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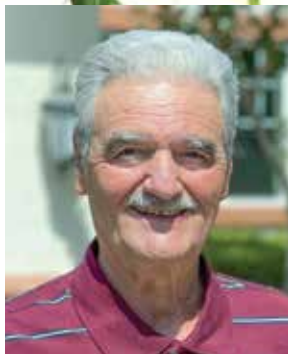
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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

By Jerry Monahan, Board President

We start the month of December with our Budget for 2023 completed by the Budget Committee of Finance and approved by both the Finance Committee and the Board of Directors. Every opportunity available to cut costs was taken, but inflation necessitated the increase in our HOA dues.

HOA dues increases are never taken lightly because of how it affects all our residents, but the Board has a responsibility to operate the Association responsibly. Four Seasons is a beautiful community with many amenities that require funding for the necessary staffing for all our facilities and events. The Board, along with Finance, Facilities, Community Planning, and other committees have been looking at ways to save on expenses as we go into 2023.

A solar project to help offset electrical costs in our buildings and pools is currently under review. This program, if we can sign a contract for multiple years, is under review by our attorneys, the Board, and several committees. If we can go forward with this solar project, it would be no cost to us for installation and maintenance of the equipment and panels, and would save us thousands of dollars on electrical costs annually and as much as \$2,000,000 over the 25-year program.

We are also planning presentations in our Ballroom by the Inland

Empire Resources Conservation District and San Geronio Pass Water District to update our residents on irrigation and planting during this period of reduced water usage.

At this time, these presentations are planned to be one-to-one and a half hour each, and would include gift card giveaways, door prizes, and either pizza or donuts and coffee (depending on the time of the day of the events). There is no cost to attend and no cost to the HOA for the events, including the food and giveaways. Please watch the Daily Report for the dates and times of these events.

By the time this article is in the December *Breeze*, our holiday lights will be illuminated on our buildings, entrance gates, and in various locations around Four Seasons Drive. The Board wishes all our residents a very happy and safe holiday season.

The Board of Directors meets on the second Thursday of each month in the Ballroom. The next meeting is Dec. 8 at 1 pm.

We also have an informal meeting at the RCN building on the third Wednesday of each month where residents can discuss topics and ask questions of the Board members in attendance. This informal session allows the Board members to respond and participate in a question and answer period that the more formal sessions do not permit.

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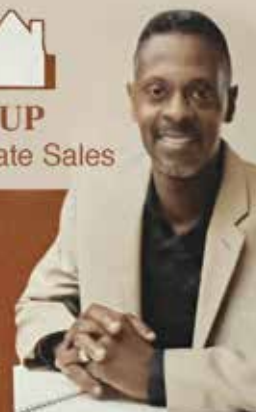
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GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Closing 2022 I hope that you and your family had a fantastic Thanksgiving. As we come to the close of another year, I want to thank all of you who go out of your way to be kind to me and the onsite team here. Thank you; it is very much appreciated! As the December holidays are fast approaching, I hope you all have a warm and festive time with those closest to you.

Age Verification Forms As of this writing in early November, we have received more than 1,230 returns of the Age Verification form. Thank you to all who have filled out and returned your completed form.

Reminder Process for Gate Calls In an effort to help streamline the process for adding guests to the gate system dwellingLIVE, as of October 2022, owners can call The Summit at (951) 769-6444, or

The Courts at (951) 845-4865, to add someone to their list. Owners always have the option of logging into dwellingLIVE themselves to manage their guest list. There is a link on our website, www.fourseasonsbeaumont.org. Having the option to add names of guests to dwellingLIVE using either a phone or computer will enable residents to update their guest list regardless of the resident's tech skill level.

Slow Down A reminder that I give at each Open Session Board Meeting is to slow down. Once you are home behind the gates, speeding or not stopping at stop signs will only "save" you a few seconds of time. Speed limits are 30 mph on the Circle, 25 mph on all side streets and 15 mph in parking lots. Please slow down and drive responsibly. Also please use the sidewalks if you are a pedestrian. ~
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Meetings

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DAY	TIME
Executive Session	12/8 9a
General Session	12/8 1p
Committee Chairs	12/5 10a


SUB-BOARDS

Canine Corral Council	12/2 10a
Communications Board	12/10, 28 10a
Technical Operations Board	TBD - see Daily Rep.

COMMITTEES

DAY	TIME
Architectural Review	12/5, 19 8:30a
Community Planning	12/15 See Daily Report
Emergency Prep (EPC)	12/14 10:30a
Facilities	12/14 9a
Finance	12/27 1p
Landscape	12/19 1p
Safety	12/6 10a
Social	12/6 1p

DID YOU KNOW that few moments in the history of the United States cast a longer shadow than Pearl Harbor? The attack on Pearl Harbor was a surprise military strike by the Imperial Japanese Navy Air Service upon the United States against the naval base at Pearl Harbor in Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii, just before 8 am on Sunday, Dec. 7, 1941. The United States was a neutral country at the time; the attack led to its formal entry into World War II the next day. You might say, even 80 years after the fact, Pearl Harbor is still a national obsession. We invoke the memory of Pearl Harbor whenever things are bad, really bad, when it's time to respond to a threat, or when we need an exhortation to get up, dust ourselves off, and do something. While we should never reduce Pearl Harbor to a cliché, our continued use of the metaphor is proof positive that our history matters, that shared memories are essential to tying Americans together as a people. Every time we remember Pearl Harbor, we recall the events of that day, and the brave people who died there. But perhaps we remember something about who we are, too.



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Activities Director Corner

By Cindy Graves

The holidays are here! We're jumping right into festivities with the Holiday Golf Cart Parade on Friday, Dec. 2 at 5:30 pm in front of The Lodge. Line up starts at 5 pm and judging will take place at 5:15 pm. At 7 pm, you're invited to the Ballroom to enjoy our live musical program featuring Daniel Senna, the Four Seasons Strolling Carolers, and the Beaumont Music School Musicians (ages 5 to 15 years old). Stop by The Lodge desk and pick up a free ticket. Just ask for the Friday Music Program tickets. There will only be 300 tickets available (theater seating, no tables). The Bistro is also going to be offering a holiday dinner special, so you could have dinner and a show.

The official Holiday Extravaganza shows will be on Saturday, Dec. 3 at 6 pm and Sunday, Dec. 4 at 1:30 pm. The show is *Mike Cano's Comedic Holiday Hilarity Show*. We are asking that you wear your best ugly sweater. We'll be having an ugly sweater contest with prizes, so be sure to dress to win! The Bistro will be having a special dinner on Saturday and a special holiday lunch on Sunday. There will be 300 free tickets offered per night. You may only pick up tickets for one night and you must have a ticket to get in. This is going to be such a fun way to start the holiday spirit. Hope to see you there!

Now to make your season bright... the Neighborhood Outdoor Light Competition is on Wednesday, Dec. 14. Please be sure to fill out the Light Competition Address form so we can mark your house on the map to guide residents and the judges through the community.

Have your lights on from 5 to 8 pm for judging. We will call you if you win and will announce the winners on the Daily Report on Friday, Dec. 16. I love it when the community shines for the season. It's so beautiful! Maps will be available at The Lodge on Dec. 13 so you can find your way around.

Karaoke is Saturday, Dec. 17 at 5:30 pm. Stay tuned for more info from Dave Rohrbacker on any themes he might be promoting for that special night.

Tuesday, Dec. 20 at 7 pm in the Ballroom will be the Jewish Social Club's Hanukkah Party! This is for the whole community and will be featuring your favorite Christmas and Hanukkah songs. The guest entertainment for the night is Perry Goldstein's Orange Jews of Orange County, Orange County's premier Jewish Rock band who mix music with comedy. They will be serving a dessert reception with coffee and tea. BYOB. The cost for this party is only \$5. For tickets, contact Nancy Justice at (951) 769-5804.

Finally, we have the *Four Seasons Bell Choir and Holiday Sing-Along* on Thursday, Dec. 22 at 6 pm in The Lodge Ballroom. Come and relieve any holiday stress you may have by singing your heart out with your neighbors. The bells make such a gorgeous sound you won't want to miss them. There is no cost to attend.

Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Joyous Kwanza, and "Festivus-for-the Rest-of-Us" (thank you *Seinfeld*)! I love you all and you have given me the best gift ever by being my Four Seasons family!

Mark Your Calendars!

HOLIDAY GOLF CART PARADE

Friday, Dec. 2, The Lodge; Line up at starts at 5 pm for judging, parade starts at 5:30 pm

HOLIDAY MUSIC PROGRAM

Friday, Dec. 2, 7 pm in The Lodge Ballroom

HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA SHOW

Saturday, Dec. 3, 6 pm and Sunday, Dec. 4, 1:30 pm in the Ballroom

TRIVIA NIGHT

Sunday, Dec. 4 at 6:30 pm in The Lodge Ballroom

HOLIDAY KARAOKE

Saturday, Dec. 17 at 5 pm in The Lodge Ballroom

HOLIDAY BELL CHOIR SING-ALONG

Thursday, Dec. 22 at 6 pm in The Lodge Ballroom

PHOTO ASSIGNMENT

Lovin' You...

If you have a favorite picture that makes your heart sing, whether it's with your partner from a first date to a wedding or with your lovable pet, we would love for you to share it with our readers. Please have a caption along with the picture. Email it to FourSeasonsNews@yahoo.com and, if you have any questions, please call Courtney Taylor at (909) 797-3647. The pictures will appear in the February issue of the *Breeze*.



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Beaumont Summit Station Industrial Project & Banning Warehouse Updates

By Jerry Monahan, Board President

BEAUMONT SUMMIT STATION

As reported in October's *Breeze*, the Beaumont City Council held a public meeting on Oct. 18. It was attended by approximately 150 people who appeared to be nearly evenly split between residents of Beaumont and representatives of various construction unions and the developers.

The construction unions wore orange shirts and orange vests, and were seated in the city council chamber in front of the members of the city council. Beaumont residents were in another room at city hall watching the meeting on a large screen TV out of sight of the council members.

During the meeting, the developer and his representatives presented the case for the approval of The Summit Station by amending the General Plan from Single Family Residential to Industrial, General Commercial, and Open Space. The consideration of the Draft Environmental Impact Report was also part of the city council member review.

Members of a number of construction unions encouraged the city council members to approve The Summit Station Project because it would provide good-paying jobs for the union members and would enable them to work closer to home.

The residents of Beaumont spoke about traffic congestion, air pollution, quality of life, and decrease to property values.

The city council listened to all parties attentively, and in the end, they voted 4-0 against approving The Summit Station Industrial Project. It should be noted that the Beaumont Planning Commission voted 4-1 against recommending the project approval.

Thank you to the city council members who voted against approving The Summit Station Project and the Beaumont Planning Commission



who voted against recommending the project to the city council for approval.

Also, thank you to all the Beaumont residents who took the time to voice their disapproval of The Summit Station Project by making telephone calls, sending emails and texts, and attending the public meetings. We need to continue working together to monitor the development plans for the City of Beaumont and speak out on those projects or issues we do not believe would be good for our city.

BANNING WAREHOUSE

The Banning Warehouse legal issues are continuing with the Pass Action Group (PAG) brief due to Judge Reimer on Dec. 9, 2022.

On Feb. 7, 2023, the City of Banning and Creation Equity brief is due to Judge Reimer.

These are the important dates pending right now. After the submission of the briefs and responses from the parties involved, Judge Reimer will schedule a hearing date, possibly in April or May of 2023.

As you can see, the legal filings and responses take a lot of preparation and time for PAG's legal committee and their attorneys. Fundraising is continuing for the legal fees and other necessary expenses.

The Pass Action Group (PAG) is up to date with all bills at this time and is fundraising for future legal expenses. If you would like to donate to this effort to reverse the approval of the Banning Point Warehouse, you can send checks to the Pass Action Group at 4832 Crenshaw Circle in Banning, California 92220. Online donations can be made at www.givebutter.com/passactiongroupbanning.

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Courtney Taylor in Alicante, Spain, in September
on a trip that had been canceled in 2020



Photo taken by Tim Taylor who insisted he get credit

WHO IS THE BREEZE PUBLISHER?

Courtney Taylor, our Publisher/Editor of the *Breeze*, has provided us an excellent magazine, at no cost to our HOA, for the past 10 years.

After graduating from the University of Arizona, Courtney worked as a graphic artist and at 24, started Image Up Advertising & Design. Her boundless energy and creativity also led her to performing at different venues as a stand-up comedian, writing a weekly humor column for the Orange County Register's *Saddleback Valley News*, and hosting a cable TV show in Mission Viejo.

Balancing work with finding time to dote on her grandsons, and traveling with family and friends is an achievement. Her support for the annual *A Night of Comedy* to benefit Carol's Kitchen reflects her appreciation for the Arts and giving back to the community. Her close working relationships with the Communications Board resulted in discovering new interests like raising monarch butterflies and baking.

In addition to the *Breeze*, Courtney, with the help of her Account Executive Stacey Parr, who manages advertising and assists with design, publish six other magazines for active-adult communities, keeping them very busy.

The next time you open up your copy of the *Breeze*, enjoy the contributions from our residents, HOA Board of Directors, FirstService team, and Courtney's passion to deliver an excellent magazine.

NEW MANAGEMENT AT THE BISTRO

By Irene Welker

Many, if not all, Four Seasons residents are aware that Stacy Dean is no longer running the Kopper Kettle Bistro. In typical Stacy fashion, she made sure to leave the community, and her staff, in good hands by recommending her successor, Mike Miller. Mike was actually in competition with Stacy three years ago when they both submitted the requested paperwork to operate the Bistro after Smitty left.

I sat down with Mike shortly after he took over management of the Bistro. Quite frankly, I wanted to know more about this man who came so highly recommended by Stacy. He did not disappoint. Mike has more than 50 years of culinary experience and it all started at age 15 with his first job at a McDonald's. He then moved on to full-service restaurants where he learned the restaurant trade from the ground up, starting as a dishwasher at Cask and Cleaver. He worked his way up through the ranks in various jobs and at a number of restaurants from Black Angus to mom-and-pop establishments. Each step brought Mike closer to his goal of owning his own restaurant.

Mike's dream of being a restaurateur came true in 1992 when he purchased a diner, Hudson's Grill. He then opened America's Sports Grill, a combination sports grill, restaurant, and nightclub. Mike sold both eateries and opened his current baby, Woody's Classic Grill which he still owns along with a second venue called Pizza Q.

During the pandemic, Mike worked with government agencies to help feed the homeless who were housed via the Project Room Key program and with the Great Plates Program to deliver food to

low-income seniors. Between the two programs, his restaurant fed thousands who otherwise would have been food insecure.

The Bistro Four Seasons makes three venues which he is currently operating. He stated that this should give him an advantage in staffing and training of personnel as he will be able to utilize the staff already at the Bistro as well as pull staff from his other sites to supplement and help train new staff. Mike is in the process of staffing up and when fully staffed, he plans on being open from 8 am to 7 pm seven days a week. He emphasized that the Bistro will continue to make home deliveries and hold special events. Additionally, he is evaluating the current menu, portion sizes, and pricing. Mike is determined to provide all customers value and good service. He is working on a new menu but wants to retain current favorites. Mike is also open to suggestions for the new menu.

Mike said that he is in the restaurant business for all the right reasons. He firmly believes that the employees are the number one priority because if the employees are happy, they take good care of the guests. He wants both the employee's and guest's experience at his restaurants to exceed their expectations. He further stated that he wants to create a culture of family with employees, guests, and the community. The heart of the culture will be putting love into everything they do.

There is a new name, The Bistro Four Seasons, and a revised menu. A grand reopening is scheduled for January. So come on down and check out the new proprietor, menu, and vibe!

DID YOU MISS IT???



Above and at right: Walk for the Animals



The entire FirstService staff worked hard for a Spooktacular evening



Danya with FirstService with her plus one



Above and at right: The Canine Corral's Yappy Hour



Interesting Weather Phenomena

While we are generally used to the type of weather we experience here in Beaumont, there are several interesting phenomena that most folks may not be aware of. These have to do with the sun's interaction with the atmosphere. So, let's take a look at some of them.

Solar Halos: A solar halo appears when a thin layer of cirrus clouds, which are made up of ice crystals, moves over the region of the sunlight. The ice crystals act as prisms, of sorts, and both refract and reflect the sunlight. This creates a rainbow effect of multi-colored light as the ice crystals "bend" the sunlight at a 22-degree angle causing the light to separate into its component colors, red on one end of the spectrum, and blue on the other. The other aspect is the position of the person observing this halo relative to the sun. If all conditions are right, one will see something like that shown below at left.

Solar halos sometimes indicate incoming storminess, but more likely in the midwestern and eastern parts of the country, as major thunderstorms often produce these high-level ice crystals which the winds blow to the east of the storms. This phenomenon can occur locally, but it is relatively rare here.

Sun Dogs: A "sun dog" is a type of solar halo that occurs most noticeably at sunrise or sunset, but for pronounced sun dogs, the observer must be on flat terrain such that the sunrise can be viewed

on the horizon, such as being near the Pacific Ocean or in the flat terrain in the Midwest. The phenomenon needs to have the high cirrus cloud ice crystals over the path of the sun as it crosses the horizon, and for a short period, produces reflective sunlight on that 22-degree angle. Less obvious sun dogs can occur anytime there is a solar halo, but the bright light to the left and right of the sun is much less obvious. This type of phenomenon is rare here in Beaumont, primarily because the mountains obscure the horizon.

Crepuscular Rays: This phenomenon is much more common here, and I have observed these many times. When we have lower type clouds, such as stratocumulus, if there are breaks in the clouds in the general direction of the sun, the sunlight appears to have "rays" beaming down. Rain coming from these clouds can have somewhat of a similar appearance, but the crepuscular rays are viewed as coming from the breaks in the clouds in the direction of the sun, whereas raindrops can be observed from the clouds, not the breaks.

It is interesting that the word "crepuscular" is derived from the Latin word for "twilight," as in earlier times, these rays would be observed most of the time at dawn and dusk.

In closing, there is so much to observe in weather, the atmosphere, the sun and their various interactions, and these are some of the more interesting unusual events.



A Solar Halo



A Sun Dog over the Dakotas



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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH & COMMUNITY AWARENESS

At our November meeting, our guest speakers were Officer Robert Loza of the Beaumont Police Department and Mercedes Cashmer, the City of Beaumont Public Information Officer (PIO). The topic was holiday safety which included fraud, scams, and general safety tips. The residents asked a number of questions of the speakers who benefited from the experience of Officer Loza and Mercedes Cashmer.

We are still in the holiday season so be careful while shopping and driving through Beaumont and Four Seasons. If you get a telephone call or email from someone claiming to be from your bank or any financial institution, please do not give them confidential information. If you doubt that they represent the bank, please call the bank to verify. It is better to be safe than sorry.

Our next meeting will be on Dec. 14 at 10 am in the Ballroom. The Steering Committee is planning to have members of Caltrans as

guest speakers, and to have them discuss the I-10, progress of their projects, traffic, and anticipated construction completion.

On Jan. 11, 2023 at 10 am, our guest speakers will be from the Union Pacific Railroad. Hopefully we will be able to discuss the length of time the trains stop in the Beaumont area and the traffic backup caused by the trains.

Please slow down while driving through our Four Seasons community. The speed limit is 30 mph on Four Seasons Circle, and 25 mph on residential streets, including Green Creek Trail. Come to a full stop at our stop signs.

Thank you to our Block Captains and all Neighborhood Watch members for all that you do to keep our community safe.

Wishing you all a very happy and safe holiday season. ~ *Jerry Monahan, (951) 212-8898*

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BRACIOLE

A friend from a large Italian family gave me this recipe for braciole (brah-chee-oh-la) years ago. She said the dish was served for special occasions, such as birthdays and holidays in their home. Her family recipe called for flank steak, because, back then, it was a cheap cut of meat. I used flap meat which is similar and is cut from the same area. Other common meats used are veal, pork, chicken breasts and top round. This is an ideal dish for a tough cut of meat because it simmers in a sauce until tender. It also looks extravagant when served. Serves 4; Preparation time: 30 minutes; Cook time: 1 hour, 40 minutes; Total time: 2 hours, 10 minutes



DIRECTIONS

1. In a medium bowl, mix together the breadcrumbs, cheeses, garlic and parsley. Set aside.
2. Lay the flank steak on a work surface and trim off any excess fat. Pound meat to 1/2-inch thickness, if needed. Rub 1 Tablespoon olive oil over top surface of meat, then sprinkle with salt and pepper. Spread the breadcrumb mixture evenly over the top of the steak. Press down on the mixture. Starting at the smaller end, roll up tightly, jelly roll fashion. Tie off with three to four pieces of kitchen twine to secure.
3. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.
4. Heat the remaining 3 Tablespoons of olive oil in a heavy-bottom oven-proof pan or Dutch oven over medium high heat. When the oil is shimmering, add the braciole and cook until browned on all sides, about 8 to 10 minutes. Add the wine and bring to a boil. Scrape the browned bits off the bottom of the pan, mixing in with the wine. Stir in the marinara sauce, bring to a boil. Remove from heat. Turn braciole over to coat all sides with sauce. Cover pan loosely and place in preheated oven. Bake for one hour or until the meat is almost tender, basting every 30 minutes. When nearly done, remove cover, baste again and cook uncovered for an additional 30 minutes or until tender.
5. Remove the meat from the sauce. Cut off the strings and slice meat into 1/2-inch slices. Spoon the sauce onto a deep rimmed serving platter. Place the meat slices on top of the sauce. Sprinkle Parmesan over the top of the meat.

Serving suggestions: Serve over cooked pasta, or with roasted vegetables and mashed potatoes.

INGREDIENTS

- 1/2 cup Italian-style bread crumbs
 - 2/3 cup grated Parmesan-Romano, plus additional for serving
 - 1/2 cup grated Provolone
 - 1 clove garlic, minced
 - 2 Tablespoons chopped fresh Italian parsley leaves
 - 4 Tablespoons extra virgin olive oil, divided
 - Salt and freshly ground black pepper
 - 1 beef flank steak, about 1-1/2 pounds
 - 1 cup dry white wine
 - 30-ounce jar marinara sauce
- Special equipment: kitchen twine

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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* featured with you in the photo of 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.



Art & Angie Valenzuela enjoying an October evening at National Harbor, Oxon Hill, Maryland



John and Lizzie Gallegos enjoyed their stay at the Broadmoor Resort and Hotel in Colorado Springs



Linda Federoff and husband Jack visited Mountain Winery (former Paul Masson Winery) in Saratoga, CA for a Tom Jones concert at a beautiful venue



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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.

If you're new to Sudoku or have questions, message us at rwgeiser12@yahoo.com or call (406) 261-3759.

Puzzles created by Ray Geiser. Solutions on page 62

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<div>December</div> <p>The activities, dates, and times on this calendar are subject to change at any time. Check with your club or group contact for the latest info if you have any questions or concerns.</p>			<p><i>Calendar changes?</i> 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.</p>	1	2 Holiday Golf Cart Parade 5:30p Seasoned Solos 6p Holiday Music Show 7p	3 Holiday Extravaganza Show 1 6p
4 Holiday Extravaganza Show 1 1:30p Trivia Night 6:30p	5 Summit Party All Day Bereavement Group 1p African American Cultural Club 6p	6 Summit Party All Day Classic Film Group 6p	7 Motorcycle Club 6p	8 Summit Party All Day Courts Party All Day BOD Exec Session 9a BOD Gen Session 11a Italian American Club 6p Classical Music Group 7p	9 Ballroom Party All Day	10 Ballroom, Summit and RCN Parties All Day
11 RCN Party All Day Counter Cultural 7p Cinema Club	12 Summit Party All Day Bereavement Group 1p	13 RCN Party All Day Book Club 9:30a Writer's Club 1p 4x4 Club 6:30p	14 Neighborhood Watch General Session 10a	15 Ballroom Party All Day	16 Ballroom Party All Day RCN Party All Day	17 Holiday Karaoke 5p
18	19 Bereavement Group 1p	20 Ballroom Party All Day	21 Ballroom Party All Day	22 Holiday Bell Choir Sing-Along 6p Rainbow Group 6p All Seasons RV 6:30p	23	24
25 Christmas Day All Facilities Closed	26	27 Classic Film Group 6p	28	29 Veterans Group 11:30a	30	31 NYE Ticketed Event 6:15p

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
Hula Hoop Group	F	7:30a
Pool	Daily	Open Swim
Spa Pool	Daily	Open
Paddle Tennis	Daily	Open
Pickleball	Daily	Open
Shuffleboard	Daily	Open
Beginners Conditioning	T/Th/F	8:30a
Total Body Conditioning	M/W	8:30a, 9:30a
Kickboxing Cardio	Sat	9:30a
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
Pilates	M	8a

THE SUMMIT

Gym	Daily	Open
Summit Pool	Daily	Open Swim
Bocce Ball	Daily	Open
Horseshoes	Daily	Open
Water Aerobics (pool closed during class)	M/W/F	10a
	M/W	11a
Water Volleyball (pool closed to swimmers)	M/W/F	11a

DANCE

Let's Dance! Free Practice	M	6p
Let's Dance! Beginning	M	6:30p
Let's Dance! Intermediate/Advanced	M	7:05p
Country Line Dance Beginning	T	2p
Country Line Intermediate	T	2:45p
Country Line Advanced	T	3:30p
Heart & Soul	W	4p
Step it up Line Dance Beginning	M	1p
Step it up Line Dance Improvers	M	2p
Step it up Line Dance in the Ballroom	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
Intercessory Prayer	1st M	9a
Knit & Crochet	T	10a
Mixed Media Art	M	10a
	W	6p
Men's Bible Study	T	9a
Quilting Enthusiast	1st Th	1p
Sit 'n Sew	3rd Th	9a
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	8a
	Th	6p
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	2nd Sat	9a
Dominoes	W/F	5p
Hearts	T	6p
Mahjong	F	10a
Mexican Train	M	12p
Phase 10 Cards	2nd/4th T	2p
Pinochle	M/W/F	9a
Rummikub	M	2p
Three Thirteen	1st/3rd Tues	2p
Uptown Diva Bid Whist	1st/3rd F	2p

CANINE CORRAL COUNCIL

The Canine Corral celebrated its first “Yappy Hour” in November, and what a celebration it was! The Canine Corral Committee welcomed members and non-members alike for a glass of wine, some snacks, and loads of conversation about our dogs. There were several huge baskets filled with wonderful doggie goodies that were raffled off. Toasts of thanks were made to the sponsors of the Corral, several of whom were in attendance for the festivities. The Corral would not have become a reality without the support of our sponsors, as the entire Corral is self-funded. Applications for membership were available as well as forms for the Honor Plaques.

The Honor Plaques are wonderful tributes to pets, people, or just for fun. They can be seen along the Corral fencing facing Breckenridge as well as on the benches within the Corral. The donation of an Honor Plaque not only helps with the regular maintenance of the Corral, but it is also an opportunity for individuals to memorialize a pet or person who has passed over the Rainbow Bridge, or if you just want to express joy or gratitude.



The Canine Corral Committee

Organized play times were discussed and that has already proven to be a success. There are a nice number of people and dogs meeting in the mornings on Saturday and Sunday. We plan on expanding this to some early evening hours as well. Any suggestions can be sent to us at fourseasonscaninecorral@gmail.com. Please join our Facebook Group, Four Seasons Canine Corral (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/638146317048512>), and post pictures of your dogs enjoying their time in the Corral.

We thank everyone on the Canine Corral Committee for helping make this “Yappy Hour” a reality and look forward to more in the future. ~ **Teri DiMarino**, teridimarino@gmail.com

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE

THE NIGHTMARE BEFORE CHRISTMAS

You have spent a wonderful day at the wineries and when you crest the hill, you see smoke billowing from behind the Sun Lakes community. When you pull into the gate at Four Seasons, you see pickup trucks with Cal Fire emblems on them. Your worst fears are about to be realized. You pull up into your driveway and you notice a commotion around your neighbor's garage. When you get out of your car, your neighbor informs you that your community is under mandatory evacuation orders. Luckily you are a prepper. Now is the time that you will put it to the test.

You head into the corner of your dining room to pick up your Go Bag. You go down the hall and pull a couple of spare blankets and pillows. Going past your office you remember to check on your important paperwork. You pull the dog crates out of storage and place your pooches in them. You double check your important papers to be sure that the dogs' shot records are among them. Besides bank account records, real estate deeds, driver's licenses, you may also need auto registrations and prescriptions.


You grab a winter coat and head for the door. You are thankful that you have practiced this all before. Where was it that you could go? You called your friends ahead and they are ready for you and your fur babies. You learned that evacuation centers are good for swinging singles but very few allow anything but a service dog inside. A night sleeping in the parking lot would raise holy heck with your back. So, you are really glad that you made these arrangements some time back. Instead of three days of punishment, it could actually be an adventure. So do not be in such a rush that you forget your hairbrush, and while you are at it, do not forget your teeth. A spare toothbrush and some toothpaste — you do not have a lot of time to waste.

Take a look at your utilities before you go. Your lights and gas appliances are turned off, the water isn't leaking, and the holiday lights have been disconnected. Your solar and hardwired lights should be okay. Now turn off your timers and be on your way.

The EPC Committee meets on the third Tuesday of the month in the RCN Conference Room at 10 am. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, Dec. 20. ~ **Michael A. Mendoza**, srmendoza@verizon.net

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ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

For the first time in over a year, ARC has a full roster. Our current members are Steve Cooley, Chair; Eileen Escobedo, Co Chair; Allen Koblin, member; Bernard Newcomer, member; Denise Fleming, member; Zsuzsanna Vincze, member; and Bob Deao, inactive member.

However, ARC is always looking for new talent. If you have an interest in serving, please attend one of our meetings and check out what we do.

Over the past few months, ARC has reviewed and approved numerous solar applications. Homeowners should be aware that most, if not all, companies who sell solar contract with third party contractors to install their systems. The quality of the installation is determined by the installer.

When considering which solar company to purchase from, consider the contractor who will install your system. Check to ensure that the installer is licensed and insured. Be wary of any installer who is using the solar company's license unless the installer is an employee of the solar company.

The approval process is simple and straightforward. Submit a complete application which must contain the application and a plot map showing your house and the measurements to the property lines, photos of both the front and back of your house, and details about the solar system indicating what panels, mounting devices,

controls, inverter(s), and battery(s) are to be installed and where (including the schematics provided by the solar company which will usually meet the details required by ARC.)

Your solar company will obtain a Beaumont City building permit and install your system. Once it is installed and inspected by the city inspector, the utility company will turn it on.

ARC understands that there is high demand for solar installations. It is not possible, however, to approve an installation before the solar company completes the schematics.

All applications submitted to ARC without required information will be denied as incomplete.

ARC meets twice a month - hopefully so our homeowners do not have to wait long to obtain the approvals needed. ARC is not able to consider or approve any application outside our scheduled meetings.

Our Wednesday meeting dates for December and January are:

- Dec. 7 - with applications due by noon Friday, Dec. 2
- Dec. 21 - with applications due by noon Friday, Dec. 16
- Jan. 3 - with applications due by noon Friday, Dec. 30
- Jan. 18 - with applications due by noon Friday, Jan. 13

All ARC meetings are held at 8:30 am in the RNC Conference Room and are open to the public.

If you have any questions, please contact Steve Cooley at (801) 815-5302 or email cooleyaudit@gmail.com. ~ **Steve Cooley**

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

Christmas Plants and Flowers for Your Home

Want an easy way to decorate your home for the holidays? Set out a few Christmas plants and you'll spread cheer to all who visit this season.



Cyclamen: Winter-blooming cyclamen makes a beautiful Christmas plant for any room. Even those leaves are attractive, marbled with a silvery white pattern. Unlike most house plants, cyclamen likes to stay fairly cool (around 60°F/15°C).

Find a brightly lit spot for it, away from drafts and you'll enjoy several weeks of gorgeous, upright blooms.



Norfolk Island Pine: Let this small conifer stand in for your Christmas tree. Or simply set this Norfolk Island Pine on a table as a fresh accent for the season. Go ahead — decorate its boughs with tiny ornaments, bows, and tinsel. Keep this conifer indoors year-round — it's tropical, not hardy. Give Norfolk Island Pine lots of light and plenty of moisture, and you'll find it's practically care-free. Best of all, you'll enjoy it for years to come.



Christmas Cactus: Given enough light, you can expect blooms every year in time for the holidays. Treat it right and you'll enjoy it for many years. Some of my visitors tell me they've had their Christmas cactus

for 20 years or more. It's an easy plant to propagate, too, so you can start new plants and share cuttings with friends. Christmas cactus has become wildly popular as Christmas plants in recent years, and it's easy to see why. If you haven't grown one before, give it a try. You'll soon wonder why you waited so long.



Kalanchoe Blossfeldiana: Small but mighty, Kalanchoe Blossfeldiana makes up for its petite size with the sheer number of blooms. Each flower stem holds dozens of flowers for a captivating Christmas display. Double-bloom varieties (shown) remind me of bouquets of tiny roses. Give this flowering succulent its place in the sun, and it will give you a delightful show of color for the holidays — and into the new year. ~ **Kirk Freyermuth, kafreyer@frontier.com**

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Our next event, the biggest of the year, is New Year's Eve! Yes, that's right - we are having a New Year's Eve Party on Dec. 31. The theme is Red Razzle Dazzle so bring in the new year by wearing something red.

Tickets sales are Nov. 28 at 9 am in the Ballroom. Tickets are expected to sell out and any remaining tickets will be available to non-residents on Dec. 21 in The Lodge Lobby.

Tickets for the event are \$65 per person (non-refundable). Doors open at 6:15 pm and champagne will be served until dinner, which starts at 7 pm. Bring your favorite beverage.

Ann Taylor is our caterer this year. She also caters the Wine Club Christmas party. There will be a free photo booth, so get your friends together, and

get your photos taken. We will also have games, contests, and lots of dancing. Tony Zambrana will be our DJ for the night. He is an energetic master of ceremonies and disc jockey who loves to engage with all of our residents and guests.

There will be free party favors and five raffle prizes, so please bring extra cash to help with our fundraiser for our next event.

So put on your red dress and the snappiest suit and come party with us. I look forward to seeing you all there. The Social Committee really appreciates all of your support.

We wish everyone a happy and peaceful holiday season. ~ **Loretta Ramsey**, lorettaramsey@aol.com, (714) 803-6744



FACILITIES COMMITTEE

At our meeting last month, we reviewed initial proposals for replacement chairs in the Game Room. There were several chairs presented, and the list was narrowed so staff can attempt to get a better price per chair.

The committee approved a bid from Lesley Upholstery to re-sling the remainder of the outdoor patio furniture. This ensures that all the patio furniture will be usable at the start of the pool season.

We meet the second Wednesday of the month at 9 am. ~ **Gino Domico**, Gdomico@gmail.com



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FINANCE COMMITTEE

Each member of the Finance Committee works very hard to keep our community in the top tier of well-run beautiful communities. David Sweet was an integral part of our committee and worked diligently to improve our contracts for finding the best vendors to complete maintenance of our community. He was a kind, caring, gracious person, and we all enjoyed our time working with him. We will all miss him very much.

During the Finance Committee's regular monthly meeting in October, the financial statements for September 2022 were reviewed and recommended for Board approval. In addition, the Committee reviewed nine expenditure proposals, and reviewed investment recommendations to move maturing investments to higher yield FDIC insured instruments. Highlights of the September financial

statements are: Total Cash is \$11,518,479 including operating cash of \$2,131,864 (checking and CDs) and reserve assets of \$9,386,615. We are at a total year-to-date net income of \$59,104.

Homeowners are welcome to join us at the Finance Committee's regularly scheduled monthly meetings held on the last Tuesday of each month. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, Dec. 27 at 1 pm. I would encourage all residents to become more familiar with the finances of our fantastic community. We would love to hear about your concerns and encourage you to share them with us. Attending a meeting only takes a little time and will give you a better understanding of how we operate. Come and join us in making this a thriving vibrant community. Please check your Daily Report for meeting location. ~ **Jolene Cooley**, joleneaudit@gmail.com

SAFETY COMMITTEE SAFETY 4 "ALL" SEASONS

We would love to have you join our committee! If you're interested in helping to make Four Seasons a safer community, please consider joining the Safety Committee. No prior safety experience is required, only a desire to contribute to the enhancement of our neighborhood. Yes, you can make a difference!

HOME HOLIDAY SAFETY: Many people are gone from their homes during the holidays. The following are some hints to keep burglars from "helping themselves" at your home when you are gone for an evening or an extended period of time.

- Keep valuables and gifts out of sight.
- Always lock all doors and all windows.
- Turn on outside lights. Trim back shrubs and bushes to make the front of your house more visible from the street.
- Cut up cartons for televisions, computers, stereos, or other "high priced" gifts. Tie the pieces together with identifying labels on the inside before putting them out for trash pickup.
- Have inside lights and a radio or television on timers.
- Stop all mail, package, and newspaper deliveries or arrange for a trusted neighbor to pick them up daily.
- Inform someone where you are and when you will return.
- When returning home, have your keys in hand to quickly unlock the door.

- If you suspect someone has been in the house, leave immediately and call 911 from a mobile phone or from a neighbor's house.

As a reminder, Safety Committee meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month at 10 am in the 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. All the best. ~ **Frank Hilberg**, hilbergfrank@gmail.com

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Hi, my name is Kelsey and I was adopted by Dan and Harriet Hagens on Sept. 23. I'm just a puppy and haven't been out too much yet. I look forward meeting everyone soon



Hi my name is Penny. I'm about 20 years old and a new resident to Four Seasons. I sure enjoyed the Pup Shack Pizza during the Walk for the Animals event last month. Submitted by Tanya Stewart



Watch out - a black lion loose in Four Seasons! Marty Key reported it on Halloween



This is Kai, and he's very happy that winter is almost here. Besides his parents, is anyone else hoping it snows this year? Submitted by Nanette Scott



Lily Luna here. I love taking walks around Four Seasons. As you can see, I am all ready to celebrate the holidays. Submitted by Lydia Luna

It's me Rosie, on another camping trip. I just love being outside and enjoying nature with my family. Submitted by Janet Humble



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I want to ride my bicycle, bicycle, bicycle

Let me tell you about my new favorite app. OK, I see three opportunities for qualifiers in this sentence. Putting aside the fact that I've started this column with "Let me tell you about..." several times, that phrase doesn't make a lot of sense. You don't have the choice the phrase infers. You can read it or not, but I'm going to tell you no matter what. Second, by the time you read this, this app won't be new. I'm writing this in June of 2022. Lastly, I'm not sure an app can be a favorite if it doesn't get used that often.

Nevertheless, I'm going to tell you about the SRAM AXS app. I got a new bike. It's a bright red Trek Checkpoint SL6 eTap. when I took up riding in the 1990s, my first bike was what was then called a hybrid.

Have I told you how I got into riding in my early 50s? Our son David got my wife Martha into bike riding after he became enthusiastic about it in his late teens. (He's even more enthusiastic about it now. He rides almost every day on one of his many bikes.) Martha started riding every weekend; she even joined the LA Wheelmen, a well-known bike club that welcomed new riders. She told me if I wanted to see her on the weekends, I should take up biking. That's what led me to the hybrid bike. At the time, hybrid referred to a bike positioned between a road bike and a mountain bike. I put many happy miles on that bike before I bought a road bike – the first of many, including a time when I had one bike in Beaumont and one in LA. We also had a tandem bike we rode all over California.

You know that bikes have gears, and all of my past bikes had gears made by a Japanese company called Shimano. The gearing on these bikes included eight to 11 gears in back and two, or in a few cases, three gears in front. The shifting amongst these gears was handled by Shimano derailleurs controlled by levers on the brake handles (hoods). Cables running from the levers to the derailleurs effectuated the shifting.

Well, my new bike came with gears from a Chicago outfit called



SRAM founded in 1987. (By the way, the third big gear company is Italian Campagnolo.) Hybrid bikes have evolved to what are now called gravel bikes but are still meant to bridge the gap between road and mountain bikes. My Trek Checkpoint is a gravel bike. The eTap in its name refers to a wireless system made by SRAM to control the shifting of the gears. In my case, there are only multiple gears in back, 12 of them.

My bike is a one drive; there is only one chain ring in front.

There is a lever on each of the brake hoods that shift the gears wirelessly. Before I rode my new bike, I envisioned that when I pushed the left lever from left to right, the gears would switch from left to right. And the right lever would move the gears from right to left. Alas, that's not how my bike was configured. The gears moved opposite to what I hoped they would do.

But it turns out that SRAM has an app. I downloaded it. Connecting the app to my bike involved shaking my bike to wake up the electronic parts, pressing buttons on the derailleur and each brake/shifter, and several other steps that weren't completely intuitive. First shot out of the box when the process was completed was a notification that there was a firmware update for the system. This update was sent to each of the three electronic parts through the app which connects via Bluetooth to my bike. Once that was completed, I had access to a fair amount of information about my SRAM system including the state-of-charge of the rechargeable rear battery and even the two non-rechargeable CR2032 front batteries.

But most importantly, the app gave me the means to change how the shift levers worked. Using the app, I was able to reverse the action of these levers to the way I wanted. When you've ridden bikes regularly for 30 years, you come to accept that certain things are just the way they are. Of course, this applies to far more than bikes as any Apple user knows. But in the case of my new bike, an app has given me the power to change things to the way I want them.

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



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Our thanks and gratitude to Luke, who went above and beyond to ensure all went well at our Witches Luncheon Fundraiser. We couldn't have asked for better service and attention to detail. Luke was a pleasure to work with. A big thank you to Bill Christleman for taking such great pictures as well. Crown Divas Four Seasons

With gratitude to two hard-working guys in the AACC. We thank you for assisting with the band members during the Night of Jazz event. Thank you Mike Henderson and Al Gray!

I wish to thank all of the Four Seasons residents who attended the Larry Wilder Show. It was very short notice but so many of you turned out to help make this a great success. He was entertaining and a fun time for all. Thank you Cindy, Danya, and all the staff for your assistance. Marianne Bugni

A big shout-out to Justin. He's wonderful. I needed help with a technical task and he got it done with patience and finesse. Karen Burton

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WRITERS' CLUB

How to write a poem

By Jane Czajkowski

Reach deep down into your heart
And comb the crevasses of your mind.
Grab a thought that is fretting to get out,
Hold on to your lucky find.
Handle it with the utmost care.
Let it out, little by little.
Otherwise it will burst apart
And you'll be left with spittle.
Find some words – the dictionary is full of
them.
Make sure they fit just so.
Catch them before they fly away -
Good words like to do that, you know.
Let your words craft a mosaic
Cemented by the breath of your thought.
(The one that you mined from your beings's
depths.
Not one that could have been bought.)
That's all that it takes to write a poem.
You may not merit a critic's prize.
But you will have preserved a part of
yourself.

*That's where the worth of your poem lies.
That tiny nugget brought to light
Has escaped burial in oblivion,
Because once a thought gets out,
It will forever live on.*

NO RHYME, THIS TIME
Two words approached me and said:
"We beg to be paired in a poem.
We fit well together
But, alas, we do not rhyme.
Could you make an exception?
Find space for us somewhere.
It doesn't have to be
A lofty complex tome.
Just a simple verse will do."
Then other pairs interrupted:
"Can you do likewise for us, too?"

I responded:
Poetry need not rhyme
To charm the human mind
But it needs movement, a beat,
A spark to jump start the heart
And mesmerize the brain

*In an "ah, so true" moment.
Can you grieve in four note measure?
Crescendo joy in the heart?
Staccato faith into action?
Legato love's last embrace?*

"Yes, we can! Yes, we can!"

I answered:
You will all have a part
In a poem that does not rhyme.
I'll fit you all in, line by line.

So, dear reader, take heart.
Just because you are square
And the mold is round
There is no need to despair.
There is a part for you:
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BIRDING CLUB

The Doves of Four Seasons

This month we will deviate from our usual format and instead review a group of easily seen and well-liked birds — doves (including pigeons). We have three species of doves at Four Seasons: Mourning Dove, Rock Pigeon, and Eurasian Collared-Dove. The Mourning Dove is the only one of these that is native to the Americas and is by far the most common dove across North America and throughout Four Seasons. To give an idea of the abundance of Mourning Doves compared to the other doves, Mourning Dove has been seen on 50 Four Seasons bird walks compared to 11 for Rock Pigeon and 6 for Eurasian Collared-Dove. The Mourning Dove's overall gray-tan color, black spots on the wings, and long pointed tail distinguish it from other doves. Mourning Dove was our October 2019 Bird of the Month.

Wild Rock Pigeons live in Europe, North Africa, and western Asia, where they were domesticated 5,000 years ago. Feral (escaped domestic) pigeons produced offspring that adapted well to human settlements throughout the Old World and were carried to the New World aboard European ships in the early 1600s. Rock Pigeons are common in cities and agricultural areas worldwide, including Beaumont, but they are uncommon at Four Seasons. Its gray body, two black wing bars, and iridescent neck feathers distinguish it from other doves. Rock Pigeon was last month's Bird of the Month.

Eurasian Collared-Dove is our official December 2022 Bird of the Month. The Eurasian Collared-Dove's pale gray color, lack of spots or bars on the wings, and black-and-white collar distinguish



Eurasian Collared-Dove



Rock Pigeon



Mourning Dove

it from other doves. Since their introduction into Florida in the early 1980s, Eurasian Collared-Doves have spread rapidly and their population has grown over 13 percent per year. These birds have spread so quickly that in 2001, when my family moved from Arizona to the Beaumont area, I had never seen a Eurasian Collared-Dove in Arizona or California. But by 2004, they were easy to find in both states! Today, Eurasian Collared-Doves range across every U.S. state (except Hawaii), the southwestern half of Canada, and the northern half of Mexico. At Four Seasons, they are most often seen in backyards, especially at seed feeders. I have been seeing a pair daily in my yard for about the last six months, but before that I hadn't seen any for a year or two, so they seem to move around. ~ **Steve Edelman**, steve.h.edelman@gmail.com

COMMUNITY GARDEN CLUB

We are looking forward to 2023 when we will offer free speaker events by master gardeners in order to support you in a successful home garden. Mark your calendars for Jan. 21 and March 18 at 10 am in the RCN and check the Activities Blast for the topics as we get closer.

On May 20, we will host a home garden tour so that you can visit and experience all sizes and types of successful gardens by your neighbors.

We are establishing a sub-committee for anyone interested in establishing a Community Garden here in Four Seasons. Stay tuned for an announcement of an orientation meeting in the new year.

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AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURAL CLUB

December is the month of many celebrations including Hannukah, Christmas, Kwanzaa, and New Year's Eve. To celebrate Christmas, the AACC will be hosting our ever-popular Christmas Gala on Friday, Dec. 16. The theme is Royal Christmas Ball and will include dinner, dancing, entertainment, prizes, raffles, and a few royal surprises. Semi-formal and/or formal attire is suggested for this elegant affair. Tickets are \$75 per person and may be purchased at The Lodge on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2 to 4 pm, or by calling Shirley Caldwell at (951) 236-8280 or Connie Bowen at (951) 490-9842.

The AACC began 2022 by thanking our previous Board for their leadership and installing new Board officers: Wanda Valentine, President; Shairon Nevills, Vice President; Grace Hollis, Treasurer; Greta Shelton, Secretary; Martha Benoff, Care and Concern; and Bettyann James, Assistant Treasurer. Board President Wanda shared her vision for the year ahead and asked for input from our members. The combination of her vision and our input resulted in the following 2022 events and activities:

*In February, the AACC hosted a Black film festival showing a combination of classic and newly released Black films. Some of the showings were followed by discussion about the film's relevance, why we enjoyed the film, and what life lessons the film presented.

*We celebrated Freedom Day, also known as Juneteenth, by hosting our annual Juneteenth Celebration June 17, 2022. The program included a dramatic poetry reading of *I'm Not Giving My Black Back*, a delicious catered traditional Juneteenth meal, a celebratory skit, and a celebration of Freedom.

*The AACC commemorated our 10th anniversary by Steppin' Out in White on Aug. 13, 2022. We restated why the African American Cultural Club exists, its importance, and its relevance to our Four Seasons community.

*The AACC hosted Jazz Under the Stars in October with guest musical artist Rodney Taylor and Friends. This was another crowd-pleasing performance, offering jazz, R&B, and soul music at the Four

Seasons Amphitheater.

*Lastly, AACC continued to give to those in need in the Beaumont and Banning communities. In September, we assembled and donated over 120 hygiene bags to local nonprofits; and, in October, some members participated in the Four Seasons Blood Drive.

We look forward to seeing you at the Royal Christmas Ball and our future meetings, as we await the arrival of 2023.

The African American Cultural Club meets on the first Monday of the month at 6 pm in The Lodge Game Room. All are invited to attend and learn more about African-American culture. Our next meeting is Monday, Dec. 5. If you have any questions, please contact the AACC President, Wanda Valentine, at (951) 544-1606. ~ **Jane Gentry**



Rodney Taylor and friends



AACC members Wanda Valentine, Myrtis Suggs, and Shairon Nevills were blood donors

At left: Rodney Taylor solo

KARAOKE

The freaks were certainly out for Scaryoke this month. We had a great time and many participated in the Halloween dress-up competition. A special thanks to Craig and Chris Korotko for providing the candy and talking pumpkins. As a reminder, karaoke is the first Tuesday of each month starting at 5:30 pm and the third Saturday of each month starting at 5 pm. Come out and see your friends and neighbors perform some of the greatest hits! ~ **Dave Rohrbaker, (909) 712-2292, dave.rohrbaker@icloud.com**



1st place winner Craig Korotko



2nd place winners Tom and Catherine Powers



3rd place winners Steve and AJ Reilly

COUNTER CULTURE CINEMA CLUB

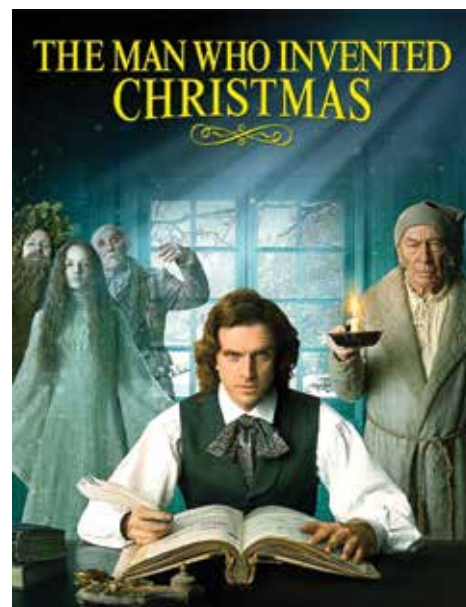
The club has screenings on the second and fourth Sundays of the month. We screen films you won't find at the big Cineplexes: documentaries, indie films, foreign films, and other little gems that don't get wide release.

Due to the Christmas holiday falling on our second screening date in December, there will only be one screening this month.

Our screening for the month, on Sunday, Dec. 11 at 6 pm, is the film *The Man Who Invented Christmas* (Ireland 2017, 1 hr. 44 min., English). Here is a brief description from IMDb.com: "In 1843, celebrated British novelist Charles Dickens is at a low point in his career with three flops behind him and family expenses piling up at home. Determined to recover, Dickens decides to write a Christmas story and self-publish it in less than two months. As Dickens labors

writing on such short notice, his estranged father and mother come to bunk with him. Still haunted by painful memories of his father ruining his childhood by his financial irresponsibility, Dickens develops a seemingly-unsolvable writer's block. Dickens must face his personal demons epitomized through his characters, especially in his imagined conversations with Ebenezer Scrooge. With a looming deadline, Dickens struggles for inspiration against his frustrations and his characters' opinions in a literary challenge creating a classic tale that would define the essential soul of modern Christmas."

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**

CLASSIC FILM GROUP

The Classic Film Group will be showing four-time Best Director winner John Ford's *Donovan's Reef*, a romantic Christmas movie, at The Lodge Theater on Dec. 27 and Jan. 3, 2023 at 6 pm.

Three World War II Navy veterans, Donovan (John Wayne), Doc Dedham (Jack Warden) and Gilhooley (Lee Marvin) converge on the French Polynesian island of Haleakaloha and team up to deceive Dedham's prim daughter (Elizabeth Allen), who has just learned of her father's existence and his inherited stock from the company of which she is chairman, and hopes to find cause to reclaim his shares.

In this ideal society on a picturesque South Sea island, people of several races and backgrounds live together in harmony. Donovan is a WWII hero who worked hard to own a shipping company.

"Guns" Donovan prefers carousing with his pals Doc Dedham and "Boats" Gilhooley until Dedham's high-society daughter Amelia shows up in their South Seas paradise.

The plot revolves around "Guns" Donovan and "Boats" Gilhooley trying to prevent snooty Bostonian Amelia Dedham from discovering that her estranged father, Dr. William Dedham, married a Polynesian woman and had three children by her. Of course, things go somewhat awry, especially when she and Donovan become romantically involved and he finds his true love. The heart of the film is a charming, touching, and funny Christmas pageant. The mere spectacle of Lee Marvin as the King of the United States of America, the baby Jesus, a wind-up gramophone, and Dorothy Lamour gravely singing *Silent Night* in a very leaky chapel is priceless, but the whole movie is a delight.

John Ford's *Donovan's Reef* (1963) is a bona fide Christmas movie if ever there was one — but with the unusual setting of a South Seas island (filmed in Kauai, Hawaii, with studio work at Paramount in



Hollywood). The truth is that while this is housed in a John Wayne vehicle in the John Ford barroom brawling mode, it is also a deeply felt statement on racial tolerance.

Happy holidays. ~ **Paul Plamondon**, 4seasonsmoviegroup@gmail.com

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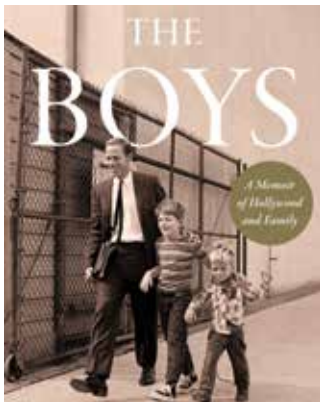
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BOOK CLUB

Our Book Club selection for Dec. 13 is *The Boys: A Memoir of Hollywood and Family* by Ron Howard and Clint Howard. Here is a brief description from Amazon.com: "What was it like to grow up on TV? Ron Howard has been asked this question throughout his adult life. In *The Boys*, he and his younger brother, Clint, examine their childhoods in detail for the first time. For Ron, playing Opie on *The Andy Griffith Show* and Richie Cunningham on *Happy Days* offered fame, joy, and opportunity — but also invited stress and bullying. For Clint, a fast start on such programs as *Gentle Ben* and *Star Trek* petered out in adolescence, with some tough consequences and lessons. With the perspective of time and success — Ron as a filmmaker, producer, and Hollywood A-lister, Clint as a busy character actor — the Howard brothers delve deep into an upbringing that seemed normal to them yet was anything but. Their Midwestern parents, Rance and Jean, moved to California to pursue their own showbiz dreams. But it was



their young sons who found steady employment as actors. Rance put aside his ego and ambition to become Ron and Clint's teacher, sage, and moral compass. Jean became their loving protector — sometimes over-protector — from the snares and traps of Hollywood. By turns confessional, nostalgic, heartwarming, and harrowing, *The Boys* is a dual narrative that lifts the lid on the Howard brothers' closely held lives. It's the journey of a tight four-person family unit that held fast in an unforgiving business and of two brothers who survived 'child-actor syndrome' to become fulfilled adults."

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

FISH CARVERS GROUP

This month we celebrate Christmas, Hannukah, and Kwanza by carving the official fish for the month of December: the trout. Please join us in The Lodge Arts & Crafts Room on the first Wednesday of the month and bring a bar of soap, piece of wood, or gourd and we'll provide the snorkels. As always, we will be serving shrimp cake and tuna-flavored coffee. If you have any questions, please call Gill Blue at (909) 797-3647. We look forward to seeing you there. ~ Gill Blue



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CARS & COFFEE

Our November gathering was a huge success. Over 25 cars and trucks showed up. The weather was a little chilly, but the sun was shining bright, and the hot coffee and donuts that were available hit the spot.

Newcomers Dave and Shirley Webster arrived in style with their 2003 robin-egg Blue convertible Thunderbird. This gorgeous car attracted a lot of attention.

The hot topic of conversation was the Veterans Car Show. I will have detailed information and pictures next month.

We meet the first Saturday of each month at 9 am at The Lodge parking lot. Our next meeting will be on Saturday, Dec. 3. Please come join us and enjoy some hot coffee and donuts, but most of all enjoy some great conversation with other car enthusiasts. For additional information, contact Frank Morales at (951) 203-4578 or fmoralesjrinc@aol.com or Rick Morales at (951) 255-4610 or onemth53@yahoo.com. Until next month, everyone have a Happy Thanksgiving! ~ **Frank Morales**



Dave and Shirley Webster's 2003 T-Bird





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TRAVEL GROUP

Hello Travel Group members! I hope you are all getting ready or are ready for the holidays. I have some good news and bad news. There will be no meeting in December or January. The good news is we will be having a Travel Expo in the Ballroom on Jan. 21 where several vendors will show us some of the wonderful trips they have available. Plus there will be a raffle and giveaways. Some of the vendors are going to do presentations so you won't want to miss this exciting event.

Tobias from ACT tours has several trips for this month. He has an exclusive for Four Seasons only to the Nixon Library and then onto

Downtown Disney for shopping and dinner. If that sounds like fun, then call Tobias at (619) 621-1714 and book now for Dec. 8. Let your friends and neighbors know that all of the trips we present are open to any resident. Members get notified first then after a short period, it is open to anyone who would like to go. As always, for more info, call Joni at (661) 390-5512 or email jonitruelsen@yahoo.com.

For membership info, email irenewelker55@gmail.com and in the subject line write "new member."

Life is short, so enjoy yourself and travel. ~ **Joni Truelsen**

ITALIAN AMERICAN CLUB

At our November meeting, members brought their favorite soups to share and enjoy with the company of the club members. The meeting was well attended by club members. If you could not attend, you were missed by all.

Our next meeting is Dec. 8 at 6 pm in The Courts Multipurpose Room. There will be a catered dinner for our club members and a gift exchange during the evening. For additional information on the dinner and gift exchange, please watch your emails from Barbara Dipoma for up-to-date details. Please plan on attending and sharing the holidays with your fellow club members and enjoy the meal and the fun gift exchange being planned by Barbara Dipoma and her

Steering Committee.

It is hard to believe that this year has flown by so quickly. Remember, you do not have to be Italian to join our group and come to our meetings. Club membership is open to all residents. We would love to have you visit with us.

To all our Italian American Club members and all residents of Four Seasons, please have a happy and safe holiday season. Enjoy the holiday decorations and lights on our clubhouses, gate areas, and roundabouts.

Finche non ci rivedremo (until we meet again). ~ **Barbara Dipoma, (805) 377-2616 and Jerry Monahan, (951) 212-8898**



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LET'S DANCE!

Winter Wonderland, the club-sponsored Holiday Dance, is Friday, Dec. 9. Doors will open at 4 pm. Dinner will be served at 5 pm. Dancing will be from 5:30 to 8:30 pm. We will be dancing to the music of The Marvels. The Ballroom will be decorated as a winter wonderland, so come and enjoy a visual treat. There will be a full dinner, live band, a photo corner to take some pictures, and of course lots of dancing! Tickets are ready to be purchased. Contact information is on the flyer at The Lodge and in the Activities Blast. So dust off those dancing shoes and come and join us!

In December, we have one class on Dec. 5. The class will be the waltz and a review of dances. What a great time to brush up on your dancing for the Winter Wonderland Holiday Dance.

We meet in The Lodge Ballroom every Monday evening with open practice and review from 6 to 6:30 pm. Beginner class is from 6:30 to 7:05 pm with intermediate class from 7:05 to 8:05 pm. The cost is only \$10 per person for professional instruction and you are welcome to stay for the entire class.

For more information, please contact Sue Condurachi at (951) 381-4049 or Brian Fusilier at (909) 215-2778. ~ **Lisa Johnson**



Our featured dancers this month are Jeff and Carol Cole

COUNTRY LINE DANCING



Our group had a wonderful early holiday party with good food and lots of dancing.

Some of us really need to learn to sit down occasionally and not dance until we are ready to drop. But when you love to dance, that is a hard decision to make when you love the song being played.

Elizabeth and Phillip Westbrook are going to be traveling some next year and are leaving as our advance class instructors. I want to

thank them for the years they have taught the class and the many new dances they brought to us. They will be greatly missed.

Be sure to read the January *Breeze* to see how we are revamping the classes.

I wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! ~ **Martha Franck, marthafanck@icloud.com, (714) 345-8588**

STEP IT UP LINE DANCING



December is here and so are the holidays. It's been a fun year after so long without dancing because of Covid and my knee surgery. I want to thank everyone in class for hanging with me through the painful year. It's amazing how good my knee is now, like I never had a problem. For those of you considering knee replacement surgery, I highly recommend it as it changed my life.

I've got a new basic beginner class starting Jan. 9, so if you want to learn to dance, plan on joining us at 1 pm on Monday. I also have a Wednesday night class at 6:30 pm, so we'll be starting fresh on

Jan. 11 that night. We have learned so many new dances and we're having a great time doing it. We've had many new people coming to class and, like I said last month, a good amount of men wanting to learn. Let's keep it up.

Our holiday dinner party is Jan. 20 and is sure to be as fun as the others. I wanted to wait until some of the madness is over in December to have our party. Everyone is welcome to attend and I will have the cost in the next *Breeze* article. We hope you can join us for this really fun night of dinner and lots of dancing. They don't call these Barn Burners for nothing!

For information, call me at (949) 326-3133. ~ **Janine Rohrbacker**

HEART & SOUL LINE DANCE

Do you enjoy dancing? Heart and Soul Line Dancing is in Da House! Why not join us Wednesday for an afternoon of fun? Dancing is a great way to burn calories while giving your heart, body, and soul a workout. You won't even feel like you're exercising.

Dance schedule: Beginner: 4 to 5:10 pm • Intermediate: 5:10 to 6 pm.

No partner necessary, just wear comfortable shoes (no flip-flops) and bring water. See you on the dance floor!

Any questions, call me at (909) 239-6464. See you on the dance floor! ~ **Priscilla Robles**



TASTE D'VINE

Happy holidays and cheers from the Taste d' Vine Wine Club. This is the time of year to celebrate, smile, create new memories, and joyfully remember old ones.

2022 has been an exciting year for the Taste d' Vine Wine Club. We welcomed new friends, tasted different varietals, gained knowledge about various wine regions and styles, and brought in different wineries from the area to broaden our knowledge. We are looking forward to a new year of tasting and celebrating that wonderful bottled poetry known as wine. Remember, "A bottle of wine contains more philosophy than all the books in the world." It is with this thought that Taste d' Vine Wine Club wishes you a joyous holiday season and a "Wine" derful New Year! For info on the Taste d' Vine Wine Club, please contact Gracy Luna at (951) 292-3624. ~ **Gracy Luna**

HAND BELL CHOIR

Adopt-A-Bell is going strong. Below are the names and notes of those who have already gotten involved.

Octave 4 (lowest bells): C - Wayne Staples, C#/Db - Donald & Mable Chia, D - Donald & Mable Chia, D#/Eb - Harold Hinkle, E - Mike Bugni, A - In Memory of Jane Kramer, A#/Bb - Dan Hazeltine & Jim Mercado. Still available: F, F#/Gb, G, G#/Ab, B

Octave 5: C (middle) - Marianne Bugni, C#/Db - John Horning, D - Dianne Wood, D#/Eb - Conni Hinkle, E - Niles Sundstrom, F - Cheryl Staples, F#/Gb - In Memory of Alyene Dennis, G - Donald & Mable Chia, G#/Ab - Donald & Mable Chia, A - Karen Belcher, A#/Bb

- Laurie Nailboff, B - Laurie Nailboff

Octave 6: Still available: C, C#/Db, D, D#/Eb, E, F, F#/Gb, G, G#/Ab, A, A#/Bb, B

Octave 7/8: C - Bertsey Seim, C (highest) - Lois White. Still available: C#/Db, D, D#/Eb, E, F, F#/Gb, G, G#/Ab, A, A#/Bb, B

For only \$50, you can have your name added to this list. Please contact Kathie Sundstrom at (303) 903-6850 or kathryn.buck@comcast.net.

Our Christmas concert will be Dec. 22. Watch the Daily Report for more details. ~ **Kathie Sundstro**

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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This month's photo is an example of a cell phone photo.

We wish you many photo opportunities in the happy holidays ahead.

If you would like more information, please contact Jacque at jacquesneddon@gmail.com.

~ *Jacque Sneddon*

PLATONIC PALS

We are back after a two-month hiatus and we are going down a different path. Do you know of someone who has recently moved in or, someone who has lost a spouse or a partner, someone who is sick or disabled and needs somebody to go pick up medicine or groceries for them, or someone who is alone and just needs a friendly phone call or a quick visit? Whatever the reason — if someone needs a pal or for more info on the pal program or to become a pal, call Joni at (661) 390-5512 or Candi at (562) 587-6591 and we send a pal to help. ~ *Joni Truelsen*

RAINBOW GROUP



The Four Seasons Rainbow Group continues in our mission to support the local residents who identify as LGBTQ+ and anyone else interested in our community. We usually meet on the fourth Thursday of the month in the Ballroom. We introduce new members, share stories or news that might be of interest to the membership, occasionally hold potlucks, and host themed movie nights. We will gladly entertain ideas from anyone.

If you haven't signed up for our email list or feel that you did but are not receiving email, please contact us at rainbowgroup@myyahoo.com. Lastly, if you haven't already joined our Four Seasons Beaumont Rainbow Facebook group, please do so. Both avenues will keep you updated on any late-breaking developments, events and details of our monthly activity. ~ *David Esquerre*

FOUR SEASONS SINGERS

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

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CRAFT GROUP

Don't miss out on these creative projects this month. Come join us. We meet on Thursdays at 10 am in The Lodge Arts & Crafts Room. For more information, contact me at christimason02@yahoo.com or (951) 486-1091. ~ **Christi Mason**

QUILTING ENTHUSIASTS

Nancy and Mike Lilly along with Mary and Bill Christelman recently took a trip to Tennessee, Missouri, and Kentucky.

We visited Branson and surrounding areas. We went to Fantastic Caverns in Springfield.

Since Nancy and Mary are avid quilters we traveled to Quilt Town USA which is in Hamilton, Missouri. Both sides of the Main Street are lined with quilt shops including Missouri Star Quilt shop which was on our bucket list. We also visited the National Quilt museum in Paducah, Kentucky.

We visited Franklin and Nashville,



Tennessee. We also crossed into four states and saw the Mississippi, Missouri, and Ohio rivers. We had a great time, fantastic weather,



and amazing scenery. ~ **Mary M. Moody-Cox**, (808) 430-7469, 4seasonsquilters@gmail.com

CERAMICS CLASS

Seasons Greetings! 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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KNIT & CROCHET GROUP

We meet Tuesday mornings from 10 until 11:30 am in the Arts & Crafts Room. We welcome all levels of knitters and crocheters to join us. We also welcome anyone interested in learning how to knit or crochet. Please email me if you have any questions. ~ **Marlene Doyle**, marlened3333@gmail.com



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JEWISH CULTURAL CLUB

The Jewish Cultural Club 2022 Hanukkah Party is Dec. 20 at 7 pm in The Lodge. Christmas Songs at The JCC? You heard that right. The JCC is hosting a holiday sing-along party featuring your favorite Christmas and Hanukkah songs (I bet you didn't know you had a favorite Hanukkah song). We will have a dessert reception with coffee and tea. As usual, BYOB.

The evening will feature the music and comedy of Perry Goldstein's Orange Jews, Orange County's premier Jewish rock music band. It will be an evening of great holiday music and comedy.

Tickets on sale now! Contact Nancy Justice at (951) 769-5804 for your ticket. Cost: \$5. Voice messages only. ~ **Perry Goldstein**

"BELIEVE..." WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

We want all *Breeze* readers to know how truly outstanding the women in this Bible study have shown themselves to be. Not only are they consistent attendees, but their wisdom and comments add immensely to each class study. If any of you amazing women out there would like to join this remarkable group of good women, please come by the Game Room any Friday at 10:30 am and join us for a great discussion and overall learning from each other.

We are presently studying the Book of Proverbs, compiled by King Solomon, and also contributed to by King Hezekiah. Since some of the proverbs are difficult to interpret or understand, the women have been challenged to "rephrase" the proverbs to better understand them today. Some of the "rephrases" have been enlightening and

beautiful, and some have been very clever, eliciting laughter. Thank you to all the ladies who so diligently study each lesson.

We will finish Proverbs sometime at the end of March 2023. We will be dark the day after Thanksgiving this year, as well as Dec. 23 and 30, due to holiday celebrations with our families. We will resume on Jan. 6, 2023, with a very amazing lesson time: the ladies will be volunteering to share some of the miracles they have experienced in their lives. It will be an exceptional experience for sure.

This Bible study is non-denominational, and any version of the Bible is accepted. Please consider joining this amazing group of beautiful women of God. ~ **Eileen Gilbert-Antoine, (951) 922-6829 or egcellent@msn.com**

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

When you deal with a loss, everything can seem overwhelming. There are things you can try to help soothe and calm your emotions. The ones I will mention in this article are just some that you might choose to try. This is part three of a three-part series.

Here are some other strategies for handling grief. If you used to participate in a hobby prior to your loss, now is the time to think about going back to it. If it doesn't feel like something you want to do, explore new hobbies. You could try line dancing, bird watching, or hiking clubs just to see if you enjoy any of them. If so, great. If not, try something else. Consider this a time to explore new interests and enjoy the benefit of being with others instead of being alone.

Over the past three months, you have been provided with some strategies for dealing with grief. Pick and choose what feels right for you. You should accept your emotions and let them pass, try old activities, or even some new ones. Join a bereavement group, seek out a faith-based group, and don't hesitate to contact your primary

care physician or insurance for outside psychological support if you feel you need it. There is no right or wrong way to grieve. There is no right or wrong emotion. Each person has to go through their own process for grieving for whatever amount of time it takes. You never get over the loss of your loved one, but, over time, you can get involved in things, redefine your life, and be happy in a new or different way.

The Bereavement Group meets on Mondays at 1 pm in RCN Room 3. If you have any questions feel free to call Becky KG at (951) 524-0215 or email at beckykg_1@yahoo.com. All contact is confidential.

The Bereavement Group is on a hiatus through December. We will be starting up again on Monday, Jan. 9, 2023. If you are interested in joining the group during the hiatus, please contact me by phone or email. I will call and remind you when the group is starting after the first of the year. I look forward to seeing you then. Happy holidays! ~ **Becky Kotzin-Gustafson**



MIXED MEDIA ARTS

This is the perspective of the artist of the month, M.J. Newcomer:

Vincent Van Gogh said, "If you have a voice within you say, 'you cannot paint,' then by all means paint, and that voice will be silenced." Helpful words for one who ventured into visual arts late in the game.

The painting shown here is my first painting using acrylics. The subject is the rock house my mother grew up in, and the house my grandmother raised 10 children in.

This house has been the subject of many photos and paintings, all of which keep the house in the center of the picture. In my painting, I wanted the prairie to take up the majority of the picture. Part of the fun of painting is making creative decisions.

I'm discovering all sorts of magic while painting. Creating a certain shade of blue, learning how to show dimension on a flat surface, feeling everything fall away from my thoughts except, "which brush now", "how much yellow", or "what kind of pressure is needed to make a



strand of grass".

We all have a capacity for creativity. Fortunately, we also have an art class here at Four Seasons where you will find support and encouragement from the instructor and all the artists there.

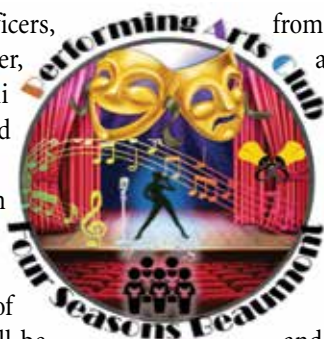
Classes are Mondays 10 am to 12 noon and/or Wednesdays 6 to 8 pm. There is a nominal \$5 fee per person, per session. If you have any questions, call Rob Kelman at (951) 992-9156. ~ **Rob Kelman**

PERFORMING ARTS CLUB

At our November meeting, we voted on new officers, Pat Wayne as Chairperson, Claudia Rozzi as Treasurer, Laurie Naliboff as Secretary, and Marianne Bugni as PAC Coordinator. We all enjoyed pizza, salad, and dessert, and were entertained by Tom Olson.

Our next meeting is Monday, Dec. 12 at 6 pm in the RCN Main Room. We may do some Christmas caroling with the Merry Minstrels. For celebration, bring your favorite holiday cookies or dessert. And, of course, your beverage too. PAC Merry Minstrels will be strolling the community (see below). If you are interested in having us sing at your house, there will be a sign-up sheet at The Lodge desk. Please note the article in the *Breeze*.

For any newcomers to Four Seasons, we support volunteers



from our community who love to perform through many avenues: singing, acting, tech, staging, producing, etc.

Our goal is to offer three to four live events on stage annually. These shows are all free to our residents. We are also working on possible one-night events as the schedule permits.

You also can enjoy the Four Seasons Bell Choir and their upcoming December concert.

Come to the next PAC meeting to share your ideas and input. Get on the mailing list if you are not already.

Any questions or you wish to be involved, contact Marianne Bugni, PAC Chairperson, at (920) 517-2739 or email lamarib77@gmail.com. Happy holidays! ~ **Marianne Bugni**

PAC supported Four Seasons Merry Minstrels

Hello neighbors! Did you know Four Seasons has a merry band of musical minstrel neighbors who want to entertain you this winter holiday season? We will be singing in The Lodge Lobby the first weekend of December at approximately 5:30 to 6 pm right before the scheduled shows in the Ballroom, Dec. 2, 3, and 4. In addition, we will be taking our talents to the streets throughout December to sing

carols and entertain our neighbors in the early evening hours at their front doors. If you are interested in having us stop at your house or stroll your neighborhood, please call The Lodge at (951) 769-6358 to put in your request for the Merry Minstrels to stop by your house before Santa does. Happy holidays. ~ **Marianne Bugni, (920) 517-2739**



We enjoyed Play With Your Food in Hemet



Members having fun at the San Bernardino Symphony

SEASONED SOLOS

Hello friends and neighbors! Last month for the Seasoned Solos was filled with movies, music, live performances and food.

The San Bernardino Symphony had a fantastic program of *Movies and the Maestro*. It is such a treat to hear a full orchestra perform your favorite songs from the great movies we have all seen. The Star Wars fans heard The Imperial March while they waived their light sabers. Thank you Phyllis Kates for purchasing our tickets and getting them to us well before the event!

In Hemet, the group had a wonderful time at another Play with Your Food Production, *Playing Doctor*, with a delicious meal served before the play. The play was a comedy and we enjoyed the day very much. Thank you Sandy Davis for planning our fun day!

We attended two live plays in Redlands – *Sound of Music* at the Lifehouse Theater and *Mousetrap* at the Footlighters Theater. Both were very good and we were really pleased with the great quality of both performances. Dinner followed both events with good food and great conversations.

Our birthday lunch was held at Thai Chili in Calimesa. This place has been a favorite place to eat for a long time and we were not

disappointed. Although Mel Zelden's birthday was a few months ago, we could not forget to celebrate the occasion.

There were a couple of movies at the local movie house and several attended the opening event in Redlands, Art for Heaven's Sake, at 6 pm. There were many different forms of art and the yearly venue is always a good time.

When the Seasoned Solos get together, we always have a great time. The variety of events and restaurants we attend are always fun. Our social schedules get entered in our calendars and we look forward to seeing our friends and spending time together. If you are single and would like to join us, then come to our monthly meetings in The Lodge Arts & Crafts Room at 6 pm. Our next meeting is Friday, Dec. 2 and we will be finalizing details for our holiday party. We welcome those interested to stop by our meeting and we will welcome you with lots of smiles!

Please contact Joyce Olson at (951) 850-3055 or Nyla Cheely at (951) 285-7112 if you have any questions. Have a fun day! ~ **Nyla Cheely**

CROWN DIVAS RED HATS

What a day to remember! At our October event, the Crown Divas were joined by another group named "Witches."

This event was a special one... it was a fundraiser for breast cancer. The generous donation was much appreciated by the San Geronio Memorial Hospital. Imagine 64 ladies dressed as witches. Each guest showed their inventive and fun side. Everywhere you looked, you saw different witch hats, some with veils, plumes, flowers, scarves, feathers, or ornaments.

They wore large black or purple capes with hoods, lace or floral designs. You saw feathery boas and shimmering jewelry throughout the room. Raffle tickets were purchased and the prizes were large baskets filled with enjoyable items. We enjoyed a delicious lunch provided by Stacy Kopper Kettle catering. The camaraderie and energy in the room was felt by all the "witches" and we can't wait for our next event. ~ **Irma Romero (Sugar Mama)**
Irmabsromero@gmail.com



TAILS & TRAILS - ALL PETS

The holidays are filled with joy, laughter, and time spent with family and friends. In the bustle of the season, it's easy to forget these festivities aren't always pet friendly. Here are some holiday items you should keep out of reach of your pets. Be as conscientious when you are around friends' and families' pets.

When you are a guest, use special tags on gifts that aren't pet friendly and ask your host to place them out of reach of curious cats and dogs. Holiday pet treats or gifts should not include any ribbons, bows, or anything that might harm a pet. They can cause serious harm if pets ingest them. After gifts are opened, take the ribbons and strings away. They can pose a choking hazard.

Household decor with moving or hanging pieces or electrical components can also pose a threat.

During the holidays, you may have plants in the house that are poisonous to pets. Some lilies are toxic to cats. Azaleas, holly, mistletoe, and poinsettias are also poisonous.

Holiday meals contain some favorite, seasonal ingredients, and though they are fine for humans, many are harmful to pets. You



already know to avoid chocolate, but you'll also want to watch for grapes, raisins, chopped onions, and garlic as these can be toxic for our pets. Xylitol is another ingredient to keep from pets. This sugar alternative is found in cake and cookie mixes, yogurt, and peanut butter. It is also found in chewing gum.

Your pet's curiosity of visitors may lead them to root through purses or coats. This can seem harmless, but your dog or cat might find medications, chewing gum, or other harmful items. Ibuprofen can cause severe adverse effects to our pets and decongestants can also pose a threat. Place your guests' belongings in a closet or closed-off room.

By following these holiday safety tips, you can avoid seasonal risks to your pet and enjoy a fun-filled, safe holiday. It's always wise to prepare for any scenario. Keep your veterinarian's number in your phone and ask about their emergency procedures during the holidays. Program the number for the Animal Poison Control Center to your phone: (888) 426-4435. They're available 24/7, including holidays. ~ **Vivian Walker** vivr@sbcglobal.net

ALL SEASONS RV

No official club outings are scheduled until February 2023.

Some club members made plans to spend time at the Colorado River in October, while others are traveling to Quartzsite, Arizona, in January, 2023.

Many fun and interesting club outings have been planned for next year, and reservations for those interested in attending should be under way at this point.

New members are always welcome and encouraged to attend the monthly meetings at The Lodge on the fourth Thursday of each month starting at 6:30 pm.

Highlight Campout: The Bennett's and the Yanes' spent nine nights at Huntington Beach RV Park, which in the past was an annual trip for the club during the month of October. As expected, the weather was perfect for the entire duration and made it so enjoyable to be outdoors.

Overall the crowd was much lighter and quieter at the RV Park and in town this year, probably because children are back in school again post pandemic.

Miles were walked, shops were visited, sites were seen, towns were explored, and great meals were cooked and enjoyed outdoors.

Beautiful scenery in all directions was

there for the viewing, and watching the sunrises and sunsets over the ocean never disappoints. ~ **Steve Bennett**, 4stevesjunk@gmail.com



Sunset from the RV Park



Group enjoying a walk on the pier



Bobbi and Jill made a new friend while shopping in Seal Beach



Claudia Rozzi and Bonnie Brown

LADIES PUTTERS

Come and experience putting at The Courts on Mondays at 4 pm and Fridays at 9 am. If you would like to try us out, we have putters and balls. We enjoy each other's company while putting for about 45 minutes. Hope to see you there. ~
Susan Wilson, sw072153@aol.com

FISHING CLUB

People ask me why I fish. I started fishing about 60 years ago. My father was the first person to take me fishing. One of the most enjoyable times I had in my life was when I was with my dad fishing. Dad has long since passed, but my memory of fishing with him will never die.

The next person I fished with was my brother. He took me fishing in Mexico and I have never caught so many fish in my life. My brother is no longer with us but he taught me to love fishing.

The next people I fished with were all my friends who love to fish. I am still fishing with people who tolerate me.

Tight lines to all my fishing friends and buddies and remember the best present you can give for Christmas is to take someone fishing. ~
Richard Carrasco, ricarrasco52@gmail.com

BOCCE CLUB

Winter is upon us and we head into the cooler months. Hopefully, we'll continue to get good turnouts despite the weather. I would like to thank everyone who attended our annual BBQ/Potluck this October. It was fun getting together for some fun and games — socializing and having a good time with some great food.

Bocce Ball plays at The Summit on two courts overlooking the surrounding valley. We are in the winter schedule which is Tuesdays and Fridays at 9 am. We have a great group of players who I look forward to playing with each week. All are welcome to join us and have some fun.

If you are interested in learning the game, please come on out to The Summit. Any questions, contact me at hanknegrete16@yahoo.com or (909) 747-7087. ~ **Hank Negrete**

HORSESHOE CLUB

My wife just told me it is December... SAY WHAT?!? I swear the older Emile and I get, the faster time flies by. December is a busy time for our club. We have to work on our fourth quarter tournaments and then our BIG social event of the year — a potluck dinner for all at my house along with a gift exchange, games, and speeches. Wait! We may not need that last one. However it goes, we'll all have a great time. I'm writing this in November and that means I have to get real busy putting up lights and Christmas decorations inside and out. You're probably thinking, well, they're nothing but a social club

and I just want to play horseshoes. Well, let me tell you we do that, we meet (and play) every Wednesday at the beautiful Summit and have quarterly tournaments with both singles and doubles action. That's plenty for me. So, we've had a great year and our club would like to wish one and all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Our contacts are Ron Erickson at (951) 846-3288, rejlerickson@sbcglobal.net or Gary Christi (951) 845-0520, goldtoy@earthlink.net.
~ **Ron Erickson**

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Thanks to our tournament organizer... Kelly Vucinic you are our wonder woman!



Our male and female medal winners. Congratulations!



Pickleball players ready to start our tournament

PICKLEBALL

Fall has hit the pickleballers with delightfully warm breezes and welcoming coolness. Our membership continues to grow and new friendships are being made. We have been busy playing for fun and some of our players are playing in tournaments all over the area. Hemet held its Oldlympics and many of our players won medals — not just in pickleball, but other events as well. On Oct. 15, we held our first fall tournament. Our tournament organizer, Miss Kelly Vucinic, did an outstanding job in creating the various women's and men's doubles teams. We played according to skill level to make it more

fun and challenging for all. This was an in-house tournament that culminated in a delicious breakfast burrito for all involved.

On Nov. 19, we conducted a 55+ tournament for our friends in surrounding communities. It was a nice day to meet other players in our community. Medals and gifts were given to winners and all players.

Join us! We play every day starting at 7 am. Beginner class 9:30 am on Saturdays: Introduction to Pickleball. Don't miss out.

Remember to keep pickling. ~ **Marty Key**, keeksmail@yahoo.com

PADDLE TENNIS

Not only kids can have play dates. Several of our paddle tennis folks had a play date with the Sun Lakes paddle group in October. The folks at Sun Lakes hosted our play date and they were great. It was a lot of fun and great socialization with others who love this sport as much as we do here. Our teams played against theirs and then we mixed up the players for additional challenging play. We hope to continue the friendship with more play dates between the two communities.

Our play times change a bit with the changing weather. Colder weather has us playing at 2 pm (M/W/F/S/Sun) and if it's not so cold, we play at 6 pm. Some play on Saturday mornings (first three Saturdays of the month) at 8 am. One can always get a group together and play any day or time within Lodge hours. Please contact us should you want to learn this sport. We have extra paddles and balls. ~ **Lizzie Carbajal Gallegos**, lpaez111555@gmail.com





3rd Place - Randy Haemmerle & Mike Olson



4th Place - Larry Zimmerman & Lou Stokes



Howard Levine in action

TENNIS CLUB

As mentioned in last month's article, in order to avoid possible jail time and a hefty fine (ha ha, just kidding!), I had no choice but to reluctantly follow the very strict three-photo rule and only put three in the article from our tennis tournament on Oct. 1. So as not to disappoint, here are a few more for your viewing pleasure.

In case your memory is a bit hazy from last month's article, coming in third place in the tournament was Team Randy Haemmerle/Mike Olson, and in fourth place was Team Lou Stokes/Larry Zimmerman. Both these teams battled hard but came up just a smidge short to grab the gold and silver. Nonetheless, congratulations to both teams for a job well done!

On a side note, we dared Larry to look a bit cozy in the picture with his partner Lou, and he took the challenge like a man. I think Larry has been in the dog house with his lovely bride Natalie ever since he won the challenge. My garage can fit your sleeping bag, if needed, Larry. Ha ha, not really. Just pulling your leg!

All kidding aside, another tennis club member who deserves a lot

more recognition than he has received is Howard Levine. In addition to being an avid tennis player, Howard is also very artistically talented. As long as I can remember, he has always voluntarily and generously donated his time and material to make medals and winning prizes for our tournaments. These medals and prizes are always beautiful and tastefully done. Thanks again, Howard, for all your contributions to our club over the years!

So, tennis fans, if you want to get your hands on one of these beautiful medals or trophies to set on your mantle and earn your bragging right, watch for and sign up for the next upcoming tournament. These medals/trophies aren't going to mysteriously appear in your living room if you just sit on the sideline. You have to fight for them! Comprene?

See you all at The Courts!

Website: <https://sites.google.com/view/tennis-fourseasons/home>.

~ Stan Lam, (714) 757-2141, slamcpa@gmail.com

WATER VOLLEYBALL CLUB



Oct. 31 closed out a successful summer session filled with much fun and laughter. Our first summer pool party was a great success, and we enjoyed several other pot-luck events during the summer. We had many members who collaborated on ways to put together side lines and end lines. Thanks everyone — great job.

We've now ushered in our winter session in the indoor pool at The Summit. Play time remains 11 am to 1 pm, but the days we play have changed. While indoors, we will play on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday. All ages, heights, and skill levels are welcome to join us. The depth of the water is a bit shallower at The Summit, and the ball we use indoors is a bit softer than the one used outside.

Our winter Christmas Gala Holiday Party sponsored by Power Pros Pest Control is

scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 11 in the RCN Main Room.

Due to the growth of our club, we have designed a set of rules and guidelines, which will enable players of all skill levels to continue to enjoy the pool volleyball experience. In addition, we will begin to collect annual dues, which will enable the club to host a variety of special events throughout the year.

Don't be shy, come on out and give pool volleyball a try! We are having a ton of fun. ~ Mel Harkin, odeegos@yahoo.com



*Pictured here are some of the students
Jim coaches: (L-R) Dennis Lam, Pat
Walton, Macy Chen, Augie Ramirez,
and Coach Jim Wong. (Back row)
Perry White, an advanced player, who
likes to photo bomb pictures*



TABLE TENNIS

Perhaps, while walking through The Courts, you have looked into the Multipurpose Room and thought, “I would love to play ping pong. It looks so fun. But I could never play at the level those people are playing at. Guess I am just out of luck.” That’s what Macy, Dennis, Augie, and Pat used to think until they met Jim Wong, our resident ping pong coach. Twice a week they show up in the Multipurpose Room to learn the game and now they are respectable ping pong players.

We are fortunate to have a highly-skilled player like Jim here at Four Seasons. Meet Coach Jim in this brief interview:

Q: When did you start coaching ping pong here at Four Seasons?

A: April of 2022.

Q: Why did you start the program?

A: I like to see people enjoy ping pong. Anyone can play ping pong by just hitting the ball back and forth on the table with a partner. However, to really play well and improve, you need to have the basic skills like holding the paddle properly (handshake vs pen hold style); having the right stance; knowing the right way to contact the ball (brush NOT hit); etc. Lack of these basic skills can hinder improvement and enjoyment. So I want to share these basic skills with people desiring to enjoy ping pong and to help them improve their game.

Q: When and how often do you coach?

A: I coach on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 2 pm.

Q: What level of players do you coach?

A: Beginners and intermediate players.

Q: What do you find rewarding in your role here as a ping pong coach?


A: I love to see players learn and apply the basic skills to become better players.

Q: If anyone wants to start ping pong as a beginner or improve their existing ping pong skills, how can they get access to your coaching?

A: Just come to The Courts on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1 pm.




So if you are a beginner and want to play like a pro, just come to The Courts and our own “Wizard of Westwood” will put a paddle in your hand and introduce you to one of the funnest and healthiest games you could ever play. What Coach Jim has done for others, he can do for you.

For more information about ping pong, contact Niles Sundstrom at (818) 826-1380. ~ **Niles Sundstrom**



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WILD BUNCH BILLIARDS

The Wild Bunch Billiards Group would like to wish everyone a joyous holiday season!

The Wild Bunch consists of some of the best players in the league: Joe Spinella, Bob Rector, Mike Corbett, Paul Snyder, Mike Fisher, Scott Frymire, Dave Martin, Verina Rector, Kim Samuels, and Gracy Luna.

If you want to play serious, competitive pool, we invite you to come by the Billiards Room Fridays from 12:30 to 3:30 pm 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) 292-3624

CURLY CUES BILLIARDS

Well, the holidays are upon us; it seems like only yesterday when we were enjoying the summer weather. I enjoy all our beautiful four seasons but it seems the temperatures really climbed this summer.

Beginning the first of the new year, Barbara Morton will be taking over the leadership for our Curly Cues group. We will continue to play and help out as needed. We really enjoy our Monday mornings with the girls. Barbara has been in the group since we started and is

a great player. She also plays in Billiards for Fun and has placed first and second in past tournaments.

Come down and give us a try — Mondays from 10 am to 12 pm.

Merry Christmas! Happy Holidays!

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

8-BALL CLUB

We practice Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays 6:30 to 9 pm. We have a club meeting on the first Wednesday of the month, an 8-Ball tournament on the second Wednesday of the month, and a 9-Ball tournament on the fourth Wednesday of the month.

We are back on schedule to be playing two additional 8-Ball tournaments each month with Solera Oak Valley, one there, second Monday of the month and one here on fourth Monday of the month.

The results are in for the month of July as we played two tournaments with Solera. Congratulations to Solera as they came away with the wins again. Their address is 1615 Fairway Drive in Beaumont.

The August in-house 8-Ball tournament had 14 players compete. The final match came down to Leo Babin and Jim Kelley. Jim Kelley went undefeated to meet up with Leo for the second time in the night. Jim continued his winning streak and came away the winner. Congratulations to Jim Kelley this month's 8-ball champion and Leo Babin runner-up.

The August in-house 9-Ball tournament had 11 players compete. Larry Rice went undefeated to win the tournament. For the second time this month Leo Babin was in the final match for the championship. Leo Babin is getting to be a regular in making it to the final. Congratulations to Larry Rice 9-Ball tournament champion and Leo Babin runner-up.

If 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. Hope to see you try us out.

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



Our runner up in both the 8 and 9 ball tournaments, Leo Babin, makes a shot using the crutch with our team captain, Del Lyles, looking on



Leo Babin, 8-Ball Runner Up and Jim Kelley, 8-Ball Champion

TOPS

More than 120 men and women gathered at Banning Estates last month for a big TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) rally. The theme was camping, and tables were decorated with clever TOPS centerpieces.

Our campfire leader, Jan High, would yell "CAMP!" and the crowd would chant, "Ya Gotta Wanna" which implied that each member needed a strong desire to live a healthier lifestyle.

Chapters from Southern California attended with the Four Seasons Chapter 2497 represented by Harry and Andi Henderson and Brenda Braszeal. Brenda created a clever pumpkin centerpiece filled with fresh flowers and Harry and Andi sang a six-verse song about our feelings on weighing-in day, *The Scale Song* sung to the tune of the Battle Hymn of the Republic.

The full-day workshop included speakers, games, and motivational sayings such as... "Don't look for comfort in a weight plan. It's okay to suffer a little to achieve your goal," and "I may not win immediately, but I will win eventually."

This month's "Thinner Winner" was Charles Caldera with Sue Hilberg in second place. They lost the most weight. This happens with exercise, mindful eating, motivation, portion control, new recipes, and meeting attendance. Keep doing what you are doing. It works!

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



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SHUFFLEBOARD

Happy holidays to everyone and it is hard to believe that this is the last month of 2022. Hopefully everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving and is looking forward to the upcoming December holidays.

We continue to play shuffleboard on Monday and Saturday mornings at 9 am at the four wonderful new courts, located in a quiet setting near The Lodge, behind the swimming pool and next to the paddle tennis courts. All of these end of the year holidays include much eating, so joining in an easy activity that provides a little exercise and fresh air, could be just what we all need.

Shuffleboard is an easy game to learn and one can become proficient at playing this game fairly quickly. Our games usually last about an hour or a little more. We choose different teams each time that we play, which allows us to keep competition challenging and the games interesting. We play for fun, but, of course, everyone likes to win. We have a great group of residents, who play regularly and we are always happy to have a



new player join our "shuffleboard family." So after your morning coffee and/or breakfast, come out and join us. Again, get some fresh air, a little exercise and some socializing with other like minded residents, by joining us on Monday and Saturday mornings at 9 am. We are especially excited to welcome new

players, or encourage some of our former players to return.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (310) 948-1693 or email me at mrtmj@aol.com. I am looking forward to seeing you at the shuffleboard courts! ~ **Marty Rotman**



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MOTORCYCLE CLUB

The Fours Seasons Motorcycle Club (MC) is always looking for new members!

We ride every Thursday, weather permitting. So if you think joining the MC might be for you, consider joining us on one of our upcoming Thursday rides. We meet up in The Lodge parking lot and depart promptly at 9 am. Our Thursday rides can be as short as 100 miles and sometimes as long as 250 miles (round trip). It just depends on how adventuresome we feel on any given Thursday. Sometimes we just feel like going on a short ride, perhaps to Temecula or up to Angelus Oaks for breakfast. Other times we opt for longer rides like making the loop around the Salton Sea or maybe riding over the Ortega Highway and riding down the coast. The desert is always an option. Regardless of our destination, we are always back home well before dusk.

It's getting to be that time of year when rain starts to interfere

with our weekly rides. If you are not familiar with the Four Seasons MC, just know that we try to avoid riding when road conditions are potentially too hazardous. In other words, if it's wet out there, we will generally cancel a Thursday ride. Extreme cold weather can interfere with our riding if there is a possibility of road ice, otherwise we just layer up and hit the road.

As for your type of ride, we aren't picky. Full touring rigs, cruisers, trikes, adventure bikes and sport bikes are all welcome. As for our riding style, safety is a priority. We ride in a staggered formation, and we do not lane split. In other words, we are all about friendship and safe and sane riding with fellow motorcycle enthusiasts.

If you would like to learn more about the MC, you can call Terry Humble, Pres (909-706-2298) or Jim Ayala VP (951-392-6259) or Joe Bert, Sec (909-767-1484). ~ **Jim Ayala**



Taking a much needed break on the Arizona White Mountain ride



Terry Humble and Jim Ayala entering the Arizona Casa Grande Ruins

E-BIKE CLUB

The e-Bike Club will not be meeting in December. As a new club, we aren't quite ready to host an exciting holiday event. But there is always next year.

Just a little information about what is an e-bike. Legally there are three classes I, II and III (of course).

Class 1 e-bikes require pedaling for you to move forward. The electrical system can only be activated through the act of pedaling. In the U.S., the allowed maximum speed is 20 mph. No driver's license is required and there is no age limit.

Class 2 e-bikes are operated by a throttle. They are equipped with a throttle element which can be a grip twist, lever, or button. When the throttle is engaged the motor kicks to power the e-bike. These e-bikes are also subject to a maximum speed of 20 mph. No driver's license is required and there is no age limit. Most e-bikes in the U.S. have both pedal assist and a throttle, they are still classified as Class 2 e-bikes.

Class 3 e-bikes require pedaling and may not have a throttle unless



the throttle does not engage until the pedal assist is engaged at the same time. The maximum speed is 28 mph. In most of Europe these are classified as motor vehicles and a driver's license is required to operate one.

California e-bike laws do not require a license to operate any class of e-bikes. Persons under 16 are required to wear a helmet and all passengers under 16 must also wear a helmet.

All e-bike riders are subject to the same rules and regulations that apply to riders of traditional bicycles.

E-bikes may have two or three wheels and must have fully functioning pedals. There are e-bike tricycles that will accommodate people who may not feel stable on a two-wheel e-bike.

What now? Please email your contact information to Steve Cooley at cooleyaudit@gmail.com. Please include what if any support you can provide the club including willingness to serve as an officer and/or ride planning and coordination. ~ **Steve Cooley, cooleyaudit@gmail.com**

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 to play Pan, 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, that is played with up to eight people at a table. It is played by both men and women, so all are welcome. The game is played during the day or in the evening in The Lodge or in a private home. If you are interested, please contact Linda Mendelson at (951) 941-9100 or at email Goldtoy@earthlink.net, and I will answer any questions you may have. As with all card games, it is played with both skill and luck. ~ **Linda Mendelson**

PHASE 10

We hope to see more fun-loving card players join us in The Lodge Game Room on the second and fourth Tuesdays, Dec. 13 and 27 from 2 to 4 pm. The fourth Tuesday is after Christmas so play and relax after all the hectic holidays.

There have been the usual faithfuls, but we would love to see more join us to play this fun game. Snacks are provided.

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.

Thanks for your support. If you have any questions, please contact me at (920) 517-2739 or email lamarib77@gmail.com. ~ **Marianne Bugni**

DOMINOES

The winner of the month is Jesse Dimmer. Jesse has won many times. He is always present and on time. Congratulations Jesse. Reggie was close behind Jesse. Keep playing hard Reggie. We are looking for new players, because some of our players have moved to other states. Come out and join us. We play every Wednesday and Friday in the Game Room from 6 to 9 pm. For more information, contact Reggie at (951) 743-3584 or Jesse at (951) 769-2035. ~ **Wondell Collins**

RUMMIKUB

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

We play in the Game Room at The Lodge on Mondays from 2 to 4 pm. We welcome 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**

HEARTS

All are welcome. The game is played with a deck of 52 cards, no jokers. We play three, four, or five at a table. No scheduling necessary. We play on Tuesdays at 6 pm in The Lodge Game Room. 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 for approximately two hours. Lowest points win. If you have any questions or would like to become the contact person for Hearts, please contact The Lodge front desk.

MAH JONGG

Hello all! We are now playing Mah Jongg in the RCN every Friday morning from 10 am to noon. I 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, contact Terry Hall at Terryhall005@gmail.com. ~ **Terry Hall**

PINOCHLE FOR FUN

Whether you are a new or an experienced player, we will help you enjoy the game. We meet in the RCN room #1 every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9 am to noon. 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**

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Join us for an afternoon of friendship and fun while playing a game of Hand and Foot Canasta. We meet on 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 to visit with existing 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, pamelamorales26@gmail.com*

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 a progressive, new wild card, from 3 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.

We meet the first and third Tuesday of each month at 2 pm in The Lodge Game Room. Everyone is welcome to join us. If you have questions or want to be put on the group email list, contact Simone at simone@bissada.net. ~ *Simone Bissada*



UPTOWN DIVAS BID WHIST

Uptown Divas Bid Whist Group meets on the first and third Fridays of every month from 2 to 4 pm in The Lodge Game Room. ~ *Deborah Garner, kenyakiki@aol.com*

DUPLICATE BRIDGE GROUP

In 2022, we will have a session of Duplicate Bridge on the second Saturday of each month, provided there is sufficient interest. Please contact me at kafreyer@frontier.com if you are not on our mailing list. ~ *Kirk Freyermuth*

BRIDGE FOR FUN

If you are thinking of new activities and have a basic knowledge of how to play the game of bridge, come join us on Wednesdays from 12 until 3:30 pm in The Lodge Game Room. We are a fun and easy-going group; come play with us. For more information, contact Verona Rector at (951) 769-1687. ~ *Lois L. Butler*

BUNCO

Come on out and play Bunco with us every second and fourth Friday at 1 pm in the The Lodge Game Room. Everyone is welcome! For info, please contact Cheryl Diego at kinderbear@msn.com or Linda Supernaw at supernaw4@sbcglobal.net. ~ *Cheryl Diego*

CO-ED BID WHIST

Hey everyone! Frank Turner is my name and playing Bid Whist is my game. I am looking forward to having more players come and join us! The Co-Ed Bid Whist group meets on Tuesdays from 6 to 8:30 pm in the RCN, Activity Room 3. We offer a satisfying game environment filled with skill, good cheer, good-natured 'trash talking,' and some great music. Again, I invite more players to come and check us out. 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 info, call Frank Turner (562) 922-9737. ~ *Frank Turner*



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GET THE JOKE – WIN BISTRO BUCKS!

“Get the Joke” is a simple contest... somewhere in this issue is a “joke” ad, article or other notice. You’ll know it when you see it — it will be silly, over-the-top ridiculous, or just plain goofy — and hopefully it will bring a smile to your face. When you find it, email your response to fourseasonsnews@yahoo.com. Or you can cut out and complete the box below and take it to The Lodge front desk. One correct entry will be chosen at random to win a \$20 gift card to the Bistro. Please get your entry in no later than the eighth of the month. Thanks!

LAST MONTH'S JOKE

YOUR COMMENTS

*Love the Breeze, thank you! You all do a great job.
Linda K.*

*Sounds good but I love my Four Seasons community
so I'll have to pass. Karen M.*

*I will go if you promise the gigantic green Martians
won't eat me. Mary B.*

*Some days I wish on was on Mars. Anita J.
May not be so far in the future. Linda P.*

*Is there a Four Seasons on Mars? Harriet H.
Does it have bocce, shuffleboard, and pickleball?
Shelley M.*



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HARD

Farewell to Four Seasons Friends

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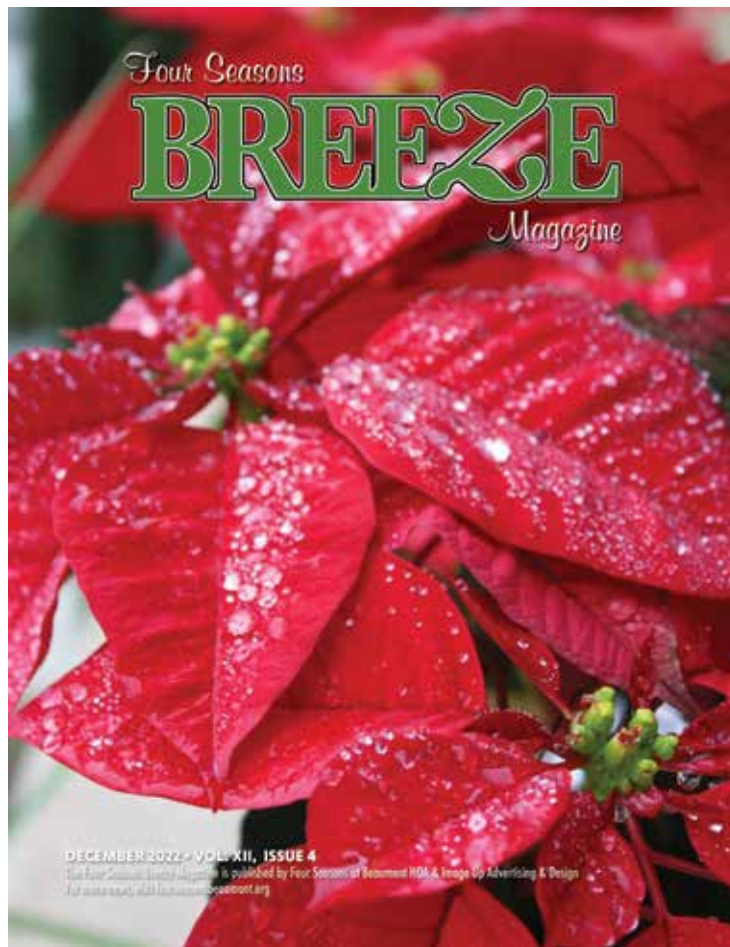
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