dwellings outside of Silver City, N.M.

Members of the Seasoned Solos, Sandy Davis, Joyce Olson, Phyllis Kates, Barbara Tammany couldn't resist catching up on the news at Four Seasons even while vacationing in Kona, Hawaii



Oh, the Places We Go!



The USS New Jersey (SSN 796), one of the Navy's newest Virginia-class fast-attack submarines, was christened on Nov.13 at Newport News, Va. It is the third Navy vessel named in recognition of the state



New Jersey-native and Four Seasons resident Steven Tarr (left) and his son, Navy Captain Steven Tarr, Jr., were both present for the USS New Jersey christening

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PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

We rescheduled our photo outing to the Noah Purifoy Desert Art Museum of Assemblage Art. It will provide us with a wide range of photo possibilities. Noah Purifoy was a co-founder of the Watts Tower Center. The outdoor museum in Joshua Tree is a collection of his large-scale sculptures constructed from junked materials.

An in-person club meeting is scheduled for January. The challenge for members is to submit three pictures showing the subjects they like to photograph.

In January, we are restarting our twice-a-month Work Study Group via Zoom meetings. The Work-Study group meets via Zoom on the second and fourth Thursday at 4 pm. The sessions cover planning future club activities and photo editing in Adobe Photoshop and related programs. In addition, anyone who has a photography question is welcome to join us. Contact Jacque for meeting times

and dates for the Work-Study Group.

This month's photos demonstrate the varied range of images possible on a single subject. Both were taken during a photo shoot with the Four Seasons Motorcycle Club. Each is a unique view from the event.

A special thanks to Jacque for organizing all our meetings. She continues her role in scheduling meetings and keeping everyone informed. Lyle Cameron is our Zoom Master. Howard Levine sets up photo outings. I am writing these articles and selecting photos for the *Breeze*.

If you have not received our emails, contact Jacque Sneddon at jacquesneddon@gmail.com. She will be happy to add you to the mailing list. ~ **John Baeyertz, ohnbz1453@gmail.com**



Above: Howard Levine – Overhead Drone Shot of Four Seasons Motorcycle Club

Right: Bill Christelman– Close Up of a Twin V Motorcycle Engine



BIRDING CLUB

On Nov. 17, Genie and Bill Cooper sighted a Brown Creeper on Trail B; this is a new bird for Four Seasons, species #116 (and our Bird of the Month)! Winter birds continue to arrive, including a Hermit Thrush on Nov. 18 on Trail B and an American Pipit in the grassy retention basin next to The Courts on Nov. 27.

We had a nice group for the morning bird walk on Dec. 4, during which we saw 22 species. Highlights included several flyover flocks of California Gulls and a flock of about 10 Dark-eyed Juncos and a White-breasted Nuthatch on Trail C. We had dozens of American Robins and Cedar Waxwings (both of which were almost absent from Four Seasons last winter), and nice looks at a coyote. Later in the day, Tina Canon, Genie and Bill Cooper, Tom Paulek, Barbara Wasco, and I saw 10 additional species for a total of 32 species for the day, the highest count since April! ~ **Steve Edelman**, steve.h.edelman@gmail.com



*Coyote on Trail A during our Dec. 4 bird walk.
Photo by club member Kathryn McGiffen*



*California Gulls flying over Trail B on Dec. 4.
Photo by club member Linda Miller*

BIRD OF THE MONTH

Brown Creepers are tiny brown songbirds with long, spine-tipped tails and curved bills. Brown Creepers search for small insects and spiders by climbing upward in a spiral around tree trunks and limbs using their stiff tails for support. Starting near the bottom of the trunk, they work their way up the tree to within several feet of the top, then fly to the bottom of another tree (or sometimes the same tree) to begin again. They glean, probe, and peck at the trunk with their long, down-curved bills. Brown Creepers sing a very high-pitched song that is sometimes too high to hear.

Brown Creepers breed primarily in evergreen or mixed evergreen-deciduous forests up to treeline (around 11,000 feet). In the winter season, the species moves into a broader variety of forests as well as suburbs, parks and orchards. Brown Creepers are year round residents from southeast Alaska southward through the Mountain West and central Mexico to Nicaragua and eastward across southern Canada to New England and the Appalachian Mountains. In winter, part of the population migrates to lower elevations and across the entire central and southeastern U.S. The Brown Creeper sighted by Genie and Bill Cooper on Trail B on Nov. 17 probably spent the summer at high elevations around Mount San Gorgonio or Mount San Jacinto and has moved downslope to Four Seasons for the winter. ~ **Steve Edelman**



Brown Creeper like the one seen by Genie and Bill Cooper on Trail B on Nov. 17. Photo by Rachel Ames, National Park Service

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Kwanzaa History and Tradition/African American Christmas

Christmas is a well-known Christian tradition that celebrates the birth of Jesus. In countries like the USA and UK, the majority of people celebrate this holiday. African Americans typically celebrate Christmas. It is an important part of the year and is deeply rooted in the homes of many Black people. Black children grow up with Christmas, just as their parents and grandparents did. Today, a Black Santa is more and more a frequent sight and aligns with a positive change in culture. While celebrating St. Nicholas is an old tradition, Santa in his red outfit only appeared in the 1870s.

For Christmas, the opportunity to have some delicious food and drink is important. While African American Christmas holiday festivities are an important part of the celebration, they do not end for many Blacks when December 25th comes. For many, Christmas is just the beginning of a festive story and history that is gaining traction.

Kwanzaa is that festive story. It is an African American Christmas tradition that began in the USA in the 1960s. It was started by civil rights leader Maulana Karenga in 1966. The idea is for Black people to unify, support their development, and celebrate their history with a focus on values.

Kwanzaa starts immediately after Christmas and continues until the 1st of January. The main decoration is a 'kinara', a candleholder for seven candles. Three red candles sit to the left, three green to the right, and there is a central black candle which is lit first. A candle is lit each day, alternating between red and green, which directly link to the seven principles or 'Nguzo Saba'.

The seven principles of Kwanzaa are:

- Umoja - unity
- Kujichagulia - self-determination
- Ujima - collective work and responsibility
- Ujamaa - cooperative economics
- Nia - purpose in remembering and restoring Black culture, customs and history
- Kuumba - creativity
- Imani - faith

Comprehensively, Kwanzaa is the opportunity for African Americans to celebrate their rich history and culture; and to develop the foregoing principles throughout the year to improve their lives and communities.

The next AACC meeting will be on Monday, Jan. 3 at 6 pm in The Lodge Game Room. For more information, call Bettyann James at (951) 572-5538. All are welcome to attend. ~ *Jan White*

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CLASSIC FILM GROUP

For all of you who love a good suspense film, come out to The Lodge Theater on Jan. 25. We will start the new year showing a film by one of the greatest masters of suspense. The movie was originally conceived as a silent film in 1929, but was quickly converted to sound, making it the first British talkie.

In director Sir Alfred Hitchcock's first talking movie, a young woman, Alice White, finds herself being blackmailed after killing a man in self defense.

After a bitter argument among lovers, Alice sneaks away from her fiancé and handsome Scotland Yard detective, Frank Webber, to go out on an ill-advised date with the sleazy artist, Mr Crewe. As the naive girl is lured into Crewe's studio, his sinister sexual advances lead to events that leave the man dead in a pool of blood. Alice flees the scene of the crime in a numb haze while the news of an unknown killer is spreading like wildfire to Frank's ears. An invisible eyewitness soon becomes a ruthless blackmailer. What will it take to keep him quiet?

Frank soon learns that Alice is responsible, but sets out to prove her innocence and stop the blackmailer.

Note: One of Hitchcock's early films, it was one of the first films to come out of England with sound during the end of the silent film era. Hitchcock shows the world that he's a talented film maker. In



one risqué scene, the lead actress undresses behind curtains. While the murder is never seen, the provocative and private scene of her undressing is present. Another interesting note, the main character of the film is the murderer. Throughout the film, the audience judges whether or not she is an innocent murderer or a killer. Hitchcock makes an early name for himself with this film by toying with the audience throughout the suspense of the film.

Trivia: The movie began being shot as a silent movie but when sound became available during the course of shooting, Hitchcock re-shot certain scenes with sound. There was one complication with this change. Leading lady Anny Ondra had a thick Czech accent which was inappropriate to her character, Alice White. Joan Barry was chosen to provide a different voice for her, but post-production dubbing technology did not exist then. The solution was for Barry to stand just out of shot and read Alice's lines into a microphone as Ondra mouthed them in front of the camera. This is generally acknowledged as the first instance of one actress' voice being dubbed by another, even though the word "dub" is technologically inappropriate in this case. ~ **Paul Plamondon**, 4seasonsmoviegroup@gmail.com

COUNTER CULTURE CINEMA CLUB

The club has screenings on the second and fourth Sundays of the month. We screen films you won't find at the big Cineplexes: documentaries, indie films, foreign films and other little gems that don't get wide release.

This month our Cinema Club is featuring two just released (as of this writing) films from Netflix:



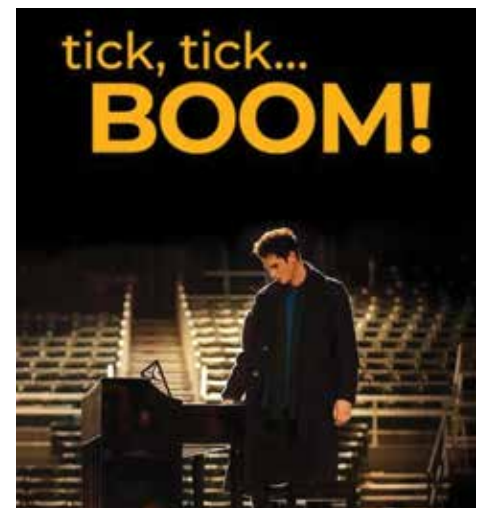
Our first monthly screening, on Sunday, Jan. 9 at 6 pm, is the film *Passing* (USA 2021, 1 hr. 38 min., English). Here is a brief description from IMDb.com: "Mixed-race childhood friends reunite in middle class adulthood and become increasingly involved in each other's lives and insecurities. While Irene identifies as African-American and is

married to a Black doctor, Clare 'passes' as white and has married a prejudiced, wealthy white man."

Our second monthly screening, on Sunday, Jan. 23 at 6 pm, is the film *tick, tick... BOOM!* (USA 2021, 1 hr. 55 min., English). Here is a brief description from IMDb.com: "The film follows Jon (Andrew Garfield), a young theater composer who's waiting tables at a New York City diner in 1990 while writing what he hopes will be the next great American musical. Days before he's due to showcase his work in a make-or-break performance, Jon is feeling the pressure from everywhere: from his girlfriend Susan, who dreams of an artistic life beyond New York City; from his friend Michael, who has moved on from his dream to a life of financial security; amidst an artistic community being ravaged by the AIDS epidemic. With the clock ticking, Jon is at a crossroads and faces the question everyone must reckon with: What are we meant to do with the time we have?"

All of our screenings are followed by lively

discussion about the film; we'd love to have you join us. The Lodge Theater 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**





BOOK CLUB

Our Book Club selection for Jan. 11 is *The Midnight Library* by Matt Haig. Here is a brief description from Amazon.com: "Somewhere out beyond the edge of the universe there is a library that contains an infinite number of books, each one the story of another reality. One tells the story of your life as it is, along with another book for the other life you could have lived if you had made a different choice at any point in your life. While we all wonder how our lives might have been, what if you had the chance to go to the library and see for yourself? Would any of these other lives truly be better? In *The Midnight Library*, Matt Haig's enchanting blockbuster novel, Nora Seed finds herself faced with this decision. Faced with the possibility of changing her

life for a new one, following a different career, undoing old breakups, realizing her dreams of becoming a glaciologist; she must search within herself as she travels through *The Midnight Library* to decide what is truly fulfilling in life, and what makes it worth living in the first place."

Our meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 9:30 am in the RCN room #3, and someone volunteers to lead the discussion about the book we have chosen for the month.

For more information about the Four Seasons Book Club or to get on our mailing list, please contact me at michelesrosen@gmail.com. ~ **Micki Rosen**

FOUR SEASONS VETERANS PARK

As veterans know, the military has a long history with Mother Nature. She decided D-day, the second A-bomb city and the Battle of the Bulge. So, now, without a war on-going, she has more time to influence lesser military plans. As such, she has decided that here at Four Seasons we will wait for our Veterans Park dedication until we can do it properly-with a flag pole and an American flag flying overhead.

The decision to cancel was more than a few rain drops. The potential impact on band instruments, mobility-challenged attendees with a muddy ground and disappointment of not having our flag pole installed added to the equation. So, we are kicking the can until General Washington's birthday (Feb. 22, 2022) to give us time to do it right. After all, he knew how to get Mother Nature on his side. I have been assured by the over-

worked Lodge staff that the 232 freshly painted rocks will not spoil before then. ~ **Len Tavernetti**, ltavernetti@hotmail.com



COMMUNITY GARDEN CLUB

The Community Garden Club presents its first free event on Jan. 15 at 10 am in the RCN. Rebecca Levers from the California Native Plant Society will present a talk on plants that will thrive in our climate and home landscapes. Rebecca is a Master Gardener and certified UC California Naturalist. She volunteers at the UCR Botanic Garden and is an ambassador for the California Native Plant Society. As we prepare to refresh our landscaping in the spring, this talk will give you fresh ideas. More details will appear in the Daily Report and Activities Blast in January.

For info, please contact Pat Wayne at pwayne1@outlook.com. ~ **Pat Wayne**

RAINBOW GROUP



Happy New Year everyone! The Four Seasons Rainbow Group continues to be here for the resident LGBT community. We usually meet on the fourth Thursday each month to gather with others and anyone else who lives here who wishes to join us. We typically introduce new members, share stories or news that might be of interest to the membership, and occasionally hold potlucks, have movie nights that have an LGBT theme, and will gladly entertain

other ideas from anyone.

Our next event will be an “after the holidays” meeting on Jan. 27, at 6 pm in the Ballroom. Several people have dinner beforehand in the Bistro, so feel free to join in. If you haven’t signed up for our email list, please do so to get any late breaking updates. Lastly, if you haven’t already, join the Four Seasons Pride Facebook group! ~ **Dale Beckes**



Steve Ystrom and his 2021 C8 Corvette



Peter and Janis Tumler's 2005 Mercedes SLK 55 AMG

CARS & COFFEE

Another beautiful day in the neighborhood. Our December Cars & Coffee gathering was a huge success — great weather, great looking cars and trucks, and their owners. Coffee, donuts, and Xmas cookies were on hand along with great conversation.

Peter and Janis Tummler were in attendance along with their gorgeous red 2005 Mercedes Benz SLK AMG convertible. Peter and Janis have owned their SLK for 12 years. They moved to Four Seasons four months ago from Oak Hills.

Last month Steve Ystrom showed up with his beautiful 2021 red C8 Corvette, Steve has owned his C8 for two months. Although the Corvette C8 is a rare and hard to obtain



Beautiful December morning with Cars & Coffee

Vette, it is cool that we have four of these beautiful cars in our Cars & Coffee Club.

Please join us the first Saturday of the month at 9 am in The Lodge parking lot. Our next gathering will be on Jan. 1.

For additional information, please

contact Rick Morales at (951) 797-3782 or onemth53@yahoo.com or Frank Morales at (951) 203-4578 or fmoralesjrinc@aol.com.

Everyone, please have a safe and Happy New Year. ~ **Frank Morales**

KARAOKE

Welcome to the first article about monthly karaoke at Four Seasons! There are a lot of reasons to come out to karaoke but for the first article I will start with my own personal story as to “Why Karaoke” and why it is more than just singing.

Only a few short years ago, our good friend Neil Edelbaum introduced us to karaoke. He would bring his little hand held karaoke microphone over and have us try singing a few songs with him. I was very shy and up until this point I would barely even sing *Happy Birthday* at a party. We decided to go to Karaoke at The Lodge out of curiosity, just to see what it was like.

At that time John Noonan, Jerry Mathews, and Dave Chorba were the hosts and they did a great job. After some coaxing and some practice, I decided to take the plunge and — scared to death — sang *Good Time* by Alan Jackson. I just prayed that people would get up and dance so they would not be watching me. I am an average singer at best but after that day it changed something inside of me. I realized

that it's less about the singing and more about challenging myself to push through something I feared. I thought to myself, “Who the heck cares” if I'm not perfect or don't sound like George Strait? I realized that karaoke is more about having fun and being with your friends and neighbors in a relaxed atmosphere.

Over the past few years, Janine and I have had so much fun, have met a ton of new friends, and now I find myself co-hosting karaoke every month with my buddy John Noonan. Had I not tried singing originally, I wouldn't have the confidence to be involved in this fun activity now.

I invite you to come out, order some dinner, and just be part of the fun. Even if you aren't ready to cross that line yet, you can support your neighbors who are there to entertain you! Karaoke is now held every third Saturday in The Lodge Ballroom starting at 5:30 pm and remember, who the heck cares? Come out and have some fun. ~

David Rohrbacker

HEART & SOUL LINE DANCE

Welcome 2022! Heart and Soul Line Dance is ready to start jammin' to the rhythms of a variety of music (rock, jazz, Latin, country, R&B, and Gospel). Come out and join us. Line dance classes are a great place to meet old friends and make new ones. Not only will you learn new dance steps but benefit from the exercise and thrill. (Line) Dancing can promote cardiovascular and mental health, improve balance, flexibility, and increase your energy levels.

Give us a try. Our on-going class offers novice through advanced

levels. No partner is needed, wear comfortable shoes, and bring water. We meet on Wednesday, 4 pm, in The Lodge Ballroom. If you need more information, contact Priscilla at (909) 239-6464.

Put on your dancing shoes, meet you on the dance floor! ~
Priscilla Robles

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 Lodge 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**

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STEP IT UP LINE DANCING

We finally made it to 2022 and we're going to make it a great year! I'm starting back up Jan. 3 after taking two months off to have a knee replacement and I can't wait to get back to dancing! Our holiday party with a catered dinner was postponed and we will now be having it on Jan. 22. It's open to all but for the ones that haven't been before, the catered dinner is \$18 and only \$5 for those who have been coming to class.

On Mondays at 12:30 pm is my basic beginner class and this is the class you don't want to miss if you want to learn to line dance. We start out with very simple dances and progress as the weeks go by. This is a three-month class and then we start over in April. At 1:30 pm is our beginner/intermediate class and this works for the ones who have been taking the class before, or anyone that catches on quickly as we don't

spend as much time going over the steps.

A new basic beginner class is on Wednesday nights at 6:30. This is great for those who still work or someone who just can't make it during the day. We follow the 12:30 basic beginner class curriculum and restart class all over again in April.

Please let me know if you're interested in coming to our holiday dinner. If you're not quite ready for that, come on out and see how much fun we have in class in addition to learning new dances. You'll meet many new friends and get some exercise as well.

Step It Up Line Dance also sponsors the yearly Super Bowl Sunday Party with some fun games before the big game and a potluck! This is our third year so plan on joining us and bring your neighbors and friends and be ready for a really fun time!
~ **Janine Rohrbacker, (949) 326-3133**

LET'S DANCE!

Happy New Year! Our dance group is happy to announce we will begin 2022 with Slow Dancing. This will be a generalized class of all types of slow dancing steps that will help the students dance on cruises, at weddings, or just an evening out with your sweetheart. The idea is to learn to lead and follow easily to a variety of music.

We are also excited to continue with our monthly "Dance Party Practices" in a nightclub atmosphere, where our instructors join us in a fun, social gathering of dance. This gives you an opportunity that is different than the weekly classes and helps you learn to maneuver around the dance floor. We also celebrate monthly birthdays, and this is offered at no charge.

Plan to join us in the Ballroom Monday, Jan. 10. We host an open practice from 6 to 6:30 pm for members which serves as a review of what we have been learning. Beginners class is 6:30 to 7:30 pm and advanced is 7:30 to 8:30. The cost is \$10 per person and you are welcome to attend both classes.

For more information, contact Gary and Puring Stifter at (951) 922-8333 or purings@verizon.net. ~ **Sue Condurachi**



COUNTRY LINE DANCING

Happy New Year everyone! This is the time to begin new routines and activities. COVID has kept many of us at home and often alone for the past year and a half.

It is time we go back to what we had before we even heard of COVID. Not to say we can be reckless, but we now know we can enjoy activities and events by being informed and careful. Some people prefer to wear a mask, others do not.

In our dance class, you decide what makes you comfortable.

Lucky for us, we have a large dance floor and are usually able to space ourselves far enough apart to be comfortable.

If you have considered trying line dancing, come join us or come watch and see what it is all about and how the class is handled. I will be starting a very beginner class next month. Keep reading the Activity Blast for more information. Or just give me a call.

Hope to see you on the dance floor. ~ **Martha Franck, marthafanck@icloud.com, (714) 345-8588**

TRAVEL GROUP

The January Travel Group meeting will be on Saturday, Jan. 15 from 10 am to noon in The Lodge. Please mark your calendars. The main focus of the meeting will be to plan our trips for 2022. We will also have a meet and greet session. All Four Seasons residents are welcome to attend the Travel Group meetings. Come meet current members, share travel tips, get ideas for great getaways, and have fun.

As you know, travel conditions are rapidly changing. The current concern is the COVID Omicron variant. Two important websites to have on hand and to utilize as a first step in planning any trip are as follows:

The travel page of the CDC website provides updated information on state, local, tribal, and territorial government restrictions.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html>

The State Department website provides current information on conditions in and requirements for visiting foreign countries.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html/>

If any resident wants to be added to the membership list or a current member needs to change their contact information, please send an email to Sharon Bond at sjbond2013@gmail.com. In the body of the email, please provide your name and telephone number. For any other information, call or text Irene Welker at (951) 275-7081 or send an email to irenewelker55@gmail.com.

Stay safe and healthy. ~ Irene Welker

SEASONED SOLOS

We had another fun month of adventures for the Seasoned Solos. It began with an Oak Glen craft show where there were lots of handmade goodies.

We celebrated birthdays at Woody's BBQ in Grand Terrace. The food was very tasty and the birthday ladies received party hats made by the restaurant staff.

On our outing to Claremont, we attended a beautiful performance by the Pomona College Symphony at Little Bridges Hall. What a charming venue with the woodwork and carved ceiling. Prior to the performance we had a delicious lunch at Bardot's in the Village. It was a wonderful day and everyone enjoyed themselves.

We ended the month with *Miracle on 34th Street* at the LifeHouse Theater in Redlands and had a yummy dinner at a nearby restaurant afterwards.

The Seasoned Solos is a group for single men and women who want to get out with friends, old and new. Spending time on an outing with the group is something we all look forward to and we hope you can join us! We meet the first Friday of the month in The Lodge Arts & Crafts Room at 6 pm.

Please let us know if you have any questions or suggestions for a trip by reaching out to Joyce Olson at (951) 850-3055 or Nyla Cheely at (951) 285-7112. ~ Nyla Cheely



The group's outing to the LifeHouse Theater



Birthday girls Phyllis Kates and Joyce Bermester

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ITALIAN AMERICAN CLUB

Miei Amici (My Friends)

Can you believe it is 2022 already? Hopefully this year will be even better than last year. Our activities are all open, and our residents are enjoying time together at cards, shuffleboard, concerts, and dinner dances.

The Italian American Club had a wonderful December meeting at The Courts. We had a holiday gift exchange for our members, and lots of munchies to feast on. The gift exchange went well with our members selecting a gift, losing the gift to other members, then in turn taking someone else's gift. It was all in good fun, and everyone

left with a gift to remember our first gift exchange.

Our next Italian American Club meeting will be at The Courts on Thursday, Jan. 13 at 6 pm. You do not have to be Italian to join our club and come to our meetings. Our membership is open to all our residents living in Four Seasons, so put the meeting date on your calendar and plan to attend. We would love to have you visit with us.

To all of our Italian American Club members and our Four Seasons residents, Barbara Dipoma and I wish you a Sano e felice anno nuovo or Healthy and Happy New Year. ~ **Barbara Dipoma (805) 377-2616 and Jerry Monahan (951) 212-8898**

TASTE D'VINE

2022 is here and we are ready for an exciting year!

We hope everyone had wonderful, safe and healthy holidays. With the start of the New Year the Taste D'Vine Wine Club is looking forward to bringing back, by popular demand, one of our favorite Taste D'Vine Wine Club presenters, Heidi Daniels. Heidi will be bringing some fabulous wines from Rutherford Wine Company, Napa, for our tasting enjoyment.

Join us Jan. 20 (we meet the third Thursday of each month) in the Ballroom. This will be your first opportunity to re-join the club, so bring your annual dues as well as the cost for members to attend the meeting. Doors open at 5:15 pm, with the meeting starting at 6 pm. Please bring a favorite wine to share with your table, along with an appetizer such as crackers, cheese, or fruit. Also, please bring two glasses for tasting.

The cost is \$5 for members and \$10 for resident guests. Look for your Bacchus Letter via email for any further information.

For info, please contact Gracy Luna (951) 292-3624. ~ **Gracy Luna**



RADIO CLUB

“What is Amateur Radio?” In almost all countries, governments allocate portions of the radio spectrum for non-commercial use by the citizenry after individuals demonstrate the ability to use the spectrum properly. The regulations of most countries around the world provide for this opportunity through Amateur Radio. In the United States, Amateur Radio regulations are administered by the Federal Communications Commission, the same branch of government that oversees the licensing of broadcast stations and other users of the radio spectrum. Unlike most other users, Radio Amateurs, sometimes called “Hams,” are authorized only for non-commercial use of their frequencies and equipment. Hundreds of thousands of ordinary people of all ages and from all walks of life and educational backgrounds have obtained their Ham licenses. Their main interests in radio may be technical, recreational, social or educational. Some are “on the air” every day, some operate only occasionally, and still others are inactive.

“Amateur Radio is different from other popular services, such as Citizens Band, Family Radio service and General Mobile Radio Service. To become a Ham, one must pass the required examination on electronic theory, operating practices and governing regulations. But the extra effort to get the license results in much more expansive privileges than those available to CB, FRS, or GMRS. Higher power



limits, specialized antennas a variety of operating modes (voice, digital, video, etc.) and a vast array of assigned frequencies ranging from short wave through microwave give radio amateurs unparalleled flexibility in communicating.

Public service is an underlying reason that the Amateur Radio Service exists. During conflicts such as World War II, Hams provided the military with a pre-trained pool of experienced communicators and technicians. During peacetime, Hams have communicated all over the world, spreading goodwill and making friends in other parts of the globe. Technically-oriented radio amateurs have advanced the state of the art and pioneered new ways of communicating that were later adopted by government and commercial users. Ham radio has been used in classrooms to get children interested in science. And, importantly, many hams have volunteered their time, equipment and knowledge to support local, regional and international response and relief work in times of disaster.” ~ This was taken from an article by the American Legion/What is Ham Radio?

We meet on the last Friday of the month at 10 am in the RCN Conference Room. Our next meeting is Friday, Jan. 28. ~ **Michael Mendoza, srmendoza@verizon.net and Jim Peterson, jim.k6jwp@gmail.com**

Ana Michelson with
a variation of a
grandmother's flower
garden quilt. Pieced and
quilted entirely by hand



QUILTING ENTHUSIASTS

Quilting Enthusiasts enjoyed a Christmas Potluck at the home of Mary M. Moody-Cox. The group now has a new email address: 4seasonsquilters@gmail.com. Last month I had accidentally left a letter out of our email address.

I would like to apologize to any one who came to The Lodge for the monthly meeting on Sunday. The NEW meeting date for the Quilting Enthusiasts is the first Thursday of each month, beginning Jan. 6, at 1 pm at The Lodge. You do not need to bring your machine, but we would love for you to bring and share what you have been working on. We will be planning some "sit-n-sew" times at the first meeting and will be announcing information about the 2022 Four Seasons Quilt Show.

We did not give the police department any quilts this month due to a presentation. We have decided to give the police department another batch of quilts in February, "the Month of Love." You don't need to be a quilter to join. So we hope to see you on Jan. 6, at 1 pm in The Lodge Arts & Crafts Room! Happy New Year. For info, contact Mary M. Moody-Cox at (808) 430-7469 or email 4seasonsquilters@gmail.com. ~ **Mary M. Moody-Cox**

KNIT & CROCHET GROUP

We meet Tuesday mornings in the Arts & Crafts Room from 10 to 11:30 am. All levels of knitters and crocheters are welcome to join us. We also welcome anyone interested in learning how to knit or crochet. We are working on our own various projects, as well as optional community service projects. Please email me if you have any questions. ~ **Marlene Doyle, marlened3333@gmail.com**

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CRAFT GROUP

As the new year begins, we look forward to putting our creativity into action. Our group meets on Thursdays at 10 am in The Lodge Arts & Craft Room. For more information, contact me at christimason02@yahoo.com or call (951) 486-1091. ~ **Christi Mason**

CRAFTY CARDMAKERS

Happy New Year to everyone! It's time to get back in the groove and make some cards! We will be meeting on the second and fourth Friday of the month at 1 pm in the Arts & Crafts Room. Each time, we will make three cards for \$10 and the cards will be finished with envelopes and ready to mail... nothing is better than receiving an unexpected card in the mail!

If you want to meet some great people, have some fun, and make cards, this is the place to be!

Please bring your own glue and scissors; everything else is provided.

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

CERAMICS CLASS

Happy New Year to you and your family from the Ceramics Class.

Ceramics Class has something for the novice crafter looking for a new hobby, or someone who has experience and wants to create unique designs or pieces for friends and family. In addition to individual projects, we 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

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We meet Wednesdays from 1 to 4 pm. Please see the class schedule for any exceptions.

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MIXED MEDIA ARTS

Let's start off with some necessary formalities... I hope each and every one of you enjoyed the holidays and are now looking forward to a Happy New Year in 2022.

Part of the new year celebration is making new resolutions. If your resolution involves starting something creative, I strongly suggest you attend The Mixed Media Class.

It doesn't matter if you have never drawn or painted a picture or if you have experience from years ago.

This is the second of three monthly articles in which I challenged

my students to work on small, 5" x 7" or smaller images of their choice. The art work is inspiring and inviting.

"Tiger" - Scratchboard, by Micki Rosen

"Irises" - Watercolor Pencils on paper, by Christine Vergara

"Peacock" - Acrylics on canvas, by Linda Rau

"Cape Cod" - Watercolor Pencils on paper, by Christine Vergara

Classes are Mondays 10 am to 12 noon and/or Wednesdays 6 to 8 pm in the Arts & Crafts Room in The Lodge. There is a nominal \$5 fee per person, per session. If you have any questions, call me at (951) 992-9156. ~ **Rob Kelman**

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"BELIEVE..." WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Welcome 2022! As we begin our ninth year of "Believe..." it's hard to "believe" it's been that many years! To all the amazing ladies who have supported this effort: THANK YOU! We have laughed, shed tears, learned, struggled, and grown together. We have tackled difficult-to-understand studies, thrived on others, and overall become better women as well as more familiar with what God desires us to become. At least I have! So thank you for your attendance, commitment, prayers, class discussions, and your overall amazingness!

The first series we will study in this brand new year will be sharing our experiences with God's touch in our lives, based on the

words to the song *Waymaker*, by Osinachi Kalu Okoro Egbu, known professionally as Sinach, a Nigerian singer/songwriter and senior worship leader at Loveworld USA, a Christian programming network. It's a beautiful song, and if you haven't heard it, look it up!

If you would like to join a nondenominational group of beautiful women here at Four Seasons and come to study the Word of God with us, we meet every Friday from 10:30 to 11:45 am in The Lodge Game Room. We will resume our new year's study on Jan. 7, 2022! Come, join us! ~ *Eileen Gilbert-Antoine, (951) 922-6829 or egcellent@msn.com*

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

It is now the start of a new year. Many people decide the new year calls for making changes or resolutions. Usually they are about eating better, losing weight, and exercising more, along with others. What about for someone who is grieving? Do you make a resolution to stop crying so much? Do you decide with the new year you will be done grieving? Well, as much as you try the work associated with grieving is something you can't just decide to be done with. When you put off doing the grieving it just comes back at a later time and often even harder than when going through it the first time.

Instead of trying to control your grieving, give yourself permission to feel whatever feelings you have. Resolve yourself to the task of feeling emotions, all of them, and to take whatever amount of time

you need to grieve. Grieving is an ongoing process and each person has their own timeline. Allow it to happen. Take time to think about the memories of who passed and let some of those bring tears of joy as you remember, and maybe even a smile, to your face. Maybe resolve to try some new things you haven't done before but are interested in. It's a new year and a chance for you to decide who you are and what you want to do now. Good luck with your endeavor and remember if you feel you need more support or would like to be with others who have experienced loss, please consider joining our group.

For more information please contact Becky KG at (951) 524-0215 or email her at beckykg_1@yahoo.com Group developer: Laurie Larson Zeldin. ~ *Becky Kotzin-Gustafson*



INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP

Happy New Year friends and neighbors! Let's work hard to make 2022 a year of healing and restoration. Division never solved problems. We can do this if we put our heads together and work on a solution to benefit everyone.

What makes a receipt special? I believe that the key ingredient is love. But I am here to tell you there are no secrets when it comes to prayer; all it takes is faith, agreement, and love.

Come and join us in prayer on the first Monday of each month at 9 am in the Game Room. Looking forward to seeing you. You can reach me at eaglewatchwb@aol.com. ~ *Cookie Bonner*

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JEWISH CULTURAL CLUB

We had our 2021 Chanukah Extravaganza on Dec. 7. The event was a smashing success, with over 150 people in attendance. The evening featured a dinner of delicious homemade soups hand crafted by our Soup Mavens (experts). It also had a *Fiddler On The Roof* group karaoke sing along, led by the JCC Players. The Master of Ceremonies for the event was Perry Goldstein. Perry explained the Jewish cultural background of the Broadway play and the songs. He was also very funny, as he always is. The party culminated with the traditional Hora Circle.

Thank you to the Soup Mavens Sandi Barletta, Sheila Marshall, Kathy Craven, Tammy Goldstein, Karen Kramer, Anita Finklestein, Barbara Dipoma, Brenda Steckler, Fran Monahan, Lora Lopez, Sue Sharp, Toni Finer, Carrie Margolin, and Tsilya Hoffman.

A very special thanks to Dave Rohrbacker for his assistance with the karaoke.

We thank everyone who attended our Chanukah Extravaganza, and look forward to next year.

As always, we remind the community that the JCC events are open to everyone, you don't have to be Jewish. ~ **Perry Goldstein**, perry.goldstein@gmail.com



The two Teyves, Jack Kramer and Perry Goldstein



Some of our Soup Mavens: Carrie Margolin, Brenda Steckler, Anita Finklestein, Kathy Kravin, Fran Monahan, and Tammy Goldstein




The Hora Circle

TRIVIA

Since the first Sunday of January falls on the day after New Year, we will be having Trivia on the following Sunday, Jan. 9 at 6:30 pm in the RCN. As usual, prizes will be awarded to all winners. A charge of \$1 per person will be charged by the Jewish Cultural Club to cover the cost of prizes. BYOB and any snacks. See you then ~ **Joe Barletta**, jmbarletta@hotmail.com

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Wildlife and pets don't always mix, and it is your job to keep pet safety in mind if your pet encounters a wild animal. Depending on where you live, you are likely to experience different threats to the safety of your pet. Coyotes are a danger to domestic animals, because they have sharp teeth and claws and are very territorial. Most coyote attacks occur at dawn or dusk; coyotes generally attack cats and small dogs as they roam around their own yards. It is important that you monitor your pets, as these attacks are often very serious and require surgery.

Rattlesnakes are known for the unique sound their tails make when the animal is stressed. As more rattlesnakes come out for the warm spring and summer months, your pet is more likely to encounter one of these venomous snakes. A rattlesnake's venom requires the use of antivenin to treat the bite. While a dog is typically seen as a danger to a rattlesnake and is bitten in defense, cats are often seen as prey and receive more serious injuries.

One of the biggest draws for wild animals is food. To keep your pet safe, the best thing you can do is make sure there is no trash in your yard and never leave food outdoors. Wild animals can find ways to get into fenced yards and cause all kinds of problems, including serious injuries to your pets. It is best that you supervise your pet to be sure that nothing happens to them while they are in the yard.

Pet waste can also lead wild animals to your home. Be sure that you regularly clean your yard for animal waste. Also, your pet can

easily be injured by mammals, birds, and other wildlife. Keep your pet leashed. Not only do leashes protect your pet, but they also protect other animals. Don't let your pet approach, chase, attack, or play with wild animals, as it is never a safe situation. Stay calm and don't ever let your pet run toward a wild animal. Avoid areas known for wild animal sightings. If your pet is bitten by a wild animal, or you suspect that they may have been bitten, take them to a veterinarian right away. Vivian Walker vivr@sbcglobal.net ~ **Vivian Walker**, vivr@sbcglobal.net





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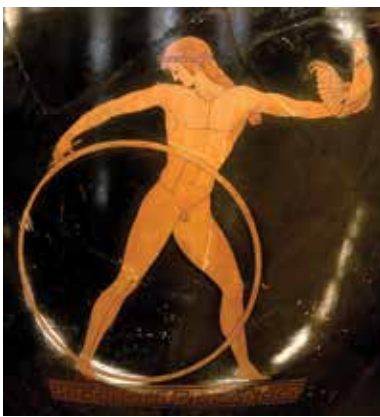
NEW CLUB

HULA HOOP CLUB

Do you know the history of the Hula Hoop? Hooping originated in Africa in 1000 BC. Egyptian children played with hoops made of dried grapevines, rattan, or willow — rolling them with sticks or whirling them around their waist. The ancient Greeks also used hoops to exercise. A vase in the Louvre (dated 500-490 BCE) shows Ganymede, a divine hero in Greek mythology rolling a hoop.

Waist hooping became popular with children in England in the 1400s. The term Hula Hoop came from British sailors in the 1800s when they visited the Hawaiian Islands and watched hula dancing.

Arthur Melin and Richard Knerr founded the company Wham-O in their garage in Los Angeles in 1948. After being inspired by bamboo hoops, Knerr and Melin decided to make a Hula Hoop out of a new plastic called Marlex. Wham-O unveiled their new hula-hoop to the world in 1958, but it was banned in Japan because they believed the revolving hip action was inappropriate.



Wham-O sold over 100 million Hula Hoops and generated about \$45 million during this time. The Soviet Union outlawed the Hula Hoop as an example of the “emptiness of American culture.” By 1960, the novelty was fading. In 1982, Kerr and Melin retired after selling their company to Kransco Manufacturing for \$12 million.

Did you know that the world record for the longest time waist hooping is three days? Also, between 1999 and 2007, six people set Guinness World Records for spinning 82 to 105 Hula Hoops simultaneously. In an age where tired backs and weak bellies are the norm, let us take back our strength and fitness. Exercising with Hula Hoops has many health benefits and is becoming more popular again.

Come join our club! We meet on Mondays from 8 to 9 am in the Yoga Room at The Lodge. No experience necessary. Call Regina Thomas at (909) 534-4918 for more information.

TOPS

Last month’s symbolic snowman that represented the amazing weight loss success of our group has filled out. Each week, if the net weight for the group is a loss, our snowman gets another part. Last week, the weight loss was seven pounds. So far, our snowman has a complete body, a smile and eyes. By the time this article is read, he will have a nose and arms to complete him.

Johanna Ballard was the monthly Thinner Winner with Sue Hilberg and Susan Wilson as the runners up. Congratulations to them all!

One of our meetings last month included a DVD on Tai Chi. We learned that it is great for our health, our breathing, our attitude, and our bodies. It is a constantly moving exercise of slow circular movements designed to improve balance as well. The group found the session quite demanding on the body even though it was not necessarily aerobic. It requires concentration and deep breathing.

You may find that a group like TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) can help you as well. We meet on Tuesdays at 8:30 am in the Ballroom. For more information, call Andi Henderson at (918) 497-6491. ~ **Andi Henderson**



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PICKLEBALL

Saturday morning, Nov. 13, dawned about as beautiful as a morning can be, and at the most civilized hour of 8:30 am, over 60 people gathered to watch, support, and compete at the first-ever Four Seasons Ray Windhorn Cup Competition. Competitions were set up in three different events: Women's Doubles, Men's Doubles, and Mixed Doubles with competitors being able to compete in either one or two events.

But first Ray's daughters showed up to provide all of the players and spectators with coffee and doughnuts galore. They stood in front of a poster collage of Ray and listened as we told stories of how much Ray Windhorn had meant to our pickleball program here at Four Seasons.

Then, in a format new to Four Seasons, competitors did NOT have to wear costumes or headgear, participate in crazy stunts outside the competition in order to make up for points lost on the court, sing, dance, or give a valid reason for playing pickleball. It was just to be pure pickleball competition! Placed into evenly matched brackets, partners competed against either four or five other teams and prizes went to the top two teams in each area. Many won, more lost, but



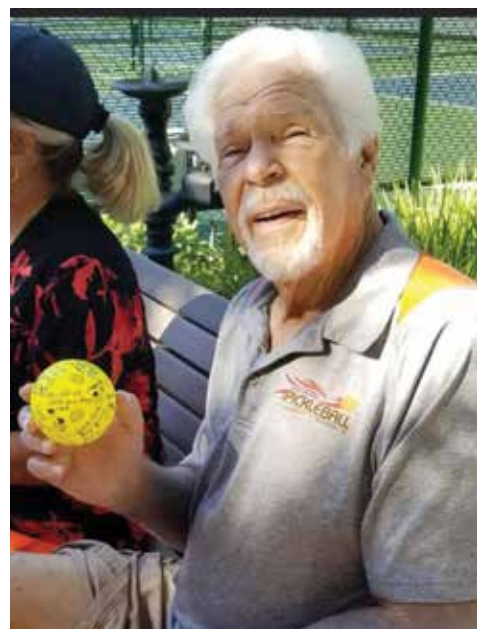
everyone came away a winner because we all played hard, laughed a lot, and told stories about Ray, for whom the competition was named!

It was a near perfect day thanks to the planning and execution by LynnRae Dupree who has designed our pickleball competitions for the past several years. This was to be the last tournament she would design and run and it was perfect! With so much gratitude, we wish her all the best as she pursues the development of her own competitive skills to prepare for more advanced tournament play in her own future. Also kudos and thanks to Doug Dupree for the always popular Doug's Dogs, and Maggie Domico for Maggie's Margaritas (best in the west!).

As we begin a new year, it's a great time to come on out to the pickleball courts no matter your skill level. Friendly people, excellent colleague instructors, laughter, exercise, and competition make Four Seasons Pickleball an outstanding way to start a new year. Be sure to check the board at the courts for times of clinics, whether you are a beginner or a more advanced player. Happiest of new years, and see you on the courts! ~ **Julie Stayner**, juliestayner@gmail.com



Pickleball Board members with Ray's daughters Monique and Michelle



Ray Windhorn... We miss you





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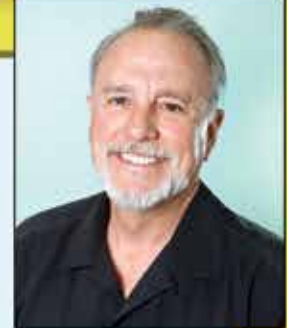


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TENNIS CLUB

Whenever we are on or near the tennis court, either as a player or spectator, there is certain basic etiquette we should all follow. In a professional match, there are specific rules to abide by in order not to be thrown out of the venue. However, at a club like Four Seasons, it's just simple courtesy for everyone to adhere to some unspoken rules so that the game is more enjoyable. The following are just a few rules for common court etiquette.

For the Players

1. Call the score – If you are serving, call out the score loud and clear before each point to prevent score disputes later.
2. Line calls – Poor line calls are one of major causes of disputes. If you are not 100 percent sure of the correct call, you should give your opponent the benefit of the doubt. Just because you are making the call doesn't mean you should call it in your favor. We are not playing for a million dollars here. More importantly, it's not worth losing friends over it!
3. Changing sides – Do not take excessive amount of time when changing sides and make your opponent wait. It's just common courtesy.
4. Offer encouragement – Don't criticize your doubles partner. Everyone has bad days. Encouragement will build better relationships. Criticism tends to generate resentment.

5. Targeting your opponent – If your opponent is at the net, never try to take aim at him/her. Doing so is not only poor etiquette, it can possibly injure that player.

6. Celebrating wins – Part of good sportsmanship is being a humble winner and a graceful loser. Being happy inside after a win is fine, but gloating is unbecoming.

For the Spectators

1. Talk quietly when you are near tennis courts that are in use. Talking or laughing loudly is very distracting to the players.
2. Hold your clapping and cheering until the point is over.
3. Never enter a court or walk behind the players when a point is in play. Wait until the point is over.
4. Let the players decide on line calls. Don't interfere. It's not your job!

Although these upspoken rules seem innocuous, they are often not followed. If everyone tries to be a bit more mindful about them, it will make the game that much more enjoyable.

See you all at The Courts!

Visit our website at <https://sites.google.com/view/tennis-fourseasons/home>. ~ **Stan Lam, (714) 757-2141, slamcpa@gmail.com**

TABLE TENNIS

By the time you read this article, most of the major holidays will be behind us, except for New Years Eve, which to many, can't come fast enough.

Woven into the December celebrations was our holiday party. It was a blast. We had a fully-catered affair with tri-tip steak and chicken cordon-bleu for the main entrees. We were honored to have Dave and Janine Rohrbacker, true ambassadors of our community and masters of karaoke and line dancing, as our emcees for the night. Dave and Janine were challenged with prying many of us out of our precious comfort zones with many post-dinner activities. That being said, maybe we should have shut the lights off



and held our ping pong party in the dark to alleviate any threats of having our “not-for-prime-time” dance moves go viral! Oh, the horror!

With most of the past two years being totally consumed with vaccines, variants, and excruciatingly boring quarantines, many of us are looking forward to the Times Square

Ball dropping us into 2022. On behalf of the Four Seasons Table Tennis Club, here's wishing all residents a happy and perhaps more importantly, healthy New Year.

Stay safe. ~ **Bob Rubenstein, brube88@gmail.com**

ALL SEASONS RV

Happy New Year to all!

Our club is always happy to welcome interested parties to join us at our monthly meetings. We meet the fourth Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm in The Lodge.

At the November meeting, all eyes were on Larry Zimmerman as a discussion of nominations for officers was underway (photos at right).

It is going to be a fun-filled year for our RV Club with several camp-outs already booked. Our next trip is to Quartzite, Ariz. at the end of January. This is an annual event for most of us. It is a large RV show, with vendors of all types anxious to sell the latest and greatest products for RVs.

We welcomed three new members to the club. We look forward to making many trips with them in the coming months.

On a personal note, this is my last article for the *Breeze*. My tenure as scribe is up and will be turned over to another club member. I would like to thank the *Breeze* editors, and in particular Courtney, for their patience with this computer-challenged senior citizen. ~ **Ann Williams, annwilymz@yahoo.com**



8-BALL CLUB

The Four Season 8-Ball Club is in full swing again holding its two in-house tournaments monthly. We do skip some with the holidays. We normally hold an 8-Ball tournament and a 9-Ball tournament each month. In the future (once it is safe to do so), we hope to again play four additional tournaments each month, two with Hemet (Solera) and two Beaumont (Solera). Groups from each community travel to Four Seasons once a month and we travel to their communities once each month. We have a great time no matter the outcome. Maybe in the new year we can start the traditional match ups once again.

The 8-Ball Club would like to give a big shout out to its newest member Jim Kelley. Jim is definitely not new to the game and brings a lot of talent to the club. A big WELCOME to Jim Kelley.

November saw the 8-Ball club holding only one of its two in-house tournaments. The 8-ball tournament had 7 players competing. Larry Rice went undefeated winning the final match against Leo Babin. Since Leo stepped up his game, he seems to be right there until the end a lot more often. Congratulations to Larry Rice, this month's 8-Ball champion and to Leo Babin, runner up.

The 8-Ball Club plays or practices Monday, Wednesday, and Friday nights 6:30 until 9 pm. Whether you're new to the game or have played before, don't be shy — stop by, pick up a stick, and give us a try. Walk in and ask for Del, Larry, or any of the members playing.

The 8-Ball Club is always looking for new members who would like to learn and play pool to join us. There is a calendar of our events in the Billiards Room on the 8-Ball Club bulletin board.

If you have any questions about the 8-Ball Club, contact one of the officers: Captain Del Lyles, Sr. at (951) 845-5114, or Co-Captain Larry Rice at (951) 236-1156. If there is no answer, leave a message and one of us will get back to you. ~ **Larry Rice**

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BILLIARDS FOR FUN

Our last in-house tournament for 2021 was Nov. 30 and was it a contest of skill and grit! First of all, the two frequent winners in our group were paired as partners. Yep, that's so not gonna happen! Therefore, after doing some partner switching, etc., the individual skills took over anyway, and the outcome was pretty predictable. Bob Rector and Bob Semler (aka "the Bobs") was the first place winning partnership. Carlos Rivera, however, drew the #13 pea that day, and [sniff!] had to play this challenge all alone. Yep, you got it. He came in second because he got to take all the shots for his team (himself), and talk about amazing skill! However, after two out of three playoff games and the echo of a resounding "Dilly Dilly!" by Bob Rector, he and the other Bob were declared winners and Carlos came

in second place. (See our hotshots below.) Congratulations, guys!

We will be starting a new year on Jan. 4 at either the 11 am to 1 pm session or the 1 to 3

pm session. C'mon out and join this fun group of hilarious and really talented players! We'll look for you, okay? ~ **Eileen Antoine**, (951) 922-6829, egcellent@msn.com



Carlos Rivera



Bob Semler and Bob Rector

WILD BUNCH BILLIARDS

2022 has arrived and we are completely open and excited that we are "live" in the Billiards Room.

The "Wild Bunch" consists of some of the best players in the league: Joe Spinella, Bob Rector, Mike Corbett, Carlos Rivera, LeRoy Wright, Rick Steckler, Scott Frymire, Dave Martin, Verina Rector, and Gracy Luna.

If you want to play serious, competitive pool, we invite you to come

by the Billiards Room Friday afternoons from 12:30 to 3:30 and join in the stimulation of competitive play. We invite Sun Lakes and Solera to join us, and they bring their best game for some exciting competition.

Looking forward to seeing you! ~ **Gracy Luna**, gracyluna@aol.com, (951) 292-3524

CURLY CUES BILLIARDS

Wow! It is hard to believe we are already in 2022. I can still recall the chaos at the office when we were leaving behind the '90s and stepping into the dreaded Y2K.

It was so nice to be back in The Lodge this last year and have everything back to normal, more or less.

The Curly Cues are still going strong, we shoot, we miss, we make great shots and some not so great. Last week while aiming for the number one ball Lois LeMotte managed to get the eight ball, one ball and cue ball in same pocket on one shot. Too bad it meant she lost, still, it was a great shot! As I said, we always have fun! Come join us ladies Monday mornings in The Lodge Billiards Room. If you're at Kopper Kettle then you will most likely hear us, we tend to have animated conversations. Play time is from 10 am until noon. Sorry guys, it's ladies only!

For more information, contact Pat Semler at (714) 325-5280 or Leta Ramirez at (626) 695-0798. ~ **Oleta Ramirez**



Lois LeMotte demonstrating her trick shot



Joy Collins waiting for her next victim

SHUFFLEBOARD

As you are reading this article, it is the beginning of 2022 and we will have made it through all of the previous year-ending holidays and parties. I want to take this opportunity to wish everyone a healthy, happy, and prosperous New Year.

One of my wishes for this new year is that the construction of the new shuffleboard courts and the landscaping around these courts be completed so that we can all play there in a safe manner. We are working on creating a master plan and getting cost estimates for all of the areas surrounding the four new shuffleboard courts.

If anyone has made or is thinking of making a New Year's resolution to get in better physical shape or to get out and be more social, then please consider shuffleboard. It is an easy game to learn and play and there is a great group of people already participating in

this activity who are very welcoming of new players. We choose up new teams every time we play so this gives everyone an opportunity to meet and socialize with different fellow Four Seasons residents while getting some mild exercise and plenty of fresh air. So after your morning coffee or breakfast, come out and join us.

We play every Monday and Saturday mornings at 9 am at the shuffleboard courts at The Lodge. Again, all are welcome. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me. ~ **Marty Rotman**, mrtmj@aol.com, (310) 948-1693



HORSESHOE CLUB

Well, all that celebrating is done and wasn't it fun? Hello 2022. Looking forward to playing horseshoes again, maybe I'll get my old form back again and show these boys what it's all about. I'm wishing everyone a healthy and Happy New Year with lots of fun and enjoyment here at Four Seasons. Maybe you want to add some additional fun to your itinerary for 2022 and come out and join us;

we are a fun group. We play at The Summit every Wednesday at 9 am (fall/winter) and 8 am (summer). No recent experience necessary. Our contacts are Ron Erickson at (951) 846-3288, rejlerickson@sbcglobal.net or Gary Christie at (951) 845-0520, goldtoy@earthlink.net. ~ **Ron Erickson**

LADIES PUTTERS

After starting the Ladies Putters Group in 2017, I will miss so many of my friends made over these years of putting! Some of the original members shown in the group picture (below left) put in hours of work creating putting plays for the five-hole green, gathering donated putters, making scoring rules, planning Fun Days and Guest Days, and beyond!

Ladies new to putting were welcomed by old members who helped them along the way.



Founder Judy Irving with longtime members Jolene Cooley, Claudia Rozzi, and Linda Long



Judy Irving, retiring President of the Putters




Elaine Brown, a recent member of the Putters

BOCCE CLUB

Happy New Year to all our Bocce Ball players. It's 2022 but 2021 was our best year we've had since I've been playing. Excellent turnouts on both Tuesdays and Fridays. Combination of good weather and a group of new players has made it the most fun yet. Almost to the point of us needing a new court.




Bocce Ball is played at The Summit on two green courts overlooking the surrounding valley with beautiful views. We play Tuesday at 9 am and Friday at 9 am.

Hopefully we'll see you out there having some fun throwing the Bocce ball around. If you are interested in learning the game, please join us. Any questions, please call me, Hank Negrete, at (909) 747-7087. ~ **Hank Negrete, (909) 747-7987, hanknegrete16@yahoo.com**



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4X4 SEASONS

Our run took us to the Dale Mining District for our November outing. We had 11 rigs, Jeeps, Toyotas and an F150 join us. Dale Mining is off of Gold Crown Road near 29 Palms. We explored old mines, we played in the hills and sand in our 4 x 4 rigs. A great time was had by all.

If this sounds like fun, please come check us out. Our meetings are the second Tuesday and our day runs are the second Thursday of each month. We meet in the RCN Building at 6:30 pm.

For information, contact Brian Fusilier at bfusilier@verizon.net or (909)2152778 or Scott Snyder at scottdonaldsnyder@gmail.com or (562) 714-7253. ~ **Brian Fusilier**



FISHING CLUB

We went fishing at Diamond Valley Lake on Nov. 10. There were five of us who went out on a pontoon boat. They had just stocked the lake with 4,000 pounds of trout. As we left the launch ramp we could see the trout in the water. We all knew we would catch a bunch of fish.

As we started fishing, we had high hopes of some nice trout for dinner. We threw our lines in and knew it was going to be an epic fishing trip. After five hours of fishing, none of us got a bite. A couple of guys caught a couple of tiny bass that we threw back. We were all

disappointed to say the least.

I did not put a picture in this article because we did not catch any fish to photograph. When we find a lake where we can catch fish then I will include a picture of all the fish we catch. Once again, we will have high hopes of catching fish.

Tight lines to all of you and remember if you don't catch fish you can always go to the fish market and buy some fish. ~ **Richard Carrasco**, ricarrasco52@gmail.com

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PINOCHLE FOR FUN

Whether you are an experienced player or brand new, we will help you enjoy the game. We meet every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9 to 12 noon in RCN Activity Room 1. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact either Karen Farmer at (951) 313-6149 or Floyd Reid at (951) 317-3127. ~ **Karen Farmer**, kfarmer@dc.rr

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 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**

CO-ED BID WHIST

Greetings everyone! We can now resume meeting and playing Bid Whist. It will be so good to see everyone again. I can't wait to 'catch up' socially with fellow members as we get our groove back on. Do note: there has been a change per our meet days. We will now meet on Tuesdays from 6 to 8:30 pm in the RCN, room # 3. Our group offers a satisfying game environment filled with good cheer, good natured 'trash talking' and some great music. So, win or lose... you will have a lot of fun and meet some great folks while playing Bid Whist. New players, whether new to the game or Veterans, are always welcome. We look forward to seeing you at the tables!

For more information, contact Roxanne Williams at (951) 797-3123. ~ **Roxanne Williams**

DUPLICATE BRIDGE GROUP

With the start of the new year, I anticipate directing a session of duplicate bridge in the RCN main room every third Saturday at 9 am in 2022. I hope to see all of you who are able to attend.

As always, send an email to me if you're interested in discussion of duplicate bridge activity or would like to learn to improve your game, or are interested in duplicate bridge at Four Seasons at Beaumont. ~ **Kirk Freyermuth**, kafreyer@frontier.com

BRIDGE FOR FUN

If you are thinking of new activities, consider learning to play Bridge. We are a fun and easy-going group. We play every Wednesday at noon in the Game Room. For more information contact Verina Rector at (951) 769-1687. ~ **Lois L. Butler**

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 Game 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 any questions or would like to become the contact for Hearts, please contact The Lodge front desk.

RUMMIKUB

Do you miss playing your favorite tile game, Rummikub? We sure miss seeing old friends and making new ones while playing this fun, fast-paced game.

We play Mondays from 2 to 4 pm in the Game Room at The Lodge. We welcome old pros and newcomers alike and are always happy to teach the game to anyone who is interested. So come out and meet your neighbors and have a great time.

If you have any questions I can be reached at retiredatlast@outlook.com. ~ **Caryn McSweeney**



MAH JONGG

Hello all! We are now playing Mah Jongg in the RCN every Friday morning from 10 am to 12 noon. Hope you can join us. The great part is that you do not have to commit to every Friday.

If you are interested in learning this game, we arrange periodic lessons and have a table designated for new players.

If you have any questions or would like to arrange an introductory lesson, please contact Terry Hall at Terryhall005@gmail.com. ~ **Terry Hall**

DOMINOES

The Domino Club's November winner recently won in July. Go Dean De Lonely! He had 24 wins and close behind was Wondell Collins, who had 21 wins, and Jesse Dimmer, who had 18 wins. Congratulations, Dean. We are looking forward to making you a loser next month. We play every Wednesday and Friday from 5 to 9 pm. Join us in The Lodge Game Room. For more info, contact Jesse Dimmer at (951) 769-2035 or Reggie Fugua at (951) 743-3584. ~ **Wondell Collins**



*Domino winner for November,
Dean De Lonely*

PHASE 10

I hope you had a joyful Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday with family and friends. Now we finally head into 2022 with hope and joy ahead.

We continue to have fun playing the card game of Phase 10. The goal is to complete the 10 phases that are established for the game one round at a time. These phases include 'sets' of cards (all the same number) and 'runs' (cards in a sequence). There are also Wild cards and Skip cards during play.

We will meet Jan. 11 and 25 (the second the fourth Tuesdays) from 2 to 4 pm in The Lodge Game Room. All are welcome from the 'experts' to the newcomers. We may draw numbers for the players for each table so that we can share the friendship around. Snacks are provided but bring your own beverage. If you have any questions, please contact Marianne Bugni (920) 517-2739 or email lamarib77@gmail.com. ~ **Marianne Bugni**



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,**
kenyakiki@aol.com



BUNCO

Come on out and enjoy the fun every second and fourth Friday at 1 pm in the RCN Main Room. Everyone is welcome. For questions, contact Bre Moreland at brendyluv@gmail.com or Tippi Quiggle at (951) 212-2323. ~ **Tippi Quiggle**



CANASTA

Join us for an afternoon of friendship and fun while playing a game of Hand and Foot Canasta. We meet Thursdays in the RCN Main Room 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. Join us. ~ **Pam Morales**

THREE THIRTEEN

Three-Thirteen is a fun and fast-paced card game, played in 11 rounds. A variation of rummy, players meld, using runs and sets of at least three cards. The first player to lay all cards down first receives no points. Then the remaining players lay down their cards, either on the first player's cards or their own. Each round uses jokers and a progressive, new wild card, starting with threes, then fours...

continuing to Kings. The lowest score wins. Not a lot of rules to remember and it's quick and easy to learn. Everyone is welcome and we will always have a learner's table, if needed. Days we meet this month are Jan. 4 and 18 at 3 pm in The Lodge Game Room. If you have questions or want to be on the group email reminder list, contact Mike Corbett at micedcor1@gmail.com. ~ **Kris Corbett**

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HARD

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